

Department of History

December 22, 1988

Mr. Wayne Logsdon
Administrative Office
American Embassy-Budapest
APO, NY 09213

Dear Mr. Logsdon:

Just a brief note to thank you for your kindness during the four months Kathy and I spent in Budapest last spring and summer.

Unfortunately, I did not have the opportunity to speak to you prior to our departure from Hungary since you were on vacation and the last two weeks there were terribly hectic for us.

Both Kathy and I are most grateful to you for having given her the opportunity to work in the Consular Sections on a part-time basis. It was an invaluable experience! She misses the excitement of the Embassy and the many friends she has made during her employment in Budapest. I am personally very grateful to you for employing her since it made my own work easier knowing that she was occupied while I was doing research.

It was very kind of the Embassy to send some of my books home, a problem which is always difficult to solve. Please express my thanks to Mr. Ken Moskowitz and to the lovely Ms. Christy Limpach for their kind assistance.

There is a fairly good chance that in 1990 I will be in Budapest for a visit at the invitation of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences. It would be nice if we could meet again.

With sincere good wishes for the coming Holiday Season, I remain,

Sincerely yours,

L. S. Domonkos
Professor of History

LSD/mb

Department of History

December 22, 1988

Prof. Dr. Szekely Gyorgy
Kozepkori Tortenelem Tanszek
ELTE - University of Budapest
Pesti Barnabas u. 1-3
H-1088 Budapest Hungary

Dear Friend and Most Distinguished Colleague:

Thank you for the kind card which you wrote at the time our mutual friend Astricus de Pannonia was visiting you in Budapest. He returned from his journey with many pleasant memories, but also very exhausted.

It is with a deep sense of gratitude that I think back to our meetings in Budapest during my stay in the spring and summer. It was your idea that I should try to get a scholarship to visit Budapest in order to gather material for a short book on the intellectual and artistic history of the city in the Middle Ages and Renaissance. I am particularly fond of the memory of our walk through the streets, doorways and courtyards of old Pest in which you pointed out the remnants of the city walls of the medieval town. Many thanks for your invitation to address our Hungarian colleagues on the growth of higher education in America. That afternoon in the "Serb utca" Faculty Club will always remain one of my pleasant memories.

Since my return home I have been very busy with a variety of obligations. One week after my arrival in Youngstown, I was already teaching classes in our summer semester program. In September there were only two weeks of "freedom" before instruction resumed and it continued until last week. I am still trying to catch up with correspondence and other matters which were interrupted in the spring when I came to Hungary. Slowly I am making some headway. I have been able to organize most of the material I had collected during my four months stay in Budapest, and have also worked on editing the text of my Matthias Corvinus biography which I promised to deliver to Klaniczay Tibor and Fugedi Erik in early 1989.

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Cordially,

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December 22, 1988

Dr. Jozsef Jankovics
Nemzetkozi Magyar Filologiai Tarsasag
Orszaghaz utca 30
H-1250 Budapest I, Hungary

Kedves Joskam:

It is with great fondness that I think back to the four months in spring and summer when I saw you in Budapest. It is unfortunate that time flies so very fast and that we did not have more opportunities to be together. The lovely evening I spent with your wife and two beautiful daughters at your home is among my most pleasant memories of the trip. I hope that they are all well and are preparing for the Christmas and New Years festivities.

Many thanks for all of your help in mailing my book purchases during my stay in Budapest as well as the volumes you have sent subsequently. It has always been a major problem to ship home the books I have bought. You have made matters far less complicated this time and I sincerely appreciate all of your kindness and the help given in this matter by your co-workers, especially the lovely Ny. Judith and B. Laszlone. Please convey my warm greeting to them. Every single volume which you have sent has arrived safely and generally in fairly good condition. I am also very happy with the final volumes of the Nagy Ivan and also other books, such as Laszlo Gyula's most recent publications.

Briefly about the family: Eva is about ready to retire from the teaching of natural childbirth classes. After a time spent in regaining her vitality, she might go back to the university and get a Master's degree. My son Istvan had graduated with a diploma in international relations but after several months of searching for a position is back in school, planning to get another degree in management, which will insure his future. Katia is pursuing the same degree and they should have diploma in hand by the fall of 1990. Piroska is studying psychology and God only knows what her future employment opportunities will be. Andriska is finishing the eighth grade, and has developed into an excellent swimmer.

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YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO 44555

The College of Arts and Sciences

Department of History

January 15, 1988

Fraulein Susanne Stracke
See bauerstrasse 2
8000 - Munchen 83
Federal Republic of Germany

Dear Miss Stracke:

Thank you for your kind note of inquiry concerning the medieval theologian Johannes de Anosis of Paris. Unfortunately, I can be of no help to you simply because my area of research is rather removed from fourteenth century theology.

There is, however, one person who has done more work on the University of Paris and its scholars than anybody in the world, namely Prof. D. Al. L. Gabriel of the University of Notre Dame in Indiana. Professor Gabriel, who was my "Doctor Vater" many years ago has written extensively on the area you are interested in exploring and I would recommend that you write to him immediately. In the meantime, I will send him a copy of our correspondence.

