



Event Photo Report



23rd Anniversary

"Korean War Veterans Appreciation Dinner"

"100th Anniversary of the RCAF"



It was our honour to organize the ***"23rd Anniversary of the Korean War Veterans Appreciation Dinner and the 100th Anniversary of the RCAF"*** on Aboriginal Veterans Day November 8th, 2024 at the Canadian Warplane Heritage Museum. Over 215 guests attended including Lisa Hepfner, MP (Hamilton Mountain), Tae Hwan Kwon, Acting Consul General, Hon. Raymond Cho, Minister of Seniors and Accessibility, Andrea Horwath Mayor of the City of Hamilton, Mark Tadeson, Councillor, Tom Jackson, Councillor, Brenda Johnson, Former Councillor, 9 Korean War Veterans (Ron Zabrok, Romeo Daley, Andy Barber, Peter Patry, George Charles, Herbert Johnson, Sam Carr, Paul Rochon, Ed Larporte), Hon. Chief Glenn Miller (Blood Tribe), and other 66 Army, Navy, Air Force and Aboriginal Veterans. We invited special guests from Korea, Brigadier General (Ret'd) Kwang Woo Kim, Director of the UN Peace Memorial, Taeun Kim, Manager and Juha Kim, Assistant Manager. Mike Curley, Six Nations RCAF retired Veteran provided the "Land Acknowledgement".

Tae Hwan Kwon, Acting Consul General presented the "Ambassador for Peace Medal" to 3 family members of deceased Korean War Veterans. (James Victor McDonald, Joseph Jean-Guy Narbonne, Douglas Frederick Eveleigh. It was our pleasure to nominate 9 Veterans to receive the UPF Canada's "Ambassador for Peace Appreciation Medal" for their outstanding contribution in the Korean War, UN Peace Keeping Mission and Veterans community. Dr. Moonshik Kim, Chairman of the UPF Canada Presented the medals to 2 Korean War Veterans Andy Barber, Paul Rochon, 3 Air Force Veterans, Major (Ret'd) David Rohrer, Captain (Ret'd) Tery Lebel, Captain Jonathan Szozda, 3 Army Veterans, Pipe Major (Ret'd) Scott Balinson, Sgt (Ret'd) Megan Cassell and Corporal (Ret'd) Lyn McBride and 1 Naval Veteran Lt. Terry-Leigh Saunders.

The F-86 Sabre that fought during the Korean War was displayed at our event. Captain (Ret'd) Bill McBride, a dedicated volunteer of the Canadian War plane Heritage Museum provided the history of the F-86. HooJung Jones Kennedy, Major (Ret'd) Don Kennedy Co-Chairs donated RCN Uniforms, HMCS Haida Hat, book and Korean War photos to the UN Peace Memorial to help preserve the Legacy of the Canadian Korean War Veterans. Grace K- Music Assemble played beautiful music by Haegum (Korean Traditional Violin), Piano, Korean Drums. The Devil's Brigade, one of the best Celtic Bands played for an hour and many of our guests enjoyed their amazing music. The HMCS Star Brass Quintet also played the National Anthem, God Save the King and other songs. The Chicken and Roast Beef dinner were delicious and everyone attending the event enjoyed the evening. We send our special thanks to the Consulate General of the Republic of Korea and Veterans Affairs Canada and other sponsors (to help sponsor a part of the dinner) and our volunteers.

Please view our event coverage in the Youtube (video produced by the Korea Times)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9pgC0tTuaJM>

We will remember Korean War Veterans. Thank you.

Best Regards,

HooJung Jones Kennedy and Major (Ret'd) Don Kennedy,

Co-Chairs of Korean War Veterans Advocates of Canada



Canadian Warplane Heritage Museum, Mount Hope, Ontario Canada



Royal Canadian Air Force F-86 Sabre fought in the Korean War



Lancaster Bomber, the only one of two left (can fly) that fought in WWII



Guest tables are setting up beside of the F-86 Sabre



Three Korean War banners and four 100th Anniversary of the RCAF Banners are displayed.



Volunteers are setting up the tables.



