



News for Monarchists

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A Message from the Chairman

Well here it is the end of November and we already have snow on the ground.—looks like it's going to be a long winter. If you recall, November 20th was the day we received our first snow as well as the day we held our second AGM. Although the driving was tricky we managed to hold our meeting as scheduled. It was a great meeting and we discussed many issues and challenges the Branch is faced with. Two of the major issues discussed were poor turn-out for meetings and events, and membership levels. The members present had quite a few good ideas that we will be putting in place.

I am very happy to advise our members the Branch has decided to proceed with the design and development of a website (see below).

As you know social media sites have become very important for any organization or business wanting to get

its message out to the public. Our Branch is no different and has active Facebook and Twitter pages, allowing us to get our message out to a diverse group.

The last couple of weeks have been very exciting with the announcement of the engagement between Prince William and Kate Middleton. The Branch has given a number of interviews with CBC, Canada East and



Dan Taylor, Chairman

CTV, and Saint John Radio. There are many people who are making plans to actually attend the wedding on April 29th in London. Dominion HQ announced that if they can get enough interest from members they will plan a week-long trip to London to take part in the wedding and other engagements. If you are interested I would highly recommend you contact Dominion HQ.

Over the next few months we will be planning another general meeting for our members at which time we will be showing part two "Monarchy: The Royal Family at Work." We will also begin working on our Accession Day Brunch and our third annual Queen's Birthday fundraising event.

In closing, I would like to wish everyone a very Merry and Happy Christmas and a Happy New Year. I look forward to see as many of you to our events in 2011!

Branch to Launch Website

Branch No. 81 has entered into an agreement with Woodlawn Technologies of New Maryland, NB, to develop a website for our organization.

Although membership in the Branch has tripled since its inception in 2008, numbers have leveled off somewhat as of late, and the Executive has

decided that the development of a website is essential for our future growth.

The website will include the following sections: about us, members, education, the Crown in NB, events, etc. It will be available in both official languages, thanks to the generous offer of Mrs. Annette Assad to translate each

of the pages.

The cost of the website will be significant, and is being offset temporarily by the generosity of one of our executive members. Therefore, anyone wishing to donate to the website fund is invited and encouraged to do so. Forward any donations to the Branch (see back page).

Branch No. 81 Congratulates William and Kate



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The future King and Queen of Canada taken after the recent announcement of their engagement.

The members of the New Brunswick Branch of the Monarchist League of Canada are celebrating the recent news of the upcoming marriage of Prince William to Kate Middleton, which is set to take place on April 29th at Westminster Abbey in London, UK.

As the future King and Queen of Canada, William and Kate are sure to become visible public figures in Canada as they increase their level of involvement with Canadian organisations, regiments, and institutions following their marriage. The Monarchist League of Canada welcomes this, and looks forward to many future Canadian homecomings by the Prince and his soon-to-be - w i f e .

Young royal couples have been coming to

Canada for over a century, beginning with the 1901 visit of the Duke and Duchess of Cornwall and York, who later became George V and Queen Mary, and including the infamous 1939 Royal Tour of Canada by George VI and Queen Elizabeth just two years after their Coronation. Queen Elizabeth II and the Duke of Edinburgh have visited Canada over two dozen times, and their first was as a young married couple in 1951 before the Queen came to the throne. During each of these and many other Royal Homecomings, Canadians have wholeheartedly welcomed their young royal visitors, and the response is sure to be equally exciting when William brings his wife to Canada for the first time.

Canadians can be duly

proud of their constitutional system of monarchy and the talented and dedicated family by which it is represented. Just like the environmentally conscious and forward thinking Prince of Wales and Duchess of Cornwall, William and Kate are the future of monarchy in this country and across the Commonwealth. The Monarchist League in New Brunswick welcomes with great joy the news of their engagement and wishes them all the happiness in the world.

More importantly, monarchists across the province are surely pleased that in the Prince of Wales and his soon-to-be-married son, the Crown has a bright future .

God Save the Queen!



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Royal film enthusiasts will be pleased to learn that the newest in a long series of royal motion pictures— The King's Speech—will be coming to Empire Theatres' Regent Mall location beginning on 10 December 2010.

