Happy Independence Day!

The EMC would like to wish our friends a relaxing and happy 4th of July! Here is a little something to help you kick off your backyard celebration:

**Ike's BBQ Sauce**
*(Courtesy of the Eisenhower Library)*

1/4 cup butter  
1 No. 2 can tomatoes, sieved (2 cups)  
1 tbsp. sugar  
1 small onion, finely chopped  
2 tsp. chili powder  
1 tsp. black pepper

1/4 tsp. tabasco sauce  
1/4 cup vinegar  
3 tsp. paprika  
2 tsp. salt  
1-1/2 tsp. Worcestershire sauce

Mix all ingredients and simmer about 15 minutes. Use for basting.
meat or chicken, and serve as a sauce for it as well. Makes enough for about 5 lbs. of meat (or chicken).

Need some potato salad or corn on the cob to go with? Check out Ike & Mamie's favorite recipes at the Eisenhower Library Archives.

Dwight Eisenhower enjoying grilling during retirement at his winter home in Palm Springs, CA, 1961

Ike In History

Got travel plans for the holiday weekend? Chances are you will be driving on America's interstate highways, one of Dwight Eisenhower's greatest and enduring legacies, which turned 60 this week. On June 29, 1956, President Eisenhower signed the landmark Federal-Aid Highway Act, authorizing construction funding of the interstate highway system, the "greatest public works project in American history." It was quite the legislative achievement from the man who once said "I never saw a paved road in my youth."

Eisenhower was also instrumental in the creation of the Saint Lawrence Seaway. On June 26, 1959, he and Queen Elizabeth II presided over the Seaway's dedication and formal opening at Saint Lambert Locks in Montreal. This iconic joint project between the United States and Canada has enabled large ships and tankers to sail directly to and from the Atlantic Ocean and the Great Lakes region. Since its opening, more than two billion tons of cargo have been transported through the 2,500-mile waterway, increasing North
American commercial opportunities and lowered costs for shipping goods to and from the Midwest.

Learn more about Eisenhower contributions to infrastructure and transportation in the E-Memorial Pivotal Moment, Space Race.

[VIDEO] President Eisenhower and Queen Elizabeth at the dedication of the St. Lawrence Seaway, Montreal, Canada, June 26, 1959, video courtesy of British Pathé

This waterway, linking the oceans of the world with the Great Lakes of the American continent, is the culmination of the dreams of thousands of individuals on both sides of our common Canadian-United States border. It is the latest event in a long history of peaceful parallel progress by our two peoples.

- President Eisenhower, Remarks at the opening of the St. Lawrence Seaway, June 26, 1959, Montreal, Canada

Test Your Ike'spertise!

Trivia Question: How many times did Eisenhower grace the cover of TIME magazine? (see answer below)
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Trivia Answer: 18. Eisenhower was featured eighteen times on the cover of TIME magazine between 1942 and 1994, including twice as TIME's "Man of the Year" -- once as General (1944) and once as President (1959).
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