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A Message from our Branch President

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Thank You to all those folks who have submitted their 2017 renewal fees! I trust that many more of you are planning to renew very soon. As of January 26, 2017, the first group of renewals has been forwarded to our Dominion UELAC offices in Toronto. This represents only a small portion of our membership total of 84 last year. Please refer to page 5 of this Link Up where you will find the renewal form and the information that you need to forward your renewal cheques to our Treasurer, Judy Scholz UE. I want to draw attention to the item on page 4 and outline here some more information. Your Executive/Management Team is concerned about the low attendance at our Branch Events. Our goal is to see the attendance at our meetings increase. Do you have some suggestions? As you know, we try to take care of the "housekeeping jobs" at our monthly Executive Meetings. That way, we can achieve at our get-togethers, a variety of goals: special themes, Loyalist Education presentations, Guest Speakers, Certificate Ceremonies, the telling of Loyalist related stories, information as to what is occurring in our UELAC association and, of course, hospitality, feasting and camaraderie. We also need to ask your advice on occasion and bring motions to be passed when necessary.

Now I know that it is not feasible or realistic for every one of our members to attend every meeting. But, if there is some way that we could improve and or change some of the things we are doing in order to entice you to attend, we would love to hear your ideas.

Please attend our meeting below and let us know.

Otherwise please email me @ ksdargatz@shaw.ca .

March 4, 2017 is our next get-together (see page 2).

This will be our Heritage/ Black History and

Annual General Meeting. We are looking forward to some ideas and to seeing our members.

Loyally,
Shirley Dargatz UE

United Empire Loyalists' Association of Canada

Chilliwack Branch

Your Executive 2017

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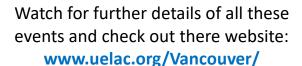
Please mark on your calendars
Vancouver Branch holds its regular meetings at Bonsor Park Recreation Centre,
Burnaby, BC (near Metrotown)

June 22-25 - UELAC Conference @ Delta Arms Hotel, London, Ontario July 23 - BC Loyalist Day Picnic in Queen's Park, New Westminster hosted by Vancouver Branch

October 1 - Fall Fleet & 85th Anniversary of Vancouver Br.,

@ the Scandinavian Centre, Burnaby, BC . All Pacific Branches are invited to this ticketed and catered luncheon.

Theme features: E. Pauline Johnson the celebrated Canadian Poet, writer and performer.





Calendar of Events for 2017

Clip off and save on your calendar



Meetings are held at Carman United Church Hall, 7258 Vedder Road, Chilliwack, BC.

Trooping of the flag will commence at 11:45am - followed immediately by lunch - then a planned program.

Note: any changes to starting time will be listed below

Luncheon with coffee, tea and juice served at most meetings.

Members are asked to please bring food contributions to the meeting

2017 March 4th - AGM & Heritage Week/ Black History Month Celebrations

April 22nd - Spring Fleet Celebration

April 29th - Family History Day, Abbotsford LDS Church

June 17th - Mixed Berry Social event details to be announced

June 22 -25 - Dominion Conference in London, Ontario

July 1st - Canada's 150th Birthday

July 22nd - BC Loyalist Day - event details to be announced

July 23rd - Picnic @ Queens Park, New Westminster, BC hosted by Vancouver Branch

August 7th - Fort Langley Fur Brigade Days & Picnic under our usual Oak Tree.

October 1st - Celebrating the Fall Fleet and the 85th Anniversary of Vancouver Branch.

See details on the event in box above

November 11th - Remembrance Day @ Cenotaph and lunch at Canton Gardens, Chilliwack, BC

December 9th - Christmas celebration - details TBA

Be sure to send suggestions, information and/or pictures for this publication to: wmdance@telus.net





Reid UE laid the wreath on behalf of our Branch. The small but happy group then adjourned to the Canton Restaurant to enjoy the food and the good company.

Alan Reid UE - front and centre!

In our October, 2016 issue, we reported that branch member Alan Reid UE was being honoured by his employer for 25 years of service to the company. In this issue we ure from Community Living Facebook page. No Photo credit give

are proud to show Alan in the centre of this picture with all his friends and fellow employees at Save On Foods. Store Manager, Leigh Yochlowitz was presented with a Rotary Club at Work 25 year award by Chilliwack Society for Community Living Executive Director Julie Unger on December 13, 2016. This award celebrates 25 years of being an inclusive employer. Employee Alan Reid started his career Aug. 29, 1991 in this store and remains a valued employee. A diner in his honour was given on

October 6th with family and friends attending. Alan was thrilled to be recognized for this noteworthy achievement. Congratulations!

Special Family Presentation on December 28, 2016



The Rosedale, BC home of Larry and Katie England was the setting for the family presentation of Loyalist certificates to eight family members. A beautiful log home still decorated for the Christmas season provided the backdrop. The whole family gathered to learn about their Loyalist, Captain Samuel Anderson of the KRRNY who settled in Adolphustown abt.1783. Everyone give us a big smile in front of the two storey fireplace. They are Larry England and son Derek and daughter Jennifer with all the grand children: Hannah, Aurora, Ewan, Liam and Nolan. A beautiful tea was served following. Congratulations everyone!



UEL Chilliwack Branch
Management team
Christmas Brunch
Dec. 7, 2016

Your hardworking management team met at the home of Judy Scholz UE and were treated to a wonderful brunch. Plans for the 2017 season were on the agenda and were finalized at the January meeting.

Take a look at the schedule of events on page 2 and see what we have in store for you. A lot of work goes into the planning and delivery of each meeting. While we still need to put a few finishing touches on each event

we will see better turnouts at each event.

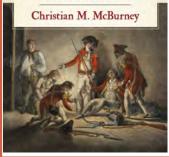
Your support is needed and very much appreciated.

and confirm venue and guest speakers, we hope that



Abductions in the American Revolution

Attempts to Kidnap George Washington, Benedict Arnold and Other Military and Civilian Leaders



British Columbia Genealogy Society Most Improved Genealogy Competition 2016 Family Mystery revealed after 240 years.

At the BCGS December Social, our own Chris Hay UE pictured right, was awarded First Place in the 2016 "Most Improved Genealogy" contest. The story of his Loyalist ancestor Maj. Richard Witham Stockton uncovered a family mystery from 240 years ago. Chris reported this information to us at the November Fall Fleet event and has written all the details in an article to be published in the Spring 2017 Gazette.

Congratulations Chris! You do us proud!





Dear Members.

Firstly, THANK YOU for renewing your memberships this past year.

It is "time" again for us to renew our Memberships for 2017.

As you have heard me say so many times,

"with your membership, you are doing a very good thing.

You are helping to preserve the history of our country and of the Loyalist era in particular".

The fees are as follows:

Individual Memberships: \$40.00 (to the UELAC) + \$10.00 (Chilliwack Branch) = \$50.00 Family Membership: \$55.00 (to the UELAC) + \$10.00 (Chilliwack Branch) = \$65.00

(A Family membership is for all persons residing at the <u>same</u> address) Please make your cheques payable to UELAC – Chilliwack Branch.

Thank you, Shirley Dargatz UE President

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Many thanks for your continued support.