The film has received critical acclaim since it first opened at the Toronto International Film Festival earlier this Fall.

The film starts Colin Firth, Helena Bonham Carter, and Geoffrey Rush as George VI,

Queen Elizabeth, and the controversial Dr. Lionel Logue, respectively. It chronicles the story of how Queen Elizabeth engaged Dr. Logue's services to aid the King in overcoming his at-times-crippling stammer.

Branch Launches Important Survey

Dear Members:

Our Branch of the Monarchist League has been busy during the course of the last two years attempting to establish a firm foundation on which to build our future. Our membership has been growing steadily, and is now nearly three times that which it was in 2008 when the branch was formed.

It is tremendously important to the members of your executive committee that we have your input. There are many of you who we have not yet had the opportunity to meet in person. We are asking you to fill in the enclosed survey so that we might be aware of any concerns *or* questions *or* suggestions which you might have.

We hope to see you at an upcoming meeting or event.

Your Executive Committee:

Dan Taylor – Chairman

Barry MacKenzie – Vice-Chair & Communications Officer

Freda Veness – Financial Officer

Rebecca Jonah – Recording Secretary

Ben Hicks – Education and Advocacy Officer

Bonnie Christian - Member-at-Large

AVAILABLE

21 Back Issues of Majesty Magazine from the last several years, as well as several back issues of Royalty Magazine; doubles from the Branch Library.

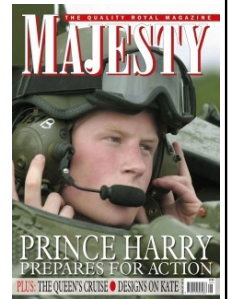
If you are interested, they can be yours for a donation of your choosing to the Website Fund.

WANTED

To complete the Branch Libraries holdings of Majesty Magazine for 2002 to the present:

Vol 25 Nos 4, 8, 9

Vol 27 Nos 9, 10



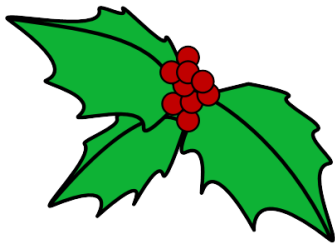
Fredericton Welcomes Governor General of Canada

On 9th and 10th November 2010, the Government and Citizens of New Brunswick welcomed to our capital city Their Excellencies the Governor General and Mrs. Sharon Johnston in what was part of their first official visit to the Maritimes since the Governor General assumed office in October. During the brief visit, the Governor General was officially welcomed in a ceremony in front of the Provincial Legislature, laid a wreath at the Provincial Cenotaph on Queen Street, and visited troops at CFB Gagetown.



Clockwise from left: The Vice Regal couple arrives at Fredericton International Airport; the Governor General reviews the troops; and stops to chat with members of the Canadian Forces from CFB Gagetown.

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Monarchy: The Canadian Way!



The Monarchist League of Canada was founded in 1970 to promote and protect the interests of the Crown in Canada. Branch 81 was established in the Provincial Capital Region in 2008.



Look for us on the
World-Wide-Web:
www.monarchist.ca

Warmest Christmas Greetings

The Officers and Members of your Branch of the Monarchist League of Canada wish to express to you our very best wishes for a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

League Christmas cards are still available for purchase. They are priced at \$7 for 5 cards, or \$12 for 10 (envelopes included).

Please be sure to remember to catch the Queen's Christmas Broadcast on CBC Television at noon on Christmas Day.

For those of you looking for ideas on how to please a family member or friend with the perfect Christmas gift, why not consider giving



Her Majesty the Queen delivers her Christmas Broadcast, 2009

them a year-long membership to the Monarchist League? Members across NB are invited to all events sponsored by Branch No. 81. They will receive this newsletter four time per year and will also be subscribed to the semi-annual publication of Dominion HQ, *Canadian Monarchist News*.

Also, in the hustle to send your Christmas cards, wrap gifts, and bake cookies, don't forget to fill out and return the enclosed survey in the envelope provided. Merry Xmas & God Save the Queen!