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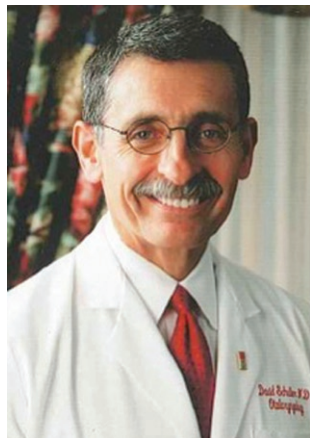
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Retirement of ATS Medical Examiner Dr. David E. Schuller

Dr. David E. Schuller has served as our Medical Examiner for the past forty years and has written to the Board of Directors his desire to retire as our Medical Examiner. He had fully retired from the medical faculty of the Ohio State University as of July 1, 2015 and is no longer involved in clinical medicine. He and his wife, Carol, wish to enjoy full retirement by traveling and residing four months of the year in Florida.

He said he assumed the responsibilities of the ATS Medical Examiner as a means of expressing his loyalty to our fraternal benefit society as well as pride for his Saxon heritage and in honor of his parents, Elsie and Dan Schuller, who were members of Cleveland East – Branch 33.

Throughout his career, Dr. Schuller made outstanding achievements in the medical field. He joined The Ohio State faculty in 1976 and rose to become Chair of the Department of Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery in 1984, serving in that position for 21 years and leading it to become a nationally ranked department. He was appointed Director of the Comprehensive Cancer Center and CEO of The James in 1988 and served in that capacity for 10 years. He subsequently continued as CEO of The James and Deputy Director of the Comprehensive Cancer Center for an additional 10 years. During his twenty years of leadership, the Cancer Center dramatically increased its external funding, he created and recruited the leadership for the Human Cancer Genetics Program which is now considered one of the best in the United States, raised in excess of \$350 million of philanthropic support, and led The James to becoming nationally ranked in just nine years. Dr.



Dr. David E. Schuller

Schuller is nationally and internationally known for his work in head and neck oncology. He is the author of over 278 peer-reviewed publications, 47 book chapters/monographs, and editor/author of nine medical textbooks including at one time the most popular book for medical students and the most popular book for practitioners. His early research changed the standard of care for the treatment of life-threatening airway obstruction in children with croup.

For the past 30 years, he has focused on developing novel therapeutic strategies for the treatment of head and neck malignancies. He chaired the National Cancer Institute research leadership group whose research dramatically improved the standard of care of the second most common malignancy in the world. Dr. Schuller has been appointed to numerous national organizations, including the Otolaryngology Residency Review Committee, serving as its Chair for more than two years as well as the American Board of Otolaryngology, serving as President.

He has served in a variety of leadership positions of national cancer research organizations for the past 30 years, most recently as Co-Chair of the National Cancer Institute Head and Neck Steering Committee. In March, 2013, he was honored by being designated as

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Joan Miller-Malue
ATS Nat'l President



Behind every successful event, there is effort and dedication from its group's organizers. The Youngstown Saxon Culture Group is to be congratulated on holding its 47th Annual Trachtenball on Saturday, November 5th at the Youngstown Saxon Club. The Culture Group made a special tribute to a dedicated member, Peter Karsti, II, who has promoted the Transylvanian Saxon/German heritage for years through his leadership, musicality and enthusiasm. We are fortunate that Peter has served as an ATS Trustee for the past 12 years always emphasizing the importance of our Saxon heritage. He was awarded the Saxon Honor Pin in 1974 as recognition of his outstanding efforts in promoting the Saxon/German culture through his music and hours of hard work at the Youngstown Saxon Club. The ATS Board of Directors is proud of his work and congratulates him on this special honor. What an inspiring evening the Youngstown Saxon Culture Group provided for the Saxon/German Community. Kudos to the Culture Group for their dedication to maintain an annual cultural event for so many years.

As you will read in this issue, our Chief Medical Examiner, Dr. David E. Schuller, has decided to retire from this position which he has held for forty years. He has so gracefully thanked the ATS for the honor of serving as the Medical Examiner. We were so blessed to have Dave on our corporate team assisting us in the underwriting of our insurance applications. The ATS Board of Directors has agreed to recognize Dr. Schuller for his many years of dedication to our fraternal by establishing an ATS Annual Scholarship in his name. We thank Dave for his years of service to the ATS and wish him and his wife, Carol, a happy retirement.

