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INDEPENDENCE DAY 2006: A TIME TO CELEBRATE FREEDOM

Independence Day, also called the Fourth of July, is a federal holiday celebrating the adoption of the Declaration of Independence on July 4, 1776, declaring independence from the Kingdom of Great Britain.

Independence Day is commonly associated with parades, barbecues, picnics, baseball games, and various other public and private events celebrating the history and traditions of the U.S. Fireworks have been associated with the Fourth of July since 1777. (Information from [Wikipedia](#))

Related websites:

- <http://www.usacitylink.com/usa/>
Happy Birthday America! Includes links to historical documents and government resources.
- <http://www.fireworksafety.com/>
National Council on Fireworks Safety includes tips and statistics.
- <http://memory.loc.gov/ammem/today/jul04.html>
Today in History: July 4 is a product of the American Memory collection of the Library of Congress. You can see historical documents and newspapers, hear speeches, and other media.
- <http://www.fourth-of-july-celebrations.com/>
4th of July Celebrations contains recipes, lists of events, and safety tips for a fun celebration.

📖 Used Book Sale 📖

Looking for a little light reading? Make sure you visit our used book sale! Feel free to bring in your donations of lightly used paperbacks, hardcover, fiction or nonfiction. The proceeds will be used to purchase equipment in the new library.

July News & Notes

Through a cooperative effort with the Family Court Counseling Service (FCCS) and other family court offices, a new edition of the **Dane County Family Court Resource Booklet** is now available. You may purchase hard copies of the booklet for \$3.00 by contacting DCLRC or FCCS (266-4607) or view the booklet online at:

<http://www.countyofdane.com/familycourtcounseling/page1.html>

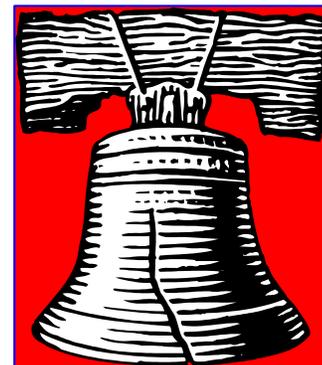


July 27, 1858 was the first use of **fingerprints** as a means of identification. For more information on the historical use of fingerprints, see:

<http://onin.com/fp/fphistory.html>

It is a popular belief that on July 8, 1835, the **Liberty Bell** cracked while tolling during the funeral procession of Chief Justice of the United States Supreme Court, John Marshall. There is no evidence or witnessing of this event, however. For more about the Liberty Bell, visit the Liberty Bell Museum's Frequently Asked Questions page:

<http://www.libertybellmuseum.com/faqs.htm>



Independence in Wisconsin. A quick search reveals 22 hits on the word "independence" in the [Wisconsin statutes](#). "Freedom" results in 92 hits, "liberty" yields 68 hits, while "fireworks" has 39 hits. A search of the [Directory of Wisconsin Cities, Towns and Villages](#) shows five municipalities in Wisconsin have "Freedom" somewhere in their name. In addition, there is one city called "Independence" located in Trempealeau County and ten called "Liberty" somewhere in the state.

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Mall on the UW Campus
<http://library.law.wisc.edu/>