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Special points of interest:

The original thirteen states with the date of their entry into the Union

- Delaware (December 7, 1787)
- Pennsylvania (December 12, 1787)
- New Jersey (December 18, 1787)
- Georgia (January 2, 1788)
- Connecticut (January 9, 1788)
- Massachusetts (February 6, 1788)
- Maryland (April 28, 1788)
- South Carolina (May 23, 1788)
- New Hampshire (June 21, 1788)
- Virginia (June 25, 1788)
- New York (July 26, 1788)
- North Carolina (November 21, 1789)
- Rhode Island (May 29, 1790)

Note that the Treaty of Paris ending the Revolutionary War was signed on September 3, 1783 and approved by the Congress of the Confederation on January 14, 1784.

FOGHORN BLASTER

By Ken Mahal, NSC President

WHY CAN'T WE USE OUR OWN COAL, OIL AND NATURAL GAS?

What is wrong with our country when we let as few as a dozen people in the Senate and House of Representatives stop us from exploring, drilling and piping oil and gas to our 300,000,000+ people of the United States of America? Did you ever think of how a handful of people in Washington don't want us to continue to live the life style that we have created by and for this great nation of people? I got to thinking about this the other day when one of our Senators was putting the noose around our necks when it comes to having the use of our own natural resources. I say in this time of need with oil reaching for \$150 per barrel it is time that we take our government back and do what we need to do. We have enough oil, gas and coal in this country to last for several hundred years and all I hear is that we need to develop renewable resource type of energy like wind, sun and geothermal. Well let them do it, but at the same time stop this stupidity and get the energy flowing that is abundant in our own country and I say if the environmentalist who don't like it here let them go to Dubai where they can spend their dollars in an oil rich island in the Arab peninsula where there is all kinds of energy. Of course it would be oil and there is a lot of sun so they could have their own little solar panels to cool their billion dollar condos. But back to some times when only 1 Senator is enough stop us from doing what we ought to do, use our own energy. Our own Senator Harry Reid is a good example of a man we sent to the Senate and reelected many years and now when he has the power to make things work he won't even let us have a cheap clean burning coal power generating plant up North to help with our energy shortage. How can he want to hold us hostage to this crazy high oil from the Arab peninsula as well as from the nut case in South America? I am a patriot as we can safely say that 99% of our population is, so why oh why do we let these dozen members of Congress wreck our economy? It makes no sense at all to use up almost 10% of our gross domestic product (GDP) for overpriced oil when all we need to do is get only a handful of people on the hill to overnight call for an entirely different way of doing things. Which by the way is very simple, just announce that we are going to go gangbusters all out to use the gas, oil and coal in our own country and do it now. I know that over night oil prices will drop like a rock off of the top Boulder Dam. If we do this and work around-the-clock, overnight our entire economy would also start to purr. Just think of all of the equipment, pipe, trucks, housing and you name it that would be needed if we said we want the above done now and we want to do it 24 hours day and night to get the job done. When I think about the fact that we are letting a handful of people wreck our country it is really criminal. In some countries where the firing wall is used, well forget it. Pretty soon we retirees will spend all of our money on food, prescriptions and energy to heat and cool our homes and to drive our vehicles. Even the Casinos will see less and less of

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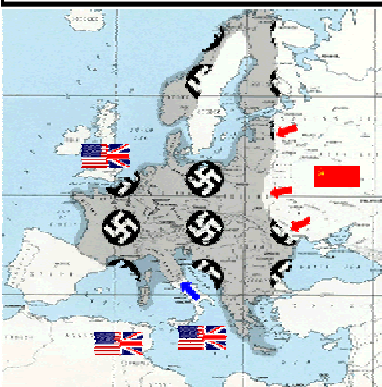
all of us if we don't do something. We all know that our economy is built around these places and with the price of fuel, how long do you think it will be before those who do come here will spend so much of their expendable cash before they get here there wont be much left to spend in the casinos. Governor Jim and all of our State of Nevada legislators – it is time that you help us stir up some action with our own members of Congress to let them know that what they are doing is killing our economy. You can help by getting out your campaign call sheets and get people to wake those people to also call our members of Congress. In fact everyone who reads this article can help by getting to anyone you know who can also help wake up the people in Washington who are responsible for killing our economy and by that we mean the economy of the entire United State of America not just Nevada.

