

**October 18, 2011**

## EVENTS

- MESSA Pub Night – 2 more opportunities this quarter
- Egyptian Documentary Film:
  1. Suggested by Noha Forster to screen a documentary about Tahrir Square and the revolution for approximately 40 people
  2. Asked for financial help from MESSA and include the local Egyptian comm.
  3. MESSA members present at meeting agreed to contribute up to \$200
  4. Event will be scheduled for Thurs. Oct. 27 at 6:00 PM (Location TBD)
  5. Posters – Gwen

[ \*\*Side Note – How to better promote events: Calendars, CMES, Posters]

- Eid
- FUNATICAL – Middle Eastern Comedy Group
  1. Event on Saturday. Nov. 5
  2. American Islamic College's auditorium on 640 West Irving Park Road
  3. General admission is \$15
  4. If event is subsidized, must ensure that attendees will show up
  5. Can we get Social Sciences money to help subsidize this?
  6. In Irving Park – need transportation (i.e. Volunteers with cars)
- Naji Bisisu – Mom's Cookbook
  1. Cultural night?

## JOURNAL

- Sub Committee of Publications has met twice. Includes: Leah, Nadia, Auggie, Gwen, John
- Update:
  1. Will accept submissions for scholarly and creative works and photography
  2. Deadline for this quarter is Friday, November 4
  3. Will be published both online and in print
  4. Rob Green's thesis from last year will be published
  5. Scoring rubric that will be used to determine which submissions to accept has already been sent out – will be used mainly for academic articles
  6. Prof. Donner's proposal: Semi or annual journal w/ prof.s and PhD students
  7. Suggestions based on Prof. Donner's proposal: Concerns were to ensure that **MA students** would be published; Faculty advisory board but a student-run

publication; Reserve certain proportions for professors; Book Reviews – allow MA students an opportunity to be published

#### MESSA MEMBERS UPDATES/NEWS

- Doc Films Turkish series
  1. Mostly special events- fit in around regular programming
  2. Two of the films will be on Thursday evenings
  3. Andrew Alger will need two 100 word capsules based on two of the movies:
  4. This is an opportunity to be published – viewed by 14,000 circulation
  5. Social Sciences meets monthly and Humanities meets only the second week of every quarter