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On June 14, 1777, the design of the US flag was officially approved by Congress. We have been taking a little time every June 14<sup>th</sup> to celebrate the flag since 1916 when President Woodrow Wilson established this day as a national day of recognition.

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## The Eagle Has Landed, Don't Put Stock in it, Pop Goes the Weasel

By Vice President Knight Allen

Save the planet! Kill the birds!

An article in the LVRJ May 5,2016 read "Plan boosts allowable eagle deaths in turbines" "Federal rule proposes limit of 4,200 a year" That number is almost four times what is now allowed.

According to Dan Ashe, Fish and Wildlife Service Director the proposal will "provide a path forward" for maintaining eagle populations while also spurring development of a pollution free energy source that is intended to ease global warming, a cornerstone of President Obama's energy plan.

According to the article there are about 143,000 bald eagles in the US along with 40,000 golden eagles. Didn't we just spend half a century or longer trying to rebuild eagle numbers from a near extinction level? Now we're going to knock them off at a rate of 4,000 a year?

Note the program seeks to "maintain eagle populations." Maintain? After all this time we've only got 183,000 of these birds and the best Fish and Wildlife can do is "maintain" these puny numbers in order to serve the interests of another crony capitalist green industry?

In this case it's the birds taking it in the neck but the mass of people, not just in the US but around the world are falling victim to this climate change/ecoterrorism. The real disgrace is that while the general population's economic well being stagnates or declines the eco-terrorists themselves are doing very well. Life is good. Their income is up. Their prestige – up. Their power and influence – up.

As an outsized example Mr. Elon Musk, the King of the Greenie/Crony Capitalists whose four businesses- cars, batteries, rooftop solar and Space-X couldn't survive six months in a free mar-

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ket capitalist economy must have decided he needed some pocket change so he sold a few shares of his Tesla Motor stock. On May 28, 2016 the "Wall Street Journal" reported Mr. Musk sold 2,783,000 shares at \$213.22 for a total of \$593,321,000.

Don't forget, we can take pride in the fact that the billion dollars we (ok, our "leadership") handed to Mr. Musk has contributed, in a small way to Mr. Musk's "pocket change" sale. Can't we?

I came across a blurb from Bankrate Money Pulse\* that says less than half (48%) of American adults have money in stocks. My first reaction was that it couldn't be accurate. They must not be counting 401(k)s, IRA's, Mutual Funds, ETFs etc. But they were. That's bad news on so many fronts. I know I rant often about capital vs labor and the stock market but it's crony capitalism I despise. Real free market capitalism is the greatest economic system ever devised and it has produced so much for so many it can't even begin to be quantified. With more than half of Americans not participating that's far too many people, particularly the young, who are losing the opportunity to reap the benefits, beyond the paycheck, of their labor and productivity.

Believe me, there is no more sure-fire bet than to wager on the American worker. It's a real shame that so many of the workers themselves don't know or believe it.

\*http://www.bankrate.com/finance/consumer-index/money-pulse-0415.aspx

Got a kick out of the LVRJ article May 1,2016 "Atom smasher shut down by wandering weasel."

Seems a weasel got into the 4.4 billion dollar Large Hadron Collider, managed to blow a transformer and brought the whole machine to a halt. A spokesman said "the weasel died and little remains of it."

A moment of silence please for all the adventurous creatures among us.

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#### On June 4, 1919 the United States Congress passed the 19th Amendment to the Constitution.

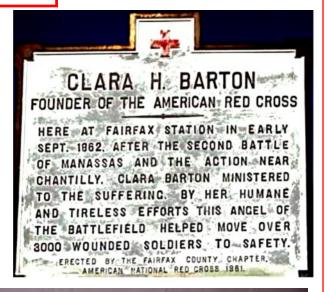
This amendment finally gave women the right to vote, The women's suffrage movement along with the abolitionist movement had started in the mid-1800s. Many women were active in both causes, and Frederick Douglas, who was prominent in the anti slavery movement, often spoke at the women rights rallies. Elizabeth Cady Stanton drafted a "Declaration of Sentiments" in 1848 which used the Declaration of Independence as a model in calling for voting rights for women. She wrote: "We hold these truths to be self-evident: that all men and women are created equal; that they are endowed by their Creator with certain inalienable rights; that among these rights are life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness; that to secure these rights governments are instituted, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed. [...] Now, in the view of this disfranchisement of one-half the people of this country [...] we insist that they have immediate admission to all the rights and privileges which belong to them as citizens of the United States. The original Constitutional Amendment was also drafted by Stanton with Susan B. Anthony's help. It was first introduced in 1878 and was stuck in committee for nine years before coming up for a vote. It was defeated. It was not considered again until 1914. President Woodrow Wilson backed it in 1918 citing women's role in helping to win WWI. The amendment finally passed in 1919, was ratified by the states and took effect in August 1920. It states "The right of citizens of the United States to vote shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any State on account of sex." Vern

## "Please Don't Quote Me"



Union Nurse
Clara Harlowe Barton
1821-1912

"Angel of the Battlefield"
nursed the wounded at
Antietam and at Virginia
battlefields. Helped identify
and mark graves
at Andersonville prison.
Founded American Red Cross.