This past week I went to Google and googled up oil and would you believe it right now there is a discovery of untold hundreds of millions of barrels of oil and billions of cubic feet of gas to be had in the areas of Bakken field which is 200,000 square miles in North and South Dakota, Montana and in Saskatchewan in southern Canada. The Bakken field is a three layer shale formation about 2 miles down with an estimate of some 500 billion barrels of recoverable oil plus, of course, all of the oil and gas in Alaska, the Gulf of Mexico and most of our coastal areas all of which have been shut down by the action or lack of action by those handful or so in Congress we listened to, including our honorable Senator Harry Reid. We also have enough coal for 150 years and the technology to clean burn it. So environmentalist get off our backs.

I remember after WWII, when the Korean War came along, we had a contract with the US Army to build an ammunition plant. I sat down with the Colonel and ask him a few questions and in no time at all we settled on the approximate size of the building and while we worked on the plans he worked on the internal assembly line and all I can say is that in three months we had a building in the ground and on the way with everything the Colonel needed as well. My point is that no one in the world can beat us in getting things done if we just give the OK to do it and then get out of the way and we get it done. The same goes for our energy needs, there is plenty of it in this country just let the hand full or so of Washington politicians give us the green light to do it and get out of the way and we will get it done. Now if the Harry Reid's of our nation wont do it we have to do something about that problem and if enough people get riled up about the con job played on us in Washington I know that politicians will not take the heat, they will cave in and play it the peoples way if only the people wake up and express their anger at how we are being treated by Washington. My point in all of this that as soon as we would announce congress was behind this kind of a move and really did it we would see an over night drop in oil prices that when I was writing this oil was going up another \$10 a barrel.

A WHILE BACK WE TALKED ABOUT BOX MEALS.

We have been using the box meals several times a week for the evening meal and this past week I bought a new one put out by Claim Jumper Restaurant brand dinners. I bought a Chicken and Noodles meal that had a great cover with lots of chicken, carrots, broccoli, and mushrooms. Well guess what, the meal was not at all like the picture and the description on the box. All they had was four half inch cubes of chicken and no vegetables at all. So I looked up their web page and sent them a letter describing what we did not have in the meal. I heard back from one of their helper bees and she was kind enough to say oh we will be glad to send you some coupons and that was about it. I can tell this is one guy who will not buy Claim Jumper box meals from the store frozen entrée section anymore. We have bought Marie Calendar meals most of the time and have never had one bad meal. But you do need to experiment. I have used Claim Jumper meals a few times and it isn't so much what was lacking as the attitude by the respondent for the corporation. I don't know about you but when it comes to service today there almost is none any more and the older I get the more I seem to see less interest by the corporations to give us service. In this case however I did call the Albertson store and the gal there told me to bring the box back and they would give me the money back and she was very nice about it so sometimes we do get a little service and it makes you feel good when someone cares. Having been in a service business as an architect I knew how important it was to give service. It is too bad businesses don't think so much about it anymore.



"Please Don't Quote Me"



82nd Airborne



101st Airborne

D-Day U.S. Army Divisions – Infantry Divisions



1st



2nd



4th



5th



8th



9th



28th



29th



30th

The D-Day invasion began on June 6, 1944, having been moved from earlier because of poor weather. "We want to get the hell over there. The quicker we clean up this Goddamned mess, the quicker we can take a little jaunt against the purple pissing Japs and clean out their nest, too. Before the Goddamned Marines get all of the credit."
– General George S. Patton, Jr. (This politically incorrect speech was given to Patton's troops on June 5, 1944.)

