

CHINESE CANADIAN MILITARY MUSEUM

2016 Annual Fundraising Dinner



OCTOBER 29, 2016



A Message from the Lieutenant Governor



As Lieutenant Governor of British Columbia, I am pleased to extend my best wishes to everyone in attendance tonight in support of the Chinese Canadian Military Museum.

This Museum plays a vital role in remembering the tragic and historic events of wars that unfolded on the other side of the world, yet impacted every community in Canada. The decision of young Canadians of Chinese heritage to put their lives on the line for this nation, a nation that was not yet ready to grant them the respect of citizenship, was not an easy one. Many families did not agree that their loved ones should take such a risk for a land that had rejected them as full citizens. The Canadian Chinese Military Museum not only pays tribute to the brave men who volunteered to fight for Canada, but also poignantly reminds us of the terrible price paid by those who remained

at home. This too is part of the important story that the Chinese Canadian Military Museum has so beautifully captured and displayed.

Thank you to the members of the board, the patrons and all the supporters of the Chinese Canadian Military Museum for your perseverance and hard work that have resulted in this great museum. As the representative of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, thank you for keeping the memories alive and for helping us to properly honour those who have served us so valiantly.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Judith Guichon".

The Honourable Judith Guichon, OBC
Lieutenant Governor of British Columbia



A Message from Premier Christy Clark

As Premier of the Province of British Columbia, I am pleased to join with the Chinese Canadian Military Museum Society in welcoming you to Vancouver's Pink Pearl Restaurant for a special evening honouring the 75th Anniversary of the Battle of Hong Kong.

Since 1998, the Society has been dedicated to recognizing the contributions of Chinese Canadian soldiers and to preserving the history of Chinese people in Canada. Tonight, as you share in delicious cuisine and good company, you are also remembering the brave people who fought against overwhelming odds at this pivotal event – their courage and sacrifice truly helped to make our world a better place.

I would like to take this opportunity to commend everyone here for their participation in this event; your contributions will go a long way in helping to support the CCMMS's important initiatives.

Thanks to the hard work of organizers and volunteers, this impressive event promises to be a great success.

Please accept my best wishes for an enjoyable evening.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Christy Clark". The signature is fluid and cursive, written on a light-colored background.

Christy Clark
Premier



Rear-Admiral Art McDonald, MSM CD

Commander, Maritime Forces Pacific

Greetings

On the 75th Anniversary of the Battle of Hong Kong, one of the first battles in the Pacific during World War II, I would like to take this opportunity to express my sincere appreciation to the Chinese Canadian veterans to Canada for their service and sacrifice during this and so many other battles.

We should not forget the sacrifices that were made in December 1941 when hugely outnumbered by the enemy they gallantly fought on against all odds and held out for two weeks of ferocious fighting. This example of service before self resonates with service men and women today and has become a key value of the Canadian Armed Forces.

I would like to thank the Chinese Canadian Military Museum Society for helping us to remember this history and for the work that is done to collect, preserve, document and showcase Chinese Canadian veteran's service to Canada.

For the attendees this evening, please accept my sincere gratitude for your continued support of the Chinese Canadian Military Museum. By enabling the museum to tell these incredible stories we ensure that all Canadians appreciate the sacrifices that were made and the rich diverse history that has contributed to make Canada the country it is today. Thank you and have a wonderful evening.

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We watch over the land and sea and in turn they watch over us.



October 2016

A Message from the Mayor

On behalf of the citizens of Vancouver, and my colleagues on City Council, I want to extend my warmest welcome to everyone attending the 75th Anniversary of the Battle of Hong Kong Commemorative Gala dinner.

We are very proud of our multicultural City which embraces traditions and cultures from all over the world. Chinese Canadians contribute significantly to our community's culture and to the quality of life in our City. The hardship of war was magnified for our Chinese Canadian citizens who were not afforded the same opportunities as other citizens during World War II. I want to commend the Chinese Canadian Military Museum Society for honouring their heritage and their significant role in our history through this 75th Anniversary Commemorative Gala.

