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In Brief

WPA Mini-Golf Open

Children and teens ages 6 to 17 are invited to participate in the first-ever **WPA Mini-Golf Open** to be held in conjunction with the 27th Annual WPA Golf Tournament. The Open will be held Saturday, July 16, beginning at 11:00 a.m. at Scally's Golf Center, 265 Hookstown Grade Road, Coraopolis, Pa. Prizes will be awarded. The Open will end in time so that all participants can attend the annual Golf Awards Barbeque that afternoon at Quicksilver Golf Club. See next month's *William Penn Life* for more information and registration forms for both the Open and the WPA Golf Tournament.

A full 'Experience'

The Home Office has announced that all spaces for this year's **Hungarian Heritage Experience** are full and reservations are no longer being accepted. We thank all those who have registered for this year's Experience. We look forward to welcoming you to Scenic View July 31 to Aug. 6. Anyone wishing to be added to a waiting list should call the Home Office toll-free at 1-800-848-7366, ext. 122. Should any openings occur, they will be filled on a first-come/first-served basis.

Japan Relief

Our thoughts and prayers are with all those in **Japan** suffering from the effects of the recent earthquake, tsunami and nuclear disasters. As fraternalists, it is part of our mission to help those in need, and there are many, many people in Japan who are in need of many of life's basic necessities. We call on our fellow members and fraternalists to please help with Japan's recovery by making a donation for the relief efforts now underway. WPA members can make donations made payable to "William Penn Association Foundation" and send them to:

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WPA Board elects Bero to fill unexpired term as vice chairman

PITTSBURGH -- During its March meeting, the WPA Board of Directors elected William J. Bero (*pictured right*) of Fairfield, Conn., as Vice Chairman of the Board. Mr. Bero, 56, will fill the unexpired term of Barbara A. House, who was elected Chair of the Board in December 2010.

Mr. Bero brings to his new position more than 15 years of experience as a member of the WPA Board. He served on the Board first from 1987 to 1991 and then from 1999 to the present.

In addition to serving on many



Board committees, Mr. Bero has been an active member and leader of Branch 1 Bridgeport, Conn., where he currently serves as branch president.

He is also involved in the

affairs of the Hungarian American community in the northeast, serving as assistant treasurer at the United Church of Christ in Bridgeport.

Do you want to go **green** with your copy of *William Penn Life*?

Recently, several members requested the Home Office stop mailing them a copy of our monthly member magazine, *William Penn Life*. While each said they enjoy reading our magazine and will continue to do so, they offered some interesting reasons for their request:

- They can read the magazine online at the WPA website.
- Printing fewer copies would save paper and natural resources.
- Mailing fewer copies would lower WPA postage costs.

One member suggested we could email members either a PDF version of the magazine or an alert that the

latest issue of the magazine is available on our website.

This made us wonder how many more of our readers would like to "go green" with their copy of *William Penn Life*.

If you would prefer reading the electronic version of our magazine and wish to stop receiving a printed copy, please contact John E. Lovasz at our Home Office by calling 1-800-848-7366, ext. 135, or by sending an email to jlovasz@williampennassociation.org. Let us know whether you would prefer to receive a PDF copy sent to your email or to receive an email alert that the latest issue is online.

General Convention *Update*

The General Convention, WPA's governing body, will convene Sept. 4 to 6, 2011, in Pittsburgh. In preparation for this important event, WPA members across the country will be gathering in May to elect delegates who will represent them at the Convention. This month's *William Penn Life* contains information concerning these elections that we believe all members should read. First, turn to Page 23 and read the Notice of Qualifications for Delegates to the 37th General Convention. This notice contains excerpts from the Association's By-Laws outlining who is eligible to serve as a delegate. If you wish to serve as a delegate to the Convention, or if you wish to have your say by voting in your district's delegate election, turn to Pages 24 and 25 of this issue to learn when and where your district's election meeting will be held. Results of the Delegate District elections will be published in the August issue of *William Penn Life*.



WPA Memories

Zsuzsanna Szasz Gal

She loved her heritage, country & Association

by Carol Orendy

My grandmother, Zsuzsanna Szasz Gal, was born in Orosháza, Hungary, on Oct. 27, 1891, and emigrated to Illinois with her parents. She married my grandfather, Louis Varosy, in 1910, and they had two children--my uncle Louis Varosi and my mother Lenke (Lillian) Varosy--both born in Elgin, Illinois. Later the family moved to Cleveland, Ohio.

Grandma was a dynamic woman. She had her hair cut into a "bob" while it was the norm for women to have long hair. She kept it hidden under a scarf for days and days until she had the nerve to tell her husband. She took driving lessons while in her 60's, although as far as I know, she never passed her driving test.

Widowed at age 28, she opened a candy store in Cleveland to support herself and her two young children. She later married Imre Gal. They lived in the Hungarian area of Cleveland, along Buckeye Road. They celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on April 7, 1971. Less than a month later, on May 3, Grandma died from complications of a hip fracture.

Zsuzsanna--"Zsuzsika" to her friends--was very active in the Verhovay lodge located on Buckeye Road. She was manager of former Branch 361 for many years. Our family of four girls often helped out at various branch events, serving Hungarian home style dinners.

Among my many memories of Grandma were making strudel and noodles for soup from scratch, stretching the dough across her huge, round dining room table.

Grandma was an inveterate crocheter, the crochet needle always busy in her hands even as she carried on

conversations with us. She taught each of us granddaughters the basic crochet stitches--enough to make round purses, to which she added zippers in order to make them usable.

Grandma bowled in the Verhovay bowling league for many years and was always at the lodge when there were Verhovay events to help organize.

I remember one such event in particular, when the emcee said that anyone who didn't sing along with "My Country 'Tis of Thee" would be brought up on stage to sing it alone. So, there was my grandmother in the audience, singing as proudly as she could: "...Land where my fathers died, Land of the *peaches pie*...." She may have gotten the words wrong, but she certainly had a "pilgrim's pride" in her new homeland--plus, she didn't want to end up having to sing alone on the stage!

My grandmother was a perfect example of the immigrant who wanted to belong to America. She always said that she felt she was a real American when she began dreaming in English.

Mrs. Zsuzsanna Gal is listed in the 1963 edition of "Hungarians in America," a biographical directory of professionals of Hungarian origin in the Americas. She is listed as an "insurance executive" because she sold so many life insurance policies for Verhovay.

Carol Orendy is a member of Branch 525 Los Angeles. □



Be a part of our celebration

This year is a special year in the long, rich history of William Penn Association. In 2011, we are celebrating our Association's 125th anniversary. There will be special events throughout the year marking this milestone, all leading up to the grand 125th Anniversary Gala in Pittsburgh in September. As part of our year of celebration, *William Penn Life* will feature stories on the background and history of WPA, and we invite you to be a part of the story.

We are recalling the people and events that led from our roots in Hungary, to our beginnings in Hazleton, Pa., to the extending of our Fraternal Spirit across the United States. For many of you, it was your parents, grandparents or great-grandparents who helped build and support William Penn Association. Help us to tell their story and ours by submitting articles or anecdotes about lives that have been touched by William Penn Association.

Please contact John E. Lovasz with any items or stories. John can be reached at 1-800-848-7366, ext. 135, or jlovasz@williampennassociation.org.

Your story will help our readers to understand what WPA means to our members and will honor the memory of your loved ones.



Branching Out *with Endre Csoman*

Albert V. Kocsis, President of the Rákóczi Aid Association, signs the agreement merging the Verhovay and Rákóczi Associations in Bridgeport, Conn., in June 1955. Looking on are the co-signers: Verhovay National President John Bencze (seated right), Rákóczi Secretary Joseph Vasas (standing left) and Verhovay National Secretary Coloman Revesz (standing right). The momentous event was the culmination of two years of negotiations.



A brief history of William Penn Association

Part Three: As it grew through mergers, the Association established programs to attract youth and become a leader in the Hungarian community

by Endre Csoman

The first major effort to merge the larger Hungarian fraternal societies was attempted in 1930 when the Verhovay, Rákóczi, Reformed Federation and the Bridgeport Federation called a meeting to discuss the ways and means by which a merger could be accomplished. Like so many future attempts, this first one failed. In the mid-1930's, three of the fraternal societies established a special joint committee to consider the possibility of a merger, which led to a "Conference on Unification" two years later; but again, there were no tangible results.

However, a number of smaller mergers did take place. The Verhovay benefited by the absorption of the St. Stephen Society of Youngstown (Ohio) and the Pittsburgh and vicinity Reformed Aid Society (1933); The First Workingmen's Sick Benefit Society of McKeesport, PA (1935); the Hungarian Workingmen's Sick Benefit Society of Muskingum Heights, MI (1938); the Workingmen's Sick Benefit Federation (1947); and the New Jersey Hungarian Society (1953). This was followed in 1955 by the merger with the Rákóczi Aid Association, which altered the structure of the Verhovay, in effect producing a new organization under the name of William Penn Fraternal Association.

As it grew during the first half of the 20th century, the Verhovay Association strived to establish closer contacts between the two generations of Hungarian Americans. These efforts paralleled the establishment of programs aimed at enlisting the youth. The leaders of the Verhovay began to support sports, scouting and other activities that were important tools of socialization. Baseball teams had already been active in many branches since the late 1920's. In the mid-1930's, scout troops were established, and, in 1941, the bowling league was founded. Bowling soon became popular with young and old. This led to the establishment of annual bowling tournaments, which, in turn, increased the spirit of fraternalism among members who represented various branches hundreds of miles apart. The

bowling tournaments fostered the feeling of comradeship and the feeling of belonging, and they encouraged loyalty to the Verhovay and all things Hungarian.

Along with the growth of sports activities and the spread of the Verhovay homes, the Association also became involved in other Hungarian social, welfare and cultural activities, such as supporting Hungarian-American homes for the aged, offering scholarship loans, collecting funds for the Hungarian Red Cross, extending financial support to the Hungarian Gardens in Cleveland and the Hungarian Room in the Cathedral of Learning at the University of Pittsburgh, and supporting Hungarian radio programs throughout the country. These activities made the Verhovay the most widely known and most highly regarded Hungarian-American organization in North America.

The question of the desirable merger with the Rákóczi Aid Association was again brought to the forefront in 1953 when the Board of Directors of both associations appointed a special Merger Committee to explore the ways and means of this proposed merger. After more than a year of negotiations, the merger with the Rákóczi Aid Association of Bridgeport, Conn., succeeded in 1955. The Association, thereafter, operated under the name of William Penn Fraternal Association.

