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Special points of interest:

The cost of a hamburger in:

✂ Dublin	\$9.16
✂ Amsterdam	\$7.88
✂ Paris	\$7.43
✂ Brussels	\$7.43
✂ Rome	\$7.30
✂ Madrid	\$7.05
✂ Tokyo	\$7.04
✂ Berlin	\$7.04
✂ Athens	\$6.66
✂ Vancouver	\$6.07
✂ NYC	\$5.99
✂ London	\$5.62
✂ Buenos Aires	\$5.57
✂ Zagreb	\$5.52
✂ Prague	\$4.91
✂ Sydney	\$4.19
✂ Moscow	\$3.95
✂ Warsaw	\$3.86
✂ Beijing	\$3.44
✂ Johannesburg	\$2.50

From Mercers Worldwide Cost of Living Survey 2009.

Mercer's annual survey has been designed to cater to the multinational companies and governments that use the study's results to help determine appropriate compensation packages for employees sent abroad.

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National Day of Service and Remembrance

THE WHITE HOUSE

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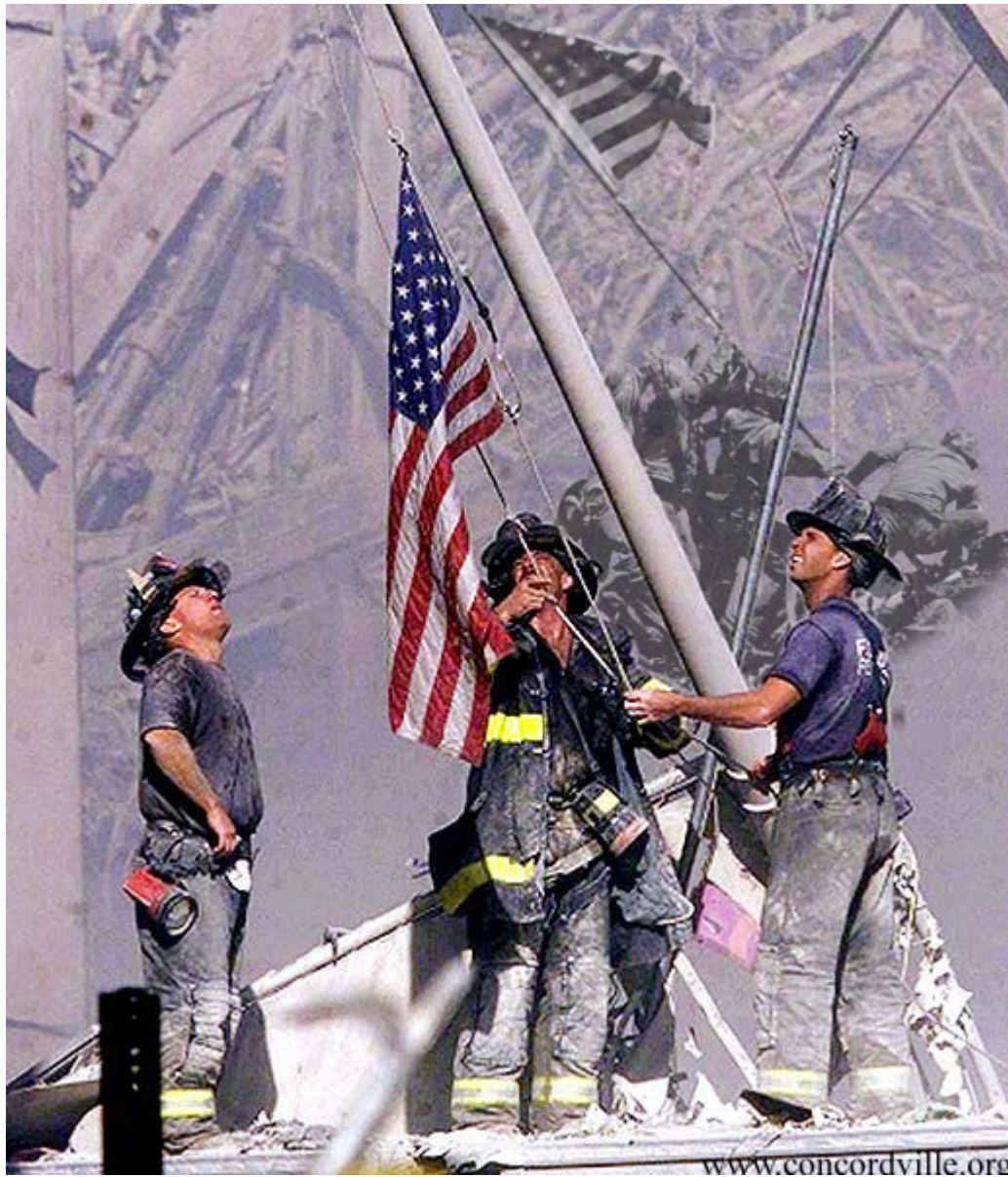
August 27,2009

This year, for the first time, the United States will honor September 11 as a National Day of Service and Remembrance. Eight years ago, the tragic events of that Tuesday morning inspired Americans to come together in a remarkable spirit of unity and compassion. In that same spirit, we call on all Americans to join in service on September 11 and honor the heroes of that dark day as well as the brave men and women in uniform who continue to protect our country at home and abroad.