I want to thank the World War II veterans honoured today for their incredible sacrifices. We are glad that Canada, and indeed Vancouver, now has a strong relationship with our Asian neighbours based on mutual respect and co-operation.

Sincerely,



Gregor Robertson
MAYOR



President's Message

By King Wan, President, CCMMS

The past twelve months have been a very busy time for our museum and dedicated board of directors. We normally change our theme and displays annually to commemorate special historical events.

However, 2016 has been challenging especially for our curator, Catherine Clement, as I asked her to consider not one, but two, major themes for this special year. Many of the Canadian Chinese who served in WWII were involved in the Asian theatre in FORCE 136 and they were not generally recognized. Catherine's initiative to delve into stories of FORCE 136 members was commendable and she laboured for many months to research, gathered and contacted those Chinese Canadians and their families in that group. Her efforts paid off and our museum opening the FORCE 136 exhibition in May during the Asian Heritage Month to remember them.

We were so pleased that quite a number of the FORCE 136 members, in their nineties, and their families showed up for the event coming from as far Ontario and California. The exhibition also became a reunion for them and seeing these veterans together and reminiscing the time as comrades in arm was a sight that I will not forget. Our museum team worked hard to bring their nearly "forgotten" stories to light. That was an Oscar winning feat!

Another chapter of our Canadian history is the Battle of Hong Kong when Canada sent 1975 soldiers from the Winnipeg Grenadiers and the Royal Rifles of Canada to defend the Far East outpost of Hong Kong. Their plight in that battle has faded from many of our memories but this being the 75th anniversary of that battle, we need to remember the sacrifice of the Canadians that lost their lives and the hardship endured by the survivors as POWs in captivity. There were also little known stories of Canadian Chinese who were engaged in many facets of that battle, its aftermath and at the liberation of the POWs when the war ended. I urge you to visit our small museum to learn of these stories and to share with the younger generations. Do also check out our website at www.ccmms.ca and our Facebook where you will find other interesting stories.

As a volunteer organization I am so grateful to have what I would call the "dream team" working with me. Members in our board of directors are, gifted, dedicated, knowledgeable and professional in all their work relating to the museum. To put on each and every event require time and efforts and they gave unreservedly for our veterans and the museum. I have nothing but admiration and respect for all of them.

The role of our museum society is to collect record and preserve artifacts, memorabilia and photographs and tell their wartime stories. Today, we also seek to educate a new generation of Canadians on the role the Chinese played in our country's history. We not only operate a museum; we also organize tours and talks, and undertake special projects designed to promote awareness of the experience of Chinese Canadian soldiers. Thank you for your support in spending your time with us this evening. I sincerely hope that you will also share our collective history to others in your lives and to promote our Canada as a diverse country as we march toward our sesquicentennial in 2017.



The Chinese Canadian Military Museum

By Howe Lee, Founding President, CCMMS

The Chinese Canadian Military Museum Society (CCMMS) was officially opened on November 7, 1998. The keynote address and opening was made by Major General Stu McDonald. He continues to be one of our strong supporters. As we complete our 18th year, we have made great progress with many accomplishments. With the co-operation and support of the Chinese Cultural Centre of Greater Vancouver, we started in the Ming Dynasty style building on the second floor hallway at 555 Columbia Street, Vancouver.

In the start-up, our biggest financial supporters with a \$50,000 donation were Tong and Geraldine Louie of the H.Y. Louie family. A few years later with the generosity of two sisters, Catherine and Elizabeth Long, this allowed for the usage of the corner room for CCMMS. This room was originally named and set aside by their father, Pon Sulong with his big financial contribution of \$100,000.

During various times, the writer had made power point presentations to organizations and school classes in Metro Vancouver. Also, panel display presentations were made twice in Ottawa and once in Halifax. The panel display was requested by the Canada War Museum, Ottawa, for three months at their main entrance. This display was so well received by the school classes that our display was extended for approximately one year.