A special election for the leadership of the reconstituted William Penn Fraternal Association took place on February 21, 1956, and the following national officers were placed in office:

- National President Coloman Revesz (Verhovay)
- National Secretary Albert J. Stelkovics (Rákóczi)
- National Controller Julius K. Somogyi (Rákóczi)
- Vice President I Julius Macker (Verhovay)
- Vice President II Louis R. Varga (Rákóczi)

The 19 members of the Board of Directors of the William Penn Fraternal Association included 11 from Verhovay and eight from the Rákóczi.

Next month: A short history of the Rákóczi Aid Association.



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Your life insurance needs change when entering your retirement years

AS A SENIOR, you may be planning to sell your home and retire to a new area, considering long-term care coverage, or evaluating annuities. In addition, you may be entitled to discounts on home or auto insurance. Now is a good time to re-evaluate your insurance needs and coverage to determine whether you still need as much coverage as you did when your family was younger and you had a large mortgage on your home. Your circumstances have likely changed.

If you are covered by a group life insurance policy through your job and are planning to retire soon, inquire as to whether you can convert it to an individual policy.

Review all your policies to determine whether you can decrease coverage and whether you need to update your beneficiaries. Consider these factors:

- Is your spouse alive?
- Is your home paid off?
- What other financial assets do you have in addition to life insurance?
- Are your children financially independent?
- Do you have high current debts or anticipate estate taxes that would be a struggle for your survivors to pay off after you die?

If you have a cash value life policy, consider whether you can use some of the money built up in the policy to pay for long-term care insurance premiums, if long-term care insurance makes sense for you.

Once you reach age 59 ½, you are eligible to withdraw funds penalty-free from your 401(k) or IRA. At this time you may be considering the purchase of an annuity--a contract with an insurance company that promises to pay a series of income payments at regular intervals in return for premiums you have paid. Explore the different types of annuities available: single premium, multiple premium, fixed, deferred and variable.

In addition, make sure you examine whether an annuity makes sense for you in terms of your age and income needs. Ask whether the annuity lets you tap into your principal if you should need it, or whether there are stiff penalty fees. Be sure you understand the fees associated with the annuity, as well as the



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special tax treatment of annuities, namely that income tax on annuities is deferred until you start receiving the income payments.

If you are strapped for cash and are considering selling your life insurance policy to a third party in return for a sum of money, called a life settlement, carefully consider the impact on your beneficiaries and whether it will affect your eligibility for any other public assistance you may be receiving. Also, before you make any decisions, be sure to check out the legitimacy of the company to which you are considering selling your policy by calling your state insurance department.

If you are considering the purchase of a "Final Expense" policy--a small whole life policy, usually with coverage under \$10,000 and often sold to seniors up to age 85--be aware that some are sold as guaranteed issue and come with steep charges. Furthermore, they typically don't pay a full benefit in the first two or three years of the policy. □

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Jeff Klecan used the education he received from Cleveland State University in accounting and finance to become an insurance agent and investment advisor. In 1983, he started his career as a captive insurance agent. Within two years, he became an independent insurance agent, acknowledging that no one insurance company has all the products to meet every individual's needs and objectives.

After his mother lost a battle with cancer at an early age, Jeff found his niche within the

family market. Realizing the financial difficulties families have with an unexpected loss of a family member, he took it as a major challenge to convince families, especially ones with young children, why life insurance must be the core ingredient of any financial plan.

He was introduced to the WPA in 2005, and quickly realized that not only does WPA have outstanding products but also, as he says, is an organization "that offers its members scholarship grants with minimal amounts of rules to qualify." He went on to say, "I wish I had known about this Association when I first started my career."

When he is not getting people happily involved with financial products, Jeff spends quality time with his wife Judy and his daughter Kelly. They have been living in Brecksville for 30 years. □

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Adult members age 16 and older can earn cash rewards when they refer new members to the WPA. The WPA will pay adult members \$12.00 for each applicant they recommend who is issued a WPA **permanent** life insurance plan. The WPA will also pay adult members \$10.00 for each applicant they recommend who is issued a WPA **term** life insurance plan. To claim **your** reward, send us the names and addresses of everyone you know who would enjoy the many fraternal benefits that come with membership in the WPA.

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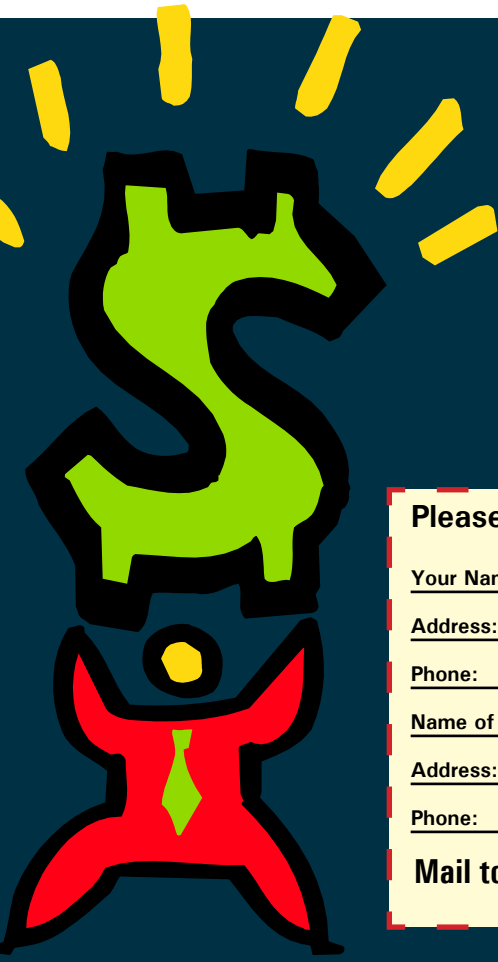
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Húsvét = Magyar family traditions

AS I HAVE GROWN OLDER, my excitement over the "Big Three Holidays" of my cherished childhood have changed and been re-prioritized. As a youngster, my most important holiday was Christmas, followed by my birthday and then Easter. In my young eyes, the importance of each celebration was measured by gifts and parties. But, as I have matured, family traditions and the traditions of our Hungarian heritage have replaced the gifts and frivolous pageantry I once expected. Now, my birthday is a mere blip on the screen of annual celebrations. The lavish parties in my honor are now part of my memories of childhood or preserved physically in our family's extensive amalgam of photo albums. In fact, I worked a 12-hour shift on my most recent birthday.

Easter has become my most cherished of family celebrations. The emergence of spring and the warm breezes it brings help to melt my otherwise winter-hardened personality. Knowing that the school year is nearing its end adds to the savoring of the holiday even more.

The practice of sacrificing something during Lent continues with me. This year, I gave up soda pop! This is no easy task. I live on Mountain Dew; the caffeine and sugar keeps me going and going. The cold turkey approach to consuming pop was tough, but intrinsically rewarding for me. The 40 days of Easter preparation help renew my religious convictions and my overall understanding of Christianity.

The final week of Lent is the highlight of my family's Húsvét experience. Beginning with Palm Sunday, the next 10 days are just wonderful.

My dad taught us how to use the blessed palms to construct and assemble perfect little crosses. The miniature crosses serve many holiday-themed purposes. They are worn on our suit or dress lapels, placed in the Blessing Basket, put in purses or wallets and placed on the graves of our loved ones. Since the palms have been blessed, the utmost of care and respect is given in preserving each cross's religious integrity.

As it does for many of you, our Easter always comes with a predominance of good Hungarian food. Our *család*



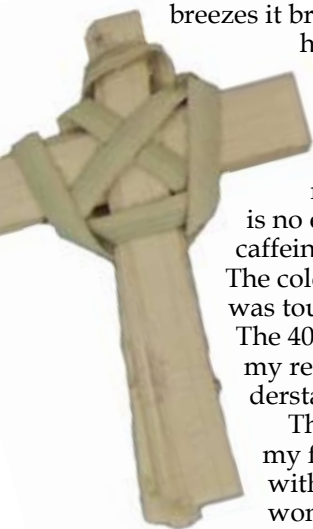
enjoys a delicate balance of home-made and purchased Magyar delicacies.

Of course, the center of all this attention is the Blessing Basket. Everything that goes into this basket is made or selected with love and special attention. The basket itself has been passed down to us via my grandparents. A bottle of Tokaji Aszú 6 puttonyos is the beginning of our gastronomical ensemble. As tradition dictates, we go to the West Side Market and purchase our ham and kolbasz from the Dohar butcher

stand. Vera's Bakery provides us with Hungarian white bread and a small blessing *paska*. A brief stroll from the market lies the famous Farkas Pastry Shop. There, we acquire the legendary *krémes* slices, *pogácsa* and--if we do not get a *dobos torta* from the Youngstown American Hungarian Club--a nine-layer cake. We also have stuffed cabbage, purchased from either the Northeast Hungarian Cultural Center or the Youngstown Magyar Club. My mom and sister make *kalács*, *sarga túró* and *csöröge*.

My brother and I are responsible for making the horseradish. During the early portion of Holy Week, the two of us trek to the back portion of our three-acre woods and dig up a few *tormarépát*. The first year our family moved out to Chesterland, we planted about a dozen roots for the sake of perpetuation. It has been 14 years since we initially planted those little roots. The small patch has grown to over 100 square feet in size. Some of the roots are now two feet long. We always hope that the ground is wet because the moisture-laden soil makes it easier to pull out the long "fingers of fire." On Holy Thursday, we wash, peel and grind by hand the hot, fibrous garnishment. We mix in a little salt, water and white vinegar, producing a quart or so of liquid heat. My *édesanyám* puts some of the *torma* into a baby food jar for placement into the Blessing Basket. What's neat is that my mom uses the same baby food jars that we ate out of years ago as babies. (We are being "green" and not even realizing it!)

Dying Easter Eggs is usually performed on Holy Thursday evening. Each of us creates an egg with a Magyar theme. I usually draw a cross and inscribe upon it "*Krisztus Feltámadása*" ("Christ is Risen"). My sister dips one-



A quick note of thanks....

Each month I receive letters, phone calls and emails expressing a wide variety of comments. Most are of a positive nature. Many express deep emotions--emotions roused by memories of the old days and happy times with family and friends. In the last month or so, I received four messages that really tugged on my heartstrings. The wonderful stories they related inspired this month's column. Special thanks go out to Mary of Florida, to Annush, to Betty Jane from Eighty-Four and to a special reader from Ford, N.J. Your letters and messages are always welcomed and cherished. Keep them coming! - Tibor



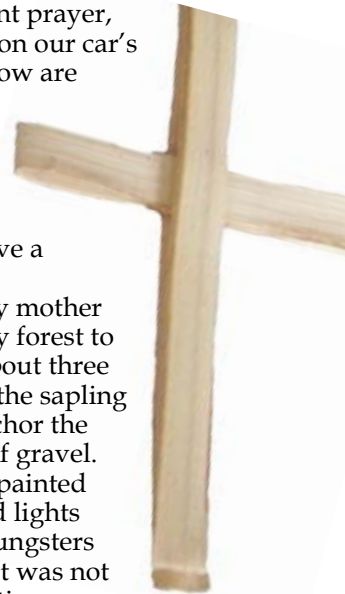
dozens of hollow plastic eggs filled with money or hand written prize vouchers/coupons. A keen eye and speed gets you more eggs. I remember in our younger days, I would always find more eggs than my siblings. My *anyám* would then secretly tell my brother and sister the special hiding places as to level the egg-finding playing field.

