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Loyalists' Association
of Canada

Chilliwack Branch

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A Message from our Branch President

This is a Christmas Letter in rhyme to review our 2017 Branch events.

So, in this little message is a Merry Christmas song,

To ring the bell where we have been with Loyalists we belong!

M – is for our Members, needed for our cause.

Membership keeps us afloat, we have no time to pause.

E – is for Executive, who strive to get things done.

Meeting, planning, do the job. We need you everyone.

R – is for our Reaching Out to community close and far.

Tell the stories to the folks who learn just who they are.

R – is for Remembrance Day, two cenotaphs we grace.

And then together meet for lunch our friends we do embrace.

Y – is Yearly heads held high – our UE flag we raise.

July “two two” in BC land, we celebrate with praise!

C – is for the Conference, with friends we love to see.

Then Christmas time a tea we plan and sing in harmony.

H – is for our Heritage, to which we do aspire.

So proud to be of Loyalist stock, our ultimate desire.

R – is we are Ready, to share our precious finds.

Searching for elusive clues, with lineage in mind.

I – is for the Interest, in our Family Tree.

Marlene our genealogist will find it eagerly.

S – is for the Ships that plied the great Atlantic Sea.

We honour fleets in Spring and Fall, without - where would we be?

T – reminds us of the Trees, under which we love to meet.

Fort Langley Fur Brigade and then Queens Park – are such a treat.

M – is for our Meetings as we gather to the call.

A special theme, a guest or two, we welcome one and all.

A – is for our Ancestors, we treasure beyond measure.

They give us life and here we stand - in Canada – our pleasure.

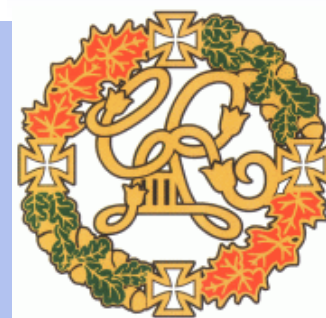
S – is our Berry Social – strawberries on the menu

In red and white we gather round the cake and then we eat it too!

Loyally Yours

Shirley Dargatz UE

Merry Christmas with Many Blessings for all !



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UELAC CONFERENCE 2018
LOYALIST TIES UNDER LIVING SKIES!
 June 7-10 in Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan
 at the Temple Garden Hotel and Spa
<http://www.uelac.org/conference-2018/Saskatchewan-Conference-2018.php>



**Please renew your
2018 Membership!**

YES It is that time of year again!
 We need your support!
 You enjoy the events we plan.
 You send us lovely emails about all the
 pictures and news that we include
 in our newsletter.
 You love the Loyalist Gazette!
 So.... Please print out page 5 and
 renew your membership right away.
 Thank you!

UELAC VANCOUVER BRANCH.

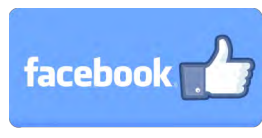
holds its regular meetings at 1:30 pm on a Saturday during the winter months and at 7:30pm on the third Thursday of the month otherwise.

@ Bonsor Park Recreation Centre,
 Burnaby, BC (near Metrotown)

Go to their website for specific dates and times:

www.uelac.org/Vancouver/

They are also on:



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.

There is no charge for our regular meetings.

But members are asked to please bring food contributions to the meeting or
 make a small donation into the refreshment basket.