Our Local Branch Officers give generously of their time, effort and talents. It is election time in our Local Branches and a call for individuals to devote some time to serve their fraternal as an officer of their society. Our Local Branches need the support of their membership to attain dedicated officers to achieve growth within our fraternal. Many say they do not have the time to serve as an officer, but please observe your members who are always volunteering, they do not necessarily have the time, they truly have the heart! If your Branch is looking for officers, please consider donating your time and talents to help energize your Local Branch with continued activities and growth.

The ATS Home Office has sent out the Annual Branch Roster which we ask that your Secretary promptly completes and return to the Home Office. We need the up-to-date information for our records. This will assure us that our communications are being sent to the correct individuals.

A reminder that the Board of Directors is giving each Branch some incentive to increase their membership during the months of October and November. Each Branch will receive \$200 if they welcome in three new members by December. Our membership is open to all individuals of good character that are willing to support our fraternal heritage. You can help by recommending a family member or friend to your Local Deputy or ATS Home Office.

Thanksgiving is almost here. It is a cherished time to spend with family and show how thankful we are for the love and happiness we share. This Thanksgiving I hope your day will be spent with your family sharing precious memories and giving thanks for the good things in your lives. I remember a poem from Ralph Waldo Emerson which reflects thanksgiving:

*For each new morning with its light,
For rest and shelter of the night,
For health and food, for love and friends,
For everything Thy goodness sends.
Have a blessed and beautiful Thanksgiving!*

Transylvanian Saxon Trivia: After the Treaty of Trianon of 1920, Romania rapidly became increasingly nationalistic. It began gradual Romanization campaigns. City and town names in Transylvania were changed from German to Romanian (like Hermannstadt to Sibiu) and bilingual education was compulsory. The Saxons, who were a longtime commercially powerful force in Transylvania, were hit particularly hard. The Saxon Lutheran Church, a focal point of Saxon politics, lost 55% of its lands, and many towns lost over 50% of their private property.
Ich wünsche allen einen schönen Tag.

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:

Retirement of ATS Medical Examiner Continued from Page 1

The Ohio State University College of Medicine Distinguished Professor.

Dr. Schuller was the Vice President of Medical Center Expansion. He articulated the original vision for the current medical center expansion in 2002 and had been working full-time since 2009 on the \$1.1 billion project which included a new James Cancer Hospital and Solove Research Institute and Critical Care Center. He led a team that was awarded a \$100 million grant for the radiation oncology center, which is the largest grant in the history of Ohio State. The new cancer hospital will become one of the largest in the United States with an architectural design that integrates research and education with patient care, which is felt to be unique of any medical facility in the world. Dr.

Schuller was named recipient of a national award by Healthcare Design honoring those professionals responsible for leading the development of exciting, inspirational, and influential contributions to the healthcare arena.

The Alliance of Transylvanian Saxons Board of Directors are so grateful to Dr. Schuller for his valuable service to our organization by assisting us in conducting our insurance business. We applaud him on his many accomplishments and we truly appreciate the time and effort that he donated as a Medical Examiner.

It is difficult to think of a meaningful gift to present to Dr. Schuller after all his years of dedication to our society. In Honor of his distinguished service, the ATS Board of Directors has voted to name an Annual

ATS Scholarship Award in his name. Each year an ATS members will be awarded a Dr. David E. Schuller, ATS Past Medical Examiner Scholarship.

Dr. Schuller's hard work and dedication will be missed. We hope that Dave and his wife, Carol, enjoy this new phase of your life. THANK YOU AND HAPPY RETIREMENT!

BRANCH 10, COLUMBUS By Susi Mueller

Due to illness, our October meeting was poorly attended. Hopefully by now, everyone is feeling much better. Under correspondence, we had an interesting letter from the ATS national President, Joan Miller-Malue, to encourage the club members to recruit new members and to sell more policies by December 1st, for which the Home Office will reward us with monetary gifts. We are losing members, and this is a big concern for all of us.

The officers for 2017 need to be elected in our November 21st meeting. Please join us at this meeting and accept an office.

The Christmas party is scheduled for Sunday, December 18th, at 1pm, at the Hickory House in Gahanna. With best wishes for a happy Thanksgiving and hoping for you all to be at our luncheon meeting on November 21st.

YOUNGSTOWN SAXON CLUB PORK-KRAUT DINNER NOVEMBER 18, 2016

11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
\$9.50

Children \$5.00
includes coffee/tea/pop and dessert
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THE DEADLINE DATE FOR ARTICLES IS WEDNESDAY - 12 NOON.

