RWTO – Upper Canada East

Newsletter – Wednesday, Wed April 16 ,2025

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It's been a very challenging winter in many ways, but **Spring** is around the corner!

With **spring** comes the beginning of a new year for Upper Canada East and our first luncheon since November of 2024. Here are the details for our next luncheon.



- **Wednesday April 16th**, 2025, at St. John's United Church, Cardinal
- 10:30 social time, 11:00 business meeting, 12:00 lunch; a guest speaker, following meal.
- Luncheon – ham and scalloped potatoes, - Cost $25.00
- There will be a gift share and book exchange
- Please wear your name tag.
- Cash donations for our area food banks gladly accepted
- If possible, please wear red and white as we will be doing a table share of "What makes you proud to be Canadian?"





- Entertainment is coming from the **Bee Good Shop** in Cardinal. They will be telling us about their sustainable, eco-friendly, organic and very useful products, many which happen to be locally sourced.

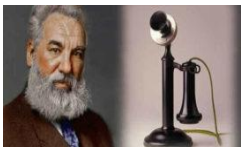
- As mentioned in our Valentine's letter, our branch donated $250.00 to **Beacon Bags**, which was gladly received, as they are fundraising to open a facility for the

victims of human trafficking, giving them a place to stay once they are taken from their situation. It is certainly a worthy cause and we were happy to support them in their endeavours.



Our executive spent some time over these past few months working on **job descriptions** for our branch. To keep the branch moving forward in the future, positions will need to be filled. This document describes the responsibilities of each position which in turn would be of assistance for individuals thinking of taking on one of these roles. The job description document will be available by our next meeting for you to look at. At this time, we are looking for someone to take on the **membership position**. If interested please contact anyone on the executive.





The **RWTO 69th Convention** will be held this year in Brantford, Ontario, (the home of Alexander Graham Bell) from June 3rd to 5th. Details can be found in the March edition of the "Connections" newsletter from RWTO. Our branch is sending 2 Executive members and can help with costs if more people are interested in going. Let us know if you are interested.



Sad News- UCE has lost a valued member. Shirley Hodgins who passed away, Mar.3rd ,2025 and her family is hosting a Memorial service, Sat. May 31st,10am at the Blue Church. (Hwy 2 west of Prescott). A Reception will follow. Anyone wishing to say a few words about Shirley's longtime involvement in RWTO UCE is welcome to do so.

Attention Everyone!! Joyce Derraugh's Aeroplan account was hacked Jan 8, 2025, 2 days after the cyber incident at the UCDSB office. Some staff members received a letter Jan. 22nd, but she has been talking to some friends and not all members received it. Current employees, and those who worked between 1999 and 2024 and who did not receive the letter should be contacting the board office because they are entitled to 2 years of Trans Union Canada Services. And of course, every employee should be monitoring their accounts, changing passwords, maybe email addresses, and getting 2 step verification on accounts. Joyce will try to answer your questions at the meeting, but please contact the board office for clarification and the next steps.



The executive would like to wish all of you a wonderful and joyous Easter season with your family and friends. Happy Easter to all!

See you on the 16th!
Karen, Sandie, Diana, Colleen, Lynda and Jane



(June Herriman's 95th birthday flowers/card Christmas Gathering, Nov.20, 2024).



