



VVHA



VOICE

June 2025

President's Message:

June is the gateway into summer and with this in mind I have been reminded how dry the last two summers were and the issue Kerrville had with water. Kerrville started this year in Stage 3 water restrictions. In addition I have been reading the multiple articles about Kerrville water concerns in the Kerrville Daily Times. Here is a link to [hill country alliance on water conservation](#) and this one from the [Texas Comptroller](#). In addition here is a video link to a YouTube of an interview with Texas's Agriculture Commissioner Sid Miller, https://youtu.be/LA_5KBkTHfQ.

Locally I would not be surprised if Kerrville advances to Stage 4 later this year. In Stage 4 we would have to turn off sprinklers as we did in 2023. Kerrville recently published a survey for residents on ideas for water conservation. Texas has been promoting xeriscaping through legislation and passed laws that allow HOA homeowners to use xeriscaping methods. VVHA has updated our CCRs to allow xeriscaping and even encourages it. As provided in state law we would ask that if you wish to landscape to conserve water please submit your plan to the ACC committee that reserves the right to approve the design.

This is an issue that is better addressed with information and facts rather than being caught unprepared.

"In these divine pleasures permitted to me of walks in the June night under moon and stars, I can put my life as a fact before me and stand aloof from its honor and shame."

Ralph Waldo Emerson

June

Texas Historical June Events

June 1-1835: The Texas Rangers were officially established by the Provisional Government of Texas.

June 2-1836: The Treaties of Velasco were signed, ending the Texas Revolution and recognizing Texas' independence from Mexico.

June 5-1880: The Galveston Daily News, Texas' oldest newspaper, was first published.

June 7-1998: The first annual Texas Scottish Festival and Highland Games took place in Arlington, Texas.

June 9-1834: Stephen F. Austin was imprisoned in Mexico City on suspicion of inciting rebellion in Texas.

June 10-1871: The Great Fire of San Antonio destroyed much of the downtown area

June 11-1832: The first Texas constitutional convention was held in San Felipe de Austin.

June 15-1876: The Texas A&M University, the first public institution of higher education in Texas, opened its doors.

June 20-1836: The Texas Navy was formally established to defend the coastlines of the Republic of Texas.

June 24-1883: The University of Texas at Austin was founded.

National Historical June Events

June 14, 1775 - Continental Army established by the Continental Congress.

June 15, 1775 - George Washington appointed to Commander-in-Chief of the Continental Army.

June 21, 1788 - United States *Constitution* goes into effect after the necessary 9 states have ratified it.

June 18, 1812 - United States declares war on Britain

June 30, 1834 - Indian Territory established in what's now Oklahoma.

June 10, 1915 - Girl Scouts established.

June 15, 1916 - Boy Scouts established.

World Historical June Events

D-Day (June 6, 1944): This day marked the largest amphibious invasion in history, as Allied forces landed on the beaches of Normandy, France, during World War II. This operation was crucial in the fight against Nazi Germany and involved extensive planning and coordination among Allied nations.

June 9, 1898 - The British signed a 99-year lease for Hong Kong, located on the southeastern coast of China. Hong Kong, consisting of an area measuring 400 square miles, was administered as a British Crown Colony until July 1, 1997, when its sovereignty reverted to the People's Republic of China.

June 15, 1215 - King John set his seal to Magna Carta, the first charter of British liberties, guaranteeing basic rights that have since become the foundation of modern democracies around the world



Happy Hour June Jubilee (June 27, 2025)

Let's celebrate 4th of July a few days early. Bring your favorite 4th of July potluck dish! Happy hour donations will provide the meat/buns.

I will need some volunteers for set up (tables/chairs) outside on the patio and inside for the ones that want to stay cool. I will also need a top chef griller (Dean Seal, Don Flett, and even maybe Tim

Come and enjoy the company of your neighbors, old and new!

All Vicksburg Village residents are invited .

I (Laurie Sheets) will need a count for the meat at least by June 23rd.

