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ARMENIA-FUND 2007

BY: NAIRI ZOGRABYAN

On November 22, 2007 Armenians from all across the world tuned in to the annual Armenia-Fund Telethon. This event marked its 10th year of existence this Thanksgiving week and has served as a great relief organization to the motherland. A \$1,000 donation from the CSUN ASA was made possible thanks to all of our members for supporting us and being present at our events. We are excited, as we hope that you are, to be able to make such a donation. Even though \$1,000 may seem like a very humble donation, we know that every penny counts. Consequently, this year's donations amounted to the greatest total achieved for the telethon, 15 Million 275 Thousand US Dollars. The donations collected by Armenia-Fund support many projects in Armenia such as: building schools, roads & highways, and providing healthcare for people who can not afford it.



UPCOMING EVENTS:

ASA Events

- **ASA's Big Bear Getaway:** Fri-Mon, January 18-21. 40 person limit, get in contact with any ASA executive for down payments and reservations. **(ACT NOW! RESERVATIONS ARE GOING FAST!)**

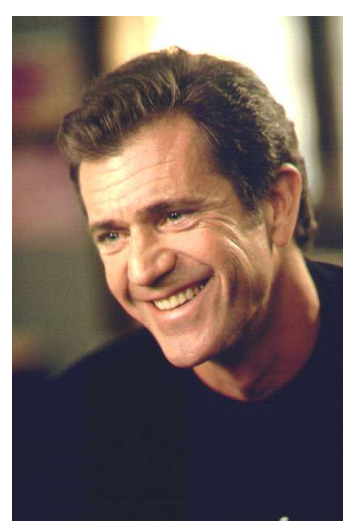
Community Events

- **Tata Concert:** December 22nd, Las Vegas Nevada
- **Almost Acoustic Christmas:** Featuring Serj Tankian, December 8-9 at the Gibson Amphitheatre

MEL GIBSON NOT GOING TO ACT IN FILM ABOUT ARMENIAN GENOCIDE?

ARTICLE TAKEN FROM PANARMENIAN.NET

The Foundation for the Struggle Against Baseless Allegations of Genocide (ASIMED) has begun an e-mail campaign to dissuade actor Mel Gibson from playing a role in a film about the Armenian Genocide during World War I. The president of ASIMED Savas Egilmez said that the Armenian Diaspora had as-

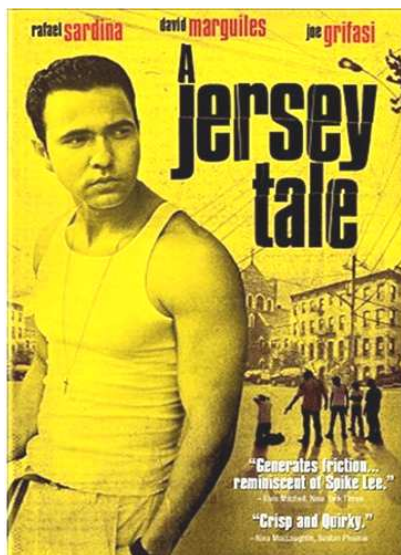


signed \$100 million to Hollywood film production companies to encourage shooting of such a film. "Some Hollywood companies are preparing to shoot a film supporting the Armenian view. There is hearsay that Mel Gibson is to play a role in one of these films. The film is reported to be shot at Icon Productions, the company Gibson is a partner in," said Egilmez.

ARMENIAN GENOCIDE IN THE MOVIE “A JERSEY TALE”

BY: NAIRI ZOGRABYAN

There have been a handful of movies recently that have either a direct mention about the Armenian Genocide or just a short spotlight of it. One of the most popular movies is “Ararat” directed by Atom Egoyan which daybued in 2002. But there is another movie that I did not know about and I am sure many Armenians have not heard about, that has a plot in which the Armenian genocide plays a huge role. The movie “A Jersey Tale” directed by Michael Tolajian, daybued in 2004. It is a 90 minute film about everyday struggle of the main character, a 19 year old Hispanic guy who is caught in the middle of a mob boss and an Armenian pawn shop owner. The plot thickens, when the pawn shop owner explains his life story to the 19 year old who has had no prior knowledge about the Armenian Genocide. Not to give too much insight into the movie because I do not want to spoil it for the readers that want to watch it, but I can say that it is a very “feel-good” type of movie that I highly recommend anyone to watch.



