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ALWAYS REMEMBER, NOT JUST IN NOVEMBER!

WWI and WWII history comes alive at FVRL.

Abbotsford, BC – Celebrate Canada’s war heroes all year! Join us at various Fraser Valley Regional Library locations through to the end of May and have history come alive. Come listen to a selection of diverse speakers talk about various World War I and World War II subjects.

Remembering the Fallen: Join historian Warren Sommer for an illustrated discussion about the battlefields of WWI. Learn about the men who enlisted from the Langley area as Sommer takes you to the places where they fought and many ultimately sacrificed their lives.

The Chinese-Canadian Wartime Experience: Engage with Larry Wong, curator of the Chinese Canadian Military Museum and Lt. Colonel Howe Lee, the museum’s president, as they discuss the wartime history of Chinese-Canadians over the decades.

Reminiscences of WWII and Korean War: Join Port Coquitlam veterans Major Jean Paul Debreuil, ED. CD., and Private George Siggs, Paratrooper as they share their wartime experiences and stories.

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War Brides: Learn about the thousands of brave young women who crossed the Atlantic during and after WWI to become the brides of Canadian Expeditionary Force soldiers. Listen to Annette Fulford as she recounts the fascinating, romantic and sometimes tragic history of Canadian war brides.

Canadian Military Genealogical Research: Join military genealogist Jim Harris for a fascinating evening as he discusses Canadian military genealogical research.

These programs are free to attend, but require registration. For more information about FVRL's current programs, or to register for the *Always Remember, Not Just In November* series please call or visit the host library. Remember, FVRL never closes; connect with us online 24/7 at www.fvrl.ca.

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| PROGRAM & HOST LIBRARY | DATE / TIME | PRESENTER |
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| "Remembering the Fallen" Murrayville Library | Saturday, April 30, 2 pm | Warren Sommer |
| "Chinese-Canadian Wartime Experience" Ladner Pioneer Library | Monday, May 9, 7 pm | Larry Wong & Howe Lee |
| "Reminiscences of WWII and Korean War" Terry Fox Library | Tuesday, May 10, 7 pm | Jean Paul Debreuil & George Sigs |
| "War Brides" Maple Ridge Public Library | Thursday, May 19, 2 pm | Annette Fulford |
| "Canadian Military Genealogical Research" Clearbrook Library | Thursday, May 19, 2 pm | Jim Harris |

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About Fraser Valley Regional Library

Fraser Valley Regional Library is the largest public library system in British Columbia, with 24 community libraries serving over 680,000 people in its service area. Established in 1930, it is funded with taxes raised in the communities it serves, plus a Government of BC operating grant. The governing Board consists of elected officials representing 15 member municipalities and regional districts. With its mission "to connect people to the world of information and ideas," FVRL plays a prominent role in the communities throughout the Fraser Valley.

FVRL Member Libraries

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| <i>Agassiz</i> | <i>Aldergrove</i> | <i>Boston Bar</i> |
| <i>Brookwood</i> | <i>Chilliwack</i> | <i>Clearbrook</i> |
| <i>Fort Langley</i> | <i>George Mackie</i> | <i>Hope</i> |
| <i>Ladner Pioneer</i> | <i>City of Langley</i> | <i>Maple Ridge</i> |
| <i>Mission</i> | <i>Mount Lehman</i> | <i>Muriel Arnason</i> |
| <i>MSA Centennial</i> | <i>Murrayville</i> | <i>Pitt Meadows</i> |
| <i>Tsawwassen</i> | <i>Terry Fox</i> | <i>Walnut Grove</i> |
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