



The Hamilton Loyalist

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"They forsook every possession excepting their honour, and set their faces towards the wilderness... to begin, amid untold hardships, life anew under the flag they revered."

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President's Message

It is a particular pleasure to write my first report as your president.

We are blessed at Hamilton Branch with one of the most active branches in the entire UEL Association. It is all due to the incredible team who have learned over the years how to get things done and how to stay connected.

I am a new-comer and I am constantly amazed at how dedicated your team is. Past President Ruth Nicholson UE, Gloria Oakes UE, Lloyd Oakes UE, and Fred Hayward UE have been so generous with advice and help and so patient with me as I attempt to learn the myriad of details involved in keeping our branch on the straight and narrow. We are blessed with hard-working committees. Last year your Education Committee members met with over 2300 pupils in schools in our area. Your Cemetery Plaquing Committee carried out plaque unveiling ceremonies



Doug Coppins UE & Pat Blackburn UE received Hamilton Wentworth Heritage Awards this Spring

at cemeteries from one end of our region to the other and have plans for more.

I just have to share with you the tremendous advantage we have in our branch in our treasurer Gloria Howard UE and our secretary Marilyn Hardsand UE. With these two wonderful persons no detail is let slide.

Your part is to let us know where attention is needed and continue to spread the word and invite your many contacts to join with us to celebrate our heritage. Your help is needed.

The activities of five of our members were recently recognized. Pat Blackburn UE, Chair of our Education Committee and Doug Coppins UE, Chair of our Cemetery Plaquing Committee were both honoured at the Hamilton Wentworth Heritage Awards Ceremony on 12 Feb.



Ruth Nicholson UE as past president welcomes Ray Cummins UE as new President of the Hamilton Branch



Ontario Volunteer Award presented to Frances Showers-Walker UE by Ted McMeekin MPP

Gloria Oakes UE, Frank Rupert UE and Frances Showers Walker UE were honoured at the Ontario Volunteer Awards for their long service to their community on 12 April .

Look for photos of your branch's hard working awardees in this issue.

Both of these award ceremonies took place at Liuna Station on James Street North in Hamilton . The last time I was in that building it was the CN Railway Station and my father was taking all his kids for a glorious day at Crystal Beach Amusement Park on



Frank Rupert UE at Winona Public School Pioneer Presentation; Frank received an Ontario Volunteer Award this Spring

Lake Erie. We waited all year for the ice cream, the orange crush in the dark brown bottle, the beach, the amazing roller coasters and the thrilling steam train ride. I particularly remember the tiny cinders coming back from the locomotive as we stuck our heads out the windows to get the fullest sensation from the excursion. The occasion was the annual picnic for employees of the Studebaker automobile manufacturing plant in Hamilton. I drove by the site of the car factory a few days ago. I was astonished to see that it has been mothballed, virtually unchanged from the outside, for nearly 45 years. Hamilton has seen so many huge changes since then.

To see how much the city has changed check out the movie made in 1946 as a tribute to Hamilton's progress and promise. This video was apparently saved from the garbage bin recently by a city employee. John Hammill UE shared this link with us and many have enjoyed it. Click on the video at: <http://vimeo.com/22031635>

This year we hope all members will make a special effort to meet together for our special Loyalist Day ceremony and refreshments at 11 am on Saturday June 18 at our beautiful Loyalist monument at Prince's Square at 150 Main Street. This ceremony affords a tangible and fitting way to remember your loyalist ancestors.

Loyally,
W. Raymond Cummins UE
President, Hamilton Branch
United Empire Loyalists' Association of Canada
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2011 Hamilton Branch Executive

Biography of Catharine Bingle-Gonnsen – Our Vice-President

I have been asked to tell you a little about myself. For 20 years I worked full time as a staff registered nurse at McMaster University Medical Centre. By 1998 I retired from nursing owing to health issues, and decided to assist my husband, Karl Gonnsen, grow our family businesses. As real estate investors we purchased an 1840s Victorian Home in Burlington, the Gage, Baxter, Flothergill, Pettit House, and converted it to professional office space for our planning and engineering company which today employs 23 people. I am a Grimsby, Settlement of the 40, Pettit descendant, so something about this building felt right, from the start for me. Karl and I are also coin laundry owners, and retail flower shop owners, so I guess you could say we like to keep busy. A few years ago we tried our hand at wine production from our own vineyard, but soon gave up on that adventure.

In the year 2000, when 911 mapping was changing road names in Haliburton, I spearheaded a campaign to save the “Jones Drive” name of the road in front of our property there. Our property the “ Drag Lake Lodge”, had been a popular resort in the 1950s and 60s for tourists from all over North America, and was owned by Fred and Anna Belle Jones. Their



Catharine Bingle-Gonnsen UE, Paul Bingle UE & Kelly Rieck-Chafe receive certificates through ancestor Allan Nixon UEL

hospitality had so impressed people that more than forty years later many wanted to come back and reminisce about fun times at beautiful Drag Lake. Keeping the name “Fred Jones Road” was simply owing.

That same year Karl and I were honoured to receive a LACAC award from the City of Burlington for our work at another of our heritage properties, Bellview House, on Plains Road opposite Union Cemetery.

I have always felt that to truly “get” a person you should get to know a little about where they came from. My father, George Hamilton Bingle, was a driving force behind the establishment of the first museum in Grimsby in 1962, the Stone Shop Museum, originally built in 1799, a property that had been in the family for 150 years. An Electrical Engineer with master electrician papers, he headed that Building Committee. He was also a World War II Veteran. Both my parents set an example of passion for heritage preservation, family, and Christian living. In that tradition I am today, a member of the City of Burlington Heritage Advisory Committee, and the Town of Grimsby 1812 Bi-Centennial Committee.

George Grant wrote in 'Lament for a Nation' of “matters that matter”. A proud Canadian, I believe remembering our United Empire Loyalist beginnings in this country matters.

ALLAN NIXON UEL

Paul Bingle UE

Our NIXON family immigrated to America from Manorhamilton Town in County Leitrim, NW Ireland about the year 1748. Allan Nixon's own deposition states that in the first half of 1777 in New Jersey he joined the Royal Standard under Colonel Joseph Barton, who's commission was to form the 1st Battalion of the New Jersey Volunteers. At the close of the War, Allan married Mary Moore on 19 Oct 1783. Mary was the oldest child of John Moore and Dinah Pettit. John had, at one point, served as a Loyalist captain.