AZERI MINISTER OF DEFENCE: CHANCE OF WAR IS CLOSE TO 100% WITH ARMENIA

BY: ARIS GHAZINYAN. GLOBAL RESEARCH, NOVEMBER 30, 2007

The moderate course of the meeting of the Council of CIS Defense Ministers in Kazakhstan on Tuesday was broken by a sensational revelation by the Azeri defense chief Safar Abiyev that “as long as Azerbaijani territory is occupied by Armenia, the chance of war is close to 100 percent.”

The sharp boost of bellicose statements by official Baku has been clearly felt since the beginning of this autumn when on September 7 President Aliyev stated that “for the purpose of restoring control over the whole territory of the republic, Azerbaijan is ready to resort to any measures, including application of force.”

Three days later Abiyev’s claimed: “War is underway and the enemy starts to shoot at our positions.” He repeated the words of President Aliyev that only for military needs official Baku spends a sum comparable to the whole budget of Armenia.

Deputy Speaker of the Armenian parliament Vahan Hovhannisyan, who is a senior member of the Armenian Revolutionary Federation (Dashnaktsutyun), responded to the MOD’s statement saying that in military operations in the early 1990s, Azerbaijan’s military budget exceeded the financial possibilities of the defending Armenian population, however this superiority did not play a decisive role.

The peculiarity of the latest statement of the Azeri minister is the very format of such a statement. The Commonwealth of Independent States is not a militarized bloc, however at the table of discussions there were also heads of defense departments of post-Soviet countries that are part of the Collective Security Treaty Organization (CSTO). Five of the six members of this military-strategic alliance, namely Tajikistan, Kyrgyzstan, Kazakhstan, Russia and Belarus, are connected between themselves by alternating borders and only Armenia is in land isolation.

However, in accordance with the fundamental principles of the CSTO “any member country can expect help from the collective quick-reaction forces of the CSTO in the event of a threat to its security.” Thus, Abiyev’s statement is associated with a gauntlet thrown before the foundations of the CSTO and currently the Armenian political establishment expects a corresponding reaction from this military-strategic alliance.

Nevertheless, while the CSTO is pondering over the advisability of accepting the Azeri gauntlet, Armenian Prime Minister Serzh Sargsyan stated on November 29: “The armed forces of Armenia are always ready to defend the country’s borders and the Azerbaijani side must consider that if it chooses a military way of solving the issue, it will have to solve more complicated problems than it solves now.”

However, it is in the recent time that aggressive statements of Baku officials are “backed up”

with unprecedented powerful information support. Practically on a daily basis Azerbaijani news agencies report about growing tensions on the contact line, which create an atmosphere of the need for retaliating. In particular, in the past few months the Day Az agency has been replete with daily reports about killed and wounded Azeri officers and soldiers.

Now few doubt that Baku is developing schemes of establishing its control over the territories of the former Azerbaijani SSR. Despite numerous statements about the possibility of renewed hostilities "in order to recover occupied lands", there are no reasons to assume that Azerbaijan is planning a large-scale counter-offensive along the whole frontline. Apart from other things, a large-scale war will create a threat to the functioning of the Baku-Tbilisi-Ceyhan oil pipeline that lies close to the security zone and whose operation fills the military budget of Azerbaijan. It is evident that in the event of a new war, Armenian defense forces may as well permit themselves to deliver target strikers against the oil pipeline, or as Kocharyan said, "take a decision that the military situation will require." It is beyond doubt that Azeri authorities realize well such a prospect.

