

THE CAMELOT HERALD

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Dates to Remember

- **June 08: Pentecost Sunday**
- **June 15: Father's Day**
- **June 21: National Aboriginal Day**
- **June 21: Summer Solstice**
- **June 24: Quebec Day**

June Birthdays!!

- **June 01: Irene Cook**
- **June 01: Ross Smith**
- **June 17: Dave Klassen**
- **June 29: Cec Clark**



Camelot **ACTIVITIES**

- ♦ **SUNDAY:** Bingo at 1pm! Drop in for Bingo in the dining room; includes a special treat from our Chef.
- ♦ **MONDAY:** 09:30 am- Tai-Chi exercises in the Lounge.
- ♦ **WEDNESDAY:** 09:30 am- Chair Exercises in the lounge.
- ♦ **FRIDAY:** 03:00 pm- Trivia in the lounge.
- ♦ **SATURDAY:** 09:30 am- Chair exercises in the lounge
03: 30 pm- **Happy Hour!** in the Lounge. Please bring your refreshments.
07:15 pm- Movie night in the lounge.
- ♦ **Birthday Dinner** on the last Sunday of each month to celebrate Residents who have had a birthday that month.

SERVICE REMINDERS

- ♦ Elevator maintenance : Every 2nd Thursday of the month.
- ♦ Fire Alarm: Pacific Coast Fire conducts the Fire alarm test on the last Thursday of every month.
- ♦ Garbage/ Recycling: Garbage is picked up every second Thursday. **Please remember to segregate the garbage and place in them in their delegated bins. Do not put garbage or plastics into the CARDBOARD bin. PLEASE pass on the information to your Personal Care Aid Worker.**

MISCELLANEOUS

- ♦ Please note, residents are requested to **not use their scooters in the Main Floor, Elevators, and your suites**. Request you to kindly park the scooter in the basement before proceeding to the main floor and your suites.
- ♦ Reminder! We are a “ No Scent” building. For the comfort of residents and visitors who have allergies, please refrain from wearing strong perfumes and colognes.

FOOD SERVICE

- ♦ Extra Tray/ Guest in Dining Room: **Please notify the office/ kitchen 48 hours in advance for an extra guest meal.**

What's Happening Around Town

- June 01-29: Bastian Square Market, Time: 11:00 am to 05:00 pm, Location: Bastian Square, Victoria.
- June 06-08: Oak Bay Tea Party, Time: 10:00 am to 07:00 pm, Location: Willows Park, Oak bay.
- June 07: Canadian Coast Guard Day, Time: 10:00 am to 03:00 pm, Location: CCG Victoria Base, 25 Huron Street, Victoria, BC.
- June 07: World Ocean Day, Time: 10:00 am to 04:00 pm, Location: Fort Rodd Hill & Fisgard Lighthouse, 603 Fort Rodd Hill Road, Victoria, BC.
- June 07: Vic West Fest, Time: 12:00 pm to 06:00 pm, Location: Banfield Park, 521 Craigflower Road, Victoria, BC.
- June 07: Canadian Premier League, Pacific FC Vs Atletico Ottawa, Time: Gates Open at 01:30pm, Location: Starlight Stadium, 1089 Langford Parkway, Victoria, BC.
- June 08: The Village Block Party, Time: 10:00 am to 06:00 pm, Location Cook Street Village, Victoria, BC.
- June 14: Canadian Premier League, Pacific FC Vs York United, Time: 03:00 pm, Location: Starlight Stadium, 1089 Langford Parkway, Victoria, BC.
- June 18– 22: Victoria's 26th Annual Ska & Reggae Festival, Time: 04:00 to 10:00 pm, Location: Inner Harbour, Victoria, BC.
- June 20-22: The 12th Annual Victoria Africa Fest, Time: 06:00 pm Onwards, Location: TBD, Victoria, BC.
- June 20– 29: TD Victoria international Jazz Fest, Time: 05:00 pm, Locations: Bullen Park, Cameron Bandshell– Beacon Hill Park, Archie Browing Sports Centre, Fathom Lounge @ Hotel Grand Pacific, Hermann's Jazz Club, McPherson Playhouse, Royal Theatre, and Wicket Hall @ Strathcona Hotel.
- June 24: Victoria Firefighters Association Presents, The 2nd Annual Victoria Wingstock, Time: 01:00pm to 04:00 pm, Location: the Roundhouse at Bayview Place, Victoria, BC.
- June 29: BC Crab Fest, Time: 11:00 am to 07:00 pm, Location: Ship Point, Inner Harbour, Victoria, BC.