You may either

MAIL: PO BOX 45198,
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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, NOVEMBER 23, 2016	FRIDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2016
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2016	FRIDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2016
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 21, 2016	FRIDAY, DECEMBER 30, 2016

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.

HURRAH! IT'S TIME FOR EINTRACHT- SAXONIA SACHSENCOR'S WURSTMARKT/SAUSAGE SALE

Thursday, December 8, 2016
Cleveland Sachsenheim
7001 Denison Avenue



Pork Sausage with or without garlic
\$3.60 per pound

Sausage/Sauerkraut with Polenta Dinner
\$8.00 per meal (must preorder meal)
Sausage Sandwiches will be available for purchase

Orders are to be placed by calling:
Maria Fischer (216)741-1398
(Do not call after 9:30 pm)

DEADLINE FOR SAUSAGE ORDERS: DECEMBER 1st

Orders can be picked up at the Sachsenheim
After 1:00 pm (not before) on Thursday, December 8, 2016

Millennials fall for online scams, study says

The most tech-savvy group in the world are the most likely to have lost money in scams, according to the Better Business Bureau.

Millennials fell for scams for online purchases, employment, and debt collection.

In fact, this 25 to 34-year old group was more likely to fall for online scams than 75-year-olds. About 30 percent of the younger group surveyed by the BBB admitted to losing money in scams. But only 5 percent of the older group lost money.

Have an accomplishment of your Junior member that you would like to share with your fraternal family? Email photos and/or info to: Saxonvolksblatt@aol.com

ATS JUNIORS' CORNER



The ATS Youth Activities Committee would like to thank the following children for coloring and submitting the Halloween picture found in recent issues of the Volksblatt. They all did a wonderful job of coloring!

Ray Appleby
Brayden Boyle
Payton Boyle
Kathleen Brooks
Colby Cunningham
Andrea Griffith
Travis Griffith
Katie Hanek
Amanda Hudak
Brooke Hudak
Gianna Italiani
Ella Izenour
Kendall Kaba
Alyssa Kimball
Christian Kirr

Mallory Kirr
Payton Leunis
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Madeline Peitsch
Allison Phillips
Jacob Phillips
Justin Preble
Kyle Preble
Alex Spack
Jaycie Westland
Jenna Westland

CHRISTMAS DINNER

LORAIN BRANCHES 5

DECEMBER 3, 2016 at 6:00 PM

JACKALOPE LAKESIDE
301 LAKESIDE AVE
LORAIN, OH

DINNER WILL BE BUFFET STYLE WITH
THE FOLLOWING:

SALMON
PRIME RIB
PORK LOIN

THE DINNER IS FREE FOR ALL LOCAL MEMBERS.

GUESTS ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND FOR THE
COST OF \$25.00

MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS BY CONTACTING

JEANNE PETTY at (440) 670-3368

DEADLINE FOR RESERVATIONS IS
Wednesday, November 23, 2016

Also, please bring non-perishable items for donation to the
Second Harvest Food Bank.
Thank you.

Cleveland West – Cleveland East – Lorain Children's Halloween Party



Ages 3 and Under (Left to Right): Scarlett Jones, Katie Hanek, James Kloos



Ages 4–6 (Left to Right): Annabelle Kloos, Mackenzie Smith, Quinn Pechatsko



Ages 10 & Up (Left to Right): Nadia Kauntz, Kaitlyn Smith, Andreas Schobel

Everyone had a great time at the Halloween Party. The judges had a tough time choosing the winners for best costumes. Everyone's costume was great! The judges selected the following as the winners in their age group:



Ages 7 – 9 (Left to Right): Alexis Perry, Kyle Smith, Lukas Jones



Adult Winners (Left-Right): Karin Schobel and Fran Radca

ATS Branch 33 Annual Sausage Sale



Perfectly Seasoned Homemade Pork Sausage

Our Fraternal Club will be making
Homemade Sausage on
Saturday, December 3, 2017.
Inform your family, friends and neighbors;
order multiple pounds to cook now,
or freeze and later use in your favorite recipes.
Remember, Pork is traditional for New Years!
We are taking orders, \$3.75 per POUND:
Loose (bulk) or in Casing / Garlic or without Garlic.
***Please Call Fred Krestel with your order:
(440) 693-1775.
Pick up orders between 1 p.m. and 5 p.m.
at St. John's Lutheran Church.
1000 Ford Rd. Highland Hts. Ohio

