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Katalin Szili: We must always remember Trianon peace diktat

The Rákóczi Association's teachers' camp has opened in Sátoraljaújhely. At the opening ceremony Katalin Szili, the prime ministerial commissioner for coordination of autonomy aspirations in the Carpathian Basin, pointed out that 2020 is the Year of National Cohesion and we must remember the Treaty of Trianon, signed 100 years ago. According to Mrs. Szili, the whole Hungarian nation agrees on 3 questions: nationality, the right to vote and autonomy of Hungarian communities abroad. She emphasized that preserving our national identity is of crucial importance in the 21st century.

Local elections: the following RMDSZ members take part in the elections as President of Chamber candidates

Democratic Alliance of Hungarians in Romania (RMDSZ) nominates a candidate for President of Chamber in every county in Transylvania that has an RMDSZ member as a leader, but it will also have candidates in other counties, too. Executive Vice President for Local Councils Anna Horváth told the Hungarian-language Romanian newspaper Krónika (Chronicle) that, in addition to counties mostly inhabited by Hungarians, i.e. Hargita/Harghita County, Kovászna/Covasna, Maros/Mureș, Szatmár/Satu Mare and Bihar/Bihor, they will also nominate a candidate in Szilágy/Sălaj and Kolozs/Cluj. There are negotiations about candidates in Brassó/Brașov, as well.

Presidency elects Csaba Borboly

According to Executive Vice President for Local Councils Anna Horváth, at a meeting on Thursday the Presidency of RMDSZ decided to nominate Csaba Borboly as a candidate of the Harghita County Council. Ms Horváth informed the Hungarian-language Romanian newspaper Maszol (New Hungarian Word Online), "with its decision today, the presidency confirmed and validated a decision made by Harghita County Conciliation Council by an 8 to 5 majority over the weekend."

Instead of a mass event, this year's Hungarian Days in Cluj-Napoca offers small group meetings

According to the press office of Kincses Kolozsvár Association, due to coronavirus, the 11th Hungarian Days in Cluj-Napoca will be organized with special precautions and rules between 19 and 21 August. However, a worsening of the epidemic situation will force the organizers to develop further alternative scenarios. It was said that not all mass events could be held (such as large-scale concerts in the main square and indoor events except for services, masses, the St. Stephen's Day celebration and exhibitions), but smaller gatherings can be held.



Miklós Duray is a symbol of the Hungarian nation and unshakable resolve

Speaking at the 75th birthday celebration for Miklós Duray, the doyen of Hungarian politics in Slovakia, State Secretary for Hungarian Communities Abroad Árpád János Potápi said that Mr. Duray's unshakable resolve and anti-communism make him an example to the younger generations. Mr. Potápi called the writer and politician an exemplary figure and a milestone, without whom the fall of communism in Czechoslovakia would have been unimaginable.

Mónika Filip and Árpád János Potápi talk about each other's positive examples and mutual inspiration in Bratislava

During his trip to Slovakia, State Secretary for Hungarian Communities Abroad Árpád János Potápi visited the Ministry of Education and met with state secretary Mónika Filip. Addressing the Hungarian News Agency (MTI), Mr. Potápi pointed out that since there are several hundreds of Hungarian-language educational institutions in Slovakia, there are lots of things to consider together and we need to find middle ground. He highlighted that the responsibility of financing the Hungarian education in Slovakia belongs to the Slovak state, but Hungary is providing support.



The World War I victims of Bajsa/Bajša are commemorated

The World War I victims of Bajsa/Bajša are commemorated with a publication published by the Hungarian Local History Society of Vojvodina and the Hungarian Cultural Institute. The publication, entitled Heroism and Service - Bačka Topola during the Great War (1914-18), was launched in the theater of Topolya/Bačka Topola on 4 June, the Day of National Cohesion.



President of KMKSZ sends letter to Péter Szijjártó concerning easier border crossing

The President of the Transcarpathian Hungarian Cultural Association (KMKSZ) László Brenzovics has written a letter to Minister of Foreign Affairs and Trade Péter Szijjártó about making border crossing easier. In his letter, he said that the Hungarians of Transcarpathia welcome the opening of the Ukrainian borders. He added that they see it as important to open every border crossing in order to facilitate contact between Hungarians in Transcarpathia and the kin state - by categorizing regions in the source country, for example.