



The Mustang

A Few Words From The President

Well, July was a busy month for us here in Molossia - a Naval voyage and trip to Farfalla Colony are the events of note, but of course other activities take place here in our nation, as well. Molossia is like any other country, a collection of people living their lives, enjoying their family, holidays, the simple pleasure of a sunrise or sunset. Thus while there are a couple of major events that take place here in our nation each month, many more activities take place behind the scenes so to speak. These events may not be remarkable but they are part of the fabric of our everyday lives. They are the essence of our nation, of any nation, really - much more than flags, anthems and parades. I spoke recently at MicroCon about keeping it real, doing real things in real places with real people and we certainly do that here in Molossia. Don't ignore the little events among the big ones in life - enjoy every day!



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Visit To Farfalla

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The Republic of Molossia is a bit larger country than can be seen in our Home Territory located in Northern Nevada. Our nation also possesses two other enclaves, Desert Homestead Province, located near Joshua Tree, California, and Farfalla Colony, located outside the Northern California town of Alturas. It was to this latter that His Excellency, the President and The First Lady journeyed on 9 July 2017 XL. Farfalla consists of 7,965 Square Royal Nortons (2 hectares / 4.9 acres) of uninhabited land surrounded by rolling forested hills. It is split by a small creek named Deer Run and is covered in juniper and piñon trees, wild flowers and grasses. In the absence of humans, there is substantial wildlife in Farfalla, including deer, coyotes, cottontail rabbits and the occasional house cat.



The Flag Flying

The First Couple spent several hours at Farfalla, raising the flag upon the flagpole that is one of only two man-made structures in the colony, the other being an aged wood bridge over Deer Run Creek. The occasion of the visit was also marked by burying a small time capsule at the base of the flag pole, which includes pictures of Molossia and Farfalla, a small flag,



Farfalla

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Visit to Farfalla (Cont'd)



Deer Run Creek

Molossia coins and a blue, white and green bracelet of the First Lady's. The stay in Farfalla also included the first time the colony has been toured at night, an excursion enhanced by the brilliant light of the full moon.

This was the first visit to Farfalla in over two years, being as it is some distance from the Molossian heartland. Plans have been made to establish a more permanent presence there, plans which will be implemented over time. In the meantime, we will continue to enjoy our distant colony from afar.



Burying The Time Capsule



The Colony At Night

Voyage to Tallac Point!

25 July 2017 XL



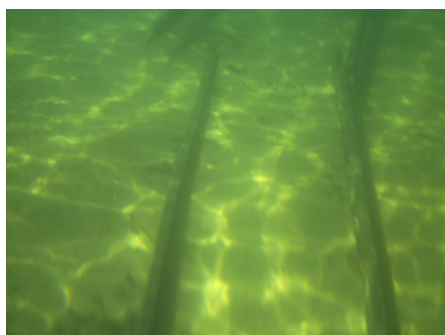
Taylor Creek Marsh

On Sunday, 23 July 2017 XL the Molossian Navy deployed to nearby Lake Tahoe, a favored spot for the Navy's many voyages of discovery. The target this time was at the south end of the lake, a sandy spit of land known as Tallac Point, where Taylor Creek enters Lake Tahoe. The mouth of the creek is a maze of wetlands, perfect for exploration. Arriving at about 1:00 PM MST, the Navy deployed immediately into the marsh, our vessels weaving their way through the many channels where the creek spreads out before it meets Lake Tahoe. For an hour or so the Navy surveyed the wetlands, taking note of the wildlife there, as well as deploying the Seahorse 2 submarine to peer beneath the surface. Returning to the beach area for rest and recuperation, the Navy next set out onto Lake Tahoe itself with a different mission, to find the legendary underwater railroad tracks of Tahoe.

These tracks run from the southern shore of Lake Tahoe out into the depths and were once used to transport the yachts of the wealthy from boathouses into the water. The rich denizens of the Tahoe shore are gone and the boathouses are now wedding venues, but the tracks remain still, running from the shore into the watery depths. Our naval fleet finally discovered the elusive tracks after a long voyage from Tallac Point, and was able to survey them briefly. Use of the Seahorse 2 for a better views beneath the surface was hampered by a power failure, but having found the tracks, the Navy will return for a better look - a future mission is already planned. The survey complete, the fleet returned to Tallac Point and thence to Molossia, another successful mission for the Mighty Molossian Navy!

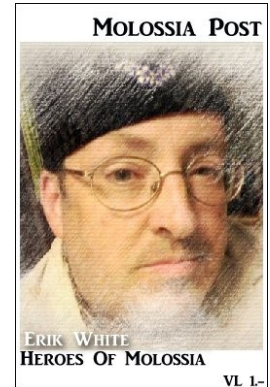


Exploring The Marsh



Tracks Underwater

Our Newest stamps, the Heroes of Molossia!

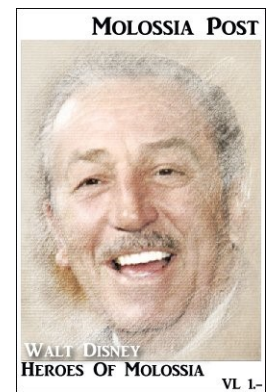


Around Molossia...



The First Family representing in the local Reno Pride Parade!

Seen over Molossia, smoke from regional forest fires reduces the sun to a hazy dot.



New Tourist Policy

Due to the overwhelming interest in visiting Molossia, we have had to initiate a new tourist policy. We will be scheduling specific tourist dates, one a month during the season. We will not be scheduling other dates. RSVP is still requested so that we know how many visitors to expect. Scheduled dates for the rest of the season are:

Saturday, 19 August 2017 at 10:00 AM PST

Saturday, 9 September 2017 at 10:00 AM PST

Saturday, 14 October 2017 at 10:00 AM PST



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AUGUST CALENDAR

Katrina Day - August 29th - Remembrance day in honor of the victims of Hurricane Katrina, August 29th, 2005.

August Birthdays

Carson Baugh - 15 August



THIS MONTH'S WEATHER

Molossia's weather is always gorgeous, with plenty of sunshine and temperatures year-round of 22° Celsius (72° Fahrenheit). However, our little country is surrounded by the US and they are so close, their awful weather invades frequently! So the weather report reflects both our weather and theirs.

	Molossia	US
Maximum Temperature	22° C / 72° F	39° C / 99° F
Minimum Temperature	22° C / 72° F	8° C / 48° F
Average Temperature	22° C / 72° F	22° C / 73° F
Monthly Precipitation	0 mm	3.3 mm
Sunshine hours	Pretty much every day!	

The Last Word With The First Lady

Hello friends!

August has arrived, the days are long and it is hotter than ever. Summer will be coming to an end soon but for now we are enjoying the outdoors, especially in the cooler evenings. Speaking of the sun, we are just a few short weeks away from a total solar eclipse. How exciting! People from all over the world get to share this single experience. Whatever differences we have; lifestyles, backgrounds, race or religions, we will all be seeing the same sun and moon coming together. I love that. I really enjoy finding that one thing that brings many together. Rather it be as big as a social cause, or as little as a band in which you enjoy the same music as people that you wouldn't necessarily hang around with, these type of things make you open your eyes to outside of your social circle and help you appreciate just how the same different people can be. Once we see

our similarities, the differences tend to fade away. Helping break down those walls can really help people open their hearts towards all kinds of issues. People are more likely to lend a helping hand if you're reaching out to a friend. So, let's all be friends and try to see things from another person's point of view. Your world may just get a little bit bigger in the process.

Thank you all and until next time...

Let the sunshine in!
~Adrienne