Wishing you good luck on your dissertation, I remain,

Sincerely,

L. S. Domonkos
Professor of History

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cc Dr. A. L. Gabriel



YOUNGSTOWN STATE UNIVERSITY

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November 17, 1988

Bishop James W. Malone, Ph.D.
Diocese of Youngstown
144 W. Wood Street
Youngstown, OH 44501

Dear Bishop Malone:

In your capacity as shepherd of your flock as well as the former President of the National Conference of Catholic Bishops, you have shown yourself to be a man who is most sensitive to human suffering and to injustice. In a recent statement, the Bishops' Conference has indicated its deep concern for human rights in Eastern Europe and South Africa.

I am turning to you with the request that you use your considerable influence and prestige in behalf of the oppressed Christian communities in Transylvania and Rumania. During the spring and summer of this year, I was in Eastern Europe on a Fulbright Faculty Research Grant and had the opportunity to personally meet with a number of refugees who had fled the Ceaucescu dictatorship. Their stories reflect immense suffering and pain. Reminiscent of the darkest days of Stalinism, the Ceaucescu regime stands accused of the arbitrary arrest, illegal detention and cruel torture of thousands of its own citizens. In clear violation of the United Nations Charter, the Helsinki Accords, as well as the most fundamental principles of civilized behavior, these abuses continue unabated.

Particularly reprehensible is the recently adopted policy of the Ceaucescu government, which aims to eradicate thousands of villages in the Transylvanian part of Rumania, under the guise of agricultural reorganization. Communities which have existed a millennium are being bulldozed into oblivion. Although all citizens of Rumania have been victims of the Ceaucescu dictatorship, these latest measures are clearly aimed at the two important minority groups within Transylvania, namely the Hungarians and Saxons (Germans). The villages and small towns which are being systemically destroyed were inhabited for over a thousand years by Hungarians and for 800 years by Transylvanian Saxons.

To uproot these people, force them to move into already over-crowded urban centers, and destroy their churches, cemeteries and ancestral homes is an outrage against all precepts of morality and decency. This policy is designed to destroy these minority populations, obliterate their roots, and sweep away their historical

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heritage. This constitutes a clear case of cultural genocide.

The voices of our Christian brothers and sisters living under the Communist dictatorship in Rumania cannot be heard. It is our task to insure that such blatant disregard for basic human rights and abuse of oppressed minorities should not be tolerated. I hope that the National Conference of Catholic Bishops as a body, and you individually, can raise your voice in this matter. The anguished cry for help of our fellow Christians must be heard and the moral weight of the Church should be used to bring relief and justice. Your help in bringing this about will be greatly appreciated.

Cordially,

L. S. Domonkos, Ph.D.
Professor of History

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February 12, 1988

Miss Marian Zelazny, Program Officer
International Research and Exchange Board
126 Alexander Street
Princeton, New Jersey 08540-7102

Dear Miss Zelazny:

It was nice to talk to you last week and thank you for showing flexibility on our departure date. As I have indicated to you in our phone conversation, my daughter Kathryn, who is a student at Youngstown State University, has finals on the week of March 14-19 which will delay our trip to Budapest by one week. Originally, she was hopeful that she could take her exams early and her instructors were willing to cooperate. Unfortunately, the administration has chosen this quarter to crack down on early exams and Kathy is one of the victims of the new policy.

Please let KKI in Budapest know that instead of Wednesday, March 16, we will present ourselves on Wednesday, March 23, at 10:00 a.m. If all goes according to plans, we shall arrive in Budapest on Tuesday, either late afternoon or early evening. Since we will be driving, it is impossible to give a firm time, and in order not to inconvenience KKI we will find lodging for the night on Tuesday and call the office in the morning. Enclosed you will find the appropriate form.

I still owe you a medical report which should reach you in a week or ten days. I am scheduled to have my yearly physical exam next week and will present the form to my doctor at that time.

Before our departure I will definitely call you one more time. With sincere thanks for all your kindness, I remain,

Sincerely yours,

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March 1, 1988

Mrs. Ildiko Kaesirek, Visa Officer
Embassy of the Hungarian People's Republic
3910 Shoemaker Street, NW
Washington, D. C. 20008

Dear Mrs. Kaesirek:

Enclosed you will find visa applications for ~~me~~ ^{my} self and my daughter,
(along with the appropriate fees and photographs) ^{for} ~~multiple entry visa~~ ^a.

From mid March to mid July I plan to be in Budapest doing research in
Medieval and Renaissance Hungarian history under a grant from the International
Research and Exchange Board as well as a Fulbright-Hays Research Abroad
Fellowship. (Enclosed Xerox copy of tolex sent from Nemzetközi Kulturális
Intézet to IREX). My daughter, who is a university student, is accompanying
me as my research assistant.