Whether you have devoted a lifetime to service, volunteered for the first time this summer through United We Serve, or have yet to lend a hand in your community, we hope you will take part in this effort. We encourage you to visit www.serve.gov and find a volunteer opportunity in your neighborhood or download tools to create your own project with family and friends.

This is a unique moment in our Nation's history. We have great challenges ahead of us, but we face them at a time of renewed opportunity and hope. We are building a new foundation for growth and prosperity, but we cannot succeed without your help. We can rebuild our schools, but we need mentors and tutors to guide our students. We can modernize our health care system, but we need volunteers to care for the sick and assist others in leading healthier lives. We can invest in clean energy, but we need people to maintain energy efficiency in their homes and help create a green economy.

No force for change is more powerful than that of Americans who are making a difference in their communities. This September 11, and in the days, weeks, and months that follow, let us recommit ourselves to service, renew America's promise, and work together as one people and one Nation.



“Please Don’t Quote Me”

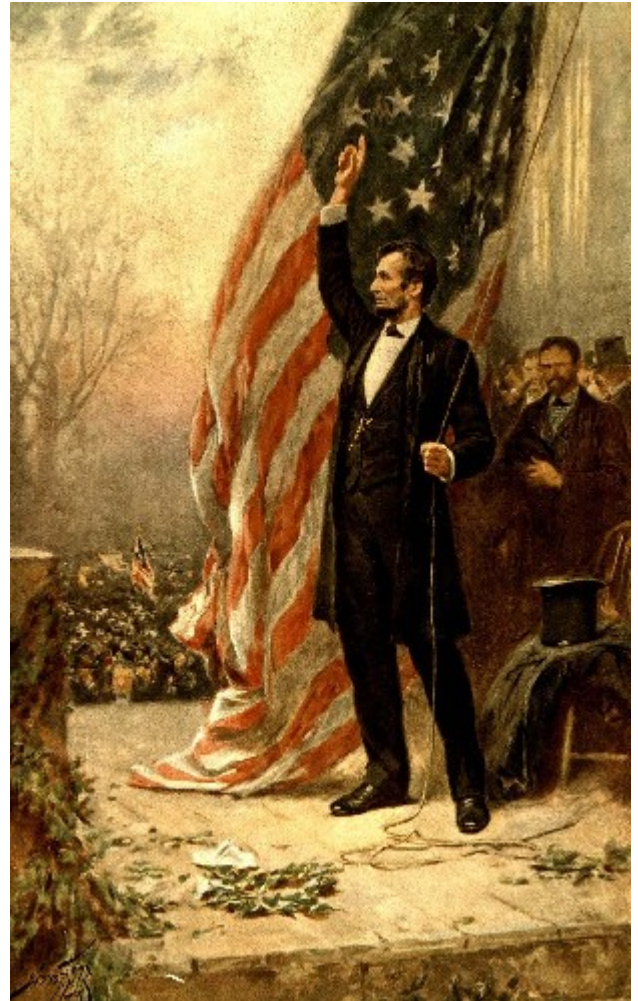
"I leave you, hoping that the lamp of liberty will burn in your bosoms until there shall no longer be a doubt that all men are created free and equal." The Collected Works of Abraham Lincoln edited by Roy P. Basler, Volume II, "Speech at Chicago, Illinois" (July 10, 1858), p. 502.

"As I would not be a slave, so I would not be a master. This expresses my idea of democracy. Whatever differs from this, to the extent of the difference, is no democracy." The Collected Works of Abraham Lincoln edited by Roy P. Basler, Volume II, (August 1, 1858?), p. 532.

"Those who deny freedom to others deserve it not for themselves; and, under a just God, cannot long retain it." The Collected Works of Abraham Lincoln edited by Roy P. Basler, Volume III, "Letter To Henry L. Pierce and Others" (April 6, 1859), p. 376.