There will put a signup sheet up at the club

Temporary Office Hours: I regret that Leah has resigned as Office Manager. However until we find a replacement Leah will be in the office Tue. & Thurs. from 12:00pm to 3:00pm. Job description can be located on our webpage. Office Number: Ph. 830-257-2442. I will keep you informed as soon as we have any updated information. As always you can call me if you have an emergency at 979-299-8557 .

Vicksburg Village Website: Please visit our website at vicksburgvillage.net We are very happy with everything that Dean Seals has done for us and appreciate all his work. You will find lots of helpful tools on the site, such as architectural control committee request forms and much more! If you have any suggestions for new content, please let us know. We want to make this website a useful tool for all our residents.

Bunco Group: Third Wednesday of each month. If you are interested in joining the group or would like to substitute, please call Mell Whiting (443-243-6934). We are always in need of permanent players and substitutes.

Artist of the month: There is a signup sheet on the credenza for the “Artist of the month.” We enjoy seeing the artistic talents of our residents. The artists this month is Tom Whiting.

Wall Hanging of the month: Each month, a member of the Quilt Bee provides a wall for the Clubhouse. Stop by and enjoy this month’s wall hanging by Kathy Ballard. If you are a quilter, we encourage you to show your quilting. Call Gwen Myers 830-832-8472 to add your name to the list on the credenza and include it in the monthly Newsletter. Join us at the Quilt Bee on



George's Korner – Jeopardy Style (Questions on last page)

Myths and Legends

1. Thought by some to be in Cornwall it's the legendary site of King Arthur's place and court.
2. This voyeur has been connected with the legend of Lady Godiva.
3. Makemake is the chief god of a divine race of bird beings in the Rapa Nui mythology of this island.

Russian Authors

4. When he didn't win the inaugural 1901 Nobel Prize, 42 of his peers apologized to him, calling him “the most revered patriarch of today's literature”

20th Century Novels

5. The protagonist of this novel “was fairly sure that his age was 39, and he believed he had been born in 1944 or 1945”

Literary Narrators

6. Daisy Buchanan's cousin, he narrates *The Great Gatsby*

The Full Moon of June 2025: A Full Strawberry Moon!

Why Is It Called the Strawberry Moon?

