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BRANCH 4, CLEVELAND

By Joan Miller-Malue

We are saddened to report the death of our dear member, Marie Seiler, who passed away on January 12, 2021 at the age of 89. Marie was a dedicated member since 1957. She made the Sachsenheim her second home by sharing her talents in leadership, culinary and sewing skills. She was always there to promote our Transylvanian Saxons heritage. It has been said that "there is only one happiness in this life, to love and to be loved." Our Sister Marie certainly gave her love to family and friends and we have nothing but love in our hearts for Marie. We will never forget how hard she worked to benefit our Saxon organization and the success of the Sachsenheim. You could always see her face beaming as her grandchildren and great-children marched into the ballroom as members of the Cleveland Saxon Group. She was so proud of her family that they were taking an integral part at the Sachsenheim to continue their ethnic heritage. The members of Branches 1 and 4 extend their heartfelt sympathy to the Seiler Family. Thanking you for sharing her with us for these many years. She will be truly missed but never forgotten.

Due to COVID-19 concerns, we will postpone our monthly meetings in January and February. Hopefully, with the vaccines becoming available to the public, we are looking at a March meeting. We want to be cautious since many of our

members that attend our meetings are elderly.

We do want to thank our members and friends that support the Sachsenheim by purchasing take-out dinners or enjoy a meal at the Club. We are grateful to our Manager and Staff for their continued hard work to keep our Clubhouse open during these trying times. Sachsenheim is opened from 4 p.m. – 10 p.m. You can pick up orders between 4 – 9 p.m. Our manager has daily specials that are all delicious.

BRANCH 30, YOUNGSTOWN

By Rosemarie Kascher

The Youngstown Saxon Club is open three days a week. Sundays it is open from 9:30 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. for breakfast. Wednesdays and Fridays, it is open from 4:30 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. There will be a limited menu for each of these days, please be aware.

The Pork/Kraut Dinner take out was January 17. Stay tuned for February, o.k.?

The next officers meeting will be on February 7, Sunday at Noon and the following Sunday, February 14, will be the general meeting in the Ballroom. The officers will meet in the lounge.

Branch 30 dues for both men and women, are \$35.00 per person and for young adults, ages 18 - 25, they are \$17.50. Dues can be sent to The Saxon Club Office. Due to the Virus, the payment time is extended to the end of February. Please, keep a part of your Saxon heritage active at your local club.

During these days of challenge, know that you can be strong because you come of good heritage, and a good people!

**KEEP CALM
AND
WEAR A MASK!**



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Denise Aeling Crawford

ATS Nat'l President



It's ATS Scholarship application time! Inside this issue of the Volksblatt are the instructions to receive an application. The deadline to request an ATS Scholarship Application is March 15th. The deadline for the return of the completed ATS Scholarship Application is April 15th. For the High School senior application, two parts need to be returned: the student portion and the High School Guidance Counselor portion. Both parts must be returned to the ATS Home Office by the deadline. For those students in their second or third year of college, they can apply for the Undergraduate Continuing Academic Scholarship Grant. This official application only has one part. These students will need to submit a college transcript with their application. I think it's wonderful that the ATS can offer so many scholarships to its young members. Some of these were from individual donors, some were from our Branches, and some were created by the ATS. This is just one of the many benefits of membership in the Alliance of Transylvanian Saxons.

A new annual scholarship has been created and will be awarded for the first time this year. The ATS Board of Directors voted to create a new \$1,000 Undergraduate Continuing Academic Scholarship grant in honor of Joan Miller-Malue. As you know, Joan retired in 2020 after almost 50 years of serving the ATS. This is a well-deserved honor and the Board was happy to set this in motion. Joan, thank you again for all of your years of dedication and service to the ATS!

