

## **Dorchester Award 2015**

When we think of selfless, we think of this year's recipient of the Dorchester Award.

He has taught not only in New Brunswick, Ontario and British Columbia, but Japan and Australia and the Philippines as well. He was a Master Teacher and an accomplished curriculum writer with the British Columbia public school system, specializing in Split-class geography, history and social studies teachers' resource manuals. This successful position resulted in him being seconded as Project Manager by the Department of Education, Victoria, BC. Here, under his leadership, a team of professional history teachers developed the K-12, Pacific Rim Social Studies Program.

A Vancouver member of the UELAC since 1999, he has served as President, Vice-President and Genealogist, as well as serving on and chairing many committees. His volunteerism extends far beyond the Vancouver Branch and the local community, serving as Pacific Councillor, Pacific Vice-President and Dominion Senior Vice-President. He has also served as chair of the Volunteer Recognition Committee and Under his leadership, the newly created UELAC Dorchester Award was established.

He works with BC Heritage Fairs and promotes Loyalist history in the Vancouver school curriculum. He was key in establishing the Phillip E. M. Leith Memorial Award - for "the best in volunteerism" among the BC branches. He is currently working with the Archives of Vancouver to have the Vancouver Branch history preserved, protected and entered into a data base.

These are just a few of his endeavours, however the allotted time does not allow for a full rundown of his accomplishments. I believe no further introduction is needed for the recipient of the 2015 Dorchester Award, Carl Stymiest UE.

