



The Mustang

A Few Words From The President

Ah, autumn! The days are getting cooler, and it's time for fall colors and pumpkin spice lattes. I love every season in Molossia, but fall is probably my favorite, with the caveat that winter follows – my least favorite season. Autumn is also what we call the holiday season, with a plethora of family-related events taking place between now and December. Of course October is home to the Day of Merriment, the First Lady's birthday, always a party! After that comes Halloween, always fun as long as there are young Molossians (and old!). On the heels of Halloween comes Nevada Day, the annual celebration of Nevada's statehood, which we celebrate by appearing the Nevada Day Parade. After that is Día de Muertos, then Guy Fawkes, celebrated with a bonfire in Red Square, then Thanksgiving, not an official Molossian holiday, but who doesn't like a feast? Then we segue into December and all of the lead up to Christmas – but that's after autumn. Molossia is a family nation, and we revel in these family holidays. It's a wonderful time to gather together, share experiences and just to enjoy being Molossian!



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Around Molossia...

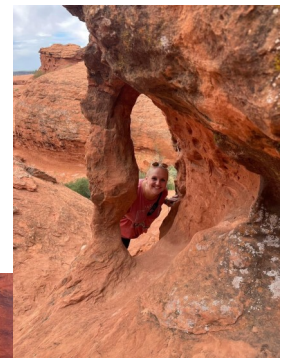


A Bounty Of Corn From Molossia's Cornfield!

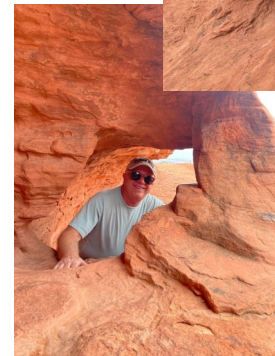
Exploring Zion Canyon!



Exploring the Devil's Throat!



Kelly Clarkson at the iHeart Radio Concert!



Exploring the Red Cliffs of St. George, Utah!

A Visit To Zaqistan

12 September 2023 XLVI

On 9 and 10 September 2023 XLVI, The President and First Lady traveled to the micronation of Zaqistan for a State Visit. Zaqistan is located on the western edge of the Newfoundland Evaporation Basin northwest of the Great Salt Lake, in the remote northwestern corner of Utah. President Zaq Landsberg founded the nation 2005, after purchasing the land via an Ebay auction. In the years since its founding Zaqistan has become home to several art installations, including the soaring aluminum Monument, topped by a robot. Its borders are guarded by aluminum robots and customs shack, gateway and signs guard the western and only ingress to the nation. The landscape of Zaqistan is arid, with ample sand and scrub bushes, beautiful and serene.

The voyage to Zaqistan was a long one, as the nation is located in the remotest of remote places. The First Couple had to travel all the way across Nevada, to its northeast corner, and then further on into Utah. The final leg of the trip was on dirt roads, winding through empty desert, before eventual arrival at Zaqistan. The President and First Lady were welcomed by a crowd of Zaqistanis, and had their passports stamped by President Landsberg himself at the border. As the arrival was late in the day, the balance of the time was spent around a campfire, discussing micronations and micronationalism, in spirited conversation. The next day, the First Couple arose early and spent several hours helping build robots and installing a weather station to monitor Zaqistani weather. As there are no permanent residents of Zaqistan, monitoring the nation from afar is important. In the afternoon, the President and First Lady eventually took their leave from Zaqistan, bidding a fond farewell to the President and many characters that make up the Zaqistani citizenry. After an overnight stop in Wendover, Nevada, the First Couple returned to Molossia, very satisfied with an historic and entertaining visit to the artistic desert nation of Zaqistan.



The Road to Zaqistan.



Passport Stamping at the Border



The First Lady Getting Stamped.



Zaqistan at Night.



Early Morning Zaqistan.



The Monument.



The Zaqistan Flag Against the Desert Sky.



The President and First Lady at Outpost Molossia.



Presenting a Medal.



Kite Over the Mon-



Robot Sentinel.

The Flora and Fauna of Molossia!



The Mustang, Molossia's National Animal



Sagebrush, Molossia's National Flower



Rattlesnake!



Valley Quail, Molossia's National Bird



Red-Tailed Hawk



Collared Lizard



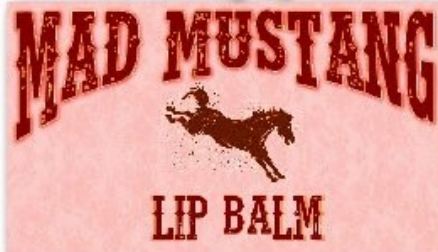
Single Leaf Juniper, Molossia's National Tree



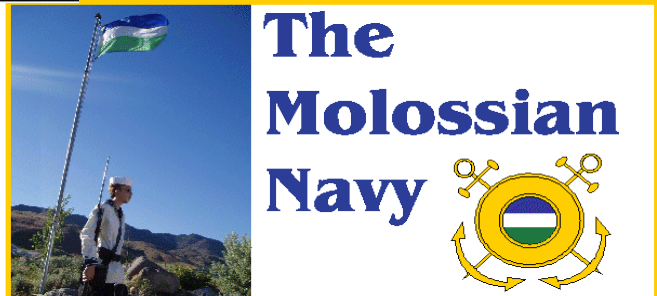
Coyote!



Don't horse around with dry lips, get Mad Mustang Lip Balm!



Upcoming Tours Of Molossia
Tours of our nation are currently planned on the following dates only:
Saturday, 14 October 2023 XLVI at 10:00 AM PST



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OCTOBER CALENDAR

Day of Merriment - October 15th - Our First Lady's Birthday, a day of happiness and celebration - and presents, cake and ice cream!

Halloween - October 31st - A huge holiday in Molossia, with all of the usual trappings, including costumes, candy and trick-or-treating.



October Birthdays

The First Lady's, of course! 15 October is the Day of Merriment!

**Liliana Grace Erickson,
31 October**



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	31 C / 90° F
Minimum Temperature	22° C / 72° F	3° C / 37.4° F
Average Temperature	22° C / 72° F	17° C / 62.6° F
Monthly Precipitation	0 mm	7.1 mm
Sunshine hours	Pretty much every day!	

The Last Word With The First Lady

Hello all! October is here and spooky season is upon us! This is the last month of tours for Molossia and then we begin to slow down. October is my favorite month of all. Not only is it my birthday month, but it's the month where leaves have changed color and begin to fall, scarves and sweaters are back in rotation and bonfires are back. We love sitting by the bonfire on a cool fall evening, just enjoying Molossia! Halloween is on the way and any reason for me to decorate is a good one! We love having special decorations up when our grandchildren and drive by tourists come around. The President and I love dressing up and often have matching couples outfits. This month also holds the President's favorite holiday, Nevada Day. We love the state that surrounds us and this is the perfect day to show our support. We have represented Molossia in the Nevada Day parade for 16 years now. This is an all day event with many opportunities for celebration. We always see many friends and supporters of Molossia during Nevada Day making the day extra special!



What kind of fall activities are your favorite? I think, anything that you do consistently with your family or friends can easily become a tradition. As you grow up you get to decide which traditions will I continue or what tradition will I begin?

Thank you all and until next time...

Watch the leaves fall and remember that anytime is a good time for change.

~Adrienne