



## Recently at the Embassy

### Karen Hughes, Under Secretary of State for Public Diplomacy and Public Affairs, Visits Hungary

During her September 29-October 1 visit, Under Secretary Hughes delivered a lecture at the Central European University about the transatlantic agenda. She also addressed the American Chamber of Commerce on corporate social responsibility, and engaged in a dialogue with 24 young Hungarians representing the entire political spectrum. On September 30, Under Secretary Hughes spoke at the Susan G. Komen Foundation's Global Advocate Summit, and in the evening joined Ambassador Foley, former U.S. Ambassador to Hungary Nancy Brinker, other dignitaries and more than 5,000 participants for the 6th Annual Bridge Walk for Breast Cancer Awareness across the Chain Bridge. [More with videos and photos](#) [Speech](#)



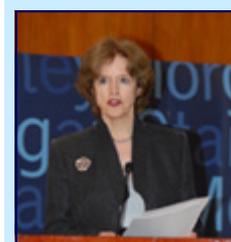
### Embassy Promotes Environmental Awareness in Photo Exhibit and Symposium



Ambassador Foley opened the photo exhibit "Revealing Chicago" on October 9 at Budapest's Millenárís Teátrum. The exhibit, which is open until November 4, introduced 62 aerial photographs by the artist Terry Evans depicting the city's dimensions and complexity and how residents of the "Windy City" go about their daily lives. The Embassy also co-sponsored a symposium on October 17 entitled "Architecture Now: an International Symposium on Architecture and Renewable Energy Resources," where an American architect shared his environmental-friendly plans for rebuilding a neighborhood in New Orleans. [More with video](#)

### Ambassador Foley Speaks at Gender Diversity Conference

On October 4, Ambassador Foley delivered the opening address at the conference "Making the Business Case for Gender Diversity," co-organized by the U.S. Embassy and the American Chamber of Commerce, with the sponsorship of Morgan Stanley. The Ambassador stressed the importance of gender diversity in the workplace, and encouraged the conference participants to take ideas from the conference and integrate them into their own work place environments. [More with video](#) [Speech](#)



### 2008 Absentee Voting for U.S. Citizens

In just 3 months we will be entering the U.S. presidential and state primary season. We encourage U.S. citizens to act now so that their opinion is heard - not only in the November 2008 presidential and general elections, but also in the presidential primary and state primary elections! [More](#)



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### Ambassador Foley Addresses Global Warming Conference

On October 3, Ambassador Foley joined Hungarian President Sólyom and Environment Minister Fodor as one of the main speakers in the conference "In the 24th Hour - The Effects of Global Warming on Europe and Hungary" jointly organized by the Hungarian economic and political magazines *Figyelő* and *Heti Válasz*. The Ambassador's remarks underlined U.S. engagement on climate change and the importance of deploying new, clean technologies to meet the climate change challenge. [More](#) [Remarks](#)



### Budapest Schoolchildren Learn about Arizona

Lieutenant Colonel Ed Kelety from the Defense Attaché Office visited the "Kék Általános Iskola" in Budapest on October 3 to present slideshows about life in Arizona. The slideshows consisted of pictures and movies addressing various aspects of Arizona: geography, plant and animal life, famous landmarks, and cities. [More](#)



### RELO Participates in Hungarian English Teachers' Conference [RELO](#)

Ms. Lisa Harshbarger of the Regional English Language Office (RELO) in Kiev and Gergő Sántha RELO Budapest Assistant attended the 17th annual conference of the Hungarian chapter of the International Association of Teachers of English as a Foreign Language (IATEFL-Hungary) October 5-7 in Budapest. They had discussions with the international participants, and offered them RELO services and State Department publications that teachers find useful in their professional development or in classroom work.

## Opening of Halmajugra's First *Tanoda* Sport Club

On September 30, Political Officer Suzanne McGuire traveled to the town of Halmajugra to celebrate the sport club opening in the town's first *tanoda*. The *tanoda*, a center offering after school care and tutoring, was opened a few months ago, and it has already achieved great success. [More▶](#)



## Looking Ahead

### U.S. Expert to Attend Trade Conference and Discuss U.S. Elections

Joseph Grandmaison, member of the Board of Directors at the U.S. Export-Import Bank, will be visiting Budapest at the end of October to attend the Trade Development Agency conference and to participate in a Public Affairs outreach program. Besides his bank work, Mr. Grandmaison is a keen observer of the U.S. political system and a specialist on the U.S. primaries and presidential elections. In this capacity, he will conduct a seminar with Hungarian media representatives who will be covering the upcoming U.S. elections and meet with young Hungarian political leaders to discuss the current American political landscape.

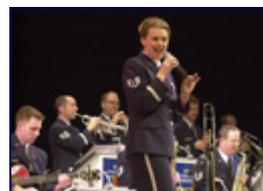


### International Education Week: November 12-16, 2007

International Education Week (IEW) is a joint initiative of the U.S. Department of State and the U.S. Department of Education to recognize the global exchange environment between the United States and other countries. Learn more about the program and activities worldwide at the [IEW web site▶](#)

### U.S. Air Forces in Europe Band Tours Hungary [USAF Bands▶](#)

The Band will perform at the following venues and times: October 25, 7pm: American International School of Budapest, Nagykovácsi, Nagykovácsi u. 12.; October 26, 7pm: Zrinyi M. National Defense Univ., Budapest, Üllői út 133.; October 27, 5pm: Petőfi Theater, Veszprém, Óvári F. u. 2.; October 28, 7pm: Pécs High School for the Arts, Pécs, Radnics u. 9.



(U.S. Air Force photo)

### Joshua Redman Trio in Budapest

The world renown trio will give a concert at the Millenáris Teátrum (Budapest II, Fény u. 20-22) on November 10 at 8 pm. [Millenáris▶](#)

[Webchat▶](#) Elections 2008: Covering the Presidential Campaign with James "Jim" Dickenson on October 24, at 12:00 pm EDT (1800 CET)

## New Publications

IRC Newsletter: [Defense Issues, NATO and Response to Terrorism▶](#)

### eJournal: *The Long Campaign: U.S. Elections 2008*

This edition presents an introduction to the upcoming 2008 U.S. elections, and describes aspects of this election which make it different from most recent elections. It also includes a pro-con debate of the Electoral College. [eJournal▶](#)



### *Historians on America*

*Historians on America* features 11 essays by distinguished historians on moments and events that resulted in significant change in U.S. society and thus helped determine the course of the nation's history. [Publication▶](#)



### 2007 International Religious Freedom Report in Hungarian

The translation of the report on Hungary is now available on [our Hungarian web site▶](#)

## In the News... from Washington

### Strategic Agenda Between the United States and Russia (Oct. 12) [More▶](#)

Secretary Rice : "We are going to work therefore on a strategic framework for the 2+2 to review and to hopefully finalize when we invite our Russian colleagues to Washington in the next six months or so."



### Nobel Prize for Al Gore Highlights New Environmental Awareness

Former U.S. Vice President Al Gore joins a roster of prominent U.S. politicians and activists recognized by the Norwegian Nobel Committee by winning the 2007 Nobel Peace Prize for his environmental advocacy, efforts exemplified by his Oscar-winning documentary *An Inconvenient Truth*. [More▶](#)

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