Because of unforeseen long delay in securing my daughter's passport,
we are a little late in requesting the visas. Your prompt response will be
greatly appreciated. In case there is any problem; which I do not anticipate,
please call me immediately so that we can resolve it without losing time.
We plan to leave the US on March 20. Telephone: 216-533-2771 (home)
216-742-3459 (office).

With sincere thanks for your prompt action, I remain,

Sincerely yours,

L. S. Domonkos
Professor of History

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enclosures

Mr. Ferenc Mózsi, Editor
Framo Publishing
561 W. Diversey Parkway, Room 219
Chicago, Illinois 60614.

Kedves Feri,

Thank you for your kind note of January 21 concerning the History of the Franciscan Order in Hungary.

In late March I will be going to Budapest on a Fulbright Research Grant and will not be back until July 18. As always, I use my time in Hungary to gather material for forthcoming books and articles and naturally to buy books for my own private library (about 3,000 volumes).

In the past I have unsuccessfully tried to ^{purchase} buy the two volumes in Hungary and hope that my luck changes this time. If not, and if in the meantime you have not sold the Franciscan volumes, I will send for them in late July.

If I remember correctly,
P.S. (Years ago you were in Youngstown and gave a poetry reading of your own works. It was excellent, and I am one of your admirers.)

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January 27, 1988

Dr. Jozsef Jankovics, Executive Director
Nemzetközi Magyar Filológiai Tarsasag
Orszaghaz utca 30
H-1250 Budapest I, Hungary

Kedves Joskam:

Please excuse the long delay in writing to you. The absence of correspondence does not diminish the feeling of friendship or dim the memory of the pleasant time when we could welcome you into our home. How time passes!

Thank you very much for the frequent and most valuable shipments of books which you have sent. Of special value was the dedicated copy of Darholcz Kristof's Utolsó trombitaszó to which you wrote the preface, or more correctly "utószó." The books you have dispatched have been of tremendous help in my work and each and every volume is greatly appreciated. Special thanks to you and Aronka for the Nagy Ivan. I was about to physically harm the postman that he has lost the last four volumes when I heard the news that they were not yet published.

Enclosed you will find a book which came out last year, co-edited by me. The essays are most uneven and I was far from satisfied with the material. The editorial process had already begun when I joined the project, and studies which I would not have accepted were included! Yet, even an imperfect book on Hungary is better than no book at all!

As you have probably heard from Tibor or Aron, I will be in Budapest for four months, beginning on March 16. My daughter Katica will accompany me on this journey and I hope that our stay in Hungary will be pleasant. I am looking forward to finally meeting your family and to see you on a fairly regular basis during the four months.

Generally speaking all is well with us. Eva continues her work at the hospital teaching natural childbirth classes to

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prospective mothers and fathers. She is deeply involved in a research project with a team from Hungary on the measurement of pain during childbirth. In October, there was a meeting in London, attended by two doctors, and Eva from the American side, and a three-person delegation from the Hungarian Ministry of Health, the University of Bp. Woman's Clinic, and the Hungarian Academy of Sciences. I had the good fortune to accompany Eva to London, and for the first time in my life saw the British Museum, National Gallery, Wallace Collection, and the other important attractions of the English capital.

My son Istvan is graduating from the University in two months and plans to go to graduate school for further study in international trade. Kati's progress is slower. Beside attending the University she is holding down two part-time jobs. Piroska, who was still a child when you were here is in the second year at the University and is also student secretary in the Philosophy Department. Andris is the terror of the seventh grade in the local school.

If all goes well, I will see you, God willing, in March.

Please convey our warmest regards to your family. In the hope of seeing you soon, I remain,

January 19, 1988

History Department

Miss

Miss Marian Zelazny, Program Officer
International Research and Exchange Board
126 Alexander Street
Princeton, New Jersey 08540-7102

Dear Miss Zelazny:

The realization just hit me that March 15 is fast approaching and my travel to Budapest is less than two months away. Accordingly I want to see my travel agent to discuss plans for the journey.

Let me refresh your memory about my situation. As you know, I have received a Fulbright-Hays Faculty Research Award as well as the IREX. The Fulbright-Hays has provisions for my travel to Budapest, and the funds will be transferred to my travel agent by the University, which is administering the award. As we have discussed this previously, my daughter Kathryn (age 23) will be accompanying me to Budapest for the four months and IREX promised to fund one half of her travel costs.

Accordingly to the calculations of my travel agent, our tickets will be \$886.00 per person, Cleveland-Budapest-Cleveland on Pan American. (See itinerary enclosed) Fulbright will take care of my ticket and \$443.00 would be the contribution of IREX toward Kathryn's travel.

I do have a major request and I hope that IREX can accommodate us. It is difficult to work with two travel agents, yours and mine, to make parallel reservations, seating assignments, etc. Would it be possible for you to verify the enclosed itinerary with your agent and if the amount is correct is (which I am certain that it is), transfer the IREX contribution of \$443.00 to either my local travel agent or to me. It would make things much simpler for us. The sum we are talking about is certainly modest.

