As we commemorate the 100th anniversary of the end of the First World War, this presentation will highlight the military involvement of Canadian Forces since the Boer war. Utilizing stories from the family history and first person accounts from the front lines and home front, George Blake and Ian Greene will delve into the history of the Canadian military, the ideas of service and sacrifice, and the impact on real people in our society.

In addition to the lunch talk, there will be an exhibition of authentic military artifacts dating from the Boer War to present day.

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