



Café Newsletter

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Quote of the month:

Frank: It's the same old story. Boy finds girl, boy loses girl, girl finds boy, boy forgets girl, boy remembers girl, girl dies in a tragic blimp accident over the Orange Bowl on New Year's Day.

Welcome to the very first edition of Assyrian Café newsletter for 2007. 2006 has been a glorious year for Assyrian Café. With its opening in March 2006 it has seen an extraordinary development and the opening of Assyrian Café, speaks accomplishment beyond words. With its purpose "to help Assyrians build strong personal and cultural ties through the use of internet services", it's truly done what it's set out to do. This year and years to come will no doubt bring only greater developments and accomplishments for the Assyrian Café community.

NEW YEAR RESOLUTION

With the New Year being not so far ahead, most people decide to turn over a new leaf, and this is commonly referred to as a "New Year resolution". One thing, I think myself could work on a lot is tidiness. With recent polls being

posted up on "questions and answers" it has shown a large amount of Café members, being a little untidy. Although people do forget to actually cast a vote, plenty of comments were made. Assyrian Guy described his room as having "books all over the place lol". Counting on you Assyrian Guy, to take on this New Year's resolution! But there's another way of approaching the untidiness of our rooms and Bubbles has tried this by closing her eyes and imagining it is clean! Uh Bubbles I got a feeling that won't work for long. Cheers for the heads up though!

NEW PODCAST VIDEOS HERE

As if the existing podcasts have made us laugh until we turn bright red, the administrators have decided to add a whole bunch of new videos to the podcast collection. A total of 12 new videos have been added to our podcast collection. To view the new videos just click on the link below.



<http://www.podcasts.assyriancafe.com>

ATTENTION ALL USERS: NEW GAMES, I REPEAT NEW GAMES

With such a great collection of games already provided for Café members, the teams here at Assyrian Café, have gone the extra mile and have added a total of 5 new games. Those games include; military war, military snow, glimper, otello and tip and run. The Games at the Café have provided hours of enjoyment for the members and some healthy competition between members. Bubbles will be especially happy with the new arrivals, more games she can conquer and put our old scores to shame. Good on ya Bubbles, keep up the good work!

SAMMY'S OUR MAN

Although I don't know Sammy personally, I would like to congratulate him from the bottom of my heart. Being a Shamasha is nothing to take lightly and is a huge honor with a lot of responsibilities. But with only great words said about Sammy, or should I say Shamasha now, he's the man for the calling. From all the crew here at Assyrian Café, we would like to wish you all the best and here's a little something we sent to Sammy to show our appreciation.



DOING WHAT WE DO BEST, PARTY!

To keep you party lovers out there updating on what's what on the party scene. Assyrian Café has created a calendar dedicated to parties. To get to the calendar all one must do is click on the Assyrian party's button on the homepage, and you go directly to it. Now the only thing members must do to add an event is click on a date i.e. 25th of December and click on "add event" and Bob's your uncle. To just view an event or party, just click on the date and information will be supplied to you, so you can make your way down there, and dance the night away.

I HAVE A DREAM...

One of the worlds most influential and history changing man will celebrate his achievements on the 15th of January. The Martin Luther King celebrations are held every year on January 13th, 14th and 15th. For the 26th consecutive year the Raleigh/Wake Martin Luther King Celebration Committee has again organized events to commemorate his achievements to civil rights. This Man Martin Luther King or better known as Dr. King was a man with goals but most importantly passion for what he believed in. Those referred as the "blacks" were men, women and children, forced from Africa to work as cheap labour and in most cases slaves to the newly established America. They arrived to America and were sold off to "white" people and their rights and freedom robbed from them. Dr. King, between 1955 and 1968 helped change that. He brought the

world's attention to such discrimination. His strong spirit and fighting power influenced many and gave him the support of millions of Americans. As a result, it led to new laws and fair treatment of the "black" people of America. Every year on the 15th of January America celebrates his birthday along with what he achieved. Let the legacy of Martin Luther King Jr. encourage us to live the American Dream.

For more information on events visit:

<http://www.king-raleigh.org/splash.htm>

BEHOLD YOUR NEW LOOK

Assyrian Café has taken on a new face lift. With an amazing transformation, it has gotten the Assyrian Café members variously praising Playaa our website designer for his magnificent work. Oh and who could forget the new Assyrian Café logo, tres beau Mark, tres beau. As the world continually evolved from horse carriages, to bicycles, to cars and now to airplanes, Assyrian Café will follow in its footsteps, continually evolving, never stopping, this site has no limit. As Assyrian Guy mentioned it took quite a lot of time for Playaa (or otherwise known as Mark) to put together the new look, and I'm sure that all the members love the new design, I sure as heck love it! Thank you Mark, top job!

WWW NEWS

Zinda Magazine is one of the biggest news reporters for the Assyrian people. Its coverage is worldwide. Receiving news from all four corners of the globe, Zinda magazine delivers up to date and accurate information. Assyrian Café is honored to have Zinda Magazine link our website. Being on such a well respected website, Assyrian Café is very thankful to Zinda magazine.

On a most unfortunate note, a lot of shamefully embarrassing events have surrounded our Assyrian Church of the East. But one that has certainly sparked an uproar is the video made by Shamasha Makarius. The video, although I haven't watched personally, is described as a video that speaks ill of the beloved Mar. Dinkha. Many are outraged and certainly upset by the allegations and comments made by ex-Shamasha Makarius. And have ultimately asked for a public apology. Assyrian Café has supported the idea of a petition to get Shamasha Makarius online video off shrara.com. To learn more about this issue please visit:

<http://www.petitiononline.com/shrara/petition.html>

WWW NEWS cont...

There's nothing like flipping through a photo album and seeing familiar and not so familiar faces. Our friends at Assyrianvoice.net have added some new photos to their photo album. Personally, I've gone through every single one. And I'm truly happy seeing all those photos. They all look very happy. Great work Assyrian Voice. The crew at Assyrian Café is

looking forward to see many more photos. To see the new photos click on the link

<http://www.assyrianvoice.net>

LIVE ASSYRIAN

While scanning through Zinda magazine, I came across something very appealing. Assyrianmarket.com, as suggested by its name, sells merchandise specific to the Assyrian culture. On the front page there is a bracelet being sold. I wouldn't exactly know how fashionable these sorts of bracelets are in America, but here in Australia, it's fairly fashionable, and a lot of charity organizations have these bracelets to promote their cause. At a reasonable price of only \$2, not including shipping and handling, the bracelet seems very nice. And so I've ordered one for myself. To see what the bracelet looks like and if we have any potential buyers please visit

<http://www.assyrianmarket.com>

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Scores Are In



<u>Game</u>	<u>High score held by</u>
1. Pac man-	Assyrian Guy
Snake-	bnaymatha
Squares 2-	Bubbles
Heli-copter-	Assyrian guy
Mouse avoider-	Poet-Unnamed
Sports smash	Bubbles
OMG the bugs are coming	Bubbles
Simon	Eilbra
Pong	Novis
Pigs	Assyrian Guy

Best Player: bubbles-20 wins