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## A Few Words From The President

During MicroCon I had the opportunity to talk briefly about micronations that have had an impact on Molossia especially in the late 1990s when Molossia was fairly new to the micronational scene. But there are many other micronations since then that went unmentioned at the time. These micronations, unlike the ones in the late 1990s, are still with us and still having a positive impact on their world and on Molossia. Micronations like Westarctica and Flandrensis have a strong environmental aspect to them, setting the standard for ecological preservation. Aigues-Mortes is of note because their micronational currency is accepted as legal tender in the city in which the micronation lies. That is quite an accomplishment indeed. Other micronations, such as the Conch Republic and Seborga are the standard for places that can be visited, much like Molossia and of course Sealand is of note because of its extreme longevity and the uniqueness of its existence. There are many, many micronations in the world besides Molossia and I encourage everyone to be aware of them, give them the respect that they are due and perhaps visit them as a part of the wondrous world of micronations!



# Voyage to the Sunken Railroad Tracks!

21 August 2022 XLV



Beautiful Lake Tahoe

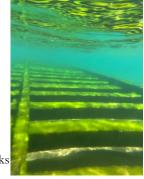


The First Lady Afloat

On Monday, 15 August 2022 XLV the Molossian Navy deployed to nearby Lake Tahoe, a favored spot for the Navy's many voyages of discovery. The focus of this mission was to explore some mysterious sunken railroad tracks, just offshore from Pope Beach, a favored sun and sand location at the south end of the lake. Arriving at about 1:30 PM MST, the Navy deployed immediately onto the lake, and quickly set out to find and explore the sunken tracks. After an arduous trek across the waters, the fleet arrived at their destination. The underwater tracks lie just offshore from the area of Valhalla, a series of palatial vacation homes of Lucky Baldwin, the 19th century California millionaire businessman, and his contemporaries. They were used during the late 19th and early 20th century to move large yachts to and from the water from boathouses on the shore. In the century since the heyday of the millionaires, the lavish boats are gone and the old boathouses have been repurposed, in the case of one, into a theater. The former boat tracks now lie abandoned and rusting away slowly in the clear waters of Lake Tahoe. The Molossian fleet explored the tracks and their environs for a while, marveling at this long-forgotten piece of history, before eventually voyaging back to their starting point. The fleet then returned to Molossia, by way of a favorite burger stand, another successful mission for the Mighty Molossian Navy!

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#### MicroCon 2020

8 August 2022 XLV



MicroCon 2022!

On 5 and 6 August 2022 XLV the Republic of Molossia was honored to participate in the fourth major intermicronational get-together and conference, MicroCon 2022. Hosted this year by the Grand Duchy of Westarctica, MicroCon is a meet-up of micronationalists from around the world. The entire event was held at the Sam's Town Hotel and Casino, in Las Vegas, Nevada. The evening before the event began many micronationalists gathered for a diplomatic reception at the hotel. This allowed the leaders of the assembled nations to gather socially, exchange ideas and generally get to know each other. Most micronationalists come from locales far from each other and the opportunity to meet and greet was a welcome one.



The President and First Lady.

The conference proper began the following day at the hotel, and from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm delegates from over 29 micronations gathered to share their ideas, dreams and worlds with each other. Throughout the day presentations were given on a wide variety of micronational topics, ranging from sovereignty, safeguarding one's micronational legacy, micronations in space, what is a nation, climate change, micronational history, and much more. Introductions to newer micronations, such as Slowjamastan and North Barchant, were also made, and His Excellency President Kevin Baugh gave a well-received talk on micronations of the 1990's and how they contributed to Molossia. Breaks were taken, including lunch, to allow time for networking and socializing and there many photo-ops in front of each nation's information display. The media was also in attendance, of course. After an all too brief seven hours the conference adjourned and the delegates departed to prepare for the evening's event, the Micro-Con Gala.



The President and First Lady with Princess Chloe of Sancratosia.

