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**John Boehm, Jr.**

**ATS 3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President  
1941-2018**



We sadly report the death of ATS 3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President, John Boehm, Jr. He died on Sunday, January 14, 2018 at the age of 76. His funeral was held at Martin Luther Lutheran Church, Youngstown, Ohio on Friday, January 19, 2018.

John was born December 28, 1941 in Oberneudorf, Transylvania, Romania, the son of John and Maria Boehm.

During WWII, John and his family were displaced to Germany and later moved to Campbellsport, Wisconsin, where he attended a one-room school house until moving to Youngstown in 1954. John was and remained a dedicated member of Martin Luther Lutheran Church in Youngstown, Ohio since 1954.

John attended Woodrow Wilson High School (class of 1959) and earned his Bachelor of Arts Degree in History at Youngstown State University (1963). He continued his studies at Kent State University (MA 1964) and at Vanderbilt University (Ph.D. 1971). John was particularly thankful to have had the opportunity to study abroad for a Certificate for German Studies (1962) at the Goethe Institute, Heidelberg Germany.

He was never afraid of hard work and always seemed to find a way to use his many talents. He was comfortable working the night shift at the Compco Metal Products or for US Gypsum Products and could be found tending bar, his garden, or making wine alongside his father, while his mother taught him the art of hospitality but his greatest gift was teaching all things German. Dr. Boehm served on the faculty at Vanderbilt, the University of Tennessee, Slippery Rock State University, and Youngstown State University. John earned tenure and became a full professor and also served as University Marshal at Jacksonville University in Jacksonville, Florida.

While teaching there, he secured funding for the first language lab for the Department of Foreign Languages and served as department coordinator. He planned and implemented yearly Oktoberfest celebrations that engaged the students and the community while raising funds for the University.



John also gave of his time to serve the communities in which he lived. He was the first lay person elected to the Board of Trustees from the Florida Synod to the Lutheran Theological Southern Seminary in Columbia, South Carolina, served on his church council in various capacities and taught Sunday School and catechism classes at both St. Mark's and St. Matthew's Lutheran Churches in Jacksonville, Florida. John also chaired the committee that brought the first woman pastor to the Florida Evangelical Lutheran Church of America. He was a former chairperson for the United Way campaign assessment team and a current member of the Alliance Elks 467. He is listed in Who's Who in American College Professors.

His dedication to his Transylvanian heritage was unparalleled. He became second vice president for Branch 30 of the Youngstown Saxon Club while still attending college, served as president of the Landsmannschaft in the USA and was elected president of the Youngstown Saxon Club from 1998-2000. In 2008 John was the Man of the Year for the Youngstown Saxon Club. He was elected to the Board of Trustees for the Alliance of Transylvanian Saxons in 2000 and was most recently serving as its third Vice President for Cultural Activities. John was a gifted speaker and often called upon to speak about his Saxon heritage.

John was preceded in death by his parents and will be sadly missed by his family, many dear friends and former students.

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Joan Miller-Malue  
ATS Nat'l President



It saddens me to announce the death of our Third Vice President, John Boehm, Jr. who passed away on Sunday, January 14, 2018. His funeral was held at Martin Luther Church in Youngstown on Friday, January 19, 2018. The ATS Board of Directors and entire membership extend sincerest condolences to his wife, Patty and his entire family. John was elected as ATS Trustee in 2000 and in 2008 was elected to serve as Third Vice-President. He had served as Chairman of the Future Planning Committee and also had served as Chairman of the, Cultural Promotion Committee. I remember how proud he was to serve as the Cultural Promotion Chairperson when Youngstown hosted the North American Heimattag in 2016. It brought him gratification to serve the Saxon Community and loved the Youngstown Saxon Club. John's contributions in life were powerful as you can read in his obituary. His work ethic was more than remarkable... energy, commitment, integrity are all words that describe his image. He lived the heritage of his forefathers with pride and humbleness.

John has been a member of the ATS since 1954. His involvement over that span included: TSJA, Sängerbund, TSBL, served as Branch 30 Jr. Secretary, Branch 30's 2<sup>nd</sup> and 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President and Branch President and held German language classes. Of course, we all remember his favorite past time making homemade wine and graciously sharing it with his Saxon Sisters and Brothers. He was a dedicated Board of Director and was always hopeful for the growth of our fraternal society and the promotion of our Transylvanian Saxon heritage. John would say that he knows that change and new ways will and must replace the old. However, "How we blend and mold ourselves into that change will ultimately secure or doom us as an ethnic group that not only survived, but literally thrived, thousands of kilometers from its origin. Our parents and grandparents have done their job. It's up to the offspring to hold their own!" John will be missed by many, but never will he be forgotten by those who were fortunate enough to have known him. May his soul rest in eternal peace.

On Sunday, January 7, 2018, I along with National Secretary Monice Gilles, traveled to Detroit to attend Branch 37's meeting. Although the weather outside was bitter cold, we were grateful for the warm welcome that we received by Branch 37's membership. I had the honor to install the Officers for 2018. I want to commend President Susanna Fleischer for her dedication and continued leadership in Branch 37 and acknowledge the fine efforts of all Branch 37's officers in promoting the Transylvanian Saxon heritage within the Detroit area as well as helping to strengthen our fraternal benefit society.

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**TIMELY - DO NOT DELAY  
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2018 ATS SAXON SCHOLARSHIP  
INFORMATION  
AND APPLICATIONS**



# Schloss Horneck needs OUR help!

Since 1960 Schloss Horneck has housed the Siebenbürger Museum, the Siebenbürger Library and Archive, the Siebenbürger-Institut and is the base for many Saxon organizations. A seniors home is also located on the property. Last September the Verband der Siebenbürger Sachsen in Deutschland purchased the property for one million Euro.



Donations were received from individuals and organizations to help fund the purchase of the property. The purchase of Schloss Horneck gives the Siebenbürger Saxons throughout the world a central location where Saxon artifacts, books and other historical documents can be collected and stored to preserve our ethnic history for many years.

The Federation of Transylvanian Saxons is asking for donations from all Saxons and Saxon organizations to help in funding of this historical facility. If you are interested in giving a donation to help fund this project 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 FUND

NAME \_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
CITY \_\_\_\_\_  
STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP CODE \_\_\_\_\_  
AMOUNT DONATED \$ \_\_\_\_\_

You can indicate if donation is in memory or honor of someone:

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

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**Transylvanian Saxon Trivia: The Mongol Invasion of 1241-42 devastated much of the Hungarian kingdom. The Transylvanian Saxons did their best to resist, but many settlements were destroyed. In the aftermath of the invasion, many Transylvanian towns were fortified with stone castles and an emphasis was made on developing towns economically. In the Middle Ages, about 300 villages were defended by the Kirchenburgen (fortified churches) with massive walls. As a result of this rapid expansion of cities populated by the Saxons the area became known as Siebenbürgen referring to seven of the fortified towns: Bistritz, Hermannstadt, Klausenburg, Kronstadt, Mediasch, Mühlbach and Schässburg. Today, southeastern Transylvanian region has one of the highest number of existing fortified churches from the 13 to 16<sup>th</sup> centuries. It has more than 150 well preserved fortified churches out of an original 300 fortified churches. Six Saxon churches have been included in the UNESCO World Heritage: Birthälm. Tartlau, Weisskirch, Keisd, Kelling and Wurmloch. Our Saxon forefathers were great builders!**

Ich wünsche allen einen schönen Tag.

## John Boehm, Jr.

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He leaves to cherish his memory his wife, Patricia, of 41 years and brother-in-law, Travis Franklin of the home; children, Heidi (Dr. John) Davis, Hans (Bonnie) Boehm and Emilia Boehm; sisters, Maria (Michael) Thellmann of Willowick and Rosina (Bryan) Bowser of Canfield; grandchildren, Grant and Kelsey Davis of Virginia; mother-in law, Viola (Paul Franklin) Pierce, of St. John's, Florida; cousin Katharina (Uli) Reese and nephew, Jan, of Frankfurt, Germany; nephews John Michael Thellmann of Cleveland, Ohio, Bryan (Linette Heatherly) Bowser, Jr. of Rockford, Illinois and Aaron (Heather) Bowser of Canfield; niece Rosemarie (Dr. Brian Lott) of Pickerington, Ohio. John also provided mentorship and guidance to members of the Vauth-Sagel family, Brakel-Erkeln, Germany, who remain dear friends and are loved like family.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be sent to the Alliance of Transylvanian Saxons Scholarship Fund, 5393 Pearl Road, Cleveland, Ohio 44129; the Youngstown Saxon Club Memorial Fund, 710 South Meridian Road, Youngstown, Ohio 44509; Martin Luther Lutheran Church Memorial Fund, 420 Clearmount Drive, Youngstown Ohio 44511, or Grace Hospice, 3515 Massillon Road, Uniontown, OH 45685.

