



### A Few Words From The President

Well, the new decade that is upon us, and not just any decade but the new Roaring 20's. 100 years ago the world was changing, transitioning from a more agrarian lifestyle to more urban. Electricity was suddenly available to all, changing the world. The list of inventions or improvements on inventions that shaped the world in the 1920s included the automobile, the airplane, the washing machine, the radio, the assembly line, refrigerator, garbage disposal, electric razor, instant camera, jukebox and television. It was a time of greater prosperity and change. The world was leaving the Gilded Age and World War I behind and looking ahead to the future. So, too, is the world of today, also looking ahead. Innovations take place nearly daily, changing the world for the better. Where the 1920's brought material changes, the 2020's can bring social and environmental changes. This is a time when the world can come together to set aside differences to seek a better life for all. This is a time to build a better world, one of understanding, brotherhood and amity toward all.



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## Molossian Christmas

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Christmas is a major holiday in Molossia and a time of great tradition as well as festivity. Christmas is one of the most important holidays in the Republic of Molossia, and is traditionally a three-day celebration. The holiday actually begins on December 24th with Christmas Eve activities, including watching movies, baking (and eating) cookies, drinking eggnog and playing board games as a family - and the tradition of decorating Molossia's Christmas Crane. Christmas Eve dinner consisted this year of our traditional meal of lasagna, reflecting the Italian heritage of Molossia. The evening ends with the reading of the "Night Before Christmas", and with tracking the arrival of Santa Claus using NORAD's website. Christmas morning, December 25th, begins early, as the family descends upon the hoard of presents beneath the National Christmas Tree.



The National Christmas Tree In Republic Square.



Once the frenzy of present-opening ends, Christmas breakfast is made and served, and afterward everyone settles down to enjoy their gifts. Christmas dinner takes place in the later afternoon, largely wrapping up a lazy, relaxing day. Christmas dinner this year was turkey, ham, mashed potatoes, stuffing, and all the trimmings. Boxing Day is on December 26th, and is the last day of the Christmas holidays. While no special events take place, dinner on Boxing Day is traditionally Shepherd's Pie, in keeping with the British theme of the day. This wraps up the Christmas events for the year, with everyone eagerly looking forward to the distant arrival of next year's Christmas.

The National Christmas Tree In Government House.



Molossia's Traditional Christmas Crane

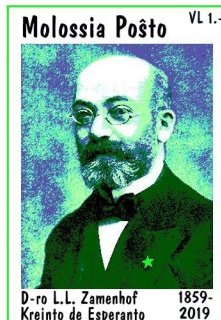
# Zamenhof Day

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15 December is Zamenhof Day, the birthday of the creator of the Esperanto language, L.L. Zamenhof. Esperanto is the second language of Molossia and was created in 1887 by Dr. Zamenhof. It was designed as a neutral language, to be used to facilitate communication between speakers of different languages without requiring them to learn each other's language. Esperanto is relatively easy to learn with simple grammatical rules and a vocabulary derived from existing European languages supplemented with ample suffixes and prefixes.

Here in Molossia Esperanto is used as a second language, both for internal communication as well as a teaching tool about language in general. Besides English and Spanish, Esperanto is the only language allowed on Molossia's Facebook page.

On Zamenhof Day 2019, His Excellency, The President met with our official advisor regarding Esperanto, Justin Kavanaugh, Esperanto expert, from nearby Reno, Nevada. The goal is to improve the understanding and use of Esperanto in our nation, and Mr. Kavanaugh is helping with that goal. The plan is to make Molossia a truly bilingual nation and even more to spread knowledge and understanding of the International Language.



2019 Esperanto Stamp  
2019 Esperanto Poŝtmarko

# Zamenhofa Tago

15 Decembro 2019 XLII

15 decembro estas Zamenhof-Tago, la naskiĝtago de la kreinto de Esperanto lingvo, L. L. Zamenhof. Esperanto estas la dua lingvo de Molossia kaj estis kreita en 1887 de D-ro Zamenhof. Ĝi estis desegnita kiel neŭtrala lingvo, esti uzata por faciligi komunikadon inter parolantoj de diversaj lingvoj sen bezoni ilin lerni unu la alian lingvon. Esperanto estas relative facile lernebla per simplaj gramatikaj reguloj kaj vortotrezoro derivitaj el ekzistantaj eŭropaj lingvoj kompletigitaj per ampleksaj sufiksoj kaj prefiksoj.

Ĉi tie en Molossia Esperanto estas uzata dua lingvo, ambaŭ por internaj komunikado same kiel instrua ilo pri lingvo ĝenerale. Cetere Angla kaj hispana, Esperanto estas la sola lingvo permesita ĉe Facebook de Molossia paĝo.

La Zamenhof-Tagon 2019, Lia Ekscelenco, La Prezidanto renkontiĝis kun nia oficiala konsilanto pri Esperanto, Justin Kavanaugh, Esperanta spertulo, de proksima Reno, Nevado. La celo estas plibonigi la komprenon kaj uzon de Esperanto en nia nacio, kaj s-ro Kavanaugh helpas pri tiu celo. La plano estas igi Molossia vere dulingva nacio kaj eĉ pli disvastigi scion kaj komprenon de la Internacia Lingvo.

