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NEWSLETTER

All organizers of paper/panel proposals for the 2010 AAASS Convention, (Los Angeles), have been notified about the acceptance or rejection of their proposal(s). If any member of an accepted panel **cannot** make it to the conference, please contact me. I know of four historians who missed the submission deadline, but would like to present in LA. If we can reorganize panels and notify the AAASS by July 1, 2010, the written conference program will reflect the change. Thank you.

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Announcement:

I received the following email:

Att: Professor Susan Glanz

I am contacting you to enquire whether you would be interested in updating the volume on Hungary in the series of Historical Dictionaries of Europe I direct. This would be a one-volume encyclopedia including dictionary entries on important persons, places, events, institutions, parties and other organizations, and political, economic and social aspects as well as a chronology and bibliography.

If you are interested I can provide further information on size, contents, deadline and royalties.

For more information on Scarecrow Press and its many series of historical dictionaries, including the one above, consult www.scarecrowpress.com <<http://www.scarecrowpress.com/>> and on the home page on the top click on Browse by, then on Series, and run down the list of series until you hit the series name and click.

Sincerely yours,

Jon Woronoff
Series Director
Scarecrow Press

If you are interested, please contact Mr. Woronoff directly at jonworonoff@orange.fr.

Important information:

1. The HSA Business Meeting at the AAASS Convention will be held on Friday, November 19, 2010 at 7-8 pm at the Westin Bonaventure Hotel and Suites.

2. THE 2011 ANNUAL MEETING OF THE American Historical Association is scheduled for January 6-9 in Boston. AHA and affiliate events will be held in the Boston Marriott Copley Place (co-headquarters), the Sheraton Boston (co-headquarters), the Westin Boston, the Boston Park Plaza, and the Hynes Convention Center. Single rates range from \$106 to \$115 (plus taxes).

ATTACHMENT REGARDING MEETING LOGISTICS: The PDF document accompanying this e-mail provides general details about the meeting and calls for affiliates to submit information **by/on SUNDAY, MAY 15, 2010.**

IF SESSIONS WERE SUBMITTED TO THE 2011 AHA PROGRAM COMMITTEE ON BEHALF OF YOUR ORGANIZATION: The 2011 AHA Program Committee will meet April 17. They will e-mail notification to all SESSION ORGANIZERS with two weeks after their meeting. Remember, for affiliate sessions it accepts as joint with the AHA, the AHA Program Committee slots sessions into time slots -- these cannot be moved by affiliates. (For sessions "solo" sponsored by affiliates and submitted by the May 15 deadline, affiliates can select date/time period.)

Please note that **ONLY** session organizers will be notified. You should contact individuals who submitted sessions on behalf of your organization and ask them to be in touch with you as soon as they are notified. Joint sessions will be automatically included on proof sheets and in the affiliate listing at the front of the program (e.g. receptions, luncheons, business or annual meetings, and "solo" sponsored sessions). **ALL** organizers should be notified by May 10; if they are not, the PDF memo contains contact info for the Program Committee.



Reports from our members:

In recent years **Nándor Dreisziger**, Professor Emeritus of history at the Royal Military College of Canada, has been researching the history of the St. Elizabeth of Hungary R.C. parish in Toronto in the wider context of the story of Hungarian-Canadian Christian churches. The volume will have introductory chapters on the subjects of Hungarian history, Hungarians and their Christian churches since the early Middle Ages, Hungarian immigration to North America in the 19th and 20th centuries, Hungarian-Americans and their churches, and so on. This work has been commissioned and when a book will be completed, it will be dedicated to the memory of Tibor Horvath, the University of Toronto theologian who had envisioned the project before his untimely death.