Credit of our Museum's continued success must go to our original group of Directors who made the Museum possible in spite of internal oppositions. Our Museum has helped in the revitalization of Vancouver Chinatown. For example, we have helped in the renaming of Shanghai and Guangzhou Alleys. As this site was the original Vancouver Chinatown, we have a number of display panels identifying the original property owners and their businesses. Also, at this location we have mounted an historic bell donated by China. We have helped in raising money to have Chinese style street lamps in our Vancouver Designated Chinatown. We are proud to be involved in the design, funding and building of the Vancouver Chinatown Memorial Square Monument. Our CCMMS is gradually becoming known internationally. During the last few years, we have become well connected with the Tuskegee U.S. Air Force group. Finally, later this year, members of our Museum will be visiting Hong Kong and southern China with plans to put up displays of our Chinese Canadian veterans contributions.



Chinese Canadian Military Museum Society

The Chinese Canadian participation in the World Wars is largely unknown within and outside the Chinese communities yet their contribution was significant. However, despite their courage and patriotism, there are few official displays dedicated to Chinese Canadian participation in either war.

As a result of their sacrifice in World War II, Chinese were finally able to claim the opportunities and rights afforded other Canadians. They were offered citizenship and the right to vote, which in turn, led to membership in professional societies such as law, medicine and engineering previously closed to them.

The role of our museum society is to collect, record and preserve artifacts, memorabilia and photographs and tell their wartime stories. Today, we also seek to educate a new generation of Canadians on the role the Chinese played in our country's history. We not only operate a museum – which is located within Chinese Cultural Centre complex in Vancouver's Chinatown – we also organize tours and talks, and undertake special projects designed to promote awareness of the experience of Chinese Canadian soldiers.

Find out more: info@ccmms.ca; on [Facebook](#) and on our website at www.ccmms.ca.



ANAVET Pacific Unit 280

World War II Chinese Canadian veterans came

into their own 68 years ago when 70 of their ranks were granted a charter of the Army, Navy, Air Force Veterans in Canada, Pacific Unit 280. They made history by becoming the first all Chinese Canadian vets Unit in Canada.

Chinese Canadians veterans had served in various theatres of conflict – in Europe, Southeast Asia, South Pacific and Australia – and were present as provincial President Sidney Hamilton presented the charter to Unit 280 President the late Frank Ho Lem of Calgary.

When members of Unit 280 donned the uniform of Canada's armed forces, they had experienced "the most glorious moment of their lives. But their task was only half done. Now that they had returned to civilian life it was their duty to fight for the rights not only of veterans but for all Chinese Canadians. During its formative years, the Unit focused its efforts and energy in fighting for civil rights. As recent as the late 1940s and the 50s, Orientals in this country were relegated to second class citizens in this province.

Besides fighting for political, economic and social equality, unit 280 also organized many gala and festive events. It sponsored a youth's drum and bugle corps, annual Narcissus Queen reception, summer picnic and yearly Children's Christmas party. In 1988 a plaque was erected in Goose Bay (later renamed Commando Bay), on the Okanagan Lake where a secret training camp was held to trained 13 Chinese Canadian vets in a secret mission. In the 1990s the Chinese Canadian veterans were guests on a China tour of China's Minister of Defence.

Members of Unit 280 have been turning out every year for the Remembrance Day parade and wreath presentation ceremony at the Cenotaph.

The success of Unit 280 is built in no small measure on the willingness and cooperation of its members. The Unit owes much to those who have worked so hard to hold the organization together during difficult periods. They have learned the incalculable value and satisfaction of comradeship.



Chinese Canadian Military Museum Society (CCMMS)

A Year in Review 2015 – 2016

This past year has been another busy year for the Chinese Canadian Military Museum Society since our last fundraising dinner. The following events have happened since last year's dinner.

