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**United Empire
Loyalists' Association
of Canada**

Chilliwack Branch

Your Management Committee
for 2019

President: Marlene Dance UE

Vice Pres: vacant

Past Pres: Shirley Dargatz UE

Secretary/ Treasurer:

Judy Scholz UE

Genealogist: Marlene Dance UE

Asst. Cindy Frizell UE

Web Mistress: Vicky Heibner UE

Newsletter: Marlene Dance UE

Directors: Carole Lefler UE

Cindy Lyftogt UE

Margaret Strocel

Honourary: Marian Reid UE

Flag Bearer: Alan Reid UE

Social Conveners: Jan Ouellet

w/assistants Vicky Heibner UE

& Rebecca Heibner UE

Pacific Regional VP:

Carl Stymiest UE

Pacific Regional Councillor:

Frans Compeer



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President's Message

Happy New Year to you all! Can you believe it is 2020?

The new century is already 20 years old.

We would like to start this year off with our AGM on February 15th. Details are on page 4. As February also celebrates Heritage Week and National Flag Day, we will include some items of interest to reflect these celebrations. Page 2 gives a list of 2020 events.

In addition, we are hopeful of doing a window display at the Military Museum on Wellington again this July, together with joining July 1st celebrations at Townsend Park. Arrangements are in the works.

I have been invited to do genealogy presentations in a couple of locations, including sold out Chilliwack ElderCollege classes at the UFV campus for those just starting their family tree journey.

It will, of course, include a Loyalist component.

We are embarking on a new adventure this year: a raffle to raise money to help pay for our Community Education efforts about the Loyalists.

Carole Lefler UE is an accomplished quilter and offered to make a quilt.

We accepted and invested in the cost of materials. As our loyalist ancestors would need to erect many barns, she chose a pattern called Barn Raising, which became popular in North America in the 1800's.

Carole also selected colours and prints to reflect that era and we are calling it our Loyalist Barn Raising Quilt. See page 3 for details. Tickets are \$2 each and will be available for the first time at the AGM.

It is time to renew your membership and we offer two options. See page 3 for details of the new online renewal system or print out page 7 and mail your renewal to us.

Thank you for your encouraging emails. We appreciate your support in our efforts to keep the Loyalist story alive.

Loyally yours

Marlene Dance UE



Calendar of Events for 2020

Print and save with 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 in future newsletters and emails *****

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.

We are pleased to present our calendar for the coming year:

- 2020**
- February 15 Annual General Meeting,
Heritage Week and National Flag Day
 - April 18 Spring Fleet. Guest speaker and details TBA
 - April 25 LDS Finding your Roots table display in Abbotsford, BC
 - June 6 Berry Social and guest speaker. Details TBA
 - June 24-28 Annual Conference in Winnipeg, Man.
 - July 1 Canada Day
 - July 22 BC Loyalist Day. Details TBA
 - August 3 Long Weekend: Fur Brigade Days at Ft. Langley
 - October 3 Fall Fleet hosted by Vancouver Branch. Details TBA
 - October 17 LDS Finding your Roots Conference in Surrey, BC
 - November 11 Remembrance Day and lunch at Canton Gardens

Details and reminders about any change in time, location or about guest speakers
will be sent via email and included in each edition of this newsletter.

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



**United Empire Loyalists'
Association of Canada**

Partnering with: Heritage Chilliwack Society

Keeping the Past Present!

<https://www.heritagechilliwack.org/>





Chilliwack Branch Presents:

LOYALIST BARN RAISING QUILT RAFFLE - \$2 per ticket

Tickets go on sale February 15th, 2020 and the Draw will be July 22nd, 2020
 Beautifully designed and quilted by branch member Carole Lefler UE.
 100% cotton top of various colours to reflect the wood of the barn,
 the colours of nature and the patterns of the era.

The lighter squares clearly allow the quilting pattern in the
 background to be seen. The reverse side is a soft polyester velour
 type of fabric called "Fireside" with a Canadian flag and two squares.

Size 54" x 72". All together beautiful!

Funds raised from this project will go to educating the community
 about the Loyalist story with story boards, posters, brochures and
 scheduled presentations.