Professor Dreisziger has also been examining the history of Hungarian ethnogenesis in the light of recent genomic researches. His first publication on the subject has appeared recently in the *Hungarian Quarterly* (winter 2009): 50-55. In this report he calls attention to the fact that the currently dominant theory of the so-called Hungarian conquest of the Carpathian Basin at the end of the 9th century A.D. is not supported by results of some genomic research, and that it has been questioned by scholars in Hungary whose works have been ignored. A part of Professor Dreisziger's article can be found on the internet: <http://hungarianquarterly.com/no196/8.shtml>

At the 48th annual Southern Conference on Slavic Studies presenters from our association were **Alice Freifeld**, *Unchastening the Crowd in Hungary: 1989/2009: A Reassessment*

Emese Ivan, The Culture, Politics, and Sport of the Enlarged Europe: The Hungarian Perspective,

Katalin Rac, Nationalism and Gastronomy: Paprika on the Table of the Hungarian Nation

Edit Nagy, Transformations in the Hungarian Judicial System after 1945

Peter Kenez, participated in a roundtable discussion and was a commentator on a panel.

János Bak review titled The Legacy of King Matthias Reconsidered included his evaluation of Marcus Tanner's *The Raven King: Matthias Corvinus and the Fate of his Lost Library*, András Kubinyi's *Matthias Rex* and Péter Farbaky et al., eds. *Matthias Corvinus, the King. Tradition and Revival in the Hungarian Royal Court 1458–1490. Exhibition catalogue*, was published in *The Hungarian Quarterly*, Vol. L., No. 195. Summer 2009.

Tibor Frank's article, Patronage and Networking, The Society of The Hungarian Quarterly, 1935–1944, in *The Hungarian Quarterly*, Vol. L., No. 196. Winter 2009.

<http://www.hungarianquarterly.com/no196/1.shtml>

_____, reviewed Bryan Cartledge's *Mihály Károlyi & István Bethlen: Hungary*, in *The Hungarian Quarterly*, Vol. L., No. 195, Summer 2009.

Géza Jeszenszky reviewed Ignác Romsics' From Dictatorship to Democracy. The Birth of the Third Hungarian Republic 1988–2001, in *The Hungarian Quarterly*, Vol. L., No. 195, Summer 2009.

Paul Hanebrink's article, Islam, Anti-Communism, and Christian Civilization: The Ottoman Menace in Interwar Hungary was published in the *Austrian History Yearbook*, 2009.

Patrick Hyder Patterson's article, The Futile Crescent? Judging the Legacies of Ottoman Rule in Croatian History was published in the *Austrian History Yearbook*, 2009.

At the 30th György Ránki Hungarian Studies Symposium held on the campus of Indiana University in Bloomington, Indiana, presenters from the HSA were:

Steve Jobbit, Ferenc Fodor's geographical work and the idea of a Hungarian Empire

Lynn Hooker, Discourses of „Hungarianness” in nineteenth- and early twentieth-century Hungarian music criticism

Robert Nemes, *The county Bihar and Nagyvárad as a borderland*

Arpad von Klimo, *Catholic Identity in Hungary – The Mindszenty Case*



Miscellaneous:

1. Statement by the President on the Anniversary of the Hungarian Revolution

The White House
Office of the Press Secretary
For Immediate Release
March 14, 2010

I send my warmest wishes to all those that will celebrate the anniversary of the 1848 Hungarian Revolution tomorrow. That event was a defining moment in Hungary's struggle for freedom, and continues to serve as inspiration for all those that advocate for freedom's cause. Our two

nations are bound by our shared values and our solemn obligations to each other through the NATO Article 5 commitment to one another's security. On this occasion, I also wish to pay tribute to those many Americans that can trace their roots to Hungary. They continue to make important contributions to our society, enriching the character and culture of the United States. <http://www.whitehouse.gov/the-press-office/statement-president-anniversary-hungarian-revolution>

2. Books of possible interest:

- **Zombori István (szerk.), AZ 1956-OS FORRADALOM HATÁSA A KÖRNYEZŐ ORSZÁGOK EGYHÁZAIÁRA**, Budapest: Magyar Egyháztörténeti Enciklopédia Munkaközösség; Historia Ecclesiastica Hungarica Alapítvány, 2009.