*Sei getreu bis in den Tod,  
so will ich dir die Krone  
des Lebens geben*

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### DEADLINE DATES FOR ARTICLES:

DEADLINE	ISSUE
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 31, 2018	FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2018
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2018	FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2018
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2018	FRIDAY, MARCH 9, 2018

Please have your articles in by 12 Noon.

Did you miss the deadline?

Have you emailed your article past 12 noon?

Please call Hanz or Barb Hermann at (440) 892-0436.



ALLIANCE OF TRANSYLVANIAN SAXONS SCHOLARSHIP GRANTS – 2018

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.

\$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
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\$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
\$1000	Dr. David E. Schuller Appreciation Scholarship in honor of his parents Elsie and Daniel S. Schuller
\$1000	Dale & Rose Segedi-Kaufman Memorial Scholarship
\$ 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 30<sup>th</sup>. 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 30<sup>th</sup>.**

REQUEST FOR ATS HIGH SCHOOL  
SENIOR SCHOLARSHIP

Name

Address

City, State, Zip Code

Tele: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Br. No. \_\_\_\_\_ Cert. No. \_\_\_\_\_

Requests 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 30, 2018

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

REQUEST FOR ATS UNDERGRADUATE  
CONTINUING EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP

Name

Address

City, State, Zip Code

Tele: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Br. No. \_\_\_\_\_ Cert. No. \_\_\_\_\_

UNDERGRADUATE CONTINUING  
ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIP GRANTS

The ATS is offering thirteen 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**.

\$1,000	Award in memory of Marie Stirner
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\$1,000	Award in memory of Gertie & Ernie Gottschling
\$1000	Lorain Saxon Ladies Branch 11 Scholarship
\$ 500	ATS Branch 34 Cleveland East Scholarship
\$ 500	Award in memory of Karl & Charlotte Klammer
\$ 500	Award in memory of Donald G. Miller
\$ 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 30 2018.

**Completed official ATS Applications for scholarship grants must be received at the ATS Home Office before April 30th.** Undergraduate Continuing Academic Scholarship winners will be chosen in a random drawing conducted by the ATS Scholarship Committee.

**\*\* Scholarship winners will be announced at the ATS Convention on June 2, 2018 and winners will be notified by mail. \*\***

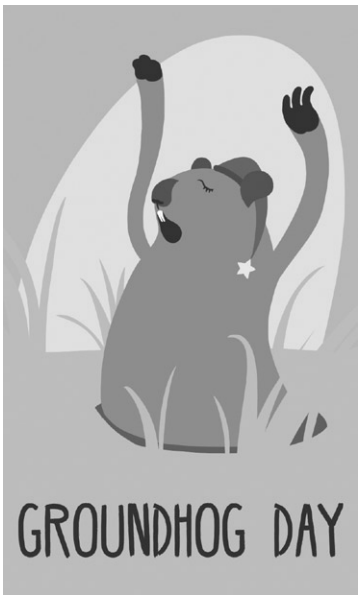
The sleepy groundhog stretches

For hundreds of years, on February 2, people have wondered if the groundhog would awake to see his shadow.

The day probably started with the feast of Candlemas, which celebrates the Biblical story of the Presentation of Christ in the Temple. On February 2, exactly 40 days after Christmas, people hoped for the end of the dark days of winter but perhaps were loathe to be too confident. The saying was, "If Candlemas be fair and clear, there will be two winters in the year."

So, curiously that saying morphed into a groundhog or badger or some other creature who, when awakened on February 2, sees his shadow, and thus predict six more weeks of winter. Or doesn't see it. Thus we start spring.

The date of February 2 is also thought to correspond to hibernation patterns. German farmers thought that if a badger emerged from his



burrow and saw his shadow there would be six more weeks of winter. By 1841, German farmers in Pennsylvania were again marking the day, this time with a groundhog's shadow.

As it turns out, both the groundhog and the badger have not been very good weather predictors. According to the National Climatic Data Center, groundhog predictions have been correct 39 percent of the time since 1887.

BRANCH 5, LORAIN  
By Michael Johnson

Delayed a week by sub-zero temperatures to the second Saturday of January, Branch 5 members met at the Blue Sky Restaurant in Amherst before heading to the American Slovak Club for our first regular monthly meeting for the new year. We began the evening with a moment of silence in observance to the members who had passed away in 2017, which most recently was Brother George R. Binder, who passed away on December 17th at the age of 87. Brother Binder was a life long member of Branch 5 and resided in Findlay, Ohio.

The Bowl Where You Are Tournament being held February 1st - March 31st, is an ATS sponsored activity open to all ATS junior members ages 6 - 17 designed to allow youth to either bowl with a group or on their own. Branch 5 junior members will soon be receiving their score sheet along with information about having a bowling party which was voted on to have. Parents are welcome to join in the fun by also staying this year and bowling with their children. Parents and other guest children will be responsible for the cost of their own games and shoe rental. Branch 5 will be providing pizza for all participants attending as well as covering the cost of (3) games of bowling and shoe rental for all Junior ATS members.

Birthdays that are being celebrated this month by our members are Sister Carolyn Mroski, and Brothers Russell Gilles, Robert Ralph, Thomas Ralph, and junior member Chloe Zgola! Happy Birthday and many more!

Next meeting will be held 7:00 PM on Saturday February 3rd, 2018, at the American Slovak Club. Members who would like to participate in a Valentine gift exchange with a \$10 limit after the meeting which the lady's have done in the past, are reminded to be prepared for that activity. Stay warm!





# FRATERNAL CALENDAR

## NATIONAL EVENTS

June 2- 3, 2018  
ATS Convention Youngstown, Ohio  
Host Branches 22 and 30

June 9, 2018  
TSBA Convention, Cleveland Sachsenheim

June 22 -24, 2018  
North American Heimattag, Cleveland Sachsenheim  
Hosts Branches 1 and 4

July 6 -8, 2018  
Revival of ATS Teen Weekend, Salem Saxon Club

July 15 – 20, 2018  
Saxon Summer Camp at Camp Frederick

July 28, 2018  
ATS Family Day at Waldameer Amusement Park and Water World

October 20-21, 2018  
ATS Open-Bowling Tournament, Merrillville, Indiana, Host Branch 26

## LOCAL EVENTS

January 28, 2018  
Cleveland West Sachsenheim Winter Schnitzel Fest

February 5, 2018  
Salem Br. 19 Meeting 7:30 p.m.

February 7, 2018  
SALEM NO RETIREES

February 12, 2018  
Salem Br. 18 Trustee Audit 6:00 p.m.  
Salem Br. 18 Meeting 7:00 p.m.

February 13, 2018  
Cleveland West Sachsenheim Mardis Gras Buffet

February 15, 2018  
Salem Bar Open 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.  
Salem Set-up for Fish Fry 5:00 or 6:00 p.m.

February 16, 2018  
SALEM FISH FRY (1) 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

February 18, 2018  
Cleveland West Br. 4 Chinese Auction/Sausage Dinner  
Youngstown Pork Kraut Dinner

February 22, 2018  
Salem Bar Open 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

February 22, 2018  
Salem Set-up for Fish Fry 5:00 or 6:00 p.m.

February 23, 2018  
SALEM FISH FRY (2) 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

March 1, 2018  
Salem Bar Open 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

March 1, 2018  
Salem Set-up for Fish Fry 5:00 or 6:00 p.m.

March 2, 2018  
SALEM FISH FRY (3) 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

March 4, 2018  
Salem “Bowl Where U-Are” 1:00p.m.

March 5, 2018  
Salem Br. 19 Meeting 7:30 p.m.

March 7, 2018  
SALEM SAXON RETIREES 11:30 a.m.

March 8, 2018  
Salem Bar open 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

March 8, 2018  
Salem Set-up for Fish Fry 5:00 or 6:00 p.m.

March 9, 2018  
SALEM FISH FRY (4) 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

March 12, 2018  
Salem Br. 18 Meeting 7:00 p.m.



### The Salem Saxon Club

will host its six annual Lenten Public Fish Fries beginning on Friday, February 16 thru March 23 serving from 5-7 pm. Dinners include choice of baked or fried ocean cod, or breaded pork chops, escalloped potatoes, green beans, applesauce or coleslaw, homemade cake, coffee/tea, iced tea or punch. The cost is \$11.00 for adults and \$6.00 for children 6-12, under 6 free. Carry outs available by calling (330) 222-1770 after 4:30 pm. Cash bar open to the public.

## BRANCH 4, CLEVELAND

By Joan Miller-Malue

Unfortunately, due to the bitter cold, ice and snow we had to cancel our January Branch meeting.

Our next meeting will be held on Monday, February 19<sup>th</sup> (President's Day) at 7:00 pm. We hope to hold our annual Memorial Service that evening.

Lenten season will be here soon and before Ash Wednesday comes, the Sachsenheim will hold a Fat Tuesday Buffet prepared by Onkel Grumpy. The buffet is only \$11.95 and will be served from 5:30 – 8:30. No reservations required. So, bust out a few sparkling strands of purple, green, and gold beads, and come down to the Sachsenheim for a Mardi Gras culinary experience.

