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34th Annual Conference
14 – 16 May 2009
University of California, Berkeley, California, USA

“Hungarians in the New World”

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Conference Program  
(4/7/2009) 
Thursday 14 May 2009  
306 Soda Hall – HP Auditorium

6:00 PM  Registration – Soda Hall, 3rd floor, HP Auditorium Lobby

7:00 PM  Introduction – Stephanie Mackley, Outreach Specialist  
Katahdin Productions, Berkeley, CA  
http://katahdin.org/

Film:  *Blessed Is the Match*: The Life and Death of Hannah Senesh

*Blessed Is the Match* is the first documentary feature about Hannah Senesh, the World War II-era poet and diarist who became a paratrooper, resistance fighter and modern-day Joan of Arc. Safe in Palestine in 1944, Hannah joined a mission to rescue Hungary’s Jews. Shockingly, it was the only outside rescue mission for Jews during the Holocaust. Hannah parachuted behind enemy lines, was captured, tortured and ultimately executed by the Nazis. Incredibly, her mother Catherine witnessed the entire ordeal – first as a prisoner with Hannah and later as her advocate, braving the bombed-out streets of Budapest in a desperate attempt to save her daughter. With unprecedented access to the Senesh family archive, this powerful story unfolds through the writings and photographs of Hannah and Catherine Senesh. (90 min.)

Open to the public
### Friday 15 May 2009

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<td>Invited Talks:</td>
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<td>&quot;1989 - The Year That Changed The Map of Europe and Thereby The World...&quot;</td>
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<td>&quot;E Pluribus Unum? Triumphs and Failures of Nation-Building in Greater Hungary&quot;</td>
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|               |                   | “Writing the Fragmented [Cultural] Body in Alaine Polcz’s Asszony a fron
ton” |
|               |                   | **Kata Zsófia Vincze**, Eötvös Loránd Tudományegyetem & Hungarian Academy of Sciences. |
|               |                   | “Conflicitive Ethnic Renaissance of Minorities in Hungary Today”     |
|               |                   | **Wayne Kraft**, Eastern Washington University, Cheney, WA. “The Vil
gle Project’: Hungarian Peasant Culture as a Focus for Interdisciplinary Learning” |
|               |                   | **Susan Glanz**, St. John’s University, New York. “Women in the Hun
garian Labor Market”                                                   |
| 12:30-1:30    | 120 Bechtel       | Discovering New Worlds                                               |
|               |                   | **Chair:** Béla Várda, Duquesne University                            |
|               |                   | **Patricia Valdata**, U. of Maryland University College, Adelphi, MD. |
|               |                   | “Hungarians in the New World: A Grandchild’s Perspective”            |
|               |                   | **Mark Keck-Szajbel**, UC Berkeley. “Budapest – New Worlds for Travel in East Central Europe” |
|               |                   | LUNCH ON YOUR OWN                                                      |

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| 1:30-3:30 | 240 Bechtel | **Preparing Educators in Hungary and the USA**<br>Chair: Gergely Tóth, UC Berkeley<br><br><span>Tünde Szécsi</span>, Florida Gulf Coast University, Fort Myers, FL. “Teacher Preparation in the USA and Hungary”<br><br><span>Julian Connelly</span>, Columbia University, NY. “Hungary and the United States: A Comparison of Gifted Education”<br><br><span>Endre Nagy</span>, Starr King, Berkeley. “Francis Balázs Scholarship Program at Starr King School for the Ministry in Berkeley, California”<br><br><span>Maurus Németh</span>, OSB, Woodside Priory School, Portola Valley, CA. “How Benedictine Education Was Brought to California”<br><br><span>George Csicsery</span>, Independent Filmmaker, Zala Films, Oakland, CA. “Troop 214/214-es Csapat”<br><br>**Friday Evening Reception**<br>Hosted by<br>Mrs. Elvira Örly<br>1720 Arch Street<br>Berkeley<br>Phone: 510-845-1498<br>7:00 – 10:00 PM
| 1:30-3:30 | 120 Bechtel | **Hungarian Artists and Filmmakers in the USA**<br>Chair: Jason Wittenberg, UC Berkeley<br><br><span>Denis Feigler</span>, Montclair State University, NJ. “The Influence and Historic Importance of the Works of Marcel Breuer and Moholy-Nagy”<br><br><span>László Munteán</span>, Pázmány Péter Catholic University/USF. “The Language of Deception: György Kepes and Urban Camouflage”<br><br><span>Catherine Portugues</span>, University of Massachusetts, Amherst. “Michael Curtiz & European Jewish Émigré(es) in Hollywood.”<br><br><span>Steven Kovács</span>, San Francisco State University. “Hungarians in Hollywood: Waves of Immigration”<br><br>**3:30-3:45** BREAK
| 3:30-5:45 | 120 Bechtel | **Interwar Hungary**<br>Chair: Ágnes H. Várda, Duquesne University<br><br><span>Katalin Kádár Lynn</span>, Independent Scholar, St. Helena, CA. “Strange Partnership: Lord Rothermere, Stephanie von Hohenlohe and the Hungarian Revisionist Movement”<br><br><span>Katalin Juhasz</span>, Eötvös Loránd Tudományegyetem/UCB. “Handwritten History: The Diaries of Andor Hertelendy”<br><br><span>Steven Jobbitt</span>, University of California, Fullerton. “Question of Modernity in Ferenc Fodor’s Geography of Hungarian Being”<br><br><span>George Csisery</span>, Independent Filmmaker, Zala Films, Oakland, CA. “Troop 214/214-es Csapat”
| 3:30-5:45 | 240 Bechtel | **Hungarians in the World of Science**<br>Chair: Susan Glanz, St. John’s University<br><br><span>George Lázár</span>, Independent Researcher, Piedmont, CA. “Hungarians in Silicon Valley”<br><br><span>Emese Ivan</span>, Ball State University, Muncie, IN. “Sport, Environment, and the Politics of Hope”<br><br><span>Adám Rendek</span>, Anshen + Allen Architects, San Francisco. “Building Information Modeling (BIM)”<br><br><span>Márta Bebók</span>, UC Berkeley. “Hungarians in the New World of Stem Cells”
### Saturday 16 May 2009
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<td>Dezső Benedek, University of Georgia, Athens, GA. “Az erdélyi magyar kultúra helyzete” (in Hungarian)</td>
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<td>Philip Bognar, Sanford-Brown Technical College, St. Louis, MO. “Lajos Kossuth’s Visit to St. Louis, March 9–16, 1852”</td>
<td>Éva Novák Kissné, University of Szeged. “Családtipusok a mai magyar kulturában” (in Hungarian)</td>
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<td>Attila Papp Z., Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Etnikai-Nemzeti Kisebbségkutató Intézet. “Az amerikai magyar szervezeti élet és értelmezési lehetőségei” (Ways of Interpretation of Hungarian-American Ethnic-based Public Life and Identity)</td>
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**SATURDAY EVENING BANQUET**