- **Andrea Pető**, Schrijvers, Klaartje (eds.), *Faces of Death. Visualising History*. (Pisa, Edizioni Plus, Pisa University Press, 2009). Is seeing believing? In general, the answer is yes. We do believe what we see. But should we? *Faces of Death. Visualising History* addresses the question from a historians' point of view, looking at how images are used, and how images that purport to tell us 'the truth' may actually distort or obscure it. The volume, edited by Andrea Pető and Klaartje Schrijvers, has been written by nine researchers from eight countries. It builds on the previous 3 volumes published by the Thematic Work Group 4 of the CLIOHRES Network of Excellence, devoted to "Work, Gender and Society". It extends the group's analysis on sources to 'visual' –i.e. unwritten –sources, examining critically their use in historical research and in building widely shared images of the past. The book is available as a free download at www.cliohres.net.

- **András Gerő**, *Public Spaces in Budapest, The History of Budapest*. Wayne, NJ: Center for Hungarian Studies and Publications, Inc. (This is a joint publication with the Institute of Habsburg History.) March, 2010. Cloth, 230 pages, ISBN: 978-0-88033-648-2 East European Monographs, \$40.00 / £27.50.

Long-time expert on the social and political movements of Hungary, András Gerő turns his keen eye to the motivations, desires, and actions behind the design and decoration of Kossuth Square, a public space that faces Hungary's Building of Parliament.

- **Géza Pálffy**, *The Kingdom of Hungary and the Habsburg Monarchy in the Sixteenth Century*. Wayne, NJ: Center for Hungarian Studies and Publications, Inc. (This is a joint publication with the Institute of Habsburg History.) March, 2010, Cloth, 405 pages, ISBN: 978-0-88033-633-8, East European Monographs, \$60.00 / £41.50

Géza Pálffy traces the complex relations between Hungary and the Habsburgs, including the integration of the country into a conglomerate central European state ruled from Vienna and Prague.

Focusing on institutions and symbols of sovereignty, Pálffy demonstrates how Hungary was integrated into a larger monarchy yet at the same time preserved its independence and the power and influence of its upper estates. Her argument challenges the traditional view that early-modern Hungary resisted and rebelled against the Hapsburgs.

- Egy új magyar olvasókönyvet szeretnék a figyelmébe ajánlani, amely magyarul tanuló, haladó szinten lévő külföldieknek készült. 2009 decemberében jelent meg Budapesten. A humoros, izgalmas, országismereti elemeket is közvetítő, szépen illusztrált szövegekhez a

megértést ellenőrző, változatos feladatok kapcsolódnak. A könyv az ECL nyelvvizsga B1-B2 szintű olvasási értést mérő feladataira is hasznos felkészítő tananyag.

Az alábbi linken további részletek találhatóak a könyvről, valamint a szerzőkről:

www.joszorakozastmagyarul.com

Úgy gondolom, hasznos kiegészítője lehet a magyaróráknak és érdekes darabja a külföldi magyar könyvtáraknak. A könyvvel kapcsolatos bármilyen kérdésére szívesen válaszolok. Kérem, amennyiben érdekesnek találja könyvünket, ajánlja magyarul tanuló, illetve magyar nyelvet tanító ismerőseinek.

Köszönettel:

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3. Announcement forwarded by EVA E. VOISIN, Honorary Consul: The Tech Awards honors innovators from around the world who are applying technology to address the world's most urgent challenges. 15 Laureates are honored each year and five share a cash award of \$250,000. If you know of someone using technology to benefit humanity nominate them at www.techawards.org.



4. Conference announcements and call for papers from H-Net
a. An **Organization Development World Summit in August in Hungary**, about exchanging ideas, learning from several inspirational leaders (like Edwin Nevis or Diana Whitney), and most importantly, learning from non-conventional organizations' leaders and academics. Email: info@odworldsummit.org
Visit the website at <http://www.odworldsummit.org/en>

b. Feminist Economics Journal of the International Association for Feminist Economics (IAFFE). CALL FOR PAPERS: A SPECIAL ISSUE ON GENDER AND ECONOMICS IN MUSLIM COMMUNITIES

Over the past decade, there has been an increasing recognition of the importance of understanding economic conditions in a broad range of contemporary Muslim societies. However, large gaps remain in our knowledge of the links between gender, economic well-being, and the varying influences of religion due to gender-blind analyses and unexplored assumptions and generalizations regarding Muslim women's experiences.

