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## President's Message

The last two months have gone by so quickly that in some ways it has been a bit of a blur. So much to learn and catch up on. Thank heavens for the help and guidance of Past President Shirley Dargatz UE to see me through all these new procedures. There have been a number of things on the agenda including updates to our web page and a new brochure for distribution to prospective members when we participate in genealogy events and fairs.

As well, we have a new email address for general enquiries. We are using: <u>chwkbruelcontact@gmail.com</u> for initial contact. We have already had a good number of queries posted there, and I am hopeful that this will result in new members to our Branch. The Abbotsford Family History Day turned out to be an excellent event. Details are on page 3. But a special thanks goes to Judy and Shirley for setting up and manning our display and answering the many questions from interested participants.

We are very pleased that there will be seven members of our branch attending the conference "Loyalist Ties under Living Skies" in Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan in early June. Both my husband and I have family that homesteaded in the Pangman and Central Butte areas in the early 1900's. So this

gives us a chance to go back and see these areas and really enjoy the Prairies. We will report back to you at our next scheduled meeting on June

16th at the "Mixed Berry Social". Please see page 3 for particulars. Our June issue is the half-way point in the year, and we need your continued help and support. Please renew your membership if you haven't already



done so and encourage others to join as well. The history of our families is something that we need to keep alive and pass down to our grandchildren. This is a wonderful way to keep the Loyalist story a living part of Canadian History. Loyally yours, Marlene Dance UE

## United Empire Loyalists' Association of Canada

## **Chilliwack Branch**

Your Executive for 2018

President: Marlene Dance UE Vice Pres: vacant Past Pres: Shirley Dargatz UE Secretary/ Treasurer: Judy Scholz UE Genealogist: Marlene Dance UE Trainee: Cindy Frizell UE

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Marian Reid UE Cindy Lyftogt UE Margaret Strocel Flag Bearer: Alan Reid UE Social Conveners: Jan Duellet & Emily Thomason w/Vicky Heibner UE and Rebecca Heibner UE assisting Life Member: Mildred Hall UE

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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

# **UELAC VANCOUVER BRANCH**

<u>Regular meetings</u> at Bonsor will be on Tuesday evenings. There will be four (4) meetings: September, November (AGM), March and May or June. No meetings are scheduled in January or February due to dark evenings and expected poor weather. Social events: Loyalist Day picnic in July, Fort Langley gathering in August, Spring (May) or Fall (October) Fleets within the Pacific Region as planned and a Christmas Luncheon in December.

**Community Engagement:** Highland Games in June, Finding Your Roots seminars in October, Remembrance Day wreath laying in November.

www.uelac.org/Vancouver/ as well as Twitter, Pinterest and





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### Calendar of Events for 2018 Clip off and save on your calendar



There is no charge for our regular meetings. Members are asked to please bring food contributions to the meeting or make a small donation into the refreshment basket.

June 7–10, 2018 Dominion Conference in Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan 2018 June 16 - Mixed Berry Social and Report on the Conference July 22 - BC Loyalist Day –event TBA /Queen's Park Picnic celebration with Vancouver Branch August 6 - Fort Langley Fur Brigade Days/Picnic in the Fort October 20 - Fall Fleet Celebrations hosted by Chilliwack Branch TBA November 11 - Remembrance Day Services and lunch at Canton Gardens, Chilliwack, BC December - Christmas General Store and final event of the year TBA

Be sure to send suggestions, information and/or pictures for this publication to: chwkbruelcontact@gmail.com





Prince Louis Arthur Charles Born at 11:01 am on April 23, 2018 weighing in at 8 lbs 7 oz. Proud parents are the Duke and Duchess of Cambridge at left! Prince Louis joins brother George and sister Charlotte. Welcome to the world!



