

## Trip to Kingston and District Branch, Kingston, Ontario: Saturday, 24 November 2012

On 24 November, Grietje and I met members of the Kingston and District Branch for lunch at the Golden Rooster Delicatessen on Princess Street in downtown Kingston, Ontario. Here we met Anne Redish UE, the newly appointed Branch Secretary and daughter of our own Kawartha Branch President, Doreen Thompson UE. Former Speaker of the House, Peter Milliken UE,



gave us an interesting tour of the downtown area between Princess and Queen Streets.

Following a pleasant but cold walk back to St. Paul's Anglican Church, I met outgoing Kingston Branch President, Professor Dean Taylor UE, and our former Dominion President, John Chard UE, winner of the UELAC Dorchester Award in 2009.



Carol and Peter Davy UE were excellent hosts, telling us about the history of this Anglican Church, built in 1845 on the edge of land owned by the Lower St. Paul's Anglican Burying Ground. It is in this burying ground on the corner of Montreal and Queen Streets that the unmarked graves of



Molly Brant and some of her children are buried. Here also is the resting place of Richard Cartwright who figured so prominently in the world of Upper Canadian business and politics after the American Revolution.



It was a pleasure to witness twenty year membership certificates being given to Peter Milliken, Carol and Peter Davy and Terry Hicks.

This was followed by the Branch Genealogist, Eva Wirth UE, presenting certificates to three members: William Morrison Almonte UE whose Loyalist ancestor was Peter Weaver UE; Barbara Carson UE who has three proven Loyalist ancestors: Lieutenant Henry Young UE, John Miller UE, and Edward Hicks UE; and to Eva Wirth UE herself, her Loyalist ancestor being John Horning UE.

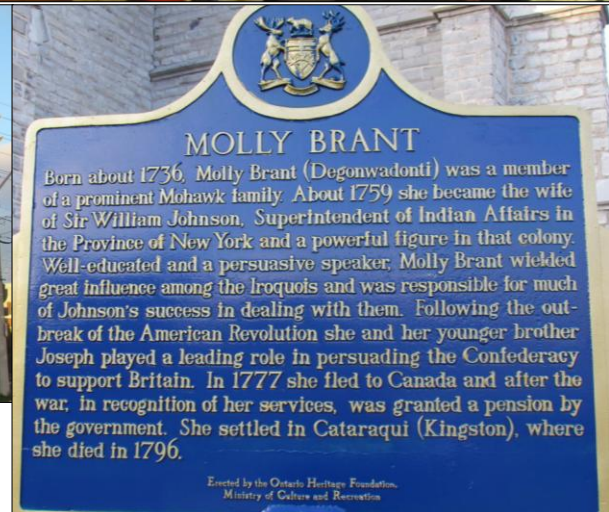
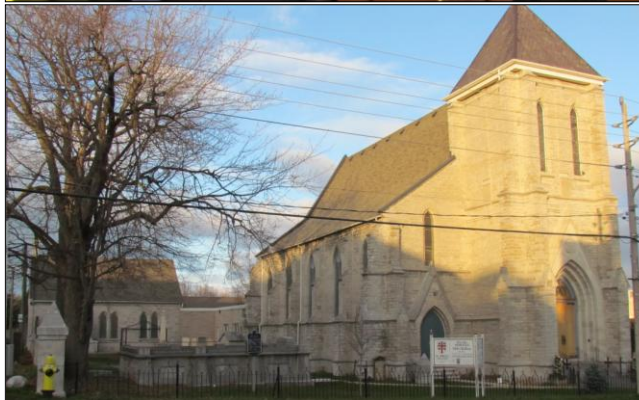






The in-coming Executive of Kingston and District Branch were welcomed into office for 2013, including Peter Milliken UE as Branch President, Professor Dean Taylor UE as Immediate Past President, Gerald Roney UE, Branch Treasurer, Barb Carson UE, Branch Membership, Eva Wirth UE, Branch Genealogist, Anne Redish UE, Branch Secretary, Carol Davy UE, Branch Program and Newsletter, Philip Smart UE, Branch Telephone and

Welcome, Jim Long UE, Branch House, Audrey Bailey UE, Branch Merchandise, John Chard UE, Branch Library, John Buck UE, Branch House, and Nancy Cutway UE, Branch Web Master.



Kingston Branch has produced a brochure outlining a walking tour of the Loyalist history of downtown Kingston entitled: *The Old Stones: A Walking Tour*. Featuring the historic stone houses along King Street, it describes the Loyalist influence of the people who built and lived in these beautiful old homes. If the stones could only speak!





## The Old Stones: A Walking Tour



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As well, the stone wall on the west side of St. Paul's Anglican Church was recently restored by The Lower Burial Ground Restoration Society, a true team effort involving individuals from the UELAC, the Ontario Genealogical Society, levels of government funding and the Anglican Church.

Thank you, Kingston Branch, for a most memorable visit.

Loyally,

Robert C. McBride UE,  
UELAC Dominion President 2011 – 2013.