"I may sometimes be willing to teach for nothing, but if paid at all, I shall never do a man's work for less than a man's pay."

—Clara Barton

RD.COM/QUOTES

Clarissa "Clara" Harlowe Barton was a pioneering nurse who founded the American Red Cross. She worked as a hospital nurse in the American Civil War, and as a teacher and patent clerk at a time when relatively few women worked outside the home. She is noteworthy for doing humanitarian work. Barton had a relationship with John J. Elwell, but never married.

I have an almost complete disregard of precedent, and a faith in the possibility of something better. It irritates me to be told how things have always been done. I defy the tyranny of precedent. I go for anything new that might improve the past.

## **Police Memorial Park**





Fallen Officers

Alyn Beck Igor Soldo David VanBuskirk Daniel J. Leach Trevor A. Nettleton Milburn Beitel III James Le'Treall Manor Henry Prendes Russell Peterson Donald C. Weese Marc Kahre Clark Anthony Wooldridge James Walter Harbin II James Richard Rogan Sergeant Paul De Weert William Robert Fortye George Hart Wilbur Eugene McGee Robert F. Dula, Jr. Winnie Austin Hansen **Ernest James May** 

Police Memorial Park is a city of Las Vegas park dedicated to police officers. It includes the Memorial Wall and two dedicated tree groves to memorialize local police officers who lost their lives in the line of duty. Two trees dedicated to the Ten-13 retired New York Police Officers Club, in reflection of the September 11, 2001, tragedy, are also featured within this special.

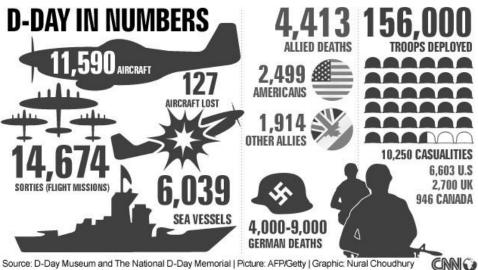
Police Memorial Wall was created by a group of city and Metro employees to honor members of the Southern Nevada law enforcement community who have passed away. Families and friends were invited to purchase bricks in memory of their loves ones. Those bricks will comprise the memorial wall.

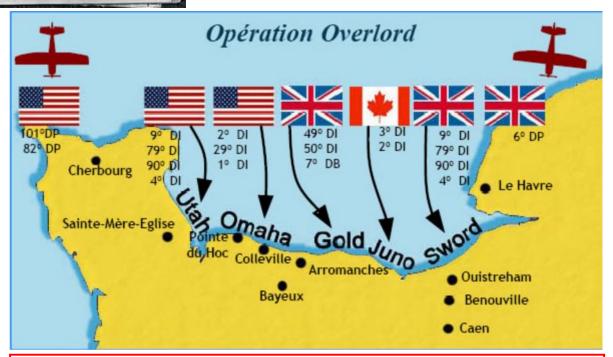
Police Memorial Wall is a tribute to those who have served unconditionally and have given an incredible gift to Southern Nevada. The 181 people whose names appear on the wall gave Southern Nevada the ultimate gift anyone can give to another – their lives, day in and day out – so that we might live in peace and safety.

Police Memorial Park is located in northwest Las Vegas at Kylemore Street (Cheyenne Avenue and Metro Academy Way).

### 72 Years Ago on June 6, 1944







On June 6, 1944, more than 160,000 Allied troops landed along a 50-mile stretch of heavily-fortified French coastline, to fight Nazi Germany on the beaches of Normandy, France. Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower called the operation a crusade in which, "we will accept nothing less than full victory." More than 5,000 Ships and 13,000 aircraft supported the D-Day invasion, and by day's end, the Allies gained a foot-hold in Continental Europe. The cost in lives on D-Day was high. More than 9,000 Allied Soldiers were killed or wounded, but their sacrifice allowed more than 100,000 Soldiers to begin the slow, hard slog across Europe, to defeat Adolf Hitler's crack troops.