First in April 1786 and afterwards with the famous 46 families in the summer of 1787 Allan and Mary came

to reside at the Settlement at the Forty in Grimsby Township. This troupe included families that were related by NJ marriages or directly by blood, families that were headed by no less than FIVE Loyalists: John Moore, Andrew Pettit, Squire John Pettit, Jacob Glover and Allan Nixon Jr.

By 1796 the Land Board had awarded Allan Nixon 1200 acres. This land parcel stretched from the Lake (a little east of Grimsby Beach) up over the escarpment and all the way back to Mud Street (almost 4 miles). In the early years in this country Allan chose the Lake lot for his first home, upon which he built a log cabin. Allan was one of the first members of the Grimsby Township Council, being elected as Assessor in 1793 and as Overseer of Roads in 1799. Allan's signature appears on a 1798 membership list for Barton Lodge in Stoney Creek, Ontario. A year later he was installed as Junior Warden when their own Masonic Lodge was chartered in Grimsby.

By 1803 a low frame building one and one half stories high stood on the north side of the "Grimsby and Queenston Stone Road" in the shadow of the escarpment. This was the relatively spacious farmhouse that Allan built for his family on Lot 13, C2 Grimsby in quieter, more prosperous years. It was Grimsby's original Nixon Hall, so named from an earlier time and place with the same name, built by an ancestral uncle in County Fermanagh, Ireland. While it has a different appearance now, Nixon Hall stands today where it did then, Main West near the NE corner of Linden Lane.

Across the road, on the south side and a few yards to the west, about 1799, Allan put his skills to work as a stonemason in the construction of a blacksmith shop that has outlasted all but two buildings from the early settlement period. To Allan Nixon belongs the distinction of having fashioned the first tools and implements ("Jewels") for the newly formed Lodge. Thirteen years later at the start of the War of 1812 he was also the one to make them safe in a secret cave near his original property at the 30 Mountain Road.

On May 1st, 1812 Allan Nixon very wisely wrote his will. Along with four of his adult family members and relatives (including his wife, Mary, and the wife of Col. Robert Nelles who was Mary's sister), Lieutenant Allan Nixon died of typhus fever, a

wasting disease, in the spring of 1813 while the War raged on. With the approach of summer over 2000 Americans would violate the village at the Forty, ransack Allan's home, and take temporary possession of his blacksmith shop. Residents of Grimsby must have been elated to hear of the British capture, occupation, and razing of the United States capital just a year later.

Timothy Street – UEL

Submitted by Gayle & Marsha Waldie UE

Timothy Street's roots in America go back to his 3rd great parents Rev. Nicholas Street and Ann Pole Waldron who arrived in Massachusetts in approximately 1635.

Very little is known of Timothy other than that he was born in Norwalk, Connecticut., and was the second son in the family. He went into partnership with his brother in Ridgefield, CT in a venture connected to the fur trade.

He later settled in Spencertown, Columbia County, New York State. This area lies between the Hudson River and the Massachusetts border. Timothy's wife's family, the Lockwoods, was among the first settlers in the area. Spencertown was on the line of the old Indian trail between New York and Canada. He was likely still in the fur business, within easy reach of



Fred Hayward UE, Marsha Waldie UE, Gayle Waldie UE & Michele Lewis UE - Certificate presentation through ancestor Timothy Street UEL

important trading centres. He would not have wished to jeopardize his dealings with the Six Nation Indians, strong supporters of England and most certainly would have been concerned with the freedom of trade routes during these unsettling times. In any case, Timothy was one of the Columbia Tories, and an adherent of King George III.

On June 15, 1777, he joined the Royal Yorkers. The life of a soldier was extremely hard in this area of the country and tested a man's endurance and Timothy was not getting any younger. He was discharged on June 6th, 1778.

Following his discharge he seems to have possibly found other ways to serve the Loyalist cause. It is thought that he may have become a courier or a spy as he would have been familiar with the land, water routes and valuable acquaintances. It is said that spies followed a route through Spencertown, and were harboured by Loyalists.

Street family tradition says that Timothy drowned in Lake Champlain. It is assumed it happened between his discharge and the end of the war in 1781. His sons' petitions state that their father "died in His Majesty's service during the late American War".

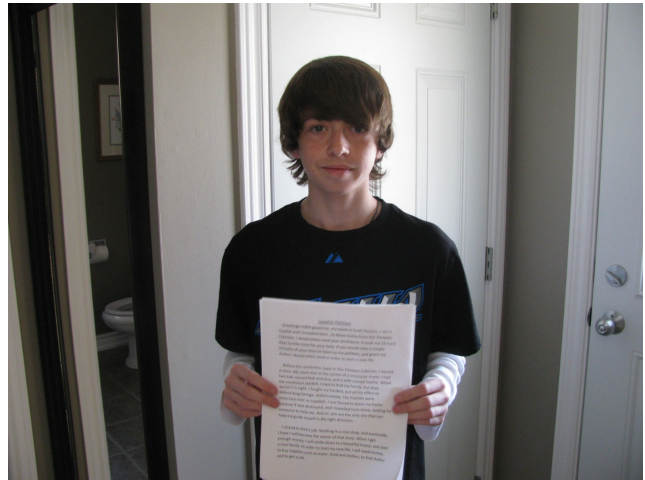
By 1800 three of Timothy & Susannah's children had traveled to Upper Canada and all three received land grants as being sons of a Loyalist. One of these sons, Timothy Jr., eventually became the founder of Streetsville, now part of the City of Mississauga.

Loyalist Petition

Scott Pereira

This is a story written by Scott Pereira, a grade seven student from St. Dominics School, in Oakville. He wrote this story following a Loyalist presentation by education member and author Jean Rae Baxter UE. Our thanks to Marilyn Hardsand UE who works with Scott's mother and who discovered this great extension of our educational outreach program.

Greetings noble governor, my name is Scott Pereira. I am a loyalist and I travelled here, to Nova Scotia from the Thirteen Colonies. I desperately need your



Scott Pereira, Gr 7 student at St. Dominics, Oakville

assistance. It took me 15 hard days to hike here for your help. If you would take a couple minutes of your time to listen to my petition, and grant my wishes that I desperately need in order to start a new life.