Did you know the first face on the \$1 dollar bill was not George Washington? The first face to appear on this currency was Salmon P. Chase. The first \$1 bill was issued during the Civil War in 1862. Chase was the Secretary of the Treasury at that time and was also the designer of the country's first bank notes. (Previously, Chase has been Ohio's governor from 1856 to 1860.) George Washington first appeared on the \$1 bill in 1869. During the colonial era, physical money was quite scarce in the American Colonies. The economy instead operated on a barter system using goods as payment for services. It was during the early 19th century that the slang term "buck" began being used. Henry Howe, an American author and traveler, wrote of his time on the Ohio frontier where "a muskrat skin was equal to a quarter of a dollar; a raccoon skin, a third of a dollar; a doe skin, a half dollar; and a buck skin, 'the almighty dollar'". Thus, when referring to the price of something, many people referred to it as a "buck". This slang term is still used

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INFORMATION
AND APPLICATIONS

**TIMELY - DO NOT DELAY
MAILED WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 20, 2021**

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Schloss Horneck needs OUR help!



Schloss Horneck located in Gundelsheim, Germany is the international location for our Siebenbürger Sachsen to house Sachsen artifacts, books and other historical documents and records. It is important to our worldwide Sachsen community to help in the maintenance expenses of this historical facility that will preserve our Sachsen culture and heritage.

The Federation of Transylvanian Saxons requests donation to help in the funding of the facility. If you are interested in giving a donation, please complete the form below and send to the ATS Home Office, 5393 Pearl Road, Cleveland, OH 44129.

Please make your check payable to the ATS.

DONATION FOR SCHLOSS HORNECK

Name _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____
Zipcode _____

Amount Donated \$ _____

Please indicate if donation is in memory
or honor of someone

PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE
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today. During the Civil War, the United States government funded its war effort by printing new forms of currency. It was at this time that the first official paper currency was created. The federal government even printed fractional notes during this time because the metal normally used to make coins was needed for the war. It was also at this time that the first \$1 bill was issued. The money printed during this time period became known as “greenbacks” due not only to its color, but mostly because it was not backed by anything. The government simply said it had worth, but could not offer a secure financial backing. This meant that the government had to closely control the printing of paper currency and also find a way to prevent counterfeiting. The U.S. Secret Service was formed at this time to deal with counterfeiters. The design of the \$1 bill changed quite a lot until 1963 when the bill that we recognize today was first created. And remember, it only takes 300 of those “bucks” to start an ATS Annuity! Until next time....

ATTENTION
BOWLERS



We regret to inform you that the TSBA Spring Tournament has been cancelled. With due regard to the health and safety of our members, we feel that holding this event would not be the responsible thing to do. We are looking forward to hosting everyone in the future, once this global health pandemic has passed.

Tax tips for the year

January can be misunderstood when it comes to taxes: You can do a lot more than wait for 1099s and W-2s. There’s even time to make adjustments to your 2020 numbers.

With a little planning, you can position yourself to be super organized and maybe even snag some late deductions. Consider these tips from TurboTax and others:

- Get your paperwork together. A tax checklist can help immensely--your CPA can provide one or you can find one online. Gather records and receipts and find your forms. A little time spent organizing now will help things move faster later.

- Itemize your tax deductions. January is a good time to scrutinize this list before you feel a deadline crunch. If you are self-employed, own a home or live in a high-tax area, you might find that you’ll save a lot by itemizing rather than taking the standard deduction. TurboTax says itemizing is worth it when your qualified expenses add up to more than \$12,400 for most singles and \$24,800 for most married couples filing jointly. These include items like mortgage interest, charitable donations and a portion of medical expenses.

- Contribute to retirement accounts. The deadline to contribute to a traditional IRA is April 15. A deductible contribution can help lower your tax bill, but check with your CPA whether yours is deductible or not, and whether it makes sense for you to make a concerted effort. A Roth IRA contribution won’t lower your tax bill but may still be a good financial decision, for example.

- Make an estimated tax payment. You typically have until mid-January to make an estimated tax payment and avoid fourth-quarter penalties.

- Read up on COVID-19 tax impacts. Now’s a good time to check with your CPA and educate yourself on loan forgiveness, deductions, exemptions and the like that will make the 2020 filing a unique one.

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THE DEADLINE DATE FOR ARTICLES
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You may either

MAIL: 29076 Fall River Dr
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E-MAIL: saxonvolksblatt@aol.com

Articles e-mailed will receive an e-mailed confirmation by Noon Thursday. If you did not receive a confirmation, please give us a call.

