



News from the Republic of Molossia



A Few Words from the President

There can be much discussion about what makes a nation. Concepts run from the Declarative Theory of Statehood, wherein a nation is a nation if it says it is, to the Constitutive Theory of Statehood, wherein a nation is only a nation if others say it is, to the various clauses of the Montevideo Convention of 1933, which define a nation as a nation when it has territory, a population, a government and diplomatic ability. I think, though, that a nation is really its people, a collection of like-minded citizens that work together to make their small corner of the world a better place. Here in Molossia we have those very people, dedicated, hard-working, patriotic, kind and giving. I am proud of the people of our nation and the contributions they have each made to Molossia. Our citizens are our future and with citizens such as these, Molossia's future promises to be great indeed!



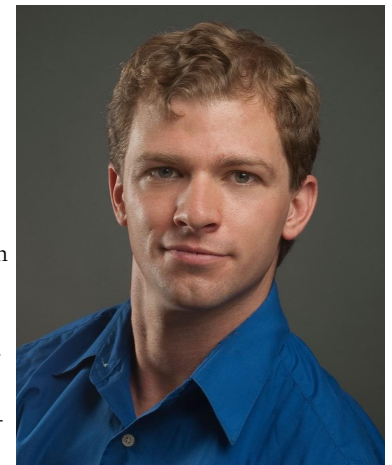
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New Citizen - And One On The Way!

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The Republic of Molossia is proud to welcome our newest citizen - and there's another on the way! Missing for over 32 years, Jacques Morrow has returned to our national fold, so to speak. Jacques is the eldest son of His Excellency, The President. Born in 1983, Jacques disappeared shortly thereafter, kidnapped by a roving band of circus little people. Raised by them, he was trained in the circus arts and Tae Kwon Do, traveling the world while performing for the circus. Eventually his path led to Molossia where it was discovered that he was the son of Our President and welcomed back to our family nation. At present Jacques is a performance artist in Colorado and still travels widely, performing to packed houses in America. Welcome back to our long-lost Molossian - you have been missed!



Jacques Morrow



In related news, this December will see our population grow yet again, as we welcome our first natural-born Molossian baby. The child of Molossian Kaylin Harrison, he or she will be the first grandchild of The President and First Lady. Our population is now 28; the birth of the First Grandchild will bring our nation's population to 29, still small but mighty - and growing!

Deluge In Molossia!

9 June 2015 XXXVIII

On 9 June 2015 XXXVIII a tropical moisture plume moved over the Great Basin Desert in which Molossia lies, producing heavy rain, hail and wind. The sudden, heavy rain quickly saturated the dry desert soil producing conditions ripe for flash flooding. In short order the desert washes were filled with torrents of muddy water, carrying along sand and rocks and digging deep furrows in the ground. In Molossia the water flooded across the land, creating numerous streams where there had been none before and scouring deeper the existing washes. A river developed along the border with the U.S. and also along Alphonse Simms Circle in front of Government House. Most unprecedented though was the raging flood that filled Ghost River, a normally dry wash directly behind the Tower of the Winds. This was the first time in the 17 years that Molossia has called this area home that water has been seen in the wash, hence the name "Ghost River". The waters were just passing through our nation, however, on their way downhill toward the nearby Dayton Valley. There the desert flats became a huge lakebed, and flooding menaced homes and blocked roads. Finally, after an hour-long down-pour, the rain abated and the waters slowly receded. Soon, the desert will be dry again, but the memory of this deluge will not be forgotten as quickly.



Flooding In Front Of Government House.



River In Alphonse Simms Circle.



Another River, On The Border.



Ghost River, Usually Dry.



Ghost River Waterfall.



Ghost River, Near The Tower Of The Winds.



A Formerly Dry Creek In America.

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July Calendar

St. Swithun's Day - July 15th

No particular reason, it just sounds funny. And it never rains in Molossia on St. Swithun's Day.

Tranquility Day - July 20th

Remembers the day in 1969 when men first landed on the Moon.

President's Day - July 30th

Birthday of His Excellency, the President. Actually celebrated as many times as possible during July, culminating with a trip to the Olive Garden, on or about July 30th.

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 |
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| Maximum Temperature | 22° C / 72° F | 36° C / 98° F |
| Minimum Temperature | 22° C / 72° F | 10° C / 27° F |
| Average Temperature | 22° C / 72° F | 20° C / 68° F |
| Monthly Precipitation | 0 mm | 8.12 mm |
| Sunshine hours | Pretty much every day! | |

The Last Word With The First Lady

July is here and summer is in full swing! Here in Molossia we have been busy with the hustle and bustle of summertime activities. The lake is calling our name! I can't wait to get out there and set sail with the Molossian Navy! Our favorite lake to explore is Lake Tahoe. It is so beautiful and very deep. Lake Tahoe takes time to warm up. Usually by August we feel brave enough to go in. For now we will settle for kayaking on top! We will build up to actually going in the water.

Sometimes life is like that, you may stick your toe in to test the waters while other times you dive in head first! How do you know when you are doing the right thing? Do you have a gut feeling? People can be cautious but still exploratory. See what's out there, go a little further and now a little more. Each new situation can be a little worrisome but trust yourself that you will do the right thing. You may be applying for a new job, taking a trip or just meeting a new friend, each experience will be what you make it. So dive in and see what life has to offer!

Thank you and until next time..

Have a great summer!

~ Adrienne