My own passport is valid, my daughter is in the process of renewing hers. Early next month we will send for our visas to the Hungarian Embassy. I do have application forms, unless they have been changed recently, in which case I would be most grateful if you send me two forms.

Miss Marian Zelazny
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As far as I remember from previous IREX grants, you will need the following forms from me in the next two or three weeks:

1. Time of Arrival in Host Country
2. Medical Statement

Please let me know if there is anything else that I should do, or should know.

In the hope of hearing from you soon on the problems I raised, I remain,

Sincerely yours,

L. S. Domonkos
Professor of History

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LABEL
Please

Dr. Jozsef Jankovics, Executive Director
Nemzetközi Magyar Filológiai Társaság
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H-1250 Budapest I, HUNGARY
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Please convey our warmest regards to your family. In the hope of seeing you soon, I remain,

THE INSTITUTE FOR ADVANCED STUDY

PRINCETON, NEW JERSEY 08540

SCHOOL OF HISTORICAL STUDIES

Feb. 15, 1988

Dear Les,

Your approaching birthday reminds me of Stendhal tracing the following in the dust: "Tomorrow I shall be 50 yrs. old." What he meant as a sad event should be a happy one for you. You have reached a maturity and have the drive to accomplish something worth while in our profession. Besides you have Eva and the kids -- and I doubt if Stendhal had anything comparable! So have a wonderful birthday and a great trip to Budapest.

I've enclosed a letter of a general nature directed to the Stewarts but it will tell you what I've been doing. You must plan to come here for a year. The routine may not be too much different from Youngstown, but the people are! Next week I'm lunching with George Kennan, and this week I'm to call an archiologist from Ohio State (who is here) and talk about the Minoans. Then, there are many others here and at Princeton U.

On April 15 or 16 we leave for Y. which we do miss, especially our old friends and the comforts of Home. Though I must say, we have not been uncomfortable -- far from it.

I've become quite friendly with R.R. Palmer, whose work I admire. He is a fine scholar, indeed, and I don't know of any in the U.S. who are better.

Sophie joins me in sending our love to Eva and the kids.

Cordially,

Morris

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ATTN MR ZELEZNAY, IREXBOARD

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Europe by Car

Attn. Mr. Anthony Dean

One Rockefeller Plz
New York, New York 10020

Dear Mr. Dean:

Enclosed please find the required documents, notarized, as well as a certified check for the lease.

I do have two questions and I hope you have the answers:

1. My daughter will accompany me during the four months that I will be in Europe. On occasion she will drive the car. Does this require any additional documentation, surcharge etc... Kathryn is 23 yrs old, has a perfect driving record.

2. Do we need International Driver Licence? Last time I leased a car in Frankfurt they said I was foolish to spend money on an ~~International~~ International Licence, a valid American licence was sufficient.

If I have to take any type of action on these matters please let me know. I am certain that I will hear from you further concerning the lease of the VW at Brussels Airport.

With best regards, I remain,

Sincerely yours,

L. S. Doucette
Professor of History

Dr. Tibor Klaniczay, Akadémikus
MTA Irodalomtudományi Intézet
Menesi ut 11-13
H-1118 Budapest XI, Hungary
Kedves Tiber!

Just a brief note to let you know the latest information on our arrival.

Contrary to the date I wrote to you in my letter of January 20, 1988, we will arrive in Budapest on Tuesday evening March 22 (via Bruxelles, and then by car). On Wednesday I will have to meet with the representatives of the Institute for Cultural Relations, take care of official matters, registration, etc... As soon as this is complete and we have an apartment, I will immediately call you and make an appointment ~~for a personal meeting~~ to see you to meet with you.

I am looking forward to the opportunity to see you for almost four months, ~~while in Budapest.~~

With warm personal regards, I remain.



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January 20, 1988

Dr. Tibor Klaniczay, Akadémikus
MTA Iroda Pomtudományi Intézete
Ménesi ut 11-13
H-1118 Budapest, Hungary

Kedves Tibor:

Please excuse that my usual Christmas and New Years greetings were delayed this year. At the time when I planned to write in early December I was laid up in bed with a bad case of gout (köszvény). By the time I recovered it was improbable that my good wishes would have reached you in time. Since I wanted to write to you in detail about a number of other items, I delayed until my plans were more firmly developed.

As you probably know from the Nemzetközi Kapes Intéz, I will be coming to Hungary for four months. My planned arrival day in Budapest is March 16, with departure schedule for July 15. I have received both a Fulbright and IREX research grant to do a short (200-250 page) monograph on the Cultural History of Buda 1242-1526. When published, this volume would be a good complement to Martyn Rady's Medieval Buda, which is an institutional history. My primary affiliation will be with the Bp. Tört. Muz. as well as your Institute and Ranki's. I heard the rumor that Székely is no longer at the Vár Museum. Is this true, and if yes, who will be his successor. At the Bloomington Renaissance Conference in 1986 Székely was very enthusiastic about my plans to work at his institution and I wonder what kind of reception I will have from his successor. I am also counting on help from Török Gyöngyi on my project.