DEADLINE DATES FOR ARTICLES:

| DEADLINE | ISSUE |
|------------------------------|---------------------------|
| WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 27, 2021 | FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2021 |
| WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2021 | FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2021 |
| WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2021 | FRIDAY, MARCH 5, 2021 |

Please have your articles in by 12 Noon.

Did you miss the deadline?

Have you emailed your article past 12 Noon?
Please call Hanz Hermann at (440) 525-0020

ALLIANCE OF TRANSYLVANIAN SAXONS SCHOLARSHIP GRANTS – 2021

FRESHMAN ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIP GRANTS

To be eligible for a Freshman Academic Scholarship Grant you must be a high school senior with an accumulated grade point average in high school of 2.8, or better.

Twenty-one Scholarship Grants will be awarded to freshmen in undergraduate study at an accredited college or university in the United States and three renewable grants to present recipients of the Victor Deptner Scholarship.

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| \$1,000 | Four Year Renewable Grant from the Victor Deptner Memorial Scholarship |
| \$1,000 | Past ATS Officers’ Memorial Scholarship |
| \$1,000 | Henry Schindler Scholarship |
| \$1,000 | Michael W. Schassburger Memorial Scholarship |
| \$1,000 | Jon Weber Memorial Scholarship |
| \$1,000 | ATS Branch 33 National Scholarship Endowment Award |
| \$1,000 | Julia & Martin Konnerth Memorial Scholarship |
| \$1,000 | Julia & Martin Konnerth Memorial Scholarship |
| \$1,000 | Branch 10 – Columbus Scholarship |
| \$1,000 | Branch 14 – Canton Scholarship |
| \$1,000 | Davidson-Schuller Appreciation Scholarship Award in honor of ATS and Branches 33 & 34 |
| \$1,000 | Rev. & Mrs. John Foisel Memorial Scholarship |
| \$1,000 | John F. Spack Memorial Scholarship |
| \$1,000 | John and Mary Guip Memorial Scholarship |
| \$1,000 | Branch 5 – Lorain Scholarship |
| \$1,000 | Dale & Rose Segedi-Kaufman Memorial Scholarship |
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| \$1,000 | Dr. David E. Schuller Appreciation Scholarship in honor of his parents Elsie and Daniel S. Schuller |
| \$ 750 | Niles-Branch 20 National Scholarship |
| \$ 750 | New Castle Branch 27 Scholarship |
| \$ 400 | Donzella Herman Scholarship |

Applicants for the Scholarships listed must be ATS Members in good standing with a minimum of two years continuous membership prior to the scholarship application deadline of April 15th. High School Seniors must have maintained a 2.8, or better, grade point average in high school.

Complete the Request Form below to receive your Application. Please note: upon our receipt of the Request Form, an official ATS Scholarship Application Form will be mailed to you. The completed official ATS Scholarship Application Forms from the applicant and school must be received at the ATS Home Office before April 15th.

REQUEST FOR ATS HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR SCHOLARSHIP

Name

Address

City, State, Zip Code

Tele:

E-Mail:

Br. No. Cert. No.

Request must be received by March 15th

MAIL SCHOLARSHIP REQUEST FORM TO:
ATS Home Office
5393 Pearl Road
Cleveland, Ohio 44129-1597

Request Forms must be received by March 15, 2021

*Please note:
Only official ATS Scholarship Application Forms will be accepted for consideration.*

WE HAVE A RICH AND COLORFUL HISTORY AND HERITAGE!
DO YOUR PART TO KEEP IT ALIVE!
BECOME A PROUD AND ACTIVE MEMBER!

UNDERGRADUATE CONTINUING ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIP GRANTS

The ATS is offering Fifteen Academic Undergraduate Continuing Education Scholarship Grants to our members who are not current year high school graduates and are not entering college in their freshman year of study but are in an **undergraduate program**.

