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Upcoming Branch Meeting: Your Choice: In-Person OR By ZOOM.

Saturday, September 24, 2022, 1:00 PM

ZOOM & In-person at St. Paul's Anglican Church Hall, Queen at Montreal St.

The link for the 1:00 Presentation

https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81167634828?pwd=WnB0alhKSmFJNFZxQmZ1NkFZRHFvUT09

Door Prizes include books of Historical, Regional and Genealogical interest & Conference Merchandise past and present. Bring a gently loved item or duplicate if you like.

Our GUEST Speaker will be <u>MARK GALLOP UE</u> with a talk titled: LOYALISTS AND THE AMERICAN OCCUPATION OF MONTREAL 1775-76, DURING THE REVOLUTION.

- Mark Gallop UE (Ancestor: STEVENS, Lemuel UE) is an active Heritage Branch member, and a New Brunswick resident. Beyond his banking acumen, he is a researcher and writer on historical subjects, publishing articles in a number of local history, and genealogical journals. He is a <u>Fellow of the Royal Canadian Geographical Society</u> (FRCGS), awarded 2016. With the Mount Royal Cemetery (a National Historic Site), he is a Trustee and Board Member, 2011 – present and President of the Friends of the Mount Royal Cemetery, its charitable arm.
- This will likely be an in-person Hybrid presentation with Mark in-person which will be joyous! Otherwise, it will be hybrid with Mark in Montreal, but still be wonderful to join together at St. Paul's Hall with local people while seeing others on Zoom.

FUTURE EVENTS:

Saturday SEPTEMBER 17th, Kingston Fall Fair, 10:00 Jean Rae is presenting a talk about Fort Frontenac and at 11:00 Anne will be presenting about the UE Herchmer family of Kingston and the connection to our Fairground! Volunteers will staff an info & sales table in the west tent.

Saturday November 26, St. Paul's & Zoom Kingston & Dist. Branch AGM:

Saturday November 26, 2022 is the usual date for our <u>Annual General Meeting</u>, at which time we formally swear in and gently may 'volun-asked/told' new members of our leadership team otherwise called the Branch Executive. We urgently need people to become assistants in a few areas, to take on small projects to support the continuance of the branch. Those currently wearing too many hats cannot maintain all the duties. Please come forward. <u>See the list on page 9.</u>

RECENT BRANCH AND UELAC EVENTS

So far this spring and summer, some of us have attended the following:

May 28th UELAC Annual Conference, Virtual

Between May 25 and 29, 2022 many of you may have participated in Zoom presentations by the hosting Winnipeg Branch for the Annual UELAC Conference and AGM.

Kingston and District Branch arranged an in-person gathering at our usual St. Paul's Anglican Church Hall. Some of us brought a bagged or take-out lunch and shared a social time, prior to watching the presentation "Apocryphal Ambulations? The Many Walks of Laura Secord," presented by Dr. Janet Noel and transmitted from the Conference by Zoom.

After the weekend, replays were available to those to paid for the conference.



In Back: Alex Ross (ADAMS), Nancy Roblin (HAWLEY), Richard Parry (PARRY, SIMMONS etc.), and Barb Bradfield (SMITH. H.) (We'll just say she was 'singing'.)



Sue Kilpatrick (HUYCK) and Jean Rae Baxter (FOX). Most are also found in the group photo, with Peter Milliken (ROSE) being caught in that one.

Alan Boyce UE (PICKLE, SCRYVER) escaped being photographed, as he was 'behind the lens'. Thank you for these photos, Alan.



Good-humouredly, numerous stepped into some 'Loyalist Accessories' to enhance the historic tone of the photo. Some also tried on items for Canada Day!



Cornwall 1784: A Celebration of Friendship

In the words of Maura McKeon of Heritage Branch below, as written to Carl Stymiest, Sr. V.P., UELAC and Anne Redish, Kingston Branch Genealogist. Maura was also the photographer for the images below, taken at Cornwall, Saturday, May 21, 2022.

Carl and Anne: It was fun to meet you both there. We really enjoyed the event, the sunny weather, the breeze from the river, the colourful re enactment, the booths and the wonderful tattoo that ended a perfect day. [Until the huge wind / tornado sprang up in Eastern Ontario.] And what a picturesque, historic and meaningful site for our future UELAC National Office! I think our ancestors, now in a better place, would approve the choice.

Loyally, Robert Wilkins, and Maura McKeon, Montreal.

Robert's UE ancestor was Robert WILKINS, UE of Carrying Place, Prince Edward County.





More images and coverage at:

https://www.standard-freeholder.com/news/local-news/localhistory-came-to-life-at-first-ever-cornwall-1784-celebration

UEL/1812 Warkworth and Adolphustown Weekend JUNE 18 & 19, 2022

UELAC President, Trish Groom UE and UELAC Vice-President, Carl Stymiest UE attended ceremonies at three Ontario Cemeteries. These were Warkworth, Stone's and Cramahe Hills Cemeteries, all in Northumberland County, not far from Warkworth.