Before the revolution, back in The Thirteen Colonies, I owned a store. My store was at the corner of a very busy street. I had two kids named Rob and Ana, and a wife named Sophie. When the revolution started, I tried to find my family, but they weren't in sight. I fought my hardest, put all my effort into defending King George. Unfortunately, The Patriots were victorious over us Loyalists. I was forced to leave my home because it was destroyed, and I travelled here alone, looking for someone to help me. Sir, you are the only one who can help guide me in the right direction.

I intend to find a job. I'd like to work in a nice shop and eventually I hope I will become the owner of that store. When I get enough money, I will settle down and start a new family. In order to start my new life, I will need money, to buy supplies such as water, food and clothes, to find shelter and to get a job.

As I stand here in front of you, begging for a new start, I remember how loyal I was to the king and how I tried to defend his honour in the revolution. Governor MacPhail, as I ask for your assistance, I kneel before you to show my respect. From my long journey here, all I ask is for a new beginning.

Hamilton Loyalist Burial Plaquing Committee – Update

April 6, 2011 – Sharon and Doug Coppins UE

A letter has been sent to the 3 cemeteries listed below with the intent of seeking permission to Plaque them:

- 1) Letter in mail - March 28, 2011
St. Andrew's Anglican Church
7 St. Andrew's Avenue
Grimsby, Ontario
L3M 3R9

Loyalists: Captain John Moore UE
Robert Nelles UE
David Palmer UE
William Walker UE

- 2) Letter in mail – March 28, 2011
Christ Church Cathedral
252 James Street North,
Hamilton, Ontario
L8R 2L3

Loyalist: Richard Beasley UE

- 3) Letter in mail – April 4, 2011
First Place
350 King Street East, Ste 300
Hamilton, Ontario
L8N 3Y3

Loyalist: Richard Springer UE

When a return to our letter is received the plaquing committee will meet to start planning unveiling etc. I gave the option of having the unveiling on a date which suited them best.

These are not all the cemeteries the Plaquing Committee is investigating this year.

GONG SHOW at OUR MARCH GENERAL MEETING

Gloria Oakes UE

At our March 24th meeting, we didn't meet a tinker, tailor, soldier or sailor, but we spared no expense to present a willing group of our members who shared some important information about
Their personal research,
Their valued treasures and
Their creative hobbies.

With the help of a cheering section to egg them on, and a GONG to cut them off, we thank the following for contributing to an enjoyable and entertaining evening:

Rev Charlotte Moore UE
Dr. David K. Faux UE
Catharine Bingle-Gonnsen UE
Irene MacCrimmon UE
Carole MacCrimmon-Pugliese UE
Sharon Coppins UE

Under the heading of "Whatever happened to....?" Sharon Coppins UE brought us up to the date on her experiences as a hooker from Paris!

- 1) **Rev. Charlotte Moore UE** has had several careers, including teaching, and now culminated into that of a United Church minister, and our Branch Chaplain. Her research into her family history has resulted in all of her family members achieving their "official" Loyalist status through Peter Horning and Anthony Westbrook. In Charlotte's own words, we heard the following information:

WESTBROOK

Document shown was researched and written up by my mother's "Uncle Sam Westbrook", a resident of New York State who died in the 1930's. This was prepared for the Westbrook Family Reunion of 1909 and contained all American research sources. After 1932 he added a drawn family tree, which includes my sister's birth, and donated it to the Gage Family



Rev Charlotte Moore UE & Gloria Oakes UE at our Spring Gong Show

historical home at Stoney Creek. The size of a parlour door, it in fact hangs behind the door opening into the Great Room to the left of the main entrance of the home at Battlefield Park.

Unsure how I was going to locate these multiple US resources for proving my Westbrook certificate, I owe a debt of gratitude to Brad Aitchison, who received his UE certificate at a January meeting, and who acquired the early Canadian documentation, with help from Branch member, Marilyn Smith McDonald UE. We are related through my great grandfather, Wilkerson Westbrook. And his sibling.

HORNING

Document shown was a handwritten copy of Peter Horning UE's will, probated 1823. It was in the original envelope mailed from Osgoode Hall, Toronto, in 1922, to my grandfather, Robert Horning, of Alberton, Ontario. It had been kept locked in his dining room secretary, and maintained there by my father until his death in 1971. My mother had confiscated the postage stamps for her collection.

While the handwriting is large, written script, it is a copy because the signatures of witnesses to the will are all in the same script. A further examination of the letter's paper after our presentations determined a watermark; and the examiner suggested it might be THE probate copy of Peter's will.

It is a treasure to me as it names all Peter's children, including those who predeceased him, and contains

lands divided between the children – lands which were once part of the Beasley Indian Tract which Peter Horning purchased from Beasley and added to his loyalist holdings. It also shows Lewis Horning receiving a much smaller portion than his siblings, presumably because money had been forwarded to him for building of a grist mill at Horning's Mills, founded in 1824.

(NOTE: Valuable HORNING information can be found on Linton Love's website

<http://www.horning-genealogy.com> A lot of his research has been given to the Lincoln Public Library.

2. **Dr. David K. Faux UE**, now retired from teaching forensic psychology in California, has purchased a residence back in his original home town of Caledonia ON. David was active in Hamilton Branch at the time our book, *LOYALIST ANCESTORS, Some Families of the Hamilton Area* was published in 1986 with his contributions being included on pages 284-299. He likely has the longest connection with Hamilton Branch as his proven Loyalist ancestor is John Young with his certificate being granted in 1975.

David's current passion is the study of DNA with emphasis on members of his extended YOUNG family. His description of the study is given in some detail below:

Example of the DNA Study of the Loyalist Adam Young Family

Adam had three sons:

- a) Lt. John Young of the Six Nations Indian Department
- b) Sgt. Daniel Young of Butler's Rangers
- c) Pvt. Henry Young of Butler's Rangers

1) Relevant websites: www.davidkfaux.org, www.23andme.com.

2) Importance of considering a genealogy as incomplete without genetic validation. A paper trail can be faulty by just one indiscretion or other event such as unrecorded adoption. The only way to be "sure" of a connection is to cross validate the paper trail with a profile of Y chromosome (direct male

line), mtDNA (direct female line) or autosomal and X chromosome testing to determine whether you share at the expected level with cousins who are in your shared genealogy.

3) Example of the Y Chromosome DNA Study of the Loyalist Adam Young Family.

In testing a descendant of the above a and b, they matched at 36/37 markers thereby, with the exception of one marker, giving us the Y DNA signature of their ancestor in common, Adam Young.