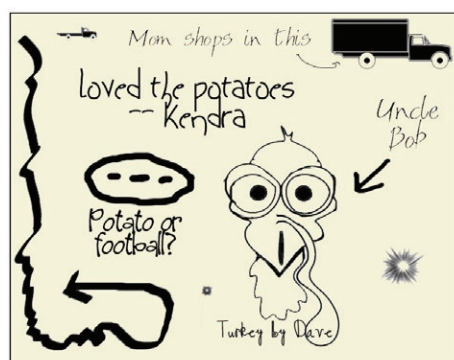
Thanksgiving tradition: The banner card

According to thekitchn.com, one family covers the Thanksgiving table with butcher paper and then gives everyone a marker.

They can doodle, and give thanks, and draw pictures throughout dinner.

The creation then becomes a banner to enjoy for the day.

If you don't want to substitute butcher paper for your nice tablecloth, or if you would



prefer conversation at dinner, consider hanging a large

thankfulness paper on the wall or door. Attach markers so everyone can give their autograph or opinion. Or drawing. Or thanks.

If you want, you can clip autographs and notes off the banner and scrapbook them.

Another idea is to give the banner to the person who lives farthest away, a college student or family friend.

FRATERNAL CALENDAR

LOCAL EVENTS

November 19, 2016
Salem Breakfast Buffet 7 a.m.-10 a.m.

November 20, 2016
Youngstown, Pork and Kraut Dinner
Cleveland West Schnitzel Fest

November 21, 2016
Cleveland West Branches 1 and 4 meet 7 p.m.

November 24, 2016
Salem Bar Closed
Youngstown, Thanksgiving Day, Club closed

November 25, 2016
Salem Bar Open/Decorate for Christmas 7 p.m.

December 1, 2016
Salem Bar Open 8 p.m. - 10 p.m.

December 3, 2016
Cleveland East Br. 33 Sausage Sale

December 5, 2016
Salem Br. 19 Meeting 7:30 p.m.

December 7, 2016
Salem Retirees 11:30 a.m.

December 8, 2016
Salem Bar Open 8 p.m.10 p.m.
Youngstown, Retirees meet
Cleveland ES Sachsenchor Sausage Sale

December 9, 2016
Salem Joint Social & Christmas Party 6:00 p.m.

December 10, 2016
Youngstown, Children's Christmas Party in Ballroom
Cleveland West Children's Christmas Party

December 11, 2016
Youngstown, Branch 22 meeting and Christmas Party.
Branch 30 meets also 2 PM
Cleveland East Br. 33 Christmas Dinner at Sterle's
Chicago Br. 9 Christmas Party DANK Haus 1 p.m

December 12, 2016
Salem Br. 18 Meeting 7:30 p.m.

December 15, 2016
Salem Bar Open 8 p.m. - 10 p.m.

December 17, 2016
Breakfast Buffet 7a.m. - 10 a.m.

December 18, 2016
Youngstown, Culture Group Christmas Party

December 22, 2016
Salem Bar Open 8 p.m. - 10 p.m.

December 24, 2016
Youngstown, Christmas Eve, Club will close early

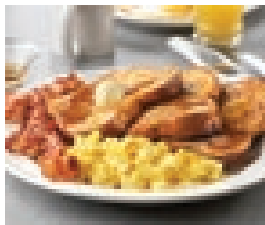
December 25, 2016
Youngstown, Christmas Day, Club will be closed

December 29, 2016
Salem Bar Open 8 p.m.-10 p.m.

December 31, 2016
Youngstown, New Years Eve Party in the Ballroom, reservations required



Salem Saxon Club Breakfast Buffet is back!



The Salem Saxon Club, will be serving its Breakfast Buffet every third Saturday of the month from 7.00 a.m - 10 a.m.. Next Breakfast is November 19th.

Adults/children \$7.00/under 5 yrs. Free. Menu includes bacon, sausage gravy and biscuits, fried potatoes, sausage, scrambled eggs, Belgian waffles, pancakes, tropical fruit, various baked goods, juice, coffee and tea.

National Alzheimer's Awareness Month

Researchers develop test for Alzheimer's

A number of research facilities are looking for predictive tests for Alzheimer's Disease, with promising results.