We are calling on our members and friends to show support by attending Branch 4's Annual Fundraiser, the Chinese Auction and Sausage Dinner on Sunday, February 18 at 1:00 pm. Admission is \$10 for adults and \$5 for children age 10 and under. We only take prepaid reservations. Please send your reservations to Donna Jankow, 7663 Ragall Parkway, Middleburg, Hts., OH 44130 by February 8<sup>th</sup>. We will have assigned seating, so please indicate to whom you wish to be seated with.

This event helps us defray expenses at the Sachsenheim, so please give us your support. Members or friends making a new item donation may drop it off at the Sachsenheim. It is a fun afternoon for the entire family. Please invite your friends to join us for a delicious meal and have fun taking chances on winning some lovely items. Get your reservations in today! **Deadline is February 8<sup>th</sup>.**

The Sachsenheim's Sausage Sale will be held on Saturday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>. Deadline for sausage is February 25<sup>th</sup>. Orders are being taken by Edith Hebrank (440)734-2584; Christa Herbert (440)888-6094 or email [Kranstuber@roadrunner.com](mailto:Kranstuber@roadrunner.com). (No phone orders after 9:00 pm. If you are leaving a message include your name and phone number). You may also preorder a sausage/sauerkraut, polenta dinner for \$8. Sausage sandwiches will be available the day of the Sale. **Orders are to be picked up on Saturday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> after 1:00 pm.** This is the last sausage sale for the season, so make sure you stock up!

The Cleveland Saxon Dance Group will hold its Annual Chili Cook-Off on Saturday, March 10. Doors open at 7 pm. Tickets are \$12 in advance or \$15 at the

## BRANCH 26, MERRILLVILLE

By Helen Brooks

Branch 26 held the first meeting of the year at 2 p.m. on Sunday, January 7<sup>th</sup>.

President Randall Floyd called the meeting to order and the pledge of allegiance to the flag was said. Roll call of officers was read and all were present. The Minutes were read by Secretary Sam Palyok; the Treasurer's report and expense report were read and accepted. Approval was given to pay Karen Gozdich for sick benefit.

It was announced that the Rail Cats game with a combined meeting will be June 17, 2018. It was decided to donate to the cancer drive. Randall shared that a donation from the ATS Home Office was received and we thanked them.

We had several birthdays this month myself (91

years young), Sam Palyok and Ed Gottschling. The meeting was adjourned and Jeff Szostek won the raffle and Judy Andrews won attendance.

Randall and Brigitte thanked the many members for attending their mother, Gerda Schiller's memorial.

We then enjoyed a feast of pizzas.

Till we meet again!

door. Children under the age of 12 are half price. Contact a member of the Dance Group for your advance tickets. Admission includes three chili samples and dessert. Additional samples are \$1. If you are interested in entering your Chili, please contact Stephanie Miller-Hanek at 440-647-3229 or email her at [samiller55@sbcglobal.net](mailto:samiller55@sbcglobal.net). Cost is \$20 per entry which includes one admission ticket. Prizes will be awarded for the top entries. Judging is done by the attendees and is based on their cast ballots. This is great weather to enjoy some chili, so bring your family and friends to the Sachsenheim on March 10<sup>th</sup> and test out the various chili's and enjoy the music by the Dirty Franks. Let's get out there and support the Cleveland Saxon Dance Group!

It is a new year and our cultural groups at the Sachsenheim are always looking for new members to help promote our Saxon and German culture. If you are interested in joining the Cleveland Saxon Dance Group, please come down to Sachsenheim on Friday evenings at 6:30 for children's practice followed by adult group's practice at 7:30 pm. If you like to sing, the Eintracht-Saxonia Sachsenchor would love to have you join their chorus. If you are interested please call President Horst Hebrank (440)734-2584. Their practices are on Tuesday afternoon at 1:30 pm, so all you retirees it gives you a great chance to enjoy an afternoon of song.

### Thunderstorm

One summer evening during a violent thunderstorm, a mother was tucking her small boy into bed. She was about to turn off the light when he asked with a tremor in his voice, "Mommy, will you sleep with me tonight?"

The mother smiled. "I can't dear," she said. "I have to sleep in Daddy's room."

The little boy replied with a shaking voice, "The big sissy."

## YOUNGSTOWN SAXON CLUB PORK-KRAUT DINNER FEBRUARY 18, 2018

11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

\$9.50

Children \$5.00

includes coffee/tea/pop and dessert  
OPEN TO THE PUBLIC!

TAKE OUTS AVAILABLE!



## CHURCHES



**St. Peter's  
German and Saxon  
Lutheran Church**  
11423 Chicago Rd.  
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. Paul Stork  
Pastor**

**10:00 Worship Service**



**SALEM SAXON CLUB  
BAR IS OPEN  
EVERY THURSDAY.  
PLEASE CHECK  
CALENDAR OF EVENTS  
FOR TIMES.**

## Appealing to last minute gift shoppers

Some retailers found gift wrapping during the Christmas season paid off.

One boutique brewery scored big with a popup shop at a local mall. They sold pre-wrapped, see-through gift packages, complete with a free-drink card for their pubs.

"Know someone who drinks beer?" the staff asked interested parties. Most did know someone.

The easy, stylish gift packages were ready to carry out and put under the tree -- a unique, no-fuss gift for that person who drinks beer.

Most retailers at one time offered in-store wrapping, although the process often required long waits.

Bed Bath & Beyond has offered DIY gift wrapping stations. Other retailers offer either paid wrapping or complimentary gift boxes.

Pre-wrapped, pre-selected gifts of bath and shower gifts were big in 2017.

## Branch 37 Detroit's officers for 2018



**Officers of Branch 37 Detroit were installed by ATS National President Joan Miller-Malue at their January meeting**

## BRANCH 22, YOUNGSTOWN

**By Rosemarie Kascher**

It is with joy that we welcome three new members, some from Social into Fraternal membership of long standing. They are Lynn McClellan, Judy Larson and Janet Chismar. These are delightful ladies so greet and make them welcome, please.

Our birthday girl is Marie Bachinger and our one anniversary is Robin Fotiuk. Congratulations! Other birthdays are Helen Mauch and Jill Quigley, congrats to them too, please.

We encourage members to offer to chair or co-chair some of our major events, those events, like our Craft Show or assist in other events upcoming.

The Lounge is going to be open daily for meals but on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday there will be limited menus.

Please pay this year's dues to Betty Garhammer, \$24 at 969 Canfield Road, Youngstown, Ohio 44511 or phone at 330-788-4274. A \$5 fee if you are late for a card.

We invite men and women to apply for the Branch 22 Scholarship to YSU; they must be in good standing in Branch 22, 30 and the ATS. They can be applicants right out of high or adults who would like to further their education, full time students application requests may be sent to: Julaine Gilmartin, 4173 Timberland Trail, Canfield, Ohio 44406, Rosemary Zamaray 2158 Cranbrook Drive, Youngstown, Ohio 44511 or Bev Myers 6980 Kirk Road, Canfield, Ohio 44406. The deadline for applications is April 15, 2018.

It is with deep sadness that we mourn the passing of Maryann Uhan and Marie Bokesch, two important

members. Marie Bokesch was the wife of our past ATS president Michael H. Bokesch, and Marie worked with him for many years helping him with ATS responsibilities. They were very supportive of our Saxons in the Homeland and visited and helped often.

A thank you was sent to Chrissy Fotiuk for chairing the Children's Christmas Party. Thank yous were also sent to Su Bachinger for tending to our Ladies Restroom and Bob Bachinger for his help with the Saxon Club Newsletters.

Thinking of you Christmas cards were sent to Ida Zell, Alice Wilds, Hildegard Dunkerly, Darleen, Darlene Nischwitz, Thelma Schuller, the Fizets, Rosemarie Yohman, Frieda Lindert, Tillie Stefanick and a get well to Marie Bokesch.

We very much need more funds to repair the duct work in the Saxon Club kitchen which is in a dangerous way regarding fire. If it is not repaired quickly, fire danger is possible of spreading to other parts of the Saxon Club, fire inspector estimates. There is need for all members to help make contributions towards the repair bill estimated at \$12,000 as of this point. We especially ask Branch 30 and Branch 22 fraternal members to each help to let us maintain their Club. Thank you, so very much for your response to this matter. Please send contributions to Tom Hahn, Chairman Restoration Committee, the Saxon Club. We are truly grateful for your care in this matter.

The Branch 22 officers meeting is February 8 at 1 p.m. and the Branch 22 meeting is February 11 at 2 p.m. There is no Retirees meeting this month.

## YOUNGSTOWN SAXON RETIREES

**By Teri Laret**

The following are the minutes of the Youngstown Saxon Retirees held on Thursday, December 11 at Noon at 710 South Meridian Road, Youngstown, Ohio.

It's a great, happy crowd of men and women dressed in shades of red from each individual closet to the rosy red noses from God's cold weather outside. A little bit of Christmas wine helps too! We welcome Nikko Cappelli as a guest of Eileen Ring; Hermine's daughter Sharon and Ernie. Ernie is seen all about the Saxon Club as he is the man in charge. The kitchen is not quite ready for us so we will have a short meeting. First our pledge our loyalty honoring the flag of our nation, then we sing God Bless America. We do have a lot to be grateful for.