This special issue, planned for online publication in 2013 and print in 2014, aims to provide a forum for rethinking the study of socioeconomic policies and processes that impinge on women's and men's lives in Muslim families, communities, and countries around the world. We seek contributions that interrogate the prevailing discourses and explore new insights into women's economic well-being in Muslim communities. Of special interest are submissions that pay attention to women's agency and voice and the intersections between religion, gender, class, and ethnicity in the analysis of outcomes. Submissions that rely on a variety of methodologies, and research methods, including interpretive and quantitative methodologies (such as country-level or cross-country analyses), are welcome. Feminist Economics very much encourages submissions from the Global South and Central/Eastern Europe.

Contributions may cover diverse topics, including but not limited to:

- New theoretical frameworks exploring the links between women's economic lives and Muslim

laws and religious practices.

- The effects of international migration and trade on Muslim women and children.
- Gendered influences of colonialism and military conflict on Muslim communities.
- Gendered impacts of macroeconomic, social-protection, and poverty-reduction policies.
- Feminist critiques of state and international policies toward Muslim communities and countries.

Please direct queries and abstracts (500 words maximum) to the Guest Editors: Ebru Kongar, Jennifer Olmsted, and Elora Shehabuddin at gemc@drew.edu no later than 15 August 2010.

After approval of abstracts, final papers will be due 15 February 2011 and should be submitted to Feminist Economics through the submissions website (<http://mc.manuscriptcentral.com/rfec>).

Questions about these procedures may be sent to feministeconomics@rice.edu,

+1.713.348.4083 +1.713.348.4083 (phone), or +1.713.348.5495 (fax).

c. International workshop: National, Regional, European and Global Identities: Convergences and Divergences 28-29 May 2010, University of Oradea, Romania

The workshop, that will take place in Oradea, 28-29 May 2010, organized in the framework of the project **ENRI (European, National and Regional Identity – Theory and Practice)**, aims at clarifying the implications of the contradictory theoretical positions on the actual state of identity throughout European space. A particular focus will be on the way these theories fit the available data, both qualitative and quantitative. While the workshop is mainly sociological, contributions from history, anthropology, economics, political sciences, social policy studies and social psychology are also welcomed.

Abstracts for papers should be 200 words or less and should be uploaded electronically by April 22, 2010. Participants will be notified online no later than April 27, 2010. The conference fee of 25 EUR (100 RON) covers meals and refreshments at the site. Participants are requested to cover their travel and accommodation expenses. The online submission form can be accessed at the address: <https://sites.google.com/site/socioumane2010/inscriere>.

Full papers, submitted no later than June 28, 2010, will appear in the conference proceedings.

The workshop website is: <https://sites.google.com/site/socioumane2010/enri-workshop>. Please direct further inquiries to Sergiu Baltatescu, PhD., email: bsergiu@uoradea.ro

d. A special issue of THE JOURNAL OF COMPARATIVE FAMILY STUDIES invites contributions for a special issue on the topic: “‘East-European’ Family Patterns, Historical Context and New Developments” <http://soci.ucalgary.ca/jcfs/welcome/submission-guidelines>; <http://www.webpages.ttu.edu/crbradat>

More than forty years ago, John Hajnal introduced the notion of an ‘European’ pattern of marriage/ household, characterized by high age at marriage, women and men working as servants before marriage and establishing their own households upon marriage. He called this pattern ‘European’ for brevity, although it applies only to the Northwestern Europe, west of an imaginary line connecting ‘Leningrad’ (Saint Petersburg) to Trieste.

Interestingly enough, Hajnal’s line followed quite closely the Iron Curtain, then dividing Europe into capitalist and socialist societies. As Churchill put it in a speech he gave at Westminster College, Missouri, in 1946, an iron curtain has descended after the World War II ‘from Stettin in the Baltic to Trieste in the Adriatic’. Within a larger context of ideas, the 1950s – 1960s were the

times when Rostov's theory of modernization was quite popular in the academic world. Hajnal's line brought to life the older Weberian idea that the West is somehow different (in this case, in terms of family formation patterns) and it might very well be that the other regions of the world would not follow a similar route, anytime soon, simply because their history followed a different path.

