

Ottawa Loyalist Newsletter of the Sir Guy Carleton Branch, UELAC Volume 38 Issue Number 3 Fall 2022

In Memoriam Queen Elizabeth II



Message from the President

Hello, Sir Guy Carleton members,

I hope everyone had a relaxing summer. The return to our new normal lives is always jarring, but especially so this year.

The passing of Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II, is a reminder of the deep connection Loyalists feel towards the Monarchy. From King George III to our new King, Charles III, our family histories reflect the steadfast loyalty to the Crown that is our history and heritage.

On behalf of the executive, welcome back and we look forward to seeing you soon.

Rose Rosemarie Pleasant, President Sir Guy Carleton Branch, UEL

The Queen's Reign

The Monarchist League of Canada has an excellent page marking the Queen's reign: <u>https://www.monarchist.ca/index.php</u>

<u>HM Elizabeth II</u> A national patriotic society supporting Canada's constitutional monarchy. <u>www.monarchist.ca</u>

Sir Guy Carleton October Social: Coming Soon

We are announcing a social very soon. Watch for the announcement at: <u>http://www.uelac.org/SirGuyCarleton/events.php</u>

Education

Thank you from Christine E Manzer, Scholarship Committee Chair

To the members of the Sir Guy Carleton Branch:

As we celebrate the success of the **2022 Scholarship Challenge**, the UELAC Scholarship committee – Tim Compeau, Rebecca Brannon, Stephanie Seal-Walters and myself extend our sincere appreciation to all who contributed and in particular to the Sir Guy Carleton Branch for their contribution to the Scholarship Endowment Fund.

Thank you for being a great example to other UELAC Branches across the country.

Loyally, Christine E Manzer UE, Scholarship Committee Chair



The John Ruch Bursary, Carleton University

There were 2 successful applications this year.

- 1. Vick Spiers--Bachelor of Arts Honours, Canadian Studies
- 2. Kristen Mitchell--Bachelor of Arts Honours, Human Rights & Social Justice

Our heartiest congratulations to the two new members of the coming generation of Loyalist scholars.

Rural Diary Archive

The Rural Diary Archive showcases over 200 Ontario diarists from 1800 to 1960. <u>Discover</u> and <u>Meet the Diarists</u> are good places to get acquainted with these people from the past. <u>https://ruraldiaries.lib.uoguelph.ca/home</u>

Genealogy Report

Two useful sources of information for those of us who have Loyalist ancestors in the St Lawrence Valley.

- 1. The Iroquois Resource Centre (in Iroquois) is a source for Loyalist and genealogical information and is operated by the St. Lawrence Branch. Genealogists Lorraine Reoch and Darlene Fawcett are available to help researchers with UE certificate applications. . http://uelac.org/st-lawrence/loyalist-resource-centre/
- 2. **Cornwall Community Museum:** in addition to being a gorgeous museum (see photo), the Museum Archives contain tools such as city directories, telephone directories, newspaper articles, historic photographs, maps and plans.

https://cornwallcommunitymuseum.wordpress.com/2019/10/26/a-visit-to-the-cornwallcommunity-museum/



Inside the Cornwall Community Museum

Photo credit: Holly Haimerl

Social Media

The Sir Guy Carleton Facebook page remains private but any UELAC member can now ask to join. The Instagram account is linked to our website, and anyone can join. The Sir Guy Carleton email will continue to be the point of contact for people asking for certificate applications; it also serves for general inquiries and information.

Membership

Please ensure the branch has your current email address to receive notices of meetings, presentations, etc.

Membership benefits

Membership in the United Empire Loyalists' Association of Canada is managed by its branches and is open to descendants of Loyalists or just those who are interested in the history of Canada. By joining the Sir Guy Carleton Branch you would receive the Loyalist Gazette, the official publication of the UELAC (published twice per year) as well as the Ottawa Loyalist, the Branch newsletter which is published 3 times per year. Both publications are available either electronically or paper copy.

Branch members receive the latest news on Branch activities (including the spring and fall socials), special events, meetings and projects. Those whose primary branch is Sir Guy Carleton can also be associate members of other branches for a fee.

UELAC Membership System

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 Word press, 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. Record the password somewhere.

#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")

Certificate application

Descendants of United Empire Loyalists can apply for a certificate after proving their lineage back to the original Loyalist. Applicants are encouraged to work with their branch genealogist who will provide guidance in collecting the proofs required and will provide the certificate application form. On completion of the application and with satisfactory proofs and the fee, the application will be submitted to the Dominion office by the branch genealogist. If accepted, the applicant will receive a certificate which can be presented to them at a branch meeting, or if they prefer, they can receive it by mail. For further information on the application process, see <u>www.UELAC.org</u>

We Remember

Obituary Tom Meyerhof

https://ottawacitizen.remembering.ca/obituary/thomas-meyerhof-1085350085

Thomas Meyerhof | Obituary | Ottawa Citizen

Thomas Meyerhof passed away 2022. This is the full obituary where you can express condolences and share memories. Published in the Ottawa Citizen on 2022-06-03. ottawacitizen.remembering.ca

Summer 2022 Events

Dominion Conference 2022

"From Heartbreak to Hope in the Heart of the Continent", Winnipeg May 25 to May 29 <u>https://www.uelmanitoba.ca/conference2022</u>

There were eight excellent presentations and a tour of the Canadian Museum for Human Rights over the course of the four-day conference. Two really exciting presentations were:

- 1. "Apocryphal Ambulations? The Many Walks of Laura Secord" by Dr. Janet Noel, Associate Professor Emeritus of Historical Studies at the University of Toronto, Mississauga
- 2. "Joseph Brant" by Dr. Richard Monture of McMaster University



Photo credit: Legislative Assembly of Ontario Photo credit: the Canadian Encyclopedia The 2023 Conference is in Vancouver (June 1 to June 4) <u>https://uelac.ca/conference-2023/</u>

Cornwall 1784: A Celebration of Friendship

May 20 to May 22, Lamoureux Park

Annual UEL Flag Raising Event

June 20, the UEL Heritage Centre and Park, Adolphustown



Photo credits: Nat Stone

Lamoureux Park in Cornwall was the site in May of a celebration commemorating how Ontario began in 1784. The festival brought together over 250 reenactors, equipment, artifacts, and activities representing three cultures that played significant roles in the area's early history: the Indigenous peoples (Mohawks), the French-Canadians, and the Loyalists (British, Scottish, and Palatines). The event featured an extensive soldiers' encampment and river boat (above.)

Sunday, June 19 was Loyalist Day in Ontario. To commemorate this event, the Bay of Quinte Branch held a flag-raising ceremony in the UEL Heritage Centre and Park at Adolphustown, site of among the earliest Loyalist settlements in Ontario. The ceremony including a wreath-laying, cannon salute and march.

Battle of Crysler's Farm Re-enactment Weekend: The Americans Are Coming! And We Stand on Guard.

July 16-17, Morrisburg

The Battle of Crysler's Farm (Morrisburg, Ontario) was fought on 11 November 1813, part of the War of 1812. A British and Canadian force won a victory over a much larger US force. The British-Canadian victory prompted the Americans to abandon their planned assault on Montreal.

Every year in July, there is a re-enactment of this historic battle at the site, next door to Upper Canada Village. The event features authentically recreated camps of the British and American army during the War of 1812, as well as craftspeople and artisans who come together to create a large display of living military history.



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