



A Few Words from the President

Well, it's definitely colder weather, so winter is upon us. Indeed, there is even snow in the mountains, which by the way is represented on our flag by the white stripe. That stripe also means purity, while the blue bar symbolizes both strength and the desert sky. The green bar symbolizes both prosperity and the Molossian landscape, green after a spring rain. These are all attributes that make up Molossia, purity, strength and prosperity. We are pure in our goals as a nation, unsullied by negativity and avarice. We are strong as a nation, steadfast in all that we do, and dedicated to each other, our goals and our dreams. And we are prosperous, prosperity not of a monetary nature but prosperous in the less tangible, in the beauty of the desert sky, in the whispering winds and the rustle of aspen leaves and pine needles on a warm afternoon. We are prosperous in the people that love Molossia, not only ourselves but from around the world. As this year draws to a close we can but reflect on that flag of blue, white and green and all that it means, meaning deeper than the cloth waving in the breeze, deep into the soul of our mighty nation.



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Day Of Merriment

15 October 2014

15 October in Molossia is a special day, the Day of Merriment. The Day of Merriment is the birthday of The First Lady, wife of Our President and one of the most special people in our nation. This Day of Merriment was celebrated with a party in Government House, including most of the First Family. Assembling in the Great Room, The First Lady opened her presents, which included almost exclusively a collection of retro games, items popular on store shelves from years gone by and still very much fun today. Immediately thereafter Government House was alive with laughter and activity as the entire family joined in to play the various games. The First Lady also received a cruising bicycle, a gift she has long sought after. Once the games were over, The First Family settled down with pizza and later ice cream, to watch the movie "The Breakfast Club", one of The First Lady's favorite films. This wrapped up the Day of Merriment, a merry day indeed and a fine time was had by all!



Rubber From Molossia?

10 October 2014

Small in size, the Republic of Molossia is somewhat lacking in natural resources. However a recent discovery by the Molossian Ministry of Science indicates that we could almost literally have a gold mine in our very back yard. Molossia is replete with two main shrubs, sagebrush and rabbitbrush. While sagebrush lacks any particular economic value, rabbitbrush is another matter. Rabbitbrush (*Chrysothamus nauseosus*) has been reported to produce high quality rubber, that's right, rubber. Currently 90% of the world's rubber comes from Southeast Asia but exports of this important product can be threatened not only by disease and climate related crop failures, but also by political and economic factors. An alternative could be our own rabbitbrush. Research on distilling rubber from rabbitbrush goes back to World Wars I and II and continues here in the Great Basin in which Molossia lies. Cultivation of rabbitbrush for rubber production could provide Molossia with a high value crop which can be grown in previously uncultivated areas of our nation. Investigations continue as the Government of Molossia explores the viability of this idea. Let the rubber boom begin!



Rabbitbrush.



Happy Nevada Day from the Republic of Molossia! On 31 October 2014 the State of Nevada turned 150 years old!



Autumn colors in Molossia.



His Excellency, The President, The First Lady, First Daughter Kaylin and her beau Nick meeting Governor Sandoval of Nevada at the annual Governor's Banquet, 28 October 2014 XXXVII



Laika Day

3 November



Laika Day was established by His Excellency, The President to recognize our canine family here in Molossia: Currently Duncan, Annie, Molly, Tom and Huck. The dogs of Molossia are faithful companions and friends, as well as frequent sources of entertainment. In 2007 XXX, The President felt that they should have their own holiday, to recognize the significant presence they have in our lives.

Find 5 Differences!



Laika Day is named for the Soviet Space Dog, Laika, who became the first recorded animal to orbit the earth. Laika, whose real name was Kudryavka, rocketed skyward on the Soviet spacecraft Sputnik 2, on 3 November 1957, fifty years ago yesterday. She perished in space due to overheating after just a few hours. Laika represents the very essence of dogs, loyal, trusting and obedient. These qualities are what make dogs such a large part of human life, and recognition of this is long overdue.

Past Laika Day activities have included adventures to nearby Lake Lahontan and Misfit Flats, places where the dogs can run free without the restrictions of civilization. No matter what we do, Laika Day is a day to celebrate our canine friends and their contributions to our lives.



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November Calendar

Laika Day - November 3rd The original "Dog Day" of Molossia, celebrating our canine friends. Dog biscuit, anyone?

Guy Fawkes Day - November 5th A day to have a bonfire, burn the Guy and probably have s'mores!

Utopia Memorial Day - November 17th Utopia Memorial Day recalls the now-defunct nation of the United Provinces of Utopia, of which Molossia was once briefly a province. The original "Cookie Dough Fest" Day.

Alexis Baugh's Birthday - 28 November

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	36° C / 96° F
Minimum Temperature	22° C / 72° F	7° C / 44° F
Average High Temperature	22° C / 72° F	27° C / 80° F
Average Low Temperature	22° C / 72° F	6° C / 43° F
Monthly Precipitation	0 mm	7.4 mm
Sunshine hours	Pretty much every day!	

The Last Word With The First Lady

November is a month of thankfulness. A time to reflect on the past year and everything that is in your life. I like to take a moment and pause and think about what I am thankful for. I am thankful for my kids. My children are fantastic, hilarious human beings! I can't wait to see them blossom into the people they are to become. My home is on my list. It is my sanctuary, and how awesome to live in such a unique place! On the top of that list is always my husband, He is always there for me, makes me smile and feels like the missing piece of me. I am so blessed to be able to spend the rest of our lives together. I have a lot to be thankful for! People are thankful for many different things. Some people could be thankful for good health while another person it thankful for a nice car. Large or small everyone has something to reflect upon. What about you? What are you thankful for? Tell us on Twitter #thankful, tag us @molossia.

Thank you and until next time...

Make every moment a memory!

~Adrienne