Through the extremely dedicated efforts of David L. Smith UE, and his team including Richard Parry UE, Troy Easter UE, and the Canadian Fencibles (most UE), in conjunction with the National Graveside Project (<u>https://gravesideproject.ca/</u>), veterans of the War of 1812, often UE, continue to be recognised and their gravesite marked for future understanding.

The sky was clear and bright, but the wind was chilly on those hills that were established as burial places for our ancestors so long ago. The ceremonies were attended by many with connections to those locations & their ancestors, and to UELAC. Canadian Forces Cadets from a regional group attended, the Canadian Fencibles, <u>https://fencibles.ca/index.php</u>.

All of these men were veterans of War of 1812, with only a few being veterans of the Revolutionary War. Many were sons of UE, therefore SUE. IMUC is Incorporated Militia of Upper Canada.

All are recognised on the GRAVESIDE PROJECT website. https://gravesideproject.ca/



June 18th

10:00am Ceremony at the <u>Warkworth Cemetery</u>, Lots 15 & 16 Concession 3 Percy Township; 13820 County Road #29 :

- 1) Cpl. Benjamin **HICKS** 1794- 1876, Died July 12, 1876, Northumberland Militia / IMUC
- 2) Pvt. Isaac **IRELAND** 1786 1854, Died August 18, 1854, 2nd Leeds Militia; Born in Schaghticoke, Rensselaer County NY
- 3) Sgt. John **KEMP** 1788 186, Died May 25, 1861, Lennox & Addington Militia
- 4) Drummer James Johnson **MERRIAM** 1772- 1862, Born in Connecticut Died February 20, 1862, Northumberland Militia
- 5) Pvt. James **PLATT** 1796 1839, Died June 7th, 1839, 1st Prince Edward Dragoons
- 6) Capt. John **SPENCER** 1794 1869, Died October 15th, 1869, Northumberland Militia
- 7) Pvt. Joseph **YOUNG** 1794- 1878 Died April 6, 1878, Prince Edward Militia

11:30am Ceremony at the <u>Stone's Cemetery</u>, Percy Township-County Rd. #25 and Conc. Road 1W, just South of Warkworth

- 8) Pvt. Jacob W. **CRYDERMAN** SUE, 1787-1867 Died March 19, 1867, Prince Edward Militia
- 9) Pvt. Michael **CRYDERMAN**, UE 1757 1837, father of the above Jacob, 1st Battalion, King's Royal Regiment of New York, Enlisted May 6th, 1777
- 10) Pvt. Johannes (John) **DINGMAN**, 1776-1853 Died August 15th, 1853, Northumberland Militia
- 11) Pvt. Cornelius **OLIVER**, UE 1757-1854, 1st Lennox Militia

12:30pm Lunch was provided for volunteers at Warkworth Legion. Certificates of 'UE descent' were presented upstairs in the Legion Hall, to: **Janet Eggleton UE**, who is always more lovely and cheerful than this left image suggests; **John Wannamaker UE** of the Canadian Fencibles often working the Fencibles' artillery if needed and representing the New Jersey Volunteers on Sunday! Also, a certificate went to **Thomas**, son of Scott **Turrall** UE, and Deb Turrall UE of Belleville. (KELLER, LARROWAY)





2:00pm Ceremony <u>Cramahe Hill Cemetery</u>, 340 County Road #27, Codrington, Morganston:

- Three 1812 Veteran Markers, Regional V.P. Bill Russell presiding.
 12) Pvt. Garrett **DINGMAN**, 1792-1875 Northumberland
 - Militia 13) Pyt. Jacob **DINGMAN** 1785-1864 Northumberland
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 - 14) Pvt. Joseph **GOULD** 1789-1872 Glengarry Light Infantry Fencibles

More Photos of this event and others are at the UELAC main Facebook page. https://www.facebook.com/groups/2303178326

A photo from the Warkworth cemetery is on the next page at the left.

Also, below (right) is an image showing some of those previously recognised as War of 1812 Veterans who lie in the Loyalist Cemetery at the UE Park, Adolphustown.







June 19th UE Flag Raising& Awards Presentations -- UEL Heritage Park, Adolphustown

Robert (Bob) McBride UE (DeCOU and others) and **Angela Johnson UE** (FINKLE and too many other UEs to mention!) were each presented with their Dorchester Awards for ongoing extraordinary service; Bob's from 2021 and Angela's from 2022. Congratulations to them both!



John Chard UE (HUBBLE), of Stirling, ON, was a long-time member and former President of UELAC. He was a member of many branches and was instrumental during the development of 15 branches, providing widespread support. After his passing, a plaque dedicated to him was initiated by the Kawartha Branch, one of those branches he was deeply involved with. In the first pic, the plaque is under the flag. It has now been placed inside the UELAC Research Centre at the UEL Park at Adolphustown. One of many articles is at: <u>http://www.uelac.org/events/New-Brunswick-Branch-Donation-John-Charrd-Loyalist-House.pdf</u>

The text of the plaque is available through the Kawartha Branch. We will try to post it soon.