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| \$1,000 | Award in memory of Marie Stirner |
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| \$1,000 | Award in memory of Gertie & Ernie Gottschling |
| \$1,000 | Lorain Saxon Ladies Branch 11 Scholarship |
| \$1,000 | Joan Miller-Malue Scholarship |
| \$1,100 | Memory of Elmer P. Schneider |
| \$ 750 | Award in memory of Donald G. Miller |
| \$ 500 | ATS Branch 34 Cleveland East Scholarship |
| \$ 500 | Award in memory of Karl & Charlotte Klamer |
| \$ 500 | Farrell-Branch 7 Scholarship |
| \$ 500 | ATS Scholarship Award |
| \$ 500 | ATS Scholarship Award |
| \$ 500 | ATS Scholarship Award |

Applicants must be ATS members in good standing, with continuous membership for a minimum period of two (2) years. They must have a grade point average of at least 2.8. They may be any age; however, they cannot be a current year high school graduate or entering their freshman year of college.

Applicants must be enrolled in an **undergraduate program** as a **full-time student** at an accredited college or university in the United States.

Requests for official ATS Undergraduate Continuing Academic Scholarship Applications may be made by calling the ATS Home Office (440) 842-8442, or by completing the Form printed below by March 15, 2021.

Completed official ATS Applications for scholarship grants must be received at the ATS Home Office before April 15th. Undergraduate Continuing Academic Scholarship winners will be chosen in a random drawing conducted by the ATS Scholarship Committee

REQUEST FOR ATS UNDERGRADUATE CONTINUING EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP

Name

Address

City, State, Zip Code

Tele:

E-Mail:

Br. No. Cert.No.

Request must be received by March 15th

MAIL SCHOLARSHIP REQUEST FORM TO:
ATS Home Office 5393 Pearl Road
Cleveland, Ohio 44129-1597

Request Forms must be received by March 15, 2021

Please Note: Only official ATS Scholarship Application Forms will be accepted for consideration

•• Scholarship winners will be notified by mail. ••

Lack of rural broadband access hurts American students

Even before the COVID-19 pandemic changed the way that much of the world goes to work and school, rural Americans were less likely to have access to broadband internet service. According to the Federal Communications Commission’s (FCC) Eighth Broadband Progress Report, nearly a quarter of Americans who live in rural areas--about 14.5 million people--lack access. In tribal areas, nearly one-third of the population lacks access.

The benefits of broadband access are well-established. In a webinar for the Council on Food, Agricultural and Resource Economics, Federal Reserve Bank economist Alex Marre pointed out that broadband access is linked to higher wages, lower unemployment, more population growth and higher home values. According to the Pew Charitable Trusts Broadband Initiative, the COVID-19 pandemic has forced disparities in access to the forefront and highlighted the need for universal broadband access.

But the cost associated with extending rural broadband to every American is high--about \$80 billion, according to Farm and Dairy.

Students push back against cheating software

Educators are fighting cheating with software, but students are fighting back.

Online learning and test-taking have opened new doors for the ancient art of cheating. To fight it, some schools require students to take tests over webcam while professors or teaching assistants observe. But according to TechDirt, a growing number of institutions are using anti-cheating software instead, which uses a mix of human proctors and algorithms to spot what they classify as signs of cheating.

These online proctoring companies use webcams, microphones and algorithms to monitor eye and head movements, background noise, mouse movements, scrolling and keystrokes. The software flags suspicious behavior for instructor review. Even something as simple as multiple users taking the test on the same network, connectivity issues or too much background noise can be flagged, according to the Washington Post.

Meanwhile, the popularity of online proctoring software continues to grow. According to EdSurge, the online proctoring company Proctorio is partnering with McGraw-Hill and other textbook publishers to include its software with courseware, meaning that even homework may be tracked for cheating in the future.

As the software has gained popularity during the COVID-19 pandemic, students say that it violates privacy and causes intense stress for test-takers, according to the Washington Post. And according to NBC News, students have little recourse when penalized for things beyond their control, like interruptions or unconscious behaviors, such as reading out loud. The anxiety they experience while trying to satisfy the software’s demands, they say, is too much.

According to the Electronic Freedom Foundation, dozens of petitions are circulating at colleges and universities to abandon platforms like Honorlock, Proctorio, ProctorU and Respondus. And some schools are receptive to the complaints -- The City University of New York recently decided that professors cannot require students to use online proctoring software.

It matters not where you were born, or where you live, but what’s in your HEART.
Be Proud to be Transylvanian Saxon!