RCAF Pilot Teddy Bear, RCAF Coaster, Lest We Forget small Banners are placed at each table.





The Korean flag, Lest We Forget Banners are displayed beneath the cross.



Maple Cookies, Legion hats and Blankets, Korean War Pins are the gifts for Korean War Veterans



Major (Ret'd) Don Kennedy, Co-Chair of the Korean War Veterans Advocates of Canada, welcomed dignitaries, Korean War Veterans, Veterans and guests.



HooJung Jones Kennedy, Co-Chair of the Korean War Veterans Advocates of Canada, introduced dignitaries, Korean War Veterans.



A total of 215 Guests attended the “23rd Anniversary of the Korean War Veterans Dinner & 100th Anniversary of the Royal Canadian Air Force (RCAF) on Aboriginal Veterans Day.



10 Korean War Veterans, 66 other Veterans and serving members attended the event.



HooJung Jones Kennedy and Major (Ret'd) Don Kennedy





CWO (Ret'd) Herbert Johnson Korean War Veteran and WO(Ret'd) Glenn Miller, Hon. Chief of Blood Tribe and the President of Lethbridge United Services Institute, flew from Lethbridge, Alberta to attend our special event.





Brigadier General (Ret'd) Kwang woo Kim, Director of the UN Peace Memorial flew from Korea to attend our event presented a Commemorative Medal to Andy Barber, Korean War Veteran who served on HMCS Haida.



Brigadier General (Ret'd) Kwang woo Kim, Director of the UN Peace Memorial presented the commemorative Medal to Ed Larporte, Korean War Veteran who served with the RCR.



Romeo Daley, Korean War Veteran, HooJung Jones Kennedy and BGen(Ret'd) Kwang Woo Kim



Romeo Daley, Korean War Veteran, HooJung Jones Kennedy and Kyoungseok Choi. MS. Jones Kennedy and Mr. Choi are Council members (Presidential Advisors to the Republic of Korea President Yoon Suk Yeol) of the Peaceful Unification Advisory Council, Toronto Chapter.



Acting Consul General Tae Hwan Kim presented the Ambassador for Peace Medal from Korean Government to JP Narbonne, son of Korean War Veteran. He also presented the Ambassador for Peace Medal to Donna Mae-Ford, daughter of Korean War Veteran and Mike McDonald, son of Korean War Veteran.



Ambassador for Peace Medal (newer version)



Hon. Raymond Cho, Minister of Seniors and Accessibility (MPP), Tae Hwan Kwon, Acting Consul General, HooJung Jones Kennedy, Lisa Hepfner, MP



HooJung Jones Kennedy, President of Korean War Veterans Advocates of Canada, Lisa Hepfner, MP (Hamilton Mountain)



TaeHwan Kim, Acting Consul General, HooJung Jones Kennedy and Major (Ret'd) Don Kennedy, Michael Aitkens at the head table.



Left to Right: Brenda Johnson, Former City Councillor and HooJung Jones Kennedy



Dr. Moonshik Kim, Chairman of the UPF Canada explaining the “UPF Canada (UN’s NGO) Ambassador for Peace Appreciation Medal”.



Dr. Moonshik Kim, Chairman of the UPF Canada presenting “UPF Canada (UN’s NGO) Ambassador for Peace Appreciation Medal to Andy Barber, Korean War Veteran.



Dr. Moonshik Kim, Chairman of the UPF Canada and David Stewart presenting the “UPF Canada (UN’s NGO) Ambassador for Peace Appreciation Medal” to Paul Rochon, Korean War Veteran.



Dr. Moonshik Kim, Chairman of the UPF Canada presenting the “UPF Canada (UN’s NGO) Ambassador for Peace Appreciation Medal” to Captain (Ret’d) Tery Lebel, RCAF Pilot.



Dr. Moonshik Kim, Chairman of the UPF Canada presenting the “UPF Canada (UN’s NGO) Ambassador for Peace Appreciation Medal” to Major(Ret’d) David Rohrer, RCAF Pilot and CEO of the Canadian Warplane Heritage Museum.



