



## TOWN OF BURLINGTON

### *Veterans' Services*

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## MEMORIAL DAY MONDAY, MAY 26, 2014

### *D-Day, June 6, 1944—A History Lesson*

**8:00 a.m. Flag Raising at the newly dedicated memorial park section of the Town Common**

**10:00 a.m. Memorial Day Ceremony in the Veterans Section of Chestnut Hill Cemetery**

This year, 2014, is the 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the D-Day Invasion that started in France, and ended the War in Europe, a year later. Burlington's Memorial Day program will be a history lesson of that momentous event as we will be honoring and remembering the Invasion of Europe, known as D-Day, June 6<sup>th</sup>, 1944.

It will be a history lesson, with letters from the Franklin D Roosevelt Museum and Library, the Eisenhower Museum and Library, and a letter from the World War II Museum. We will also hear from the mayors of St. Come du Mont and D'Angouville au Plain, France. There will be readings from Franklin Roosevelt's June 6, 1944 Prayer (we were pleased to receive a copy of the original) and Ike's Speech to the Troops, also given on June 6, 1944.

Author, Walter Ford Carter, has written a book about the loss of his father, who stepped on Omaha Beach on June 6, 1944 and died 11 days later. He was four years old when his father died, and the book is a story of how he learned all about his father during those war years.

The BHS French class has translated the two letters from France and will join us to read the letters in French and the translated version. We will also be joined by The Liberty Bell Singers and the BHS Marching Band.

If you are, or know of, a World War II, D-Day veteran, please let this office know. Call the Office of Veterans Services at 781-270-1960, or e-mail us at [veterans@burlington.org](mailto:veterans@burlington.org).

We would very much like everyone to join us this Memorial Day, Monday, May 26, 2014, at 8:00 a.m. on Burlington's Town Common for the Flag Raising Ceremony, and at 10:00 a.m. at our beautiful Chestnut Hill Cemetery for the main portion of the program. A continental breakfast will be provided between these two programs at the Human Services Building, 61 Center Street, and soft drinks and candy will be available at the cemetery garage after the 10:00 a.m. program.

Sincerely,

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