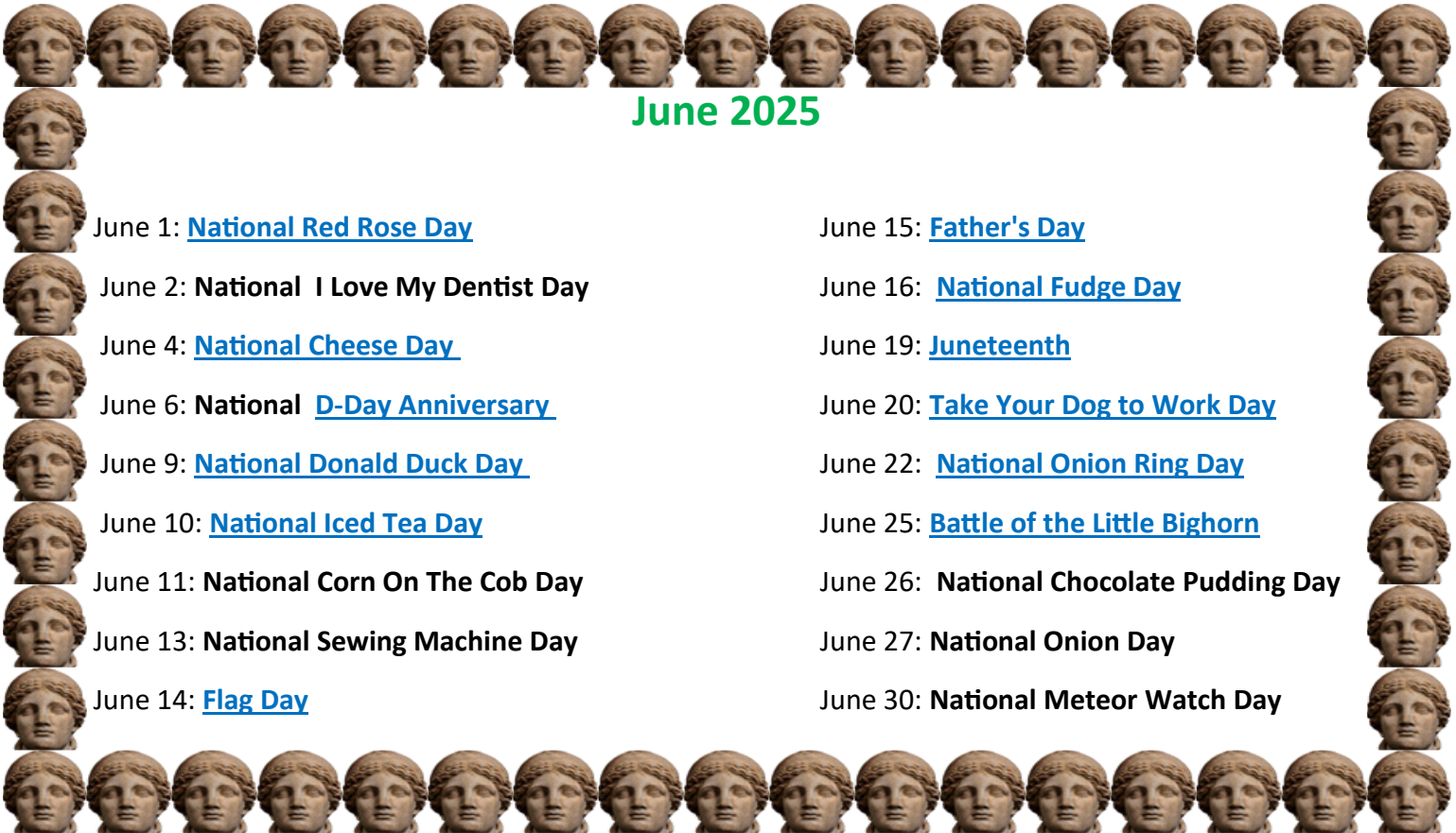
The full Moon names used by *The Old Farmer's Almanac* come from many places, including Native American, Colonial American, and European sources. Historically, names for the full or new Moons were used to track the seasons. Today, we think of Moon names as “nicknames” for the Moon.

June's full Moon—typically the last full Moon of spring or the first of summer—has traditionally been called the **Strawberry Moon**. While strawberries certainly are a reddish-pink color and are roundish in shape, the origin of the name “Strawberry Moon” has nothing to do with the Moon's hue or appearance, despite the evocative imagery (shown in the artist rendering below). A Moon usually appears reddish when it's close to the horizon because the light rays must pass through the densest layers of the atmosphere.



This “Strawberry Moon” name has been used by Native American Algonquian tribes that live in the northeastern United States as well as the Ojibwe, Dakota, and Lakota peoples to mark the ripening of “June-bearing” strawberries that are ready to be gathered. The Haida term **Berries Ripen Moon** reflects this as well. As flowers bloom and early fruit ripens, June is a time of great abundance for many.

Credit: www.almanac.com



June 2025

June 1: [National Red Rose Day](#)

June 2: **National I Love My Dentist Day**

June 4: [National Cheese Day](#)

June 6: **National D-Day Anniversary**

June 9: [National Donald Duck Day](#)

June 10: [National Iced Tea Day](#)

June 11: **National Corn On The Cob Day**

June 13: **National Sewing Machine Day**

June 14: [Flag Day](#)

June 15: [Father's Day](#)

June 16: [National Fudge Day](#)

June 19: [Juneteenth](#)

June 20: [Take Your Dog to Work Day](#)

June 22: [National Onion Ring Day](#)

June 25: [Battle of the Little Bighorn](#)

June 26: **National Chocolate Pudding Day**

June 27: **National Onion Day**

June 30: **National Meteor Watch Day**

Every Thursday evening at 5 pm, the Widows (and single ladies) of Vicksburg meet at different restaurants in town for a lovely dinner. Great way to meet your neighbors, and not have to cook, and eat alone!