Date	Event
October 24, 2015	70th Anniversary End of WWII Annual Fundraising Dinner
November 11, 2015	Remembrance Day Ceremonies at Cenotaph and Chinatown Memorial
November 20, 2015	Multicultural Awards Dinner
December 19, 2015	Christmas Luncheon
February 6, 2016	ANAVET Pacific Unit 280 Installation Lunch
February 14, 2016	Chinese New Year parade in Chinatown
April 3, 2016	Ladies' Lunch
April 4, 2016	Qingming Festival Ceremony at Mountain View Chinese Cemetery
April 13, 2016	Visit by Rear Admiral Gilles Couturier to CCMMS
April 15, 2016	Reception for Tuskegee Airmen at U.S. Consulate
April 16, 2016	2 nd Annual Rights & Freedoms March in Vancouver
May 14, 2016	Celebration lunch of veterans over 90 years old
May 14, 2016	Opening of Force 136 Exhibit, "Rumble in the Jungle" at CCMMS
May 19, 2016	Veterans attend Defence Visible Minority Advisory Group invitation for Asian Heritage Month activities at CFB Esquimalt Naval Base
May 28, 2016	Vancouver Chinatown: Then & Now screening at Pacific Cinematique
June 26, 2016	Pacific Unit 280/Alex Louie Memorial Picnic at Trout Lake Park
July 1, 2016	Canada Day celebration at Chinese Cultural Centre and at Canada Place
July 9, 2016	Richmond Public Library to promote Chinese Canadian history
August 29, 2016	Veterans Affairs Canada Commendation Ceremony
October 5, 2016	Opening of 75th Anniversary of Battle of Hong Kong Exhibit at CCMMS
October 29, 2016	Battle of Hong Kong Annual Fundraising Dinner
November 11, 2016	Remembrance Day Ceremonies at Cenotaph and Chinatown Memorial

A Year In Review





Update from the Curator

By Catherine Clement

As curator for the Chinese Canadian Military Museum, I often feel I have the best job.

With each new exhibition, I get an opportunity to immerse myself into a topic. I have an excuse to cold call veterans, their families and historians and ask lots of questions. I get to see pictures that have been hidden in someone's photo album for decades. I am allowed to handle treasures – 75 year-old artifacts – that families willingly let me borrow. And I get to take all of this information and turn it into a visual story. The time it can take to do this work is enormous, but it is also very interesting and rewarding.

In 2016 we mounted two exhibitions. In May, we unveiled *Rumble in the Jungle: The Story of Force 136*. We were delighted that nine veterans of that unit, some coming from as far away as California and Ontario, participated in the opening. Then in early October, we launched *Hong Kong: Invasion, Occupation and Liberation* to commemorate the 75th anniversary of the battle of Hong Kong.

Both exhibitions shared a common theme: the enormous challenges faced by Chinese Canadians in their efforts to fight and overcome Japanese aggression.

And in both shows, we focused on stories that were not well known. Many WWII history buffs were not aware that Chinese Canadians were trained in commando warfare and then secretly shipped to Southeast Asia with the intent of being dropped into the jungle behind Japanese lines.

Many professional and amateur historians also were not familiar with names like Bill Chong, Raymond Lee, William Lore, and William Poy: just a few of the Chinese Canadians who played a role in the story of Hong Kong during the war.

Our museum feels proud to add a new perspective to these pieces of history by bringing to light these lesser known stories and characters. After all, if we don't tell these stories of Chinese Canadians, then who will?

I wish to give special recognition John Ko: our reliable, hard-working volunteer who helps me build and install every exhibition. He donates not only his time, but all the materials (e.g. paint, wire, etc) and asks for nothing in return. I also want to say "thank you" to Peter Judd and Kathy Fung, who helped make this year's exhibitions as polished as they could be on a small budget.

I also wish to express my gratitude to the veterans and the families who shared images, information and artifacts with me for the Force 136 and the Hong Kong exhibitions. You can be enormously proud of your fathers, mothers, uncles, aunts, grandfathers or grandmothers. They were courageous participants in one of the most incredible, momentous periods of human history. And lastly, thank you to all the people who made the effort to come out to the launch events, or who hauled their families over to the museum to walk them through the stories and displays. We appreciate your efforts to help keep these stories alive.

Force 136 and Battle of Hong Kong Exhibit Opening



For the Force 136 exhibition, nine former members of that unit turned out for the launch. A number of veterans from different units were reading some of the personal stories of those who served with this special unit.



