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## Remembering Our Fallen Heroes

### 6 Interesting Facts About Memorial Day You May Not Know Alesandra Dubin

To many people, Memorial Day is best known as the unofficial start to summer in America. Celebrated on the last Monday of May each year, the holiday is time for dressing in patriotic colors, grilling food on the barbecue, and splashing around at pool parties — and, of course, for indulging in a day off work. And while those festivities make for joyful celebrations, the holiday's history is rooted in much more solemn traditions. Here are the facts about Memorial Day, including its post-war origin and the way it has evolved over the last 150 years to become the season-marking patriotic celebration it is today. By the time the Civil War ended in the spring of 1865, it had claimed so many soldiers' lives — a devastating 620,000, the most of any conflict in American history — that it necessitated the establishment of the country's first national cemeteries, according to [History.com](http://History.com). Within about a decade's time, Americans across multiple locations had started to hold rituals each spring as a way to honor the lost soldiers, by decorating their graves.

#### But its significance changed over time.

Its origins after the Civil War make Memorial Day about 150 years old — but it has morphed over time. After World War I, the day expanded to include the tradition of honoring all who have died in all American wars. And it wasn't until 1971 that Memorial Day's modern history was really defined: That's when it became a national holiday by an act of Congress passed three years earlier (known as the Uniform Monday Holiday Act) and its observation was sealed as the last Monday in May.

#### In fact, it wasn't always called Memorial Day.

It was originally known as Decoration Day. That's because it was originally celebrated by decorating the graves of soldiers who lost their lives — with such items as flowers and flags. Some still celebrate the same way, although the name evolved over the years.

#### Various cities lay claim to founding the tradition.

While it's not precisely clear where this tradition originated, many locations claim to be the first celebrants. Some records indicate that one of the first such spring rituals took place in Charleston, South Carolina less than a month after the war ended.

[Va.gov](http://Va.gov) also cites Columbus, Mississippi as an early location of celebrations, when a group of women visited a cemetery to decorate graves in 1866. The state's site also notes that more than two dozen locations in both the north and the south, including both Macon and Columbus, Georgia, Richmond, Virginia, Boalsburg, Pennsylvania, and more— all claim to have hosted the first Memorial Day traditions. But in 1966, the Federal Government headed by Lyndon Johnson proclaimed Waterloo, New York as the holiday's official birth place. It was there, a century earlier, that a celebration to honor Civil War vets first took place and went on to become an annual tradition.

#### There's a reason the holiday falls in May: flowers.

In May 1868 — three years following the end of the Civil War — Maj. Gen. John A. Logan (who was the head of the Grand Army of the Republic, an organization of Union vets) declared that the holiday should be observed at the end of May. He chose the date in part because it didn't fall on the same day as the anniversary of any particular battle. But it's also thought that he chose that date because flowers would be blooming all around America. So the blooms would be abundantly available for decorating soldiers' graves, according to [VA.gov](http://VA.gov).

#### Modern Memorial Day follows a specific timeline

[Federal guidelines indicate that flags on the holiday be flown at half staff](#) — but only until noon, according to [VA.gov](http://VA.gov). That's when they should be swiftly raised to the top of the pole until sunset, as part of the time-honored tradition of paying tribute to America's fallen soldiers.

We honor our heroes, and please thank our Veterans for our freedom.

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Burke Adult Center is having a (pick up only) Strawberry Social on Wednesday 6/23/21 from 4pm-6pm, while supplies last. If you have any questions, please call 518-483-1089.

Also on Tuesday mornings, Burke Adult Center has started a social hour from 9am-11am. You will need to follow the Covid19 guidelines by wearing a mask until seated and health screening before entering the building, until further notice. If you have any questions, please call the center at 518-483-1089.