Say Hello to the Newest Resident at 'The Camelot',

Trudie Aldridge@ 204

Make sure you do give Trudie a **"BIG" Camelot Hi"**.

We are happy to have you, Trudie at the Camelot, and we hope you enjoy your stay.



D-Day: More Than Just a Date in History

For many, the term "D-Day" has become a familiar phrase—reduced to a lesson in a history book or a date remembered in passing. But for those who lived through World War II and fought on its brutal frontlines, D-Day represents far more than a chapter in history. It symbolizes courage, sacrifice, and a turning point in the global fight for freedom. As we reflect on our modern world, the thought of another global conflict is deeply unsettling. With today's advanced military technology and devastating weaponry, the consequences of war would be even more catastrophic. Yet, the emotions—fear, uncertainty, and hope—are the same now as they were then.

D-Day not only marked a critical moment in ending the Second World War but also highlighted the extraordinary tactical skill of the Allied forces. Their ability to orchestrate and execute one of the most complex military operations in history led to the eventual liberation of France. As someone deeply fascinated by history, I often find myself digging into these pivotal moments, trying to understand how they shaped the present. I also can't

help but wonder: What if D-Day had never happened? What if global leaders had found ways to resolve conflicts without resorting to war? What if power had been viewed not as dominance, but as responsibility?

The Invasion That Changed the Course of the War

On June 6, 1944, the world witnessed the largest seaborne invasion in history. Known as D-Day, this operation—formally named **Operation Neptune**—was the beginning of the Allied campaign to liberate Nazi-occupied France during World War II.

The invasion was the result of years of planning and cooperation between American, British, and Canadian forces. Although D-Day is commemorated annually on June 6, it is not observed as a public holiday in most countries, despite its enormous historical significance.

The Road to Normandy

The foundations for D-Day were laid early in the war. After Nazi Germany occupied northwestern France, the Allies began planning an invasion to reclaim the territory. By 1941, with the United States and Canada joining forces with Britain, preparations for a cross-channel assault began to take shape.

Anticipating such an invasion, Adolf Hitler ordered the construction of a massive 2,400-mile coastal defense system, known as the **Atlantic Wall**. This defensive barrier of bunkers, landmines, and artillery stretched across France's northern coastline in an attempt to prevent any Allied landing.

The full-scale invasion plan was codenamed **Operation Overlord**, and the success of this campaign depended heavily on misdirection. Under General Dwight D. Eisenhower, the Supreme Commander of the Allied Expeditionary Force, the Allies executed a clever deception plan—**Operation Bodyguard**—to mislead German intelligence. By fabricating radio traffic and deploying fake military units, they convinced the Germans that the invasion would take place at **Pas-de-Calais**, not Normandy.

D-Day Timeline and Execution

- **June 5, 1944:** Originally planned as the invasion date, the operation was delayed due to poor weather conditions.
- **Evening of June 5, 1944:** Over 5,000 ships and landing craft, supported by 11,000 aircraft, departed from England carrying 156,000 troops.
- **June 6, 1944 (6:30 am):** The Allied forces stormed the beaches of Normandy.

