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News from the Republic of Molossia



The President's New Year's Speech

8 February 2016

My Fellow Molossians, Greetings.

It is a new year, a time of renewal and promise. Indeed, our New Year, celebrated at the time of the Lunar New Year, already presages spring. Winter is still in control, but warm days and sunshine are just around the corner. It is time now to shake off the cold and move forward into the light. So it is with life in general and with our nation, of course. There are always times that try us, but such trials are only passing and we must always keep in mind the larger goal, making our world better and our nation a greater place. Each day is a step forward and as long as we move forward then we make progress. Molossians are a strong people and our nation is a growing and vibrant place. I never cease to be amazed at what we have accomplished as a people and as a country. This tiny plot of land, a mere speck on the earth, has already cast a mighty shadow on the world. Each of our steps make a difference, not only in our lives but even in the lives of others outside Molossia.

We have done great things with our nation, and greater things lie in store for us yet. I might say now that we must keep working toward those greater things, but I do not need to, for we are already doing that. Each Molossian, in ways small and large, works toward the future every day. No exhortations are necessary, we already do what needs done to make our nation a better place, day by day. And I know, I am extremely confident, that we will continue to do so. Yes, our nation is indeed small, but the future is ours. It belongs to every one of us, each Molossian, a future of mighty accomplishments, of promise and of wonder, a future that is ours to seize and mold. We are a great nation, past and present, and it is an honor to stand with you as we stride toward that future.

God Bless You,
Long Live Molossia!



Two Holidays

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Molossia is a nation that enjoys its holidays and this year we celebrated two back-to-back. The first was Chinese (or Lunar) New Year, on Monday, 8 February. This holidays marks the symbolic beginning to our year and is celebrated with Chinese food and the annual New Year's speech by His Excellency, The President. On the heels of that came Mardi Gras, on Tuesday, 9 February. This holiday was celebrated with muffaletta sandwiches - a Molossian favorite - and King Cake, a New Orleans specialty newly adopted here in Molossia. This small feast was followed by mild revelry, something Molossians also enjoy, and a fine time was had by all.

Muffaletta And King Cake



Influenza Epidemic In Molossia

17 February 2016 XXXIX

This past week has seen a sudden outbreak of Influenza Type A here in the Republic. Thus far four out of the seven resident citizens of our nation have been stricken, including Our President, First Lady, Chief Constable, and our youngest citizen, Bradley. The flu brings with it the usual symptoms of fatigue, aches, coughing and fever. The President was especially hard hit, ending up with pleurisy in his lungs as well. Most cases have necessitated a visit to the doctor, over the border in the US. The epidemic began on Wednesday, 10 February, with the most recent case developing on 17 February. Slowly our stricken citizens are recovering, but the Molossian Ministry of Health remains vigilant for new cases, and pledges to do all it can to get and keep Molossians healthy again.



His Excellency, The President Being Treated

**Spread the Facts
NOT Your Germs**

-  Get vaccinated
-  Stay home if you're sick
-  Wash hands frequently
-  Cover coughs/sneezes
-  Avoid touching your nose, mouth & eyes

Molossian Ministry Of Health 

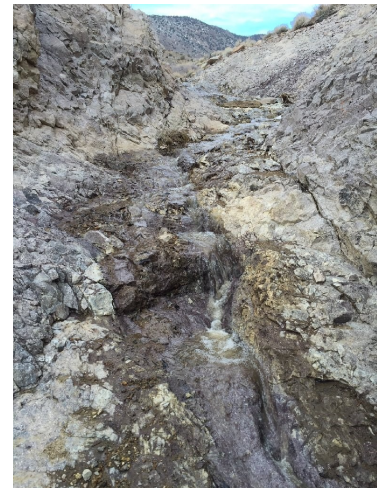
Hike To The Waterfall

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The Republic of Molossia has a couple of National Parks that actually lie outside our nation, over the border in the United States. One of these is Heliotrope Falls, centered around the eponymous waterfall, located in the hills about two Imperial Nortons (2 KM) north of Molossia. The falls are rather small and very seasonal, being active only during the early months of the year, during spring runoff. On 6 February 2016 XXXIX a contingent of Molossians set out to visit the Falls, an event that only happens every few years due to its remoteness. An hour hike brought our explorers to the narrow canyon in which the Falls lie. A brief, unsuccessful search was then undertaken to find a small marker planted there years ago by our government. Following this, the team headed north to explore the creek that feeds the Falls. This was largely unexplored terrain, and for the next hour the adventurers followed the stream as it wound through the steep canyon. Scrambling over boulders, forging through the underbrush and blazing trails up hillsides, the team chased the creek further and further up the mountain until waning light finally forced an end to the expedition. Returning reluctantly to Molossia, the explorers vowed to complete the mission soon and find the beginning of the stream that feeds our waterfall.