"There is one great thing that you men will all be able to say after this war is over and you are home once again. You may be thankful that twenty years from now when you are sitting by the fireplace with your grandson on your knee and he asks you what you did in the great World War II, you WON'T have to cough, shift him to the other knee and say, Well, your Granddaddy shoveled shit in Louisiana. No, Sir, you can look him straight in the eye and say, Son, your Granddaddy rode with the Great Third Army and a Son-of-a-Goddamned-Bitch named Georgie Patton!" – General George S. Patton, Jr. (This speech was delivered to Patton's troops on June 5, 1944)

You will bring about the destruction of the German war machine, the elimination of Nazi tyranny over the oppressed peoples of Europe, and security for ourselves in a free world. Your task will not be an easy one. Your enemy is well trained, well equipped, and battle-hardened. He will fight savagely....The free men of the world are marching together to victory. I have full confidence in your courage, devotion to duty, and skill in battle. We will accept nothing less than full victory. Good luck, and let us all beseech the blessings of Almighty God upon this great and noble undertaking." – General Dwight D. Eisenhower giving the D-Day order on June 6, 1944

"People of Western Europe: A landing was made this morning on the coast of France by troops of the Allied Expeditionary Force. This landing is part of the concerted United Nations' plan for the liberation of Europe, made in conjunction with our great Russian allies ... I call upon all who love freedom to stand with us. Keep your faith staunch. Our arms are resolute. Together we shall achieve victory." – broadcast by Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, June 6, 1944.

"What a plan! This vast operation is undoubtedly the most complicated and difficult that has ever taken place."
– British Prime Minister Winston Churchill addressing House of Commons, June 6, 1944.

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"We shot at everything that moved. The beach was soon covered with the bodies of American soldiers."
– German soldier Franz Gockel, writing to his family on June 10, 1944, about the landings on Omaha Beach four days earlier.

"There was another guy beside me and we were the first two off that boat. I went immediately into the water. It was shallow enough that I was able to get up. There was nothing. No bodies - because we were the bodies."
– Michael Accordino, who landed in the first wave on Omaha with Company A of U.S. Army's 299th Engineer Combat Battalion.

"I climbed to the top of a pear tree and said to my parents, 'Look, the cathedral is starting to burn!'"
– Jacques Guillemine, recalling the Allied bombing of Lisieux, Normandy, on June 6-7, 1944.

"Normandy is marked by the landings. It is inscribed in people's hearts, in memories, in stone, in rebuilding, in memorial plaques, in street names, everywhere."
– the Rev. Rene-Denis Lemaigre, priest of Lisieux...

Infantry Divisions – Continued

Armored Divisions



35th



79th



83rd



96th



2nd



3rd



4th



6th

Illegal Aliens Cost Americans More than Taxes

By Gregory D. Lee

I don't know what the intent of the Left-leaning Los Angeles Times was when they reported that "Healthcare gap could be fatal for ill immigrants," but it got my attention.

The article explained how an illegal Mexican immigrant snuck her infant daughter, Puente, to Los Angeles to seek treatment for a liver ailment. True to form, the infant received not one, but two liver transplants 10 years apart at an average cost of \$520,000 a pop, including anti-rejection medication. Ten years later, she received a third liver transplant, all courtesy of the California taxpayers through a state health care program for indigent children under the provisions of Medi-Cal.

Now she's 21 years old and the state refuses to pay for a fourth liver transplant because she's too old for a specific child program. To me, the "health care gap" that could be fatal for ill illegal immigrants was certain death for the three American taxpaying residents of California that were deprived of one because they were passed over for an illegal alien. There are only so many livers available for transplants, and obviously three deserving Americans were deprived of them.

And if that wasn't enough, the article went on: "Late last month, Puente learned of another, little-known option for patients with certain healthcare needs. If she notified U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services that she was in the country illegally, state health officials might grant her full Medi-Cal coverage. Puente did so, her benefits were restored and she is now awaiting a fourth transplant at UCLA."

Just about the time I was beginning to feel sorry for this woman whose health has been unfortunate since infancy, Puente was quoted as saying, "It doesn't matter if I'm undocumented. They should take care of me at UCLA for the rest of my life because I've been there since I was a baby." Excuse me? Why haven't this woman and her mother been deported yet?

When state and federal health care programs do not screen out illegal recipients, this is what you get. No wonder California must make up a budget deficit of approximately \$14 billion this fiscal year. And, what is the liberal state legislature's solution? Raise taxes, of course!

A recent crackdown on illegal immigrants in Los Angeles spurred a counterattack by Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa and other local officials who went to Washington to meet with Homeland Security Secretary Michael Chertoff to voice their concerns. Their concerns are not that approximately 450,000 to 480,000 illegal aliens in L.A. are depriving Americans of gainful employment. They contend that the increased arrests of illegals working in L.A. will affect the city's economy. Sorry to break this to the mayor, but it won't be a concern as soon as unemployed skilled and unskilled Americans have access to the jobs.