Dr. Moonshik Kim, Chairman of the UPF Canada presenting the “UPF Canada (UN’s NGO) Ambassador for Peace Appreciation Medal” to Pipe Major(Ret’d) Scott Balinson.



Dr. Moonshik Kim, Chairman of the UPF Canada presenting the “UPF Canada (UN’s NGO) Ambassador for Peace Appreciation Medal” to Lt. Terri-Leigh Saunders.



Dr. Moonshik Kim, Chairman of the UPF Canada presenting the “UPF Canada (UN’s NGO) Ambassador for Peace Appreciation Medal” to Captain Jonathan Szozda serving with RCAF.



Dr. Moonshik Kim, Chairman of the UPF Canada presenting the “UPF Canada (UN’s NGO) Ambassador for Peace Appreciation Medal” to Sgt (Ret’d) Megan Cassell, Afghanistan War Veteran. Veteran.



David Stewart of the UPF Canada presenting the “UPF Canada (UN’s NGO) Ambassador for Peace Appreciation Medal” to Cpl (Ret’d) Lyn McBride for the Advocacy of RCAF Veterans.



UPF Canada Ambassador for Peace Appreciation Medal Recipients with Dr. Moonshik Kim, David Stewart, HooJung Jones Kennedy.





Lt. Terri-Leigh Sounders, Capt. Jonathan Szozda, Sgt. (Ret'd) Megan Cassell, Cp.(Ret'd) Lyn McBride



Left to Right: Capt. Jonathan Szozda, HooJung Jones Kennedy, Lt. Terri- Leigh Saunders, Major(Ret'd) Don Kennedy.



Bill McBride from the Canadian Warplane Heritage Museum providing the history of the F-86 Sabre.



BGen(Ret'd) Kwangwoo Kim is a Director of the UN Peace Memorial is from Korea and he is thanking Korean War Veterans and explaining the UN Peace Memorial's Korean War Artifact Collection Project to preserve the legacy of the 16 UN Korean War Veterans.



HooJung Jones Kennedy, President of Korean War Veterans Advocates of Canada donating the rare artifacts (RCN Signaller's Uniform and other RCN Uniforms) to Kwangwoo Kim, Director and Taeun Kim, Team Manager of the UN Peace Memorial.



Major(Ret'd) Don Kennedy is donating the Artillery casing used on the Korean War 1954 and other artifacts to Kwangwoo Kim, Director and Taeun Kim, Team Manager of the UN Peace Memorial.



HooJung Jones Kennedy, President of Korean War Veterans Advocates of Canada donating the rare artifact (HMCS Haida Hat from James Victor McDonald) to Kwangwoo Kim, Director and Taeun Kim, Team Manager of the UN Peace Memorial.



HMCS Haida is the most famous RCN ship and also the flag ship the RCN. She also served during the Korean War (1952) and UN Peace Keeping Mission (1954). It is located in Hamilton Harbour.



HooJung Jones Kennedy is presenting the “Korean War Veterans Advocates of Canada’s Appreciation Certificate to Tae Hwan Kim, Acting Consul General.



HooJung Jones Kennedy is presenting the “Korean War Veterans Advocates of Canada’s Appreciation Certificate to UPF Canada (Dr. Moonshi Kim and David Stewart).



HooJung Jones Kennedy is presenting the “Korean War Veterans Advocates of Canada’s Appreciation Certificate to Glenn Miller, Hon. Chief of Blood Tribe and President of Lethbridge Services Institute, Alberta for his support to honour Korean War Veterans.



HooJung Jones Kennedy and Major (Ret'd) Don Kennedy is presenting the “Korean War Veterans Advocates of Canada’s Appreciation Certificate to Brian Prairie, President of MNO Veterans Council.



HooJung Jones Kennedy is presenting the “Korean War Veterans Advocates of Canada’s Appreciation Certificate to Jack Chapelle, President and Bryan Chapelle, Director of the Royal Canadian Naval Association (RCNA).



HooJung Jones Kennedy is presenting the “Korean War Veterans Advocates of Canada’s Appreciation Certificate to Ken Laing HMCS Star, Band Master and Kevin Ng, Lcdr.



