



The Pacific Loyalist

The United Empire Loyalists' Association of Canada
Vancouver Branch
Beyond the Mountains – 2010

Year in
Review
2009

2009 Newsletter Outreach and Education

Branch's 2014 Project An Invitation to Contribute Your Story

Dr. Peter Moogk UE

The proposal is to publish a 200 page book, with black-and-white illustrations, that is divided into five time periods:

The era of exploration and fur trade, 1790-1855

The mining frontier period, 1856-1885

The railway age, 1886-1930

A time of economic depression and war, 1931-1948

Recent arrivals, 1949-2000

**IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS CENTENNIAL VENTURE,
PLEASE CONTACT**

**Peter Moogk UE by e-mail moogk@interchange.ubc.ca or by
mail at 4645 West 6th Avenue, Vancouver, B.C.
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Yong (Avril) Wang

International Youth Award Recipient
Vancouver Branch UELAC



Spring Fleet Luncheon, 3 May 2009

Avril started her work with the UELAC Vancouver Branch shortly after her arrival in September 2007. In October that year, while attired in period clothing, Avril spent the day with Vancouver members manning our tables at the Tri-States Seminar, Surrey.

Avril has spent many hours working on behalf of the Vancouver Branch. 2008 was a busy year for her. Avril carried the provincial flag at the St. Patrick's Day parade (Vancouver) in March. She also drew the winning tickets for the Vancouver Branch lottery. In September, Avril assembled children's activity packages and served lunch to attendees at the Pacific Region Mini-Conference in Chilliwack. At the Mini-Conference Avril, learned to shoot black powder with an authentic Loyalist rifle. In part, thanks to Avril's help while in Victoria, we were able to locate a missing Bronze statue of Sir Alexander Mackenzie.

Over a two-year period, Avril has endeared herself to the members of the Vancouver Branch. Congratulations to Avril on her graduation from Point Grey Secondary School in June. We can't thank Avril enough for her support. She is a first-class ambassador for her country, China, and a pleasure to have in our country. (more pictures on Page 5)



Phillip Leith Award 2009

This year there were two winners of the Phillip Leith Award – **Rebecca Fraser UE** of the Vancouver Branch and **Al Huffman UE** of the Victoria Branch.

Dr. Peter Moogk UE presented Rebecca with her award and medal at the Spring Fleet Luncheon, Beatty Street Armoury, Vancouver on May 3rd. Peter was the 2008 recipient of the Phillip Leith Award.

Rebecca has been an important fixture in the Vancouver Branch since 1984 where she has served in every official position. Rebecca also maintained the Branch Library for several years.

Al Huffman received his award during Victoria's Spring Fleet. Congratulations to both of you.

Past Presidents

UELAC Vancouver Branch

Mr. John Anderson UE	2006, 2007
Ms Mary Bethune UE	2004, 2005
Mr. Douglas Jackson UE	2002, 2003
Mrs. Vona Smith UE	2000, 2001
Dr. Gerry Brown UE	1998, 1999
Mr. Richard Mackey UE	1995, 1996, 1997
Mrs. Rebecca Fraser UE	1992, 1993, 1994
Mr. John Graham UE	1991
Mrs. Audrey P. Shane UE	1989, 1990
Dr. Peter Moogk UE	1986, 1987, 1988
Mrs. Doreen Todhunter UE CMH	1984, 1985

*Pg. 4 - History of the Vancouver Branch
by Marvin Mills UE*

MEETINGS third Tuesday of each month – September to June
Multipurpose Room # 1, Bonsor Rec Center, Metro Town, Burnaby at 7:30 pm (with some exceptions)
LIBRARY – Phone 778 737-8358



Spring Fleet Luncheon Beatty Street Drill Hall, Vancouver

A perfect setting for our Spring Fleet thanks in part to our new President, Warren Bell UE. An excellent lunch followed by the presentation of Certificates to a number of our members and then a raffle.



ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE, VANCOUVER MARCH 2009



March Meeting



Maria Waite, "The Story of an Unsung Hero"

Guest Speaker: Dr. Gerry Brown UE of the Vancouver Branch

Gerry told of Maria's struggles, set in Upper Canada during the Rebellion of 1837. As a young woman she was determined to have her husband's death sentence overturned. (Maria's husband was Benjamin.)



