

## AMERICAN-HUNGARIAN EXECUTIVE CIRCLE

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### Newsletter

## January 2010

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### **NEXT MEETING:**

January 21, 2010

Argo Hotel 1121 Normafa ut 50 Budapest, Hungary

10 am

Presentation by

Matthias Duys, Representative of the Governor of Virginia, on inviting Hungarian businesses to open offices in Virginia

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# TINA DANTE AND METAMORPHOSIS GROUP RECOGNIZED FOR SUCCESS

Congratulations to **Tina Dante**, CEO of The Metamorphosis Group, Inc. (TMG) Ms. Dante was recognized by the Minority Executive Enterprise Council at a June 25, 2009 Awards Gala, hosted at the Capital Hilton in Washington, D.C., for her leadership and success.

Ms. Dante founded TMG nearly eight years ago. It is a consulting group with both a federal contracting and private sector practice. Tina reports her team is winding down a complex telecom project with Sprint Nextel, in which TMG helped provide turnkey administrative, financial, legal, system integration and project management services. TMG is also working with BAE Systems on an engineering project, and also recently completed a management consulting project with the Federal Aviation Administration.

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# LIQUID CAPITAL GROUP ANNOUNCES AN INVESTMENT IN EDO INTERACTIVE

Andrew Domolky reports that last September the Liquid Capital Fund V, LLC of McLean, VA made an investment in edo Interactive, Inc. Edo has a software platform for the creation and distribution of targeted promotional messages and coupons to consumers through debit and credit card payment networks. It also markets a branded prepaid debit card called Facecard (<a href="www.facecard.com">www.facecard.com</a>). For more information, please visit <a href="www.edointeractive.com">www.edointeractive.com</a>.

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# MIK PROPERTY MANAGEMENT RECOGNIZED

**Zoltan Molnar**, General Director of MIK ZRt, accepted the award on behalf of his Miskolc property management team, for its leadership, professional ethics and accomplishments in 2009.



The award was presented by Pamela Monroe, President of the Institute of Real Estate Management (IREM). It was IREM's first recognition of a property management group in Central Europe.

IREM and the Hungarian Association of Real Estate Management have been cooperating since 1996, including through the provision of a certified property management course.

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#### **SEEKING INVESTORS BIHARUGA**

Adam Mikics reports on the wetlands region of Biharugra, near the Hungarian-Romanian border (about 30 km from Nagyvarad/Oradea). Mr. Mikics seeks investors for land – nearly 900 hectares of agricultural and suburban land. It is also a developing tourist region. For more information, please contact Imre Mikics, Executive Director, Biharugrai Farm, Kft. +36/30/207-6111; bhqkft@gmail.com

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## **WYÁRALMÁSI PUBLISHING BOOK**

Annamária Váralmási has written a book on the generation of Hungarians born between 1947 and 1956, who left Hungary in the wave stretching from 1967-1972. She expects the book to be published by Fall 2010. For more information, contact her at: Budapest, XIX. Pannónia út 42., 1192 Hungary; email: <a href="mailto:vvam@freemail.hu">vvam@freemail.hu</a>;

Tel: +3612826356

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# ADKNOWLEDGE AQUIRES SUPER REWARDS

Michael Geroe was busy this summer in beautiful Vancouver, British Columbia, helping close the acquisition of Super Rewards, by Adknowledge, Inc. Super Rewards helps application (primarily game) publishers on Facebook generate revenue through "virtual currency" – points that users redeem to better use/play their Facebook applications and games. The July Super Rewards acquisition followed closely the March 2009 acquisition of Miva Inc.'s media assets by Adknowledge. For more information, visit www.adknowledge.com.

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# FORMER MINISTER MARTONYI SPEAKS AT JOHNS HOPKINS

The Center for Transatlantic Relations at the Paul H. Nitze School of Advanced International Studies, Johns Hopkins University and the EU Center of Excellence Washington D.C. held on discussion on December 3, 2009 entitled: "Europe Shifts Gears: The View from East Central Europe" With His Excellency János Martonyi Former Minister of Foreign Affairs Republic of Hungary. Amb. Kurt Volke was the moderator. Discussion centered on foreign policy challenges in the region as well as the broader transatlantic relationship.

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# HUNGARIAN PRIME MINISTER MEETS WITH U.S. CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

AHEC members participated at a roundtable event held at the Washington, DC headquarter of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce on December 3, 2009, as Prime Minister Gordon Bajnai reported on the state of the Hungarian economy. He observed that Hungary has a chance to be the fastest growing economy in the EU.

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### **2010 MEMBERSHIP DUES**

Member dues are USD \$100 or HUF 19000.

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- Credit Card payments via PayPal. You need not sign up to PayPal to take advantage of this option. Click or copy and paste the following link in your browser to pay with your credit card: <a href="http://www.americanhungarian.org/membership-payment.php">http://www.americanhungarian.org/membership-payment.php</a>.
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### AHEC ON THE WEB / JOBS BOARD

Please visit AHEC's job leads and other boards at <a href="http://www.linkedin.com">http://www.linkedin.com</a>. If you are aware of job leads, please post them to the job board, either at AHEC's LinkedIn Group or at the job leads discussion board on the Member's Corner of AHEC's web site, at <a href="https://www.americanhungarian.org">www.americanhungarian.org</a>.

In addition, please visit the Job Openings postings, which are regularly updated, near the bottom of the AHEC homepage at www.americanhungarian.org.

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### **MISSION STATEMENT**

AHEC exists to foster closer business ties among Americans of Hungarian ethnicity, through programs to bring them into contact with each other, and with other Hungarians and business executives everywhere. AHEC seeks to mutually advance and strengthen American-Hungarian business relationships.

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### **MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION**

AHEC Membership is open to anyone. To join, please send to the below address notice of your interest, contact information about yourself (including a business card), and enclose an application fee of \$100, made out in the name of ActiveMedia.

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