"In giving freedom to the slave, we assure freedom to the free - honorable alike in what we give, and what we preserve. We shall nobly save, or meanly lose, the last best hope of earth. Other means may succeed; this could not fail. The way is plain, peaceful, generous, just - a way which, if followed, the world will forever applaud, and God must forever bless." Lincoln's Second Annual Message to Congress, December 1, 1862.

"My paramount object in this struggle is to save the Union, and is not either to save or to destroy slavery. If I could save the Union without freeing any slave I would do it, and if I could save it by freeing all the slaves I would do it; and if I could save it by freeing some and leaving others alone I would also do that. What I do about slavery and the colored race, I do because I believe it helps to save the Union; and what I forbear, I forbear because I do not believe it would help to save the Union. I shall do less whenever I shall believe what I am doing hurts the cause, and I shall do more whenever I shall believe doing more will help the cause." The Collected Works of Abraham Lincoln edited by Roy P. Basler, Volume V, "Letter to Horace Greeley" (August 22, 1862), p. 388.



A. Lincoln

"Fourscore and seven years ago our fathers brought forth on this continent a new nation, conceived in liberty and dedicated to the proposition that all men are created equal."

Lincoln's Gettysburg Address on November 19, 1863.

Fiscal Year 2010 Homeland Security (DHS) spending bill (H.R. 2892).

This legislation has passed both the House and the Senate. Before the bill passed the Senate, true immigration reformers scored long-awaited legislative victories with the adoption of four commonsense amendments:

1.) Sessions E-Verify Amendment #1371 — Offered by Senator Jeff Sessions (R-AL), Amendment #1371 makes the E-Verify program permanent. E-Verify is the online, electronically operated system that allows employers to quickly and easily check the work authorization status of their new employees. Without the Sessions Amendment, E-Verify is set to expire on September 30, 2009. By making E-Verify permanent, the Sessions Amendment will prevent supporters of mass amnesty from using any further extension of E-Verify as leverage to try to pass an amnesty bill for at least 12 million illegal aliens. In addition, the permanent extension would ensure that this important tool will always be available to good-faith employers. The Sessions Amendment also requires all employers who do business with the federal government to use E-Verify on their new hires, as well as existing employees assigned to affected federal contracts. This represents a huge leap towards finally ensuring that the federal government only does business with contractors who hire a legal workforce!

2.) DeMint Border Fence Amendment #1399 — Offered by Senator Jim DeMint (R-SC), Amendment #1399 requires the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) to complete almost 700 miles of double-layered reinforced fencing along the southwest border by the end of 2010. The DeMint Amendment would direct DHS to complete the border fence as Congress originally intended when it passed the Secure Fence Act of 2006. DHS has been constructing fencing that would prevent vehicular border crossings, but has only completed construction of 32 miles of double-layer fencing to deter pedestrian border crossings. The DeMint Amendment is critical to ensure that the border fence will also reduce illegal alien foot traffic.

3.) Vitter "No-Match" Amendment #1375 — Offered by Senator David Vitter (R-LA), Amendment #1375 prohibits any of the funding in the FY2010 Homeland Security spending bill from being used to rescind a DHS final rule that will notify employers whose employees name does not match their Social Security numbers (SSNs) and directs employers to act when they receive these notices. According to DHS, "most" workers with unmatched SSNs are illegal aliens. The Vitter Amendment would open up jobs held by illegal aliens by providing an important immigration enforcement tool that addresses these no-matches!

4.) Grassley E-Verify Amendment #1415 — Offered by Senator Charles Grassley (R-IA), Amendment #1415 would give employers who are enrolled in E-Verify the option to use the program to check the work authorization status of existing employees in addition to new hires. Currently, E-Verify can only be used to check the status of new hires. With unemployment now at a 25-year high, the Grassley Amendment would act as a true stimulus plan for unemployed Americans! If an employer discovers illegal aliens on his payroll, that employer can free up jobs for Americans who are out of work!

The passage of these amendments is great news for Americans who support the enforcement of our immigration laws. However, the battle to ensure that these provisions become law isn't over yet. The DHS spending bill is now set to move to a House-Senate conference to resolve the differences between the House and Senate versions of the legislation. **The House version of the bill does not contain any of the amendments listed above. This means that the Conference Report could drop any or all of these measures.**

You can help ensure that these amendments survive the conference process! Here's what you can do:

Here's a list of the Senators who have already been appointed to the Conference Committee. We need you to call these Senators and tell them:

You support the Sessions, DeMint, Vitter, and Grassley immigration enforcement and border security amendments that were adopted as part of the DHS spending bill. You expect them to do everything in their power to ensure that these amendments will be included in the final version of the bill. You won't accept any effort to strip these commonsense measures from the bill during the Conference or during any backroom negotiations.