The Matya's book is progressing. Upon my arrival in Budapest, I plan to have the following: Complete text and notes of Chapters I to XXII, i.e. a description of Hungary, the rise of the Hunyadi family, the complete life of Matthias and an evaluation of his reign. All of this information will be on computer disc as well as in typescript. This will make any editorial changes, amendations, deletions, etc., much easier. I am certain that the computer disc that I will bring will be compatible with some of the equipment in Hungary. Three chapters, on cultural history are in detailed outline form and will need to be completed in Budapest. I am certain, however, that I can complete them

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this spring, especially with your assistance and advice. The three final chapters are, in a way, independent of the Corvinus biography and, therefore, editorial work, and possible translation of the first part can proceed almost immediately upon my arrival.

I am looking forward with great anticipation to the four months in Budapest and to the opportunity to see you more frequently. This time should be an intellectually stimulating and rewarding period. I hope that NKI will provide us with proper housing. This should be much easier this time since they do not have to accommodate a family of six as in 1979, just my daughter Kati (23) and me.

In the hope of seeing you in less than two months, I remain,

Prof. Dr. György Székely
Közepkori Történelmi Tanszék
Pesti Barnabás u. 1.

H-1364 Budapest V, Hungary.

Dear and most Distinguished Colleague:

It is with great pleasure that I am looking forward to seeing you in the near future. I will be arriving in Budapest on the evening of March 22. On the following day (Wednesday) I have to meet with the representative of the Institute for Cultural Relations, take care of official matters, registration, etc...

As soon as these formalities have been completed, I will get in touch with you.

I am looking forward to seeing you again with great anticipation,

With warm regards,

Cordially,

L. S. D. [Signature]
Prof. - of History

Dr. Ferenc Glatz, Igazgatóhelyettes
MTA Történettudományi Intézet
Uri u. 51-53
H-1250 Budapest I, Hungary

Kedves Ferikém!

It was with great sorrow that I received the news that Gyuri died. The historical profession, Hungary, the Institute and all of us have become poorer through his death. I join all of my friends in Budapest in mourning his loss.

I have received an IREX and a Fulbright grant to be in Budapest for ^{four} months, almost My daughter Kati (now 23 years old) and I will be arriving in Budapest on the evening of March 22. On the following day (Wednesday) I have to meet with the representative of the Institute for Cultural Relations, to take care of official matters such as registration, etc... Hopefully they will have a satisfactory apartment for us upon our arrival, and we will not waste time getting settled.

As soon as these formalities have been completed, I will get in touch with you ^{at the Institute} and ~~Kati~~. We will be in Bp. until July 15th and this should certainly give us ample opportunity to see each other. ~~At that~~

With warm regards to you ^{and my other dear friends} ~~and the entire family~~, I remain,

LABEL

Ms Hugnette Poitras, Program Officer
Social Science and Humanities
Research Council of Canada
255 Albert Street - P.O. Box 1610
Ottawa, K1P 6G4 CANADA

Dear Ms Poitras:

It was with great pleasure that I read the research proposal of Dr. Janos Fedak who wants to undertake ~~carry out~~ excavations at Gorsium in Hungary. The project is sound, of great scholarly benefit, and well presented.

Although my primary research interest is in medieval history, I am familiar with the excavations at Gorsium-Tac, and have seen the impressive work done by Hungarian archaeological teams ^{on two occasions.} Dr. Fedak's efforts to continue the excavations in cooperation with Hungarian colleagues is laudable, and should be funded.

It is obvious that Dr. Fedak is familiar with the problems as well as the potential benefits arising from the excavations at Tac-Gorsium. He has already worked on the project in the summer of 1987 and is acquainted with the Ferrin, and with Dr. Jenő Fitz, ~~leader~~ head of the Hungarian archaeological team, one of the most respected scholars in East-Central Europe. This is a project that will result in the addition of much information to our knowledge of the conditions in the Roman province of Lower Pannonia. The findings of the Fedak team will be welcomed by scholars on both sides of the Atlantic.

The proposed budget for the five years seems to be most reasonable and appropriate in each category. The only small reservation I have is the amount of \$1,500 for supplies such as shovels, picks, containers, etc.. This seems a little high to me, although I realize that inflation has hit Hungary rather hard in recent years. On the other hand, I would

like to see the travel budget increased by a few hundred dollars in order that the Canadian team could travel on a regularly scheduled airline and not have to put up with the inconveniences of a charter flight. These are budgetary adjustments which could easily be carried out without changing the sum requested in the proposal.

In summary, I endorse the project enthusiastically and recommend that it be funded for the ~~full~~ amount and time requested. The proposed Canadian-Hungarian excavation of the Roman city of Gorsium is a superb example of ~~scholarly~~ cooperation between two countries. The resulting findings will enrich the whole scholarly world. This is an excellent proposal and I am looking forward to the results of this unique cooperative venture.

With best wishes, I remain,

Sincerely,

L. S. D. _____, PhD
Professor of History

LABEL
Prof. S. B. Vardy
Department of History
Duquesne University
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15282

Kedves Bóla,

Enclosed you will find the corrected proofs for the Somogyi Festschrift. The number of changes are minor and the text is remarkably free of errors.