The MicroCon Gala was a semi-formal ball, arranged as a soirée following the convention. Attendees arrived in the hotel conference room-turned-ballroom at 6:00 PM, dressed in their finery for an evening of dining and hobnobbing. After a magnificent dinner, awards were presented by various micronational leaders to their peers and associates. His Excellency was inducted into the Micronational Hall of Excellence. Following the awards ceremony was a trivia competition, the victorious team winning a magnificent golden belt designed by Molossian Commodore Jonathan Miller. Dining and socializing continued afterward until the evening wound down and each leader and their party took their leave. Thus ended this year's MicroCon event. The next MicroCon is planned for Chicago in 2023. Until then, MicroCon 2022 was an amazing event and one of memories and experiences that will last for a very long time!



Molossians Meeting Slowjamastanis.



The First Family with Molossians Commodore and Mrs. Miller.



The President, First Lady and Chief Constable.

The President and Grand Duke Travis of Westarctica.



The President Meeting with Young Micronationalists.



The President with Queen Carolyn of Ladonia.



The President and Prince Jean-Pierre of Aigues-Mortes



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### Around Molossia...



The Molossian Family, gathered from far-flung locales!





Bounty from Molossia's Victory Garden and Farm, and the burgeoning Molossia cornfield!

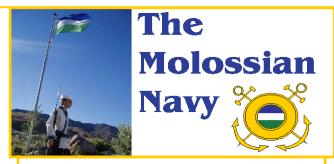




Happy first birthday to Molossian Luna and 61st birthday to Molossian Wanda!

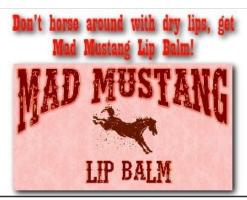






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## Upcoming Tours Of Molossia

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

Saturday, 17 September 2022 XLV AT 10:00 AM PST Saturday, 8 October 2022 XLV AT 10:00 AM PST (Last Tour Of 2022)

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#### **SEPTEMBER CALENDAR**

Flag Day - September 9th Remembers the day the Molossian flag first flew over our sovereign territory, in 1998. It still does.

Moonpie Festival - September 15th Adaptation of the Chinese Moon Festival, marking the end of summer and the beginning of autumn. Celebrated by eating Moonpies, of course!

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Lyla Baugh - 2 September



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	37 C / 99° F
Minimum Temperature	22° C / 72° F	11° C / 53° F
Average Temperature	22° C / 72° F	24° C / 76° F
Monthly Precipitation	0 mm	11.4 cm
Sunshine hours	Pretty much every day!	

# The Last Word With The First Lady

Hello all! September is here and that usually means back to school time. Well, the day is finally here where we have no more Molossia citizens that are school age. This is the first time in 25 years for the First Lady and 35 years for the President that we have not sent a child off to school on their first day of the year. A bittersweet moment for sure! The Chief Constable graduated high school last year as Valedictorian and Prom Queen, as parents we couldn't be prouder. We ended our relationship with public school with a bang! Now, the Chief Constable has chosen to help out the nearby United States as a soldier for the Army National Guard. Very soon she will ship off to basic training and begin her career. Every Molossian has chosen their own path in life and it has been very inspiring to watch. We have mothers, fathers, a video game developer, a manufacturer, a teacher, an engineer and an artist amongst our children, all now grown. What a blessing to have so many talented, sweet souls around us!



Every year there are young people about to graduate and head out in the world. This can be overwhelming! Choosing what you want to do after graduation is a big decision, but it doesn't have to be answered immediately. Your best bet is to take your thoughts and experiences and see which path in life best fits who you are or which one would fulfill a need in your life. Sometimes you don't choose the path, the path may choose you. It's your job to recognize that and jump into that opportunity with both feet, joy and enthusiasm!

Thank you all and until next time,

Good luck out there this year, in school or elsewhere in life!