

LEGAL SMART

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The mission of Legal Resources is to provide superior legal services to our members, enabling them to lead active, healthy and worry-free lives, free of major legal expenses.

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TIP OF THE MONTH



Why You Should Backup Smartphone Photos

In 2017, smartphones and tablets captured 90% of the 1.2 trillion pictures taken digitally. That's a lot of data to lose. Summer puts us at greater risk for technology mishaps, be it water-logged hard drives, lost devices, accidental deletion, and more. Prevent the loss of beloved data by backing up pictures on a weekly basis using external drives or cloud services.



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Member Story: A Legal Resources' Journey

Rosalind has been a member with Legal Resources for nearly a year. Not only has her Legal Plan provided peace of my mind, but proved fruitful during a travel mishap.

Legal Resources: Why did you join Legal Resources?

Rosalind: I am a small business owner, as well as a city employee. I know what it would cost to retain an attorney for different [legal] situations that may arise.

LR: Can you briefly describe the legal issue you encountered?

Rosalind: I rented a Land Rover to drive to Georgia. The car drove smoothly, but before you knew it, I had blue lights trailing behind me. I explained [to the officer] I was unfamiliar with the car and do not speed. Long story short, I received a citation for reckless driving.

LR: Was the traffic citation resolved?

Rosalind: My court case is scheduled for September, but I have an attorney from Legal Resources and did not have to come out of pocket for a retainer fee.



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Retire or Resume?

Baby Boomers make up nearly 73 million of the United States' population, many of whom have approached 2020 with the question of: Do I retire, or do I work elsewhere? While some Boomers consult with lawyers and financial advisors to evaluate insurances, Social Security, retirement benefits, 401(k)s, and life documents, others turn to self-employment in the digital age.

Forbes explores Boomers' new path here:

A New Way to Retire

SOMETHING DIFFERENT

A Year Without Fireworks

Much like 2020 itself, this year's Independence Day will be one for the history books. Major U.S. cities have cancelled firework displays and festive parades to protect against a second wave of coronavirus infections. Pre-pandemic, the 16,000+ firework displays hosted across the nation comprised 65% of Fourth of July activities for American families. The lack of fireworks doesn't mean we can't celebrate the national holiday, however. Here are a few ways to creatively honor the red, white, and blue:

1. Light Up the Sky. Replace firework displays with sparklers, bubbles, and colored balloons filled with glow sticks. All can be used safely in your driveway or backyard.
2. Festive Feast. Host a social distance barbecue with a red, white, and blue fruit tray, flag cake, patriotic cocktails, and more.
3. Stream Fireworks. Still want to witness the grandeur of Independence Day fireworks? Watch past years' celebrations on popular streaming services like YouTube, Vimeo, and PBS.
4. Host a Backyard Parade. Dress in your Fourth of July finest and parade around your lawn to the Star Spangled Banner. Embellish wagons with streamers, U.S. flags, confetti, and other festive decorations.

DID YOU KNOW ?...

July 4 not only marks Independence Day, but the Earth's placement in **aphelion**. Aphelion is an annual cosmic phenomenon during which Earth's position in orbit is at its farthest point from the sun. This year, Earth's distance from the sun will be exactly 94,507,635 miles. According to The Old Farmer's Almanac, aphelion will occur at 7:34 a.m. EDT, 6:34 a.m. CDT, 5:34 a.m. MDT, 4:34 a.m. PDT, 3:34 a.m. Alaskan Time, and 2:34 a.m. Hawaiian Time.

CYBER CORNER

With summer in session, children have more free time to spend online, streaming videos and gaming with friends. Hackers are well aware of children's' vulnerability online, so be sure to talk with kids about internet safety. Here are a few key takeaways:

- Do not share personal information such as names, birthdays, addresses, and passwords
- Check with an adult before downloading apps or "free" items
- Do not reply to any pop-up messages requesting information

For more information on Child Privacy, visit <https://www.consumer.ftc.gov/topics/protecting-kids-online>



Frequently Asked Questions



Q: Despite nationwide reopenings, COVID-19 is having ripple effects on several personal legal matters. How can Legal Resources help me address these issues during the pandemic?

A: We forecasted issues in nearly every area of law impacted by COVID-19. Call your attorney, our Member Services department, or review our COVID-related documents here:
<https://www.legalresources.com/covid-19>

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