Force 136 veteran Tommy CG Wong poses next to a panel that showcases his photo.



CHINESE CANADIAN MILITARY MUSEUM

2016 *Annual Fundraising Dinner*

Evening Program

RECEPTION

INTRODUCTIONS

MC Call to Order

VIP Procession

National Anthem (sung by *Lawrence Lee*)

First Nations Welcome

Introduction of Dignitaries

Recognition of Veterans

President's Year in Review

DINNER

CCMMS plans for 2017

Raffle Ticket Sales

Remembering those veterans we lost in 2016

Toast to Fallen Comrades

SPEECH

Introduction to tonight's speaker

Speech (*by author/historian Charles Reid*)

DESSERT

Draws and Raffles

CHINESE CANADIAN MILITARY MUSEUM

2016 Annual Fundraising Dinner

Dinner Menu

House Special Platter

Sautéed Shrimp & Chicken with Vegetables

Fish Maw Soup with Corn

Beef Tenderloin Chinese Style

Braised Mushrooms with Mixed Vegetables

Deep Fried Crispy Chicken

Yong Chow Fried Rice

E-Fu Noodles

Dessert

Two kinds of pastries

Keynote Speaker

Charles Reid

Our storyteller this evening is Charles Reid, an author and historian. Born in London's East End, Charles lived through the chaos of the Second World War and witnessed, first hand, the death and destruction caused by daily German bombings.

After a stint in the British Navy, Reid immigrated to Canada in 1975. It was in his adopted home that Reid was shocked to learn what little Canadians knew about their own war heroes.

It compelled him to research and write articles and books to help share stories of the war and Canadian war heroes. Reid was particularly interested in engaging young people in war history, and consequently his three books – *Hurricanes Over London* (2001); *Chasing the Arrow* (2006); and *Ghosts of Heroes Past* (2010) – are aimed at a younger audience.

It was through his research that Reid met and befriended Chinese Canadian Bill Chong (aka Agent 50) who had served as a spy and courier for the British Army Aid Group (BAAG) during the Japanese occupation of Hong Kong. They met while both were living on Vancouver Island and spent many hours together chatting about Bill's adventures and near death experiences. Reid incorporated Chong's story into his 2010 book *Ghost of Heroes Past*.





Hong Kong – BC WWII Connections

By George Ing, LCol CF Retired

This article is inspired by the Chinese Canadian Military Museum (CCMMS) exhibition on the Battle of Hong Kong which opened October 5, 2016 with an inspired historical address by Retired Senator Vivienne Poy.

Towards the end of 1941 Japanese aggression towards China was a serious concern but their direct attack on Hong Kong was not considered imminent. Still two Canadian regiments were sent to reinforce the current defending forces. On October 27, the Royal Rifles of Canada and the Winnipeg Grenadiers, a force totalling 1,975 of basically untrained troops, sailed out of Vancouver. They arrived in Hong Kong on November 16.

Their role was thought to be light garrison duties and it is recorded that some members even brought their golf clubs. As the situation was thought to be stable the Ship carrying their vehicles and other vital equipment was diverted to another location.

However, eight hours after the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbour December 7, battle hardened Japanese troops attacked Hong Kong. Despite being outnumbered 4:1, the Allied defenders fought a desperate and valiant but hopeless fight. On Christmas Day, after 18 days of hard, bloody battle, Hong Kong surrendered to the Japanese. For the next 3 years and 8 months Hong Kong suffered under inhumane Japanese occupation.

Of the 1,975 Canadian soldiers, 290 were killed, 500 were wounded and 264 later died in the POW camps from torture, starvation and cruel treatment – a casualty rate of 50%.

While some of the Allied prisoners were sent to Japan for hard labour, the majority were incarcerated in Sham Shui Po POW camp near Hong Kong.

Two BC Chinese Canadians played prominent roles in the Hong Kong saga.