Lack of broadband access in rural areas particularly hurts America’s children. According to the Pew Charitable Trusts Broadband Initiative, an estimated 15 to 16 million elementary and secondary students do not have adequate internet access or digital devices at home to support online learning. At present, 12 states are seeking to alleviate this burden on families by using Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF) dollars to help students purchase internet-enabled devices, wireless hotspots, or both.

According to a Common Sense Media report, issued during the summer of 2020, about 50 million children have engaged in remote learning as a result of the pandemic. Even in states with the smallest disparities, about one in four students lacked adequate internet access. In states with the largest divides, half of students lacked access.

The incoming Biden administration will spend nearly \$5 billion in annual rural telecommunications subsidies, according to Bloomberg Law. Critics of the fund say that it is needlessly complex and distributes necessary funds unevenly between and within states.

FRATERNAL CALENDAR

NATIONAL EVENTS

March 7, 2021
TSBA Spring Tournamant
Host Youngstown Bowlers CANCELLED
July 9-11, 2021
North American Saxon Heimattag
Host: Salem Saxon Club

ATS Masks for Sale



The ATS has face masks for sale.
ATS Secretary, Monica Gilles, modeled
the mask while working at the ATS Office.

Masks are \$5.00 each. Send checks payable to
ATS Home Office
5393 Pearl Road
Cleveland, OH 44129



CONGRATULATIONS!

The following are the winners of the
2020 Christmas coloring contest:

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| <u>Ages 3-4</u> Laurel Emerich Br. 27 – New Castle | <u>Ages 7-8</u> Alice Mc Cormick Br. 30 – Youngstown |
| Ellie Wible Br. 33 – Cleveland East | Case Malue Br. 1 – Cleveland |
| Brody Krahe Br. 30 – Youngstown | Amelia Italiani Br. 2 - Erie |
| <u>Ages 5-6</u> Rose Hazel Br. 30 – Youngstown | <u>Ages 9-10</u> Addison Houser Br. 30 – Youngstown |
| Juliane Paal Br. 27 – New Castle | Isabelle Kuhn Br. 33 – Cleveland East |
| Piper Simon Br. 5 - Lorain | Julie Wagner Br. 2 - Erie |

2020 Christmas Coloring Contest
Honorable Mentions

The ATS Youth Activities Committee thanks the follow-
ing junior members who sent in their colored Christmas
pictures.

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|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Carina Cornell, Erie, PA | Leah Wible, Cleveland, OH |
| Flora Jones, Lorain, OH | Katie Hanek, Cleveland, OH |
| Bodhi Krahe, Erie, PA | Mallory Kirr, Youngstown, OH |
| George Lanahan, Erie, PA | Sadie Weaver, Youngstown, OH |
| Noah Murray, Erie, PA | Jack Carder, Youngstown, OH |
| Sophie Randolph, Erie, PA | Amanda Hudak, New Castle, PA |
| Adalynn Wade, Cleveland, OH | Gianna Italiani, Erie, PA |
| Alex Cornell, Erie, PA | Grayson Lawrence, Canton, OH |
| Chelsey Cunningham, Monaca, PA | Addison Long, Lorain, OH |
| Jameson Donnellan, Cleveland, OH | Jenna Peters, Lorain, OH |
| Kendall Emerich, New Castle, PA | Matthew Rau, Cleveland, OH |
| Christian Kirr, Youngstown, OH | Lexi Seiler, Cleveland, OH |
| Nikola Krahe, Erie, PA | Camden Jackson, Salem, OH |
| Henry Lanahan, Erie, PA | Allie Shroll, Cleveland, OH |
| Caiden Phillips, Cleveland, OH | Cooper Shroll, Cleveland, OH |
| Holden Randolph, Erie, PA | Kylie Jackson, Salem, OH |
| Emma Sloan, Youngstown, OH | Teddy Malue, Cleveland, OH |
| Elliana Wade, Cleveland, OH | Jenna Westland, Canton, OH |
| Kyle Preble, Cleveland, OH | Jessa Westland, Canton, OH |

INVITE

your relatives and friends
to join the crowd at ATS.

YOUR
STORY

The Alliance of Transylvanian Sax-
ons is looking for members to share
their family’s personal story of life
in Transylvania and their journey to
America.

