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It's tourist season again and already we have welcomed a curious group of visitors to our nation, with many more on the way in the coming months. We love showing off our nation, and escorting our visitors through all the sights and experiences that Molossia has to offer. We are obviously quite proud of our country and of our accomplishments through the years. We have worked hard to build this mighty land. And speaking of the years, this year, at the end of this month, Molossia turns 47! 47 years of growth, achievement, trials and tribulations. Fortunately, there's been less of the bad than the good, a product of a positive attitude and maybe a little luck. Each year has been better than the last, and each year brings new opportunity. We love building up Molossia and we love that others love to visit us and see what we're all about. Very few of our visitors leave unhappy, rather, almost all leave with a sense of wonder and amazement. And they're not the only ones that feel that - we do too, about our own nation! Molossia is an amazing place!



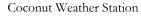
Molossia Improvements

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The Republic of Molossia is pleased to announce three new improvements to our nation, both aesthetic and functional. First, a lovely new four-tier fountain now adorns Red Square, a welcome embellishment to the open plaza that is the home to many festivities in our nation. The focal point for the end of each tour of Molossia, the fountain serves as a wishing well of sorts, promising the return visit of anyone who tosses in a coin. Not far from the fountain, a coconut weather station has been established, a humorous take on the sometimes wild weather that can plague Molossia – not our weather, of course, but the unpleasant weather that blows in over of the border from the US! And finally, high upon the east side of Molossia's big red barn, a bat house has been installed. We are not averse to all types of insect control, and that would include bats. Here's hoping that the nocturnal aviators will make their home in Molossia, an unusual and valuable addition to Molossia's wildlife!



The New Fountain in Red Square





Bat House on the Barn

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Tourist Season Starts With A Bang

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On Saturday, 27 April 2024 XLVII, the Republic of Molossia was visited by our first tourists of the year. On an absolute gorgeous day, at about 10:41 AM MST a great group of 24 tourists arrived in Molossia, from such far flung locales as South Korea and as close as right down the road in the US. Among this group was the august personage of the Minister of Silly Walks and his entourage from the United Republics of Jämtland, a Swedish micronation. This made this tourist visit also a sort of a State Visit, too! After a brief ceremony in Republic Square, our tourists all explored Molossia escorted by His Excellency, The President and the First Lady. They took in all the sights of our nation, including Red Square, Norton Park and the Tower of the Winds. The President as usual regaled our visitors with the stories and culture of Molossia, ensuring they had an enjoyable visit. Finally, their curiosity about the world's smallest republic satisfied, our visitors returned to the United States, destined for adventures elsewhere. We are happy as always to have hosted this mighty group of travelers and fans of Molossia in our nation and wish them well on their future pursuits!



Jämtlanders at the Border.



An Informal State Visit.

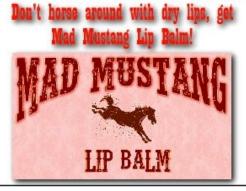


A Wild Horse Passes By!



Our Great Group Of Visitors!





Upcoming Tours Of Molossia

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

Saturday, 18 May 2024, 10:00 AM PST

Saturday, 22 June 2024, 9:00 AM PST

Saturday, 13 July2024, 9:00 AM PST

Saturday, 10 August 2024, 9:00 AM PST

Saturday, 14 September 2024, 10:00 AM PST

Saturday, 12 October 2024, 10:00 AM PST (Last Tour

Of 2024)





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Some Molossian Laws

It's tourist season again and it's important that our visitors follow our laws when touring the nation. Weird? Unusual? Visit Molossia and find out why!

