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. Schuller is nationally and internationally known for his work in head and neck oncology. He is the author of over 278 peer-reviewed articles, 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 Saxons Culture Group is to be congratulated on holding its 47th Annual Tractionball on Saturday, November 5th at the Youngstown Saxon Club. The Culture Group made a special tribute to a dedicated member, Peter Karati, 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 Saxons 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 rest and shelter of the night,
For each new morning with its light,
For food and for love, and for 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 Romanianization 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 long time 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 Saxony organizations. A seniors home is also located on the property. Last September the Verband der Siebenbürger Sachsen in Germany purchased the property for one million Euros.

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 Freedom of Transylvanian Saxons is asking for donations from all Saxons and Saxony 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:

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 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 are so grateful to Dr. Schuller for his 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!

Due to illness, our October meeting was poorly attended. Hopefully by now, everyone is feeling much better. Under competitive pressure, 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.
Loose (bulk) or in Casing / Garlic or without Garlic.

Remember, Pork is traditional for New Years!

Pork Sausage with or without garlic $3.60 per pound
Sausage/Sauerkraut with Polenta Dinner $9.00 per meal (must preorder meal)
Sausage Sandwiches will be available for purchase

Orders are to be placed by calling:
Maria Fischer (216)741-1398
(Or 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

Mackenzie Smith, Quinn Pechatsko
Ages 7 – 9 (Left to Right): Alexis Perry, Annabelle Kloos, Katie Hanek, James Kloos
Ages 4 – 6 (Left to Right): Annabelle Kloos, Andreas Schobel, Kaitlyn Smith, Andreas Schobel,
Ages 3 and Under (Left to Right): Scarlett Jones, Katie Hanek, Anna Kloos
Ages 10 & Up (Left to Right): Nadia Kautz, Kaitlyn Smith, Andrea Schoebel
Adult Winners (Left-Right): Karin Schoebel and Fran Reda

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

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

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

Ages 10 & Up (Left to Right): Nadia Kautz, Kaitlyn Smith, Andrea Schoebel

Adult Winners (Left-Right): Karin Schoebel and Fran Reda

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.

Thank you.

CHRISTMAS DINNER
LORAIN BRANCHES 5
DECEMBER 3, 2016 at 6:00 PM
JACKALOPE LAKESIDE
50 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

COST OF $25.00

EVERYTHING IS INCLUDED:
PORK LOIN
PRIME RIB
SALMON
NO FURTHER CHARGES

IF YOU WISH TO DONATE NON-PERISHABLE ITEMS FOR DONATION TO THE
DEADLINE FOR DONATIONS IS
Wednesday, November 23, 2016

THE FOLLOWING:
PORK LOIN
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ATS Branch 33 Annual Sausage Sale

Perfectly Seasoned Homemade Pork Sausage
Our Fraternal Club will be making Homemade Sausage on Saturday, December 3, 2016.
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

Thank you.

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.

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 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
Kendal Kaba
Alyssa Kimball
Christian Kirsch

Mallory Kirsch
Payton Leunis
Fiona McCormick
Margarita Padilla
Savannah Padilla
Allison Peltsch
Madeline Peltsch
Alison Phillips
Jacob Phillips
Justin Preble
Kyle Preble
Alex Spack
Jaycie Westland
Jenni Westland

Thank you.
Saxon News

reservations required

December 31, 2016
Salem Bar Open 8 p.m.-10 p.m.

December 29, 2016
December 25, 2016
Salem Bar Open 8 p.m. - 10 p.m.

December 22, 2016
Salem 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
Cleveland West Br. 33 Christmas Dinner at Sterle’s
Branch 30 meets also 2 PM

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.

I hope 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 11:00 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 are 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 Saxton 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. Frater nal and Social members have first chance, then the public.

The Youngstown Saxton Culture Group honors Peter Karst in its 47th Annual Trachtenball held Saturday, November 5th 2016
The Youngstown Saxton Culture Group held its 47th Annual Trachtenball recently at the Youngstown Saxton Club. The highlight of the festivities was honoring Peter Karst for his many years of service to the Youngstown Saxton 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 Karst Fondateur of The Youngstown Saxton 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 Saxton Culture Group

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

Robert Bachinger presenting the Award Plaque to Peter

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 Saxton Club on Flint Hill, it was great. Remember all our veterans and if you get a chance put 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.

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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 Benedic called the meeting to order and minutes and reports were approved as read. Our get well wishes go out to Carol Bog 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 planning 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 night by donating a cake and helping out. The pot is growing at Monday night’s drawing, so don’t forget to call Dolores to make your reservation. We plan on having a jolly good time.

Youngstown Saxon Club

In Our Main Ballroom
Sunday Evenings

DOORS OPEN @ 5PM
BINGO STARTS @ 6:45PM

$10, $15 & $20 Special Packages
Tea Oils

Birthday Specials
Pig Number

We’re wheelchair accessible!

Food Available!
Security
Inside & Outside!

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

New Castle Playhouse Production of The Addams Family

The nights grow cool, the days grow short, Fall is here states the news report. Why I love this changing season.

An original poem by Judith Both 2016

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 Saxons 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 Commemoration

German Day will be 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!

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 castles and fortified churches
- Walks in highlands and Carpathian Mountains
- Swimming in a saltwater lake

The Youth Activities Committee of the Alliance of Transylvania 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 Landesmannschaft 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) 842-844-22 or office@atsaxoma.com for an application form.

Elizabeth and Erica Hauer

We held our October/November meeting on October 17.
Our attendance for this meeting was 14, with Bob excused. Hostesses for this month were Alice Freeders, Savannah McKelly, and Helen Aeling. They prepared a very nice meal for after our meeting.

Hostesses for our next meeting, which will be held on Jan. 17, 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 homeless seniors. Carl was very involved in this organization.

We also received a beautiful hand made card from Chelsee 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 for Sue Hertel 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.

We have a wonderful holiday. We will all meet to celebrate Christmas together on December 11, at 6:30 pm. The place is Grinder’s in Allenwood.

See you all there.

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### 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 for the list of available gifts:

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Deadline for Reservations is November 30, 2016

**SMILING AT 40**

**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 maintain our Saxon heritage for another year.

Branch 4 members can be picked up after 1:00 pm on December 8th. The sausage sale is available from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm. There will be a delicious dinner for only $8.00 which includes sausage/sauerkraut with polenta, salad and rolls. And dessert! So yummy! The Junior Committee is now collecting all orders for this event. Contact Maria Fischler at (216) 741-7520 for sausage orders or Maria Basch at (216) 741-1398 for Community Corners’ Christmas Gift Program.

The Eintracht-Saxonia Sachsenhorner’s Sausage Sale is nearby 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 sausages with or without garlic at $1.30 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 at 1:00 pm). Besides placing your sausage order, you can preorder a sausage/sauerkraut with polenta dinner for only $8.00. There also will be sausage sandwiches available for purchase the day of the sale. Call your orders in 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) 741-7520 or email her at patscunn@yahoo.com before November 30th. 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.

### 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 for the list of available gifts:

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Deadline for Reservations is November 30, 2016

ATS Junior Members: Can or box of non-perishable food
Adults: $5.00
Non-Member Children: $15.00
Plus can or box of non-perishable food for Community Corners Food Bank.

Happy 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, every traveler 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.
Cleveland, Section 1
Eintracht Saxonia Sachsenchor
Rehearsal: Tuesdays 1:30 - 3:00 p.m.

President: Adolf Fischer
4557 Williamson Ave.
Brooklyn, OH 44144
(216) 741-1398

Secretary: Christa Herbert
4703 West Ridgewood Dr.
Parma, OH 44134
440-889-0934

New Castle, Section 6
Eintracht Männchor
Rehearsal: Every Tuesday at 8 pm.

President: Daniel E. Reiber
115 Reiber Lane
New Castle PA 16105
(724) 924-2203

Secretary: Gerald Holzhauser
4034 Quentin Dr.
Eastlake, OH 44095
440-935-5866

== ERIE SIEBENBUERGER SINGERS ==
Meet Monday at Siebenbürger Club

President: Tim Clint
5805 West Road
McKean, PA 16426
(814) 572-6539
Email: tjclint@verizon.net

Secretary: Roland Mueller
3918 Lancaster Rd
Erie, PA 16506
(814) 920-2113
muelleram@yahoo.com

== CLEVELAND, SECTION 1 ==
Eintracht Saxonia Sachsenchor
Rehearsal: Fridays 7:30 pm
Westside Sachsenschule

President: Amanda Donnellan
18920 Laurel Circle
Strongsville OH 44136
(216) 235-5240
sclerbotsh@yahoo.com

Secretary: Monica Gilles
2502 Beavercrest Dr Apt 107
Lorain, OH 44053
(440) 309-7984
monica.gilles@gmail.com

Youngstown Saxony Retirees
Meet 2nd Tuesday of each month

President: Kay Ring
1043 Villa Pl
Girard, OH 44420
(234) 421-5116

Secretary: Mary Teresa Laret
3304 Quinnin Dr.
Youngstown, OH 44511
(330) 798-2789

Saxons Through Seventeenth Centuries, author Rev. John Foisel
A paperback which provides a romantic account of the customs and phases of intellectual development of the Transylvanian people. Not intended to be a history of Transylvania, rather a story of our people based upon seventeenth centuries of history. $15 per copy (postpaid)

DVD - "Leaving Transylvania" producer/director Dieter Auner
A documentary on an elderly Saxony couple from Arbeggen that had chosen to stay in Transylvania during the massive exodus of Saxons in the 1990's and now after a decade of loneliness and disorientation is faced with abandoning their home and emigrating to Germany to be with family. $20 per copy (postpaid)

Note: All books have English Text. Proceeds from book sales go to the Saxony Orphan Fund Program.

Order From:
The Alliance of Transylvanian Saxons
5393 Pearl Road, Cleveland, Ohio 44129
Make Checks/Money Orders payable to ATS ORPHAN FUND
ATS Member, please indicate Branch number.

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You Can Reap a Harvest of Fraternal Benefits with the ATS!

Membership in our Fraternal Society entitles you to an exclusive and valuable combination of financial values, social activities and fraternal fellowship.

ATS life Insurance plans provide you and your family guaranteed protection at low premium rates. ATS annuity savings plans provide you with a safe way to save for retirement. Our plans can fit the individual needs of everyone in your family.

The ATS “plus factors” provide you and your family a lifetime of caring concern through our non-contractual fraternal benefits like scholarships, newborn and orphan benefits, the Volksblatt, etc.

Since 1902, our fraternal society has fostered the traditions of our forefathers through its programs and activities. The fraternal fellowship and cultural promotion provides many varied activities such as singing societies, dance groups, brass bands, traveling bowling association, youth exchange programs, summer camp for children and other youth and family activities.

The ATS welcomes new members to join and share in our cultural and social events as well as benefit from our insurance and annuity plans. Please invite your relatives and friends to join our Fraternal Family and reap the benefits of belonging to an organization that cares about its members.