William (Bill) Chong, Agent 50, worked for the British Army Aid Group (BAAG) and single-handedly smuggled medical supplies to hospitals in need and assisted many allied members to escape. He was captured 3 times by the Japanese but managed to escape each time. His story and exploits are for another time.

William (Bill) Lore, from Victoria BC, was in January 1943, the first Chinese permitted to join the RCN. He was in fact the first Chinese Canadian in the whole British Commonwealth Navies. In September 1944, Bill was seconded to the British Navy (RN) and became the Admirals Lieutenant to R Adm Harcourt on the HMS Venerable. When the Japanese capitulated in August 1945, the Venerable was despatched to Hong Kong.

Bill Lore, with a team of 3 sailors, was ordered to liberate the Sham Shui Po Pow Camp. After a dangerous confrontation with the Japanese guards, the 300 prisoners – many of them Canadians – were freed. Bill Lore is still remembered as the Liberator of Hong Kong.

Later, when Bill returned to the RCN and Ottawa, he could not draw his pay as war records listed him as Killed In Action. He was soon resurrected, paid and retired as a LCdr.

Bill later attended Oxford where he obtained a Law Degree at age 62. He practiced law in Hong Kong and died at age 102.

Next month a contingent of WWII Vets, CCMMS members and supporters will be visiting Hong Kong to attend the 75th Anniversary of the Japanese invasion of Hong Kong.



Then and Now

By Don Chapman, Director, CCMMS

Another year, another October, another CCMMS dinner, and another article. But not all is as it was 12 months ago. First, our surviving WWII vets are dwindling. That makes it imperative to thank them for what they did. We also need to reflect.

Yes, today's world is unstable. War rages on while political and financial problems mount. But historically, the world has always faced uncertainty. In the late 1930's as Hitler's Third Reich gained strength, the world found itself at a crossroads. The future, would it be dominated by a Nazi Germany? It really was that close. The only thing standing in Hitler's path were our allied soldiers, willing to give their lives for the benefit of future generations. Hundreds of thousands did just that. Tonight, as you look around the room, know that we're the beneficiaries of those great women and men who so proudly wore their country's uniform.

Collectively and individually, we're all in their debt.

While tonight's spotlight is on the Chinese Canadian veterans, other minorities also joined the war effort. The common link was that they too were defending a country -- Canada -- which was openly racist. The Chinese, among others, were the targets and victims. What a predicament -- go fight for a country actively rejecting you, or don't go to war at all. The easy answer is the latter. But that's not what the Chinese vets chose, because Canada was their country too. And it was worth defending. Ask yourself, put in the same situation, what would you do? For First Nations people, Chinese, East Indian, Black, Japanese, Filipino, Malaysian -- you name it, they all answered the call. Looking back, they didn't just make a huge contribution to the war effort, but they changed Canada for the better. Today's inclusiveness is a direct result.

As many of you know, several years ago the Chinese vets in Vancouver teamed up with the Tuskegee Airmen from Phoenix -- the Black WWII pilots from the States. Both groups had a similar slogan: "One War, Two Victories" for the Chinese; "Double victory" for the Tuskegee Airmen. Indeed it was. It also means the rest of us need to be doubly gracious.

Take a moment to extend your appreciation.

2nd Annual Rights & Freedoms March on April 16, 2016





The British Army Aid Group (BAAG)

By Wesley Robert Lowe

William "Bill" Chong, the subject of our guest speaker's talk was a member of The British Army Aid Group (BAAG).

What was BAAG and what was its significance?

The British Army Aid Group (BAAG) was formed as a result of the Battle of Hong Kong. A special military intelligence unit, it was set up in Southern China on March 6, 1942 at the suggestion of Major Dr. Lindsay T. Ride, a professor of medicine at Hong Kong University. Ride had commanded the field ambulance of the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps and had escaped from captivity. On arrival in China, he proposed setting up an organisation with the objective of helping prisoners of war, internees and escapees from the island. A clandestine mission, Ride used primarily local Chinese as the operative agents.

This work was highly dangerous. If caught, torture or death was their reward.

