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# Happy 4th!

We wish you a safe and wonderful Fourth of July with your family and friends.



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# Did you Know? July 4th Trivia

- 1. John Adams reportedly did not believe that we should celebrate the birth of America's independence on July 4. He apparently went so far as to turn down invitations to appear at July 4th events in protest. On what day did he believe we should celebrate America's independence?
- 2. Fireworks on the 4th of July go all the way back to 1777. Which city (or cities) held the first fireworks display?
- 3. Which state was the first to make July 4 an official state holiday?
- 4. How many U.S. Presidents have died on July 4?

#### **ANSWERS:**

- 1. John Adams believed that July 2nd was the correct date on which to celebrate the birth of American independence.
- 2. Boston and Philadelphia.
- 3. In 1781, Massachusetts became the first state to make July 4th an official state holiday.
- 4. Three of the first five U.S. presidents died on July 4. John Adams and Thomas Jefferson both died on July 4, 1826, the 50th anniversary of the country's birth (approximately 5 hours apart). James Monroe, the fifth president, died five years later in 1831.

Sources: The History Channel at History.com and New England Historical Society at www.newenglandhistoricalsociety.com.

# What's online @ nmplabor.com

The NMP website has our COVID-19 Client Advisors as well as new legislation and resources for city, town and school leaders and managers. In case you missed it, here is a sampling of what is available online:

- EEOC Update: The Latest COVID-19 Guidance (June 11, 2020)
- DESE's Initial Fall Reopening Guidance
- FFCRA Leave Amid School and Camp Closures

These posts and many more our available online on our COVID-19 Resources page.