



A Few Words from the President

“And here they are: Nitwit! Blubber! Oddment! Tweak!” Welcome to the second issue of our newsletter! Spring is finally upon us and the dark days of winter are slowly fading into memory. It’s a season for renewal and activity - and of course for tourists! This is a great time of year for Molossia, as we get ready for the busy summer months, with its visitors, naval missions and other expeditions livening up the days. It’s a fantastic time to be a Molossian and to do the terrific things we do in the world’s smallest sovereign Republic!



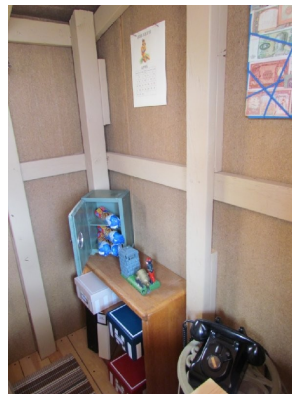
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Bank of Molossia

30 March 2013 XXXVI

The Government of the Republic of Molossia is proud to unveil our latest building, the Bank of Molossia. The new Bank building provides a real-world home to the Bank of Molossia which has existed otherwise online since 1999 XXII. With the advent of our new issue of paper money last autumn, there was a new focus on the Bank and its services and the need for a permanent home was quickly evident. Construction began in January 2013 XXXVI and in due course the foundation was laid in an empty space between the [President's Office](#) and the [Tiki Hut Bar and Grill](#). Work proceeded rapidly and the building was completed quickly by mid-March. Then came the somewhat lengthy process of equipping the interior, and finally, staffing the Bank. Our new banker is Herman, who ably joins the other steadfast tenants of Red Square, Trader Tom, Ralph the Postal Guy and Fred the Customs Guy. The Bank building itself is a welcome addition to Red Square, already home to the Molossia Post Office, Molossia Trading Company, Customs Shack and the aforementioned Office of the President and Tiki Hut. We all welcome this latest addition and look forward to it serving Molossia well for many years to come.



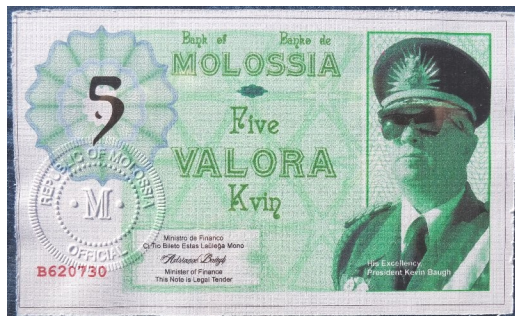
Molossia's Money

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With the advent of the new Bank of Molossia building, it might be helpful to mention again our money. In November 2012 XXXV, the Bank issued its first new series of Molossian banknotes since 2003. This latest issue updates the older, simpler designs of the past with new graphics and guilloche designs, typical of currencies around the world. The money is still printed on our customary linen paper, but now features the official Molossian raised stamp as a security device. As this stamp only exists in Molossia, the absence of it should prevent unauthorized reproduction of Molossian currency. The Bank of

Molossia offers the new bills for sale to collectors and others at face value based on the cookie dough exchange rate. Currently one Valora exchanges at the rate of USD \$.75. A complete set of the new notes will cost USD \$27.00. We are very proud of our new banknotes and look forward to them serving our nation well for many years to come.

The Bank of Molossia webpage is located at www.molossia.org/bank.html.



The Great Rocket Torpedo Project

13 March 2013 XXXVI

On 10 March 2013 XXXVI, the mighty Molossian Navy performed test launches of our new Rocket Torpedo, dubbed "The Kraken". The Kraken is designed as a rocket-propelled waterborne weapon to be used by the Molossian Navy in defense of our nation. After a year of planning, two models were built to enhance testing of this latest innovation, torpedoes KR-1 and KR-2. Once built, the Molossian Naval Testing Agency set forth to the nearest large body of water, Lake Lahontan, located about 50 Imperial Nortons (50 km/35 miles) east of the Molossian home territory. This lake has hosted several visits from our Navy, including the inaugural launches of the mighty Molossian Navy vessels the MS Wombat, the MS Bandicoot and the MS Platypus.

On a warm Sunday afternoon, the two Kraken torpedoes were launched forth into the lake, in a series of six separate trials. In spite of painstaking effort and planning, it was apparent immediately that the torpedoes were not streamlined enough to make headway in the water. The propulsion system, venting apparatus and retrieval systems all worked perfectly. However the flat-bottomed torpedo design resulted in the weapon being pushed down into the water, torpedo traveled barely five Nortons before stalling.

Instead of skimming over the surface as planned. Thus the torpedo traveled barely five Nortons before stalling. In spite of this, the launches were a sight to see, filled with smoke and the whoosh of the state of the art engines. Thus, the mission was declared an overall success, and plans were made immediately to improve the design. Future rocket torpedoes will be more streamlined and success will be achieved, in this latest project of our proud Navy.

Visit the Molossian Navy webpage, www.molossia.org/navy/index.html.



Can You Spot The Differences?




Office.
door, Missing red East Germany medal, Missing sign on Trading Post, Missing stamp, Missing text on wanted poster, Missing Step in front of

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www.molossia.org.

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April Calendar

- **Qingming - April 5th** (give or take) Adapted from the Chinese festival of the same name, this is the day we clean the Molossia Cemetery, usually in conjunction with related sprucing up of the entire nation.
- **Kickassia Invasion Victory Day - April 11th** Celebrates Molossia's victory over the Kickassia invaders.
- **St. Expeditus day - April 19th** St. Expeditus is the patron Saint of Molossia.

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	25° C / 77° F
Minimum Temperature	22° C / 72° F	-3° C / 26° F
Average High Temperature	22° C / 72° F	14° C / 57° F
Average Low Temperature	22° C / 72° F	-1° C / 30° F
Monthly Precipitation	0 mm	4.3 mm
Sunshine hours	Pretty much every day!	

The Last Word With The First Lady

April marks the second edition of our newsletter. That sounds like a reason to celebrate!

Here in Molossia we do not need much of a reason to throw a party. We are always ready to have a good time!

Besides our regular holidays that are coming up this month there are a few that I want to celebrate just because:

*April Fool's Day- April 1st

*International Moment of Laughter Day - April 14th

*National High Five Day - April 21st

*National Karaoke Week - 4th week (The President and I can really nail some duets!)



What are some unique holidays that you celebrate? Tell us on our Facebook page or Twitter (hashtag #oddholidays and tag us @molossia) and I'll retweet you. Your holiday may even become a new Molossian tradition! If you don't have any odd holidays now is the time to create one. What can you come up with? Wear a funny hat day, mustache day? Send me a picture. Let's see it!

Create and share. These are your tasks for this month.

Anytime you would like to reach me for any comment, question or suggestion, my email is firstlady@molossia.org.

Thank you all and until next time....

Don't Wait, Create And Be Great! :)