



## AMERICAN-HUNGARIAN EXECUTIVE CIRCLE

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### NEWSLETTER

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[www.AmericanHungarian.org](http://www.AmericanHungarian.org)

*Happy Holidays  
and  
New Year*



#### Red Sludge Disaster Relief

Many have inquired about how to assist victims of the toxic red sludge flood in Hungary. You may make contributions through links from the following groups:

- The American Hungarian Federation ([www.americanhungarianfederation.org](http://www.americanhungarianfederation.org)); AHF Disaster Relief Fund;
- Hungarian-American Coalition ([www.hacusa.org](http://www.hacusa.org)); Red Sludge Disaster Relief Fund; or
- Catholic Relief Services ([www.crs.org](http://www.crs.org)); Hungarian Relief Fund (or call 1-800-736-3467 between 8 a.m. to 11 p.m. EST)



#### PULI SPACE AIMS FOR LUNAR LANDING

AHEC announces its strategic support to Puli Space Technologies Ltd., whose

founders, **Dr. Tibor Pacher**, **Pál Gábor Vizi** and **Miklós Vázsonyi**, seek to win the Google Lunar X Prize. The winner must successfully land a robotic vehicle on the Moon by 2014, using only private funding.

The group seeks supporters. Please visit <http://www.pulispace.com> for information.



#### INNOVATIONS IN CYCLING

**Mike Lantos** has been busy helping Schwinn-Csepel Zrt. re-invent the bicycle. The result is a bike which is not dependent upon chains, and which can deliver superior momentum in uphill cycling. Named the Stringbike, it is currently available for purchase and licensing of its unique technology. Please visit [www.stringbike.com](http://www.stringbike.com) for more information.



#### AHEC'S SECURITIES EXPERT COMMENTS ON SEC PROPOSALS

**Ford Ladd** warns the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission and other stakeholders over proposals under review by the SEC, which he is concerned will make the European capital markets more desirable than the US capital markets. In

his August 2010 commentary, he warns proposals under the SEC's consideration will

drive more businesses to raise capital by listing on European rather than US stock exchanges, such as the New York Stock Exchange and the NASDAQ. Mr. Ladd's comments may be found here: <http://sec.gov/comments/s7-08-10/s70810-131.pdf>. Mr. Ford cooperated with Richard Flood, the Batten Professor of Business, and Deborah Hewitt, Clinical Associate Professor of Business, at the William and Mary Mason School of Business at Williamsburg, VA, in preparing a report to back up Mr. Ford's conclusions and recommendations to the SEC.

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#### **4 FOR DANCE LOOKS FOR VENUE IN USA**

Hungary based dance troop 4 for Dance is looking for an appropriate venue to perform in the USA. This group has performed around the world and has a long list of accomplishments, including a 2009 appearance at the Montreal Dance World Cup and performances carried on the UK's BBC network. Their performances of folk, show and step dancing may be viewed on YouTube. For additional information, visit <http://rtiklub.hu/archivum?keyword=4+for+dance>.

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#### **Friend of AHEC Elected Mayor of Ferencváros**



Congratulations to **János Bácskai**, recently elected Mayor of Ferencváros (the 9<sup>th</sup> district of Budapest). Mayor Bácskai was elected October 3, 2010 with 46.02% of the votes cast. He is a member of Hungary's

governing Fidesz (Alliance of Young Democrats) party.

Mr. Bácskai reports he will focus his efforts on three projects: fighting delinquency, investigating recent real estate scandals, and developing the central part of Ferencváros.

Additional information about the regional elections of Ferencváros may be found here: <http://www.ferencvaros.hu/>.

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#### **Seeking a Székesvehérvár Historian**

**Bob Farkas**, [njbobf@earthlink.net](mailto:njbobf@earthlink.net), is seeking someone with access to historical data about Hungarian military units in and around Székesvehérvár in 1944-45. Please contact him via email if you can refer him to a source or if you have access to such information.

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#### **Hungarian National Lacrosse Team**

The Hungarian National Lacrosse Team was founded in 2010 by George Rohonczy and Ferenc Szody. Mr. Szody is also captain of a Hungarian club lacrosse team, Budapest BLAX.

At the most recent world championships held by the Federation of International Lacrosse, in England, the Hungarian Lacrosse Federation was recognized as a new member in good standing. This establishes a national team for Hungary, and makes Hungary the 40th nation with a recognized team, permitting lacrosse to be an Olympic eligible sport.

The team seeks sponsors and support. Please visit their official website at <http://lacrosse.uw.hu/index.html> and contact Mr. Rohonczy at the following email address: [George.Rohonczy@GMail.com](mailto:George.Rohonczy@GMail.com)

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#### **2010 Membership Dues**

Member dues are USD \$100 or HUF 19000.



USA-based members, please send payment through one of the following methods:

- Credit Card payments via PayPal. You need not sign up to PayPal to take advantage of this option. Click the following link to pay using your credit card: <http://americanhungarian.us1.list-manage.com/track/click?u=2db8ee9ab906bb89e1a949f30&id=b715f234c8&e=fd19734f11>.
- Check Payment. Send a check, made payable to Active Media, 105 Interpromontory Road, Great Falls, VA 22066.

Hungary-based members, please send payment through one of the following methods:

- Credit Card payments via PayPal. You need not sign up to PayPal to take advantage of this option. Click this link for payment by credit card: <http://americanhungarian.us1.list-manage.com/track/click?u=2db8ee9ab906bb89e1a949f30&id=c14404d64f&e=fd19734f11>
- Cash Payment. Payments of (USD\$ 100 or HUF 19,000 HUF) may be made to Csaki Zoltan. Contact Zoltan by phone: 06 70 380 5380 or by email: [csz@center.hu](mailto:csz@center.hu). Pink postal check payment may be sent to Csaki Zoltan (CENTER.HU Kft), 1133 Budapest, Vág u. 13.

Members based in any other countries:

- Credit Card payments via PayPal. You need not sign up to PayPal to take advantage of this option. Click this link to pay by credit card: <http://americanhungarian.us1.list-manage.com/track/click?u=2db8ee9ab906bb89e1a949f30&id=3690df46c4&e=fd19734f11>



## AHEC ON THE WEB / JOBS BOARD

Please visit AHEC's job leads and other discussion boards available at <http://www.linkedin.com>. If you are aware of job leads, please post them to the job board, either at AHEC's LinkedIn Group or at the job leads discussion board on the Member's Corner of AHEC's web site, at [www.americanhungarian.org](http://www.americanhungarian.org).

In addition, please visit the Job Openings postings, which are regularly updated, near the bottom of the AHEC homepage at [www.americanhungarian.org](http://www.americanhungarian.org).



## MISSION STATEMENT

AHEC exists to foster closer business ties among Americans of Hungarian ethnicity, through programs to bring them into contact with each other, and with other Hungarians and business executives everywhere. AHEC seeks to mutually advance and strengthen American-Hungarian business relationships.



## MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

AHEC Membership is open to anyone. If you wish to join, please send to the below address notice of your interest, contact information about yourself (including a business card), and enclose an application fee of \$100, made out in the name of ActiveMedia.

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