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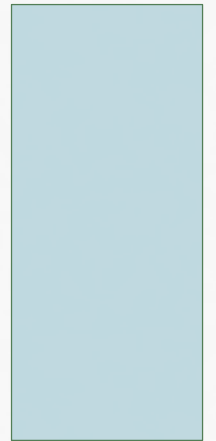
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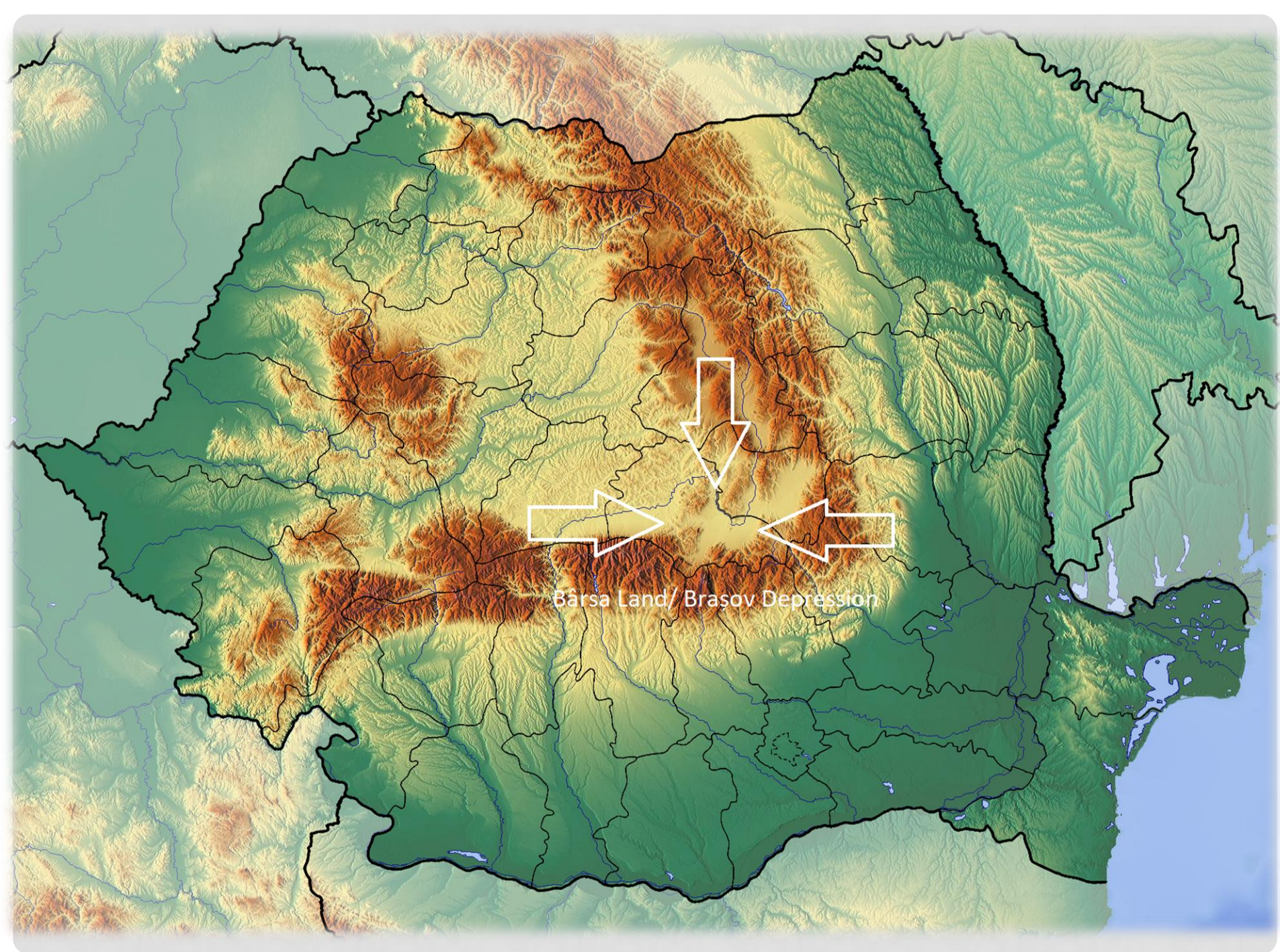


GHIMBAV

A STORY FROM PAST TO PRESENT

BY THE ROMANIAN TEAM





Bârsa Land/ Brasov Depression

GENERAL INFORMATION

- Ghimbav (Weidenbach-The river with willows) is a town in Brasov County, Bârsa Land, Transylvania with a population of about 5,000 people (2011). Numbers might have grown up since the town is growing day by day.



A JOURNEY IN TIME...

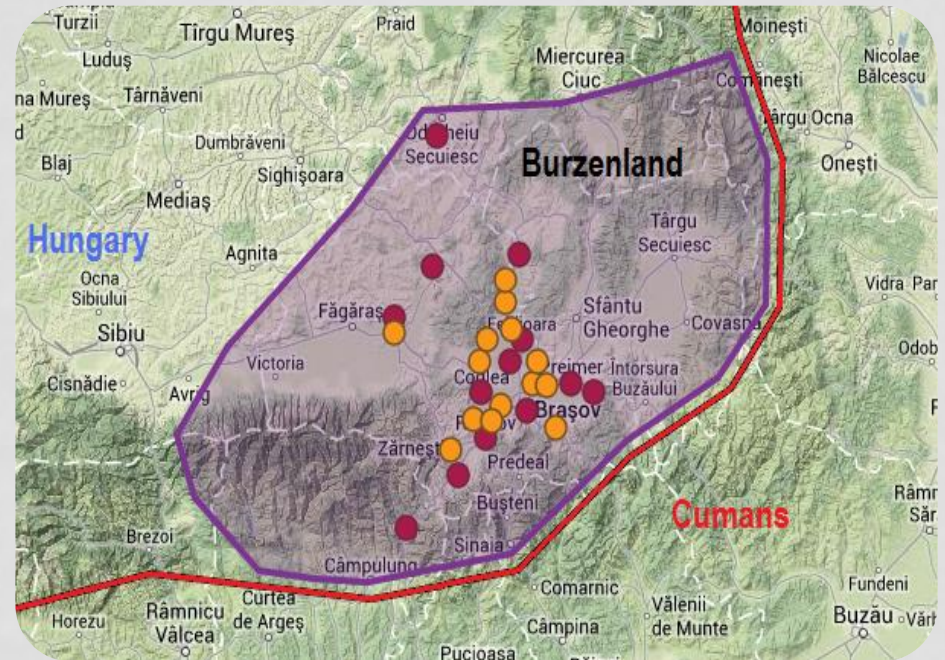
Ghimbav is a Saxon village founded around the 13th century by the Germans. In 1342 Ghimbav is mentioned for the first time in a document.



- Our town has a deep and fascinating history that started in the early 13th century with a village created by the Teutonic Knights. They came in Transylvania, in 1211 to protect the eastern side of the Kingdom.

- At that time the Saxons and the Romanians lived together. The Teutonic Knights wanted to convert the people who lived here to Catholicism.

- In 1215 The Teutonic Knights were driven out of the country because they became too powerful and all their rights were given to the villagers, especially the Saxons.



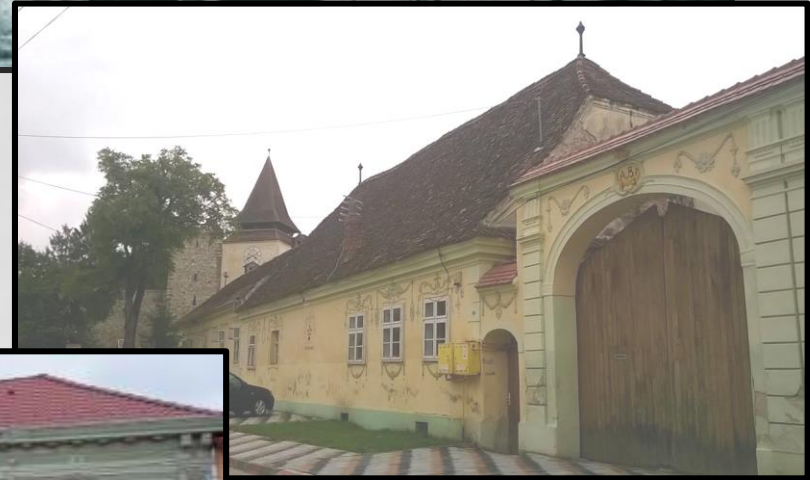
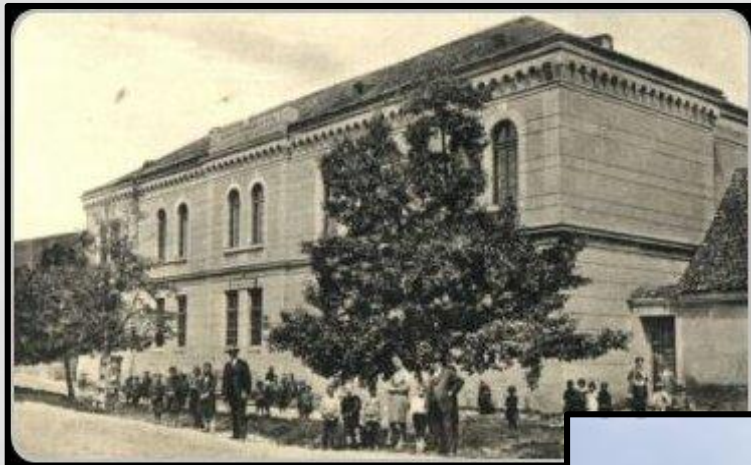
- The name of Ghimbav-Weidenbach was first mentioned in 1342 when it was finally founded by the Saxons.
- Its name was mentioned once again in 1420 when king of Hungary, Sigismund of Luxembourg asked for villagers' help in order to build the fortress of Brasov.
- Later, in 1422 the village became part of the Saxon Land. In the same year, Ghimbav **was attacked by the Ottomans.**
- In 1469 and 1586 **great fire** destroyed the town and it's buildings, leaving great damage behind.
- In 1705 Ghimbav **was attacked by Serbian troops.**
- In 1737, the villagers were affected by **the plague.**

- There aren't many information about the Romanians living in those times. The majority of the population were Saxons and very few Romanians (30 families in 1700) who were working Saxon's land in order to make a living.
- According to the legend, the Romanians were living on the right side of the river Ghimbășel while the Saxons were living on the left side.