For more ancient Y ancestry testing I tested a number of descendants and all were haplogroup R-U152,L2* which is found most frequently in the Italian Alps and Switzerland. It is also seen at high frequencies in the Palatine. This finding likely means that the early Youngs were Hallstatt Central European people perhaps of the Treveri Tribe (that closest to Dunzweiler, the home of the Youngs in Germany).

4) Autosomal Testing:

Here we have 18 participants whose relationship to each other is known by the genealogical records. There are 1st to 7th cousins or varying degrees (e.g., twice removed).

a) General – Here we observe the predicted sharing (e.g., 0.78% for 3rd cousins) with the observed sharing. The results will vary significantly such that some 3rd cousins share zero, others share at twice the predicted level (but that changes with other



Dr. David Faux UE at our Spring Gong Show

participants). Much of genetic inheritance is random so you can match at a high percentage one sibling, but zero with their say brother.

With careful analysis it is possible to isolate the segment to determine its origin. For example my uncle and I as well as two participants who share a gg grandmother with us all share parts of a segment on chromosome 2. However since we also share Terryberry ancestors (George Young, son of Sgt. Daniel Young, married Mary Terryberry) it is not clear as to the specifics of the sharing. Another participant shares this segment and is the descendant of James Young the brother of George Young. Therefore one can conclude that we all obtained this segment from Sgt. Daniel Young or Elizabeth Windecker.

b) Native American – Since the wife of Lt. John Young was Catharine Brant Kayakhon, it is interesting to see which segments can be attributed to this source. With different methodologies we have seen evidence as to percentage of Native American, and which specific segments on which chromosomes came from Native American ancestors. Specialized testing can also show which of the various reference populations (e.g., Mayan) are most similar to the segment in question. Ultimately it will be possible to trace migration routes of Mohawk ancestors via these techniques.

c) African – There is substantial circumstantial evidence that the great grandmother of Elizabeth Windecker was Eva Claasen Pickard a mulatto woman. To date every descendant of Elizabeth whose genome has been examined for African segments has shown one. African segments are very easy to “find” due to their high uniqueness so again many methodologies give the same results.

I think this more or less summarizes it all. Best wishes from Caledonia, David.

3. **Catharine Bingle-Gonnsen UE** is our recently elected Hamilton Branch Vice-President, and has proven through 5 Loyalist ancestors, as follows:

Thaddeus Davis Sr. and Andrew Ostrander in 2009
Adam Green and John Moore in 2010

Allan Nixon Jr 2011

Catharine comes to us with many skills and accomplishments and is passionate about preserving our history. Giving a bit of background, we learned that Catharine worked full time for 20 years as a staff registered nurse at McMaster University Medical Centre. By 1998 she retired from nursing owing to health issues and decided to assist her husband Karl Gonnson, to grow their family business. As real estate investors they purchased an 1840s Victorian Home in Burlington and converted it to professional office space for their planning and engineering company which today employs 23 people. An original Grimsby Pettit – Settlement of the 40 – descendant, Catharine and Karl reside in Grimsby. They like to keep busy, and also own a coin laundry and a flower shop.

Catharine is a member of the City of Burlington Heritage Advisory Committee, and the Town of Grimsby 1812 bi-Centennial Committee.

Catharine's passion for preserving history has come down to her and her brother Paul Bingle through both their parents who set an example of passion for heritage preservation, family, and Christian living.

We liked Catharine's statement as quoted by George Grant in *Lament for a Nation* that "matters matter". She is passionate about remembering that our United Empire Loyalist beginnings in this country --- matter!

We were happy to learn about the Blacksmith Shop in Grimsby and to view the various artifacts on display. The building circa 1800 that was his (Nixon's) blacksmith shop in Grimsby still stands today. It is of some historic importance in this part of the country, for several reasons. Catharine has applied to have this building plaqued with a National Heritage marker.

4. **Irene MacCrimmon UE** is another long time member of Hamilton Branch with three proven Loyalist ancestors:
 - Asahel WARD (1982)
 - John ADAIR (1989)
 - John MILLS (1989)

Her late husband, Dr. Hugh MacCrimmon who died in 2002, was president of Hamilton Branch

(1984-86), and was also very active in the publishing of our Hamilton book *Loyalist Ancestors, Some Families of the Hamilton Area (1986)*, having written the foreword in the book. The MacCrimmon family history appears on pages 159 to 164.

Irene herself acted as librarian for Hamilton Branch 1983 to 1997 and served as our Branch Councillor. She was President of Grand River Branch UELAC 1989-1991.

Far from being "retired", Irene remains active in many endeavours and told us the following:

"The "MacCrimmon" name is synonymous with the classical music of the Great Highland Bagpipe. For over three hundred years, MacCrimmon pipers wrote piobrochs and taught at their college of piping at Borreraig on the Isle of Skye, Scotland. A cairn nearby is a memorial to these famous pipers. My husband, Hugh, and I developed a historical and educational museum called "The Heritage Piping Centre" which was visited by tourists and pipers for twenty-five years.

As the Clan MacLeod genealogist, I published five volumes of genealogical history for MacLeods and clan septs. This was a 12 year project which was completed before computer technology was available.

As well as Scottish Dancing socially, I taught classes in Guelph and Fergus for twenty-eight years.

I have been enjoying craft activities throughout my



Irene MacCrimmon UE at our Spring Gong Show

lifetime, and at about seventy years of age fell in love with painting watercolours. I paint with several clubs at present, and have travelled to many workshops including painting trips to Italy, France and Mexico.”

6. Carol MacCrimmon-Pugliese UE

We had announced to our audience that they might expect SONG AND DANCE, so we were delighted with Carol’s demonstration in our GONG SHOW, especially when she finished her very personal comments about her long involvement in Scottish dancing, learned at her mother Irene’s knee. Irene had seen to it that all three of her children had received their Loyalist designation through their



Carol MacCrimmon-Pugliese UE at our Spring Gong Show

father’s Loyalist, Donald MacCrimmon in 1983, as well as the grandchildren in 1990.

Carol teaches in the elementary panel for the Hamilton-Wentworth District Board as well as conducting her own dance studio. She told us: “As you can tell by my mother, Irene's interests, I have been immersed in Scottish arts and culture for my whole life. My passion for Highland Dancing has greatly impacted who I am as a person. As well as teaching youngsters to Highland Dance in my studio " Carol MacCrimmon Highland Dancers", I adjudicate at competitions and Highland Games throughout North America. Dancing led to piping, Scottish country dancing, ceilidh dancing and a strong interest in my family history in Skye, Scotland.

