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Fun Facts About July 4th

- Only two people actually signed the Declaration of Independence on July 4: John Hancock and Charles Thomson, secretary of Congress. Most of the others signed on August 2.
- The first-ever fireworks display to recognize the Fourth of July holiday was held on July 4, 1777, just one year after the U.S. gained its independence from Great Britain.
- July 4th wasn't a federal holiday until 1870, and the White House did not have a 4th of July party until 1801.
- Three presidents have died on July 4: Thomas Jefferson, John Adams, and James Monroe.
Coincidentally, Jefferson and Adams died on the same day in 1826, the 50th anniversary of the Declaration of Independence.
- The Liberty Bell in Philadelphia is tapped 13 times every July 4th in honor of the 13 original colonies.
- Calvin Coolidge is the only president that was born on the 4th of July.
- Americans spend more than \$1 billion on fireworks annually.
- Edward Rutledge was the youngest person to sign the Declaration of Independence at 26 years old, while Benjamin Franklin was the oldest at 70 years old.
- The Star Spangled Banner became the United States' national anthem in 1931.
- There have been 27 versions of the U.S. flag.

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Health Rx

Here's To Your Good Health!

National Blueberry Month

Feeling blue? Celebrate National Blueberry Month and feel better! Research indicates that health benefits of blueberries may include improved mood, cognitive function, and immunity. Eat up and have a berry good July.



Notifications

Come check out what's new in the MAHOVA Clothes Rack.
Update your wardrobe without leaving campus.
Open every Thursday at 10:00 A.M. next to Main Dining Room



If you would like to join the MAHOVA Book Club, which meets monthly, please contact Bonnie White at 804-222-1694 ext 177304.

Book Ends

By Georgeen Carden

Ridley Pearson

Pearson was born in 1953 in Glen Cove, New York and raised in Connecticut. He currently lives in St. Louis, Missouri with his wife and two daughters. He frequently uses his daughters in cameo appearances in his novels.

An interesting fact is that he plays bass guitar and sings in a band.

Pearson has won many awards for his writing. He has co-written several books with his good friend, Dave Barry. He has frequently written things for Disney films, but the book being reviewed is certainly not one of them.

He is a prolific writer having written several series of adult crime novels as well as several series of novels for teenagers.

Killer Summer

Sheriff Walt Flemming is the major character in this novel. He is on his way to the annual wine auction held in western Idaho. He has been charged with protecting a briefcase containing wine that purportedly was a gift from Thomas Jefferson to John Adams.

Simultaneously, he is also trying to bond with his nephew, Kevin, whose father has died. The two are on their way fishing when they observe a wrecker towing a car containing a man seated in the driver's seat. Reluctantly, Walt finds a spot to turn around, pursues the wrecker, and catches up with him as he is turning the towed car loose. As the wrecker speeds away Walt wants to pursue, but notices the man in the car is slumped over the steering wheel. Sheriff Walt calls for an ambulance and tends to the unconscious man in the towed car. The man dies as he is being loaded in the ambulance.

A second important character in the novel is Summer Sumner whose father is involved in a plot to steal the Thomas Jefferson wine. She has decided to become a thief as well. She has her eye on Kevin.

Sheriff Walt ends up with several problems. He is trying to provide protection for the wine auction. He is trying to solve the murder of the man in the towed car. He is trying to keep an eye on Kevin and keep him from getting into serious trouble. The crime turns out to be way bigger than Walt had any idea it would be. Is there a connection between the dead man and the wine auction? Does he keep Kevin from getting involved? What unexpected part does Summer play?

I found this novel to be an engaging story, believable, great tension and a satisfying ending. The characters seem real and the plot intriguing.