The British and Canadian troops swiftly secured **Juno**, **Gold**, and **Sword** beaches. American forces landed at **Utah Beach** with moderate resistance. However, at **Omaha Beach**, they faced fierce German defenses. Over 2,000 American soldiers died in the heavy fighting there, contributing to an overall Allied casualty count of more than 4,000 on that day.

Despite these losses, by **June 11**, more than **326,000 Allied troops** had landed in Normandy, and the beaches were firmly under Allied control.



Why Normandy?

The choice of Normandy was no accident:

- Strategic Location:** Situated on the northern coast of France, Normandy was accessible across the English Channel but far enough from Calais to catch the Germans off guard.
- Deceptive Advantage:** The Germans expected an attack at the channel's narrowest point, making Normandy a less obvious target.
- Geographic Suitability:** The wide, flat beaches of Normandy were ideal for an amphibious assault involving land, air, and sea forces.
- Elaborate Deception:** Operation Bodyguard misled German forces, successfully diverting their attention and defenses away from the actual landing site.

The Aftermath and Legacy

D-Day was more than just a military victory—it was the beginning of the end for Nazi Germany. By **August 1944**, Paris was liberated, and the Allies continued their advance into occupied Europe, setting the stage for Germany's eventual surrender.

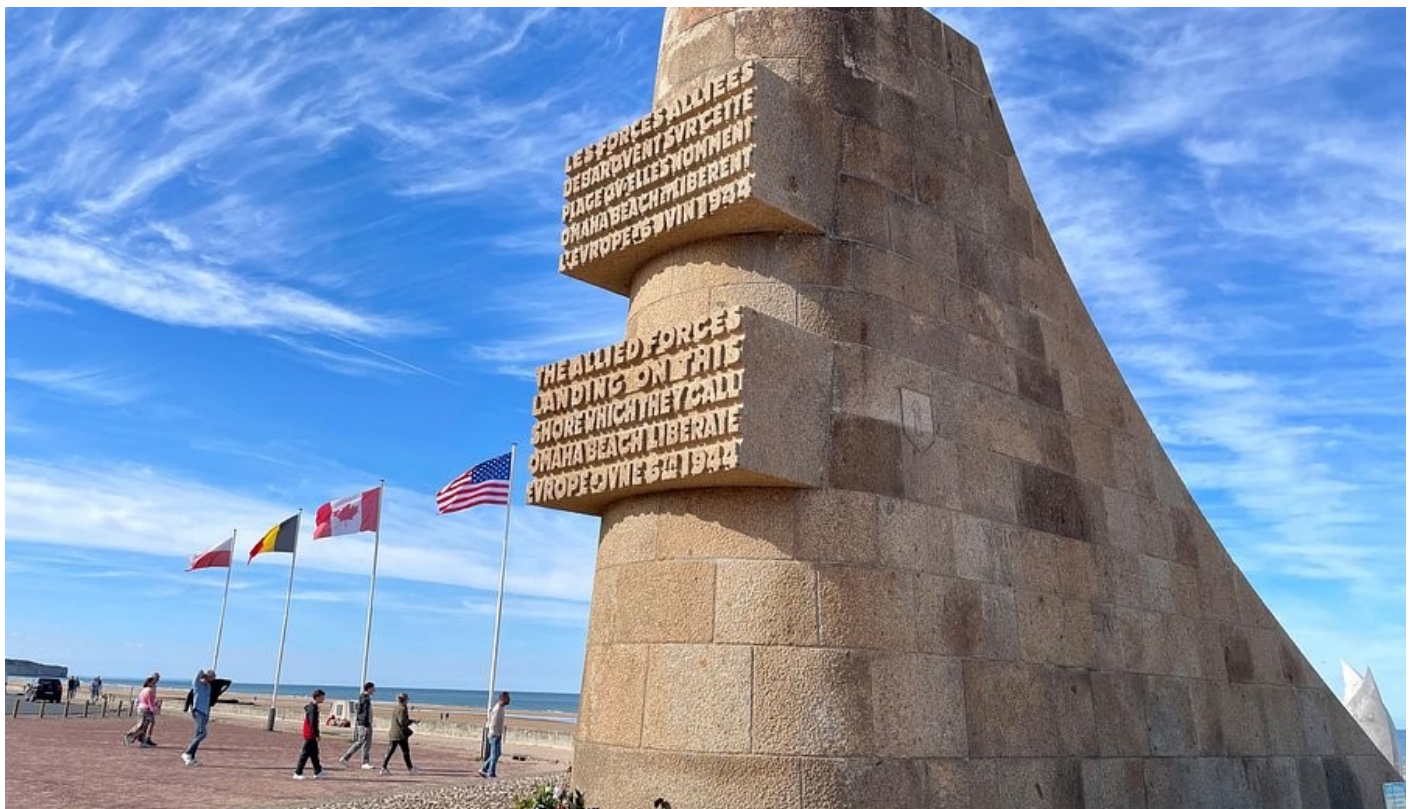
This invasion not only changed the course of the war but also reshaped global geopolitics for generations. It showcased the power of cooperation among nations and the importance of strategy and unity in overcoming tyranny.

