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Dr. Némethy, a long time member of the AHEA, has been active in organizing the annual conferences, and is the topic chair for Education during the submissions selection process. The theme of the 2012 conference, held at Long Island University, Brooklyn Campus, NY, was: Hungarian Borders, [Im]migrations, Diasporas. This was the beginning of a long and fruitful collaboration that resulted in the publishing of the book entitled *21st Century Hungarian Language Survival in Transylvania* edited by Judith Kesserű Némethy (Contributors: Noémi Fazakas, Rita Fóris-Ferenczi, Orsolya Nádor, Attila Z. Papp, János Péntek, Krisztina Sárosi Márdirosz, Borbála Zsemlyei), that examines the present-day situation of Hungarian as minority language in Romania, being an important addition to the study of the Hungarian language in the Diaspora.

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