Best Wishes for Christmas and the New Year

CALL FOR PAPERS

HUNGARIAN STUDIES ASSOCIATION OF CANADA (HSAC)

ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Date: MAY 29 - 30 (a weekend) 2010.

Place: CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY, MONTREAL, QUEBEC, CANADA

As in the past, HSAC is holding its next conference under the umbrella of the Canadian Federation of the Humanities and Social Sciences’ Congress. The main theme of the Congress this year will be “Connected Understanding/Le savoir branché”, therefore, the focus of HSAC’s meeting will be Hungary-Canada connections. Papers on other themes in English or Hungarian will also be welcome.

Please indicate your intention to attend our conference by mid-December, giving the title of your proposed paper. In January 2010 you can send in an abstract of your paper along with a short c.v. You should also indicate what audio-visual equipment you will need. You can send the letter of intention, abstract and c.v. to me, Nándor Dreisziger (chair of the program committee), at the address given below.

Anyone wishing to participate must be a paid-up member of HSAC. Please contact our treasurer: Mrs. Margit Lovrics, 75 Graydon Hall Drive, suite 1804, Don Mills, ON M3A 3M5 Canada. (lovrics@idirect.ca)

If you have any questions about the Hungarian Studies conference, feel free to direct them to me. General information about the Congress can be found at its web site: http://www.congress2010.ca/

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NEWS

... from the Nominations Committee:

In order to prepare an appropriate slate of officers for the 2010 elections, the Nominations Committee would find it helpful if members of HSAC would recommend individuals for executive positions. To remind you, HSAC’s Executive consists of President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Secretary, and some elected Committee chairs such as Publications, Planning and Nominations as well as Program Committee. It is important that you only suggest names of members who are willing to stand for election and are interested in serving the Association.

Please send any suggestions you may have to the Committee Chair: Judy Young at:
jy-abcd@cyberus.ca

On behalf of the other members of the Committee: Nandor Dreisziger, Eniko Pittner, Agota Schwartz, Maria Tiltins.

... from our members:

Oliver BOTAR’s book A Bauhausler in Canada: Andor Weininger in the 50’s, accompanied the exhibition of the artist’s works at The Robert McLaughlin Gallery in Oshawa, May 9 – June 28 of this year. This unique study of the Hungarian-born member of the Bauhaus movement was launched at Gallery One One One of the University of Manitoba on November 18. Information about the lavishly illustrated volume and its availability can be obtained from Robert Epp:

eppr@ms.umanitoba.ca

... from other sources:

Scholarships of the Balassi Institute of Hungary
The Balassi Institute, an arm’s length Agency of the Hungarian government established for the promotion of Hungarian culture and language abroad, offers scholarships for Canadian students of Hungarian origin to study in Hungary; and also offers scholarships and grants for academics, teachers of the Hungarian language abroad, artists and others to enable them to study or undertake research at universities and other institutes of higher education approved by the Ministry of Education (and compatible with the EU system of education).

The Canada-Hungary Educational Foundation has signed an agreement with the Balassi Institute to help administer Canadian applications, especially the one for young Canadian students of Hungarian origin to study in Hungary for a year. Last year, through the efforts of the Foundation, 10 individuals applied and 7 subsequently were accepted/went to Hungary for the academic year 2009-10. Please pass information about these opportunities to those who may be interested. Those members who teach in Canada or know potentially
interested applicants should contact the Foundation for more information. You can write to Judy Young at:
Jy-abcd@cyberus.ca
Or to editor@hungarianpresence.ca
For more information, you can look at the Foundation’s website www.hungarianpresence.ca and in particular see last year’s call for applications here:
http://www.hungarianpresence.ca/youth/youth.cfm We expect to have next year’s application deadlines by January 2010.

Welcome to our new and returning members:

Éva BEZDEK
Paul W. BITT
Gábor CSEPREGI
Jsszanna ETESI
Steven FEDOR
Leslie LACHKO
Margit MÉSZÁROS
Erzsébet MOLNÁR
Nausikaa MURESAN
László ORLÓDI
Andrea PERLAHY
Tamás PERLAHY
Gloria R: ROHEIM
Julie SPINELLI
Magdolna VELKY