7. RUG HOOKING by SHARON COPPINS UE

Sharon has proven her ancestry from Frederick SCHRAM (rec'd 2002)

Rug hooking is a craft that I learned from my mother who was a rug hooker for over 35 years. I have kept up the tradition of hooking for over 8 years now and will continue for a long time. I belong to a group of rug hookers called the JJ Ruggers in Paris. All groups in Ontario belong to a guild called The Ontario Hooking Craft Guild, or OHCG. They can be found online at www.ohcg.org The guild began in 1966. This year is their 45th anniversary. Every year on the last weekend in April, they hold an annual rug show in different parts of Ontario. Rug hooker groups from all over Ontario attend this fine event and display their rugs. This year it is being held in London, April 29-May 1st. You have to be a member of the Guild to attend this show, but viewing by family and friends can be done on the last day, this year being May 1st. There are also vendors selling patterns, backing, wool, and supplies to get your interest growing on new projects.

Rug hooking can be dated back to the early settlers wanting something on the floor of their log homes to keep their feet warm. The women of the household would use whatever material they had, such as blankets, for a backing of the rug, and some sort of hooked instrument to pull a strip of material, which may be cut from an old coat, through the fabric to form a design of colours. Years have gone by, and rug hooking has expanded into many art forms of design



Sharon Coppins UE at our Spring Gong Show

and colours. There are dyes available to turn a white piece of wool into a spectrum of colours. All you need is a piece of burlap, a hook, hoop, pattern and wool to start your project.

I have won prizes by entering my hooked rugs in the Paris Fair. Most recently, one of my pieces, a Rug with a Crewel design, was chosen to go to The Ontario Association of Fairs Convention at the Royal York Hotel in Toronto in February 2011, to be displayed in their craft room. This was quite an honour. I am very passionate about rug hooking. I love to do my own dyeing of wool and produce my own designs. Rug hooking is a very worthwhile, relaxing hobby.

Last Day in the House - Peter Milliken UE

Frederick Hayward UE

Regardless of your political leanings, there is one article in the national paper started by [George Brown](#) in 1844 that should be read this weekend. It didn't make the front page, but since it deals with our honorary President, it should have been. In his article [Peter Milliken takes his last stand as Speaker](#), Steven Chase describes how "*Peter Milliken, 64, wrapped up his lengthy career as referee and judge for Canada's often-unruly members of Parliament by presiding over the historic defeat of a minority government.*" You may sense some irony in quoting the tribute made by the Conservative Government House Leader John Baird.

Peter has served UELAC well since becoming our honorary President in 2003, just two years after his first election as Speaker of the House. His presence at the annual conferences, his presentations to Branches and his hospitality at [The Farm](#) have encouraged many of us to feel a little closer to the parliamentary world. Although his presence in federal politics will be missed, he is not retiring from our Association.

We wish Peter quiet contentment spiced with bold adventures in the coming months.

(from Loyalist Trails: LT – March 27)

BOOK REVIEW

The Nine Lives of Charlotte Taylor

Author – Sally Armstrong

Ruth Nicholson UE

This is an amazing story about Charlotte Taylor, first woman of the Miramichi. It is an epic story and I enjoyed it very much. As I neared the end of the novel I read that Charlotte's youngest daughter, Charlotte married Benjamin Stymiest. That surname was familiar to me as Carl Stymiest UE has been on our Dominion executive recently. I wrote to Carl and this is what he told me:

"Sally and I are great friends as well as cousins; she used a lot of my research when she was writing the book of our 5th Great Grandmother.

Sally is her 4th G-great-daughter through Charlotte's husband William WISHART, and I am her 4th G-grandson through her marriage to Philip Hierlihy (loyalist). The uniform I wear to the conferences is Philip's uniform from his military service with the Prince of Wales American Regiment.

The home I own in NB, called "Loyalist B&B" was built in the late 1800s by one of her descendants from her first marriage to Capt. John Blake of [Blakes' Brook (aka Black Brook)].

The house is on Charlotte's original land grant, Lot #10 facing the Miramichi River. Although it is now reduced to a mere 2 acres of the original 250 acres, I feel her presence each and every summer I am home. The lot next to hers. Lot # 9 originally belonged to her husband Philip Hierlihy. I was born on this property.

There is talk of a future movie to be made."

What an exciting connection to our current Loyalist members. Now I have to visit that special B & B when I next travel to eastern Canada.

TORIES

Fighting for the King in America's First Civil War

By Thomas B. Allen

Book Review by Colin Morley U.E.

My affection for my uncle Raymond Perry U.E., who suffered as a prisoner of the Nazis during World War II, makes it impossible for me to be impartial when I read a history of that conflict. Similarly, my connection to my Loyalist ancestor Peter Secord, prevents me feeling indifferent when I read a book like Thomas B. Allen's "Tories. Fighting For The King In America's First Civil War". I can sense the irritation building if I continue reading for too long a continuous period. Unlike the infamous Mel Gibson movie "Patriot", however, Mr. Allen's book seems to "tell it like it was".

The book traces the event from its beginning as a political protest against perceived unfair taxation, through the elevating protest against the King and British control, to the shedding of blood at Lexington and Concord, to the persecution of fellow citizens solely because they did not want to join in opposition to the government, to the Declaration of Independence in July, 1776 establishing a full revolution and finally descending to "savage fury" and "nothing but murders and devastation in every quarter" between people who were fellow Americans.

It is interesting to watch the attitude and rhetoric change as the revolt develops. It is perhaps typified by George Washington himself. As one who undertook at least two oaths of allegiance to his King, one in his earlier military role and one as a Mason, Washington's position changed radically. Initially, Washington denied he was seeking independence but much later, in a letter to his brother referring to Loyalists he said "one or two have, what a great number ought to have done long ago, committed suicide". (I, for one, am grateful that my Loyalist ancestor did not take that advice.) Another telling fixture of Washington's thinking was shown by his removal of all black soldiers when he took control of the rebel army, although he later reversed that position when he saw the use of black soldiers by the British forces.