A portion of Easter Sunday afternoon is spent driving to cemeteries visiting our loved ones and leaving them palm crosses my siblings and I had made. At each grave site, we say a short silent prayer, then my father plays a lively czardas on our car's CD player. "Our ancestors buried below are listening," he says.

Easter Monday and Tuesday start early with *locsoló*. On Monday, we sprinkle perfume on my mom and sis. The next morning, the favor is returned as my *apa*, Endre and I receive a spritzing of cologne.

About two weeks before Easter, my mother delegates one of us to go to the nearby forest to cut down and retrieve a small tree, about three feet tall with lots of branches. We set the sapling into a large earthenware vase and anchor the tree's trunk down with small pieces of gravel. We then decorate the tree with hand-painted Hungarian Easter eggs, pastel-colored lights and various articles given to us as youngsters by my mom and Nagymama Check. It was not until last year that I learned this tradition was actually started by my Grandma Cseh and Aunt Jean Kessler of Antigo, Wisc., during the waning years of the 1960's. Although this home-brewed family custom is not steeped in Hungarian history, it's purpose and symbolism are of pure love and joy for the season.

I hope you enjoy your very own Magyar/American *Húsvét* traditions. As I mentioned last month: You have to



third of the hard-boiled egg in red dye and the opposite third in green dye. When completed, the egg kind of looks like a miniature Hungarian flag. Endre II usually draws a cimbalom on his egg in honor of his namesake and *nagy-papa*, Endre Cseh.

On Holy Saturday, we have our basket blessed at St. Stephen's in Y-Town. Right before we begin our trek to church, my mom brings out of storage the cloth that covers the basket. The cloth itself was given to my mom by my dear, departed Aunt Jenny. The cloth was an heirloom gift for my parents' wedding. The shroud itself was brought to America from Hungary in 1969, when my Aunt Genevieve went on a WPA-sponsored tour.

Our family usually splits itself into two groups for our Holy Saturday rituals: my dad, mom and sis take the basket to church to be blessed while my brother and I broadcast the Hungarian Radio Show. (Unfortunately, our program and the blessing take place at the same time.) We re-delegate these duties every year so that none of us have to keep the same assignment each year.

As a matter of tradition, the blessed food is put into the refrigerator and is only consumed by the family after sunrise services on Easter.

Although my siblings and I are way past the Easter Bunny age, my mom still makes each of us a basket filled with goodies. If weather permits, she still hides outside

Did you know they're Hungarian?

Many of you know this famous actor as either Captain Kirk of "Star Trek," as television policeman T.J. Hooker, as a high profile attorney on "Boston Legal" or most recently as a pitchman for the internet travel agency, Priceline.com. But, did you know William Shatner's ancestors were Hungarian?

Shatner was born in Montreal, Canada, on March 22, 1931. Out of Shatner's four grandparents, one of his forbearers hailed from Hungary and another was a Hungarian that lived in the Ukraine (Ruthenia).

As for identifying Shatner with his rather prominent Hungarian pedigree, a quote from WPA Branch 28 Secretary Kathy Novak sums it up best: "William Shatner has Magyar grandparents. That explains a lot!"

Boldog Húsvéti Ünnepeket!

Tibor II

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Let's hear your take

Let me know how you enjoy my thoughts and views on growing up Hungarian Style. If you have any questions or comments about me or my column, please email me at: SilverKing1937@yahoo.com, or drop me a letter in care of the William Penn Association, 709 Brighton Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15233.



Eight for 8

FÁRADJON BE A MAGYAR KONYHÁBA!

Chef Vilmos and I have been writing The Hungarian Kitchen for eight years. It has been a pleasure to share many culinary secrets and techniques with all our readers. We look forward to providing more about Magyar food in the future. Thank you all for your support for the last eight years.

As our way of saying “thank you,” Vilmos and I have decided to share the eight most popular recipes, based on your requests. If you would like a copy of any recipe we have published in past issues, please contact The HK.

As we begin our ninth year, The Hungarian Kitchen will be trying new things in this space as well as bringing back some old items as requested by a lot of you, our precious readers. Once again thank you very much!

Monthly trivia: *When was the first recipe of Hungarian gulyás prepared?*

Have fun with the recipes and have a great month.

*Jó étvágyat
Főszakács Béla*

The Hungarian Kitchen is a trademark of William S. Vasvary.

Töltött Káposzta (Stuffed Cabbage)

- 1 pound ground beef
- 1 pound ground veal
- 1 pound ground pork
- 2 pound pork bones
- 3 whole eggs
- 2 tablespoons kosher salt
- 2 tablespoons Hungarian paprika
- 1 teaspoon black pepper
- 1 tablespoon granulated garlic
- 1½ cups uncooked white rice
- 1 large onion, sliced thin
- 2 tablespoons lard
- 1 large head of green cabbage
- 1 can sauerkraut, drained
- 3 cups Sacramento tomato juice

With a large fork stuck into the core of the cabbage, blanch the leaves in boiling salted water until the leaves wilt away from the head. Cut leaves at stem and put aside to drain. Continue this process until all leaves are removed from the core. Save any cabbage pieces and broken leaves to layer the pot. Using a paring knife, shave the spines off the leaves and set aside with the broken cabbage pieces. Mix with sauerkraut to add later.

In a mixing bowl, combine all the meat, spices, eggs and rice. Blend until well mixed. Using a large stockpot, melt the lard and sauté the pork bones with the onions, cooking for 10 minutes and browning slightly. Turn off heat, then cover the bones with cabbage leaves and trimmings.

Take a cabbage leaf in hand, place a tablespoon of meat mixture onto the lower third closest to you, and roll one-half turn. Fold in the left edge and roll a full turn. Tuck the right edge into the completed cabbage roll. Continue this process until all the meat and leaves are prepared.

Place the rolls into the pot, layering on top of the cabbage-sauerkraut mixture. Sprinkle some more of the cabbage-sauerkraut mixture on top of the rolls, then repeat the layering process. Fill up the pot, and then put back on the stove.

Add the tomato juice and fill with water to cover the rolls. Bring to a boil, then turn heat down to a simmer, cooking for two hours. Serve with a crusty rye bread.

24-Hour Pickles

- 2 quarts spring water
- 1 cup white vinegar
- ½ cup canning salt
- ¼ cup sugar
- 2 ounces fresh dill
- 7 cloves garlic, peeled & split
- 12 cucumbers

In a saucepan, combine the first four items and bring to a boil. Let cool for 10 minutes, then add half the fresh dill and let cool to room temperature. Wash and dry a non-metallic container to cure the pickles. Put the remaining dill and garlic cloves in the bottom of the container and set aside. Slice off ⅛ inch from each end of cucumber. You may slice your cucumbers lengthwise into long pieces OR crosswise into ½-inch chips. Place the cucumbers in the container and pour in the brine. Make sure all the cucumbers are touching the brine. If you need more brine, boil one cup of water with one teaspoon of canning salt and ½ teaspoon of sugar, then cool and pour over pickles. Cover the container and refrigerate pickles for 24 hours.

Krumpli Pogácsa (Potato Biscuits)

1 teaspoon salt
2 cups sifted flour
1 cup cold butter
2 tablespoons sour cream
1 cup cold mashed potatoes
4 egg yolks

In a mixing bowl, sift the salt and flour together, then cut in the butter until well mixed. Add the sour cream, potatoes and three egg yolks. Knead until blended thoroughly. On a lightly floured surface, roll out until thin. Fold over three times and chill. Repeat this process three times. When rolling out the last time, keep the thickness of the dough at 1/2-inch. Cut out your biscuits and wash the tops with the last yolk. Preheat the oven to 400°F. Bake for 12 minutes until the tops are golden brown. Serve the biscuits while warm to your guests.

Ischli Fánk (Ischl Donuts)

3/4 cup unsalted butter
1/2 teaspoon grated lemon rind
3/4 cup confectioner's sugar
1 whole egg
1/2 cup ground hazelnuts
1 1/2 cups all-purpose flour
1/4 teaspoon cinnamon
1/4 teaspoon cocoa powder
Apricot or raspberry jam

Cream the butter and sugar until light and well mixed. Add the egg and lemon rind and continue beating until fluffy. Blend in the ground nuts. Sift together the flour, cinnamon and cocoa then add to the wet mixture in four equal amounts, mixing well after each addition. Put the dough in the refrigerator for 20 minutes to chill and take shape.

On a lightly floured surface, roll out dough to a thickness of a 1/4 inch. Using a 1 1/2-inch round biscuit or cookie cutter, make as many rounds as you can, ending with an equal amount. Preheat your oven to 350°F. Bake the cookies for 15 minutes or until lightly golden brown on the bottom. Let cookies cool to room temperature before filling.

Spread the jam on the bottom side of a cookie, then sandwich together with another cookie, bottom side in. Top the cookie sandwiches with icing if you choose.

Káposzta Tészta (Cabbage & Noodles)

1 pound wide egg noodles
1/2 pound bacon, diced small
1 large onion, peeled & minced fine
1 tablespoon minced garlic
1 medium head green cabbage, cored & diced small
Salt & white pepper to taste

In a saucepot, boil water and cook the noodles. In a skillet, sauté the bacon and onions until transparent. Add the garlic and cabbage to the skillet. Add 1/4 cup of water to create steam in the skillet. Cover the skillet, then cook on low heat until the cabbage is soft. Add the noodles and season with salt and pepper. Serve hot to your guests with a crusty rye bread.

Delmonico Potatoes

3 cups heavy cream
8 ounces white cheddar cheese
1/2 teaspoon salt
1/4 teaspoon white pepper
1/2 teaspoon ground mustard
2 pounds Yukon Gold potatoes
1/2 cup bread crumbs
1/4 stick butter
1/2 cup Wondra flour

Using the butter and flour, make a roux. Add the salt, white pepper and mustard to the roux. Heat up the heavy cream and thicken with roux. Slice and cook the potatoes to a firm, not soft, stage. Butter a casserole dish and place a layer of potatoes on the bottom. Sprinkle with a portion of the cheddar, then layer with potatoes. Continue this process until the top layer is potatoes. Pour the sauce over the entire dish, then top with remaining cheddar. Preheat the oven to 350°F. Bake the potatoes for 30 minutes or until the top is a golden brown. Remove from oven, let stand five minutes, then serve your guests. Serves eight.