- 2017** December 9th - at **1:00 pm**. Tea/Coffee and juice and Christmas baking & sweets - pg. 4 for details.
 Guest speaker - Dr. Molly Ungar - Queen Elizabeth II and Canada: a story in Portraits
- Plans for 2018** March - AGM/ Heritage Week/ Black History Month celebrations
- April - Spring Fleet Celebrations TBA
- April 28 - Family History Day Abbotsford LDS Church
- June 7-10, 2018 Dominion Conference in Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan
- June - Mixed Berry Social/ and report on the Conference
- July 22 - BC Loyalist Day -event TBA /Queen's Park Picnic celebration with Vancouver Branch
- August - Fort Langley Fur Brigade Days/Picnic in the Fort
- October - Fall Fleet Celebrations
- Nov. 11 - Remembrance Day and lunch at Canton Gardens, Chilliwack, BC
- December - Christmas General Store and final event of the year

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



**United Empire Loyalists'
Association of Canada**

REMEMBRANCE DAY, Nov. 11, 2017

Cenotaph at Vedder Crossing (near Garrison) at Vedder and Keith Wilson Roads, Chilliwack, BC.

Wreath placed on behalf of the Chilliwack Branch by Cindy Frizell. Photos by Robert John Frizell



Left - Downtown location - wreath placed by Shirley Dargatz UE.

Below - Jerry Brown UE never misses a year
Photos by Deleine Perry UE



The day was overcast and very cold. But this did not prevent large record turnouts at both locations. As the service ended, the rain started.

As is our practice, a number of branch members then gathered at the Canton Gardens for lunch. A few pictures are shown below. Photos by Marlene Dance UE



WE WILL REMEMBER THEM!





Photo: Matt Holyoak/CameraPress

Congratulations on your 70th Wedding Anniversary!

To mark the 70th Wedding Anniversary of Her Majesty The Queen and The Duke of Edinburgh, new photographic portraits have been released worldwide.

The Queen and His Royal Highness celebrated their Wedding Anniversary on Monday, 20th November 2017. The portraits, by British photographer Matt Holyoak of Camera Press, were taken in the White Drawing Room at Windsor Castle in early November.

What a wonderful picture!

Come and help us celebrate our final gathering of the year:
Sat. Dec. 9, 2017 at Carman United Church Hall @ 1:00 pm.

(note time change!)

Coffee/tea and juice with Christmas baking!
Members are invited to bring a few

sweets to share, or make a small contribution into the refreshment basket.

To finish off a year of Canada 150 celebrations, may we present:
Queen Elizabeth II and Canada: a story in Portraits!
Presented by: Dr. Molly Ungar, History Professor from UFV (retired)

The General Store will be open - maybe you will find a few treasures or a stocking stuffer. So bring along some pocket money for spending!

RSVP: if you can attend: wmdance@telus.net



**WE ARE THE CHOSEN.
IN EACH FAMILY THERE IS ONE
WHO SEEMS TO BE CALLED TO
FIND THE ANCESTORS.
TO PUT FLESH ON THEIR BONES
AND TO MAKE THEM LIVE AGAIN.
TO TELL THE FAMILY STORY AND
TO FEEL THAT SOMEHOW THEY
KNOW AND APPROVE. DOING
GENEALOGY IS NOT A COLD
GATHERING OF FACTS. BUT
INSTEAD BREATHING LIFE INTO
ALL WHO HAVE GONE BEFORE.
WE ARE THE STORYTELLERS
OF THE TRIBE.**

Chris Hay UE is pleased to introduce another new Loyalist, his grandson Levi Andrew Hay born Sept. 22, 2017. Brother Kaeden charmingly presents his new brother to us. Proud parents are Kevin Hay UE and wife Christie Hay (nee Kromar)





UELAC Chilliwack Branch MEMBERSHIP FORM 2018

Dear Members.

Firstly, THANK YOU for renewing your memberships this past year.
It is "time" again for us to renew our Memberships for 2018.

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 same address and still in school)

Please make your cheques payable to UELAC – Chilliwack Branch

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Please return this portion with your membership:

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Postal Code _____

Phone: _____ Email address _____

Loyalist Ancestor(s): _____

Membership Fees:

Please indicate with a tick:

Individual \$50.00 _____

Family \$65.00 _____

(please include other names in family on reverse if necessary)

Please send to our Treasurer, Judy Scholz UE

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Many thanks for your continued support.