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I noticed that you added Marianna Birnbaum's study on Janus Pannonius to ~~note 7~~ note 7. Thank you very much! I had planned to do it, but somehow forgot in my hurry to get the article to you. I appreciate your sharp eye and good scholarship. On the other hand, I was displeased with the addition of Somogyi's incredibly bad article on the University of Pécs to note 11. My first reaction was to delete the damned thing, but then I did reconsider. After all, this volume will be dedicated to him, and references to his scholarship, (even if it is poor) should be included. Your judgement here is also correct, if only on humanitarian grounds.

Hope all is well with you and Agi. When do you ^{plan} ~~think~~ to have the Festschrift in hand? Are you pleased with the contributions? Do you envision a formal presentation to Feri Bócsi upon publication?

All is well with us. I am on sabbatical and plan to leave for Europe on a Fulbright on March 15 and will not be back until July 18. Hope to hear from you before my departure.

Professor Allen A. Sinel
Department of History
1297-1873 East Mall
University of British Columbia
Vancouver, B.C. Canada V6T 1W5

Dear Professor Sinel:

Thank you for your letter of January 7, 1988 in which you request that I review Zoltan Kozstolnyik's From Coloman to Bela III 1095-1196. Unfortunately I will not be able to undertake this task at this time. From March 15 to July 18, 1988 I will be in Europe on a Fulbright grant and have so many projects under way that I can not accept any other obligations. I hope you will understand, and can find somebody suitable to review this volume.

Cordially,

L. S. Dembo
Professor of History



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January 15, 1988

Fraulein Susanne Stracke
See bauerstrasse 2
8000 - Munchen 83
Federal Republic of Germany

Dear Miss Stracke:

Thank you for your kind note of inquiry concerning the medieval theologian Johannes de Annosis of Paris. Unfortunately, I can be of no help to you simply because my area of research is rather removed from fourteenth century theology.

There is, however, one person who has done more work on the University of Paris and its scholars than anybody in the world, namely Prof. D. Al. L. Gabriel of the University of Notre Dame in Indiana. Professor Gabriel, who was my "Doctor Vater" many years ago has written extensively on the area you are interested in exploring and I would recommend that you write to him immediately. In the meantime, I will send him a copy of our correspondence.

Wishing you good luck on your dissertation, I remain,

Sincerely,

L. S. Domonkos
Professor of History

LSD/mb

cc Dr. A. L. Gabriel

P. E. Botty
1196 Macachee Drive, Youngstown, Ohio 44511

10-10-87

Kedves Barátaim,

Kitha alkalom! Örökös
szép emlékekben részesültem
csütörtök estélyén. Bocsánat a
korai eltávozásom - kilenc órai
telefon rendezés volt Hawaii
családommal.

I must move to an easier
idiom. Emese's selections were
delightfully moving, her appearance
and manner portrayed terrific
artistry and her delivery was of
faultless excellence. Hope to hear
her again. Thank you for the
privilege of participation.

Sincerely,

Pauline Botty

P.S. Babits was a prophet of modern life.



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January 8, 1988

Mr. Pierson R. Syring
Grants and Contracts Administrator
Youngstown State University
Youngstown, OH 44555

Dear Mr. Syring:

A few weeks ago, Miss Beth Kushner, Research Coordinator, and I met with you to discuss the details of my Fulbright-Hays Grant. I sincerely thank you and Miss Kushner for your efforts to insure that my planned trip to Budapest, Hungary, will be problem free.

In the next few weeks, I will contact my travel agent to make reservations for my flight to Europe. I am certain that the ticket will be well within the budget I requested from Fulbright.

If everything goes according to plans, I will be leaving Youngstown on March 15, 1988, and shall return on the evening of July 18. In view of the fact that I will be going to Eastern Europe, it is imperative that I can take my stipend from Fulbright with me at the time of departure. Based on personal experience, I know that it is difficult if not impossible to transfer dollars to a bank in Communist Eastern Europe. The local bank there would be more than willing to accept the dollars transferred, but would insist on paying me in Hungarian currency. In order to have greater flexibility, I would like to receive my stipend before departure, so that I can buy Travelers Checks and have the fund available to me in dollars. This stipend is designed to cover living expenses, and research related expenses which I incur while in Eastern Europe.

Please take the appropriate steps so that I will be able to receive funds before my departure to cover the following items in my Fulbright budget:

1. Maintenance stipend	\$5,232.00
2. Microfilming	50.00
3. Xerox	150.00
4. Books	100.00
5. Internal travel	250.00
Total	<u>\$5,782.00</u>

Mr. Pierson R. Syring

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January 8, 1988

Your kind concern and support is much appreciated. In case there is any problem, please call me so that we may resolve all difficulties well before my departure date of March 15, 1988.