TRIVIA ANSWER: 9th century Hungarian shepherds or herdsmen were the first to prepare this traditional Magyar dish. The term "gulyás" translates to "herdsman". As soup was an important staple of most diets, gulyás was the upscale version provided by Magyars on the Great Plains.

Zöld Bableves (Green Bean Soup)

2 pounds green beans cut into 1/2-inch pieces
1 tablespoon white vinegar
2 tablespoons sour cream
1 tablespoon salt
2 quarts water
2 tablespoons lard
2 tablespoons flour
1 small onion
1/2 teaspoon paprika
1/2 teaspoon chopped parsley

In a saucepan, cook the beans in the two quarts of water with salt until they are tender. In a small skillet, melt the lard and cook the onions. Stir in the flour and cook until slightly brown. Add 1/2 cup of cold water and stir in the paprika. Add this mixture to the beans. Stir in the vinegar and the sour cream and simmer for five minutes. Serve hot to your guests.

Blueberry Cream Cheese Pie

8 ounce package cream cheese, softened
1/4 cup granulated sugar
1/4 cup sour cream
1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract
9-inch pie shell, baked & cooled
3 cups fresh blueberries
1/2 cup water
1/2 cup granulated sugar
2 tablespoons cornstarch
1 tablespoon lemon juice
3 tablespoons confectioners' sugar

Blend the cream cheese, 1/4 cup sugar, sour cream and vanilla until smooth. Spread evenly into the cooled pie shell. Chill until firm.

In a small saucepan, mash one cup of blueberries. Add water and bring to a boil. Strain and add enough water to blueberry juice to make one cup.

In a bowl, combine the remaining sugar and cornstarch. Stir in the blueberry liquid, then return to the saucepan and cook, stirring constantly until the mixture thickens and bubbles. Remove from the heat, stir in the lemon juice and cool.

Place the remaining blueberries over the cream cheese in the shell. Spoon the glaze evenly over the berries. Chill for three hours. Sprinkle confectioners' sugar on each slice and garnish with a dollop of fresh whipped cream. Serve to your guests.

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0 - 40	\$6,000.00
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71 - 75	\$2,000.00
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Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

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Barbara A. Tew, Sales Coordinator, William Penn Association, 709 Brighton Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15233



Give me five for stroke

WELCOME TO THE LONG-AWAITED SPRING! But, along with the arrival of spring comes April... and the cleaning of our yards, the dreaded income taxes and, for me, the renewal of licenses. This past month, I had to complete my education credits for my Florida RN renewal. And through this, I have recently received a new NIHSS National Stroke Certification. This has greatly increased my awareness for the need of stroke education for everyone. There are a few simple things we can learn that could save ourselves or a loved one from having to deal with the devastating effects of stroke.

Stroke awareness is important for people of all ages. Strokes affect both the young and old. Did you know that stroke is the third leading cause of death in the United States and the leading cause of disability? We could reduce these numbers by just learning and sharing a simple little way to remember the

signs of possible stroke. It's called "Give Me Five for Stroke":

1. Walk - Is balance off?
2. Talk - Is speech slurred or the face droopy?
3. Reach - Is one side weak or numb?
4. See - Has vision changed or been partially lost?
5. Feel - Do you have a severe headache?

If you have, or someone you see has, any of these symptoms, take immediate action. Even if there is only one of the signs present, or even if the symptoms go away, get help!

Now that we all are beginning to get out of our houses again and enjoying the warmer weather, when you see family and friends, show them how smart you are. Share what you've learned. And tell them: "Give me five!"

Until next month...

Stay Healthy - Stay Happy - Be Fit!
Egészségére!
Debbie



Health Links

There are many online sources of information concerning strokes. Two good places to start are the websites of the National Stroke Association and the American Stroke Association. Respectively, they can be found at:

➡ <http://www.stroke.org>

➡ <http://www.strokeassociation.org>

Actuary's Report for 2010

WPA continues to be a very safe, secure place to hold money for future delivery

by R. E. Bruce, FCA, MAAA

William Penn Association continues its long history and outstanding service to members while maintaining a strong margin of safety to members. Certain highlights from the financial reports to the regulatory authorities and the actuarial report to the officers and directors should be summarized for the benefit of the members. All numbers herein are taken from the official reports as filed. References are rounded for convenience.

Emphasis in 2010 was on growth and development. The program was eminently successful. Assets increased by 12 percent and premium income increased by 53 percent. At the same time, profits increased by \$210,000. This increase is attributable to careful management since, normally, new business costs money and reduces profits.

The year 2010 continued the Association's long history of returning to the members the highest possible benefits consistent with safety. The major lines of business, life and annuity, were again profitable. This is a fine record. The members should feel very proud of WPA and its financial

strength to guarantee their benefits. WPA continues its emphasis on safety to members.

The strong financial position of WPA was such that no WPA member suffered any loss in benefit value or reduction in dividends nor experienced a rate increase. By contrast, many persons insured in commercial companies, under variable indexed or market value adjustment contracts, experienced a loss in policy value of 30 to 50 percent. Many universal life plans imposed rate increases. WPA continues to be a very safe, secure place to hold money for future delivery.

Assets at over \$223,000,000 continue to be valued very conservatively, are of very high quality and fully comply with the strict standards of the National Association of Insurance Commissioners. All members can continue to have confidence that the assets standing behind their policies are sound and will provide the required funds when needed.

The safety margin at December 31, 2010, continues to be very strong at 110 percent. This means that the Association held \$110 of admissible assets behind each \$100 of liabilities as a safeguard and guarantee to all members that the benefits promised in the certificates will be paid when due. Although the solvency ratio is slightly lower than the 2010 ratio, the Association enjoys a stronger safety margin than most of the very large companies. This strong safety margin will continue for the benefit of all members, even into the next generation.

The Association enjoyed a very favorable year from investments. The net rate of return on mean assets was 5.94 percent, which supports the generous rates paid to members. During 2010, the Association earned net investment income of \$12,181,000 after deducting all investment

William Penn Association 2010 Annual Statement

ASSETS

Bonds	\$209,494,859
Stocks	6,537,163
Mortgage Loans	696,678
Real Estate	791,410
Cash and Short-Term Investments	1,465,913
Certificate Loans	946,945
Accrued Investment Income	3,281,898
Electronic Data Processing Equipment & Software	18,418
Premiums Due and Uncollected	24,043
Total Admitted Assets	\$223,257,327

LIABILITIES, SPECIAL RESERVES & SURPLUS CERTIFICATE RESERVES

Life, Annuity and Accident & Health Policy Reserves	\$190,672,000
Liability for Deposit-Type Contracts	6,720,791
Life and Accident & Health Claim Reserves	204,907
Provision for Refunds Payable in Following Calendar Year	325,000
Premiums Paid in Advance	470,282
Officials' Retirement Program	1,879,585
Interest Maintenance Reserve	996,035
General Expenses and Taxes Due or Accrued	54,719
Asset Valuation Reserve	1,195,000
Trust Account	713,150
Other Liabilities	487,094
Total Liabilities	\$203,718,563
Unassigned Surplus	19,538,764
Total	\$223,257,327

expenses. Investment income exceeded requirements by \$4,866,000 in 2010. Excess interest continued to be the most important profit source to the Association.

In addition to the excellent investment returns, it is worth noting that the Association maintains \$2,191,000 in Security Valuation Reserves to guard against adverse fluctuation in investments. The members' assets are well protected by this strong safety fund.

The Association has set aside \$197,597,000 of life, annuity and A&H reserves, deposits and claims for future payments to members. Management continues its prudent and conservative practice of setting aside sufficient funds with which to meet all known and contingent liabilities. William Penn Association is doing an outstanding job of managing the members' funds.

An important index of service to members is the total amount paid to members. During 2010, the Association paid the significant amount of \$15,625,000. A summary of these payments to members for the past two years is as follows:

ITEM	2009	2010
Death Claims	\$2,023,000	1,757,000
Matured Endowments	112,000	99,000
Emergency Cash Surrender Benefits	672,000	669,000
A & H Supplementary Payments	28,000	51,000
Annuity and Old Age Benefits	6,138,000	7,608,000
Excess Interest on Funds to Members' Acct.	4,438,000	5,124,000
Dividends	325,000	317,000
Benefits to Members	\$13,736,000	\$15,625,000

WPA continues to render a truly valuable financial service to members.

In our opinion, the amounts carried in the balance sheets on account of the various actuarial items:

- (1) are computed in accordance with commonly accepted actuarial standards consistently applied and are fairly stated in accordance with sound actuarial principles;
- (2) are based on actuarial assumptions which produce reserves at least as great as those called for in any contract provision as to reserve basis and method, and are in accordance with all other contract provisions;
- (3) meet the requirements of the insurance laws and regulations of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and are at least as great as the minimum aggregate amounts required by the state in which this statement is filed;
- (4) are computed on the basis of assumptions consistent with those used in computing the corresponding items in the annual statement of the preceding year end with any exceptions as noted below; and
- (5) include provision for all actuarial reserves and related statement items which ought to be established.

It is apparent that the officers and directors continue the skillful management of the members' money while maintaining very strong safeguards.

R. E. Bruce is president of Bruce & Bruce Company.

Financial Report

INCOME

Premiums & Annuity Considerations	\$30,638,529
Net Investment Income	12,020,268
Amortization of Interest Maintenance Reserve	160,595
Miscellaneous Income	26,888
Total Income	\$42,846,280

OUTGO

Life Benefits Paid, Including Dividends	\$ 2,893,090
Annuity and Pension Benefits Paid	7,608,304
Interest on Funds to Members' Accounts	3,492,519
Increase in Aggregate Reserve for Life, Annuity and Accident & Health Certificates	23,487,000
Commissions on Premiums & Annuity Considerations	844,723
General Operating and Fraternal Expenses	4,217,347
Insurance Taxes, Licenses & Fees	153,254
Total Outgo & Reserve Increase	\$42,696,237
Net Gain from Operations after Refunds to Members	\$150,043

RECONCILIATION

Net Gain from Operations	\$ 150,043
Realized Gains/(Losses) (excluding transfers to the IMR)	45,254
Net Income/(Loss)	\$ 195,297
Unassigned Funds as of 12/31/09	19,894,192
Change in Unrealized Gains	62,574
Change in Nonadmitted Assets & Annuities	
Certain Calculation	(172,039)
Change in Asset Valuation Reserve	(441,260)
Change in Reserves on Account of Valuation Basis	-----
Unassigned Funds as of 12/31/10	\$19,538,764

Eligibility Rules for Year 2011 Scholarship Grants

The Board of Directors has established the following rules governing eligibility for scholarship recipients:

- a) The student applying for a scholarship grant must be an individual Life Benefit Member of William Penn Association for four (4) years. A Life Benefit Member is an individual who is insured for life or endowment benefits.
- b) On both renewal and new applications, the applicant must be the child or grandchild of a life benefit member of William Penn Association in good standing. For the 2011 school year, the parent/grandparent must be a Life Benefit Member for at least four (4) years as of January 1, 2011.
- c) Scholarship grants are awarded to full-time undergraduate students only if they have been accepted by or are currently attending an accredited college, university or school of nursing.
- d) Grants are awarded for a two- or four-year period. The student must notify the President of the Scholarship Foundation, by letter, postmarked no later than **Wednesday, June 1, 2011**, that the student desires to receive a scholarship grant. It is recommended that the letter be sent via Certified Mail to ascertain proof of mailing date. **E-Mail notification will NOT be accepted as proof of notification.**
- e) **First-time applicants** must submit the following:
 1. **WPA Scholarship Application** on forms furnished by the Scholarship Foundation. Forms may be obtained by writing to: President, William Penn Fraternal Association Scholarship Foundation, Inc., 709 Brighton Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15233.
 2. **An Essay** of 100 words or fewer entitled: **“What Community, Charitable or Volunteer Act Were You Involved with in the Last 12 Months?”**
The Scholarship Application and Essay must be mailed and postmarked by Wednesday, June 1, 2011.
 3. A transcript of the student's latest high school scholastic record.
 4. A copy of the student's SAT/ACT scores or waiver letter from the school in which enrolled.
 5. Proof of enrollment for the coming school year in September.**Items 3, 4 and 5 must be submitted by Friday, September 30, 2011.**
- f) **Renewal applicants** must submit the following:
 1. **A letter** requesting a renewal grant.
 2. **An Essay** of 100 words or fewer entitled: **“What Community, Charitable or Volunteer Act Were You Involved with in the Last 12 Months?”**
The Renewal Letter and Essay must be mailed and postmarked by Wednesday, June 1, 2011.
 3. A copy of the student's **latest scholastic record**. All renewal applicants **must maintain no lower than a 2.5 cumulative Grade Point Average on a 4.0 scale to qualify.**
 4. Proof of enrollment for the new term in September.**Items 3 and 4 must be submitted by Friday, September 30, 2011.**
- g) All requests for an application and renewal letters must be submitted and signed by the student requesting the grant and mailed to the attention of the President. Eligibility rules for renewal grants will be in accordance with the eligibility rules in effect for the initial grant. Letters submitted by anyone other than the student will not be considered. E-Mails will NOT be accepted.
- h) Scholarship grants will be awarded by the Executive Committee of the William Penn Fraternal Association Scholarship Foundation, Inc., once each year. Grants will be paid directly to the applicant provided **the student** is a member in good standing on the date the check is issued and all of the eligibility requirements stated herein have been met.
- i) If for any reason the recipient does not attend college after receiving the grant, it must be returned to the William Penn Fraternal Association Scholarship Foundation, Inc.
- j) In compliance with current privacy laws, all information in regards to the scholarship status will be divulged only to the applicant/student.
- k) All applications and renewal letters must be postmarked no later than **Wednesday, June 1, 2011**. Any applications or renewal letters postmarked after that date will not be considered.

If unsure of eligibility rules, please call Gerry Davenport at the Home Office at 1-800-848-7366, Ext. 128 or e-mail us at scholarship@williampennassociation.org.

Scholarship fund helps Hungarian students attain their dreams

by Anne Marie Schmidt

The Hungarian Scholarship Fund is a non-profit organization committed to providing scholarships and financial aid to students of Hungarian origin living in Hungary or the countries which were once a part of Greater Hungary (Transylvania, Romania, Serbia, Slovakia and the Ukraine).

The HSF was founded 11 years ago by its president, Dr. Bela J. Bognar, professor emeritus at Wright State University. It continues under his direction and with the help of his wife and HSF Secretary-Treasurer, April Minor-Bognar, and Board members Andy Dobo, Stephen Kalmar, Suzy Kalmar and Anne Marie Schmidt.

The HSF supports students to obtain degrees in medicine, health, law, theology, business, natural science, education, the humanities and the arts. More than 50 students receive scholarships each year. The level of support is based on the student's family's financial status and ability to contribute to and support the student's education.

Currently, three medical students in Hungary and two in Transylvania are being helped.

The organization's most recent graduate, from Semmelweis Medical School, is Virag Siklahy (*pictured*). Virag was adopted from a dreadful orphanage in Romania at age five.



a friend referred her to HSF. Along with some assistance from the state of Hungary, the HSF financed her medical education. Last July, she received her diploma and began her internship in a German hospital.

She is fluent in German, English and her native Hungarian. After residency, Virag will return to Hungary to practice Pediatrics.

Since its founding, the HSF has supported more than 110 students, and transferred more than \$350,000 to five countries.

Fundraising is an ongoing process, achieved mostly through mailings and by attending regional and national Hungarian gatherings. William Penn Association has been a past supporter of the HSF.

For additional information or to make a tax deductible contribution please contact Dr. Bela Bognar at: Hungarian Scholarship Fund, 7919 E. State Route 55, Casstown, Ohio 45312. □

She remembers the sick children and suffering in the orphanage and was determined to become a pediatrician.

Ten years ago, her adoptive father died, and

NTSB report says tugboat's mate was on phone at time of deadly duck boat accident

PHILADELPHIA -- A recent National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) report said that the first mate of the tugboat involved in the duck boat accident in Philadelphia last summer which killed two Hungarian students, had been on his cell phone during the 2½ hours leading up to the crash.

According to the report, the first mate received 21 calls on his cell phone from family members about his son's life-threatening emergency. One of the calls started five minutes before the tug had dragged a barge into the duck boat and carried on

until one minute after the collision.

Killed in the July 7 accident were Hungarian tourists Dora Schwendtner, 16, and Szabolcs Prem, 20.

The report also said a deckhand on the duck boat texted his girlfriend a few moments before the crash. Hungarian passengers said the duck boat's captain should have physically demonstrated and not just verbally explained how to wear the life jackets, since they were not native English speakers.

A final report is expected to be completed this summer. □

In Brief



As part of its draft for a new Hungarian Constitution, the ruling Fidesz party has proposed the country's official name be changed to Magyarország (Hungary) from the current Magyar Köztársaság (Hungarian Republic). Prime ministerial spokesman Péter Szijjártó said Hungary has always had that name, and the new Constitution will include a provision to that effect. He also said the change will be cost-free. However, the name change would require, among other things, a complete exchange of currency, which alone could cost upwards of 30 million forints. Personal ID cards, passports, address cards and driver's licenses would all have to be changed as well, which led some media sources to say the name change was not financially viable.



While on the subject of changing names, Budapest Ferihegy International Airport will henceforth be officially called Budapest Liszt Ferenc International Airport. Parliament passed the name change March 16 as an amendment to the acts on energy, which was approved by a vote of 231-71. Development Ministry state secretaries János Fónagy and Pál Völner had initiated the name change to mark the 200th anniversary of the composer's birth. The airport opened for military use in 1943, but, due to World War II and damages to the airport caused by the war, civilian air operations did not begin at the airport until 1950.



Who was the tallest player in this year's NCAA Men's Basketball Tournament? Greg Somogyi, the 7-foot-3 backup center for the University of California at Santa Barbara Gauchos. Somogyi, a native of Budapest, is in his junior year at UCSB, majoring in business economics. He came to the United States as an exchange student and attended Woodside Priory School in Portola Valley, Calif., for his final two years of high school. The Priory was founded in 1957 by a group of seven Hungarian Benedictine monks from St. Martin's Archabbey in Pannonhalma, Hungary. The school has welcomed many Hungarian students over the years, including Greg's brother George.

Branch 10
Barton, OH
Branch 40
Martins Ferry, OH
Branch 248
Monaville, WV
Branch 349
Weirton, WV
Branch 8164
Steubenville, OH

by Joyce Nicholson

Hello from the WPA branches from Barton, Martins Ferry, Weirton, Steubenville and Monaville! Spring and warmer weather has finally arrived in the greater Ohio Valley.

We want to remind everybody that Saturday, May 7, is Join Hands Day. It's a time for all of us to join together and make a difference in our communities through volunteerism with helpful projects that connect youth and adults. Our branches are participating again this year, so if

you would like to help, give me a call for more information.

We want to wish a happy birthday and happy anniversary to those members with birthdays and anniversaries this month. And we wish a very happy 125th birthday to WPA this year!

For information about Branch activities please call Joyce Nicholson at 740-264-6238.

Branch 14 **Cleveland, OH**

by Dawn D. Ward

A number of fun and exciting events are in store for Branch 14 members this coming year.

At the March meeting, Paul Laslo proposed a Branch 14 trip to Las Vegas. He researched several travel deals and found this Las Vegas bargain: depart Cleveland on Sunday, Oct. 2, at 8:45 a.m.; return from Las Vegas on Friday, Oct. 7, at 11:00 a.m. The total cost for flight and hotel for two people is \$1,084.90. The cost for a single individual is \$542.45. The accommodations are at the Las

Vegas Hilton. For more information, please call Paul Laslo at 440-255-8333 before July 1.

In commemoration of William Penn Association's 125th anniversary, Branch 14 will sponsor a dinner-dance on Saturday, May 21, at 6:30 p.m. at the Bethlen Hall of the First Hungarian Reformed Church in Walton Hills. The cost is \$25 per person (BYOB) which includes a chicken paprikás dinner and live music by the Hungarians. Deadline to purchase tickets is May 10. For reservations and more information, please call Branch Coordinator Violet Sarosi at 440-248-9012.

Branch 14 will participate in Join Hands Day this May. Last year, the branch, along with the Home Office, donated \$1,500 to the Haddie Larlham Foundation to purchase respiratory equipment. This beautiful facility provides housing for mentally and physically challenged residents. The branch welcomes any suggestions which help propagate our fraternal and charitable endeavors.

All adult members are welcome to attend the next two branch meet-

Welcome To Our Fraternal Family



CHRISTOPHER M. FOISY, JR.
Branch 14 Cleveland, OH



JESSE KERTESZ
Branch 249 Dayton, OH



CARA K. SPENCER
Branch 28 Youngstown, OH

If you have a child who recently joined the WPA, then send us his or her photo. We will publish it in an upcoming issue so all our members can welcome your child into our WPA Fraternal Family. All photos will be published as soon as possible.



Date on the 10th (c) Antomprado/Dreamstime.com

A date to remember...

Attention all branch news contributors and those wishing to submit articles and photographs for publication in **William Penn Life**. The deadline for all submissions to our magazine will be the 10th day of each month. By meeting this deadline, you will help ensure that our magazine gets in our readers' hands in a timely manner. If you have any questions, please contact John E. Lovasz, Managing Editor, toll-free at 1-800-848-7366, ext. 135. Or, email John at jlovasz@williampennassociation.org. Thank you for your cooperation.

ings, scheduled for Wednesday, April 6, and Wednesday, May 4. We will then recess for the summer months. Meetings begin at 7:30 p.m. at the Bethlen Hall of the First Hungarian Reformed Church, 14530 Alexander Road, Walton Hills.