Please support this effort and buy lots of tickets.

If you can't get to a meeting to buy a ticket, send us an email at:

chwkbuelcontact@gmail.com

and we will arrange purchase.

Introducing your new UELAC Membership System:

First Time for Member Login to Set Up Account (from Doug Grant UE)

- #1) Go to uelac.ca note the different web address!
- #2) "Click here to set up your account."
- #3) Enter your email address (must be same one as is stored in your membership record)
- #4) Click on "Get new password"
- #5) If an error message appears just below the green box "Error: The email address isn't correct..", make sure you entered your email address correctly. If you did it correctly, send me an email as most likely your email is not correct in the member system, or is missing. Sent me a note with your branch and your correct email address to loyalist.trails@uelac.org I will check it and get back to you.
- #6) You will receive an email message from Wordpress, with a link in it
- #7) Click on the link
- #8) A page will show in your browser. In the "New password" box a password will show.
- #9) Delete that password (unless you like it) and enter the one you wish to use.
 In either case record the password somewhere safe.
- #10) Click on "Reset Password" (in blue box)
- #11) A smaller box will appear; in the green box, click on "log in"
- #12) On this screen, enter your email address and the new password, and click log-in
- #13) This should then show "My Account" page (in future it will probably show a different first page with a link to "My Account")

We have discovered a number of email address errors that occurred during the conversion to the new system. We have spent time going over the list and I hope I have corrected them all. Have patience please. This is new to all of us. An email was sent to all members in December and again in January.
 Thank you so much for your support.

The United Empire Loyalists Association of Canada

Welcome to UELAC.ca

The UELAC.ca website stores membership information for UELAC members, Branch and Dominion executives, and administration staff.
 For the public website of the United Empire Loyalists Association of Canada, please visit www.uelac.org.
 We will be migrating content from the UELAC.org 'legacy website' to the new UELAC.ca site over the coming months. Please bear with us.

[Member Login](#)

First time logging in? Click here to set up your account.
 (Detailed log-in instructions are further down the page.)

The *Loyalist Gazette* has a new home at UELAC.ca!
 The two latest issues - including the new Fall 2019 issue - are available in the members section. (Log in to your Member Account to access them.)
 Prior issues, as far back as 2013, are available to all at The *Loyalist Gazette*.

**OUR NEWEST LITTLE LOYALISTS!
THESE MEMBERS ARE FIRST TIME GRANDPARENTS!**



Branch member Glenn Smith UE and wife Margaret have become grandparents. Granddaughter Kennedy Lacey Grant Smith was born Jan. 2, 2020 at Lions Gate Hospital,

North Vancouver, BC.

Proud parents are Graham and Hayley Smith
Where did Kennedy's lovely hair come from Glenn? Tee Hee!

We can hardly wait for the newest UEL application for this little one.



Helena Bastedo-Smith UE and husband Doug Smith are proud grandparents.

Grandson

Grey Bastedo Morgan was born May 28, 2019 in Seattle, Washington to happy parents Anne and Christopher!

They grow up so fast - already 6 months old here!

Are you working on his UEL application?

Can't wait to process it.



CONGRATULATIONS TO EVERYONE!

A.G.M.



**Annual General Meeting
UELAC Chilliwack Branch
February 15, 2020**

Agenda items include:

- #1) Slate of officers for 2020
- #2) Financial Report for 2019
- #3) Report from the President on 2019 events
- #4) Update of the archiving of branch records
- #5) On line Membership system report
- #6) New events planned for 2020

You need to be a current member to vote at this Annual General Meeting.

You may renew at the meeting.

To date, about half of last year's membership has renewed.

Please follow the guidelines on page 3 to renew on-line, OR

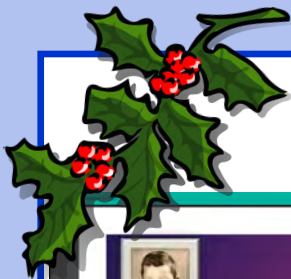
Use the membership renewal form on page 7.

Mail it right away or bring it to the meeting.

