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COMING EVENTS IN THE HUNGARIAN COMMUNITY

December 8, 2008 to March 28, 2009— Cleveland Hungarian Heritage Museum, Erievue Galleria, Cleveland.

Ruralia Hungarica— Exhibition of oil paintings of village life and rural scenes of the Hungarian countryside by artists from romantic to impressionistic. Hours: Wednesday, Thursday, 11:00-3:00 and Friday 11:00—5:00. **New Saturday Hours:** 2nd & 4th Saturday of the month 11:00 to 3:00 p.m. Free admission.

Saturday, February 7, 2009 — M.H.B.K. 56th Annual Black Tie Charity Ball at Marriott Airport Hotel, 4277 West 150th St., Cleveland, OH. Time: 8:30 p.m. Ball Tickets per person: \$40.00 — Couples \$55.00. Checks payable to M.H.B.K. Send in by 1/24/09. For reservations contact: John Korossy, Jr. 440-255-4577.

Saturday, February 14, 2009 — Westside Hungarian Reformed Church, 15300 Puritas Ave., Cleveland — Lydia Ladies Guild Valentine Dinner/Dance. Tickets \$20.00 per person. Music by The Hungarians. Time: 6:30 p.m. Advance reservations by 2/11/09 — Maria Vadacs at 440-230-0636.

Sunday, February 15, 2009 — First Hungarian Reformed Church, 14530 Alexander Rd., Walton Hills, - Pork Chop & Cabbage & Noodles Dinner. Time: 12:30 p.m. For reservations call church office at : 440-786-7272.

Saturday & Sunday—February 21st & February 22nd, 2009— Kocsonya Vasar—Jellied Pig Feet Sale — Plain or with meat. To order contact Joseph Bak at 216-941-7996/ Church Office at 216-476-3736. —Saturday Pick-up 10:00 - 2:00 p.m. Sunday pick-up after services.

Sunday, February 22, 2009 — St. Margaret of Hungary, 4680 Lander Road, Orange Village. Bőgő Temetés— Burying of the Fiddle— Kolbasz & Hurka Dinner: 1:00 p.m. \$15.00 Adults & \$5.00 Children. Music by Joe Jeromos. For reservations call: Elearnor at 216-751-0937.

Sunday, February 22, 2009 — American Hungarian Friends of the Scouting Awards Banquet at St. Emeric Church Hall, 1860 West 22nd St., Cleveland. Time: Noon. For reservations contact Andrea Meszaros at 440-247-5144. Dinner & program from 1:00-7:00 P.M.

Saturday, February 28, 2009 — The Cleveland Development Panel presents “Paprika” “Enchanted Gardens” at the Ritz-Carlton Hotel, 1515 West 3rd St., Cleveland. For information and reservations call: Marika Megyimori at 440-871-2796 or Carol Hackney at 330-342-0243.

Sunday, March 1, 2009 — 51st Csendőrebéd at West Side Reformed Church Hall, 15300 Puritas Ave. Cleveland, OH Dinner is \$16.00 per person at 1:00 p.m. For reservations call Molnar Istvan at 216-221-0457.

LENTEN FISH FRIES



St. Margaret Church, 4680 Lander Road, Orange Village—Fridays — February 27th to March 27th. Time: 5-7 p.m. Weather permitting.

St. John's Byzantine Church, 36125 Aurora Rd., Solon Fridays February 27th to April 3rd. Time: 4:30 to 6:30 p.m.

Community Meals

St. John's Byzantine Church.
36125 Aurora Road, Solon, OH
January 29, 2009
Good will donations accepted.
Time: 4-6:00 pm.

St. John's Homemade Hungarian Nut & Poppyseed rolls are available for purchase—\$12.00 each. Call Linda Mantz at 440-248-4530

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Dear Friends:

Happy New Year!!!! This is the first year in many years that I have spent a New Year's Eve in front of my television waiting for the "ball" to drop in Times Square. We had planned to attend the "Szilvester Bal" at the West 150th Puritas Reformed Church. But — a number of our party having been under the weather opted to enjoy an early dinner at the Balaton and we were home by 9:00 p.m. Certainly, not my normal "modus operandi" folks.

I pray that our members, that have been ill in 2008, will enjoy renewed health in 2009 and my prayer for all of our club members is a 2009 filled with good health, peace and understanding, and a regeneration of our economy and our country.

