

## President's Message

Don Delongchamp

Hello fellow members,

I hope this finds you all well and safe. Hopefully we will see the end of this terrible Pandemic sooner than later and we will be able to get together once again.

Although we are not able to have any meetings just yet, we wanted to send out a note and let you know your club is still working on your behalf and helping out during these trying times.

For those who may not have received my e-mail I sent out we have recently donated \$3000 to the Sudbury Infant Foodbank and another \$3000 to the Elgin St. Mission Weekend Food Fund which provided over 800 meals for the needy.

It is very important that we still provide support even though we cannot pursue any fundraisers at the moment.

We need to reach out to all our members and once again ask for some support. Our member numbers are dropping drastically mainly due to the sad passing of so many. Also the fact that there is no longer any life insurance for Canadians may have an effect.

Our National President Rod Wilson has offered \$10 to anyone who

signs up a new member. As President of your Local Club I am going to match that within our Council, which means you can Return \$20 to your new member and their membership will only be \$28 for a full year of membership in our Club.

Please emphasis to them the number one reason to join our great organization is the total satisfaction you get for helping out the less fortunate and needy in our area.

Secondly, there are good discounts to be had for Hotels, Car Rentals, clothing, Fuel and even on House and Car insurance. These discounts more than pay for their yearly fees. So once again we ask for your support in signing up a new member and help us keep this very worthy and much needed organization moving forward and staying strong and viable. Please sign up 1 new member!

Thank you and stay safe.



Like every other UCT local council, Sudbury, Ontario Council 1051 has had to postpone meetings and activities during the pandemic. The council did, however help the local community by donating \$3,000 to Elgin Street Mission to supply over 800 hot meals to homeless individuals and to contribute \$3,000 to the infant Food Bank. Pictured, left are members Doug Honeyford and Don Delongchamp, mission director pastor Brad Hale, and member Jerry Lougheed Jr.

# Secretary's Notes

Connie Zwarich

This Spring we have had to cancel so many of our activities. The one I miss the most is our Member's Appreciation Night. Recognizing members for their contributions and giving out the service pins and plaques was always a highlight. Our golf tournament was also cancelled. That was one of our largest fundraisers.

Our in person Regional Convention in Kelowna was changed to a teleconference and the International Convention in Lexington Kentucky also was moved to a video and or teleconference.

The Regional Convention was very short. Due to the spread of the Covid 19 virus that has caused travel restrictions and restrictions on the gathering sizes A.C.T./UCT members were unable to meet in

the usual format to formally elect its officers for the upcoming year. It was resolved that the current elected officers will serve in such office for an additional term of one year.

Awards will be presented at the 2021 Convention in Medicine Hat Alberta.

Jerry Giff gave a report on the Future of UCT in Canada. This is a committee of 5 members from our Region, Manitoba/Saskatchewan and the Atlantic Region. They have met via teleconference several times over the last 12 months. Basically they are looking at how to maintain our Canadian presence in UCT. They are to conclude their report before the convention in Lexington Kentucky in 2021. One aspect they are looking at is a National or Regional charity that could be

supported by all councils coast to coast, such as Special Olympics, Salvation Army or Food Banks. Using the example of Food Banks Canada, let's say our council donated \$500 to our local food Bank, Red Deer donates \$1000 to their food bank, Kelowna donates \$500. We can then say ACT/UCT has donated \$2000 to Food banks Canada. We are striving for national recognition. If any member has a suggestion or relevant idea please contact Jerry Giff or the Executive.

It was also suggested that going forward the in person Convention be held every two years with a teleconference in the alternate year. This format would prove to be a financial savings for the Region. This will have to be voted on in Medicine Hat.

# Membership Notes

Doug Honeyford

Included in this Newsletter you will find two enclosures you should set aside, the first titled UCT Fact Sheet for Canadian Members is a reminder of how we make a difference which serves as a reminder of why we matter. It also helps explain to prospective New Members why they should join us to make things happen.

The second enclosure, Member Benefits, Discounts and Programs highlights some of the things that come with your Membership, the Member Benefits, Scholarships, Discounts, and Travel Savings Center. Look into these benefits. Call me if you have any questions.