The ATS is hoping to gather enough stories that we can
publish a book that will be valuable to future generations
on learning from personal memoirs on how our Saxons
lived in Transylvania and their travels from their home-
land.
Individuals submitting their stories can also include pho-
tos.
Submit your story to the ATS Home Office, 5393 Pearl
Road, Cleveland, Ohio 44129. Include your full name,
phone number, email and local Branch No.
We hope that we can collect enough stories within the
year that we can publish a book of Transylvanian Saxon
Memoirs.

CHURCHES



St. Peter's German and Saxon Lutheran Church

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Warren, Michigan 48093
(586) 979-3850
stpeters_church@sbcglobal.net
www.stpeterswarren.or

10:00 Bilingual Service

Nursery

Coffee following service

Senior Circle

Sunday School

Church Choir

Bell Choir

St. John's Lutheran Church

1000 Ford Road
Highland Hts., Ohio
(440) 449-1334

**Rev. Barbara Holzhauser
Pastor**

10:00 Worship Service

Signs that you are teched out:

1. You try to enter your password on the microwave, when you were really aiming for the refrigerator.
2. You have 15 phone numbers to reach your family of three.
3. If you get cash money, you immediately put it on a debit card.
4. Delivery times over 2 days are appalling.
5. You don't keep in touch with some of your family because you can't text them.
6. You consider a phone call an actual waste of time.
7. You text your son in his room to say dinner is ready. He texts you back to ask what you're having.
8. You chat with a stranger from South Africa, but you haven't spoken to your next door neighbor in more than a year.

BRANCH 10, COLUMBUS

By Donald Blum

Evelyn F. Roth

July 15, 1924 -
December 24, 2020
(age 96)



Evelyn was a rare jewel of many facets! She was the daughter of one of the founders of the Columbus Branch. Also, she was a part of the ATS, Columbus Branch 13 (later to become Branch 10), all of her life. Her father, Michael Farr, Sr. was one of the original founders of Branch 13, back in 1909!

Evelyn was the most wonderful woman that a person could ever hope to know, spent her first Christmas in Heaven with Jesus this year! She stepped into eternity early in the morning of Christmas Eve Day. On that Christmas Eve, Evelyn was met by her husband, Paul Roth, of 59 years and relatives and countless friends and acquaintances that had passed through her life over the past ninety-six years.

Evelyn was known for her beautiful handwritings for Christmas, birthdays and cards for other occasions. The only one that probably had a longer Christmas card list was probably Santa Claus.

She was kind and welcoming to everyone she met. Evelyn was loved by so many. She was the type of person if you met her you had to like her. Her personality was so kind and friendly. She had a smile that would light up a room and a laugh that was contagious. Evelyn had such a positive impact on everyone that was fortunate to have been her friend. We will miss her deeply but she gave us so many good memories that her spirit will endure in everyone she knew.

Marlene Betts, her daughter, and Mike Roth, her son, shared memorable things about Evelyn in their Eulogy. We invite you to listen to their words in the live stream of the celebration of her life.

One of Evelyn's favorite saying was, "You better believe it." When you say those words it's like Evelyn is right there talking to you.

Obituary

Evelyn F. Roth, age 96, of Hamilton Twp, went to be with her Lord on December 24, 2020. She was a member of Zion Lutheran Church (Obetz Rd), a lifelong member of the Columbus Saxon Club (Branch 10), and a graduate of Columbus South High School class of 1942. Evelyn was known to have the gift of hospitality and to be a friend to everyone. She brought comfort, hope, and encouragement to those around her and through sending out cards in her beautiful handwriting to let others know she was thinking of them. She also enjoyed working in her yard and the company of the birds she attended to.

Evelyn is preceded in death by her loving husband of 59 years, Paul Roth; parents Michael and Rosa Farr; brother, Michael Farr Jr.; sisters, Rose Wharton Inman, and Hilda Kautz.