The book reports that the estimate of the number of Loyalists ranged from 441,000 to 556,080 and that of

the 772 battles and skirmishes during the revolt, Loyalists fought in 576 of them. The author then proceeds to provide details about many of these Loyalists and the role they played. These facts will not surprise Loyalists but may be a real eye opener to most Americans who prefer to believe that few people opposed the revolution. Those Americans may also prefer not to read that the first known atrocity of the revolution was committed in Concord by a young rebel who severed the skull of a wounded Redcoat with an axe and watched as the contents drained out during the two hours before the Redcoat died. Nor will they like reading about the methods of converting Loyalists which included the "smoking treatment" of locking a 65 year old man in a room with a lit fireplace and a blocked chimney, the confiscation of Loyalist's property and possessions which started in Cambridge and, finally, the extensive use of a rope necktie hanging from a tree. Finally, they may not like to learn that the well developed American mastery of propaganda (e.g. "weapons of mass destruction") is as old as their country.

It would be far from accurate, however, to leave the impression that only the rebels engaged in atrocities. It would seem that being a revolution as opposed to a war, both sides felt free to engage in uncivilized barbarity. The book deals at length with the role of Colonel John Butler and his son Walter, who did not survive the fighting. Their collective actions, while arguably committed for a justified cause, can hardly provoke pride from a more objective perspective. Of course, we all know that revolution is a nasty business.

"Tories" is a good book for those Loyalists and historians who want a very detailed analysis of each stage of the separation of the Colonies from the British Empire. It is clearly the product of very extensive research and is about as objective as one could expect from an American author. On the other hand, this review is probably as biased as you could expect from a Loyalist descendent.

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2014 Legacy Project Designation: The Sir John Johnson Family Burial Vault

Frederick H. Hayward, Dominion President

Following a successful presentation by Gerald Thomas, Vice-President of the Sir John Johnson Centennial Branch, the Dominion Council designated the restoration of the Sir John Johnson Family Burial Vault as a 2014 Legacy Project. The highlights of his address would include:

- 2) In 1776, Sir John Johnson received permission from Governor Carleton to raise the [King's Royal Regiment of New York](#).
- 3) In 1784, Sir John Johnson supervised the settlement of Loyalists on the upper St. Lawrence and the Bay of Quinte. He was named Superintendent-General and Inspector-General of Indian affairs in the Canadas and also served a member of the Legislative Council.
- 4) He died in 1830 and was buried in the family vault at the foot of Mont St. Gregoire, Quebec.
- 5) During World War II, the vault was vandalized. In the mid fifties, the vault was bulldozed into a pit to level the area for agricultural use.
- 6) In 1998 members of the Sir John Johnson Centennial Branch and the Richelieu Valley Historical Society formed the Société de restauration du patrimoine Johnson. Since then, they have overcome many challenges to the progress of this project. The end is now in sight.

The [complete document](#), which was distributed to the delegates at the Council meeting, can be found on the Sir John Johnson Centennial Branch website.

While this 2014 Legacy Project meets the goals stated in our 2002 Mission Statement, its successful completion will provide something more to celebrate in our centenary year.

The Halton Heritage Network's First Annual Conference

The Halton Heritage Network First Annual Conference was held at the Halton Region Museum April 2nd and it was a roaring success.

Almost 50 people attended the day-long event. They were informed and entertained by two keynote speakers. Ken Weber, Professor Emeritus from the University of Toronto, started off the day with a rousing presentation entitled *The War of 1812 – Why Canada Is Not a U.S. State*. Ken is well-known for his passion for Canadian History and his generosity in sharing it and encouraging it in others.

The audience then had the opportunity to break out into two of four roundtable discussions led by experienced facilitators under the following session headings: *Hands Up For History* led by Mark Rowe, a very knowledgeable educator dedicated to bringing local history into the classroom; *Copyright – What Could Go Wrong?* led by Diane Wales from the Burlington Historical Society; *Get It Down in Writing* was a presentation by Linda Layton who shared her successful experience and success in researching and producing a book about her own family history; and *Tell Us Your Story – Creating Oral History* was led by Gabriele Scardalatto, noted historian and archivist on behalf of the Ontario Historical Society.

John McDonald, noted local historian and author closed the day with a sneak preview of his upcoming book *In Search of William Halton* and shared his extensive research with the audience.

Starting in 2012, Ontario will commemorate the anniversary of the War of 1812-1814 and two hundred years of peace. The outcome of this conflict ensured the future of Canada as a country and determined the boundaries we know today. Many historic organizations throughout the province, including HHN, are planning events and activities featuring this historic event.

For further information or to become a member of the HHN, email Linda.twitchell@halton.ca or call 905-875-2200 ext.25.

The HHN next meets June 6 at the Waldie Blacksmith Shop in Milton at 6:30 p.m. and will be sponsored by the Milton Historical Society. The HHN meets on a rotating basis at a venue provided by member organizations. The June 6 meeting will be a War of 1812 Commemoration Planning Workshop.



Loyalist Monument at Prince's Square

Hoping to Form an Ontario Branch for the Society of Colonial Wars

Adam Gaines UE

I'm a member of the Bicentennial Branch of UELAC. I'm also a member of the Society of Colonial Wars. The Society of Colonial Wars is trying to start a Ontario Society of Colonial Wars.

The Society of Colonial Wars is for males 18 years or older who is lineally descended from someone who served in a military or civil capacity in the colonies that became the United States from 1607 to 1775. Many of our loyalist ancestors served under the crown in the French and Indian Wars and their ancestors served in many of the Colonial conflicts before the Revolution. I was hoping your branches would be willing to put an article in your newsletters about the fact that the Society of Colonial Wars has been trying to form an Ontario Society. Anyone who would be willing to join can contact me and I can help them become a member.

You can find more information on www.gscw.org.

UELAC Hamilton Branch Family Picnic at Ruthven Park

Sunday 26 June 2011 1 pm



Directions:

- Highway 403 to Highway 6 southbound to Caledonia
- In downtown Caledonia turn left (southeast) onto Highway 54
- Highway 54 (Caithness St. E.) or (River Road) SE to the village of York
- Continue southeast from York for 6.3 km to:
- Ruthven Park #254 Highway 54, York, Ontario 905 772 0560

Ruthven Park is a National Heritage Site on the estate of David Thompson who was a Member of the Legislative Assembly for Canada West until his death in 1851. The Greek revival mansion, completed in 1847, is filled with original furnishings and Thompson family possessions. This mansion is in a 1500 acre park of Carolinian forest on the banks of the Grand River.