Early detection of Alzheimer's Disease is an important aspect of helping those with Alzheimer's to have a high quality of life, and medical researchers who are looking for tests that aid in early diagnosis of this neurological disease may have found a blood test that does just that, according to a study published in "Alzheimer's & Dementia: Diagnosis, Assessment & Disease Monitoring" in June.

Researchers at Rowan University School of Osteopathic Medicine are developing a blood test - now in clinical trials- that has had a nearly 100 percent rate of accuracy when it comes to detecting Alzheimer's Disease in patients thus far.

The National Institute on Aging has developed a blood test that detects the onset of Alzheimer's

The Salk Institute is also looking into how a protein called Neuregulin-1 affects individuals with Alzheimer's - they have discovered that this specific protein can lower the number of molecules that create the amyloid beta plaques in Alzheimer's patients' brains. In the mice treated with the protein in the trial, the amount of plaque in the brain was much lower than of the mice in the control group.

The Youngstown Saxon Culture Group honors Peter Karsti at its 47th Annual Trachtenball held Saturday, November 5th 2016

The Youngstown Saxon Culture Group held its 47th Annual Trachtenball recently at the Youngstown Saxon Club. The highlight of the festivities was honoring Peter Karsti for his many years of service to the Youngstown Saxon Culture Group. Robert Bachinger, Michael Bachinger and Randy Coleman addressed the gathering with memories of Peter through the years. Robert presented Peter with a plaque inscribed:

*Presented to Peter Karsti
Founder of The Youngstown Saxon Blaskapelle
Thank you Peter for many years of dedication,
preserving the Transylvanian Saxon heritage
in Youngstown, Ohio.
Trachtenball - November 5, 2016
Your friends and family,
The Youngstown Saxon Culture Group*



Robert Bachinger presenting the Award Plaque to Peter



Left to Right: Mike Bachinger, Bob Bachinger, John Kirr, Peter Karsti, Eva Karsti, Avie Karsti-Ellis, Brian Ellis, Pete Karsti and Mary Kay Karsti

BRANCH 30, YOUNGSTOWN By Tom Fizet

SAXON NEWS FROM THE WEST COAST

I should be watching the Election results, I have a deadline to meet, I'll catch them later. My hopes and prayers are that whoever wins will be for all Americans. We all deserve the best from our elected leaders.

We have a good Pork-Kraut Dinner to offer on Sunday, November 20, 2016 starting time 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. This Dinner is open to the public. Takeouts available. Adults \$9.50 Children \$5.00, includes Coffee/Tea/Pop and Dessert. Bring your family; you won't have to cook or clean up. Bring your friends also, for it is a great meal. The last one for 2016, the next will be in January 2017.

GG and Opa don't forget to bring the grandchildren and great - grandchildren down to the Club on Saturday December 10, 2016. Doors open for fun and snacks at 11:00 a.m. Santa will arrive about 12:00 Noon. Kids get in free, don't forget Chris is heading up the

gang again and we know she does a great job. Mom and Pop come too and see what fun there is.

The Christmas Party, by Branch 22 Ladies will be on December 11, about 2:30 p.m. after the Branch 22 and 30 meetings. The Party will be in the Lower Lounge. Check at the Club Office for more specific times. The Sunday Bingo will be held as usual on Sunday, December 11th. After the dinner you can drop over and check it out and maybe offer a hand.

The Big one is coming, Jim Frank Trio will head up the Saxon Club New Year's Eve Dinner and Dance. To be held in the Bar, Lounge, and Lower Lounge. Doors will open at 6:30 p.m., Dinner at 7:30 p.m. Reservations only, get your tickets early from Barry Garhammer, Betty Garhammer or June Hoelzel, Don Hoelzel. Fraternal and Social members have first chance, then the public.

I saved the good news till last. It is coming, a new amplifier and new speakers for the Lounge, the Bar, and the Lower Lounge, even new microphones. The first thing to say is where did we get the money??. It is all paid for. When they are completed the officers will make it known how the funds came about, good things happen!!

Just a note from Dorothy and I; Dorothy had a birthday on October 13, I won't tell her age, my birthday was October 15, the secret is I was 89. Coming soon will be our 66th Wedding anniversary, November 18, 1950. Ask the old timers about our dinner at the Saxon Club on Flint Hill, it was great.

Remember all our veterans and if you get a chance pat them on the back, shake their hand, offer a ride or any other kindness. It is easy to forget or not remember the different battles that we have been in. Pray for their return from the front and for the end of fighting anywhere in the world. Lives are too loving to destroy.