Survived by son, Michael (Debra) Roth; daughter, Marlene (Robert) Betts; grandchildren, Andrew (Melissa) Betts, Gina (Craig) Springer, and Brent (April) Haynes; great-grandchildren, Danny, Isaiah, Emily, and Caitlyn Betts; Matthew, Joey, Lauren, and Bowe Springer; Becka and Justin Haynes; many nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Please visit www.graumllichfuneralhome.com to sign online guest book and to view live streaming of funeral service on Evelyn's tribute page.

Funeral service is available to view until February 5, 2021.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made in Evelyn's memory to Zion Lutheran Church, 1080 Obetz Rd., Columbus, OH., 43207 or St. Paul's Lutheran Church (where Paul and Evelyn were married), 322 Stewart Ave., Columbus, OH., 43206, or to any charity of one's choosing.

FACEBOOK PAGE

Alliance of Transylvanian Saxons, Columbus Branch 10

We will continue to modify and improve the Facebook page as needed. You are invited to join our Facebook group and share your Saxon history or just enjoy what others post. If you are interested in becoming part of the Facebook group you can request an invitation through Facebook or send me your email address (donaldblum@prodigy.net), and we will set you up.

We are happy to say that we now have 110 Facebook Group

BRANCH 1, CLEVELAND

By Robert Cunningham

With a heavy heart, we want to report the passing of a 68-year member of Branch 1. Martin Ordosch Jr., passed away on December 2, 2020 at the age of 86 years. Martin is survived by his wife Helen; children John (Laura) Ordosch and Heidi (Robert) Vanyo; grandfather to Rob (Randi) Vanyo, Andrew (Staci) Ordosch, Vanessa Vanyo, David (Brittany) Ordosch, and Stephanie Vanyo.



Martin Ordosch Jr.



Dylan James Perry

We welcome Dylan James Perry as a new juvenile member of Branch 1. Dylan is the son of Angel Edvon-Perry and Douglas Perry. Karin Schobel is the grandmother and great-grandparents are John and Sophia Schobel.



We remember our Sisters and Brothers who have departed this life in recent days. Our sincere sympathy is extended to the members of the bereaved families.

Jack E. Schneider

Age 89

Died: November 27, 2020
Branch 30, Youngstown, OH

George Spielhaupter

Age 92

Died: January 3, 2021
Branch 37, Detroit, MI

Phyllis L. Biggs

Age 86

Died: January 6, 2021
Branch 8, Alliance, OH

Randy A. Engle

Age 74

Died: January 9, 2021
Branch 19, Salem, OH

Janet L. Hiatt

Age 89

Died: January 12, 2021
Branch 4, Cleveland, OH

Marie Seiler

Age 89

Died: January 12, 2021
Branch 4, Cleveland, OH

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members from the US, Canada and in Europe.

This group gives us the opportunity to share our Heritage, celebrate special occasions, recognize other events and share our posting to the Volksblatt (Alliance of Transylvanian Saxons Newspaper).

We welcome your participation and hope you enjoy.

MEETINGS

As you have probably heard on the news or from your doctor, distribution to the public of the Covid-19 vaccination has begun. This is good news. Hopefully, we can rid us of this terrible virus and begin to meet again. We will communicate information of future meetings sometime in February. Can't wait to see and give fellow Saxons a big hug.
God Bless and stay safe.

A photograph of the Cetate Museum in Sibiu, featuring a large stone tower with a clock face and a steep, dark roof. A banner in the foreground reads "MUZEUL CETATE" and "Sibiu".

Place and surroundings

A detailed map of the region around Frauentdorf, Romania. The map shows a network of roads, including the A10, A1, and various regional roads like 106K, 107V, 148, 149, 141A, 105A, 67C, and 14. Rivers such as the Galda de Jos, Mihalț, and Săcel are depicted. Surrounding towns and villages include Mureș, Târnăveni, Gârnești, Bobohalma, Adămuș, Cetatea de Baltă, Bolan, Blăjeș, Dărlău, Medias, Moșna, Agărbidă, Șeica Mare, Slimnic, Ocna Sibiului, Sura Mare, Sura Mică, Nou, Hosman, Dala Nouă, Săliște, Apoldu de Sus, Polana Sibiului, Miercurea Sibiului, Săsciori, Petrești, Sebeș, Oarda, Alba Iulia, Bărbănt, and Teluș. The location of Frauentdorf is marked with a black dot near the town of Copsa Mică.