The way I see it, every illegal alien-held job is one less job for an American. There is no possible counter argument to that. Illegals only doing the work Americans won't do is ridiculous. Americans don't do construction jobs like tile work, flooring, framing, roofing, plumbing and gardening? Americans won't work in factories? And this notion that illegal Mexican immigrants want to eventually become U.S. citizens is equally nutty. What evidence is there of that? They make substantially more money, send it home, buy a hacienda and retire much better than they would if they had stayed home and worked in Mexico.

Illegal aliens cost the American taxpayer untold billions of dollars every year. Yes, we are a nation of immigrants, but we are also a nation of laws. The immigrants who first migrated here hundreds of years ago did so legally, and the thought of doing something illegal to gain citizenship repulsed them. That's the difference between then and now.

So if you like higher taxes, millions of fewer jobs for Americans, higher unemployment rates, less tax revenue for the U.S. Treasury and state governments because of under-the-table payrolls, more crime, gangs, graffiti, drive-by shootings, more expensive health care and utility bills due to deadbeats, freeway congestion, more pollution, more global warming, less available housing, unlicensed and uninsured drivers on the road, overcrowded and woefully inadequate schools, in-state college tuition for illegals, more drugs, overflowing jails, more drunk drivers, higher rents due to low supply and pressing "one" for English, than you should be happy with the status quo.

I personally would like to see those millions of jobs and scarce organ transplants go to deserving Americans instead of illegal aliens who make a mockery of our generosity. ###

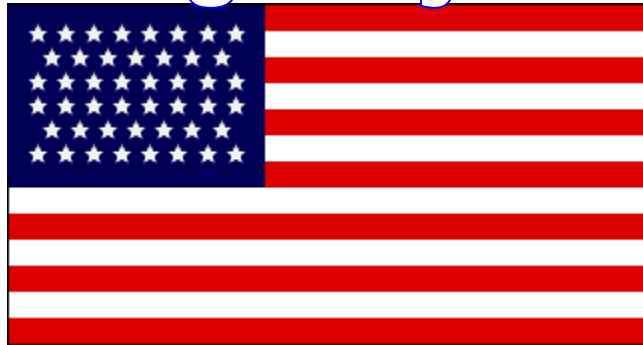
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Happy Flag Day June 14th



46 Star Flag July 4, 1908 to July 4, 1912

In 1909 Robert Peary placed a flag, sewn by his wife, at the North Pole. He also left pieces of another flag along the way. It is the only time a person has been honored for cutting the flag.

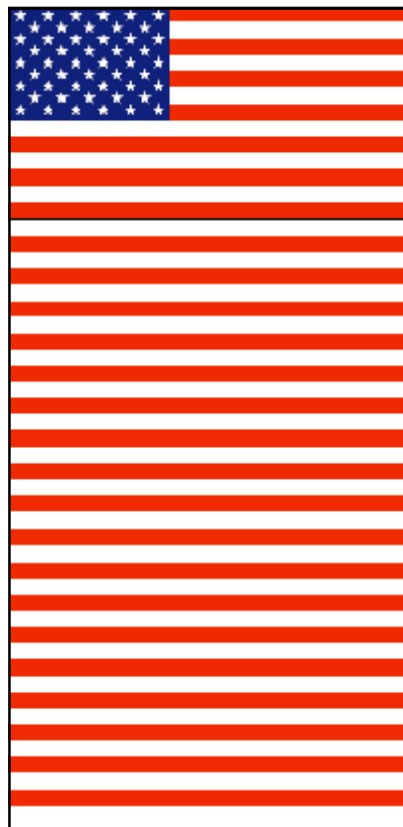
In 1963, Barry Bishop placed the flag on top of Mount Everest.

In July 1969 the American flag was "flown" in space when Neil Armstrong placed it on the moon.



The first time the American flag was flown overseas on a foreign fort was in Libya, over Fort Derne, on the shores of Tripoli in 1805.

The same design was flown over Fort William McHenry during the War of 1812. That particular flag is known as the Star Spangled Banner. It is the only U.S. flag design having 15 stripes. This design lasted for 23 years.