**Town Wide Garage Sale for Chateaugay, Brainardsville, and Burke**

Clean your attics, houses, garage, and get ready!!! Our Community Sale is OFFICIALLY planned for this year!  
When: Friday and Saturday July 16-th and 17th  
Please Contact Heather Locklin at 518-353-0112, or email [chateaugaytheater@gmail.com](mailto:chateaugaytheater@gmail.com) to register your sale to be placed on the map. Maps will be available at Chateaugay Town Hall, Burke Village Store, and Brainardsville Bake House.  
*Event Organized by the CRC (Chateaugay Revitalization Committee)*

**SIGN UP TODAY**

**LEARN TO SWIM AGES 3+**

- Level 1- Ages 3+ Swimming Basics: bobbing, blowing bubbles, supported back and front float, and supported gliding.
- Level 2- Ages 4-6+ Fundamental Aquatics: work on independent front and back float, glides, flutter kick with kickboard, retrieving underwater objects, and jumping into water with assistance.
- Level 3- Ages 6-8+ Stroke Development: introduce front crawl, backstroke, breaststroke, treading water, underwater swimming.
- Level 4- Ages 8-10+ Stroke Improvement: Swim front crawl and backstroke 20yards +, introduce sidestroke, elementary backstroke, work on breathing and kicking, underwater swimming, retrieve deep water objects.
- Level 5- Ages 10+ Stroke Refinement: Perform front crawl, back crawl, breaststroke, sidestroke, and elementary backstroke. Work on speed and flip turns, underwater swimming, and introduce knee dive.

**WHEN/WHERE**

- Sign up at the Chateaugay Rec Park, Monday, June 28th from 11am-5pm

**WHO**

- Swimming lessons are only \$1 for each child for the WHOLE summer!
- For Chateaugay and Burke residents ONLY
- Lessons run every half hour from 11:00am-1:00pm M-F in a small group

**PARK HOURS JUNE 28th-August27th**

Monday- 11am-1pm swimming lessons 1pm-6pm open family swim  
Tuesday- 11am-1pm swimming lessons 1pm-6pm open family swim  
Wednesday- 11am-1pm swimming lessons 1pm-6pm open family swim  
Thursday- 11am-1pm swimming lessons 1pm-6pm open family swim  
Friday- 11am-1pm swimming lessons 1pm-6pm open family swim  
Saturday- 11am-6pm open family swim  
Sunday- 11am-6pm open family swim



Recipe from 'Say Cheese' cookbook  
submitted by Carol Thompson

- SPINACH CASSEROLE**
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| Cooking spray  | (squeeze dry in a clean towel)                                |
| 2 large eggs   | 1/2 to 1C sharp or extra-sharp McCadam cheddar cheese, grated |
| 1/3C unbleached all-purpose flour                                | 1/2 to 1C mozzarella cheese                                   |
| 1 (10 oz) pkg. frozen, chopped spinach, thawed and well-drained, | 1/2 tsp. salt   |

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Spray a deep-sided 2-1/2 to 3 quart baking dish or casserole with cooking spray. In a medium bowl, combine all the other ingredients, stirring well. Turn the mixture out into the prepared baking dish. Bake, uncovered, for 1 hour, until slightly crusty on top. Let cool for a minute or two and serve, still very hot. Serves 4.

Helpful hints:  
To prevent cheese from sticking to a grater, spray the grater with cooking spray before beginning  
To prevent pasta from boiling over, place a wooden spoon or fork across the top of the pot while the pasta is boiling.  
Boil all vegetables that grow above ground without a cover.

June 2021

COMMUNITY CALENDER

June 14 Flag Burning Ceremony  
June 18 Father's Day Dinner Mama's Kitchen 4-8 Call 518-497-6419 for reservations  
June 20 FATHER'S DAY

CRC Welcomes New Board Member

In April 2021 the Chateaugay Revitalization Committee welcomed Nicole Calnon to the Board of Directors. Nicole is a Chateaugay native who returned to her home town with her family and is serving as Elementary Principal at CCS. We look forward to working with Nicole.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE CCS GRADUATING CLASS OF 2021!!!

The CRC and Write One Plus wish  
All the Dads  
A Happy Father's Day!

**Food Pantry Distribution**

Wednesday June 23rd  
9:30-10:30AM, and 5-6PM. It is open to the residents of Burke and Chateaugay.