Location: Bancroft Hotel Great Hall  
2580 Bancroft Way, Berkeley  
Telephone: 510-649-1000

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**Wine Tasting and Reception**  
*6:30 PM*  
*BANQUET*  
*7:30 PM*

KEYNOTE ADDRESS:

“Keeping Cool in A Climate of Change”

Dr. Evan Mills  
Staff Scientist  
Energy Analysis Department  
Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory

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Farewell and Closing of the 34th AHEA Conference  
Judith Kesserű Némethy

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Special Program

Sunday 17 May 2008

WINE TOUR TO THE WORLD FAMOUS NAPA VALLEY

Join us for a very special, private tour, and luncheon in the Napa Valley. Travel by Beau Vine executive motor coach, from Berkeley to St. Helena, followed by luncheon and a wine tasting at two of Napa Valley’s most prestigious wineries.

Sunday 17 May 2009
9:30 am departure

- Private tour & tasting at Merryvale, St. Helena, CA
- Hosted Luncheon for AHEA at the home of Douglas & Katalin Kádár Lynn, St. Helena
- Private tour & tasting at the Kapcsándy Family Winery: Yountville, CA Hosted by the Proprietor: Lajos Kapcsándy
  [http://microlab.berkeley.edu/~voros/Kapcsandy.pdf](http://microlab.berkeley.edu/~voros/Kapcsandy.pdf)

Return to Berkeley at approximately 6:45 pm
Limited Capacity/Reservation Deadline: 30 April 2009
$ 95 per person
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Perimeter (P)

Campus Map with hotel, conference and social events locations
http://microlab.berkeley.edu/~voros/AHEA.map.pdf
Hotels

Please make reservations as early as possible. 14-17 May falls within graduation week and as a result hotels are filling up fast.

Hotels within walking distance from the conference:

**UCB The Women’s Faculty Club**  
[www.womensfacultyclub.com](http://www.womensfacultyclub.com)  
510-845-5084 ($115-130)  
Sponsor: Voros-Tobias TFC 20112

**Easton Hall**  
[www.cdsp.edu/conference.php](http://www.cdsp.edu/conference.php)  
2451 Ridge Road (at Scenic)  
510-204-0732 ($85-115)  
Some with shared bthr)  
Mention conference at UCB

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510-549-1000 ($149)  
Ask for UCB rate

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200 Marina Boulevard, Berkeley  
510-800-444-3344 ($139)  
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**The Claremont Resort & Spa**  
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**La Quinta Inn**  
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510-949-1121 ($115)  
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AHEA Registration Fee
Before 30 April, 2009  $60.00 __________
After 30 April, 2009   $80.00 __________
Students              $20.00 __________

Friday Reception (at Mrs. Elvira Örly’s home)  $10.00 _____
Saturday Banquet (Bancroft Hotel Great Hall)  $65.00 _____
Sunday Wine Tour       $95.00 _____
Suggested Donation to Transylvanian Scholarship Fund  $10.00 _____

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