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President's Message

The last two months have been very busy for my family and the days have just flown by. We had hot weather in August, followed by lots of rain in September. My garden went from looking limp and sad to being lush, green, and a few plants are even blooming again.

The August long weekend saw my husband and I driving to Prince George for the annual Merritt family Picnic. We had to divert to Kamloops and then to Little Fort due to mud slides just north of Cache Creek closing Hwy 97. This added a few hours to an already long drive. But the weather was clear, sunny and beautiful and there was no smoke to deal with. My husband's family are descendants of the Loyalist Joseph Merritt, and a good many of them have all received their Loyalist Certificates.

I am working on the rest.

Branch activities are quiet over these months, giving members time for family, vacations and relaxing. This was made a bit difficult by the heat and the smoke this year. The entire province was under siege. A few of our members are regular participants in the Fort Langley Fur Brigade Days. They camp within the Fort grounds and are part of the weekend long event. Please see page 4 for a few pictures.

We are also pleased to include some pictures from Vancouver Branch featuring the annual BC Heritage Fair winners. Please see page 6. Lastly, on page 3 is our invitation to the Fall Fleet event on October 20th.

We have a special guest speaker, Carsten Arnold presenting "The Chilliwack Heritage Photo Project". There will be presentations of UE certificates and the Philip Leith Award.

Please remember to vote in the morning and then come out and join us for lunch at this well planned event.

I look forward to seeing you there.

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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 Past Pres: Shirley Dargatz UE
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 Marian Reid UE
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 Margaret Strocel

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 Life Member: Mildred Hall UE

Pacific Regional VP:
 Carl Stymiest UE
 Pacific Regional Councillor:
 Frans Compeer



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UELAC VANCOUVER BRANCH

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.

Various 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.

www.uelac.org/ the branch is also on Twitter, Pinterest and Facebook.

Dates of upcoming events:

November 11th: at the Bonsor Cenotaph in Burnaby, BC Lunch nearby to follow.

November 20th: annual AGM and regular meeting. See website for details.

December 9th: Christmas Luncheon at the home of a member.

Details will be emailed to all members.



Please go to page 6 for the annual BC Heritage Fair.

Well done Vancouver Branch!



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** **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**



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: _____

Gluten Free _____ **Vegan** _____ **Allergies** _____

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

NUMBER OF TICKETS _____ **@ \$10 each \$** _____

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

Please make payable to: UELAC Chilliwack Branch

PLEASE COMPLETE AND MAIL WITH PAYMENT TO:

Marlene Dance UE

5546 Highroad Crescent,

Chilliwack, BC V2R 3X9

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.

Fort Langley Fur Brigade Days August 4 - 6th, 2018

Photos courtesy of Langley Times and Judy Scholz UE



Top l: Gord MacIntosh Tim, Ethan Lyftogt UE , Jesse MacIntosh
Top r: Jesse MacIntosh and Ethan Lyftogt UE watching for canoes
Top centre: Judy Scholz UE.
Left: Sue Mahon, Sydney Heibner UE, Jill Weatherford with quilt.

Since 1979, people have celebrated at the Fort the arrival of the fur traders in canoes, the parade from the river to the Fort, roughing it in a tent and cooking over an open fire, and the re-enactments all part of the events every BC Day long weekend. Judy and family have been part of this event for many years. They camp on



Looking south towards the camping area.

the grounds and join in all the festivities. UELAC Vancouver Branch hosts a picnic under the "Oak Tree" inside the walls of the fort. Located to the far right outside of the scene in the picture above. This is always a nice afternoon with our Loyalist friends.



Chilliwack B.C.

HERITAGE HOME TOUR

Your chance to get inside
nine unique and beautiful heritage properties!

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 29, 2018
1 PM TO 5 PM

\$25 per person in advance
or **\$30 on the day of event**
Limited Quantity of Tickets available

Tickets may be purchased in advance at the Royal Hotel on Wellington Avenue, online through Eventbrite, or on the day of the tour at The Royal Hotel. We recommend starting at the Royal Hotel where Heritage Chilliwack will have an information booth. Homes on the tour can be visited in any order. Please wear slip-on shoes. We respectfully request no children under 6 years of age attend. The venues are not wheelchair accessible.

Thank You
to our *Sold Sponsors*

Proudly Presented by
HERITAGE CHILLIWACK SOCIETY

Photos courtesy of Carsten Arnold Photography

Questions? Contact heritagechilliwack@gmail.com

SATURDAY OCTOBER 13TH, 2018
8AM – 4:30PM AT 6270 126TH STREET, SURREY, BC

FINDING YOUR ROOTS

23rd ANNUAL CONFERENCE

September 1st - Class schedule available
and registration begins online at

WWW.FINDINGYOURROOTS.CA

Handouts will be online - using a link
sent with registration confirmations

- OPEN TO THE PUBLIC & WHEELCHAIR ACCESSIBLE
- EXHIBIT HALL FOR BROWSING
- SEMINARS FOR BEGINNERS AS WELL AS ADVANCED PATRONS
- SIGN UP FOR ONE OR MORE CLASSES OR STAY ALL DAY!
- PRE-ORDER A BAGGED LUNCH ON-LINE

QUESTIONS MAY BE DIRECTED TO:
surreyfhc@gmail.com or 604 597 9695

SPONSORED BY THE SURREY & VANCOUVER CONGREGATIONS OF THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS

In the June issue we announced our partnership with the Heritage Chilliwack Society. This poster advertises a major event to show the heritage of our city and represents their motto "Keeping the Past Present". This event was sold out a week before and did not disappoint. A few of our members acted as volunteers at various locations. The Vintage Car Club of Canada, Chilliwack Branch had cars parked at every location highlighting the era of the home or business.