A black and white line drawing of a teddy bear, designed as a coloring page. The bear is sitting upright, facing forward. On its forehead, the words "Be My" are written in a stylized, outlined font. The bear has large, round eyes, a small nose, and a simple smile. It is holding a large heart in front of its chest with both paws. Inside this heart, the word "Valentine" is written in a large, outlined font. The bear's paws are large and rounded, with several small circles on them to represent claws or fur texture. Surrounding the bear are eight small, simple heart shapes, four on each side, arranged in a circular pattern. The entire image is composed of clean, black outlines on a white background, suitable for coloring.

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Before February 15, 2021

MARIA GRAEF WAGNER

Salz: Robert Petri

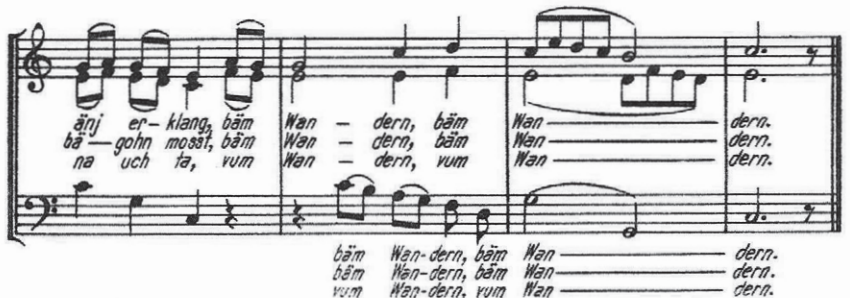
I
II

1. Am Schaa-ser Tol, de Bäsch ent-lang bän ech gor oft ge -
2. De Bach am Tol flosset fröh uch fräsch, mir klänjt et wä e
3. End kam ich dron dem Derf-chen za, mäit Dank am Här-zen

III



Wonn't Vi-jel-chen senj Lied-chen sang,
Der Burch-bärgch uoch gor fränj-lich gröst,
Ar Stämm ruf mir uch zeck-lich za:





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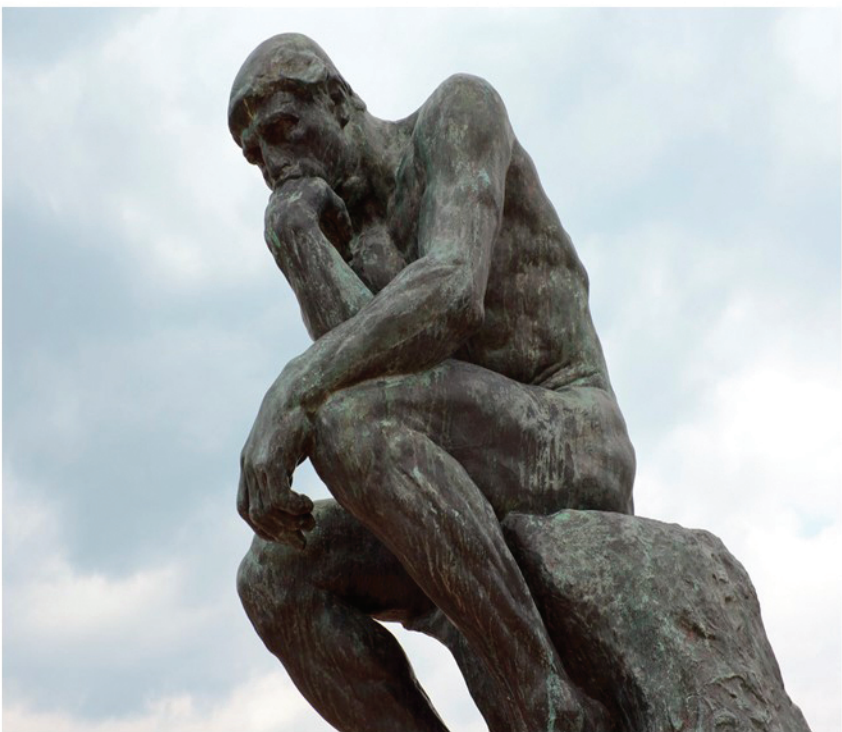
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