3:00pm Loyalist Service at St. Alban's Memorial Church

As part of the service, **Jean Rae Baxter** gave a very engaging presentation that pulled together many facets of the history of our UE Ancestors. We will ask her for more details soon, maybe in the next newsletter!



Oddly, the poster shows the "Union Jack" flag on the boat. It was used after 1801. In 1784, at the time of the UE arrivals, the UNION flag was used, until 1801.

Information about the UE Flag can be found at: <u>http://www.uelac.org/Ka</u> <u>wartha/flag.php</u>



This 1884 poster announces the program for three weekdays mid June that year, to celebrate the Centennial of the arrival of the UE Loyalists to the shores of Adolphustown. We generally consider their arrival to have been via the beach that is now sometimes used for a reenactment, but they actually pulled into the now-somewhatovergrown bay on the north side of the point, due to strong winds.

Canada Day July 1, 2022 – Bath, Ontario

Many regulars attended, participating in ways that they had before, including **Jean Rae Baxter** (at the spinning wheel, right) on the shorter-than-2019-trailer. An exception is the presence of two fairly recent certificate recipients: **Avaya Cairns**, granddaughter, and **Kim Cairns** daughter-in-law (left, below), of our Acting Treasurer **Ron Cairns**. Thanks to Ron for taking on the task of decorating the trailer, while Anne Redish was 'down' with one of the recent viruses.







New to participate enthusiastically on the float this year was also **Alex Ross**, our Merchandise Leader and Librarian, above.



There were not many signatures in the guest book at the booth, but perhaps next year we can have someone specifically watching that and encouraging people to share their contact info so we can reach them. Richard did report that he was kept busy showing people around the big map of Ernestown and talking about our area ancestors in general.

We had great feedback that our presence was greatly appreciated by the Parade Committee and those on the trailer heard similar good comments. Thanks were sent to the family that loaned the trailer. It was

shorter than last year, and if more people come out next year, we may need to book a bigger one!

THE FUTURE: NEXT

Please check the link below if planning to attend our National United Empire Loyalists' Association of Canada Conference – "Where the Sea Meets the Sky," 01--04 June 2023, Vancouver/Richmond, British Columbia.

New Conference **Discount offers by Air Canada and WestJet** on Flights, use: <u>https://uelac.ca/conference-2023/#flight</u>

Cheers, Carl Stymiest UE, Sr. V.P. on behalf the 2023 UELAC Conference "Where the Sea Meets the Sky" Planning Committee.

VACANT ROLES AWAIT YOU, even at a distance:

Can someone (or a few of you) please:

- 1) Take notes at meetings, either by zoom, or in person when possible?
 - 2) Take photos at meetings and or events? Possibly multiple people?
 - 3) Write brief notes to go with photos, or articles for the newsletter?
- 4) Pick up printed newsletters 4 or 5 times annually and assist with mailing? (Kingston West end)

These tasks will require using email to share documents.

Branch undertakings may be reduced unless tasks are taken on by others.

To contact the Branch, email kingston.uelac@gmail.com

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MEMBERSHIP REMINDER.

Do <u>not</u> attempt to renew your membership (online at <u>uelac.ca</u>) before November 5, 2022. Nothing to do with Guy Fawkes Day; just the timing when the membership system gets switched over for next year.

VISITORS

Do feel free to invite your friends, relatives or neighbours to any of our meetings, whether you or they wish to attend in-person at St. Paul's Church Hall or prefer to join the meeting electronically by Zoom. Zoom is free to anyone who wishes to download it.

- If you're using a desktop computer, go to https://zoom.us/download
- If you have an iPhone or iPad, go to the App Store on your Apple device
- If you have an Android phone, go to the Google Play Store.

KINGSTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY MEETING

Kingston Historical Society is also planning "hybrid" meetings in the autumn: you can attend in person or via Zoom. Their local meetings will be held at the Kingsbridge Retirement Community, 950 Centennial Drive; see details at <u>https://www.kingstonhistoricalsociety.ca/events-news/</u>. On **Wednesday, September 21, 7:00 PM: Nathan Brinklow, "This area's Mohawk heritage."** Please contact <u>kingstonhs@gmail.com</u> if you want the link to the Zoom presentation. This presentation will obviously have tie-ins to Loyalists.

STORY OF YOUR LOYALIST ANCESTOR

Where is yours?

If you write up the story of your Loyalist ancestor(s), the act of writing will

- a) Help you get the facts straight in your memory;
- b) Show where the gaps are, e.g., "oh, wait, I don't know when his first wife died";
- c) Make it easier to complete an application for a certificate, when the story is laid out generation by generation from the Loyalist to yourself;
- d) Provide material for the newsletter, so that each issue can remain ten pages in length;
- e) Form part of your contribution to the Branch. If everyone contributes something each year, the branch will be able to continue its existence.



Central East Region VP Bill Russell makes an announcement as a municipal official moves to the microphone. Lovely weather seemed to bless all our events this summer.