



**HIS HONOUR THE HONOURABLE
RUSS MIRASTY**

LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR OF SASKATCHEWAN
HONORARY PATRON

THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

The Lieutenant Governor of Saskatchewan holds the highest office in the province, representing Her Majesty The Queen, Canada's Head of State. It is clearly a different role from that of the Premier, who is the Head of Government and leader of the party with the most support in the Legislative Assembly. All bills must receive Royal Assent before they become law and must be signed by the Lieutenant Governor in the name of The Crown. Acting in a non-partisan role, the Lieutenant Governor works to bring the people of Saskatchewan together through honours, awards and ceremonial duties.

OUR BRANCH

The Monarchist League of Canada promotes loyalty to and understanding of the Canadian Crown.

The Saskatchewan Branch of the Monarchist League of Canada was formed in 1970, and created the South Saskatchewan Branch when the North Saskatchewan Branch was formed in the 1990's.

Our branch holds several meetings throughout the year, but our primary event is the annual **Queen's Birthday Luncheon** held prior to Victoria Day.



Flag of the Monarchist League of Canada

ROYAL ANTHEM OF CANADA

*God save our gracious Queen
Long live our noble Queen,
God save The Queen:
Send her victorious,
Happy and glorious,
Long to reign over us:
God save The Queen.*

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MONARCHIST LEAGUE



**SOUTH SASKATCHEWAN
BRANCH**

WHO WE ARE

The Monarchist League of Canada is a group of your friends and neighbours from across the country, united in their interest in and loyalty towards Canada's constitutional monarchy. As an inclusive and outward-reaching organization, the League is strengthened by the diverse backgrounds and experiences of its members, and is able to affirm its message nationally in a contemporary manner owing to its credibility and high visibility in the Canadian media.

Since its inception in 1970, the League has gained a national reputation as the leading voice of informed monarchical opinion in Canada. Our overall task is to promote the full expression and a better understanding of the history and real benefits of a uniquely Canadian constitutional monarchy. We present the positive features of the Canadian Crown as an essential part of national identity, and as the central pillar of our parliamentary democracy. We frequently work with MPs and members of provincial legislatures of all parties to further cement the role of the monarchy as a "big tent" under which every member of a diverse society can find an equal and respected place.



A LONG HISTORY OF THE MONARCHY IN CANADA

Canada has been a monarchy for centuries; under France in the sixteenth, seventeenth and eighteenth centuries, then under Britain in the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries, and now as a kingdom in her own right. These lands have been occupied for thousands of years by Indigenous people who, for many centuries, have maintained an enduring and very close relationship with the Crown. Treaties were signed between First Nations and the Crown, each one an agreement between two sovereign nations. This is a sacred bond.



QUEEN ELIZABETH II QUEEN OF CANADA

Elizabeth the Second, by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom, Canada and Her other Realms and Territories Queen, Head of the Commonwealth, Defender of the Faith. -- The Royal Styles and Titles Act of Canada

Therefore, Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II is Queen of Canada.

Born in 1926, Her Majesty has dedicated her life to public service and continues to serve Canada and Canadians. On her 21st birthday (April 21, 1947), she addressed the Commonwealth and dedicated her life "whether it be long or short" to the service of others. Ever since, she has been steadfast in keeping her promise — a promise valued by Canada and the entire Commonwealth.

CONSTITUTIONAL MONARCHY

A Constitutional Monarchy means that the powers of the monarchy in Canada are limited by the Constitution, a set of basic principles, laws and rules that explain the powers and duties of the government and the rights and freedoms of the citizens. Our head of state is a monarch who is also sovereign of the United Kingdom and fourteen other realms. Because our Queen does not reside in Canada, she appoints, under the advice of the Prime Minister, a Governor General and Lieutenant Governors to represent her authority in Canada.

THE COST OF CANADA'S CONSTITUTIONAL MONARCHY

The cost to each Canadian is about \$1.63 a year (\$56,878,538 in 2011-2012) to support the Canadian Crown.

The annual cost of the Governor General's role as representative of The Queen, calculated in July 2012, amounted to \$1.31 per person, and the Offices of the 10 Lieutenant Governors serving The Queen and their provinces at a cost of \$0.28 per person. These costs compare favourably to the budgets of the Senate of Canada, the National Gallery of Canada and the Library of Parliament.

The majority of these costs arise from maintaining vice-regal residences and from honouring Canadians for outstanding acts or service. The daily operation of Buckingham Palace in supporting the work of Her Majesty are the responsibility of the UK government and cost Canadians nothing. Canadians are living in a kingdom which contributes nothing towards the general expense of its Monarch, only when, as our head of state, she performs duties in Canada, are costs incurred. Canadians regularly bear similar or greater expenses for visiting heads of state and government officials, none of whom have any constitutional involvement, but whom we welcome as friends, allies or trading partners.