



"The Tacoma Twenty Seven"
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On November 3, 1885, a large group of Tacoma citizens expelled the Chinese populace...

一八八五年十一月三日，位於西雅圖南三十五英里之塔可瑪市發生暴力排華事件。事件的導因為當時的聯邦排華法案之通過，而其本質則出於種族歧視。佔全市人口十分之一的華人因此被強制驅離；華人聚居處亦被大火燒毀。百餘年來，華人始終未能在塔可瑪一帶生根發展，塔可瑪是當今美國西岸沿海重要城市中唯一沒有華埠者。

Many Chinese came to this area in the 1870s to build the Northern Pacific Railroad line from Kalama to Tacoma. An economic depression in the 1880s fueled anti-immigrant feelings. Racial bigotry coupled with job fears prompted Tacomans to devise a way of ridding the community of its immigrant workers.

The Chinese were ordered to leave the city by November 1, 1885. Four hundred Chinese fled their homes and businesses, and Little Hong Kong, the fishing village on Maury Island, completely vanished.

About 200 Chinese remained on the morning of November 3. Several hundred men, led by the mayor and other city officials, evicted the Chinese from their homes, corralled them at 7th Street and Pacific Avenue, marched them to the railway station at Lakeview, and forced them aboard the morning train to Portland, Oregon. The next day two Chinese settlements were burned to the ground.

Chinese were actively discouraged from settling in Tacoma until the 1920s. What became known as "The Tacoma Method" was frightfully successful and accounts for why our city has no Chinatown today.



"The Hatch Mill" — Pacific Avenue, Tacoma — Hunt, Herbert, Tacoma, Its History & Its Builders, Vol. 1 Washington State Historical Society

process. They formed a citizens committee which, assisted by the City's Planning and Development Services Department, spent 14 months planning, making community contacts and creating the preliminary design of a memorial facility.

On November 30, 1993, the City Council unanimously approved Resolution No. 32415 to acknowledge that the 1885 expulsion was "a most reprehensible occurrence." The City Council recognized the efforts of the citizens committee and endorsed the concept of building a commemorative park with Chinese garden motif and pavilion at the National Guard site on Commencement Bay. Appropriately, the property is near the site of the early Chinese settlement called Little Canton.

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The Chinese Reconciliation Project Foundation was founded in Spring, 1994 to continue the reconciliation process.

Our primary goal is to promote peace and harmony in our multicultural community.

Our objectives include:

- ◆ Educating the community and establishing historical memory;
- ◆ Building a park with a Chinese garden and multicultural pavilion for the use of the community;
- ◆ Setting a reconciliation example for other communities across the country that have encountered similar events;
- ◆ Exploring and celebrating cultural diversity as well as common humanity.

一九九三年塔可瑪市政府通過決議，除對此一排華歷史事件予以譴責外，亦表達遺憾。並撥地支持籌建具中國風格的亭園及紀念館，以展示歷史文物，教育民眾。往知來，紀念園館，旦落成，不但可由塔可瑪中文學校使用，亦可為其他社區文教文藝等活動使用。籌建計劃目前正由市民組成的「塔可瑪社區協和促進會」全力推動，盼各方共襄盛舉，出錢出力，早日完成此一深具意義的計劃。

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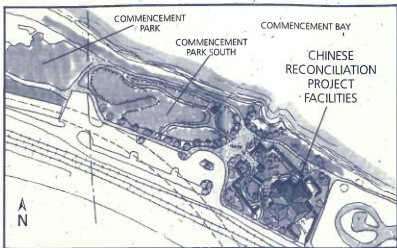
The Reconciliation Process Has Begun

When Dr. and Mrs. David Murdoch moved to Tacoma in 1982, they sensed something was amiss. After learning about the Chinese expulsion, Dr. Murdoch said, "Then it clicked because...if a family member has been hurt, ostracized or embarrassed, that has an effect on the family for years."



"The Chinese Headquarter" - Puyallup, WA — Bonney, W.P., History of Pierce County, WA, Vol. 1

Dr. Murdoch joined with City Councilman Robert Evans, former State Representative Art Wang (D-Tacoma) and community activists in 1992 to initiate the reconciliation



With the goal and objectives in mind, we envision a multi-purpose park and pavilion on the shore of Commencement Bay. We see a center where people of different cultures can express their arts and folklores. We see a safe haven where children come together, explore and celebrate their diverse backgrounds and common humanity. We see people gathering on the shore of Puget Sound at this Tacoma landmark feeling welcome and proud of being a part of a united community.

Please join us to make the vision a reality. Contact:
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- C SOJOURNER'S ROOM
- D RECONCILIATION PAVILION
- E RECONCILIATION ROOM
- F MULTICULTURAL PAVILION (PHASE II)
- G CLASS ROOMS (PHASE II)
- H ZIG ZAG BRIDGE
- I CELEBRATION ROOM
- J STRING OF PEARLS BRIDGE
- K INTERTIDAL MARSH
- L WALL
- M EMERGENCY ACCESS TURNAROUND
- N COBBLE BEACH
- O PARKING AREA
- P POND
- Q TING BY THE BAY
- R COBBLECOR
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