



Hungarian Settlement Historical Society Newsletter

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Hungarian Settlement Historical Society

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Our next meeting will be Thursday, June 13, 2013 at 6:00 PM at the Árpádhon Hungarian Settlement Cultural Association Building (Hwy. 43 and Amvets Rd)

Since there was pulled pork left from our May Fund-raiser, it will be served along with the trimmings. So come and enjoy some good food. A short business meeting will precede the dinner..

Meetings are held in the Albany-Springfield Branch Library at 2:00 PM on the first Thursday of the month.

Please note that the July meeting will be held on Friday, July 5, and not on the July 4 Holiday - Independence Day.

HSBS Meetings - 2013

July 5	August 1	September 5
October 3	November 7	December 5

The President's Message - I would like to thank everyone who assisted with the Pulled Pork Dinner - a special thanks to the chefs and to all members who worked so hard in the bad weather. And last, a special thanks is extended to the loyal supporters who purchased dinners.

Progress is continuing on the Museum Capital Outlay Grant and by October 2013 the work on the museum should be completed. *Alex Kropog*

Building Update - The Louisiana Capital Outlay \$170,000 Grant is following its normal course. A Cooperative Endeavor Agreement has now been finalized with Facility Planning and Control and with the Project Manager. Labarre Associates Architects are finishing the plans on the building. Bids will be let on the project in mid June.

Pulled Pork Dinner - The Pulled Pork Dinner held on May 3, 2013 was a huge success. The weather was cold, wet, and dreary but business was brisk - approximately 500 dinners were actually served. Profit was \$2,651,90. Special thanks to Chefs Alex Petho, Matt Aucoin and V.J. Balfantz.

Smithsonian Folklife Festival - Washington D.C. - June 25 - July 7, 2013. **One of the featured countries will be Hungary.** Visit www.festival.si.edu - click on Hungarian Heritage under 2013.

The Festival will highlight the vitality of Hungary's cultural heritage in many areas. It will bring to the National Mall in Washington highly skilled masters and

apprentices from rural Central Europe who maintain the traditional knowledge acquired in their native environments. The Festival program will also bring musicians, dancers and artisans from more urban settings who have revived many of these older traditions to make them part of their daily lives.

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

For more information call Royanne at 225-294-5732.

Hungarian Language Classes - have been suspended until further notice.

\$5 Membership Dues for 2013 - now due. "Dues shall be payable at the beginning of the calendar year". Mail to H.S.H.S., P.O. Box 1909, Albany, LA 70711.

E-mail Addresses needed- Send to jpetho@bell-south.net or akropog@att.net.

Memorial Donations in April - May - Edward Livingsston Historical Assoc. - \$100, Ivan & Antoinette Bencsek - \$100, Rono & Lucy Whiddon - \$100.
Donations are always welcome.

Donation of Items for Museum - As we approach the completion of the museum renovation, we are asking for donations of items used in Hungarian Settlement. Items include kitchen utensils, strawberry-related items, old journals, photographs, St. Margaret School books, etc., Nursing Home era items, Harvest Dance items, etc. For a complete list, call Royanne Kropog (225-294-5732).

Family Histories/Information - will be needed for the Research Room in the Museum. Please write - submit.

Quilt Trail Square - Thanks to Artist Donna Mollere the Museum

now has a beautiful new piece of artwork. Thanks also goes to Kim Zabbia and the Ponchatoula Art Council. Funded by the Jazz and Heritage Foundation. At least 9 elements of early Hungarian Settlement are depicted. Try to locate them.