From https://www.army.mil/d-day/

#### At the May Meeting



Vice President Knight Allen is shown with A Umspeaker Coroner John Fudenberg, D-ABMDI from the Clark County Office of the Coroner/Medical Examiner. The (CCOCME) investigates all deaths caused by any criminal means, violence or suicide, and any unattended death, whatever the cause. The CCOCME provides identification, performs autopsies or medical examinations, locates next-of-kin, and carries out any other requirements regarding deaths that fall under its jurisdiction. Inquiries to the CCOCME can be made j JU hYYd\cbYUnft+S&E())!' &%"

#### **Members**

**Renewing Members** 

▼Karen Maggio▼
 ▼Edward and Mary Ann Duffy▼
 Thank you for your continued support

New Members

VMary Granger V VJudge Janiece Marshal V

Welcome Aboard





Thanks to all NSC members who contributed time, gifts and money to us

It is very much appreciated.

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.



#### **Evolution of the United States Flag**

No one knows with **absolute certainty** who designed the first stars and stripes or who made it. Congressman Francis Hopkinson seems most likely to have designed it, and **few** (**if any**) historians believe that Betsy Ross, a Philadelphia seamstress, made the first one.

Until the Executive Order of June 24, 1912, neither the order of the stars nor the proportions of the flag was prescribed. Consequently, flags dating before this period sometimes show unusual arrangements of the stars and odd proportions, these features being left to the discretion of the flag maker. In general, however, straight rows of stars and proportions similar to those later adopted officially were used. The principal acts affecting the flag of the United States are the following:

- On **June 14, 1777**, in order to establish an official flag for the new nation, the Continental Congress passed the first Flag Act: "Resolved, That the flag of the United States be made of thirteen stripes, alternate red and white; that the union be thirteen stars, white in a blue field, representing a new Constellation."
- Act of January 13, 1794 provided for 15 stripes and 15 stars after May 1795.
- Act of April 4, 1818 provided for 13 stripes and one star for each state, to be added to the flag on the 4th of July following the admission of each

new state, signed by President Monroe.

- Executive Order of President Taft dated June 24, 1912 established proportions of the flag and provided for arrangement of the stars in six horizontal rows of eight each, a single point of each star to be upward.
- Executive Order of President Eisenhower dated January 3, 1959 provided for the arrangement of the stars in seven rows of seven stars each, staggered horizontally and vertically.

Executive Order of President Eisenhower dated August 21, 1959 - provided for the arrangement of the stars in nine rows of stars staggered horizon tally and eleven rows of stars staggered vertically.



The Betsey Ross Flag: Since there was no official flag during the first year of the United States, there were a great num-

ber of homespun flag designs. This flag is without question the most well known of those.



The First Official United States Flag: This 13-Star Flag became the Official United States Flag on June14th,

1777 and is the result of the congressional action that took place on that date. serve under this flag was George Washington (1789-1797).

#### **Next Meeting**

The next meeting will be on Thursday July 14, 2016 Starting at 10 a.m. at





Whitney Recreation Center 5712 E. Missouri Ave., Las Vegas, NV 702-455-7576

#### Our July 14th Speaker will be:

Clark County Commissioner of District A and The Chair of the board of County Commissioners

# Steve Sisolak



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June 9, 1869 The First Root Beer Sold

On June 9, **1869.** the first root beer was sold in Charles Hires' Philadelphia drug store. Hires Root Beer remains the longest selling soft drink in the United States.

In response



to the temperance movement and the quest to find better-tasting non-alcoholic beverages, Hires developed a strong tasting tea concentrate made up of more than 25 herbs, roots and berries. He then mixed it with seltzer and – voilà – one of the greatest soft drinks ever was invented.

Hires promoted his new concoction on a commercial scale at the 1876 Philadelphia Centennial Exposition. To ensure that it appealed to the largest audience possible, he wisely called it root beer instead of root The Nevada Seniors Coalition, Inc. (NSC) is a nonprofit, non-partisan organization. No person is excluded on the basis of race, sex, religion or national origin.

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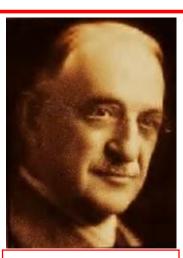
The organizations' goals and objectives are:

- 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.

tea. By 1893, Hires Root Beer was sold as a bottled soft drink.

Today, Hires is one of the many brand mass-producing the beverage along with the A&W, Barq's and Mug. However, numerous root beers are sold on a regional basis across the country.





**Charles Elmer Hires**