ABBOTSFORD LDS CHURCH FAMILY HISTORY DAY



Here is our colourful UEL display in the Market Place area of the LDS Church Family History Day on April 28, 2018. Set up and manned by Judy Schulz UE and Shirley Dargatz UE. We had many visitors and debuted our new brochure. Our sign up sheet had a number of new enquiries to follow up on. We are also hoping for a few new members from this effort. About 200 people were registered for the event. There were 24 classes scheduled during the day and a wonderful bagged lunch was served free of charge. The class list included "Are you Barking Up the Wrong Tree?" and "Canada's 150th Birthday and the Loyalist Connection" both given by President Marlene Dance UE.

We have participated in this event every year since it began four years ago and have found the effort most worthwhile. Some of the Loyalist names mentioned during the enquiries included: David Doran; Joseph Merritt; Donald Munn; Gilbert Orser; William Place; James Brown; Hugh Munroe; John Forshee, Valentine Nigh; William Casey; Andrew Sherwood; Ben Northrop; and Joseph Sears. Looks like we could have some interesting new applications.



Mixed Berry Social Saturday, June 16th, 2018 Hosted by Chilliwack Branch @1:30 pm at Carman United Church Hall 7258 Vedder Road Tea, coffee and juice will be served.

Please come and take part in our annual Social. Meet up with other branch members and enjoy a mixed berry short cake w/whipped cream. The agenda includes:

Slide show report from the Annual Conference
Review of meeting dates and events for 2018
Show and tell - bring something from the past that you treasure in the family - bible, kettle, picture etc.
Membership news

5. Treasurers report 6. Loyalist names we are working on. See you there! In partnership with:



In celebration of BC Heritage week, we are pleased to advise that UELAC Chilliwack Branch has become a lifetime member of the Heritage Chilliwack Society offering our support in helping them fulfill their motto: "Keeping the Past Present". We feel that their work focusing on the preservation of the history of Chilliwack, saving historic records, buildings and creating a photographic legacy is very worthwhile. It is important that this legacy include the preservation of the history of the founding families of Chilliwack, many of whom are of Loyalist descent.

Facebook page: Our Chilliwack Heritage where there is also a link to our webpage: <u>http://www.uelac.org/Chilliwack/</u>

## DO YOU KNOW ABOUT THE FOLLOWING LOYALIST SITES?

UELAC http://www.uelac.org/Loyalist-Info/Loyalist-Info.php

UELAC Facebook page: great site - you must be a Facebook member in order to see all the things being posted by branches all across the country. Always interesting.

All UELAC Branches have their own webpage and some a Facebook page as well. Looking for your Loyalist in Nova Scotia? Brian McConnell UE President of Nova Scotia branch has some wonderful videos online: Google the following: Brian McConnell loyalist graveyards you tube videos I found 10 of them there. Also: <u>http://www.uelac.org/NovaScotia/index.php</u>



Presentation to Carole Lefler UE An important part of every meeting is the presentation of Loyalist Certificates. Our most recent successful application is member Carole Lefler for her Loyalist Frederick Lampman (1722-1789). He settled on Lot 100 in Stamford township, Welland County. His wife was Katherine (Katerina, Katrina) Schram. They had the following children: Peter, William, Frederick, Marteize, Elizabeth, John, Stephen, Matthias, Catherine, Annatje, Magdelana and Abraham. Congratulations Carole, Well Done!







It was a small gathering of members, but all enjoyed the camaraderie and the program. We began with Alan Reid UE trooping in the colours, followed by God Save the Queen. Then Past President Shirley Dargatz UE did the honours cutting the cake. A lovely picture of a 17th century British ship top right, made the cake quite a sight. The tables were festooned with our sailing ships representative of the Spring Fleet. Once cake, coffee and tea were served, we settled into

the meeting with the Treasurer's report and notices of upcoming events including our participation in the Family History Day in Abbotsford, the UELAC conference in Moose Jaw, our next meeting in June, Loyalist Day events in July, the Ft. Langley Picnic in August and the Fall Fleet celebration in October. (See page 2 for details). A slide show presentation of the story of the Spring Fleet of 1783 and the presentation of a UE certificate to member Carole Lefler (see page 4) rounded out the afternoon. Everyone was thanked for coming out and the Colours were then retired. We closed with the singing of O Canada.

The next gathering is June 16th. See page 4 for details.