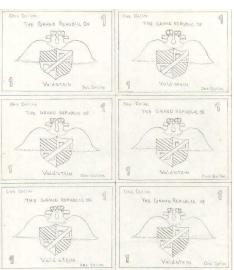
- It is illegal to cause a catastrophe.
- Torpedoes may not be set off in the country.
- It is illegal to wear cowboy boots unless you already own at least two cows.
- Quail have the right of way to cross any street, including driveways.
- Sunshine is guaranteed to the masses.
- Detonating a nuclear device within the nation will result in a VL 500.- fine.
- It is illegal to walk a camel along Alphonse Simms Circle between the hours of 4:00 and 6:00 PM MST.
- All persons wishing to keep a rhinoceros as a pet must obtain a VL 100.- license first.
- It is illegal to hunt moths under a street light.
- Elephants are prohibited from strolling through Red Square unless they are on a leash.
- It is illegal to play percussion instruments in any bathroom.

In addition, plastic shopping bags, incandescent lightbulbs, catfish, walruses, onions and spinach are banned!

The Grand Republic of Vuldstein

The month of May is also the month of Founder's Day, the celebration of the founding of the Republic of Molossia. But Molossia wasn't always known as Molossia, it began as the Grand Republic of Vuldstein. The Grand Republic of Vuldstein was founded on May 26th, 1977, in Portland, Oregon. Despite its name it had a King, James I, and a Prime Minister, Kevin Baugh. Documents established the Grand Republic and not only demonstrated its national symbols and money, but provided for future citizenship.

The Grand Republic became less active later that year, as the King moved to a different school. However, the Prime Minister carried it on through the next twenty-one years (during



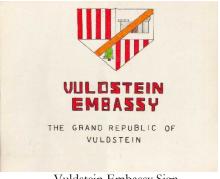
which time it was renamed the Kingdom of Edelstein, and later the Kingdom of Zaria), until the Grand Republic of Vuldstein was reborn as the Kingdom of Molossia in May 1998. In June 1998 the Kingdom became a People's Democratic Republic, which later joined the United Provinces of Utopia as a province of that nation. In February 1999, the People's Democratic Republic of Molossia was again declared a sovereign nation, and in September of that year became the Republic of Molossia, the nation you see before you today!

A Sheet of Vuldstein Dollars

How Molossia Began



The Vuldstein Flag



Vuldstein Embassy Sign

Republic of Molossia

Government of the Republic of Molossia 226 Mary Lane Dayton, NV 89403 USA

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And follow us on Twitter at www.twitter.com/Molossia.



News, music and more from the World's Smallest Sovereign Republic!

MAY CALENDAR

Boulder Day - May 1st - The day we moved that very large boulder, celebrated with meatball subs!

Space Day - 4 May (May the Fourth) - A rocket or rockets should be launched on or about this day if possible to celebrate the mighty accomplishments of our great Space Program!

Founder's Day - May 26th - Founder's Day is Molossia's principal National Holiday. This day remembers the date, in 1977, when Molossia (then known as Vuldstein), first became a nation. Usually celebrated with a general get-together of all Molossians and a barbecue, all in Red Square.

This month's birthdays, Molossians Kathy Baugh (5 May) and Cecelia Mercurio (18 May)!

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	26 C / 80.6° F
Minimum Temperature	22° C / 72° F	-4° C / 24.8° F
Average Temperature	22° C / 72° F	11.5° C / 52.7° F
Monthly Precipitation	0 mm	3.2 mm
Sunshine hours	Pretty much every day!	

The Last Word With The First Lady

May is here and the weather is beautiful! The birds are out and life feels full and open to all kinds of possibilities! It's funny how weather can affect us. When it's cold outside, we feel like we need to be under blankets doing nothing, but then spring arrives and we all want to go out and about. Springtime is for taking walks, riding bikes and working in the garden. It feels good to get in the dirt and help something grow from nothing. As our tourists season begins, this is how we feel about Molossia, a tiny country that sprouted from an idea. Now, Molossia has grown into something quite large and impressive. A tiny nation that is at the center of inspiration for many other micronations. Whatever ideas you may have today might not feel like they'll amount to much, but you never know. Feed and water that idea a little everyday and you'll soon find out that it can grow to be much bigger than expected! Nothing in mind? Today is a great day to plant something new.



Thank you all and until next time,

Let the sun shine on your shoulders and keep a smile on your face. You never know when you or someone else will need it.