Bring a pot luck dish, beverage, plate, cutlery & a lawn chair. Enjoy the setting.

FROM LAND TO LINDBERGH Part II

A Tale of Revolutionary Times with a 1932 sequel
by George Allen Kingston

Ralph, as friend, advises Robert
Of the vengeance sworn against him;
Tells him he must flee the country.
Well they knew that all the passes
Would now be securely guarded,
But to help his friend in trouble
Ralph here offers his assistance.

Morden, hunting with the Indians,
Had learned well the mountain by-ways;
Learned to scale the forest hillsides
By a clever Indian tree-way,
Stepped up somewhat like a ladder;
Thus he planned to guide Land over,
Past the guards who held the passes.

'Twas agreed 'twixt Land and Morden
To invite the Faulkner brothers
To join with them in their purpose
Of escaping o'er the mountains;
So the word was sent unto them,
Giving hour and place of meeting,
If they wished to take advantage
Of this chance to flee for safety.
But, alas!--another Judas!

When they got this word the Faulkners
Saw at once what they considered
Might ensure for them safe pardon--
Simply play the part of traitors.
Why not sell this information
At the price of their own safety,
And betray both Land and Morden
To the Continental soldiers?

So it comes when these two neighbors,
On the day and hour of meeting,
Reached the spot to which they journeyed,
Near the foot of Ralph's tree-ladder,
'Stead of finding there the Faulkners,
Found a waiting band of guardsmen.
See they now their base betrayal!

Land, advised to flee for safety,
Soon outfoots his keen pursuers,

Though he does receive a bullet
From the musket of a guardsman.
Ralph, unconscious of wrong doing,
Gives himself up to them freely,
Feeling there is naught against him
Save this aid to friend in danger.

But as soon as he's arrested
Search is made of his belongings.
There is found upon his person
That incriminating letter.
So he's charged at once with treason.
Strongly he protests against this,
Yet, in spite of explanations,
He is kept in close confinement
'Gainst the coming day of trial.

When at last comes on the trial
Stand against him take the Faulkners--
This to save their necks from halter,
Price they pay for ill-bought freedom;
But, on top of this, the letter
Given him for an act of kindness
To these men so bent to "get him"
For his part in helping Land out,
Deemed enough to hang his guilt on.

Guilty! Death! Oh, God! forgive them!
But with this we'll draw a curtain
O'er the tragedy which follows,
Save this note to place on record
Of the date and place of trial;
'Twas the thirtieth of October
In the year of Seventeen-eighty,
In the little town of Easton,
In the State of Pennsylvania;
Trial Judge, McKean, Chief Justice,
And the date of execution,
Twenty-fifth November following.

Mrs. Morden, noble woman,
Sore at heart and crushed in spirit,
Bore it like a Spartan mother;
Bravely she must face the future
For the sake of her young children.

Come we back again to Land's part
In this story so romantic.
On eluding his pursuers,
When Ralph Morden was arrested,
He found refuge in the forest;

Where with herbs he dressed his flesh wound.
When he felt all danger over
Ventured out into the clearing.
Seeking there to get his bearings.

Morden had well outlined to him
Where to reach the Indian's "ladder."
This he found and scaled the mountain.
After weeks of untold hardships
He in safety reached the border
And crossed over at Niagara,
Where the Loyalists gave him welcome.

He was granted a location
For an area near the Great Falls,
But the roaring of the waters
On a mind distraught with anguish
Drove him nigh into distraction,
So he traded his location
For a section farther westward.

Thus it comes that at the Lake-head,
Where now stands a noble City,
Robert Land received his Crown grant;
Built his cabin in the clearing;
Lived alone there nigh a decade,
Tilled his land but mourned in secret
The hard fate which had pursued him;
For he quite believed the story
That his family had been murdered
Or had perished in the forest,
But a happier day awaits him!

After few years in New Brunswick,
Mrs. Land with her four children
Plan to migrate far to westward,
Hearing tales of brightest promise
For the settlers at Niagara.
This, then, is their destination.

Trekking west proved long and tedious,-
Travel all on foot or horseback-
Made their living on the journey;
Called and stayed a while at Cocheton,
Where her eldest son had settled
And rebuilt the family homestead;
Here he'd been since war was ended,
And decides to there continue.

When the others reached Niagara
They secured a modest cabin;

Here the boys maintained the family,
Fishing, hunting, and such farm work
As they got from other settlers.
Full two years they had resided
In that place, when comes a pedlar,
Who by chance said he had met with
One of same name at the Lake-head.
Only forty miles to westward.

Then they all began to wonder—
Father killed! Was he for certain?
After all, 'twas only rumour;
Possibly he had succeeded
In escaping through the forest.
With such thoughts their hopes they strengthen
As they plan a trip to Lake-head.

So it comes that, some days later,
Robert Land, his day's work ended,
Sitting outside his small cabin,
Resting from him toilsome labour,
Thinking of his lone existence,
Sees some stirring in the bushes
Lined on either side the pathway
Leading to his humble cottage.
Then emerging from the forest
Sees a party coming towards him,
Woman, daughter, with three young men—
What can such a party want here?
Then a look of recognition—
"God in Heaven, do eyes deceive me?
Lord be praised, it's true, it *is* true."
Oh, the joy of Resurrection!

To commemorate this reunion,
Robert plants a weeping willow
In the yard in front his cabin.
Memory's shrine for tears of gladness
Shed by all upon this meeting.

Grants of land the boys are given
In the block beside the father's.
And ere long a prosperous family
Sees dame Fortune on them smiling,
As a city sub-division
Takes in all their great broad acres.

Cabin soon gives place to mansion
Which was known to all as "Landholm,"
Stately city home it then was.
Here the Lands and their descendants

Made their home for years thereafter.
Now it's "Home" for homeless children
In a great and growing city—
Verily, a city landmark;--
But still stands the weeping willow.

Shortly after this reunion
Robert thinks of Mrs. Morden,
Struggling with her growing family
In their home in Pennsylvania,
Quite unhappy in surroundings
Which were none too sympathetic;
So he writes to her, suggesting
That she join a Loyalist party
Soon to make the trek to northward.

So it comes that in the next year
She arrives with all her household,
And is given a warm reception
By her former war-time neighbour.
In due time the family settled
On a Loyalist location
Where is now the town of Dundas.
Here, a year or two thereafter
They were visited by Simcoe
Who gave large increase of land grant
Compensation for their suffering.