# Small Town Christmas

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The Christmas Season is upon us, and in what has become an annual tradition, His Excellency, The President and The First Lady visited the annual Dayton Small Town Christmas, a tree-lighting and holiday event held in nearby downtown Dayton. This year the event was held indoors, in the Dayton Community Center, as opposed to the town park, due to inclement weather. The President passed out candy canes to children and visited Santa with the First Lady, while mingling with the festive holiday crowd. In addition, the First Couple were asked to judge a 4-H fashion show, which was truly enjoyable. As always, Molossians are very popular in the community outside our door, and it's a pleasure celebrate and share the Christmas holiday with them. Of course the event is an excellent opportunity to spread awareness of our nation as well as being great fun!



Passing Out  
Candy Canes

Proud v4H  
Kids



Festive First Couple

# Did you know?

## Ĉu vi sciis? En Molossia ...

Ĝi estas kontraŭleĝe kaŭzi katastrofon.  
 Torpedoj eble ne estas forigitaj en la lando.  
 Estas kontraŭleĝe porti bovistajn botojn krom se vi jam posedas almenaŭ du bovinojn.  
 Kvantoj rajtas transiri ajnan straton, inkluzive de enveturejoj.  
 Sunbrilo estas garantiita al la masoj.  
 Detoni nuklean aparaton en la nacio rezultigos VL 500.- monpunon.  
 Estas kontraŭleĝe promeni kamelon laŭ Rondo de Alphonse Simms inter la horoj 4:00 kaj 18:00 MST.  
 Ĉiuj homoj, kiuj volas gardi rinoceron kiel dorlotbesto, devas unue akiri licencon VL 100.-.  
 Estas kontraŭleĝe ĉasi tineojn sub stratlumo.  
 Elefantoj estas malpermesitaj promeni tra Ruĝa Placo krom se ili estas perforte.  
 Estas kontraŭleĝe ludi perkutinstrumentojn en iu ajn banĉambro.



Not far from Molossia is the historic mining town of Virginia City, Nevada. Founded in 1859, mines in Virginia City produced over \$700 million in gold and silver.

## Upcoming Tours Of Molossia

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

- Saturday, 18 April 2020 XLIII at 10:00 AM PST (First Tour of 2020)
- Saturday, 16 May 2020 XLIII at 10:00 AM PST
- Saturday, 20 June 2020 XLIII at 10:00 AM PST
- Saturday, 18 July 2020 XLIII at 10:00 AM PST
- Saturday, 15 August 2020 XLIII at 10:00 AM PST
- Saturday, 19 September 2020 XLIII at 10:00 AM PST
- Saturday, 10 October 2020 XLIII at 10:00 AM PST (Last Tour of the Year)

## AROUND MOLOSSIA...



The 2019 Presidential Christmas Card.



On Saturday, 7 December, the President and First Lady spent time with the Silver Springs, Nevada 4H as part of their leadership camp - awesome kids, great program, great fun!



# The Molossian Navy



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## January Calendar

### Emperor Norton I Day - January 8th

In memory of Emperor Norton I, Emperor of the United States and protector of Mexico.

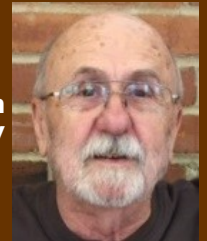
### Lunar New Year - 25 January

### Molossaphone Day - 28 January

A day to laud our National Musical Instrument, the Molossaphone!



6 January - Mary Mercurio's Birthday



26 January - Tom Baugh's Birthday

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	15° C / 60° F
Minimum Temperature	22° C / 72° F	-9° C / 15° F
Average Temperature	22° C / 72° F	3° C / 37.5° F
Monthly Precipitation	0 mm	54.1 mm
Sunshine hours	Pretty much every day!	

## The Last Word With The First Lady

Hello everyone! A new year is upon us and not just any year, but 2020! I don't know about you, but when I was a child the idea of Two-Thousand and Twenty seemed like a sci-fi movie and not a year that would be here before I knew it. Growing up with movies like Back to the Future I am of course wondering where the flying cars are and hoverboards that actually work? Sure, we have many technological advances like self driving cars, drones, video calling and many other impossibilities. Take the internet for instance. Yes, it has been around and widely used for sometime now. Everyday I take for granted that I can talk to someone halfway across the world on our Facebook page. Besides, helpful advances in medicine, my favorite part of technology today is all the ways that people stay connected. If we were to take away all the cool, new ways of life we would still have each other and that's what matters most. The tech is there to make it easier and more convenient. So, use it! Call your grandma, text your aunt, deliver someone a gift. Serve up some care. Show someone that even, make that, especially in the year 2020, we still care about each other. That is what is going to make the world a better place.

Thank you all and until next time...

Start this year with a smile and a chat with someone you love.

~Adrienne