So Goes The News.

CHURCHES



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Nursery

Coffee following service

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Sunday School

Church Choir

Bell Choir

St. John's Lutheran Church

1000 Ford Road
Highland Hts., Ohio
(440) 449-1334
Rev. Roberta Davis-Newhouse
Pastor

9:00 Worship Service



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BRANCH 27, NEW CASTLE By Dolores Both

Branch 27 ladies met Thursday, November 3, 2016 at 3:00 pm at the club. President Marie Benedict called the meeting to order and minutes and reports were approved as read. Our get well wishes go out to Carol Lang and Marie Kraus. Hope you're feeling better each day.

Sunday, October 30, we thoroughly enjoyed the New Castle Playhouse production of The Addams Family. The play was funny and the singing and dancing were great! The afternoon was dull and rainy outside, but we had a grand time inside at the theater. We're already pouring over the 2017 schedule to make plans for next year's theater date. Dinner afterwards was equally enjoyed.

We have Faraone Brothers Restaurant reserved for our Christmas party/meeting for December 1 at 6:00 pm. Dinner will be on our own. Instead of exchanging gifts, the ladies voted to donate to the Crisis Shelter. Branch 27 will match the amount. Reservations must be made by calling Dolores Both 724-658-7407 by November 21.

Members also voted that our branch donate to the Orphan's Fund and members. A warm welcome to Carol Schlumberger who became a member of our group. The Election Committee's responsibilities will be handled by Glorie Geisel and Dolores Both.

Marie encouraged all to support the Sauerkraut Dinner Sunday by donating a cake and helping out. The pot is growing at Monday night's drawing, so come on down for a light bite to eat and trying your luck.

The door prize was won by Gertrude Tizak. Judy Both read her original poem entitled Fall. It was enjoyed by all. The next meeting and the Christmas Party will be December 1 at Faraone Brothers Restaurant at 6:00 pm, so don't forget to call Dolores to make your reservation. We plan on having a jolly good time.

Jugendlager 2017 in Transylvania August 3 - 16, 2017



Highlights include:

- * Sachsentreffen celebration in Hermannstadt
- * Sightseeing in beautiful southern Transylvania
- * Experience authentic rural life in Saxon Villages and meet Saxon villagers
- * Breadmaking, cooking traditional foods, making traditional crafts
- * Visit citadels and fortified churches
- * Walks in highlands and Carpathian Mountains
- * Swimming in a saltwater lake

The Youth Activities Committee of the Alliance of Transylvanian Saxons is looking for 5 young ATS members in good standing ages 16 - 20 to participate in the 24th International Jugendlager. The trip will be hosted by the Landsmannschaft of Transylvania. Participants must have a valid passport and medical insurance. Participants should be interested in sharing their family's Saxon traditions and be knowledgeable about the activities of their local branch and the ATS. This is a wonderful opportunity to learn about our Saxon heritage and make friends that will last a lifetime.

If interested, please contact the ATS Home Office at (440) 842-8442 or office@atsaxons.com for an application form.

BRANCH 9, CHICAGO By Rose-Marie Hauer

As you read this article it will be time for Thanksgiving. This is a time we should all be thankful for all that we have, and what we have been given. These days, everyone is in such a rush that we often overlook what's most important: spending time with family. As you sit around your table on Thanksgiving talk with each other, and share all those Saxon memories. The best things in life are even better than we imagine.

This article will summarize the meetings that were held in October and November. Our attendance at both meetings was fair. However, we sure would like all the members in attendance for the meeting on December 5, *since it will be the annual elections*. Please attend; this is important to our club! We thank all the current Officers and are hoping some new members will step up and join us.

German Day Commemora-



Elizabeth and Erica Hauer

tion was held on October 2, at St. Benedict's Church in Chicago. Sister Rose, Elizabeth and Erica Hauer carried the Saxon flag and represented Branch 9.

Sister Schmidts reported that Brother Martin Hartig, Sister Sara Hartig, Sister Maria Fandel, and Brother Andy Schiller were recuperating from illness. We wish these members a speedy recovery.

A special Happy Birthday to Sister Elisabeth Krestal and Sister Sara Derra. You're always very special, and you should know today, that you are wished the nicest things that life can bring your way.