Thank you to those who braved the new system and gave it a try.

And thank you to everyone who has renewed.

We need you to support our work.



Christmas Luncheon December 7th, 2019

Guest Speaker Carl Stymiest UE

Photos thanks to Carl Stymiest UE and Marlene Dance UE



My Childhood Christmas Memories in Atlantic Canada

DR. CARL STYMIEST UE, BA, B.ED., M.ED., PH.D.



MacDonald Stone House-Barflobog North'id Co., New Brunswick Built by Loyalist Alex MacDonald 1815-1820

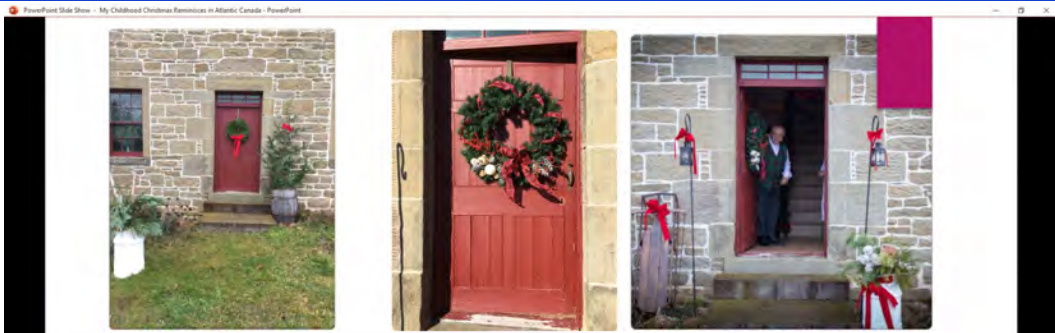


Another successful gathering at the Carman United Church Hall. With lots of pictures and a wonderful backdrop of his family's 1815 Loyalist farmhouse, Carl told of his many Christmas celebrations with his family.

Christmas card perfect!
 What wonderful memories!

A big thank you goes out to member Jan Ouellet who made the wonderful Bread Pudding for our dessert and to her helper, Emily Thomason. The buffet table had lots of tasty contributions. Lots of laughter, many stories and plenty of door prizes rounded out the day. More pictures on the following page.





Christmas Welcomes



This event was a lovely end to a very busy year.

Thank you to our members who are able to come to our events. A lot of work goes into the planning and successful completion of each one. Thank you to our various guest speakers. You make each meeting special and we appreciate the sharing of your stories. A special thank you to our hardworking leadership team who are always ready to lend a hand. See you in 2020!





**UELAC CHILLIWACK BRANCH
NEW MEMBERSHIP 2020/ or Renewal**

Many thanks for your continued support.

The fees are as follows:

Individual Memberships: \$40.00 (to the UELAC) + \$15.00 (Chilliwack Branch) = \$55.00

Student Memberships (25 yrs. or younger. Name of school/university below) = \$25.00

School/University: _____

Family Membership: \$55.00 (to the UELAC) + \$15.00 (Chilliwack Branch) = \$70.00

(A Family membership is for all persons residing at the same address)

If already a Member of another branch = \$15.00

Please indicate name of other branch: _____

Please make your cheques payable to UELAC – Chilliwack Branch

Name(s): _____

_____ (use reverse of this form if this is not room for your family names)

Address: _____ City: _____ Postal Code _____

Phone: _____ Email address _____

Loyalist Ancestor (s) if known: _____

Membership Fees - Please circle the membership category chosen above.

Please mail to:

Marlene Dance UE

President

5546 Highroad Crescent

Chilliwack, BC V2R 3X9

Your membership includes receiving a copy of our magazine “The Loyalist Gazette” twice yearly, 6 issues of the “Link UP” – the Chilliwack Branch newsletter as well as email reminders for events, signups and items of interest.

Canadian Anti-Spam Legislation (CASL) requires that our Branch have your consent for us to contact you electronically. By joining our Branch, you are consenting to receive electronic communications from us. You may ask us to remove you from the group email list at any time by replying to one of our communications and asking us to remove you.

Please return this form with your membership: