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President's Message

My husband and I did a little road trip to get to the Conference this year.

The US Border Guard said he thought we were taking the long way to Moose Jaw! I guess you could say that! We left May 12th and headed southeast to New Orleans. After a few days there, we drove east to Florida and the Keys. Next we turned north along the Atlantic seaboard, stopping along the way at interesting sites including Charleston and a few Civil War battlefields. We visited family in Norfolk, Virginia and then made our way northwest to cross the border back into Canada June 6th at North Portal then via Estevan and on to Moose Jaw. Including the drive home to Chilliwack we covered about 15,000 kilometers.

I am pleased to report that there were seven people at the conference from Chilliwack including a new member we had yet to meet. Thank you for the support.

Moose Jaw was a great choice with lots to see and do.

Both my husband and I had grandparents that homesteaded in the area. The planning committee did a great job keeping us entertained while allowing us time to look around and discover things for ourselves. Many had time to explore some of the sites in the city including the Casino, the many murals and the Tunnels.

Some of the Conference highlights included: A visit to the Canadian Forces Base also known as 15 Wing Moose Jaw where aircrew are trained; the Western Transportation Museum; a farm tour; excellent guest speakers; visiting dignitaries on the first night including Mayor Fraser Tolmie and Lt. Governor Thomas Molloy; this same night was a wonderful comedic presentation bringing greetings from the "Queen"; the AGM on Saturday morning and then the evening gala which included the presentation of the Dorchester Award to a very deserving David Hill Morrison and lastly the Sunday Church Service. These are all memories and friends to cherish.

Back on the home front, there are many things happening. So, please read your newsletter and enjoy the pictures and stories. See page 2 for our calendar which includes the Fort Langley Fur Brigade Days, our Fall Fleet Luncheon with information and your invitation (page 6). Then Remembrance Day and our year-end Christmas gathering. We had a very nice turnout for our Berry Social in June and enjoyed a slide show presentation and report from the Conference. Have a wonderful summer and I hope to see you in October for the Celebration of the Fall Fleet.

Loyally yours

Marlene Dance UE



**United Empire
Loyalists' Association
of Canada**

Chilliwack Branch

Your Executive for 2018

President: Marlene Dance UE

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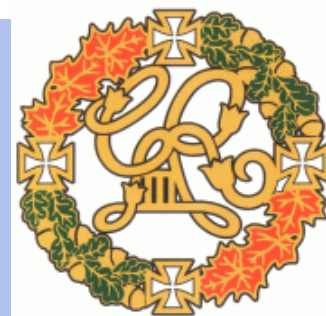
Life Member: Mildred Hall UE

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Regular meetings 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: picnic in 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: Finding Your Roots seminars in October; Remembrance Day wreath laying in November. www.uelac.org/ also Twitter, Pinterest and Facebook.



Next up is an unofficial gathering and visit to Fort Langley National Historic Site Brigade Days - Monday, August 6th. Please note that this is something we have attended for many years and traditionally we have met *under the big Oak tree just inside the gates*. If you chose to spend the day - or part of the day - at the Fort, please bring a picnic lunch/ beverages and a chair or blanket. There is a small restaurant onsite. We hope you enjoy all that this historic site has to offer.

Admission to the Fort is \$6.33 (Seniors), \$7.80 (Adults)

Free to those under 17 years of age. Parking is also free.

The weekend features many re-enactors dressed in period costume. The "Arrival of the Fur Brigades" canoe re-enactment by the river is at 1 pm on the Monday BC Day.



Calendar of Events for 2018

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.

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

- 2018** August 6 - Fort Langley Fur Brigade Days/Picnic in the Fort (see above item)
 October 20 - Fall Fleet Celebrations hosted by Chilliwack Branch (see page 6)
 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: chwkbuelcontact@gmail.com



**United Empire Loyalists'
Association of Canada**

Old Hay Bay Church - National Historic Site Ontario

(pictures courtesy of) Adolphustown Fredericksburg Heritage Society

“This simple church, built in 1792 by United Empire Loyalists, recalls the early days of Upper Canada settlement. The Methodists’ evangelical zeal was expressed, not only in religious practice, but also in their contributions to Upper Canada’s early social and political development. Stationed on the earliest Methodist itinerant circuit, this site was the location of the first camp meeting in Upper Canada in 1805. The church was enlarged in 1835, and remains the oldest surviving Methodist building in Canada.” – Parks Canada



Please go to this web page and have a look at the wonderful interiors of this grand old lady. She is in need of restoration and maybe you would like to help.

Many branches of the UELAC back east are lending their support in many different ways. Did your Loyalist Ancestor attend or use this building in years gone by?



As one of the few buildings of this type left, it would be wonderful to be able to save her.

What do you think?

www.oldsaybaychurch.ca/



UELAC Conference June 7 - 10th, 2018

Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan

Just a few of the over 100 attendees. Can you spot the Chilliwack, Vancouver and Victoria Branch attendees? Good Luck!



BC Loyalist Day - Chilliwack Branch Celebrates on July 21st, 2018.

(pictures courtesy of Marlene Dance UE)

Thank you to Ken and Shirley Dargatz UE for hosting us again this year. While we were a small group, we were enthusiastic and the breeze made for a wonderful day to fly the flag. It was good fun and we had a special attendee in Fred Reid UE of Anaheim, BC . We enjoyed a wonderful pot luck luncheon and the celebration cake was cut by Fred.



A few days after this event, Ken and Shirley celebrated their 60th Wedding Anniversary. Congratulations from all of us! We wish you many, many more.



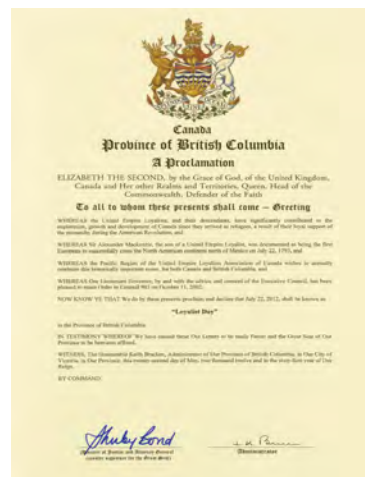
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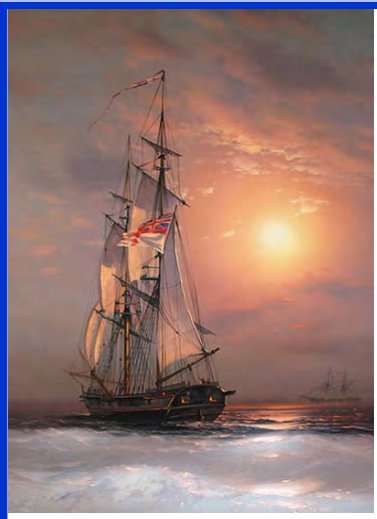
Thompson/Okanagan (right)

Thanks to everyone for the photo's!



Vancouver Branch (above) Victoria Branch (left)





Pacific Regional Celebration of the arrival of the Fall Fleet

Hosted by Chilliwack Branch

*An invitation is extended to all BC Branches
to join us Saturday October 20th, 2018*

Cost: \$25 per person - \$10 for a child under 11

Time: 11:45 am to 3:00 pm

Location: Carman United Church Hall

7258 Vedder Road, Chilliwack, BC

*Program includes a special Guest Speaker, Certificate presentations
and the presentation of the Philip Leith Award.*

NAME(S) of those attending for name tags. Please note if UE.

How may we contact you if needed? Phone/cell _____

Email address: _____

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NUMBER OF TICKETS _____ @ \$25 each \$ _____

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TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED: (cheque or money order) \$ _____

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DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATION BY MAIL: October 15, 2018.

**Please contact Marlene by email wmdance@telus.net
or phone 604-858-7887 if you think your registration will be late.**