John lived on in his location,
Where his home was always Mother's.
Until sometime in the twenties,
He moved west to London Township,
Where, at age of eight-nine years,
This heroic, noble woman,
Honoured high by all the country,
Paid the last great debt of Nature
And was gathered to her fathers.

All the sons and daughters married,
And so families new were started.
Generations since succeeding
Spread abroad throughout the country.
Till these days, seven-score years later,
Numberless far-flung descendants
Of the martyred Quaker farmer
Rise up all to call him blessed.

On the Land side of the story,
Ephraim, second son of Robert
Had a son they christened John Scott;
He in turn had son named Charlie;

Trained he was to be a doctor.
As a young man he decided
He might venture on returning
To that country o'er the river,
Whence his grandpere had been exiled.
In Detroit he chose to settle.

Doctor Charlie had a daughter,
Evangeline who married Lindbergh.
Their one son is Charles Augustus,
Known so well the wide world over,
Flier daring and intrepid,
For whose flight across the ocean
In the "Spirit of St. Louis"
He is known as "the Lone Eagle".

Next is Charles Augustus Junior,
Kidnapped babe of Hopewell Villa.
At the moment of the writing
Of the last lines of this story,
All the world, aghast and helpless,
Stands by waiting each new broadcast,
Hoping that the glad announcement
Will be made, "The Child's Recovered!"
Peace-time sure doth have its horrors,
No less dread than those of war time.

"Found, but dead and foully murdered!"
Round the world these tragic tidings
Flash—Mankind is dumb with horror!
Language fails to give expression
To those sympathetic feelings
Stirred in every human bosom
At the thought of crime so ruthless.

Out of this great tribulation,
Lindbergh, like your great ancestor,
You'll emerge into the open!
As you bridged the perilous waters,
With a courage so undaunted,
So, across this vale of shadow,
Your brave wife with you as pilot,
You'll achieve still greater triumph!

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Put Your Ancestor On the Loyalist Directory

Martha Hemphill UE

For those who have documented their descent from their Loyalist ancestor(s) your work isn't done!

On the UELAC Dominion website is the Loyalist Directory a project started in 2004, by volunteers to organize and present information on individual Loyalists (<http://www.uelac.org/Loyalist-Info/Loyalist-Info.php>)

The first phase entailed transcribing the UEL Executive List which was created by the government of Upper Canada in the late 1700's. Additional information has been added from certificate applications, passenger lists and other sources bringing the total to about 7,000 names. The intent is to expand the list and add more data where possible. A link from each entry takes you to the additional information

From certificate applications the focus is 100 years and aback, where records are relatively difficult to find and after that any information is welcome. Family stories are good to make the people come alive in our minds.

Most importantly please document the source and where the material is located. If you provide an extract from a larger family history book, the details of the book, and if out of print or not published,

where a copy is available for a reader to access ie library or research library or archive etc.

If you would like the Excel or non-Excel template to submit information please contact:

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It's a great resource and can be even better if all of us in Hamilton Branch send in further information about our UE ancestors too!

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Hamilton Branch Events

Meetings – 4th Thursday of Feb., March, April, Oct. and Nov. at Olivet United Church, 40 Empress St., lower level. Program at 7:30 p.m.

Sat. June 18 **Loyalist Day Ceremony** at Prince's Square
11 a.m. McMaster Continuing Education Building, 50 Main St. East

Sun. June 26 **Loyalist Family Picnic** at Ruthven Park, Caledonia
1p.m.

Oct. 27 Peggy & Les Armstrong – **Loyalists & Union/Brick Cemetery**, Burlington. (We plaqued this cemetery in 2009)

Nov. 24 Nathan Tidridge – **Constitutional Monarchy**. Nathan has authored a book on this topic that will launch this fall through Dundurn Press.

Sat. Dec. 3rd **Christmas Luncheon at Rock Chapel United Church**. Enjoy turkey and homemade pies. Tickets are \$22.00 each.

Dominion Conference 2011 – Catch the Spirit in Brockville – June 2 – 5 – see Manitouana, The Garden of the Great Spirit – the 1000 Islands, the Rideau waterway, the Frontenac Biosphere; experience a dinner cruise through the 1000 Islands, tour military and battle sites, view Canada's oldest railway tunnel. Hosted by The Col. Edward Jessup Branch of the UELAC www.2011brockville.com

Other Items of Interest

Ancaster Heritage Days

June 7-11 Ancaster pays tribute to the War of 1812 by creating a living history of Ancaster with a civilian encampment along Wilson St.

Battlefield House, Museum & Park

June 4-5 Re-enactment of the **Battle of Stoney Creek**

Aug. 19 11 a.m – 4 p.m. - **Sara Calder Day** – the woman who preserved the Gage family home

Dundurn National Historic Site

June 25 10am–1:30pm - **Heritage Hike**: Absorb the culture and natural heritage of Burlington Heights and Cootes Paradise. Pre-register at 905 546 2872 or dundurn@hamilton.ca \$5.00 each

July 1st 7 p.m. **Canada Day Military Tattoo**; free

Fieldcote Museum

June 12 Mr. Ancaster, Jim Green will take you on a magical mystery bus tour and tea;

1-4 p.m. start at the Old Town Hall. \$10.00 in advance at 905 648 8144 or fieldcote@hamilton.ca

Whitehern Historic House & Garden

May 31-July 3 **With Much Love** – See the art and belongings of Ruby McQueen

Wednesdays 12:00 – 2:00 p.m. **Wednesdays at Whitehern** – Bring your lunch & enjoy the garden; all you can drink tea or lemonade while listening to live music.



The United Empire Loyalists' Association of Canada



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- Dues for a single member	\$55.00
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- Donation to Branch (payable to UELAC) receipt available enclosed	\$.....
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Our calendar year runs from January to December, therefore, your 2011 membership fees are due January 1st, 2011 (Please pay before December 31st) The following expenses are covered:

- Per capita fees which are sent to support our Dominion Association.
- TWO issues of our Dominion newsletter **THE LOYALIST GAZETTE** plus mailing costs.
- Support of Branch Administration and Library. (www.uel-hamilton.com)
- Printing and mailing costs of our Branch newsletter.
- Speakers' fees, hall rentals and refreshments for FIVE General Meetings.
- Special Events: Loyalist Day, Luncheons in May and December.
- And much more!

We appreciate your suggestions and or comments. Please use back of this form and submit them in writing.

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