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A Few Words From The President

The last three months of the year are what I call the Holiday Season. It is during this time that Molossians celebrate a wide variety of our more notable holidays, starting with the Day of Merriment, Halloween, Día de Muertos, Guy Fawkes, Christmas and finally Boxing Day. Thanksgiving, through a US holiday is also unofficially celebrated here in Molossia, usually like Christmas as a big family gathering. Molossia is a family nation, as you know, and we are very big on family gathering and activities. Our annual Broomball tour-ney, the Misfit Regatta, and the aforementioned holidays are all occasions to bring together the Molossian family, not just to celebrate whatever holiday it might be but also to celebrate being us, one big family nation. I think that is how nations are successful, so to speak, when they come together to celebrate their very existence. Nations divided cannot succeed, to paraphrase a great man, and coming together under the simplest circumstances as a family and a nation are what makes Molossia the great nation it is.

Nevada Day 2020

Nevada Day is the annual celebration of the admission of Nevada as a state. Nevada was admitted to the Union on 31 October 1864. At that time, the state was a significant producer of silver and gold, and therefore played a major role in financing the Union war effort during the United States Civil War. Nevada’s admission as a state helped not only to pay for the War, but ensured a northern majority in Congress afterward. On normal years Nevada Day festivities include the renowned Nevada Day Parade, in which His Excellency, The President, The First Lady and the First Family participate annually. This year, however, there was no parade due to COVID-19 concerns, and annual Nevada Day activities in general were curtailed. Instead a "reverse parade" was held, wherein parade participants were set up static and parade viewers instead drove by. His Excellency chose to be one of those viewers instead of a participant this year and accompanied by the First Lady, drove through the somewhat sparse showing of the reverse parade. The First Couple nevertheless had a good time waving to the participants and were greeted by smiles and waves in return. Subsequently, the President and First Lady drove down Carson Street in Carson City, the usual parade route, waving at passersby, before making a brief stop at the Nevada Governor’s Mansion and then returning to Molossia. It was a fairly low key celebration, but enjoyable nevertheless. Hopefully the world will return to normal next year and will include a return of the Nevada Day Parade we all know and love. Until then we look forward to next year’s Nevada Day Parade!
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On 11 October 2020 XLIII, the Republic of Molossia hosted the 2020 Misfit Regatta. At 12:10 PM Molossian Standard Time (MST) the racers arrived at the Flats and helped set up the start and finish lines. Then at about 12:30 PM MST the first race took place, with cameras rolling and spectators cheering. There were several races held, including kids only, group and group backwards, guys only and guys backwards, ladies only and ladies backwards, sideways and a dancing race. A total of eight racers competed, and competed with all their might with much to be proud of. After nine races, the event ended with a demolition derby, generally destroying the cardboard boats. Today's Regatta was a resounding success, just the fifth of many, with one planned every other year at this time. Future races may include an obstacle course and a competition for best "boat". Well done racers, and see you in two years!
Around Molossia...

The Passing Of Molly
2 October 2020 XLIII

Molly the dog passed away at 3:00 PM MST on 2 October 2020 XLIII. Molly was the Official Dog Under The Bed. Shy and retiring, she was nevertheless always ready to come and see The First Lady and was of course always ready for a dog cookie! A Lhasa Apso mix, Molly had a rough life before being rescued by The First Lady at a yard sale. Since then her life had been much better and she had become a bit spoiled. Still, when the going gets tough, Molly was the first to get going - under the bed as quickly as possible! Armed with her one snaggle tooth, Molly was the stalwart defender of the bedroom and the apple of Mom's eye! Molly was buried with honors in the Molossia Cemetery, and His Excellency, The President directed that the Molossian flag be flown at half-staff for three days in her memory. Molly will truly be missed.

On the Day of Merriment, celebrating the First Lady’s Birthday!

And another October birthday, celebrating the first birthday of Molossian Lily Grace Erickson!

In the Pumpkin Patch! Molossians celebrating Autumn!

The Molossian Navy

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Upcoming Tours Of Molossia

Tours of our nation are currently planned on the following dates only:

Saturday, 24 April 2021 XLIV at 10:00 AM PST (First Tour of the Year)
Hello everyone! November is here and the holidays are upon us. This year has been far from normal but I’m looking forward to the holidays to bring us back to that old familiar happy feeling. Watching children’s faces full of happiness and joy is truly a gift. We have many grandchildren in Molossia so we have many opportunities. Thanksgiving and Christmas, among our own Molossia holidays, are days that we really look forward to!

In other news, the American election has the attention of the entire world. We are land-locked by the United States so their issues become our issues, as much as we would like our borders to keep them away. Here in Molossia, we hope for peace and goodwill towards all parties and we would hope that they would feel the same towards each other. Republicans and Democrats alike, have future generations watching how they will handle themselves during this time and that is a big responsibility to help shape future voters- and adults!

Stay well during these last few months of the year. Don’t let your guard down when it comes to COVID, as it seems to know no boundaries and be on the rise yet again. Be cautious but not scared. Go forward with confidence and your eyes open. You just may find a way to keep a smile on your face for the rest of this year and into the next.

Thank you all and until next time, know that I’m thinking of you all and keep a smile in your heart like a secret in your pocket.

~Adrianne