Cordially,

L. S. Domonkos
Professor of History

LSD/mb



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January 8, 1988

Dr. Thomas Sakmyster
Professor of History
360 McMicken Hall
University of Cincinnati
Cincinnati, OH 45221

Dear Tom:

Thank you for the letter informing me about the election to the Vice-Presidency of the AASHH. I feel very honored and hope to live up to the expectations of our colleagues.

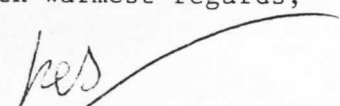
I am looking forward to working with you on plans for future panels, papers, etc. Unfortunately, it will be impossible for us to meet at the Spring "Hueston Woods" conference for two reasons. 1) I do not hold any office in the department and was only Acting Chairman for a year when we last met at Miami U. 2) On March 15, I am leaving for Budapest on a combined Fulbright, IREX grant and will not be back until the third week in July.

Would it be possible for us to meet in Columbus sometime in early fall for a good planning session, or is that too late?

Your suggestion of a panel on the Renaissance in East Central Europe is excellent. I would, however, prefer that for 1990 which will be the 500th anniversary of the death of Matthias Corvinus. These are matters which do need discussion.

If you feel that we have to talk before my departure for Europe in mid-March, please call me. I am on sabbatical this year and thus you will find me easier at home. (Phone: 216-533-2771.)

With warmest regards,


L. S. Domonkos
Professor of History

LSD/mb



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November 19, 1987

Framo Publishing
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Chicago, IL 60614

Gentlemen:

Your May 1987 catalogue was given to me by a friend. I read with interest that on page 7 that you are offering János Karácsonyi, Szent Ferenc rendjének története 1711-ig, I, II Bp. 1923.

As you well know certain books sell immediately, others sit on the shelf for years, gathering dust. If in the course of time you find that you are willing to sell the above two volumes for \$50.00, plus postage, please let me know and I will immediately send you a check for \$55.00.

With best regards, I remain,

Sincerely yours,

L. S. Domonkos
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Professor of History



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November 19, 1987

Professor Larry E. Esterly
Chairman of the Bicentennial
of the Constitution Committee
Department of Political Science
Youngstown State University

Dear Larry:

Just a brief note to commend you and your committee for the outstanding job you have done in organizing the Bicentennial celebration at the University.

All the functions I was able to attend were planned with the greatest care and executed with precision. I was particularly interested in the superb presentation of Dr. Phillip Shriver, President Emeritus of Miami University on Monday. Thank you for including me in the luncheon which was served in his honor. It was an elegant affair, followed by a moving and almost poetic lecture.

The festivities at Powers Auditorium were impressive. The last academic procession off campus that I can remember was in 1958, when I was still a student, and the University celebrated its 50th anniversary. It was an excellent idea to bring "town and gown" together on this occasion and I am certain that the image of the university in the community was again enhanced. My only regret is that Norman Cousins did not live up to the occasion. It was a great opportunity to celebrate the endurance of the constitution and its unique, stable influence, which the speaker unfortunately did not recognize.

Thank you for all the hard work, imagination and good taste which went into the planning of the excellent programs. I only wish that you could do it again for the Tricentennial celebrations. You and your committee are to be congratulated for having brought respect and honor to both the Constitution and the University. It was a class act!

With warm regards, I remain,

Cordially,

L.S. Domonkos
Professor of History

cc: Dr. Neil D. Humphrey, President
Dr. Frederick J. Blue, Professor of History

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With best regards, I remain,

Sincerely yours

L. S. Dunbar Ph.D.
Professor of History.

INTER-OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

TO Elaine Beatty, Director, Accounts PayableDATE 8/25/88FROM L. S. Domonkos, Department of History

SUBJECT European Travel

Enclosed you will find my voucher for travel to Budapest, Hungary on Fulbright Grant - Account No. 22299-417.

Please note the following explanations:

1. According to the rules set by the Fulbright-Hays Grants, recipients are reimbursed for the Trans-Atlantic portion of their travel on the basis of cost of round trip fare between nearest home airport and destination abroad. In my case this was Cleveland-Budapest-Cleveland. The economy fare was \$886.00 and I have received this sum in advance before my departure.

Because I was going to be abroad for four months and needed to lease a car in order to facilitate my research project, I flew to Brussels, Belgium and rented a car there for the duration of my stay. Brussels is the most economical place to lease cars in all of Europe. Although this reduced my airfare (Cleveland-Brussels-Cleveland) to \$581.00, I had considerable extra expenses for the Brussels-Budapest-Brussels portion of my trip. These expenses came to \$866.00 (see attached sheet), which added to the air fare to Brussels and back, comes to a total of \$1,447.00. In view of the fact that I was entitled to only \$886.00 according to the rules of the Fulbright-Hays Grant, I naturally am not requesting additional funds.