Branch 18 Lincoln Park, MI

by Barbara A. House

Happy Easter to all our wonderful members and their families. May all your acquaintances respect you, worries neglect you, your angel protect you and Heaven accept you.

Welcome new members Aiden Dimitriou, Kate Henry and Marissa Rostash. Special thanks to Joseph Rostash. Thank you also to Aranka Hoffman. I promise we'll take good care of your recent investments.

Very special get well wishes to all our super members, especially Ursula Markovits, Julia Bubenko, Emma Poliska and our number one fraternalist, Endre Csoman. Endre underwent knee replacement surgery. We will never keep up with him now. God Bless Arlene.

Here are some upcoming events you may want to take note of:

- The Hungarian American Cultural Center is hosting a *Fatanyeros* Dinner on Saturday, May 14. (For the uninitiated, *fatanyeros* is a classic Transylvanian dish featuring an assortment of grilled meats, traditionally served on a wooden platter.) For the delicious details, call 734-946-6261.

- The date for the annual pig roast has been changed to Saturday, Aug. 27. The roast was originally scheduled for the same day as the WPA Picnic at Scenic View. Thank you. I know many of us appreciate the change.

- An indoor garage sale and craft show will be held Saturday, April 30, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the American Hungarian Reformed Church, 9901 Allen Road, Allen Park. The event is being sponsored by the Martha Circle. For more information, please call Margaret Tarkanyi at 313-381-7495 or the church office at 313-382-1001.

As always, I kindly ask you to support these very Hungarian events.

I have no upcoming events from Holy Cross Church or the Hungarian Club in Flint. We will keep you posted on their events as information becomes available.

Please remember in your prayers our deceased members and their families, especially Steve Boros and Augie Acosta. Augie attended numerous Branch 18 events. May they rest in peace.

Well, our four months in Florida are coming to an end. The best part was spending as much time as we could with Debbie, Glenn and Tony (our granddog). We will miss them very much. I had a couple viruses while here, and they even fed us. It sure was nice.

Speaking of Debbie, how did you like her "Our Health Corner" feature? I have received some great feedback about it. She promises to

write something of interest every month.

Our youngest grandson, Jason, was scheduled to leave for the Navy at the end of March. Please keep him in your prayers. We love you, Jason. We'll be there for you always.

Branch 18 is getting ready to get back in the groove. Our first meeting of the new year at the Reformed Church in Allen Park is scheduled for Wednesday, April 20, at 7:00 p.m. We sure hope you plan on joining us.

Please note our Join Hands Day project on your schedule. We will be holding it on Saturday, June 4. We welcome all helping hands.

Thank you, again, to all you well wishers. I am still receiving congratulatory cards in the mail. "Hi" to Lou Taylor. What a surprise. Can't wait to see you. I promise to do the best job possible as your Chair of the Board. I have never read and learned so much. Thank you to our wonderful National Officers and Home Office employees for all the knowledge they have shared with me. Thanks also to all our National Directors for their support and patience. Thank you, Tom, for always being second place and understanding why. Thanks to my family who didn't see me so much this year and for understanding. I went to the pool one time this year. I have always placed William Penn Association as #1 in our lives and will continue to do so. Yes, Tom understands, and I love him for it. Thank you, everyone.

Have a lovely, happy and blessed Easter.

Branch 28 Youngstown, OH

by Kathy Novak

Wishing a blessed Easter to everyone and a wonderful spring season. We really hope old man winter is ready to hibernate until next winter.

In keeping with tradition, the Youngstown American Hungarian Federation hosted a very nice program commemorating the 1848 War of Independence. The program included a recitation of the poem, "Nemzeti Dal," a presentation in English and Hungarian by Leslie Polgar Sr. and music provided by Andrew Check and Joseph Locsancy. The Youngstown Hungarian Dance Group also performed, under the guidance of instructor Paula Horvath. I had the honor and pleasure of serving as emcee for the afternoon. Following the program, a social was held featuring Hungarian pastries.

We are so looking forward to helping WPA celebrate its 125th anniversary. It is so wonderful to be a part of this dedicated fraternal insurance association.

Get well wishes go out to all those recuperating, especially National Vice President-Fraternal Endre Csoman, John Panigall, Steve Novak, Mary Foor, Julius Fedor, Irma Polgar, Frank Tobias and Frank Schauer.

Best wishes to everyone celebrating a birthday or anniversary this month.

Our thoughts and prayers are with those who have recently experienced the loss of a loved one. May they rest in peace.

Changes are taking place within the Catholic Church, and Youngstown's Hungarian churches will not be excluded from change. St. Stephen of Hungary, Our Lady of Hungary and Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic Churches will be merging. Worship sites have not been changed as of yet. But, the parishes have been meeting and hosting joint social events. A Mardi Gras mixer was held and provided a most enjoyable afternoon of food, fun, music and fraternalism.

For your life insurance and annuity needs, please call me at 330-746-7704 or Alan at 330-482-9994.

Branch 189 Alliance, OH

by Sherry Moore

Hello, everyone, from Alliance! I think everybody from around here is ready for spring. If the weatherman is right, we might get some warm days soon.

St. Patrick's Day is over. Did anyone find their pot of gold at the end of the rainbow? Everyone came to the Penn in their green to celebrate. The band was very good, and the food was, too.

Brenda and Terry Court just celebrated an anniversary with us. Cake and pizza were served. Terry even sang for his lady.

Jim and Sharon's wedding was a grand affair. The bride was beautiful, and the groom was very lucky to finally tie the knot. They have been married for a month now, and she hasn't hurt him yet.

Our steak and fish fry is going very well. We have only two more until summer break. The steaks were very good last month.

Easter is coming soon. We hope everyone has a good holiday and enjoys lots of food and good company. We also hope every little child gets to go look for some Easter eggs. That was always fun for my grandkids.

Happy birthday to all our members celebrating their day this month. Get well wishes go out to all who are feeling sick.

To all our branch members: have a very nice Easter.

Stay happy and healthy and take the time to share a smile with someone. ☺

Branch 296 Springdale, PA

by Patty Balla

Branch 296 will host a special meeting on Thursday, May 5, at 6:30 p.m., at King's Family Restaurant in New Kensington. This will be the Delegate District Election meeting during which we will elect two delegates and two alternate delegates to represent our branch at the WPA's 37th General Convention. We encourage all those eligible to participate in

this election to please join us for this important meeting.

The big fraternal event for the month of May is Join Hands Day. We are asking our fellow branch members to get out and lend a hand to those in their community who need some assistance. Give of yourself. Make it a family event. Represent our fraternal association. You CAN make a difference.

Congratulations to Jimmy Charles, grandson of Irene Charles, who is engaged to be married to Katrina Fajbik on June 4. We wish the happy couple all the best.

Our condolences to Mary Ann Kelly-Lovasz, her husband John and family on the passing of her father, Joseph Kelly.

Thank you to Branch 18 and its officers and members for hosting a beautiful dinner for WPA members attending the White Rose Ball. Your hospitality makes us want to visit more often.

Congratulations and best wishes to Helen and Boris Gosciejew on their 56th wedding anniversary. Helen is 84 and Boris is 86.

We send out special blessings and get well wishes to National Vice President-Fraternal Endre Csoman.

For your life insurance and annuity needs, please call Noreen Fritz, FIC, LUTCF, at 412-821-1837.

If you have news you'd like to share, please contact me at 724-339-4238.

Thank you, Lord, for allowing us



to see and hear the arrival of spring. It's wonderful. Enjoy!

Branch 352 Coraopolis, PA

by Dora S. McKinsey

Happy Easter everyone! May you enjoy a wonderful holiday with family and friends. Along with enjoying great food (especially chocolate), may the real meaning of this holiday not be forgotten.

It's time once again for Join Hands Day. This year, Branch 352 will be joining several other Pittsburgh area branches on Saturday, May 7, at Scenic View in Rockwood, Pa., to landscape the grounds. Last year, much was accomplished with the planting of bushes and perennials around the grounds. Everyone did a fantastic job even though it rained all day. We had the help of a local Boy Scout troop. The boys did not mind getting all wet and muddy. We hope the weather will be better this year. If you are interested in helping, please contact me for times and directions, if needed. We can always use willing and able workers.

By now, the youth members of

our branch should have received a notice of our Branch 352 Art Contest. Good luck to all who enter.

Branch 352 is planning a local 125th WPA Anniversary celebration for June 25 at Scenic View. More information will be given later. It will be a relaxed, family picnic so save the date to attend.

Happy birthday to all celebrating birthdays this month. May you have many more and may they all be happy and healthy.

Remember, if you have any questions about life insurance or annuities, please contact me at 412-319-7116 or by email at dmckinsey@hotmail.com.

Branch 800 Altoona, PA

by Vincent Frank

The Altoona Curve baseball team, the AA affiliate of the Pittsburgh Pirates, have opened their season, and we are happy to be entertained by them as the season progresses throughout the long-awaited summer months. After a cold and snowy winter, let's support the team by attending some of the home games in their beautiful stadium.

WPA is accepting applications from life benefit members for grants through its scholarship foundation for the year 2011. Applications must be postmarked no later than Wednesday, June 1, 2011. Please read the eligibility rules in this issue.

During our May meeting, we will honor those men and women of Branch 800 who have attained 50 years of membership in WPA. Honorees will be notified by mail soon.

Join Hands Days is set for Saturday, May 7. This nationwide event brings together the young and old to help make their communities better and to serve those in need.

I am sure we have a lot of fishermen who are itching to get out of the house and enjoy the trout season which begins on Saturday, April 16. It's an enjoyable season because each member of the family can participate at the same time along rivers and lakes. When you cast, we hope you make a big catch.

For your life insurance and annuity needs, please call Bob Jones in Altoona at 814-942-2661.

The officers of your branch wish all members and their families a very happy and blessed Easter.

Branch 8114 Clarion, PA

by Noreen Fritz, FIC, LUTCF (in Pittsburgh)
Here it is, April--finally, the end of winter, and beautiful spring is here. In April we celebrate Easter, God's gift of love. May you see His mighty hand in every detail of your life.

Congratulations to Barbara House on her election as Chair of the WPA Board of Directors. In the March issue, Barbara's daughter, Debbie Wolfe, RN, started a new page in our magazine called "Our Health Corner." I found it very interesting and am looking forward to upcoming health information.

Deepest sympathy to the family and friends in the loss of their loved one, Sylvia Flagley. Sylvia worked for Francis Bauer at Country Trails Bus Tours for 23 years. She will be sadly missed.