MultiCultural Days, New Westminster

Tri-Stakes Seminar

October 2009, Family History Center, Surrey



Planning Committee Beyond the Mountains - 2010



Presidents of the Vancouver Branch UELAC, 1932-1942

Researched by Marvin Millis UE

As of early 1932, Vancouver members of the United Empire Loyalists Association of Canada still held their memberships through the Toronto branch. Then on March 30th of that year an advertised meeting was held to determine if a Vancouver branch could be formed. Fifteen Chartered members were necessary to form a local branch. This was the small beginning of the Vancouver branch. This branch became officially recognised on October 6th of that year - with twenty members.

Following are the names of the first two presidents of the Vancouver branch UELAC - noting each ones' term in office:

1932-35 Prof. Walter Noble Sage UE, BA, MA, PhD, FRHS

Walter Sage was born in 1888 in London, Ontario. Following his studies at Magdalen College, Oxford, England and at University of Toronto, he lectured at Calgary College (1913) and Queens University, Kingston (1915). He then began as assistant professor at University of British Columbia in 1918. He became associate professor there in 1921; then professor of History in 1928, and head of the department in 1932.

He authored "The Story of Canada" (1929) and was co-author of "Sir James Douglas and British Columbia" with George M. Wrong and Chester Martin.

He was a Fellow of the Royal Historical Society; also a member of the Canadian Historical Association, the American Historical Association, and the British Columbia Historical Association.

1935-37 Lt-Col. William Senkler Buell UE, CBE, VD, KC

William Buell was born in 1868 in Brockville, Ontario. He studied at Upper Canada College and Osgoode Hall, Toronto. He read law with Fraser & Reynolds of Brockville and Moss, Hoyles & Aylesworth of Toronto. He was called to the Bar of Ontario in 1891, and of British Columbia in 1893 Buell & Van Horne, then Buell, Lawrence & Johansson as of May 1926.

(practised one year and returned to Ontario).

In the autumn of 1914 he went on active service. He was Lieutenant-Colonel with the 4th Canadian Battalion. He was wounded at Ypres in April, 1915. He commanded the 3rd Reserves Canadian Battalion from July 1916 to May 1919. Decorated Commander Order of the British Empire; Chevalier Legion of Honour; Colonial Officer Long Service; President of Vancouver Military Institute, 1925-26.

Upon returning to BC in 1919, he resumed his practice of law. He was first a partner of Senkler, Buell & Van Horne, then Buell, Lawrence & Johansson as of May 1926.

Sources:

The Loyalist Gazette, August 1932.

Who's Who in British Columbia, 1940-41

Who's Who in Canada, 1940-41

Interesting Sites on the Net

By Linda Nygard UE

6 Generation Pedigree Chart

www.misbach.org/pdfcharts/

Military Books online includes Revolutionary War

(Submitted by Don Matthias)

www.evendon.net/

Ontario Historical Newspaper Archives

This site will keep you busy...

www.ontariogenealogy.com/ontarionewspaper.html

Many old Loyalist Books to read online

Over 23,753,448 books with 1,118,463 with full text
On Home Page, click "scanned books only" and then
fill in the search box (Ex. Loyalist)

<http://openlibrary.org/>

FamilySearch, Search Pilot - Excellent

Scanned Original Records are added often

B.C. BMD Records are now being digitalized so you
may find original, early death records for B.C.

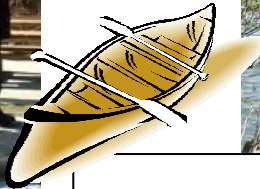
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document is available)*

Check back often...

<http://pilot.familysearch.org>

Sapperton Landing Reenactment

150 years ago Reverend White landed in New Westminster. He was the first missionary in New Westminster, the first minister at Queens Avenue United Church, and an ancestor of our member, Janet White UE, and her sister Judith Kileen UE.
Local Historian Archie Miller was also present.