Anniversaries



July 1, 1989 Raymond and Ramona Ridgeway
July 14, 1984 Steve and Rebecca Bollinger
July 28, 1978 Tom and Valerie Hall

New Residents

WELCOME

Charles "Tom" and Sue Montgomery
Liberty Lodge No. 95

Leta Shannon
Warwick Lodge No. 336

In Memoriam



Patricia Heald

Word Search Battle

Presidents



ADAMS	FILLMORE	JOHNSON	TAFT
ARTHUR	FORD	MADISON	TRUMAN
BUCHANAN	GARFIELD	MONROE	TRUMP
BUSH	GRANT	OBAMA	TYLER
CLEVELAND	JACKSON	PIERCE	WILSON
CLINTON	JEFFERSON	POLK	

July Movies

Movies start at approximately 6 PM. Channel 5.1 and TV Room

Flags of Our Fathers - Monday, July 3

In 1945, the Marines attack twelve thousand Japanese protecting the twenty square kilometers of the sacred Iwo Jima Island in a very violent battle. When they reach Mount Suribachi, five Marines and one Navy Corpsman raise their flag on the top. This picture becomes a symbol in a post Great Depression America. The government brings the three survivors to America to raise funds for war, bringing hope to desolate people, and making the three men heroes of the war. However, the traumatized trio has difficulty dealing with the image built by their superiors, sharing the heroism with their mates. Released: 2006. 2 hours 15 minutes. Rated: R. Starring: Ryan Phillippe, Jess Bradford, and Adam Beach

Amazing Grace - Friday, July 7

The idealist William Wilberforce maneuvers his way through Parliament, endeavoring to end the British transatlantic slave trade. Released: 2006. 1 hour 58 minutes. Rated: PG Starring: Ioan Gruffudd, Romola Garai, and Ciaran Hinds

My Fair Lady - Monday, July 10

Pompous phonetics Professor Henry Higgins is so sure of his abilities that he takes it upon himself to transform a Cockney working-class girl into someone who can pass for a cultured member of high society. His subject turns out to be the lovely Eliza Doolittle, who agrees to speech lessons to improve her job prospects. Higgins and Eliza clash, then form an unlikely bond, one that is threatened by aristocratic suitor Freddy Eynsford-Hill. Released: 1964. 2 hours 50 minutes. Rated: G. Starring: Audrey Hepburn and Rex Harrison

Indiana Jones and the Raiders of the Lost Ark - Monday, July 17

In 1936, archaeologist and adventurer Indiana Jones is hired by the U.S. government to find the Ark of the Covenant before the Nazis can obtain its awesome powers. Released 1981. 1 hour 55 minutes. Rated: PG
Starring: Harrison Ford and Karen Allen

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Big - Friday, July 21

After wishing to be made big, a teenage boy wakes the next morning to find himself mysteriously in the body of an adult. Released 1988. 1 hour 44 minutes. Rated: PG Starring: Tom Hanks and Elizabeth Perkins

California Suite - Monday, July 24

Five couples come to the Beverly Hills Hotel for diverse reasons and must all confront some rather amusing personal dilemmas. Released: 1978. 1 hour 43 minutes. Rated: PG Starring: Alan Alda, Michael Caine, Bill Cosby and Jane Fonda

City Slickers - Friday, July 28

On the verge of turning 40, an unhappy Manhattan yuppie is roped into joining his two friends on a cattle drive in the southwest. Released 1991. 1 hour 54 minutes. Rated PG-13 Starring: Billy Crystal, Daniel Stern and Bruno Kirby

Desk Set - Monday, July 31

Two extremely strong personalities clash over the computerization of a television network's research department. Released 1957. 1 hour 43 minutes. Not Rated Starring: Spencer Tracy and Katharine Hepburn

Resident Birthdays

Happy Birthday to the following residents who celebrate their birthdays:

7/1 Margaret Hardin	7/19 Sandra Young
7/1 Marian Wright	7/20 Julia Malliarakis
7/2 Linda Dudley	7/24 Eleanor Curtis
7/4 William Reinhold	7/24 Priscilla Sensabaugh
7/6 Sharon Floyd	7/26 Wilma Thompson
7/7 Wanda Lucey	7/29 Nancy Harver
7/11 Rebecca Bollinger	7/30 John Deputy
7/16 J. Armistead Ransone	

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Masonic Home Census: 165

Employee Birthdays

7/2 Nestelynn Staten
7/3 Victoria Brown
7/8 Lillian Matthews
7/8 Lekisha Walker
7/10 Juanita Brown
7/17 Leonard Smith
7/19 Maria Slate
7/19 Alicia Richardson
7/26 Lelah Gary
7/31 Betty Goode-White

New Hires

Aceya Johnson, Dining
Akwasi Korantent, RN Supervisor
Dusuba Fofanah, RN Supervisor

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