No wonder. The Japanese paid little attention to the Geneva Convention. BAAG aided the escape of 2,000 people from Japanese captivity and smuggled food, drugs and messages to those imprisoned in Hong Kong. It also became a major source of military intelligence for the Allies fighting in Southern China and through a hospital set up by Ride, gave medical treatment to about 30,000 Chinese a year. In addition, during a famine in 1943, BAAG fed as many as 6,000 people a day. When American bombing of Hong Kong began in October 1942, BAAG helped 40 downed US airmen to safety.

Exact numbers of the unsung heroes of BAAG members is unknown. This is because agents were never identified by name, only numbers. While there was an Agent 1069, there were many missing or unassigned numbers. Bill Chong was Agent 50.

First Ladies Luncheon hosted by the CCMMS on April 3, 2016

The luncheon is to honour the wives and widows of our Veterans as well as ladies of the CCMMS.



Special thanks to the 39 Service Battalion for sponsoring the luncheon and to the cooks section that served a delicious meal.



King Wan presented a slideshow highlighting activities of the past year and a sneak preview of upcoming exhibits.



CCMMS Board Members and Captain Alex Haussmann greeting the ladies while they relaxed and visited with each other.

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WWII ENDED IN 1945. CHINESE CANADIAN SOLDERS HAD TO FIGHT FOR TWO MORE YEARS.

Before WWII ended, Chinese Canadians experienced a lot of discrimination. They could not vote or swim in public pools. They were limited to working in restaurants, laundromats and grocery stores. Few were allowed to live outside of Chinatown. Despite this, they still wanted to fight for the country that did not recognize them as full citizens. Thanks to their war service, Canada finally changed its legislation in 1947 and allowed all Chinese Canadians the right to vote. For other interesting battle stories, visit our museum inside the Chinese Cultural Centre at 555 Columbia Street, Vancouver. www.ccmms.ca



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Proudly Celebrating Canadian Veterans

Commissionaires, together with the Chinese Canadian Military Museum, commemorates the sacrifices made by the Winnipeg Grenadiers and Royal Rifles of Canada during the battle of Hong Kong.

As a contributing member to the safety of people and property, we appreciate all those who honorably served, and continue to serve, to protect others.

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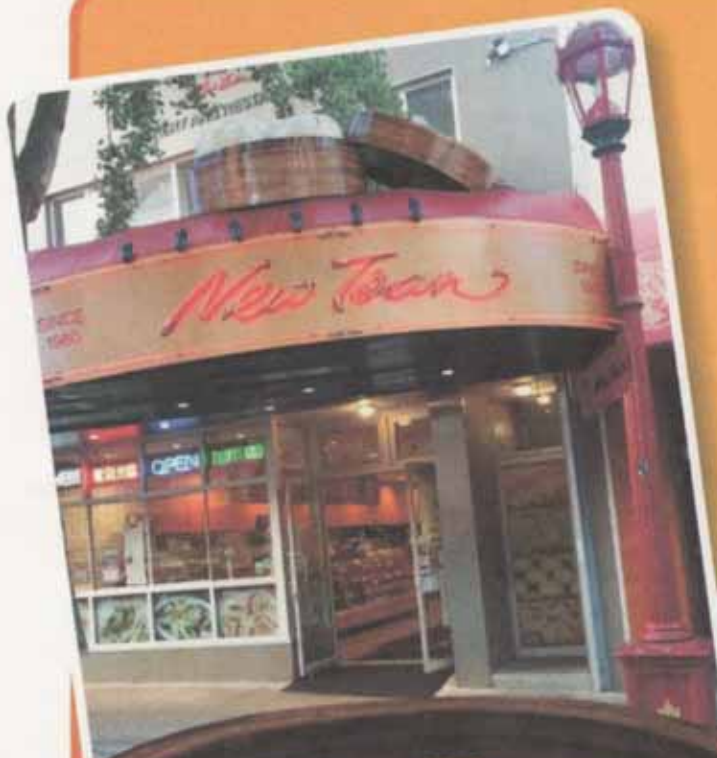
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