HooJung Jones Kennedy is presenting the “Korean War Veterans Advocates of Canada’s Appreciation Certificate to Mike Cuffe, Past Chairman of the Royal Canadian Air Force Association (RCAFA) 447 Wing.



HooJung Jones Kennedy is presenting the “Korean War Veterans Advocates of Canada’s Appreciation Certificate to “North American Freight” (Lynda and Doug Furchner will give it to Tom Aldred)



HooJung Jones Kennedy is presenting the “Korean War Veterans Advocates of Canada’s Appreciation Certificate to Nelson and Jeania Stewart, Devil’s Brigade’s Band leaders. Several band members travelled from the U.S. They perform for pro-bono to honour our Veterans. They are the one of the best Celtic bands in the world and their performance was amazing. Many of our Korean War Veterans and other Veterans loved their music and they will be playing again at the VE Day Dinner celebration on May 10th at the Canadian Warplane Heritage Museum.



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MZKG2eK7nak>



Glenn Miller, Hon. Chief of Blood Tribe presented “Warriors & Nations” written by Jean Miso to Romeo Daley, a Korean War Veteran who is also a Métis Veteran.



Glenn Miller, Hon. Chief of Blood Tribe presented “Warriors & Nations” written by Jean Miso to Tae Hwan Kwon, Acting Consul General.



Grace hyun-jung Chung is playing “Amazing Grace” on her Haegum (Korean traditional violin).



Jinkyun Kim and Gab Tae Yi playing their Korean drums.



Left to Right: Gabtae Yi, Jinkyun Kim Grace Chung, Sunha Kang, the K- Traditional Music team.



Jami Kim, President of Korean Senior Citizens Society of Toronto. He served in the Korean Air Force.



**Left to Right: Sunha Kang, Jami Kim, Hon. Raymond Cho, Minister of Seniors and Actability
Soon Ok Cho, Jinkyung Kim, Grace Chung and HooJung Jones Kennedy**



**Left to Right: HooJung Jones Kennedy. Jinkyun Kim. Sunha Kang, Grace Chung, Kyungho Kim,
Byungsek Yu from the Korean Officers Association, Canada Chapter.**



Left to Right: Hon. Chief Glenn Miller, Juha Kim, Capt (Ret'd) Tery Lebel. BGen(Ret'd) Kwangwoo Kim, HooJung Jones Kennedy, Kyoungseok Choi, Taeun Kim, Major(Ret'd) Don Kennedy



Left to Right: David and Eveline Stewart, Sayuri Hatai, Dr. Moonshik Kim, BGen (Ret'd) Kwang Woo Kim, Chehee Lee, In Hae Kim, Keumsook Lee, Jongdeug Yoo.



Major(Ret'd) Don Kennedy, Ju Kong, (Volunteer), HooJung Jones Kennedy



Left to Right: Isaac Seo, Mihae Kang, Keven Lee, Janghun Kong, HooJung Jones Kennedy. Agnes Kim, Kyongseok Choi. They are Council members of the Peaceful Unification Advisory Council, Toronto Chapter.



Mihae (Grace) Kang and HooJung Jones Kennedy



Left to Right: Mihae Kang, Eunyoung Hwang, HooJung Jones Kennedy, Isaac Seo, Keven Lee, Agnes Kim, They are Council members of the Peaceful Unification Advisory Council, Toronto Chapter.



Left to Right: Kyoungseok Choi, JP Narbonne, Gregory Hong



Devil's Brigade band member are practising before the event.



Nelson Stewart, Devil's Brigade band leader



Jeania Stewart, Devil's Brigade Band member



Devil's Brigade Band Drummer



Abbie Palmer, Devil's Brigade band Harpist



Devil's Brigade band Violist



Devil's Brigade band Bagpiper

Korea Times Video

“23 Anniversary of the Korean War Veterans Appreciation Dinner and 100th
Anniversary of the Royal Canadian Air Force (RCAF) on Aboriginal Veterans Day”

November 8th, 2024



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Place: Canadian Warplane Heritage Museum

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~ Volunteers ~

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