

Celebrate the Fourth of July Stillwaters Style! Test yourself on your Fourth of July knowledge and see how you rate on remembering history. I found this great quiz on the [AARP.org](https://www.aarp.org) website. Only 10 questions so let's see how you do!

(Answers are at the end of the blog)

How Much Do You Know About the Fourth of July?

1.

What historical event do Americans celebrate on the Fourth of July?

- ☐ Official signing of the Declaration of Independence
- ☐ George Washington's birthday
- ☐ The first shots of the American Revolution
- ☐ Formal adoption of the Declaration of Independence

2.

When were fireworks first used in an official Fourth of July celebration?

- ☐ 1777
- ☐ 1812
- ☐ 1876
- ☐ 1901

3.

Which president first held a Fourth of July celebration at the White House?

- ☐ George Washington

- ☐ John Adams
- ☐ Thomas Jefferson
- ☐ James Madison

4.

Which newspaper first printed the Declaration of Independence?

- ☐ The Philadelphia Eagle
- ☐ The New York Times
- ☐ The Pennsylvania Evening Post
- ☐ The National Enquirer

5.

Which two U.S. presidents died on July 4 in the same year?

- ☐ Thomas Jefferson and John Adams
- ☐ James Monroe and Martin Van Buren
- ☐ Millard Fillmore and Andrew Johnson
- ☐ William Howard Taft and Warren G. Harding

6.

Which U.S. president was born on Independence Day?

- ☐ Calvin Coolidge
- ☐ James Buchanan
- ☐ Lyndon B. Johnson
- ☐ Ronald Reagan

7.

How many people were living in the United States of America on July 4, 1776?

- ☐ 2.5 million
- ☐ 9 million
- ☐ 15 million
- ☐ 30 million

8.

When did the Fourth of July become a federal holiday?

- ☐ 1777
- ☐ 1870
- ☐ 1876
- ☐ It's a state holiday, not a federal holiday.

9.

Which of the following was not one of the original 13 American Colonies?

- ☐ Vermont
- ☐ Georgia
- ☐ Massachusetts
- ☐ North Carolina

10.


What baseball player threw a 4-0 no-hitter against the Boston Red Sox on July 4, 1983?

- ○ Jim Palmer of the Baltimore Orioles
- ○ Orel Hershiser of the Los Angeles Dodgers
- ○ Jack Morris of the Detroit Tigers
- ○ Dave Righetti of the New York Yankees

Quote of the Week:

All we have of freedom, all we use or know –
This our fathers bought for us long and long ago.
~Rudyard Kipling, *The Old Issue*, 1899

Happenings this week:

Tomorrow, July 4th: Stillwaters Annual Fourth of July BBQ. It all starts at  noon tomorrow in The Gathering Place with hotdogs and hamburgers. Bring a salad, side dish, or dessert to share. Tableware provided. Come join the fun and celebrate the Fourth with your neighbors.

Weather: Wow! The heat has really been exceptional for our area. We have had 90 + degree weather each day this week. The forecast is for hot hot days through midweek next week and then temperatures reduce to the 80s. I think it is going to be a hot and dry summer so find ways to stay cool!

Quiz Answers: 1. Formal adoption of the Declaration of Independence, 2. 1777, 3. Thomas Jefferson, 4. The Pennsylvania Evening Post, 5. Thomas Jefferson and John Adams, 6. Calvin Coolidge, 7. 2.5 million, 8. 1870, 9. Vermont, 10. Dave Righetti of the New York Yankees,