We had an outstanding fund raiser with our cabbage roll sale on Saturday, December 13, 2008. Good Bless our volunteers **Elizabeth Huszti, Margaret Gorta, Goldie Boldizar, Louise Bozsvai, Mamie Berardinelli, Linda & Laddie Mantz, Lou Borzy, Lou Takacs, Steve Tisza, Andy & Magdi Temesvary, and Leonard Grega.** Thirteen pair of hands prepared 1400 cabbage rolls that were preordered. I cannot thank these wonderful people enough for helping to make this first cabbage roll fund raiser for our building fund such a success. We made a profit of \$1,484.00. Our costs were \$465.00 plus labor. I have had a million phone calls asking when the next one is. If we do this again for Easter, we could really use more help. Please think about stepping up to the "pot" and supporting your club either by encouraging the sale, helping to make the cabbage rolls, or ordering cabbage rolls for your own use.

Our Christmas party was also a fun filled afternoon at the Mediterranean Party Center. We had about 40 folks attend. Enjoyed a musical sing-along with Bill Kolosi and, of course, our own rendition of the 12 Days of Christmas. The party center served a wonderful dinner and they are always generous to our club. We also had a number of people stop by to see who these Hungarians were. They were members of the "Buckeye Prisoners of War from WWII" holding their Christmas party at the same location.

Friends, I filed our grant application for funds from the Cleveland Magyar Club

on December 15th, 2008. The Magyar Club is disbanding their organization after almost 84 years of service to the Hungarian community. A distribution of their funds should occur around March of 2009. I pray we will be recipients of this disbursement.

We have mailed letters to the contributors to the building fund for use in filing their 2008 income tax forms. If you contributed in 2008 and did not receive a letter please contact myself at 440-352-9504 or Kathy Kekedy at 440-543-8859.

Speaking of filing your 2008 income tax. This year we again been offered the opportunity to raise some money for our club from **H & R Block**. If H & R Block prepared your taxes last year (2007), we do not qualify. But if they did your tax work years prior to that, we are eligible for consideration. Flyer is enclosed with this Hirek.

Another opportunity to help your club is mentioning our club's name if you shop at GFS. Every penny helps.

I wish to thank Kati Gulden for the generous donation to HCC of NEO in memory of Tom Levi, our member who passed away in November. The donation will be added to our building fund.

Friends, we purchased the book "Clevelandben még ének magyarok?" for resale. These are interviews with local Hungarians that grew up in the Cleveland area. Many of our club members are interviewed in the book, for example: Elvira Bakos Brockman, Elizabeth Ragany Huszti, Ernő & Ibolya Sárosi, Elek Kálmán, Mary Váradi, and Tarcsay Ferenc. The book makes for some very interesting reading and remembering. The book costs \$12.00 @ and \$3.00 shipping and handling. We will also have them for sale at our club picnics as long as they are available.

Reminder — Dues are now payable — flyer enclosed. We almost reached our goal of 500 members in 2008. Let us set a new goal of 600 members for 2009.

The year is starting off with a million events filling the calendar almost every Saturday and Sunday in February. Support what you can, let us keep our vibrant Magyar spirit alive and keep as many churches and clubs viable in 2009. Please continue sending in your Pledges for our Building Fund.

There is song "Stayin Alive" by the Bee Gees, friends this should be our motto in 2009, "Stayin Alive-Stayin Alive the HCC of NEO is alive"

ELJEN A MAGYAR!!!!
Magyar Szeretettel Mary Jane

BUILDING FUND DONATIONS

Bakonyi, Mr. & Mrs. Vince
Balega, Peter & Dorothy
Balogh, Jim & Carolyn
Barbey, Mary Jane
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Bodnar, Al
Boldizar, Goldie
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Bozsvai, Louise
Brockman, Elvira
Coffman, Bob & Connie
Fejes, Diane Rose
Gall, Mr. & Mrs. Ronald
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Hungarian Retiree Club
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Szabo, Ethel
Szabo, James & Kathleen
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Szentkiralyi Endre & Eszti
Takacs, William
Temesvary. Andras & Magda
Louis Verhas

Total Donations \$10,420.35
If you wish to make additional
pledge contributions, please
forward them to:

**HCC Building Fund
Mrs. Katherina Kekedy
10320 Lindsay Lane
Chagrin Falls, OH 44023**



BIRTHDAYS

- 1st Bela Sebestyn
Grace Shupp
- 2nd Charles McCandlish
- 3rd Barbara Gydosch
- 4th Edith Juhasz
- 8th Imre Lesko
- 9th Carole Takacs
- 10th Mary Kristoff
William Horvath
- 12th Jenó Radva
- 13th Steve Hunyadi
Elmer Meszaros
- 14th Ruth Bakonyi
Gerald Slusny
- 16th Steve Duzs
Julianna Mezei
Paul Rozsahegyi
- 17th Joseph Case
- 18th Richard Finnick
- 19th Istvan Kristof
- 25th Margit Orosz
- 26th Amy Janca
- 27th Mike Repas, Sr.
- 28th Charlotte Taricska
Matyas Peko
Anthony Swead
Eleanor Turocy

**ETHNICITY AND POLITICS:
THE HUNGARIAN EXPERIENCE IN CLEVELAND (continued)**

By: Dennis Frigyes Fredricks

The Golden Era spawned the "Night in Budapest" galas which for over a decade were the sparkling cultural extravaganzas drawing stars from Hollywood and political leaders from all levels of government. In its final years, the Night in Budapest was moved from Buckeye Road to the downtown Sheraton Hotel Ballroom, Cleveland's largest, to accommodate the 2000 guests who came to see Zsa Zsa Gabor, Jimmy Durante, Ilona Massey and Bill Dana, among others.

The overwhelming splendor of the Night in Budapest, and the warmth of the attendees, won many powerful friends for Little Hungary. Its guests included Mayors Anthony J. Celebrezze and Ralph Locher, Congressman Charles Vanik, Governor Michael DiSalle and Governor/Senator Frank Lausche.

During the Golden Era, Little Hungary was a community that worked like a miniature version of Richard Daley's Chicago. The neighborhood was stable and cohesive, and was rewarded with the finest city services.

Its people were patriotic. They were true-blue Americans. The long honor rolls of Buckeye-boys who died in American uniform in World War II, Korea and Vietnam proved that. At the same time, its citizens were proud of a 1000 year heritage that was exemplified in the parades, processions and feasts, of Buckeye Road. They marched and danced in the streets bedecked with red, white and green bunting, observing the special days of the Hungarian calendar.

The mystique and power of Little Hungary was not the result of chance, however. It was the accomplishment of dutiful neighborhood Fathers and industrious citizens.

LOCAL HUNGARIAN RADIO PROGRAMS

- WKTX - 830** on the AM Dial - Mon-Fri. 5:00-6:00 p.m. Saturday 3:00 -5:00 p.m. — Sunday—1:00 -3:00 p.m. Hosted by Miklos and Maria Kossanyi
- WKTL - 90.7** on the FM Dial - Struthers, Ohio Saturday 12:00—1:30 p.m.. Hosted by Tibor Check Family
- WUJC - 88.7** on the FM Dial - Cleveland, 2:00-5:00 p.m. Sunday "Bocskai Radio". Hosted by Daniel Kadar
- WCSB - 89.3** on the FM Dial - Cleveland 11:00-12:30 pm. Saturday. Hosted by Bob Kita.
- WCPN - 90.3** on the FM Dial - Cleveland, 6:00-7:00 p.m. Sunday evening. Hosted by Andrea & Andras Lazar
- WAPS—91.3 FM—Magyar Musor—(Hungarian Program) Sunday Morning—Akron—8:00-9:00 am.**

We send our best wishes for a healthy recovery to our members

- Viola Toth Jim Balogh
- Frank Babin Linda Mantz
- Eleanor Smith Louis Bozsvai
- Joe Jambor Richard Sarosi
- Elizabeth Jambor Rudy Gall
- Dorothy Nagy

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

- Bill Kolosi
Northfield, OH
- John & Iren Gyekenyesi
North Olmsted, OH
- Donald Kolzowicz
Hiram, OH

SAVE THE DATE

July 26, 2009
Buckeye Nationality
Reunion

**John Sobonya
1919-2009**

We extend our deepest sympathies to the Clara Sobonya and her family on the recent loss of her husband. John had been a member and supporter of our organization for many years.

We extend our deepest sympathies to Louise Bozsvai on the recent loss of her brother-in-law, Louis Nagy, husband of sister Roberta Nagy in Denver, Colorado.