Although the notion of a 'Western' as opposed to 'Eastern' type of family is currently related to Hajnal's work, his research relied on the studies coming from the Cambridge Group for the Population History, and, in particular, from Peter Laslett and Peter Czap. Eastern European countries, falling East of the Hajnal's line, were characterized as having a non-European household formation system. The concept of an 'European pattern' of family formation remained popular over the years, to such an extent that even today a Google search returns more than 11,000 hits for this concept.

This special issue proposes a discussion of the validity of an 'Eastern' versus 'Western' type of family as a distinct analytic category in family studies in Europe. Specifically, we seek to address, among others, the following questions:

- How useful is this distinction nowadays within the European context?
- Does history continue to play an important role in shaping the household and family characteristics in Eastern as opposed to Western Europe?
- Is there (has ever been) an Eastern European pattern of family?
- Do countries from Eastern Europe have a common family pattern?
- How are they different from the Western European ones?
- How does history shape family systems in Eastern Europe?
- How have the post-1990s changes affected the family ties in these countries?
- How relevant is Hajnal's line today?

Rather than separate case studies, a comparative (in terms of time span, between countries of the region or in comparison with other regions) and interdisciplinary perspective is preferred. Deadline for submissions: **November 1, 2010**. This special issue is scheduled for 2012.

5. Call for Nominations for 2010 Book Prizes

a. The **AAASS Book Prizes** carry a cash award and will be presented at the Awards Ceremony during the 42nd National Convention in Los Angeles, CA. If you wish to nominate a book, please ask the publisher to submit copies for consideration to the prize committee, or contact the AAASS National Office at newsnet@fas.harvard.edu. For precise rules of eligibility for each prize and the names and mailing addresses for committee members, visit the Web site: www.fas.harvard.edu/~aaass/prizes.html.

Deadline for nominations is May 7, 2010.

Wayne S. Vucinich Book Prize — awarded annually for the most important contribution to Russian, Eurasian, and East European studies in any discipline of the humanities or social sciences. Policy analyses, however scholarly, are not considered.

University of Southern California Book Prize in Literary and Cultural Studies — awarded annually for an outstanding monograph published on Russia, Eastern Europe or Eurasia in the fields of literary and cultural studies.

Reginald Zelnik Book Prize in History — awarded annually for an outstanding monograph published on Russia, Eastern Europe or Eurasia in the field of history.

Davis Center Book Prize — awarded annually for an outstanding monograph on Russia, Eurasia, or Eastern Europe in anthropology, political science, sociology, or geography.

Marshall Shulman Book Prize — awarded annually for an outstanding monograph dealing with the international relations, foreign policy, or foreign-policy decision-making of any of the states of the former Soviet Union or Eastern Europe. The book must have been published in the United States.

Ed A. Hewett Book Prize — awarded annually for an outstanding publication on the political economy of the centrally planned economies of the former Soviet Union and East Central Europe and their transitional successors. Only works originally published in English in the form of monographs, chapters in books, and substantial articles are eligible.

Barbara Jelavich Book Prize — awarded annually for a distinguished monograph published on any aspect of Southeast European or Habsburg studies since 1600, or nineteenth- and twentieth-century Ottoman or Russian diplomatic history. The book must have been published in the United States; authors must be citizens or permanent residents of North America.

b. In 2010, the **Hungarian Studies Association** will be awarding the Book Award.

Nominations should be forwarded directly to the Book Prize Committee:

Paul Hanebrink, hanebrin@history.rutgers.edu

Arpad von Klimo, klimo@pitt.edu;

Mark Pittaway, M.D.Pittaway@open.ac.uk

To be eligible for the Book Award, the book must be in English and be published in the last three years.

6. **Corvinus University** of Budapest is offering a full-time MA program (in English) to train specialists to understand the theoretical and practical correspondences in international relations. The program offers a choice for a future career in public administration, international institutions, NGOs or multinational companies.

Tuition: EUR 2000/SEMESTER

Application deadline: 16th April 2010. For further information visit: www.diplomacy.hu



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Susan