

Dear Members,

## Branch 2014 Project

### An opportunity to see your family history in print

*Dr. Peter Moogk UE*

The 2014 Branch Project aims to produce a 200 page book, discussing the role which descendants of Loyalists played in the growth and development of British Columbia from the time of its early explorers and into the Twentieth century.

You can assist with this project by telling Peter what motivated your Loyalist descended ancestor(s) to make British Columbia their home and when they arrived in B.C.

*Contributions should be between 5 and 8 double-spaced type-written pages and can begin with a brief identification of the Loyalist ancestor, followed by a summary of the generations leading up to the migration to British Columbia.*

#### SEND YOUR STORIES TO:

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Above is an overview of submissions for the 2014 book project. You don't have to be an author as Peter has had books published in the past. Peter just needs your information. Why did your loyalist line come to BC? When did they come to BC? Was it during the Great Depression? Or perhaps, like my mother, there was little opportunity for a female in a small town on the prairies in the 1940s. While many women became farmers' wives, my Mom and her sister moved to New Westminster to work as nurses aids at Woodland School. Perhaps your Loyalist family moved from the Maritimes - or Ontario - too the prairies before coming to British Columbia. My grandfather was part of a large and very poor family, still living near the land granted to their Loyalist ancestor. He moved to Saskatchewan to obtain a Dominion Land Grant in the early 1900s.

You can include information about your Loyalist and the following generations but the stories in Peter's book are really about how you got to British Columbia. You can also include a picture that relates to your Loyalist or the move west. Perhaps an old homestead... I gave Peter a picture of my Mom standing in front of the bus that brought her to New Westminster from a small town in Saskatchewan in 1947.

This is your opportunity to see your family story in print. *I have researched some very interesting Loyalists and their descendants for members and it would be a shame not to share some of these stories.*

If you have any questions, I am sure Peter would be happy to help. And if I can help in any way, please let me know.

Take care,

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