Although many things have changed along with the urbanization process, there are still buildings that tell the story of the past:

- The Evangelical Church St. Peter
- The Orthodox Church St. Trinity
- The oldest houses in Ghimbav
- The Orthodox Church St. Peter and Paul
- The School



THE ORTHODOX CHURCH ST. PETER AND PAUL

- It is maybe the most recent monument that was built in our town.
- It has something special: the dome of the church is made of tin covered with gold. In 2009 when it was built it was the first church in Romania to have golden dome.



Some of us had the chance to assist while it was painted.



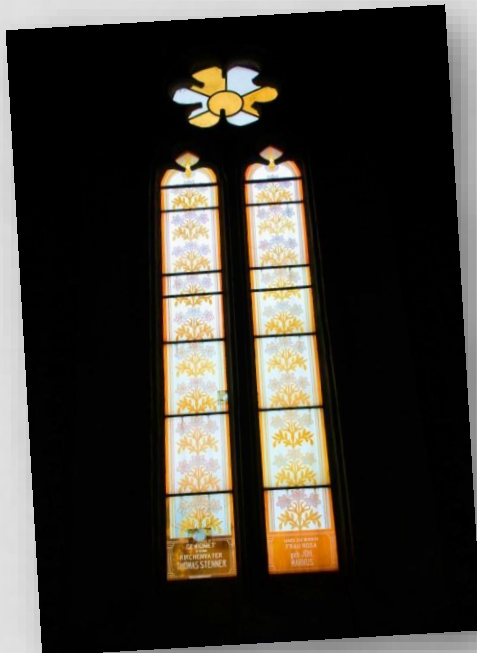
THE OLD ORTHODOX CHURCH ST. TRINITY

- It is a church built for the Romanians living in Ghimbav at that time.
- Because it was a Saxon village, Ghimbav didn't have an Orthodox Church so people were praying around a tryptich.
- Later, there were two churches which both burnt.
- A rich man from Brasov donated money and so, a new church was built in 1780.



THE EVANGELICAL CHURCH ST. PETRU

- It's known that a small church built by The Teutonic Knights existed in 1241.
- It is unique in Transylvania because it is the only Evangelical church completely painted on the inside. It is painted with bright colours, having a floral theme.



THE FORTRESS



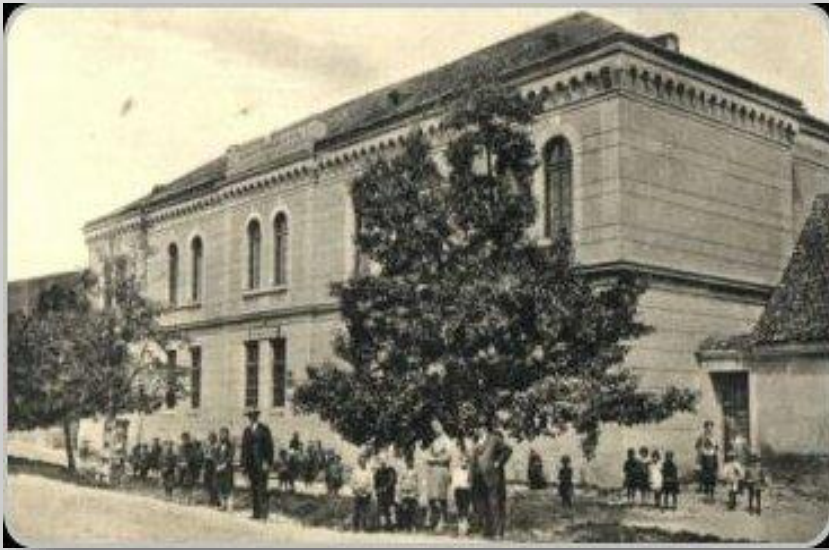
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A HISTORICAL AND CULTURAL MONUMENT

THE SCHOOL

The early school took place in priest's house. In 1878 it was founded the first Romanian school near the Orthodox Church St. Trinity.

The first Saxon School has founded in 1895.



Nowadays things changed. Our is city is a lot bigger and that means responsibilities are bigger.

Our ancestors left us many stories and today it is our job to tell them. It is also our job to make some new ones.

And that's what we do!

THE HANDBALL CLUB CS SPORTING GHIMBAY



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WITH MANY AWARDS