Look around, it is truly a festive sight. The officers were busy making this possible. Thank you Kay; today is your swan song. You have been a wonderful president, for this we say THANKS. Here is a little box from all of us to you.

ABIG thanks goes out to the ATS Home Office. A check of \$150 was sent to us to help with the celebration at Christmas, which we did spend on us.

The Secretary's minutes and the financial reports of the Treasurer were given, read and approved. Garland Dunkel is home from the hospital and needs your prayers for a speedy recovery. Carolyn Rauschenberg was hoping to be here today. Make sure we see you in the spring along with the dandelions.

Dominic and Tillie have December birthdays we sang to them. Eileen has an anniversary and thank you June for the extra shine on our faces.

Ernie, it's your turn now, all newly elected and repeats for another year or two are to be officially sworn in as the back bone of our wonderful group.

The next meeting will be on March 8. Happy New Year to one and all! Stay warm and healthy. The committee for March is Lucy Secka and Cindy Blubaugh. See you in the spring. This is the end for me too. So long!

So ein Tag...

P.S. I want to thank Hanz and Barb Hermann who have been so patient with us, that includes me of all people, for printing our news in the *Saxon News Volksblatt* these many years. My personal thanks to you both, please stay in touch and stay healthy!



**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.**

**Gertrude S. Hardy**

Age 91

Died: December 20, 2017  
Branch 18, Salem OH

**Walter C. Kolls**

Age 91

Died: December 25, 2017  
Branch 26, Merrillville IN

**Howard A. Parks**

Age 85

Died: December 26, 2017  
Branch 19, Salem OH

**James R. Loew**

Age 87

Died: December 27, 2017  
Branch 1, Cleveland OH

**Robert A. Knall**

Age 85

Died: January 3, 2018  
Branch 1, Cleveland OH

**Fred H. Bailey**

Age 89

Died: January 7, 2018  
Branch 30, Youngstown OH

**Pearl I. Brown**

Age 96

Died: January 7, 2018  
Branch 22, Youngstown OH

**John Boehm, Jr.**

Age 76

Died: January 14, 2018  
Branch 30, Youngstown OH

*A wise man can play the part of a clown, but a clown can't play the part of a wise man.*

*Malcolm X*

*The mystery of human existence lies not in just staying alive, but in finding something to live for.*

*Fyodor Dostoyevsky*

*Love has nothing to do with what you are expecting to get - only with what you are expecting to give - which is everything.*

*Katharine Hepburn*

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"I think you want Phillips. Two doors down on the left."

**CLEVELAND SACHSENHEIM'S  
WURSTMARKT/SAUSAGE SALE**

**SATURDAY, MARCH 3, 2018  
Cleveland Sachsenheim  
7001 Denison Avenue**



**Pork Sausage with or without garlic  
\$3.60 per pound**

**Sausage/Sauerkraut with Polenta Dinner  
\$8.00 per meal (Please preorder meal)**

**Sausage sandwiches will be available for purchase**

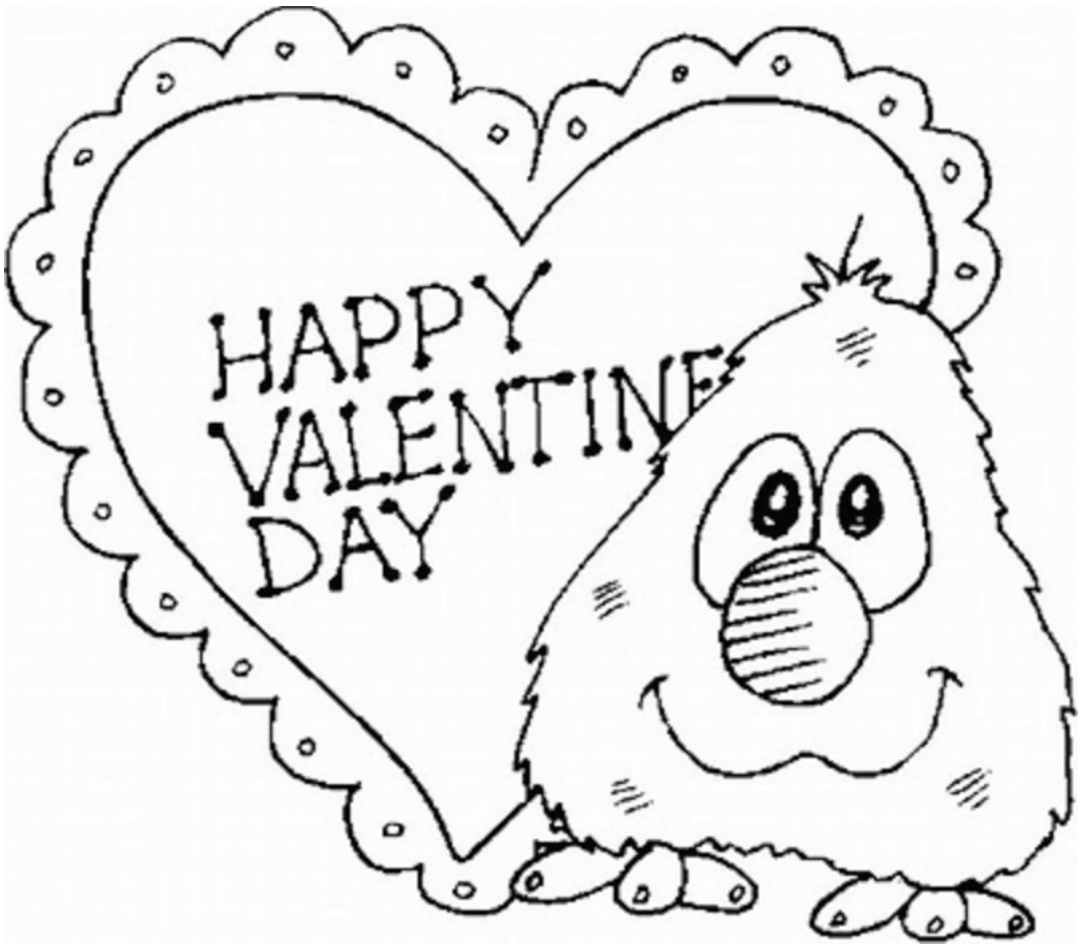
Orders are to be placed by calling:  
Edith Hebrank 440-734-2584  
Christa Herbert 440-888-6094  
Email: [Kranstuber@roadrunner.com](mailto:Kranstuber@roadrunner.com)

No phone orders after 9:00 p.m.  
When leaving a message, include  
your name and phone number to  
receive your order confirmation.

If ordering by email you will  
receive a return order confirmation.

**FIRM DEADLINE FOR SAUSAGE ORDERS: February 25, 2018**

Orders can be picked up at the Sachsenheim  
AFTER 1:00 p.m (not before) on Saturday, March 3, 2018



Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Branch No. \_\_\_\_\_ Cert. No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Please mail to ATS Home Office; 5393 Pearl Road; Cleveland, OH 44129  
Before February 14, 2018



**ATS BRANCH 4 - 2018 FUND RAISER  
27th ANNUAL CHINESE AUCTION/  
SAUSAGE DINNER**

**Sunday, February 18, 2018  
Cleveland Sachsenheim  
7001 Denison Avenue  
Dinner at 1:00 pm**

**Auction of items to follow dinner**

**ADMISSION BY PREPAID RESERVATIONS ONLY!**

**\$10.00 - Adults Children 10 & Under - \$5.00  
Auction Tickets Sold at the Door - \$7.00**

**Chinese Auction / Sausage Dinner  
Sunday, February 18, 2018  
By Prepaid Reservation Only**

**Send to: Donna Jankow  
7663 Ragall Parkway  
Middleburg Hts., OH 44130**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Adult Dinners @10 .00 each** \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ **Children's Dinners @ \$5.00 ea** \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ **Total Amount Enclosed** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Name** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Address** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Tele No.** \_\_\_\_\_ **Email** \_\_\_\_\_

**Meal Tickets will be held at the Door.**

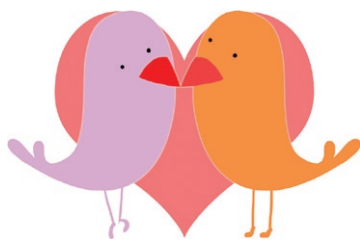
**We will have assigned seating...Please indicate if you wish to sit with  
specific individuals** \_\_\_\_\_

**Deadline for Reservations is February 8th**



Branch 33 Cleveland East's  
Christmas Party December 10  
held at Pine Ridge Country Club

We hope everyone had a Merry Christmas!



Valentine lore  
abounds

Superstitions abound about Valentine's Day and many involve birds.

If the first bird a girl sees on Valentine's Day is a robin, she will know she is to marry a sailor. If she sees a goldfinch, she will marry a millionaire and if she sees a sparrow, she will be the wife of a poor man. But if she glimpses a woodpecker first, she will never marry.