What a great event. So glad to be a part of it.

Still time to register@:

www.findingyourroots.ca

UELAC Vancouver Branch is doing a Loyalist presentation to highlight the Loyalist section of their library which is housed at the British Columbia Genealogical Society
12837 76 Ave., Surrey, BC
go to: www.bcgs.ca for details.



Loyalist Joseph Merritt
of Twenty Mile Creek on
Lots 3, 4 & 5 in the Niagara Region of
Upper Canada has again been

recognized by descendants of our branch.

Member Andrea Favell of St. Catharines, Ontario together with her four children have been awarded their certificates. As they live far away we are unable to make personal presentations to the family. They will be honoured at our Fall Fleet celebration with the roll call of your names. Congratulations!

Loyalist Names being researched

Richard Jones

Michael Johannes Warner Sr.

John Forshee

Valentine Nigh (Nye)

Gilbert Orser

Henry Becker

Andrew Sherwood

Izaiah Kierstead

Can you share some information?

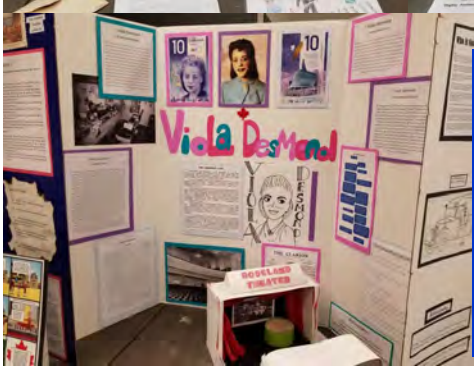
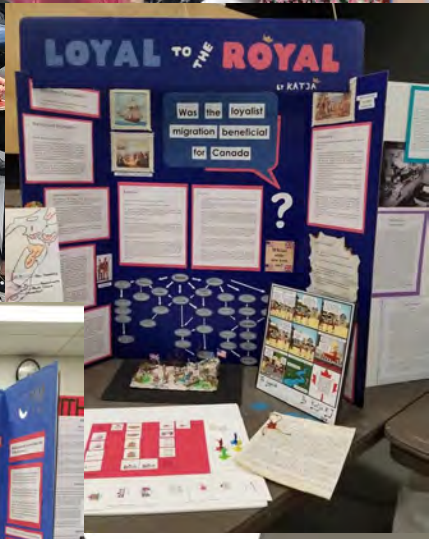
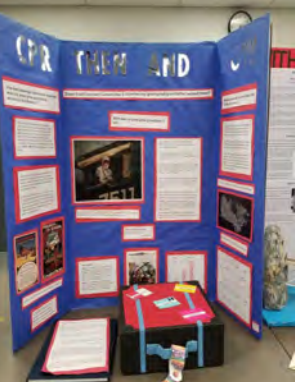
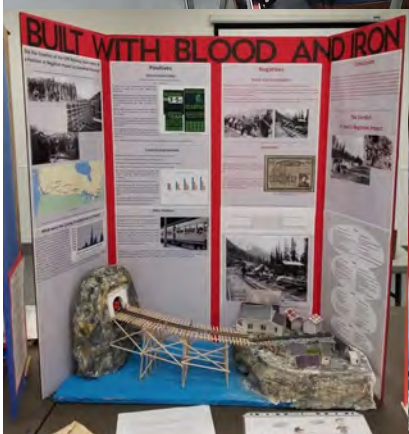
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BC Heritage Fair! pictures courtesy of Linda Nygard UE

UELAC Vancouver Branch who hosts the winning projects of the BC Heritage Fair for the 8th time, pronounced that “Canadian History was well represented by students from the Vancouver School District”. Over a period of three months this spring, Vancouver branch members adjudicated hundreds of students within the district. The winners at each school advance to the Vancouver BC Regional Fair. These are the final 6 winners. The Coordinator of the Regional Fair is Janet Morley who attends the evening Vancouver Branch presentations each year (seen at right with flowers of thanks from Branch member Coco Anders-Weremczuk). This item excerpted from the UELAC Vancouver Branch Facebook page.



Each presenter received a Certificate of Excellence and the publication “The Time Chart History of Canada”



- TOPICS PRESENTED:**
1. Built with Blood and Iron
 2. Loyal to the Royal
 3. Canada’s Loyalists
 4. Viola Desmond
 5. CPR Then and Now
 6. The Impregnable Fortress - Louisburg

