# The Chilliwack Branch of the UELAC

### is putting forward the Name of

#### **ALAN REID UE**

# for the 2018 Phillip E.M. Leith Memorial Award

We are nominating Alan Reid UE because he has been a long time, amazing, faithful, willing helper and a superb Flag Bearer of the Chilliwack Branch of the UELAC. His Loyalty to our Association is outstanding.

When our Branch is holding events, usually at Carman United Church in Chilliwack, Alan arrives early to set up the tables and chairs. Thank Heavens for his ability to pack heavy items and place them in the Church Hall. And then, if need be, to return them to the storage area. Unloading items from member's vehicles, setting up lecterns and placing display materials, etc, etc. - whatever is required of him, he does it most willingly. How we could ever manage without him would be unthinkable. He is a God-send to our Branch.

As our Branch Flag Bearer, Alan gathers up the flags and flag poles from the storage area and prepares them for their places. Of course, the procedure has to be reversed at the end of the meeting.

Alan proudly brings in the First Union Flag as we officially begin our event. He places the flag and sings with the attendees the "Royal Anthem". Following the singing of "O Canada" at the finale of our event, Alan retires the Loyalist Flag with the same aplomb.

## ALAN is ALWAYS in his Period Attire!!

Alan has some challenges in his life but that does not deter him from being a great asset not only as a faithful and proud member of our Branch, but also in his place of work. He works weekly for Save-One Foods and has been an employee with this job for 27 years since 1991. In all that time, Alan has Only Missed ONE Day of work – and that was in his first decade! Now movinginto his third decade, he continues this incredible work ethic!

On October 6, 2016, with employee friends and his family in attendance, a dinner was held to honour Alan. He was Officially Honoured and Awarded by Save-On Foods for his amazing dedication length of time at his job. Alan is known as a great ambassador for Save-On Foods. Shoppers know him as a friendly, accommodating, helpful person. A kind of "ICON". Truly, something that others could emulate.

Alan Reid UE is so proud of his Loyalist Ancestry! He obtained his status in 1999 for James Brown and in 2000 for Jeremiah Lapp; James Brown on his Mother's side (Marian Reid) and Jeremiah Lapp on his Father's side (Irving Reid). Both Marian and Irving are dedicated members of our Chilliwack Branch and both serve on the Leadership Team (Executive). Just three days following our February 5, 2018 meeting, Irving passed away suddenly. We will all miss him enormously!

Alan will now be driving his Mother to meetings.

Alan cherishes the opportunity to be an integral part of our Chilliwack Branch. He has learned from his parents, no doubt, the importance of faithfulness, commitment and loyalty. He certainly lives his life by these attributes.

How Blessed we are to have Alan Reid UE in our midst some 18 Years!

Alan is truly worthy of recognition.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the Chilliwack Branch of the UELAC.

**Shirley Dargatz UE** 

(Past President)