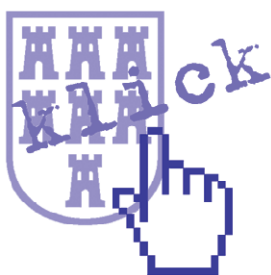
So go many of the tales that have become part of the lore (though many have been forgotten) of love and Valentine's Day. Here are a few others:

The oldest known valentine card still in existence is on display at the British Museum. This valentine is a love poem written by the Duke of Orleans to his wife while he was imprisoned in the Tower of London.

Christian tradition for Valentine's Day dates back to the third century, when a kindly priest named Valentinus was arrested by emperor Claudius II for crimes that included helping Christian martyrs and marrying young lovers in secret. Some sources say that, while in jail before his martyrdom, Valentinus wrote a letter to his jailer's daughter, signing it "From Your Valentine." If that is true, Valentinus started a powerful tradition.

Today, according to the Greeting Card Association, 1 billion cards are sent for Valentine's Day, second only to Christmas (2.5 billion).

Flowers are another tradition of Valentine's Day. Red roses are said to denote true love. A pansy declares loving thoughts, a periwinkle suggests early friendship and a red tulip professes powerful love.



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At The Cleveland Sachsenheim



Grumpy's Amazing  
Fat Tuesday Buffet  
February 13, 2018

Serving 5:30 - 8:30 pm



Only \$11.95

No Reservations Required

Join us for the Cleveland Saxon Dance Group's

8th Annual  
Chili Cook-off Fundraiser

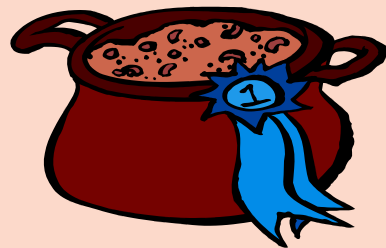
Westside Sachsenheim  
7001 Denison Avenue  
Cleveland, OH

Saturday March 10, 2018  
Doors open at 7pm

Tickets \$12 in advance from any Dance Group member  
or \$15 at the door. Children under 12 half price.

Includes admission, three chili samples,  
accompaniments and desserts  
Additional chili samples \$1 each  
A cash bar will be available

Stay after the cook-off and enjoy  
music by the Dirty Franks



Contact Stephanie Miller at 216-647-3229  
or email her at samiller55@sbcglobal.net  
with any questions or if you would like to  
enter a chili for judging in the contest.  
Cost is \$20 per entry (includes admission ticket for entrant)  
and prizes will be awarded for the top entries  
based on ballots cast by attendees.

Valentine's Day





## BRANCH 9, CHICAGO

By Rose-Marie Hauer

Greetings to all! The New Year has begun with quite a chill and zero degree weather. The flu is also at all-time highs. It's a perfect time to make lots of good old fashioned soup to stay warm and healthy. Now is that time to make all those New Year resolutions that we somehow taper off and then we are back in the old groove.

The Branch 9 Christmas party was held on December 17, with lots of members and guests. There was delicious food, baked goods, entertainment by Walter with his accordion, and various talented performances by our young children. Even Santa came and joined in on the fun with gifts for the children. Even the raffle was a success. Thank you for everyone's generosity donating items for the raffle and food pantry. President Thut delivered all the items to the Palatine Food Pantry. Sister Elfie Sanderson and her committee did an outstanding job! We all had a great time!

As members are getting older or passing away our Saxon Trachts and shirts are left behind for younger generations. However, these generations may not want to keep these items.

Many members do not have Trachts and have asked us if they could borrow one for an event. Our answer is we don't have any! As you know a Tracht is unavailable to buy. So we have come up with an idea at Branch 9 to correct this issue. Rose Hauer and Dede Thut are reaching out and asking any members, past members, and children of members that have a Saxon Tracht or shirt hanging in their closet they do not want to please contact Rose at 773-758-9461. We would like to preserve these costumes and have them available for others to wear to our events.

The German Day Association has come up with a new website <http://germanday.com> to announce all upcoming events in the Chicagoland area. Please refer to this website to obtain information about events coming up in the future that you may be interested in attending.

Please mark your calendars for the upcoming events! The Picnic will be July 15, 2018 and the Stiftungsfest will be May 5, 2018. More details to follow.

The next meeting will be February 5, 2018 at the DANK Haus.

## CHICAGO BRANCH 9 CHRISTMAS PARTY





Proposed Constitution Revision - Branch 18 Salem OH 1 of 2 printings

ARTICLE I. NAME

The name of this Society is The First Transylvanian Women’s Benefit Society, Branch 18, of the Alliance of Transylvanian Saxons of Salem, Ohio. Except, as fully set forth hereafter, the organization shall be herein referred to as “the Society.”

ARTICLE II. PURPOSE

The purpose of the Society shall be to provide fraternal fellowship and brotherhood for its members as envisioned in the following goals:

- To perpetuate the preservation of the Transylvanian Saxon heritage and culture.
- To support its members in times of need and sorrow.
- To encourage all members to be good and loyal citizens of the United States.
- To fulfill its obligations and support as members of the national, Alliance of Transylvanian Saxons.

ARTICLE III. MEETINGS

Section 1. The Society shall hold regular monthly business meetings, with any number of members in good standing, and a majority of the Officers present.

Section 2. The January, April, July and October meetings are designated as General Meetings in which special reports, etc. are given.

Section 3. Special meetings may be called by the President or by written request of six members in good standing.

Section 4. Robert’s Rules or Order, latest edition, shall govern parliamentary procedures of all meetings of this Society.

ARTICLE IV. MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Applicants for active membership in this Society must be female and a national Alliance member, having qualified as follows:

- Is of Transylvanian Saxon or German birth or a descendant thereof.
- Be married to a Saxon or German descendant thereof.
- If other than the above, applicant must agree to support the preservation of the ethnic and cultural goals outlined in the national Alliance Constitution and By-Laws.
- Is an owner of an Alliance life insurance or an Annuity contract.

Section 2. The age requirement for adult membership is age 16 or older

- Ages for juvenile members range from birth through Age 15.

Section 3. Applicants for social membership in this society must be female and must agree to support the preservation of the ethnic and cultural goals of the Society.

- A Social Member may participate in all social functions of the Society and shall fulfill committee duties.
- A Social Member shall pay dues.
- A Social Member has the privilege of voting for all local issues and can make and second motions but may not vote on issues of the Alliance or for delegates to the convention.
- A Social Member may not hold an office.
- Social Membership may not exceed 10% of the regular membership of the Society.

ARTICLE V. OFFICERS

The elected Officers of this Society shall be: President, Vice Presidents, Recording Secretary, Treasurer, Financial Secretary, Trustees, ATS Secretary, and Sergeant-at-Arms.

ARTICLE VI. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The election of Officers shall be held each year in November meeting of the Society.

Section 1. The term of Office for all Officers, except the Trustees, shall be one year. Trustees shall serve two-year terms with their term ending in alternate years.

Section 2. The election shall be conducted by the President, who may appoint an Election Committee to assist in collecting ballots, tallying votes, etc.

- All Officers shall be elected by secret ballot.

Section 3. Candidates for Office must have been members in good standing for at least three months.

Section 4. Each nominee must secure an absolute majority of the votes cast in order to be officially elected.

Section 5. All Officers’ terms shall begin on the first day of January and end on the last day of December.

Section 6. Vacancies in office during the year shall be filled by election or appointment at the discretion of the Society meeting, except for the office of Presidency where-by the Vice President automatically assumes the office.

ARTICLE VII. DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Section 1. All Branch Officers must be members in good standing with the Alliance.

Section 2. The President shall preside at all Society meetings, maintaining order and enforcing observance of the Society’s Constitution and By Laws. She shall represent the Society at every suitable opportunity.

- The President shall appoint all committees. She shall appoint Orphan Representative, Helping Hand and Birthday Secretary. She shall sign all legal documents as may be required.
- The President shall have full knowledge of all matters pertaining to the operation and activities of the Society. She shall see that all Officers fulfill the duties of their respective offices.

Section 3. The First Vice President shall diligently support the President in all official duties.

- She shall fulfill all presidential duties during any temporary absence of the president.
- If the Office of President becomes vacant, the Vice President shall become President and shall assume the duties and responsibilities of the President until the next election.
- She shall see that committees are appointed for all functions of the Society.

Section 4. The Second Vice President shall send get-well cards, visit sick members, and give a monthly report.

- She shall maintain a record of all reports of illness and need and supportive actions taken, including calls, visits and cards sent.
- She will send flowers or a monetary memorial to the organization of the family’s choice at the death of a member, member’s spouse, or member’s child.

Section 5. The Recording Secretary shall record the Minutes of all Society meetings, maintain an up-to-date name and address membership list, and keep records of receipts and expenses.

- She shall handle Society correspondence.
- She shall submit news articles containing information of the Society’s announcements and activities to the Saxon News Volksblatt publisher and to local newspapers.