UELAC Vancouver Branch Events in 2009

by Mary Anne Bethune UE

Meetings

3rd Tuesday of each month
January, February, March,
April, June, September,
October and November
7:30 Second Floor,
Bonsor Recreation Centre,
Burnaby, B.C.
*November, Guest Speaker
Janet Morley "B.C. Heritage Fairs"*

Library

908 Park Drive, Vancouver
(off Oak Street)
Phone 778 737-8358 for an appointment

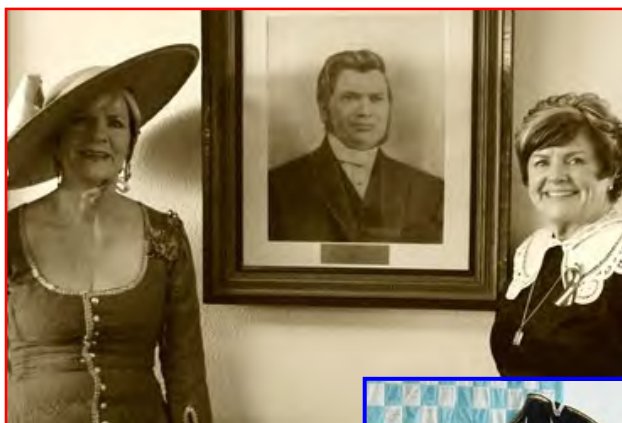
Activities

St. Patrick's Day Parade, Vancouver
Spring Fleet, Beatty St. Drill Hall, Van.
Sapperton Landing
Queens Avenue United – 150th Anniversary
Bay of Quinte Conference
Highland Games, Coquitlam
Tri-Stakes Seminars, Surrey
Remembrance Day, New Westminster
Christmas Social at The Drakes



DAY OF QUINTE CONFERENCE, JUNE 2009 AND MONUMENT TO THE WAR OF 1812

Top: The Right Honourable Adrienne Clarkson & UELAC President Fred Hayward UE at the unveiling of monument **Bottom:** Plaque on Monument by Douglas Coupland. The monument depicts the War of 1812 through the eyes of a Canadian.



DIRECTORY OF LOYALISTS

The intent of the UELAC is to add more names to the directory list as they are proven. There is very little information for most individuals. A list of Loyalists on the introduction page, for whom additional information has been added, also shows the name of the contributor. *With your permission (and after your application is edited for Privacy) I will forward your application to Doug Grant UE to be posted on the Directory of Loyalists.* The list below shows what information can be posted to the Directory of Loyalists.

Surname:
Given Name:
Rank:
Where Resettled:
Status as Loyalist:
Source:
Notes (Expunged, Suspended, Reinstated):
Regiment:
Enlistment Date:
Date & Place of Birth:
Settled before war:
Date & Place of Death:
Place of Burial:
Name of Spouse, Children:
Biography:
Proven Descendants:
Military Information:
Loyalist Genealogy:
Family History and Family Genealogy:
Other Info: (Add your name as contributor) Reserved:

Please visit the "Directory of Loyalists" at www.uelac.org.

Indicate if you wish anything else added such as your Branch or email address.

*Send updates to Doug Grant at
loyalist.directory@uelac.org*

Queens Avenue United Church 150th Anniversary New Westminster

Our member **Janet White UE**, and her sister **Judith Killeen UE**, are descendants of Rev. White, the first minister at Queens Avenue United Church



Vancouver Branch Executive

Checking out the new Vancouver Branch Website... www.uelac.org and then link to the Vancouver Branch



Remembrance Day 2009

New Westminster

Wendy Cosby UE & Dan Hilborn laid a wreath at the Cenotaph. A good turnout and then lunch at Linda & George Drake's home.



Painting Wooden Soldiers

For Beyond the Mountains – 2010



Left: Christmas Social at George and Linda Drake's

*Above: Rebecca Fraser's \$15.00 loaf donated by Wendy Cosby UE. Money collected went toward the **Four Directions Youth Project***

2010 Vancouver Branch Executive, UELAC

President	<i>Warren Bell UE</i>
1st Vice President	<i>Carl Stymiest UE</i>
Treasurer	<i>Gwen Dumfries</i>
Secretary	<i>Linda Nygard UE</i>
Past President	<i>Wendy Cosby UE</i>
Genealogist	<i>Linda Nygard UE</i>
Assistant Genealogist	<i>Wendy Cosby UE, Carl Stymiest UE</i>
Membership	<i>Gwen Dumfries</i>

**Our library is in the home of President, Wendy Cosby UE, near the north end of the Oak Street Bridge.
Please phone Wendy at 778 737-8358 to make an appointment.**

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Newsletter by

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If you have any suggestions, pictures, or items to submit to our newsletter, please contact Mary Anne at jmab@telus.net or Linda at linda_nygard@telus.net