

Christine Manzer UE UELAC Vancouver Branch 2022 Phillip EM Leith Memorial Volunteer Award

Christine Manzer UE joined the Vancouver Branch of the UELAC in 2012 after attending our Loyalist Day Picnic in Queen's Park as a guest.

Christine has served as Vancouver Branch Secretary, Vice-President, President, and Past President.

When we were looking for a new home for our branch library, Christine was instrumental in inventorying our collection and preparing a proposal to the British Columbia Genealogical Society to incorporate our branch library into their Society Library located in Surrey, B.C. The Society accepted our collection of over 600 books. Christine was right there with other Vancouver Branch and BCGS

volunteers to help with the move in 2016.

Christine's time as President was particularly challenging, as it coincided with the onset of the Covid-19 virus, and we all had to learn to do things differently. Christine learned to set up and host Zoom meetings and was able to keep members in touch, active and interested in the organization throughout the Covid crisis.

As Past President, Christine revived the Vancouver Branch Newsletter. On the national level, Christine was elected to the position of Pacific Regional Councillor in 2021. She has served on the UELAC Scholarship Committee, becoming its chair in January 2022, and on the UELAC Archives Committee.

With everything she does, Christine is well-organized, efficient, considerate of others and makes volunteering fun for those who work with her in the UELAC.

Sincerely,

Diane Faris UE 2023 UELAC Conference Co-Chair



Vancouver Branch of the United Empire Loyalists Association of Canada

Dear Carl and Phillip Leith Memorial Award Committee,

I take great pleasure in supporting the nomination of Vancouver Branch member Christine Manzer UE.

Christine is the glue that holds the Vancouver Branch together. No matter the task, Christine simply smiles and goes to work. Never an unkind word or complaint... She has a great imagination and is very artistic, so Christine often creates special projects that add a personal touch to the Vancouver Branch.

Christine has worn many hats during her time with the Vancouver Branch. Secretary, Vice President, President, and Past President... Few could fill each position with the competence and leadership that Christine did.

When the contents of the Vancouver Branch library were moved to the BC Genealogical Society Library, Christine documented the Loyalist Collection.

Christine now serves as a UELAC Councillor for the Pacific Region.

What is so special about Christine is not only the many positions that she has held within the Vancouver Branch and the association, but the leadership that she has shown in each of these positions. She tackles each job professionally and with great energy.

Words that describe Christine... Dependable, solid, kind, smiling, incredible work ethic, has everyone's back, leadership, the glue that holds the Vancouver Branch together - and most of all, a perfect candidate for the Phillip EM Leith Memorial Award.

Sincerely,

Linda Nygard UE, Vancouver Branch Genealogist