



Hungarian Settlement Historical Society Newsletter

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Hungarian Settlement Historical Society

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**Our next meeting will be Thursday, September 5, 2013
at 2:00 PM**

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

HSMS Meetings - 2013

October 3 November 7 December 5

The President's Message

Progress is continuing on the Museum Capital Outlay Grant and by November 2013 the work on the museum should be completed. A special thanks to all who contribute their time and effort. *Alex Kropog*

Building Update - The Louisiana Capital Outlay \$170,000 Grant is following its normal course. All of the paper work is completed. The following permits have been requested and approved: HHS Permit, DEQ Permit, Parish Council waiver for a gravel parking lot.

The exterior of the two wings of the museum have been renovated. The boards were removed, insulation, felt, and a vapor barrier were installed. The boards were sanded, replaced and then two coats of paint were added.

Bids were let on August 20, 2013 for a general contractor. Bids will be opened the first week of September. This construction will be paid out of the Louisiana Capital Outlay Grant - \$150,000.

Pulled Pork Dinner - The next Pulled Pork Dinner will be held on Friday, October 25, 2013 from 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM. Dinners are \$7.00 each. Five or more dinners will be delivered in the local area.

The Story of Árpádhon: Hungarian Settlement,

Louisiana 1896 - 2006 by Royanne Kropog
Hardbacks - \$20.00, Softcovers - \$12.00. 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. Mail to H.S.H.S., P.O. Box 1909, Albany, LA 70711.

E-mail Addresses needed- Send to akropog@att.net.

Memorial Donations - Victoria Mocsary - \$50.00
Donations are always welcome.

Sympathy is extended to the Kraft, Sykes and Petho Families in the death of Hanna Kraft.

Albany-Springfield Branch Library - has a large collection of books in both Hungarian and English language. Ask the reference desk librarian for their location or access them from the library's computer catalog or from your home computer. The Library's website is www.mytpl.info.

Mango Language program for Hungarian at the Albany-Springfield Branch Library

If you are interested in learning conversational Hungarian, you may do so at your home computer. You must have a library card from the library. Once you have accessed the Library's website www.mytpl.info, simply follow the instructions for MANGO. Hungarian is almost completely unrelated to any other language in Europe.

Website for Hungarian songs, verses and children's activities - www.egyszervolt.hu This is a wonderful site for all kinds of Hungarian songs, verses, etc. It will have you singing and enjoying a variety of verses.

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) or email her for a complete list - roykropog@gmail.com

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. The official unveiling took place on July 16, 2013. WWW.LOUISIANAQUILTTRAIL.COM



Renovation of soon-to-be museum



Renovation - south wing



Renovation - north wing



The Livingston Parish Convention & Visitors Bureau has secured a BP grant to produce a video on Hungarian Settlement. The videoing will take place on Friday, August 30, 2013. The video will include Hungarian Presbyterian Church, St. Margaret Catholic Church, the Museum, Árpádhon Hungarian Settlement Cultural Association, Hungarian Settlement Historical Society, a cooking segment and several interviews.

Dual American/Hungarian Citizenship Offered -

A Hungarian Dual Citizenship Consular Outpost was held at the Albany-Springfield Branch Library recently, at which representatives of the Hungarian Embassy Washington, D.C. and the honorary Hungarian Consul offered an unusual opportunity. The Government is allowing Hungarians with family ties to Hungary to apply for dual Hungarian citizenship along with their American natural-born citizenship.

Hungarian Embassy Consular Outpost



Connie Shipp, Library Manager, Eszter Nagy and Ildiko Kamas - Hungarian Embassy, Washington, D.C. and Danny Hughes Honorary Hungarian Consul of Louisiana



Hungarian Harvest Dance - Saturday, October 5, 2013

American Legion Post 258 - Springfield, LA.
Authentic Hungarian foods: Cabbage rolls, Kolbász (Hungarian sausage sandwich, Cucumber salad, Cabbage noodles, and Hungarian Pastries. Doors open at 5:00 PM. The program starts at 6:00 PM. This event is sponsored by the Árpádhon Hungarian Settlement Cultural Association.