

CALGARY BRANCH

NEWSLETTER

September, 2020



**UNITED EMPIRE LOYALISTS
ASSOCIATION OF CANADA**

Calgary Branch

Fall Meeting

We are planning a Fall meeting. This will be via Zoom. The Dominion has a Zoom account which we will make use of. The meeting will be on Sunday, November 1 at 3:00 pm Mountain time. Part of this meeting will be the Annual General Meeting that was postponed in May. We will also have a presentation. I have requested a speaker on Peacekeeping from The Memory Project <http://www.thememoryproject.com/> The project provides speakers with a military theme.

To register for the Fall meeting please contact me at s_e_davidson@hotmail.com and you will be sent a message with the Zoom information.

Our audited Financial Statement will be presented and is attached below.

We encourage anyone to share your knowledge so we can continue our over 90 years of being strong and soldiering on. We need volunteer expertise to provide technological and creative input to continue and hopefully expand our commitment.

We especially need to provide some assistance to David with the accounting since he is also monitoring the membership list. The creation of a publicity pamphlet for distribution to other organizations would increase awareness in the community. Most positions are available to anyone interested. The official positions are President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. Positions officially open are Vice President and Treasurer along with Directors.

Memberships

November or earlier is the time to start renewing your membership for 2021. Since we are not meeting in person this will have to be done online. Please see below for information on how to do that. If you have problems you can contact me at s_e_davidson@hotmail.com. A mail in option is available if you wish.

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

There is also a link on the Membership page of the main Dominion website uelac.org. The Calgary Branch website is uelac.org/Calgary/

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

Instructions for accessing the Membership website are below and on the website, uelac.ca

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 interac, 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.

Certificates

For the last year we have acquired a number of certificates. These will be virtually presented on November 1.

The list of certificates to be presented includes the following.



ladies' bonnet

1) Helen Backhouse's daughters, Fiona Audy and Frances Backhouse for George Schryver and John Pickle. Both John Pickle and George Schryver were from New York and Privates in the Kings Royal Regiment of New York (KRRNY). They settled

in Fredericksburgh, Mecklenburgh, Upper Canada.

George was John's son-in-law

- 2) Elaine Rewcastle for Philip Eamer, Benjamin Baker and Henry Gallinger
Benjamin Baker was from Connecticut. Phillip Eamer and Henry Gallinger were from Mohawk Valley, New York. They were all with the Kings Royal Regiment of New York and settled in Stormont, Upper Canada. Henry Gallinger was Phillip Eamer's son-in-law. Benjamin Baker and Henry Gallinger's children married.
- 3) Bruce Pitts for Jacob Phillips and Norris Brisco Jacob Phillips was from Wyoming Valley, Pennsylvania and a Private with the Kings Royal Regiment of New York. He settled in Etobicoke Twp, York Co, Upper Canada. Norris Brisco was with the Loyal Rangers and settled in Ernestown, Leeds and Addington, Upper Canada. Bruce has a number of other Loyalist connections that he is working on.
- 4) Hopefully Ian McIlreath for David William Babcock, which has recently been submitted. David Babcock was from New York and was a Captain with the Embodied Loyalists. He moved to the Kingston area after the Revolution.



tri corner hat

Applications

A number of members are working on applications to varying degrees. The deadline to receive a certificate before Christmas is October 31. There is assistance available to help prepare the application for submission. Please contact me if you wish some support.

Executive Meeting

The executive had a meeting in late August which resulted in a decision to hold a Zoom Branch Meeting on November 1 as described above. We have tabled a discussion of what to do for Remembrance Day pending City directives.

Promotions

The Promotions group for the United Empire Loyalists of Canada have arranged for UELAC masks to be available. They are \$10 plus \$3 for shipping. If a number of members are interested we might be able to get a branch discount. Unfortunately no picture is available yet on the main website. When a picture is available I will update the membership. The web address for the UELAC Promotions is <http://www.uelac.org/promotion/catalogue.php>

Loyalists Come West

The Pacific Region and UELAC Membership Committee are looking for stories of Loyalist descendants who came West. We collected some stories a few years ago. Please contact me with a story of your ancestor and your family.

Book Reviews

Our website has a spot for book reviews. There are a couple from the Beer grandchildren there now. They have been on the website for a while. Please send a review of any Loyalist or History related book you have read lately.

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Financial Statements

Statement of Receipts and Expenditures For The Year Ended December 31, 2019 Balance Sheet December 31, 2019

Receipts		2019	2020	Assets	
Dues		\$ 575.00		Bank	\$ 5,002.77
Dues		2,055.00		Term Deposit	24,463.37
Grants		936.00		CU Shares	25.28
Luncheon	Spring	1,210.00		Dividends	14.17
Luncheon	Fall	1,305.00			
Postage Recovery		5.00		Total Assets	\$ 29,505.59
Pin Sales		5.00			
Interest		396.51		Liabilities and Equity	
CU Dividend		1.52		Accounts Payable	\$ 1,975.00
Total Receipts		\$ 6,489.03		Net Equity	27,530.59
Expenditures				Total Liabilities and Equity	\$ 29,505.59
Per Capita	2019	355.00			
Per Capita	2020	1,710.00			
Lethbridge Plaque Event		942.31			
Luncheon	Spring	1,268.74			
Luncheon	Fall	1,585.92			
Speaker Honorarium		100.00			
Bank Charges		5.50			
Total Expenditures		\$ 5,967.47			
Excess Receipts			521.56		
Equity - Beginning of Year			27,009.03		
Equity - End of Year			\$ 27,530.59		

Audited on Behalf of the Branch Membership	
<i>Karen Stevenson</i>	<i>Sept. 11/20</i>
Karen Stevenson	Date
<i>Barbara Hongisto</i>	<i>Sept. 11/20</i>
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