Section 6. The Treasurer shall receive all monies taken in by the Financial Secretary, Committees, etc. and pay all approved expenses, bills, etc. promptly by check.

- She shall provide a receipt to the Financial Secretary for monies received for dues.
- She shall deposit immediately all monies received in the Society’s depository banks.
- She shall maintain an accurate record of receipts and expenditures and report at each meeting on the previous month’s activity.
- She shall provide books for audit to the Trustees quarterly and annually.
- All checks and withdrawal forms must be countersigned by the Treasurer with authorization from the Trustees.
- The Society may furnish a Blanket Position Bond to cover the Treasurer and any other person involved in handling Society funds.

Section 7. The Financial Secretary shall collect Society membership dues and maintain a record thereof. All monies collected each month shall be immediately remitted to the Treasurer for deposit and a receipt from the Treasurer will be received.

- She shall maintain records of all Society benefits paid to active members.
- She shall mail notification to members who become three months delinquent in dues payments. If no response, notice to be followed by one first class letter.
- Her books must be audited by the Trustees quarterly and an annual report must be given to the Society.
- She shall keep addresses of members current.

Section 8. The Trustees shall examine the financial records of the Society quarterly and report their findings to the Society at the Quarterly and Annual meetings. They shall assist in other duties as assigned by the President.

- They shall guard the property of the Society and assure that all monies are deposited in the way and manner designated by the Society.
- They shall examine all bills to assure that they are paid promptly.

Section 9. The ATS Secretary is responsible for the financial collections and records of the Alliance with our Branch.

- She shall collect all payments due the Alliance from members at each regular meeting of the Branch and remit them to the Alliance within five days after the meeting.
- She shall complete and forward to the office of the Alliance all required reports within five days after the meeting.
- She shall preserve the records, receipts and duplicate copies of the reports to the Alliance in the Branch Archives for a period of at least seven years.
- She shall immediately report the death of a member to the office of the Alliance.
- She shall promptly report to the Alliance any illness or accident to members which may result in claims.
- She shall, in spirit of fraternal helpfulness, be of service to members in all Alliance business.

Section 10. The Sergeant-at-Arms shall maintain order during Society meetings, shall present non-member visitors to the President for permission to attend the meeting, shall present new member candidates for induction to the Society, and assist in other duties as requested by the President.

- She shall keep the door closed during the reading of the minutes and shall not permit a member to leave the meeting without the permission of the President.

ARTICLE VIII. BRANCH DEPUTY/AGENT

Section 1. The Society President shall appoint or recommend a Branch Deputy who is interested in sales work, soliciting new members, and selling Alliance insurance and annuity contracts. The Branch Deputy must be qualified as prescribed by the State Insurance Department’s regulations and approved by the Alliance.

Section 2. Branch Deputy must become knowledgeable on membership requirements and Alliance insurance and annuity savings plans.

- Deputy/Agents shall forward immediately all applications and monies received to the Alliance Home Office.
- They must deliver the issued benefit plan contracts to the members as soon as they receive them from the Home Office.
- The Deputy/Agent must present the applicant to the Branch for acceptance and induction.

ARTICLE IX. APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Written application for membership must be made to a Branch Deputy or Agent on application forms provided by the Alliance and the Local Branch.

- A premium payment or annuity payment as specified for the certificate contract must accompany Alliance applications.

Section 2. When applications require a medical examination, the applicant shall pay the examination fee. The ATS will reimburse the current fee allowance to the applicant.

Section 3. Upon approval of an application, a certificate contract for the plan applied for shall be forwarded to the Branch Deputy or Agent for delivery to member.

Section 4. If an applicant is not approved by Branch membership, the applicant may apply to another Branch or be accepted in the ATS Home Branch.

ARTICLE X. ALLIANCE CONVENTION DELEGATES

The Society shall elect Delegates to represent the Society at the Alliance Convention meetings.

Section 1. The Society is entitled to send one Delegate per fifty Alliance members in good standing to Convention, with a minimum representation of two Delegates and a maximum limit of twenty Delegates.

- If the total number of Society members in good standing is greater than any multiple of fifty, an additional Delegate may become eligible if he represents less than fifty but more than twenty-five members.
- All Delegates must be in good standing, that is, they must be fully current with all payments to the Alliance and the Branch as of December 31, preceding the Convention.

Section 2. The Society must forward the name and certificate number of its Delegates on certified official forms to the Alliance Home Office by April 15, preceding the Convention.

Section 3. Any Alliance member in good standing, regardless of ancestry or affinity, may be elected or serve as a Delegate.

Section 4. The President and ATS Secretary shall automatically be the first two Delegates and remaining Delegates shall be elected.

ARTICLE XI. DUTIES AND RIGHTS OF MEMBERS

Section 1. It shall be the duty of members to mutually aid each other, to strive for fraternal cooperation, and to assist in the promotion and advancement of membership activities in the best interests of the Society and the Alliance.

Section 2. Members shall abide and protect the Constitution and By-Laws of the Society and the Alliance.

Section 3. Members shall attend Society meetings regularly and participate in all deliberations pertaining to the business and activities of the Society. They shall serve on Committees and generally enjoy all rights and privileges of the Society and the National Alliance.

Section 4. Members must pay their local dues according to the payment schedule voted on by the Society. Local dues and certificate payments may be paid at the Society meeting or mailed to the ATS Home Office.

Section 5. A member of this Society may retain his membership in the Society even though he should relocate in a city in which there may or may not be another Society.

- The Society will accept members who wish to join by transferring from another Society who will issue the Certificate of Transfer form.

ARTICLE XII. DUES AND BENEFITS

Section 1. The Annual Dues and amount of financial assistance available to members in good standing in times of need may be determined annually.

Section 2. The Society shall send a floral arrangement or a memorial donation upon death of a member, spouse, or juvenile member child; and shall offer limited financial assistance as stated in Section 3.

Section 3. New members shall be accepted in accordance with the age and benefit table shown here. In case of death, any balance in the fraternal benefit account of the member reverts to the Society.

Rates for New Candidates	
From age 16 to 50 years at time of membership	Dues: \$1.00 per month
Benefits:	
Fraternal: \$300 (not to exceed \$48 in any calendar year)	
Death: \$300	
From age 50 years and one day to age 60 years at time of membership	Dues: \$1.00 per month
Benefits:	

Fraternal: \$150 (not to exceed \$24 in any calendar year)	
Death: \$150	
From age 60 years and 1 day to age 70 years at time of membership	Dues: \$1.00 per month
Benefits:	
Fraternal: None	
Death: None	

Section 4. No fraternal benefits will be paid for the first three months following initiation.

Section 5. It is the duty of the member to request fraternal benefits and provide her doctor’s written release.

Section 6. A member who has fulfilled her contract with the ATS, and cashes her certificate, is eligible to remain a member of the Society. If a member cashes her policy before fulfilling her contract with the ATS, she is no longer eligible to be an active member of the Society.

ARTICLE XIII. SOCIETY CAPITALIZATION  
The capital of the Society shall be \$125,000. If the capital shall fall below this amount, the Society shall adjust local dues amounts, fraternal benefit amounts, etc. as needed.

ARTICLE XIV. AFFILIATED GROUPS  
Affiliated groups organized and sponsored by the Society shall be governed as follows:

Section 1. Applicants for membership in an affiliated group must be members of the Society.

Section 2. A group must submit an annual activity report and financial report to the Society by February 15<sup>th</sup> each year.

Section 3. The names of the affiliated groups shall remain the property of the Society. If the group becomes inactive the remaining funds and other assets must be remanded to the Society.

ARTICLE XV. CHARGES AND GRIEVANCES  
Section 1. Disputes and Grievances arising between members may be directed in writing to the President who shall refer the matter to the Committee of Reconciliation, who are to hold an impartial hearing of the parties involved. Their recommendations shall be presented at a regular meeting and approved by two-thirds (2/3) of the members present.

Section 2. Should a complaint or grievance be made against an Officer, she shall be suspended from office until a decision has been made.

Section 3. If a party involved refuses to attend the hearing, the case shall proceed as if she were present. A request for one postponement shall be granted a member.

Section 4. The Committee of Reconciliation shall consist of five members, three Trustees, the 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President, and the immediate Past-President, the latter to be the chairperson.

Section 5. A member who, at a meeting or outside of the Society, is guilty of improper action towards another member (so far as the Society affairs are concerned), or who shows herself undeserving of Society membership, shall be suspended or expelled.

ARTICLE XVI. MERGER AND DISSOLUTION OF THE SOCIETY

Section 1. As long as 30 members in good standing desire the continuation of the Society, it cannot be disbanded.

Section 2. The Society may consolidate or merge with any branch of the Alliance according to the constitution and by-laws of the Alliance.

Section 3. Should the Society be disbanded, all remaining assets shall be remitted to the national Alliance where they will be held in trust for one year. If, during that year, the Society is re-activated the assets will be returned to the Society.

