



# Hungarian Settlement Historical Society Newsletter

## December, 2015

### Hungarian Settlement Historical Society

P. O. Box 1909  
Albany, LA 70711  
[www.hungarianmuseum.com](http://www.hungarianmuseum.com)

#### Officers:

President - Alex Kropog      Secretary - Juliana Roberson  
Vice President - Wayne Kreko      Treasurer - Royanne Kropog

**Meetings** are held on the first Thursday of the month at Albany-Springfield Branch Library

**Christmas Meeting and Luncheon - December 3, 2015**  
**2:00 PM at the Museum.** Pulled Pork, baked beans, coleslaw and buns will be supplied. Bring your favorite dessert.

**The President's Message** - The renovation of the museum has been a long and costly work in progress. We are getting close to completion now. A large Louisiana Capital Outlay grant was received in September - \$175,000. This should totally complete the construction and hopefully the museum will open in 2016.

Once the building is up and running we anticipate that the yearly operating budget will be \$15,000. So we will continue our fundraisers. Your dedicated support is greatly needed and appreciated. *Alex Kropog*

**LGAP Grant** - Local Government Assistance Program 2016 - \$3,000

**Louisiana Capital Outlay Grant** - \$175,000

**Building Update** - The HVAC system and ADA concerns are being addressed. Occupancy permit is anticipated soon. Exhibit cases have been built, purchased and donated and they will greatly enhance the gallery areas.

**Pulled Pork Dinner** - The dinner was a big success as usual. The net profit was \$2,931.26. The next dinner will be in May 2016. Thanks to all who purchased tickets, all who sold tickets and all who worked before and during the sale. Special thanks to Chefs Alex Petho and Joe (Doc) Vampran.

**Yard Sale** - The September Yard Sale - \$231 profit.

**HSHS Cookbook** - Over 500 recipes were submitted. Juliana and Linda Cunningham are typing the recipes. The book should be ready in early 2016.

**Brick Fundraiser** - At its June meeting members voted to sell monogrammed bricks (\$100 each) to memorialize individuals, families, churches, businesses and those individuals associated with Hungarian Settlement since its inception. The brick memorial is for living or deceased persons. To be in the first installation of bricks, orders must be received by April 30, 2016. A separate order form is enclosed. Follow the instructions - choice of wording is your decision. Return to P.O. Box 1909, Albany, LA 70711

**Family Histories/Information** - will be needed for the *Research Room* in the Museum. Please write and submit. For more information on writing your family history call 225-294-5732.

**\$5 Membership Dues for 2016** - *now due.* Mail to H.S.H.S., P.O. Box 1909, Albany, LA 70711.

**Baton Rouge Symphony Orchestra** - The BRSO Educational Outreach Program is interested in performing for the Museum and for Hungarian Settlement at a future date - the program will feature Hungarian Composers.

#### Memorial Donations

- Attila & Steve Lodey - \$100 in memory of Nick Erdey

#### Donations

- Alice and Richard Juhasz - \$100  
- Sheriff Jason Ard - \$100  
- June Olah - \$50  
- Mary Bartus - \$200

#### Artifacts Donations Since July - 2015 - Donation of Items

- John & Sharon Szanyi - Canvas paintings of Church Steeples & Photo of Hungarian Pres. Church members  
- Laszlo & Diane Szegfu - Csiga noodle maker & picture frame  
- William & Marie Prokop - Three Master & Doctoral Theses  
- Pauline Bartus - Painting of Hungarian Presbyterian Church, a 1948 article on the Church, other items  
- Chuckie & Kristy Raborn - 7 Exhibit Cases

#### *The Story of Árpádhon: Hungarian Settlement, Louisiana 1896 - 2006* by Royanne Kropog

Hardbacks - \$25.00, Soft covers - \$20.00. For more information call Royanne Kropog at 225-294-5732.

**Memorial Gifts** - Consider listing the Museum as a possible beneficiary for memorial gifts on the occasion of a funeral or the anniversary of death. Often friends want to give something more lasting than flowers, and we certainly qualify for that.

**E-mail Addresses Needed** - Send to [akropog@att.net](mailto:akropog@att.net)

**Website** - [www.hungarianmuseum.com](http://www.hungarianmuseum.com) Have you checked out our website lately? Eight (8) new documentaries are available. Click on "Video Gallery" under "Museum". Thanks to Hungary Initiatives Foundation for the website and the documentaries.

**Boldog Hálaadást - Happy Thanksgiving**

**Kellemes Karácson - Merry Christmas**

**Boldog Új Évet - Happy New Year**