



Victoria Canada-China Friendship Association 维多利亚加中友好协会

October 2019

Message from Our President

Hello All,

I would like to welcome you back.

I hope you all had a lovely summer?

We are excited about this year's upcoming speakers.

Check out our website and Facebook page.

We will also be having a Chinese New Year's luncheon. We will be pre-selling tickets to this luncheon.

A few of the board members were invited by the Consul General of the Peoples Republic of China in Vancouver, to the Crystal Ballroom at the Empress on September 24. We were invited to help celebrate the 70th Anniversary of the founding of the People's Republic of China. It was a grandeur event.

Upcoming 50th Anniversary next year. We will keep you posted on what events will happen. We are in the pre-planning stage with the Federation at the moment.

I look forward to seeing you all at our next dinner October 27, 2019.

If you are interested and would like to hear specific topics, please let myself or any of the board know. We will do our best to facilitate that. Thank you all.

Yours in Friendship

Carol Charlebois

President Victoria Canada China Friendship Association

VCCFA Board Members

President: Carol Charlebois

Vice-President: Joshua Wang

Secretary: Vacant position

Treasurer/Membership Secretary: Jennifer Calder

Members-at-Large: Lisa Bengston, Hua Lin, Barry Ming, Antonio Rivadeneira, Ling Shen

Speakers at our March 2019 Dinner



On Sunday, March 24th, 2019, VCCFA President Carol Charlebois and VCCFA Member at large Barry Ming, gave a captivating presentation, "The

2018 Friendship Forum on Hainan Island", following an appetizing buffet dinner at Purple Garden Restaurant.

Speaker at our April 2019 Dinner



On Sunday, April, 28th, 2019, Dr. Chris Willmore, Economics Professor at the University of Victoria, gave a fascinating talk, "The History of Chinese Work and Immigration in Victoria", after a delicious buffet meal Island Wok restaurant.

Speaker at our May 2019 Dinner



On Sunday, May, 26th, 2019, Niya Liu, Admissions Officer at Camosun College, gave an informative talk, "International Student Recruitment in China", following a fantastic dinner at the Fountain restaurant.

Speaker at our June 2019 Dinner

On Sunday, June, 23rd, 2019, Dr. Joshua Wang, Vice President of VCCFA and Mandarin Pastor of EBC, gave a compelling presentation, "The Orphan Schools of China", following an scrumptious meal at the Forum Chinese Restaurant.



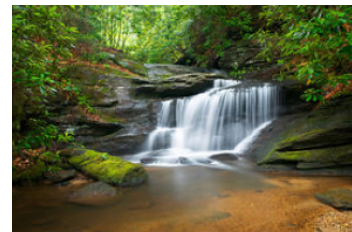
Speaker at our September 2019 Dinner

On Sunday, September 29, 2019, Mr. Gary Kaiser, Research Associate with the Royal BC Museum, gave a fascinating repeat presentation, "The Feathered Fossils of China", following a delicious Thai meal at Pho Halong- Little Thai Place restaurant.



Sad News

It is with great sadness that we learned of the passing of long time VCCFA member June Burley. June was a stalwart figure in the VCCFA, always cheerful, tirelessly volunteering her time, serving on the board and helping to organize the 50th Anniversary celebration.



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The funeral service is for her family. If there is a Celebration of Life we will let you know.

Upcoming October 2019 Dinner

On Sunday, October 27, 2019, dinner will be at The Thai Green Elephant Restaurant in Vic West. The restaurant is located at 809 Craigflower Road.



Our speaker will be Mr. Roger Mah Poy. His presentation titled "Ha Ling", will begin at 7pm.

Cost for the dinner: \$22 for members and \$30 non members. Cheque or cash only, please.

Please do not write abbreviations on your cheque for the dinners. VCCFA is not accepted at the bank. Please leave the cheque blank for our stamp or write in full: "*Victoria Canada China Friendship Association*". Thank you.

There will be no further dinner payments by individuals at the restaurants. The restaurant bills will be paid by the treasurer only.

RSVP: by Wednesday, October, to Jen Calder at jepcalder@gmail.com or (250) 881-3787,

or Carol Charlebois at charlebois721@gmail.com or (250) 882-5820.

Future Speakers

November, 2019 - TBA

Membership in the VCCFA

The membership fee of the VCCFA (Victoria Canada-China Friendship Association) is \$15/year for an individual or \$20/year for a family. A family consists of direct family members only. If you are interested, you can join at any of our events.

Typically we meet on the last Sunday evening of the month from January-June, then from September-November. Our members range from about 12 years of age to 90.

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