How the flag would look today if Congress didn't realize that the addition of a new star and new stripe for each new State was impractical, Congress passed the Flag Act of 1818 which returned the flag design to 13 stripes and specified 20 stars for the 20 states. From then on only the number of stars changed.

At the May Meeting



Las Vegas Mayor Oscar Goodman and NSC President Ken Mahal

Membership

New Members

- *Bonnie Cabrera RN*
- *Rose DiStefano*
- *Taska Miller*
- *Tina Q. Rowe*
- *Ray Taylor*

Welcome, Welcome, Welcome, Welcome

Renewing Members:

- *Donald De Langis*
- *John McBride*
- *Alma McGraham*
- *Betty Smith*
- *Hal Sthrum*
- *Roselind Van Heel*

♥ Thanks for your continued support ♥



Thanks to all of you who contributed to NSC last month. We really appreciate it.



Please help increase our membership. Tell your friends about our meetings and bring them with you.

Recruit new members.

HELP NSC GROW!!!

NSC is an all volunteer group and we always need help. The same people have been doing all the work for years. Please contact any NSC officer or director to volunteer to help.



Your membership anniversary date is on the Foghorn Mailing label. If the label is **RED**, please renew your membership, either by mail, or at the next meeting you attend. Your name is removed from the membership list 90 days after expiration.

Note: Membership dues are now \$10.00 per person.



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From the Editor

I am making a trip to California next week to attend a memorial service for a friend I worked with in General Electric for about 20 years. Luckily I have a car so I can get a loan on it to buy gasoline for the trip.

I see in the paper today (Saturday) that Nevada ranks last in the country in high school graduation rates. Good job Nevada at retaining your title of "First in Worst and Worst in the Best".

Happy Father's Day to all you fathers out there.

And thanks to all you World War II veterans who ensured that we could all be here to day to complain about our country and vote to change it if we wish.

Vern Perry



Next Meeting

The next meeting will be Thursday July 10, 2008 at 10:00 a.m. at



After the meeting why don't you eat and play, and stay all day?

Featured July speaker will be:

Clark County Social Services Supervisor

Susan Rhoades

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This Day In History, June 12, 1940

Paris on the verge of invasion

On this day in 1940, 54,000 British and French troops surrender to German Field Marshal Erwin Rommel at St. Valery-en-Caux, on the northern Channel border, as the Germans continue their gains in France.

Even though the British Expeditionary Force evacuated Dunkirk, tens of thousands of British and Allied troops remained in France. Over 3,000 Allied troops attempted to escape by sea but were stopped by German artillery fire. Surrender was the order of the day and among those taken prisoner were 12 Allied generals.

Britain refused to leave France to German occupation. Prime Minister Winston Churchill ordered more British troops back into France, and British bombers were attacking German lines of communication. British and Allied troops were still active in other parts of France and some 50 British fighters and 70 bombers were attacking German forces. Despite the British reinforcements and encouragement (Churchill flew to France himself to encourage the French leaders), General Maxime Weygand ordered the French military governor of Paris to make the French capital an open city. There was to be no armed resistance to the Germans. He was pushing for an armistice, in effect, capitulation. The enemy would be allowed to pass through unchallenged. Weygand addressed his cabinet with his assessment of the situation: "A cessation of hostilities is compulsory." He bitterly blamed Britain for France's defeat, unwilling to take responsibility for his own inept strategies and failed offensives. Soon Paris would be occupied.



The Nevada Seniors Coalition, Inc (NSC) is a nonprofit, nonpartisan organization. No person is excluded on the basis of race, sex, religion or national origin.

The organization's purpose is to promote the physical and social welfare of senior citizens, their children and grandchildren.

The organizations' goals and objectives are:

- Improvement of political and governmental institutions and processes on local, state and federal levels.
- Identify legislative trends at all levels and set NSC priorities.
- Support domestic policies responsive to the needs and will of the Nevada senior population.
- Work to involve more seniors in government. to assure government is open, responsive and accountable.
- Keep members and the general public informed on current issues affecting them. Encourage them to make their voices heard at all government levels.
- Work with other organizations in a common endeavor when their issues and programs coincide with those of NSC.



General Maxime Weygand