



Picnics and parades.

Fireworks.

Another celebration in a free nation.

However, July 4, 2002, finds us engaged in a war unlike any we've faced before.

A war on terror.

We read and hear about it daily.

Terror has been woven into the fabric of our lives and as a nation we've changed. We've become determined not to allow a country or a group take away the freedoms that have been won on the battlefields of past wars.

As we gather for our picnics and parades, let us pause for a moment to cherish what it really means to be an American.

Have a safe and enjoyable holiday.