Further Up The Canyon



Heliotrope Falls!

Time Capsule

29 February 2016 XXXIX

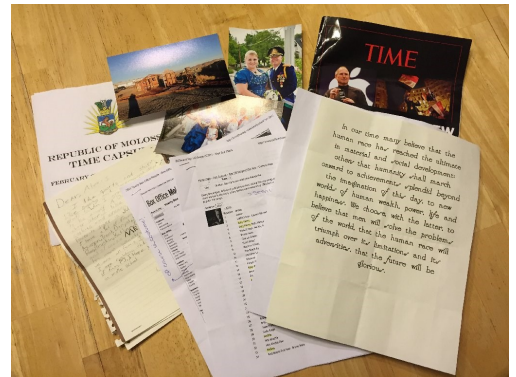
.Four years ago the Government of the Republic of Molossia buried a Time Capsule in Red Square. The Molossian Time Capsule was our emissary to the future, a messenger from then to now. Buried in front of the President's Office, at midday on Leap Day, 29 February 2012 XXXV, it was dug up today, Leap Day, 29 February 2016 XXXIX, four years later. Before a crowd of Molossians, the capsule from the past was opened, and inside were found photographs, letters to the future from Molossian citizens, a Time Magazine covering the events of the past year and miscellaneous knick-knacks from the First Family. After examining the mementos four years past, the Time Capsule was filled with a new round of notes, mementos and a collection of video interviews and returned to the soil from which it so recently emerged. For the next four years our Time Capsule will again sit undisturbed beneath Red Square, only to be opened with great fanfare by the future us. Who knows what that future will bring and how we will look back upon the present when the capsule is opened. Here's to the future of Molossia and the celebration of our present!



The Time Capsule Dug Up.



Filling the 2016 Time Capsule.

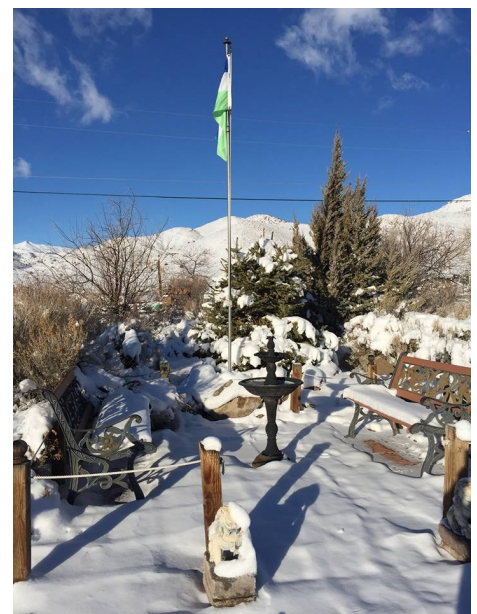


Contents Of The 2012 Time Capsule.



The 2016 Time Capsule. Ready To Go Back Into The Ground.

Winter Hangs On - Another Snowy Morning in Molossia, 1 February.



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News, music and more from the
World's Smallest Sovereign Republic!

February Calendar

Mir Day - March 23rd - Remembers the day in 2001 when the former Soviet space station came crashing to Earth.



Nathan Harrison's Birthday
- 27 March



Jacques Morrow's Birthday
- 29 March

THIS MONTH'S WEATHER

Molossia's weather is always gorgeous, with plenty of sunshine and temperatures year-round of 22° Celsius (72° Fahrenheit). However, our little country is surrounded by the US and they are so close, their awful weather invades frequently! So the weather report reflects both our weather and theirs.

	Molossia	US
Maximum Temperature	22° C / 72° F	22° C / 72° F
Minimum Temperature	22° C / 72° F	-8° C / 16° F
Average Temperature	22° C / 72° F	6° C / 44° F
Monthly Precipitation	0 mm	10 mm
Sunshine hours	Pretty much every day!	

The Last Word With The First Lady

Well hello!

March is here and you may have heard the old saying "In like a lion out like a lamb". This mainly represents the weather in March and how stormy and unstable it can be and then turns into a calm warm spring. I feel like this saying can hold true for some situations in our life. Maybe it represents a person, a financial situation, or a new job, but many things can happen all at once. You can really feel that lion, that storm, but don't worry, you have it together and you can tame that beast! Once you analyze the situation you can figure out how best to get things in order. You'll have a nice little lamb before you know it! So enjoy the storm while it is here and be looking out for the rainbow it leaves behind. Spring is on its way!

Thank you all and until next time,

March into happiness!

~Adrienne

