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Charity run 'We are made of one blood' between Szarvas and Röske

Participants of the charity run named 'We are made of one blood' ran from Szarvas to Röske, crossing Kecskemét. The aim of the event was to draw attention to the importance of national cohesion and blood donation. Speaking at the press conference following the event, State Secretary for Hungarian Communities Abroad Árpád János Potápi, who also ran the last 15 kms, pointed out that 2020 is the year of national cohesion and strong Hungarian communities. He shared that last year the charity event collected funds for Saint Michael Children's Home in Rát/Ratovci (Transcarpathia) and the construction of its chapel. This year, they are supporting Emmausz Boys' College in Muzslya/Mužlja (Vojvodina). The college, opened in 2002, is also a cultural center serving the survival of the Hungarian culture in Bánát/Banat.

Trianon memorial inaugurated in Lengyeltóti

A Trianon memorial was inaugurated last Friday in Lengyeltóti, Somogy county. Speaking at the event organized for the 100th anniversary of the Treaty of Trianon, Ministerial Commissioner for Hungarian Communities Abroad Péter Szilágyi emphasized: Hungary is stronger now than in the last decade. He stressed that the Hungarian nation is a worldwide nation now, thanks to the Hungarians in the kin-state, Hungarians in the Carpathian Basin and the diaspora. He pointed out that "we managed to take advantage of the losses of the 20th century" and after the unification of the nation under common law, we created an institutional system that allows us to provide the same possibilities for all our compatriots regardless where they live and "not categorize Hungarians in groups A and B."



Iohannis recalls the Romanian ambassador in Budapest who previously stirred up a scandal

Besides 11 other heads of mission, Romanian president Klaus Iohannis recalled on Friday the Romanian ambassador in Budapest. At the end of April, Marius Lazurca caused a commotion in Hungarian-Romanian diplomacy by sending a letter to the co-president of Hungarian opponent party Párbeszéd (Dialogue for Hungary) and expressing his solidarity and best wishes for him after the insults he had received.

Hungarian nursery school inaugurated in Zilah

A Hungarian nursery school was inaugurated on Sunday in Zilah/Zaláu. The construction was supported as part of the Carpathian Basin Nursery School Development Program. The Hungarian government supported the building with HUF 300 million. Speaking at the inauguration ceremony, State Secretary for Hungarian Communities Abroad Árpád János Potápi highlighted that although the nursery school was founded by the Baptist church, every child raised according to the Christian faith and Hungarian national values is welcome. Besides the nursery school in Zilah, two



further institutes were inaugurated in Torda/Turda and Szászrégen/Reghin, Transylvania. They were both supported within the framework of the Carpathian Basin Nursery School Development Program. During his visit to Transylvania, Mr. Potápi participated in the inauguration ceremony of the restored church of Ákos/Acâș, the greatest Roman style church in Transylvania, also supported by the Hungarian government. In his speech, Mr. Potápi stressed the need for the political institutional system besides the Hungarian system of educational and cultural institutions and the institutional system of historical Hungarian churches. He asked the guests to participate in the local elections on 27 September in Romania and vote for the members of the Democratic Alliance of Hungarians in Romania (RMDSZ), which would serve the strengthening of the Hungarian political system.



Krisztián Forró: we should focus on Hungarian issues instead of controversial topics

The Party of the Hungarian Community (MKP) strongly criticized Most-Híd (Bridge) party for the fact that their leader, László Sólymos repeatedly expressed his disapproval of Hungarian politics in the past few weeks. As MKP stated, “we expect our partner parties to focus on important issues of Hungarians in Slovakia and show restraint when it comes to controversial political topics.” The party also distanced itself from Mr. Sólymos’s position.



Application for young entrepreneurs of Prosperitati is a success

Speaking in the Hungarian program of Radio Szabadka (Subotica), Bálint Juhász commented that the application for young entrepreneurs of the Prosperitati Foundation is exceptionally successful. Mr. Juhász, managing director of the Prosperitati Foundation said that 420 applications were received, partly by young entrepreneurs who moved home from abroad. He highlighted that micro and small enterprises will continue to be supported in the future. The online training will accept 394 young entrepreneurs this year.

Karolina Szathmáry college moves to the building of the restored Girls’ College

Students of the Karolina Szathmáry college started the new school year in a bigger, broader building in Nagybecskerek/Zrenjanin. The restoration started in 2018 and was supported by the State Secretariat for Hungarian Communities Abroad. The building will also function as a social center for the Hungarians of the region.





Péter Szijjártó meets Ukrainian Minister of Foreign Affairs next Wednesday

Hungarian Minister of Foreign Affairs and Trade Péter Szijjártó and Ukrainian Minister of Foreign Affairs Dmytro Kuleba meet next Wednesday. As Mr. Szijjártó posted on his Facebook page, he was on his way to Borsod-Abaúj-Zemplén County to announce investments when his Ukrainian counterpart called him. As Mr. Szijjártó commented, “we have to find a way to break the deadlock between Hungary and Ukraine, so we agreed on meeting in Ungvár/Uzhhorod next week and attend the school year opening ceremony of the Ferenc Rákóczi II Transcarpathian Hungarian College of Higher Education in Beregszász/Berehove together”



The number of students in the first grades of Hungarian schools multiplied compared to last year

The Democratic Union of Hungarians of Croatia (HMDK) has always paid special attention to Hungarian education in Croatia. They find it crucial to encourage parents to take their children in a Hungarian school, so they decided to grant a scholarship for every first and fifth year students that goes to a Hungarian elementary school, and every first year student who attends the high school of the Hungarian Center in Eszék/Osijek. Last year, they managed to stop the decrease in the number of students, and this year they further increased the amount of the scholarship.