A blitz local operation that Azerbaijan is likely to be preparing for is quite a different thing. Such a scheme implies waging an active war on a small area with a huge loss of human lives. It is a situation that Baku is ready for to a certain degree. The "big war in a small area" scenario fraught with a seeming transformation into large-scale military operations is oriented to intervention of the international community, in particular the United Nations. Official Baku has repeatedly tried to shift the discussion of the Karabakh problem from the OSCE to the UN format with a prospect of redeployment of an international peacekeeping contingent on the frontline, including along the whole perimeter of the Armenian-Azeri state border. According to one of the schemes being developed in Baku, Nagorno-Karabakh will be thus cut off from Armenia by the "blue helmets" and the occupation regime of the UN. However, a well-considered military provocation in the form of a small war is needed for that, for which Azerbaijan is likely to be preparing for.

EXECUTIVE ROAST

BY: ANONYMOUS MEMBERS

Nairi Zograbyan

(ASA's Newsletter Editor)

He's a wannabe A-hole
Used to look like an immigrant.
Random jokes.
His parents really wanted a girl.
Teachers call him Neri.
V-TECH BRO!!!
He looks 30.
Everyone calls him Nairi the Guy.
He's always so nice and quiet, I'm afraid he's going to do a Columbine shooting one day.
He thinks he's my aper (brother).
Tries to look as hot as Abe the Babe, but just doesn't cut it.
He's a wannabe dholchi
He's trying to make people believe that Nairi is a guy's name
BORAT is his idol
Thinks jumping up and down is dancing Armenian
Parskahye wannabe
Does the Armenian squat anywhere and everywhere he can
The one thing he can do well is play the piano
In every picture he looks confused... he thinks that's cool
He makes an ugly girl
The previous roasts that he made sucked!
He has horrible music in his iPod
Needs to accept that Nairi is a girl's name
He needs to start coloring he's hair
Always wears the AEO shirt... he's not even in it!
He thinks he can DJ during our parties
Hope he's not my secret Santa
Thinks he's Dr. Phil
Sounds like Raymond from "Everybody Loves Raymond"
He thinks the Shocker is the new Peace sign
THIS IS SPARTA!!!! NHAT!



LAST NEWSLETTER OF THE FALL SEMESTER

This is the last Inch Ga Chga of the Fall semester. The CSUN ASA Executive Board would like to thank all the contributors and the members who helped with the making of the newsletters. Finally, we want to thank all of our readers for devoting a bit of their time once every two weeks picking up a copy and taking a look at our hard work. We appreciate all your support, and we will be back in the Spring.

SINGLES SECTION

Abraham Abraamyan



Favorite Quotes: “If it aint cute, put it on mute”, “I’m not a player, but I crush a lot” , “I’m not a gynecologist but I’ll take a look” , “facebook time!”

Major: Biology - Dentistry

Interests: Working out, flirting with girls at the Sierra Center, snowboarding, joking around, meticulously taking care of his sexy mustache

What he looks for in girls: Must be HOT! Preferably 5’5”/ 120lbs, must be proportionate (by proportionate he means A\$\$ and Ta-Tas) , NOT jealous/controlling. No crying everyday, must be sweet, nice and caring. Should look after themselves and be presentable at all times. Must wear Victoria Secrets under garments. Must be able to swim and do other athletic activities. Must be able to cook. Must be friendly!!!! Must be sort of conceited. Must be willing to consummate frequently. Must have a sense of humor!!!

Are you interested in writing for the newsletter? Submit your written material and ideas at Nairi@csunasa.org

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Alfred Zograbyan



Favorite Quote:

“Denial is not just a river in Egypt”

Major: Biology - Pharmacy

Interests: Piano, Jazz, Rock, and Armenian music, working out, PEEVA!, Hookah, Abe the babe, romantic walks from room to room in the bio building.

What he looks for in girls: Black hair, blue eyes (NO COLOR CONTACTS PLEASE!), they also must be able to answer the quiz questions on his DemqBook (facebook).

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