Please mark your calendars for the annual Christmas Party. It will be held on December 11, 2016, from 1 pm to 4pm at the DANK Haus. There will be food and desserts! Please bring your children, grandchildren and friends! We look forward to hearing the children sing, read poems and play instruments!

See you all at the next meeting on December 5, at the DANK Haus!



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.

Frederick T. Kloos, Jr.
Age 65

Died: October 5, 2016
Branch 19, Salem OH

Janice H. Szalma
Age 74

Died: October 12, 2016
Branch 22, Youngstown OH

BRANCH 8, ALLIANCE By Shari Edwards

We held our October/November, 2016 meeting on October 17.

Our attendance for this meeting was 14, with 2 excused.

Hostesses for this month were Alice Freeders, Savannah McKelly, and Helen Aeling. They prepaid a very nice meal for after our meeting.

Hostesses for our next meeting, which will be held on Jan. 18, 2017 are Sue Hertel, Penny Zeedrich and Leslie Reed.

We celebrated birthdays for all the women that we have missed in the last few months. Happy Birthday to all.

There was a thank you card sent to us for our memorial donation for Sue Hertel's husband to "Community Meals" organization that supplies meals for homebound seniors. Carl was very involved in this organization.

We also received a beautiful hand made card from Chelsea Zeedrich for scholarship money.

Elections of officers was held: Leslie Reed made a motion to keep the same officers for the coming year. Mary Craven seconded the motion. The vote was YES!!!!

ATS is hoping that all Branches will add new members in the next few months. They are giving an incentive to any branch that brings in three (3) new members. Let's all work towards that goal.

Our treasurer's report was read and a motion was made by Sue Hertel and seconded by Savannah McKelly to accept it as read. Motion carried.

We will not have a meeting in November as it is the Thanksgiving week that we would have met.

Have a wonderful holiday.

We will all meet to celebrate Christmas together on December 21, at 6:30 pm.

The place is Grinder's in Alliance.

See you all there.

Fall

*The nights grow cool, the days grow short,
Fall is here states the news report.*

*Colorful leaves float to the ground
And squirrels scamper all around.*

*All living creatures seem to know
It's time to ready for winter snow.*

*Dark in the morning, dark at night;
Can't get much done without the light.*

*Halloween and trick or treat;
Then Thanksgiving with turkey meat.*

*I really don't know the reason,
Why I love this changing season.*

*Could be the trees of color bright,
Oh, they are a glorious sight!*

*A vivid reminder of God's hand
In this wondrous giving land.*

An original poem by Judith Both 2016
Branch 27 New Castle, PA



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You are Invited to a Christmas Party
Saturday, December 10, 2016
2:00 pm

Westside Sachsenheim
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Deadline for Reservations is November 30, 2016

ATS Junior Members: Can or box of non-perishable food
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Plus can or box of non-perishable food
For Community Corners Food Bank.

BRANCH 4, CLEVELAND
by Joan Miller-Malue


Our next monthly meeting will be held on Monday, November 21 at 7:00 pm. We will hold election of officers for 2017. Branch 4 needs the support of our membership to have a healthy society that can plan events, support charitable projects and assist in the maintenance of our Sachsenheim. Why not offer to serve as an officer or attend a meeting to share your ideas? Because of the Christmas holidays, this will be our last scheduled meeting for the year. Don't forget to bring your donations for the Community Corners' Christmas Gift Program.

The Eintracht-Saxonia Sachsenchor's Sausage Sale is nearly here which is just in time for us to stock up for the upcoming holidays. The sale will be held on Thursday, December 8th. You can order sausage with or without garlic at \$3.60 per pound. Please call Maria Fischer at (216)741-1398. (Please do not call after 9:30 pm and if you reach the answering machine please leave a message and your phone number, Maria will call you back). Deadline for orders is December 1st. Orders can be picked up after 1:00 pm on December 8th. (The sausage is made that morning, so please give the workers ample time to prepare your orders and adhere to the pick-up time of 1:00 pm). Besides placing your sausage order, you can preorder a sausage/sauerkraut with polenta dinner for only \$8. There also will be sausage sandwiches available for purchase the day of the sale. Call your orders in today! We are looking for volunteers to help, please if you have some time, lend a hand.