Reflecting on the Past, Looking to the Future

D-Day remains a powerful reminder of the horrors of war and the bravery of those who fought to protect freedom. It teaches us the cost of global conflict and the value of peace. In today's world, where military power still holds sway and global tensions simmer beneath the surface, the lessons of D-Day are more relevant than ever.

As we honor the memory of those who gave their lives on the beaches of Normandy, we must also ask ourselves difficult questions. Could we choose dialogue over destruction? Could leaders prioritize humanity over power? History gives us the answers, if only we choose to learn from it.

In remembering D-Day, we do more than commemorate a victory—we remember the resilience of the human spirit and the possibility of a world where such sacrifice is no longer necessary.



Reference: <https://www.calendarr.com/canada/d-day/>

Sad News from Minnesota

The Pillsbury Doughboy died yesterday of a yeast infection and trauma complications from repeated pokes in the belly. He was 75.

Doughboy was buried in a lightly greased coffin.

Dozens of celebrities turned out to pay their respects, including Mrs. Butterworth, Hungry Jack, the California Raisins, Betty Crocker, the Hostess Twinkies, and Captain Crunch. The grave site was piled high with many flours.

Aunt Jemima delivered the eulogy and lovingly described Doughboy as a man who never knew how much he was kneaded.

Born and bread in Minnesota, Doughboy rose quickly in show business, but his later life was filled with turnovers. He was not considered a very smart cookie, wasting much of his dough on half-baked schemes.

Despite being a little flaky at times, he still was a crusty old man and was considered a positive roll model for millions.

Doughboy is survived by his wife Play Dough, three children: John Dough, Jane Dough and Dosey Dough, plus they had one in the oven. He is also survived by his elderly father, Pop Tart.

The funeral was held at 3:50 for about 20 minutes.

If you smiled while reading this, please rise to the occasion and pass it on to someone having a crumby day and kneading a lift.

Summer Crossword

Across

1. An outdoor activity that usually involves a tent
5. Common meat product to grill that goes inbetween 2 buns
8. Holiday in July
12. If you dont put on sunscreen you will get.....
13. First month of summer
15. Common meat product to grill that goes inbetween a bun
17. An open body of water you can go swim at
18. We sit around it usually at night and it produces a lot of heat
19. The shore of the sea, or lake, which is washed by the waves
20. A closed body of water you can swim at
21. What is the star at the center of the solar system?
22. To prevent a sunburn you want to put on

Down

2. In the summer you usually can.....in.
3. A yummy sweet treat that you roast over a fire
4. You can.....a sandcastle at the beach
6. What do you make at the beach?
7. To cook outdoors on a grill
9. Month we go back to school
10. Second month of summer
11. A sweet drink that is a mixture of lemon juice, water, and sugar
14. The season you do not go to school
16. If you walk around without shoes on its called