Don't forget to check out the low insurance rates for the limited-time Guaranteed Issue 125th Anniversary

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ON THE MOVE?

Have you moved recently, or are you planning to move soon? If so, please complete this form and send it to the WPA Home Office. That way, we can keep our records up-to-date and keep you informed about important information regarding your life insurance and annuity certificates, your fraternal benefits and WPA events and activities. Please mail to: William Penn Association, 709 Brighton Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15233.

Name: _____ Date: _____

OLD Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

NEW Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Current Telephone Number: _____

Current Email Address: _____

William Penn Fraternal Association Scholarship Foundation

Tree of Knowledge



Helping our young members meet the challenges of modern educational economics requires great effort by all our members and friends. Towards this end, the William Penn Fraternal Association Scholarship Foundation has created the **Tree of Knowledge**. The Tree is mounted in the second floor foyer of the WPA Home Office. Those making donations through this program will be recognized with individual "leaves" on the tree, which can be used to honor and remember loved ones. Donations are being accepted at three levels: Gold (\$1,000), Silver (\$500) and Bronze (\$250). Those wishing to purchase a leaf may use the form below. Please help our tree "grow" and allow us to continue to assist young members reach their educational and professional dreams.

Our Newest Leaf

We thank the following for being the latest to donate to our Tree of Knowledge:

**In Loving Memory of
Steve & Mary
Krakomperger
Sheffield Lake, Ohio
(Silver Level)**

I want to help the Tree of Knowledge grow. Please accept my tax-deductible contribution of:

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Please make checks payable to "William Penn Fraternal Association Scholarship Foundation, Inc." and mail to:

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37th General Convention

Notice of Qualifications for Delegates to the 37th General Convention

THE DATES, TIMES AND LOCATIONS for the Delegate District Election meetings have been set. They can be found on Pages 24 and 25 of this issue. In accordance with the By-Laws of the Association, candidates for Delegate or Alternate Delegate must meet the following qualifications:

ARTICLE 2 - THE GENERAL CONVENTION

Section 205 - Delegates, Alternate Delegates and Election

Section 205.1 - Qualifications - Any candidate for Delegate or Alternate Delegate to the General Convention must be an Adult Life Benefit Member of the duly established Delegate District to which his or her Branch is assigned and qualified as follows:

a. Attained age eighteen (18) or older, has been an Adult Life Benefit Member of the Association for at least one full calendar year prior to his or her election as a Delegate or Alternate Delegate, and is a citizen of the United States of America.

b. Only the Certificate holder who is the basic insured Adult Life Benefit Member shall have the right to vote at Delegate District meetings or Branch meetings or to hold office.

c. Must not have any business or personal interests which would either be competitive in the sale of life insurance, annuities and similar life insurance products or constitute a conflict of interest in relation to the business operations of the Association.

d. Must not be an employee of the Association or any of its subsidiaries, or an officer appointed by the Board; provided, however, that nothing in this Subparagraph (d) shall prevent the National President, the National Vice President-Secretary, the National Vice President-Treasurer, or the Vice Presidents from serving as ex-officio Delegates if they are otherwise qualified; and provided further, that nothing in this Subparagraph (d) shall prevent Branch Coordinators and Part-time and Special Agents from serving as Delegates if they are otherwise qualified.

e. Must not be a Full-time General Agent, an Agency Manager, or Member engaged in regular business dealings with the Association or any of its Branches or subdivisions wherein he or she derives significant monetary gain or a spouse of any of the foregoing; provided, however, that Branch Coordinators and Part-time and Special Agents are eligible to serve as Delegates if they are not also Full-time Agents, General Agents, Agency Managers, or engaged in business dealings with the Association or any of its Branch subsidiaries wherein they derive monetary gain and if they are otherwise qualified.

f. Must not have any financial obligations to the Association as an employee or as the result of previous employment.

g. Must not have terminated employment with the Association less than one (1) year prior to a Delegate District Meeting; provided, however, that nothing in this Subparagraph (g) shall prevent former Directors, National Officers and National Auditing Committee Members from serving as ex-officio Delegates if they are otherwise qualified.

h. May not be a Member solely by reason of having exercised the non-forfeiture option of his or her Certificate of

Life Membership either in the form of Extended or Reduced Paid-Up life insurance.

i. May not be a person who is directly involved in litigation or a written claim against the Association except for claims under a certificate of insurance.

j. Must not have been a director, alternate director, officer or employee of any organization similar to or in competition with the Association or a delegate or an alternate delegate to any other fraternal benefit society convention within four (4) years prior to the date scheduled for District Delegate elections; provided, however, that nothing in this subparagraph (j) shall prevent any person from serving as an elected, ex-officio, or Alternate Delegate to the General Convention pursuant to a merger or similar agreement between the Association and any alliance, fellowship, or society in the United States having similar aims to those of the Association.

k. Must have been a member of the same Branch for at least an uninterrupted one (1) year period prior to the Delegate District election; provided, however, that this requirement shall not apply to a Life Benefit Member who has transferred from one Branch to another in accordance with Section 107.5.

Section 205.8 - Certification Of Delegates Election and Publication

- The names of the Delegates and Alternate Delegates elected, together with the names of the ex-officio Delegates to the General Convention, shall be published in the official publication of the Association in the issue preceding the Regular Session of the General Convention. Such listing shall constitute an official list of Delegates and Alternate Delegates for the next Regular Session of the General Convention, and upon the election and qualification of Delegates to the General Convention, the term of office of previously elected Delegates shall cease. The aforesaid publication shall be deemed sufficient notice to all Members, Delegates and Alternate Delegates.

ARTICLE 14 - OFFICIAL PUBLICATION; NOTICES

Section 1402 - Any notice to the Members or officers of the Association required to be given, including convention calls, elections, changes to the Charter or By-Laws, shall be made in such official publication, and such notice shall have the same effect as though given personally in writing. Placing a copy of such official publication in the mail to the last known address of any Member shall be sufficient service of such notice to him or her. An affidavit by the National Vice President-Secretary certifying that such official publication was mailed to each Member on the mailing list shall be filed with the minutes of the Board at its next meeting after publication of such notice.

Section 1403 - In addition to the notice provided for in Section 1402, notices to Members at Branches or Delegate Districts may also be given, when authorized by the Board, National President, or National Vice President-Secretary, by publication of such notice in a newspaper of general circulation in the municipality or area where each Branch is located.

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DELEGATE DISTRICT ELECTION MEETING SCHEDULE

District	Branch	Branch Location	Delegates	District Chairman	Election Meeting Date, Time & Location
1	0005 0209 0278 0525	Phoenix, AZ St. Louis, MO Omaha, NE Los Angeles, CA	2	Schorlis J. Gotz	May 1, 2 p.m., Southern California Hungarian Club, 992 W. San Bernardino Ave., Rialto, CA
2	0001 0048	Bridgeport, CT New York, NY	5	William J. Bero	May 1, 1 p.m., Bessemer Center, 2200 North Ave., Bridgeport, CT
3	0590	Cape Coral, FL	2	Michael F. Tomcsak	May 5, 1 p.m., Golden Corral, 1451 Tamiami Trail, Punta Gorda, FL
4	0015 0024 0127	Chicago, IL Chicago, IL Joliet, IL	2	Joseph Marocsik	May 15, 11:30 a.m., St. Stephen King of Hungary Church, 2015 W. Augusta Blvd., Chicago, IL
5	0705	Mayville, WI	1	Timothy J. Lippert	May 15, 7:30 p.m., Lippert Residence, 9116 Prairie Village Dr., Kenosha, WI
6	0132	South Bend, IN	3	Michael J. Horvath	May 14, 6:30 p.m., Martins, 926 Erskine Plaza, South Bend, IN
7	0720 0723 0725	Dedham, MA Worcester, MA Springfield, MA	4	William S. Vasvary	May 9, 7 p.m., Ken's Steak House, 95 Worcester Rd. (Rt. 9 West), Framingham, MA
8	0018	Lincoln Park, MI	5	Barbara A. House	May 11, 7 p.m., Hungarian American Reformed Church, 9901 Allen Rd., Allen Park, MI
9	0019	New Brunswick, NJ	2	Evelyn B. Bodnar	May 7, 1 p.m., Bayard St. Presbyterian Church, 107 Bayard St., New Brunswick, NJ
10	0023 0076 8286 8340	Pocahontas, VA Philadelphia, PA Philadelphia, PA Baltimore, MD	3	E. E. (Al) Vargo	May 6, 4 p.m., Wyndham Hotel, 805 Russell Ave., Gaithersburg, MD
11	0013	Trenton, NJ	1	Anthony C. Beke	May 2, 7 p.m., Hungarian Reformed Church Hall, 105 Grand St., Trenton, NJ
12	0016	Perth Amboy, NJ	1	Frank C. Hrabar, Jr.	May 3, 7:30 p.m., 127 Aberdeen Rd., Aberdeen, NJ
13	0051	Passaic, NJ	1	Ernest J. Mozer, Jr.	May 7, 12 p.m., American Hungarian Citizens League, 21 New Schley St., Garfield, NJ
14	0026 0383 8114	Sharon, PA Buffalo, NY Clarion, PA	2	Geraldine B. Davenport	May 8, 1 p.m., 1309 Barkeyville Rd., Grove City, PA
15	0014	Cleveland, OH	6	Caroline H. Lanzara	May 11, 7 p.m., First Hungarian Reformed Church, 14530 Alexander Rd., Walton Hills, OH
16	0129	Columbus, OH	1	Margaret H. Boso	May 4, 7 p.m., Hungarian Reformed Church, 365 Woodrow Ave., Columbus, OH
17	0025 0249	Beckley, WV Dayton, OH	1	Anne Marie Schmidt	May 7, 1 p.m., St. Stephen's Catholic Church Hall, 1114 Troy St., Dayton, OH