The Junior Committee is now preparing for the Children's Christmas Party that will be held on Saturday, December 10th at


2:00 pm. We encourage our junior members to participate in the program that day by singing a song, playing an instrument or reciting a poem. Santa will be dropping by to give each child a gift, so we ask that you make your reservations as soon as possible to help the elves prepare for Santa's visit. Please call Patty Cunningham at (216)398-7520 or email her at prscunn@yahoo.com before November 30thst. When making your reservations, we need the name and age of each child and if the child wishes to perform. If you get the answering machine, please leave your phone number along with your message. ATS Junior Members of Branch 1, 4, 5 and 33 are free but we ask that everyone brings an item or two of non-perishable food for a donation to the Community Corners food bank. Admission for adults is \$5 and non-member children are \$15. Remember reservations are to be made by November 30th!

Once again Branch 4 is supporting Community Corners Christmas Gift Program which helps needy families provide some Christmas joy to their children. We are asking members to donate new toys for children ages 8 & up. Try to get toys that do not need batteries and no gun related toys. Suggestions for teen girls are nail polish kits, make-up kits or jewelry. We are not collecting clothing items or scarfs or gloves for this project. The gifts are to be unwrapped. If you were unable to bring your gifts to the November meeting, just drop them off at the Sachsenheim by December 7th. We have done a marvelous job in the past by donating many items for this charity project, so let's once again open our hearts and make some children happy this Christmas.



2016 HOLIDAY GIFT IDEAS

Looking for a unique way to pass on a bit of your Saxon heritage to someone on your Christmas list? Why not check out the exclusive items offered for sale at the ATS Home Office. Prices are very affordable and these items won't be found at your local department or book stores. See below the list of available gifts:

<i>Saxons Through Seventeen Centuries</i> by Rev. John Foisel	\$15.00	Saxon Apron - "I  Saxon Cooking	\$15.00
<i>Fleeing to the Friendly Enemy</i> by Barbara Ohler Weber	\$14.00	Saxon Apron with picture of Saxon Couple	\$15.00
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SALEM SAXON RETIREES
By Helen Aeling

The November 2nd meeting was attended by 24 loyal members.

Our President Lois Whitacre opened the meeting and everyone pledged their Allegiance to our Flag. Following the Pledge, Tony Rothbrust gave the invocation.

The Luncheon consisted of ham, cheesy potatoes, corn and rolls. And dessert! So Yummy! Janet Kekel said her "Pig-Out-Cake" was so good. But those that had the apple cake with caramel sauce said their's was the best!

After lunch, our Secretary Diane Kutler read the minutes of the previous meeting and Katy Lederle read the Treasurer's Report.



Don't forget coming to the Sachsenheim for Taco Tuesday, or Wednesday Wing Night, or Thursday Hamburger Sliders & Hot Dog Night and of course, Friday night for Grumpy's Dinner Specials in addition to the various Fish dinners. Why not end your work week by coming down to the Club for a delicious meal and a few drinks? It is a great way to end the work week!

The November Club activities was given by Flo Spack. Be sure to follow the Calendar of Events in your *Volksblatt*.

Happy Birthday was sung to our November members: Catherine Sanor, November 19; Walli Spack, November 20. 91 years young; Tony Rothbrust, November 21; Kaethe Schneider, November 25, 95 years young.

Happy Anniversary with many more was sung to Tony and Bunny Rothbrust, 27 years.

Congratulations to all of you!

It was Tony's day as he won the 50/50.

President Lois closed the meeting with all praying "The Lord's Prayer."

Then the real fun began - Bingo! Poor Ziggy - he just didn't have any numbers. But his wife Herrmine won, along with George Spack, Francie Tuel 2x, Bob Kekel 2x, Norma Byers, Katy Lederle, Walli Spack and Helen Aeling. Poor Ziggy - maybe next time.

Don't forget to make or cancel your reservation for the December 7th meeting with Katy Lederle 330-533-5154 by December 1st. The Officers are the Snack Committee.

Bleib' gesund.

Happy Thanksgiving

Thanksgiving Day was just around the corner when the Smith family received a Thanksgiving card in the mail. On the front of the card was a painting of a pilgrim family on their way to the first Thanksgiving. Mr. Smith said, "Look, kids, at how happy those children looked on their way to dinner."

"I don't know about that," replied his oldest son.

"What do you mean?" said his father.

"Well, if they are so happy about it, why is their dad having to carry that rifle?"

Car Tip

As gas prices rise, everyone is looking to save money on fuel costs. A simple way to increase your car's gas mileage is to avoid unnecessary slowing and accelerating. Try to keep your car at an even momentum by watching the road ahead and anticipating slowing.



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