For more information contact Mary Ellen Terry

Volunteer Request



Would anyone like to be responsible for monitoring when flags should be at half mast and

be willing to lower and raise them when appropriate?

If so please let me (Tom Johnson) or Leah know.

COMMITTEE COMMUNICATIONS

CLUBHOUSE DECORATING COMMITTEE:

It's summertime, again! Please enjoy our summer theme as you relax and enjoy games and socializing with friends in our beautiful clubhouse. You will notice the tree is missing! Not to be concerned, it will be back in September! Cheers!

Activities

Event	Day	Time	Contact
Bunco	3rd Wednesday	6:30PM	Mell Whiting 443-243-6934
Canasta- Pennies from Heaven	Friday	1:00PM	Carolyn Brooks 830-955-5408
Canasta–Pennies from Heaven	Thursday	1:00PM	Carolyn Brooks 830-955-5408
Happy Hour	Friday	5:00PM	Putt Shaw 830-285-8110
Mahjong	Tuesday, Sunday	2:00PM	Carolyn Wilkinson 210-422-7821
Men's Coffee	M, T, Th, F	8:30AM	Mike Michalec 830-739-8640
Poker Night	Every Other Tuesday	5:00PM	Barney "B.B."Mays 830-955-9012
Quilt Bee	1st and 3rdMonday	1:00PM	Gwen Myers 830-832-8472
Nine-Ball Pool	Thursday	9:30AM	Steve Lehman 830-739-5990
Eight - Ball Pool	Friday	7:30AM	Steve Lehman 830-739-5990
Water Exercise	M, W, F	7:15AM	Laurie Sheets 775-315-2934
Water Exercise	T, Th, Sat	10:00AM	Mary Lou Bartels 830-257-8066
Wednesday Coffee	Wednesday	9-ish AM	Office 830-257-2442
Euchre	Thursday	12:00PM	Sharon Nole 214-929-0018
Clubhouse Cleaning	Monday	2:00-5:00 PM	

Committees

Architectural Control	Bereavement	Budget & Finance	CC&Rs By Laws & Rules	Clubhouse Decorating	Common Area Gardening
Christine Klima	Annie Snellgrove	Sitting President Sitting Treasurer	Sitting President	Sharon Preston	Kim Marks
Cynthia Wallace	Susan Jansen	Kim Marks	Kim Marks	Anne Snellgrove	Cindy Wallace
Lee Wright	Mary Etheridge	Larry Stamps	Cindy Breen	Sharon Nole	Jan Parten
Bonnie Flory	Ruth Maples	Jan Parten	Andy Starck	Betsy Flett	
Gary Williams	Sherrill Hutson			Cindy Seals	
Sharon Nole	Mary Staudt			Mary Staudt	
Dean Reynolds	Babs Morgan				
	Carolyn Brooks				
	Clubhouse Maintenance & Supplies	Elections	General Maintenance	Welcome	Technology
	Dean Seals	Mary Ellen Terry	Tom Johnson	Laurie Sheets	Tom Johnosn
	Tom Johnson	Betty Aronsen	Tim Sheets	Kandi Stimson	Steve Lehman
		Mell Whiting		Mary Flett	Dean Seals
		George Scheirton			
		Putt Shaw			
		Bonnie Flory			
		Sharon Nole			
		Anne Snellgrove			

June Reminders

MAKE TIME FOR FUN, REST, AND LOVE

AUTHENTICITY MAKES YOU *shine*

YOU ARE WORTHY OF LOVE AND ATTENTION

ALWAYS BE 🙄 KINDER THAN YOU NEED TO

YOU ALWAYS HAVE A *choice*

★ GROWTH IS NOT ALWAYS visible

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Questions

1. What is Camelot?
2. Who is Peeping Tom?
3. What is Easter Island?
4. Who is Leo Tolstoy?
5. What is 1984?
6. Who is Nick Carraway?