Nyugdjonak Békében

**BOUQUETS TO
DOROTHY NAGY**

For more years than we can count, Dorothy has been our Sunshine Chairwoman. We wish to thank her for all her diligence in sending greetings and condolences to our members.

Dorothy, we wish you continued good health — we thank you for years of support and anytime you feel the urge to work in the Ticket Booth, just give us a yell.

We thank Louise Boszvai for volunteering to be our new Sunshine Chairwoman.

DID YOU KNOW ?????

On almost all packages of plastic wrap, aluminum foil or wax paper, there is a triangle at either end of the box, that says "Press In" or words to that effect. Upon doing so, you lock in your roll and it will never fall to the floor again. Do you remember when?? It took five minutes for the TV to warm up. You got your windshield cleaned, oil checked, gas pumped, **without** asking, all for free, every time? And you didn't pay for air. And you got trading stamps to boot!

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CLUB MEETING
St. John's Byzantine Church
36125 Aurora Road, Solon, OH
February 24, 2009
7:00 P.M.

Kantor Pal Humoros levelek—Harmadik Level

Kedves Bőzsi Ángyom!

Nagy hírt mondok: a görflrendemmel, Sörlivel Halloweenra kivessük a meridzs lájszenszunkat. Már csináltunk is apojntmentet a bladeszthhez. Tenkszginging vikendkor megyünk hanimunra Nájagara Falszra. Tenkszginging azt jelenti, hogy pulykát esznek. Ezután igyekszem megmagyarázni az olyan szavakat, amiket esetleg nem értenek meg.

Tegnap szuprájz brájdol sháört csináltak Sörlinek a kazónjei. A szuprájz azt jelenti, hogy nem tudta. Kapott sok prezentet: mikszört, toszört, ájroning bordot, blenketeket, meg egy wasört, est drájört is. Most már nem kell a landriba járni. Ma muffoltuk be őket a bészmentbe.

A sháorra a Sörlí braderja a békeriből hozott kéket, meg rengeteg kukit. Mások meg potétószeledet, hemet, pancsot és kendit hoztak.

Sörlí a bjuti shapban sokat overtájmozik a Szerz Robáknál. Szerz Robak az egy dipartment sztor ha nem tudná. A hanimunra is alig kapott vékeshönt. Szeret szévolni. A kárét is kesshel fizette ki.

En még anemploymenton vagyok. Amióta a Prezident megszájnlta az anemployment ektot, azóta nem worrizok a morgidzsom miatt. Itt még a welferések is kárékat drájvolnak. Ha waccsolom a badzsetomat még látöri tikétekra is telik a pedából. Mihelyt laki leszek elmegyek az ókantriba erplénnel. Majd meglátja, hogy egyszer csak megállók a maga házánál. Valamelyik oficon majd rentolok egy kárét es magánk is adok egy rájdot. Mihelyt laki leszek indulok. Akkor viszek magának amit kér.

Itt küldök egy pikcsört a házamról. Amit látja a jard körül nincs fenc. A drájvé mellett lévő shrabokat az elektrik hedzskatörral soktam trimolni. Elektrik azt jelenti, hogy villanydröt vezet róla a házba. A kóneri shandriba is be van vezetve a villany. Nem szoktam becsukni a shandrit, pedig sok minden van benne.

A pikcsörön látszik egy kék-piros szája. Az egy bájszentennial emblöm. Itt Amerikában a lakosság nagy része benne van a bájszentennial mániában. En még nem estem bele teljesen. Az emberek milliókat költenek rá az egész országban. Fort av dzsulájkor lesz olyan város, ahol az emberek meg sem tudnak majd mozdulni.

Most látom a televizsön waccsolás közben, hogy a lét-lét shónak vége lett. Jobb ha befinishelem a levelem. A gárbidzskeneket is ki kell raknom, mert korán kollektálnak a trakkok. A hanimun után megint írok. Sörlí már kirentolta a Vi Ef Dabölju hallt. Szerettem volna egy dzsipszi bándet, de nem csináltuk meg a rezerveshönt, és így egy rák orkesztra lesz a riszephshönünkön.

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The dues for Year 2009 are payable as of January. Your continued support of programs and events sponsored by the HUNGARIAN CULTURAL CENTER OF N.E. OHIO is greatly appreciated by the Officers.

So that we can update our records, please fill in the following information and return it with your dues to the address listed below:

Legyenek szivesek kitölteni ezt az űrlapot es küldjék vissza a tagsági díjjal.

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