2. On July 18, 1988, I returned to the United States via Brussels and New York. Because of a slowdown of European Air Controllers, my flight from Brussels to New York was delayed by four hours, and I missed my connecting TWA flight to Cleveland. Not knowing that I would be arriving late, my wife drove to Cleveland to pick me up. The airline was unable to book me into Cleveland airport on the evening of July 18 and I was forced to change plans and arrived in Pittsburgh instead. Therefore, I had to telephone my wife in Cleveland asking her to drive from there to Pittsburgh in order to be able to pick me up. This added an extra 126 miles to my original mileage request. Receipts for turnpike fees Youngstown-Cleveland-Youngstown were lost in the excitement of the evening. Since these changes were the result of events entirely beyond our control, I hope that the University can make adjustments in compensation. These changed plans also made it necessary to use taxi service in New York, to transfer from one terminal to the other. The total amounts are not significant and are still well below the sum provided for travel in the Fulbright-Hays Grant.
3. The original departure date was set for March 15, 1988. Because of illness it had to rescheduled for Sunday, March 20, 1988.



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August 24, 1988

Dr. Neil D. Humphrey, President
Youngstown State University
410 Wick Ave.
Youngstown, OH 44555

Dear President Humphrey:

During the 1987-1988 academic year, I was on a Faculty Improvement Leave from my teaching duties in the Department of History. As a recipient of a Fulbright-Hays Faculty Research Grant as well as a fellowship from the International Research and Exchange Board, I spent four months in Europe, primarily in Budapest, Hungary.

The Fulbright Grant enabled me to travel to Hungary in order to gather materials for my research project on the cultural history of medieval Budapest. During the four months in the Hungarian capital, I was the official guest of the Historical Museum of the City of Budapest, as well as the Institute for Historical Research of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences. Administrators and colleagues at both institutions welcomed me with great enthusiasm, did their utmost to aid and facilitate my research. The environment for scholarly work was ideal. As a result, I was able to gather an immense amount of primary and secondary source material. Furthermore, I had the opportunity to visit a number of excavation and reconstruction sites in and around the capital. It was also possible for me to purchase a large number of valuable books, including some rare eighteenth-century editions, which will be most helpful when I write the monograph summarizing my findings. This book is provisionally entitled: "An Intellectual and Artistic History of Medieval Buda and Pest, 1241-1526." The editor of the series East European Monographs, distributed by Columbia University Press, has already shown an active interest in publishing the volume.

While in Budapest, I was received by the Hungarian Minister of Culture, Dr. B. Kopeczi, who a few years ago was a guest of our History Department and delivered a lecture for our students. He still remembers Youngstown State University with fondness and pleasant memories. I also had the opportunity to finalize publication plans with the Press of the Academy of Sciences for my forthcoming book on the Hungarian Renaissance.

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Herrn
Prof. Dr. Leslie S. Domonkos
Youngstown State University
Youngstown, Ohio
U S A

Lieber Leslie -

Da seit längerer Zeit meine Arbeit "Matthias Corvinus, Kaiser Friedrich III und das Reich" vergriffen ist, bereite ich zur Zeit eine Neuauflage vor; d.h. dem Nachdruck wird ein Literaturbericht vorangestellt, der die einschlägigen Quelleneditionen und Forschungsergebnisse von 1975-1989 enthalten soll.

Ich wäre Ihnen deshalb sehr verbunden, wenn Sie mich in diesem Zusammenhang auf Ihre eigenen Veröffentlichungen bzw. in Druck befindlichen Arbeiten aufmerksam machen könnten, da ich nicht sicher bin, ob ich vielleicht eine Ihrer Arbeiten übersehen habe. Natürlich würden Sie mir durch die Zusendung eines Sonderdrucks die Vorbereitung der zweiten Auflage sehr erleichtern.

Mit freundlichen Grüßen

Karl

*P. S. Wann und unter welchem Titel wird
Ihre MC-Biographie erscheinen?*

Ms. Ethel Mann, Travel Advisor
Valerie Wilson Travel, Inc.
475 Park Avenue South
Suite 3501
New York, New York 10016

Dear Mrs. Mann:

A few weeks ago you ~~you~~ sent me a tentative itinerary for our trip to Hungary next March on an IREX grant.

Since the time that I submitted my original travel plans to you, a number of major changes have occurred as the result of news that I have also received a Fulbright-Hays Grant. According to the information I received, Fulbright will pay for my travel and I have to make my own arrangements, while IREX will pick up $\frac{1}{2}$ of the cost of the travel for my daughter Kathryn, who plans to accompany me to Hungary. I presume that you will continue to be the agent through whom her ticket will be issued.

The fact that I have received a Fulbright also influences our travel plans in another way. It is most probable that we will fly to Frankfurt or München and lease a car for the four months we plan to be in Europe (If you have any information on car leasing, I would be most grateful if you would forward it to me).

In view of the general uncertainty of our plans at this point, I wanted to let you know that the tentative reservations you have made for us will have to be changed. As soon as I have a clearer picture about our travel in March and July, I will let you know immediately.

With best wishes,

Cordelia Jones
L.S. Jones
Pedagogical Institute of Hungary

Professor Larry E. Esterly
Chairman of the Bicentennial
of the Constitution Committee
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Cordially

L.S. Dukes

Prof of History

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