Section 4. If the Society does not re-activate, the national Alliance will distribute assets first to the Salem Branch 19 of the Alliance, if in existence; second Salem Saxon Scholarship Trust Fund, if in existence; or, if neither exists, the Alliance to establish a scholarship fund in the name of this Society.

ARTICLE XVII. AMENDMENTS

Section 1. The preceding Articles constitute the laws of the Society.

Section 2. Changes, additions, corrections, amendments, may be made to the Constitution at a general meeting only by a majority vote of members present.

Section 3. Article II, VII, Sec 6; VIII and X can be amended or changed only if necessary in order to agree with the National Constitution.

Section 4. All previous Constitutions, By-Laws, and Resolutions which do not coincide with the provisions as now constituted effective this date are now null and void.

BY-LAWS

ARTICLE I. ORDER OF BUSINESS

- Call to Order by the President
- Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag
- Roll Call of Officers
- Reading of Minutes of Previous Meeting
- Report on New Candidates
- Induction of New Members
- Reading of Correspondence
- Report of Illness and Need
- Reports of Special Committees
- Unfinished Business
- New Business
- Good and Welfare – Announcements
- Treasurer’s Report
- Adjournment

ARTICLE II. RULES OF ORDER

- The President shall call the Meeting to order and all members shall be seated.
- The President shall preserve order and parliamentary procedures.
- A Member desiring to speak shall stand and address the President.
- No Member shall talk more than two times on one subject without the consent of the President.
- No one is permitted to leave or enter the meeting room while the Minutes are being read.
- Members must respect one another during Meeting discussions and debates.
- A Member who conducts herself without decorum, uses disorderly words, denies respect to the Chair, shall be called to order by the President and in repetition, be retired from the meeting room.
- Should disturbances arise during the Meeting, the President shall have the power to postpone the Meeting for any length of time or call for its adjournment.

ARTICLE III. ORDER OF INITIATION

“I have the honor to incorporate you as Member of this Society. This is a National Fraternal Benefit Society whose interests are to provide financial security by its insurance and annuity plans and to promote fraternal fellowship and Transylvanian Saxon heritage and culture.”

“If you are ready to join this Society and accept the obligations of membership please raise your right hand and take the oath I am about to give you.”

Gavel: strike three times (all Members stand)

“You promise herewith, in the presence of the Officers and Members, that you will acknowledge and uphold the Constitutions of the First Transylvanian Women’s Benefit Society of Salem, Ohio and the National Alliance of Transylvanian Saxons. Furthermore, you promise to respect your fellow members, and to safeguard and protect the welfare and property of the Society. If you are prepared to keep these promises, then answer by saying Yes.”

Handshake between President and new member

President says: “(Name), I welcome you to our Society. I now declare a short recess so that you can acquaint yourself with our new member, (name).



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Your Horoscope

FEBRUARY

ARIES 3/21 - 4/19: : Some things are tedious, a sad fact of life. Start planning those into your schedule and you'll find things go better this month. But don't let the schedule become a tyrant.

TAURUS 4/20 - 5/20: Look for a familiar pattern this month to avoid a pitfall. Good signs ahead for career initiatives if you don't let history repeat itself.

GEMINI 5/21 - 6/20: You find your general joy of life increasing as you reject negativity around you. A belief you accepted without question is challenged.

CANCER 6/21 - 7/22: Rest is welcome this month as your emotions run high and events move at a brisk pace. Visualize a goal and by the New Moon on the 15th you'll see progress.

LEO 7/23 - 8/22: The month starts well with romance brewing on the Full Moon Feb. 1. It is a pleasant time, but don't let it distract you from monthly tasks.

VIRGO 8/23 - 9/22: Face an uncomfortable situation and do your duty. Others will take care of the situation if you let them, but your own happiness increases when you meet the challenge.

LIBRA 9/23 - 10/21: This month could be pivotal for health issues. Gather your courage and resolve. Steps you take now will ripple through the rest of 2018 and even beyond.

SCORPIO 10/22 - 11/21: Your passion takes you far this month. Just make sure you back up your conviction with facts because you will be challenged.

SAGITTARIUS 11/22 - 12/21: A frugal approach to finances is in order this month. Identify places to save, but don't deprive yourself of the little things you love.

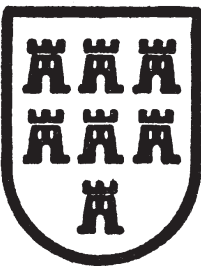
CAPRICORN 12/22 - 1/19: A friend's success makes you happy, but a little bit jealous. Beware of comparing yourself to others. Instead focus on the progress you've made. Make adjustments, if necessary.

AQUARIUS 1/20 - 2/18: Drop a friendly text to a friend you haven't seen in a while. Stars say unexpected messages bring happy news and some fun.

PISCES 2/19 - 3/20: Your birthday month reminds you that time flies and it moves in better and more satisfying directions this year. Envy is your enemy.

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“Dragon of Transylvania” begeisterte im Schloss Brukenthal in Freck

„Hinweg schwebend, über malerische Täler/ bis hinter den Sonnenaufgang!/ ...wo die Berge hoch trotzen und die Flüsse sanft plätschern./ Endloser Himmel und Gott alleine über mir .../ dorthin werde ich folgen ...in die Täler Transsylvaniens!“ Mit seiner lyrischen Komposition „Willkommen in Siebenbürgen“, die er seiner Heimat gewidmet hat, beginnt Manfred Michael Seiler alias „Dragon of Transylvania“ seit einigen Jahren alle Konzertabende, hüben und drüben. In vier europäischen Sprachen gesungen, setzt er beim Publikum Emotionen frei; seine Musik berührt immer schon die Menschen – auf der Erde und selbst im Weltall.

Sein jüngstes Konzert bestritt der Siebenbürger Sachse im verschneiten, verträumten Freck, am Fuß der Berge, in der Sommerresidenz des Barons von Brukenthal. „Die gesamte Einrichtung und das Team des Betreibers, Familie Klingeis, sind rundum professionell, hier werden gute, traditionelle siebenbürgische Gastfreundschaft und Kultur gepflegt“, schwärmt Manfred Seiler im Gespräch mit der Siebenbürgischen Zeitung. „Gefeiert wurde wie im Märchen: zwei Tage am Stück – wie in Transsylvanien eben!“ Dabei frage man sich, wo diese Menschen die Energie herholen, um von 9 Uhr abends bis Uhr fast ununterbrochen zu tanzen und zu singen. „Es liegt womöglich an dieser Region, in der bekanntlich des Öfteren Energiequellen außergewöhnlicher Art sogar wissenschaftlich dokumentiert werden konnten“, meint der Künstler, der seit 33 Jahren in Köln lebt. Als Dankeschön für bisherige und vor allem mit Blick auf zukünftige Projekte überraschte Arnold Klingeis, ehemaliger Bürgermeister von Freck, den Künstler mit einem eigenen Zimmer im berühmten Eis-Hotel am Buleasee (Lacul Bălea). Zudem schuf ein Bildhauer eine lebensgroße Eisstatue (mit Gitarre) von „Dragon of Transylvania“ im Zimmer, das seinen Namen trägt, neben den Zimmern von Michael Jackson, Elvis Presley, Queen, Gheorghe Zamfir u.a. Das Ganze kann bis Juni gesehen werden, so lange hält das Eis erfahrungsgemäß hier im Fogarascher Gebirge. Gerade am Tag seiner Ankunft besuchte der rumänische Tourismusminister das einzigartige Eis-Hotel, das übrigens völlig ausgebucht sei mit Gästen aus Japan, China, USA, Deutschland, England u.a. Bekannte Medien wie Jurnalul Național, Tribuna, Vertreter der lokalen Presse und Social Media waren zugegen. Manfred Seiler gewährte mehrere Interviews, zum Beispiel der Journalistin Diana Scarlat, und war erfreut, dass die Artikel schon tags darauf, am 1. Januar, veröffentlicht wurden.

Einen weiteren Höhepunkt seiner Siebenbürgenreise erlebte Manfred Seiler im Musik- und Videoproduktions-Studio von Edy Schneider in Mühlbach. Hier erörterte er gemeinsam mit dem Sänger Ricky Dandel und Konzertveranstalter Christian Rätscher (German Quality Entertainment) die Pläne für ein Riesenkonzert, das unter dem Titel „Legenden aus Transsylvanien“ Anfang August 2018 in Karlsburg (Alba Iulia) stattfinden wird.

Seine „Drachenkunst“ will Manfred Seiler im kommenden Sommer auch in Siebenbürgen präsentieren. Sein Programm besteht aus drei Säulen: Musik-, Verteidigungs- und Heilkunst. Diese Elemente wird er in Open-Air-Seminaren und Livemusik-Konzerten harmonisch miteinander verbinden, „nichts anders als ich in Deutschland



Manfred Seiler alias „Dragon of Transylvania“ mit Tochter Joline und seiner Jugendband.

seit 33 Jahren betreibe“, erklärt Dragon mit einem verschmitzten Lächeln um die Mundwinkel. Und weiter: „Kinder- und Jugendförderung ist schon immer mein Fokus gewesen, und meine Arbeit wurde, entsprechend diesen Leistungen, als Kulturzentrum in den deutschen Medien dargestellt.“

Man darf gespannt sein – nicht nur auf den kommenden Sommer in Siebenbürgen.

