Happy Canada Day!

Posted by leomitch - 01 Jul 2012 10:57

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Best to all

Leo the Canuck

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Re: Happy Canada Day!

Posted by wickededge - 01 Jul 2012 16:14

Happy day to all you Canucks! One thing you might ask for is more knives! You can always want more of those

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Re: Happy Canada Day!

Posted by mark76 - 02 Jul 2012 05:51

The Canadian army played a major role in the liberations of the Netherlands, the country where I live, in World War II. Almost a year before the Germans surrendered, a combined army of British, Canadians and Polish soldiers liberated the city of Antwerpen. In the Battle of the Scheldt, the Canadian 1st army then started the liberation of the Netherlands.

Some Canadians stayed here after the war. The son of one of the soldiers who stayed here became an English teacher (his native language was Dutch!) at a secondary school. He was the first one to teach me English.

And last year I visited Canada twice, for work. It was so easy, you get on a plane and 8 hours later you're in Toronto. It is a beautiful place with very friendly people.

But if there had been no Canadian soldier here, 67 years ago, it would have been a hell of a lot more difficult for me to get there.

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Re: Happy Canada Day!

Posted by leomitch - 02 Jul 2012 07:30

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Mark

When I was in junior school while the war was on, your Queen Wilhelmina lived in our capital Ottawa for most of the war and I believe one of her daughters was born there. I was in Grade three when the Canadian army was helping to liberate Holland and our school had a drive to collect money, food parcels and clothing for the Dutch people. I remember working very hard at my father's restaurant to save a dollar to give the funding. A dollar then was quite a lot back then, so it took me awhile. We were happy and proud to help out our Dutch friends!

Cheers

Leo

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Re: Happy Canada Day!

Posted by mark76 - 02 Jul 2012 11:27

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Wow, Leo, thanks! I had almost forgotten that (excuse: I was minus 30 years old back then).

I'm very, very happy with and proud of the Canadians now and then who liberated our country and are our friends. Happy Canada day!

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