

UELAC
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Information for UELAC, Calgary Branch, members:

The **Annual UELAC Dominion Conference in Winnipeg** has been cancelled because of the measures taken to try to control the health problems associated with the corona virus.

Plans for our **AGM and lunch** had been made for May 31st with guest speaker David Laidlaw, BSc, LLB, LLM, talking about aboriginal issues in Alberta. That has also been cancelled for reasons outlined by David Hongisto in the email below.

Email from David Hongisto

I have taken the step of cancelling our reservation at the Sheraton Cavalier for our lunch meeting on May 31, 2020. There were still a couple of weeks before we'd have been in a penalty situation (which probably would not have been invoked anyway) but there now have been cancellations of events scheduled for a later date than ours.

Please notify guest speaker and any others who need notice.

I don't know if we can, as an executive, hold a virtual meeting to decide what to do in lieu of a regular AGM. In any case, the membership will need to be notified of the cancellation. Maybe some other information can be included in that mailout.

David

Memberships

All UELAC memberships are now online. A dedicated website was formed separate from the main information website. The website is uelac.ca

There is no link on the main site to uelac.ca

All members from last year (2019) are entered on the member's website with the email that we have previously communicated with you.

Sign in

- 1) On the **Welcome** page there are instructions near the bottom if you need to refer to them.
- 2) If it is your first time use the 'click HERE' button or the 'Member Login' button if you have a password.
- 3) The 'click HERE' button will go to a sign-in page where you can request a password. A password will be sent to the email address that you provided.
- 4) Use the password from the email to complete the sign-in.
- 5) After a successful sign-in you will see the Member's section title page. It has links to 'Your UELAC Member Account', to 'Renew Membership' and to access the recent Loyalist Gazettes.

- 6) The 'Member Account' page will show your current information that is on file. This can be changed by using 'Edit Profile'.
- 7) Through the 'Renew Membership' button you can pay for the next year's membership. You must choose a branch and then a membership type. A method of payment must also be selected. The options to use a credit card or Pay Pal are listed. Also if you wish to write a cheque or pay by interact, that is also an option.
- 8) The address to send a cheque or transfer to will show when this option is requested. Our branch has set up an email address to receive payments.

Executive

We have had a change in Executive. George Tapley has resigned from the Treasurer position. David Hongisto has taken over the position at least while the new membership system is being worked out.

We are in need of additional Executive members to help run the branch and provide more ideas.

Financial Report

See the minutes below for a summary of the money in our accounts. A detailed statement will be sent later. The books were checked in detail when the change of Treasurer occurred, in order to determine how much we owed the Dominion.

UELAC Calgary Branch Executive Meeting Minutes

March 6, 2020

The Executive had a meeting to plan the Spring Luncheon. The minutes are below.

Present: Pat Brown (on iPad), Suzanne Davidson, Barbara Hongisto, David Hongisto, Linda McClelland, Sharon Terray

FINANCIAL REPORT: We have \$3055.57 in chequing account and \$24463.37 in term deposit.

Everyone was paid for expenses re Lethbridge cemetery event.

David will be treasurer as George is stepping aside.

MEMBERSHIP: on line registration

We will explain how to e-mail memberships at our May luncheon, including how to e-transfer funds or mail membership. (Dues are coming up; here are your choices.)

New members will be shown how to set things up.

Should we hand out membership cards? We could use the template for business cards.

We shall have some cards at the May meeting.

Maybe the receipt from the national with UEL insignia would be sufficient.

We need to upgrade with the Dominion website.

SPRING MEETING

May 31st at the Sheraton Cavalier, meeting at 12 noon, with lunch commencing at 12:30.

Linda will contact David Laidlaw to see if he is available to speak that day.
If not, we will consider a heraldry speaker or find another choice.
Sharon will contact the Canyon Meadows Golf Club re details of having a lunch there in the future. Linda will contact 2 other golf clubs. Barbara will contact the Kensington Legion for the same info.

CERTIFICATES: There will be 4 certificates given out at the luncheon...1 male and 3 female. (Linda will make the hats for the females.

REGIONAL NOMINATIONS: We discussed this item but did not come up with any nominations thus far.

Meeting was adjourned at 4 PM....thanks for hosting once more, Linda!!

Best of Health to all Calgary Branch members and their families.