37th General Convention

DELEGATE DISTRICT ELECTION MEETING SCHEDULE

District	Branch	Branch Location	Delegates	District Chairman	Election Meeting Date, Time & Location
18	0027 0044 0189	Toledo, OH Akron, OH Alliance, OH	3	Robert A. Ivancso	May 7, 2 p.m., Timbers Bowling Lanes, 1246 Conant St., Maumee, OH
19	0028	Youngstown, OH	3	Katherine E. Novak	May 4, 6:30 p.m., Grand Buffet Restaurant, 7690 Market St., Boardman, OH
20	0800	Altoona, PA	1	Robert M. Jones, Jr.	May 9, 7 p.m., Our Lady of Lourdes Religious Center, 873 - 27th St., Altoona, PA
21	0352	Coraopolis, PA	2	George S. Charles, Jr.	May 14, 10 a.m., William Penn Association, Carriage House, 709 Brighton Rd., Pittsburgh, PA
22	0071	Duquesne, PA	1	Gail E. Nagy	May 1, 12:00 p.m., 1104 Burns Ave., Duquesne, PA
23	0009 0174 0336 8075	Hazleton, PA Scranton, PA Harrisburg, PA Wilkes-Barre, PA	2	Charles S. Johns	May 1, 2 p.m., Verhovay Home Association, Br. #336, 1012 S. 29th St., Harrisburg, PA
24	0089	Homestead, PA	3	Ruth D. Toth	May 8, 1 p.m., First Hungarian Reformed Church, 416 Tenth Ave., Munhall, PA
25	0008 0059	Johnstown, PA Windber, PA	2	Ernest W. Kedves	May 2, 6 p.m., 610 Elknud Lane, Johnstown, PA
26	0226	McKeesport, PA	2	Malvene C. Heyz	May 8, 2 p.m., McKeesport Hungarian Church, 101 University Dr., McKeesport, PA
27	0010 0034	Barton, OH Pittsburgh, PA	2	Andrew W. McNelis	May 1, 3 p.m., Panera's, 3401 Boulevard of the Allies, Pittsburgh, PA
28	0296	Springdale, PA	2	Ronald S. Balla	May 5, 6:30 p.m., King's Family Restaurant, 2400 Leechburg Rd., New Kensington, PA
29	8014 8019 8020	Pittsburgh, PA Pittsburgh, PA McKees Rocks, PA	1	Nickolas M. Kotik	May 1, 1:30 p.m., Anthony Jr.'s Restaurant, 1024 Fifth Ave., Coraopolis, PA
30	0159	Phoenixville, PA	1	Nancy M. Kovach	May 2, 7:30 p.m., 215 Mervine St., Pottstown, PA
31	0088 0248 8121	Rural Valley, PA Monaville, WV St. Marys, PA	1	Dennis A. Chobody	May 7, 8 p.m., William Penn Social Hall, 132 Main St., Rural Valley, PA
32	0040 0310 0349 8036 8164	Martins Ferry, OH Lynch, KY Weirton, WV Scottsdale, PA Steubenville, OH	2	Joyce E. Nicholson	May 15, 4 p.m., Perkins, 680 National Road, Wheeling, WV
33	0090 0098 0216	Allentown, PA Bethlehem, PA Northampton, PA	1	Betsy J. Griffith	May 2, 7 p.m., 215 Mervine St., Pottstown, PA



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or visit us on the Internet at www.scenicviewpa.com.





Magyar Easter Traditions

Kellemes Húsvéti Ünnepeket! Happy Easter!

Lizzy Check here. This month we celebrate Easter, and this year Easter falls on April 24. According to the Gregorian calendar, the latest date on which this glorious celebration of rebirth can fall is April 27. And it just so happens that both Roman and Eastern Rite Christians will celebrate the rebirth of Christ on the exact same day this year.

This month's Wordsearch will include Easter-themed words in both Hungarian and English. There are 16 words to find.

As Tibor eluded to in his column (Page 8), Easter is a time for celebration of family, food and traditions. I learned about a rather obscure but, nonetheless, interesting Magyar Easter tradition from the area surrounding the town of Mohács. The "Busójárás" (walk of the buso monsters) is where men of the villages go door to door wearing devil masks. The appearance of the monsters definitely puts a fright into the area's younger children.

Good luck with the puzzle!

Puzzle Contest #67 WINNERS

The winners of our Puzzle Contest #67 were drawn March 3, 2011, at the Home Office. Congratulations to:

Steve Papa, Br. 51 Passaic, NJ
Julie E. Pepas, Br. 27 Toledo, OH
Stephen Showalter, Br. 59 Windber, PA
Helen E. Stefanek, Br. 226 McKeesport, PA

Each won \$50 for their correct entry.
WAY TO GO!

RULES

1. ALL WPA Life Benefit Members are eligible to enter.
2. Complete the word search puzzle correctly.
3. Mail your completed puzzle, along with your name, address, phone number, email address, and WPA Certificate Number, to:

WPA PUZZLE #70
709 Brighton Road
Pittsburgh, PA 15233
4. Entries must be received at the Home Office by **May 31, 2011.**
5. Four (4) winners will be drawn from all correct entries on or about June 2, 2011, at the Home Office. Each winner will receive \$50.

WPA PUZZLE CONTEST #70 OFFICIAL ENTRY

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K	O	S	A	C	C	U	C	Z	P	H	S	T	C	M
V	X	H	O	T	S	U	T	U	S	R	O	E	R	E
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Magyar Easter Traditions Word List

Busójárás	Húsvét
Christ	Krisztus
Crucifix	Locsoló
Easter	Mohács
Egg	Nagybölt
Feszület	Sprinkling
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In addition, April is tax time, a great time to consider a WPA tax-deferred annuity. It doesn't get any better!

Remember to send your scholarship applications in on time.

Happy 125th birthday to William Penn Association. The happiest years of my life have been with WPA, and I am so proud to be an agent and part of this Association.

Branch 8114 members celebrating birthdays in April are: Bob Donahue, John Beckwith, Gerry Ochs, Samuel Schmader, Frank Schill, Milton McElravy, Emily Steiner, Emily Troese, Kasey Martin, Maria Pierucci, Judith McDevitt, Annette DiFrango, Nick Bagileo, Seth Justice, Carter Cummins, Mary Jane Gatesman, Bradley Best, Griffin Keatley and Erin Steiner. Lots of people are thinking of you on your birthday. I just wanted to let you know I'm one of them. Happy Birthday!

My thanks to Bob Donahue. Bob, thank you for all the interesting and uplifting e-mails that you send me. I don't know where you find these web sites, but they are awesome.

If you have news to share or need service with any life insurance, annuity or retirement plan, feel free to call me at 412-821-1837 or send me an e-mail at noreenbunny.fritz@verizon.com. I work in most areas and there is never a sales charge.

Please keep Linda Grossman in your prayers for a miracle.

In Memoriam

We ask you to pray for the eternal rest of all our recently departed members listed below:

FEBRUARY 2011

0001 BRIDGEPORT, CT
Janet Ann Cleary
0008 JOHNSTOWN, PA
Paul J. Toth, Jr.
0013 TRENTON, NJ
John E. Adams
Tibor E. Racz

0018 LINCOLN PARK, MI
Augustine H. Acosta
Stephen Boros
0019 NEW BRUNSWICK, NJ
Mary Flomerfelt
0024 CHICAGO, IL
Robert L. Donka
0025 BECKLEY, WV
Emma Mercer
0026 SHARON, PA
George Krok
Genevieve F. Polonus
0028 YOUNGSTOWN, OH
Evelyn Chordas

0051 PASSAIC, NJ
Mihaly Hegedus
Frank Horvath
0090 ALLENTOWN, PA
Eleanora Pocze
0098 BETHLEHEM, PA
Joseph J. Kroboth
0129 COLUMBUS, OH
Priscilla Sibrik
0132 SOUTH BEND, IN
Mary Wills
0216 NORTHAMPTON, PA
John Fodor

0590 CAPE CORAL, FL
Charles J. Cossman
Richard H. Maloy
0723 WORCESTER, MA
Richard E. Abbott, Sr.
0725 SPRINGFIELD, MA
Phyllis F. Griswold
Frances V. Moro
0800 ALTOONA, PA
Angela B. Genovese
8019 PITTSBURGH, PA
Edward G. Foryan

Recent Donations

WPFA Scholarship Foundation

Donations Through Premium Payments FEBRUARY 2011

Branch - Donor - Amount
8 - Clarence H. Showalter - \$5.00
13 - Joseph A. Mrzizik - \$15.00
13 - Jennie Gabor - \$5.00
13 - Benjamin C. Lopresti - \$20.00
14 - Sarah N. Zupan - \$20.00
18 - Robert J. Swek - \$1.05
26 - Lex Prindle Sr. - \$5.00
28 - Maria E. Schauer - \$5.57
28 - Vera J. Gabrick - \$5.00
28 - Nick A. DiMargio Jr. - \$0.36
40 - Irene Ivan - \$10.00
44 - Mary Ann Kaspar - \$5.00
59 - Margaret I. Martin - \$2.00
89 - Audrey M. Swartele - \$25.00
89 - Eric J. Berger - \$10.00
89 - Tracy B. Findlay - \$3.06
98 - Barbara Lang Yates - \$100.00
129 - Debra A. Lewis - \$10.00
189 - Kristen S. Young - \$5.00
189 - Tyler C. Young - \$5.00

Our awards lead to far greater rewards

Since 1972 William Penn Association has awarded more than \$2.1 million in scholarship grants to young members attending accredited institutions of higher learning. Our scholarship program is just one of many benefits available to our members. To learn more on how membership in WPA can benefit your family, call your local WPA representative or our Home Office, toll-free at 1-800-848-7366.

226 - Timotyy R. Holtzman - \$1.40
226 - Carol S. Burlikowski - \$5.00
226 - Dennis S. Burlikowski - \$5.00
226 - Robert W. Serena - \$5.00
226 - Mary J. Trapuzzano - \$10.00
226 - Letitia Hrehocik - \$30.00
296 - Vincent Perry - \$27.94

336 - Charles S. Johns - \$4.21
336 - Tess Z. Keely - \$10.00
352 - Louis J. Wassermann - \$5.00
352 - John P. McKinsey Jr. - \$1.32
352 - Dora S. McKinsey - \$1.02
8075 - Christopher Phillips - \$5.00
TOTAL for Month = \$367.93

Additional Donations

FEBRUARY 2011

Donor - Amount

James Fabian - \$20.00
Macie, Kaitlyn & Family - \$25.00
Br. 28 Youngstown, OH - \$100.00
WPA Cookbook Sales - \$120.00
TOTAL for Month = \$265.00

Donations In Memoriam

FEBRUARY 2011

Donor - Amount

(In Memory of)

St. Peter Church
Mother's Club - \$25.00
(Steve Krakomperger)
North Ridgeville City School - \$30.00
(Steve Krakomperger)
M/M Frank J. Radvany - \$50.00
(Charles A. Radvany)
Joseph Steh - \$25.00
(Mitzi Palko Steh)
Darlene R. Tresch - \$25.00
(Steve Krakomperger)
Douglas & Donna Wilson - \$25.00
(Steve Krakomperger)
Br. 18 Lincoln Park, MI - \$125.00
(Deceased Member Margaret E. Cody)
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125th *Anniversary Gala*

September 3rd, 2011
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You are cordially invited to join the members and friends of William Penn Association as we gather to celebrate 125 years of service to our members, their families, our Hungarian Heritage and the greater community. This Gala Celebration will be held on Saturday, September 3rd, 2011, in the Ballroom of the Marriott Pittsburgh North, Cranberry Township, Pennsylvania. For more information on this historic event and how you can be a part of it, please see upcoming issues of William Penn Life.