S.B.  
SBZ Online 16. Januar 2018

For more info on “Dragon of Transylvania” check out his website : [www. Dragonsworld.eu](http://www.Dragonsworld.eu) - HH

Alles gute zum Namenstag!

Brigitte	1. Februar
Maria	2. Februar
Blasius	3. Februar
Wiltrud	3. Februar
Veronika	4. Februar
Agathe	5. Februar
Bringfriede	5. Februar
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Dorothea	6. Februar
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Wolfram	8. Februar
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Armgard	10. Februar
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Diethelm	11. Februar
Rothild	12. Februar
Valentin	14. Februar
Kurt	15. Februar
Siegbert	15. Februar
Juliana, Julie	16. Februar
Dagmar	17. Februar
Konstantia	17. Februar
Konstantin	17. Februar
Konrad	18. Februar
Susanne	19. Februar
Herbert	20. Februar
Jutta	20. Februar
Eleonore	21. Februar
Gundhard	22. Februar
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Gotthold	26. Februar
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Berta	28. Februar



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## Lorain, OH Br. 5

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## Farrell, PA Br. 7

Mtg. 3rd. Mon. 7:00 p.m.  
Farrell Lions Den 810 Lions Club Lane  
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## Farrell, PA Br. 7 (cont'd)

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(724) 528-0309  
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(440) 293-6973

## Alliance, OH Br. 8

Mgt. 3rd Wed. 6:30 p.m.  
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ATS SEC'Y. Helen Aeling  
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1690 S Freedom Alliance OH 44601  
(330) 823-0681  
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Same address as above

## Chicago, IL Br. 9

Mtg. 1st Mon. 8:00 p.m.  
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(847) 934-6308 dedethut11@yahoo.com  
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(847) 998-0939 elfisanderson@gmail.com  
ATS SEC'Y:  
Hildegard Schmidts  
1824 Dover Ct Arlington Heights, 60004  
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## Columbus, OH Br. 10

Mtg. 3rd Mon. 1:00 p.m. all months  
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PRES. Martin Hesch  
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(614) 861-4078  
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## Canton, OH Br. 14

Mtg. 2nd Sunday  
Location varies  
PRES. Thomas J. Rowinsky  
1656 Dunkeith Dr NW, Canton, 44708  
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15354 Georgetown St NE  
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Address as shown above

## Canton, OH Br. 17

Mtg. 2nd Sunday  
Location varies  
PRES. Mary Rowinsky  
1656 Dunkeith Dr. NW, Canton 44708  
(330) 478-9333  
SEC'Y. Mary Rowinsky  
Samme adress as President  
ATS SECRETARY: Helen Aeling  
15354 Georgetown St NE  
Minerva OH 44657  
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SICK NOTICES to Mary Rowinsky  
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Canton OH 44718  
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## Salem, OH Br. 18

Mtg. 2nd Mon. 7:00 p.m.  
Saxon Club 1980 St. Rt. 9 Salem, 44460  
(330) 222-1770  
PRES. Florence Spack  
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(330) 337-3652  
SEC'Y. / ATS SECRETARY  
Barbara Spack  
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## Salem, OH Br. 19

Mtg. 1st Mon. 7:30 p.m.  
Saxon Club 1980 Newgarden Rd  
Salem OH 44460 (330) 222-1770  
PRES. Henry A. Spack, Sr.  
1500 Depot Rd. Salem, 44460  
(330) 337-3652  
SEC'Y. Robert P. Vogt, Sr.  
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(330) 881-3346  
mvcobra27@gmail.com  
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943 Stewart Rd. Salem OH 44460  
(330) 337-7575  
SICK NOTICES to Glenn T. Spack  
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(330) 337-7575  
LOCAL DUES to Richard Vogt, Sr.  
c/o Salem Saxon Club  
1980 Newgarden Rd, Salem, 44460  
(330) 222-1770

## Youngstown, OH Br. 22

Mtg. 2nd Sun. 2:00 p.m.  
Saxon Club Lower Lounge Restaurant  
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PRES. June Hoelzel  
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(330) 799-5171  
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(330) 793- 3588  
LOCAL DUES to Betty Garhammer  
969 Canfield Rd. Youngstown 44511  
(330) 788-4274

## New Castle, PA Br. 25

Mtg. 2nd Thursday 8:00 p.m.  
Eintracht Hall 108 Taylor St.,  
New Castle PA 16101  
(724) 652-7221  
PRES. John McCormick  
152 Means Rd, New Wilmington PA 16142  
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newcastleeintracht@gmail.com

## New Castle, PA Br. 25 (cont'd)

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(724) 699-3039  
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(724) 355-3311  
LOCAL DUES to: Doug Schafer  
113 Okinawa Dr New Castle PA 16105

## Merrillville, IN Br. 26

Meeting first Sunday at 2 p.m.  
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(219) 798-6908 rfloyd1066@msn.com  
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## New Castle, PA Br. 27

Mtg. 1st Thurs. 7:00 p.m.  
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(724) 658-1791 j.kaba@aol.com  
ATS SEC'Y. Judy Both  
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(724) 654-0573  
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N.Castle, 16105 (724) 652-1867  
Tizakg@yahoo.com

## Monaca, PA Br. 29

Mtg. 2nd Sunday 6 p.m.  
Saxon Club 112 Simes St  
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Freedom, PA 15042  
(724) 869-0261  
SEC'Y Chad Cole  
112o Eckert Rd Monaca PA 15061  
(412) 506-0287  
Chadcole 1234@gmail.com  
ATS SEC'Y. Terri L. Munroe  
1255 Chestnut St. Monaca, 15061  
(724) 544-0457 enchantra220@yahoo.com

## Youngstown, OH Br. 30

Mtg. 2nd. Sun. 2:00 p.m.  
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(330) 792-8484  
jmauch@zoominternet.net  
ATS ADULT & JUV. SEC'Y. Jim Mauch  
Same address etc as listed above  
LOCAL DUES to Donald Hoelzel  
695 E Western Reserve Unit 2601  
Poland OH 44514 (330) 953-2856

## Ellwood City, PA Br. 32

Mtg. 2nd. Wed. 7:30 p.m.  
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(724) 758-3268  
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Ellwood City PA 16117  
SEC'Y Kathy Crable  
703 Frew Rd Ellwood City PA 16117  
SICK NOTICES to: Joan Evans  
197 Portersville Rd Apt 3  
Ellwood City PA 16117 (724) 752-1109

## Cleveland, OH Br. 33

Mtg. 2nd. Weds. 7:30 p.m.  
St. John's Lutheran Church  
1000 Ford Rd Highland Heights OH  
PRES. Ema Litschel  
8050 Conestoga Trail Concord, 44060  
(440) 358-1184  
SEC'Y. Arline Suts  
413 Downing Dr Chardon OH 44024  
(440) 285-9498 asuts@windstream.net  
ATS SEC'Y. Karyn Schmidt  
4979 Anderson Rd Lyndhurst OH 44124  
(216) 382-7397  
SICK NOTICES to Arline Suts  
Address and phone as above  
LOCAL DUES to Michael Bretz  
388 East 317th St. Willowick, 44095  
440-943-4543 meb3172@att.net

## Detroit, MI Br. 37

Mtg. 1st. Sun. 12:30 p.m.  
St. Peters Lutheran Church  
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## Ellwood City, PA Br. 45

Mtg. 2nd. Sun. 7:30 p.m.  
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## ***Are You Financially Preparing for a “Superbowl” Retirement?***

It's time for the Superbowl. Two teams have advanced from the regular playing season through the play-offs to reach their goal to play in the Superbowl. Their ultimate goal is to be the Superbowl Champs.

Will your financial planning during your working years advance you to a “Superbowl Retirement?” How much will you have saved when it is time for the “kick-off” to your retirement? Will you be able to sit down comfortably in your easy chair without any monetary worries?

With the future of Social Security in question and company pensions quickly becoming a thing of the past, retirement dreams are no longer as promising as they once were. Retirement is supposed to be your “Superbowl” win! It is to give you the opportunity to live your dreams. That means you have to get a good kick-off to your retirement savings at an early age.

Savings with an ATS Tax-Deferred Annuity can provide for a “touchdown” to a financially secure retirement. Your money will compound faster because you can earn interest on dollars that likely would have been paid to the IRS. The result is greater financial growth.

An ATS Annuity provides you with flexibility at your retirement to choose when you begin withdrawals as well as the choice of how:

- As a Lump Sum
- As an Income for a specific number of years
- As an Income for as long as you live!
- As an Income for as long as you or your spouse live

Start your “Kick-off” to secure financial retirement today! Contact your local ATS Deputy or call the ATS Home Office for further information on an ATS Annuity retirement savings plan.

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