Your Regional President Rod Wilson has continued his award to you of \$10 for each new member you bring in up to April 1, 2021. Last year Rod paid out hundreds of dollars. If you invite someone to join UCT you benefit in several ways. Most importantly you can change the life of that individual knowing that he/she can participate in making our Community a better place to live.

When you receive your Membership notice please call Calgary right away with your credit card. Joyce will look after everything. You save a stamp and she always loves to hear from our Members.

# Good and Welfare Update

Doug Honeyford

The Social Distancing is keeping everyone apart physically but I encourage every Member to pick up the phone and call a couple of Members every week. It is always wonderful to hear a friendly voice over the phone, especially if you don't get out very often.

I am pleased to tell you that some of our friends are on the mend. With the better weather and easing

of the Covid crisis a little good news is always great.

Connie Houle is getting stronger every day, even gets over to his beloved Manitoulin. Mike Lepage is feeling somewhat better and we all hope the summer continues to bring good things his way. Jack and Rose St. Louis have had a rough Spring. We keep them in our thoughts and prayers. George Faulkner moved in

to Extencicare York at the beginning of the pandemic and is looking forward to the end of their "lock-down".

Please let us know if you know of any of our Members or their family that are going through a difficult time. Social distancing may be difficult but we should all keep in touch.

Have a safe and happy summer.

## On the Lighter Side

How many do you remember?

Headlight dip-switches on the floor of the car.

Ignition switches on the dashboard.

Trouser leg clips for bicycles without chain guards.

Soldering irons you heated on a gas burner.

Using hand signals for cars without turn indicators.

Older Than Dirt Quiz:

Count all the ones that you remember, not the ones you were told about. Ratings at the bottom

1. Sweet cigarettes
2. Coffee shops with juke boxes
3. Home milk delivery in glass bottles
4. Party lines on the telephone
5. Newsreels before the movie
6. TV test patterns that came on at night after the last show and were there until TV shows started again in the morning.

(There were only 2 channels [if you were fortunate])

7. Peashooters

8. 33 rpm records

9. 45 RPM records

10. Hi-fi's

11. Metal ice trays with levers

12. Blue flashbulb

13. Cork popguns

14. Wash tub wringers

If you remembered 0-3 = You're still young

If you remembered 3-6 = You are getting older

If you remembered 7-10 = Don't tell your age

If you remembered 11-14 = You're positively ancient!

I must be 'positively ancient' but those memories are some of the best parts of my life.

# Birthdays

May 01 JOAN KOTAN  
May 01 VALERIE LALONDE  
May 03 DON DELONGCHAMP  
May 05 FRANK MORASSUTTI  
May 05 FRED MEDYNSKI  
May 05 MCKENNA URSO  
May 06 ALBERT KELLY  
May 06 ROLAND CLEMENTS  
May 08 SHIRLEY LONG  
May 10 GILBERT HARTLEY  
May 12 GEORGE FAULKNER  
May 14 ROBERT GAUTHIER  
May 15 JOHN LYTLE  
May 16 MEL YOUNG  
May 16 ALBERT WIERZBICKI  
May 16 T HENNESSY  
May 16 J MCCUAIG  
May 21 COLLEEN FOURNIER  
May 22 TOM TRAINOR  
May 23 NICOLE MEDYNSKI  
May 23 LOUISE DUBE  
May 25 ANTHONY URSO  
May 27 JASON DELONGCHAMP  
May 30 ALISTAIR GANCHER

Jun 06 ALAIN ST LOUIS  
Jun 08 LORETTA CLIPPERTON CARNES  
Jun 12 DOUGLAS HONEYFORD  
Jun 16 IVAN DUFRESNE  
Jun 20 CHANTALL FORTIN-CARRIERE  
Jun 20 VICTOR BOURGEOIS  
Jun 23 MONTGOMERY BRIGGS  
Jun 25 WILLIAM RANICH  
Jun 30 ANDREW NUTT

Jul 04 PAUL SMITH  
Jul 04 ROGER BUJOLD  
Jul 04 GERALD MARTIN  
Jul 06 BRIAN COLEMAN  
Jul 09 WILLIAM SINGLETON  
Jul 09 BERT ZORATTO  
Jul 14 I SIMEONI  
Jul 15 JACK ST LOUIS  
Jul 15 RONA RAMSEY  
Jul 15 PHILLIP BROWN  
Jul 15 BRENDA NELSON  
Jul 16 MARCEL VANIER  
Jul 17 VICTOR RANCOURT  
Jul 19 JUSTIN JOHNSTONE  
Jul 26 GERARD GAMACHE  
Jul 29 GERRY LOUGHEED