Robert Byrd (D-West Virginia): 202-224-3954
 Daniel Inouye (D-Hawaii): 202-224-3934
 Patrick Leahy (D-Vermont): 202-224-4242
 Barbara Mikulski (D-Maryland): 202-224-4654
 Patty Murray (D-Washington): 202-224-2621
 Mary Landrieu (D-Louisiana): 202-224-5824
 Frank Lautenberg (D-New Jersey): 202-224-3224

Jon Tester (D-Montana): 202-224-2644
 Arlen Specter (D-Pennsylvania): 202-224-4254
 George Voinovich (R-Ohio): 202-224-3353
 Thad Cochran (R-Mississippi): 202-224-5054
 Judd Gregg (R-New Hampshire): 202-224-3324
 Richard Shelby (R-Alabama): 202-224-5744
 Sam Brownback (R-Kansas): 202-224-6521
 Lisa Murkowski (R-Alaska): 202-224-6665

2009 Lincoln Penny Designs



Birth and Early Childhood in Kentucky

Birth and Early Childhood in Kentucky (1809-1816)

U.S. Mint AIP* Master Designer Richard Masters' depiction of a hand-built, early 19th century frontier cabin on the first coin of the series is probably very close to how the actual one that Lincoln was born in really looked like.

U.S. Mint Sculptor-Engraver Jim Licaretz sculpted the design for the coin dies.



Formative Years in Indiana

Lincoln's Formative Years in Indiana (1816-1830)

Lincoln worked as a rail splitter for the railroad. United States Mint Sculptor-Engraver Charles Vickers designed and sculpted the second coin of the series, showing Lincoln taking a reading break from the very hard job of swinging a mallet of the size shown to split a very thick log by hitting a wedge.



Professional Life in Illinois

Lincoln's Professional Life in Illinois (1830-1861)

The building shown on the third coin is the old Springfield, Illinois state capitol. It was here that he gave his "House Divided" speech that changed the way the intellectual elite perceived him.

This coin was designed by AIP* Master Designer Joel Iskowitz and sculpted by U.S. Mint Sculptor-Engraver Don Everhart.



Presidency in Washington, D.C.

Lincoln's Presidency in Washington, DC (1861-1865)

This penny was designed by AIP* Master Designer Susan Gamble and then sculpted by U.S. Mint Sculptor-Engraver Joseph Menna. The basis for the design was the picture, shown here, that was taken on the day Lincoln was inaugurated for his first term on March 4, 1861. The U.S. Capitol dome was completed during his first term.



Photo Courtesy of the Library of Congress

This controversial design was picked as most symbolic of the challenges Lincoln faced during his presidency.

Photos Courtesy of the U.S. Mint

The 2009 cents will have the same composition as the ones produced in 1909 – 95% copper, 5% tin and zinc. The composition since 1982 has been 97.5% zinc and 2.5% copper.

* U.S. Mint Artistic Infusion Program (AIP)

At the August Meeting



Attorney Robert A. Massi with NSC President Ken Mahal



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Thanks to all of you who contributed to NSC last month.



Members



Renewing Members:

Marvin Feinberg

Thanks for your continuing support

New Members:

*** Al Bianco ***

*** Robert Massi ***

Welcome Friends



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.

Membership dues are \$10.00 per person.

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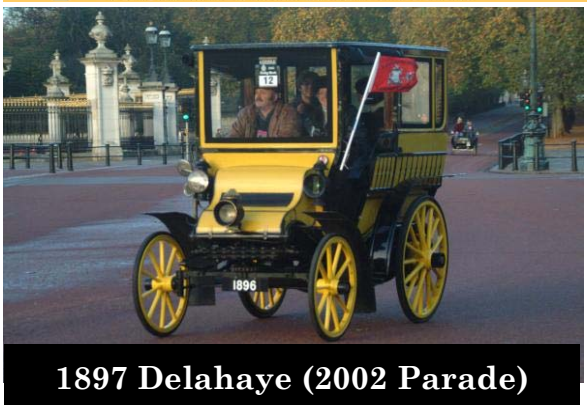
Vernon Perry Issues

Ken Mahal Liaison

September 10, 1897

First DWI arrest is made

Even without Breathalyzers and line tests, George Smith's swerving was enough to alarm British police and make him the first person arrested for drunken driving. Unfortunately, Smith's arrest did nothing to discourage the many other drunk drivers who have taken to the road since. Although drunk driving is illegal in most countries, punished by heavy fines and mandatory jail sentences, it continues to be one of the leading causes of automobile accidents throughout the world. Alcohol-related automobile accidents are responsible for approximately one-third of the traffic fatalities in the United States--16,000 deaths each year, and also account for over half a million injuries and \$1 billion of property damage annually.



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.



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