Aug 03 MALCOLM MORRISON  
Aug 05 LEOPOLD RIOUX  
Aug 05 JOHN GARDINER  
Aug 06 MICHAEL LEPAGE  
Aug 07 JOHN SANDER  
Aug 11 JOHN NELSON  
Aug 13 GEORGE LALONDE  
Aug 14 SHERRY LAFRAMBOISE  
Aug 18 CLAUDE GRENIER  
Aug 19 BRENDA BROWN  
Aug 20 NORMAND DESLOGES  
Aug 22 RYAN MUSSEN  
Aug 23 JANINE DESJARDINS  
Aug 23 GEORGE MARTEL  
Aug 25 ERWIN MERSEREAU  
Aug 26 JOHN GERRARD

## General Meeting

Usually the first Thursday of EACH month

## Monthly Executive Meeting

Usually the second Thursday of EACH month

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**UCT** (United Commercial Travelers) is a way of life. We're a fraternal benefit society driven by our members and their dedication to community service. For more than 130 years, we've supported our members and their efforts to improve their communities.

## HOW WE'RE ORGANIZED

There are tens of thousands of UCT members throughout North America. Members can get involved with a UCT local council in their area or join with others to form their own.

As a 501(c)8 non-profit fraternal benefit society we have four primary characteristics:

- **We serve a fraternal purpose through our community service activities.**
- **We share a common bond of volunteering among our members.**
- **We operate through local councils, with volunteer activities carried out by our members.**
- **We offer insurance products in the United States and fraternal memberships throughout North America.**

## HOW WE MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Giving back isn't just something we say - we've been doing it for more than 130 years! Our service projects vary from each community and include helping individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities; supporting cancer research, youth programs, and homeless shelters and food banks; initiating recycling and community clean-up projects; assisting veterans, and more. Over the past three years alone our members have invested more than 210,000 volunteer hours and \$3 million in local outreach!

## HOW WE BENEFIT OUR MEMBERS

Being a UCT member means you have access to a variety of opportunities, discounts and benefits including:

- **Volunteer & leadership opportunities**
- **Networking & social opportunities**
- **Scholarship programs**
- **Business, home, & travel benefits & discounts**



### Stay connected with UCT

-  [uct.org](http://uct.org)
-  [uct.org/UCTinAction](http://uct.org/UCTinAction)
-  [facebook.com/UCTinAction](https://facebook.com/UCTinAction)
-  [youtube.com/UCTinAction](https://youtube.com/UCTinAction)
-  [flickr.com/UCTinAction](https://flickr.com/UCTinAction)

UCT is an international member-benefit organization uniting people with a common passion for good citizenship and volunteerism to improve their local communities.

### MEMBER BENEFITS

- **Disaster Relief (Foundation Fund)** - Provides possible financial assistance in the event of a major disaster to your home like a fire, flood or tornado. Local councils decide how much to contribute, and the UCT home office matches that amount up to \$150.
- **Widows' and Orphans' Benefit** - May provide financial assistance for your spouse and/or children if they can't meet necessary living expenses after your death.
- **Fraternal Benevolent Benefit** - May provide financial assistance for your dependent spouse and/or children if you become permanently physically or mentally incapacitated.

### SCHOLARSHIPS

- **May E. Tisdale Scholarship Fund** - Offers possible scholarship assistance to members and their children or grandchildren pursuing college educations.
- **UCT Scholarship Program** - Provides financial assistance to students and teachers seeking degrees or certification to teach people with intellectual disabilities.
- **UCT Heaston Scholarships** - Grants three scholarships (one \$6,000 and two \$3,000 scholarships) to three deserving students annually; each covering four years of undergraduate education.

### DISCOUNTS

- **Northbridge Insurance Benefit** - Canadian members can now experience savings on bundled policies and can **save up to 10% on car insurance and 15% on property insurance** with this member benefit from Northbridge Insurance, a division of Fairfax Financial. All policies feature enhanced benefits and zero service fees for payment plans. This benefit is currently only available in Eastern Canada, from the Manitoba border to the Atlantic Ocean. For more information members in **Ontario may call 877.683.9359**. Members in **New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island, Newfoundland and Labrador may call: 888.482.0608**. **Make sure to refer to UCT when calling.**
- **Destination: Travel Group, Inc. Insurance** - (DTGI) is a nationally licensed firm providing **nationwide specialized travel insurance** products and services since the early 1990's. DTGI provides you with peace of mind if something unexpected happens, including 24/7 emergency medical assistance and specialists to help you navigate health care services outside of Canada and guide you in seeking and receiving proper treatment. For more information, call Destination: Travel Group Inc., toll-free at **(855) 337.3532**. **Make sure to refer to UCT when calling.**
- **Precise Hearing and Ideal Hearing Aid Discount Program** - UCT has partnered with Precise Hearing and Ideal Hearing to offer special pricing to UCT members. These companies traditionally **save their patients \$2,000 on average** for a pair of hearing devices and can provide A+ BBB rated service to all UCT members, regardless of geographical location. Call **877.657.7760** for more details.
- **Choice Hotels Discount - Save up to 20 percent** off applicable rates at thousands of Sleep, Comfort, Quality, Clarion, Econo Lodge and Rodeway inns, hotels and suites throughout Canada. The discount also includes the Ascend Hotel Collection, a network of one-of-a-kind upscale properties. Visit [www.choicehotels.ca](http://www.choicehotels.ca) or call **800.4CHOICE**. Be sure to use the **Client ID code 00088531**.
- **Esso Discount** - Provides possible discounts on gasoline with a minimum monthly purchase if you have a business vehicle.



### Travel Savings Center

Introducing a brand new member benefits suite!

#### CAR RENTAL DISCOUNTS

- You can save up to 25% off your next car rental from **Hertz**. Book online or call **800.654.2200** and use your UCT/Hertz CDP#: **2150930**. Save 7% off **Thrifty's** great rates. Book online or call **800.847.4389** and mention the UCT/Thrifty CDP#: **3061748**. Save 7% off **Dollar Car Rental** base rates. Book online or call **800.800.4000** and use your UCT/Dollar CDP#: **3061747**.

#### HOTEL DISCOUNTS

- **Wyndham Hotels Discount** - Members receive 20% off the "Best Available Rate" at nearly 7,000 participating hotels worldwide including upscale hotels, all-inclusive resorts and cost-effective hotels. Call **877.670.7088** and mention corporate code **#100007487**.
- **Motel 6 Discount** - UCT members save 10% at any of the 1,100+ (all pet-friendly) Motel 6 locations in the U.S. and Canada. Call **800.4.Motel6** and use the UCT discount code **WNVY9L**.

#### TRAVEL DISCOUNTS

- **CruisesOnly Discount** - Receive the lowest cruise prices backed by the only 110% Best Price Guarantee in the industry. Log in to **Members at uct.org** and click Member Savings. May be limited availability for Canadian members.
- **Endless Vacation Rentals Discount** - Offers 10% off vacation rentals when you book online or call **877.782.9387** and mention discount code (**member1138**).
- **TNT Vacations** - Offers you an exclusive UCT International 5% member discount and "Price Match Plus" on more than 900 destinations in Mexico, Hawaii, the Caribbean, Europe, Asia and the U.S., as well as on airlines and hotels. Call **800.282.0276** and mention **promo code UCT**. May be limited availability for Canadian members.

**For more information visit [UCT.org](http://UCT.org) or contact [fraternal@uct.org](mailto:fraternal@uct.org)**

# Announcing the Northbridge Insurance Benefit for Canadian members

UCT now offers a member benefit for Canadian members with Northbridge Insurance that offers “bundled” policies at exceptional rates and can save you up to **10% on car insurance** and **15% on property insurance**.



This personal insurance program from Northbridge, a division of Fairfax Financial, features enhanced benefits and zero service fees for payment plans. It is currently only available in Eastern Canada, from the Manitoba border to the Atlantic Ocean.

For more details, call for a quote and make sure to identify yourself as a UCT member.

Members in Ontario may call **877.683.9359**.

Members in New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island,

Newfoundland and Labrador may call: **888.482.0608**.

You can also contact Doug Honeyford at [doughoneyford@vianet.ca](mailto:doughoneyford@vianet.ca).