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BRANCH 37, DETROIT

By Susi Fleischer

I would like to wish everyone a happy and healthy New Year, and hope that you enjoyed your Christmas holiday season with family and friends.

The following officers were elected at our November meeting for 2019:

Susanna Fleischer, President

Ingrid Weihs Ferguson, 1st VP/Financial Secretary.

Debbie Ferguson, 2nd VP, in charge of entertainment and events

Katie Moody, 3rd VP, in charge of providing food & refreshments for monthly meetings

Janet Nelson, Secretary

Susanna Wilburn, Treasurer

Susanna Fleischer, ATS Secretary

Katharina Breckner, Trustee

George Breckner, Trustee

Trudy Kalvin, Trustee

All officers promised to fulfill their positions to the best of their ability with the assistance of every member of Branch 37.

The 2019 Officers were installed at the January 9, 2019 meeting by Past President Sam Klein.

Branch 37 members, friends and families enjoyed the annual Christmas Party which was held December 9, 2018 at St. Peter's Lutheran Church. Even though the attendance was down from previous years, the celebration was enjoyed by everyone.

As President of Branch 37, I would like to thank



Branch 37 Officers for 2019

everyone who made this afternoon possible. Either by preparing food, buying gifts, cleaning up or just helping out wherever it was needed. Katie Moody prepared and served the food. Debbie Ferguson was a great help to Santa, by assisting in purchasing the gifts for the children. Susie Leprich for decorating the tables. Mike Rehner and Rob Schneider for entertaining us with Christmas music. With the dedication of these people, none of these activities would take place. Thank you to all the members who brought cookies, which were enjoyed by all after the delicious meal.

A special thank you to all the officers who dedicate their time in keeping our Branch going throughout the year.

I would like to extend a special invitation to all our young members to come to our monthly meetings and take an active part in our Branch. Our next meeting will be on Sunday, February 3, 2019 at 12:30 p.m. at St. Peter's Lutheran Church.

Please mark your calendar for our 106th Anniversary Dinner/Dance which will take place on Saturday, March 16, 2019 at 7:00 pm at the Carpathia Hall.

Wishes for a happy Birthday and Anniversary to all the members celebrating a special occasion during the months of January and February.

Best wishes until next time.

Attention ATS Branch 2 Members:

Since our January meeting was cancelled due to a winter storm, we will have Election of Officers at our next meeting on Sunday, February 17th at 2:30 P.M. We will have a chicken dinner before our meeting. The meal will be free of charge for ATS members who have paid their 2019 dues of \$6.00. Please phone Val Pinczewski at 898-0494 to make your reservation. We look forward to seeing you there.

TSBA BOWLERS



The next bowling session will be held in New Castle, PA on **Sunday, February 10, 2019** at the Colonial Lanes located at 3210 Wilmington Rd. Bowling will start at 11 am. There will **NOT** be a luncheon following bowling.

Any questions, please call Rich Baker at (724) 854-0149. See you in New Castle!

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Joan Miller-Malue

ATS Nat'l President



Winter finally has arrived! The Polar Vortex put the Midwest in a deep freeze. Our Chicago area fraternal Sisters and Brothers seemed to get the worst of the arctic frost. They reached temperatures that were lower than in Antarctica. I do hope that our membership was able to bear this frigid cold and ice with little or no complications.

Weather had affected the TSBA bowling session in Lorain that was to be held on Sunday, January 20 due to a heavy snowstorm. The session was rescheduled for the following Sunday which luckily, we had nice weather. It was wonderful to enjoy a day with our Saxon bowlers from Alliance, Cleveland East, Cleveland West, Lorain, Salem, New Castle and Youngstown. The next session will be held in New Castle on Sunday, February 10th starting at an earlier time, 10:20 sharp. We will hope that the weather will cooperate that day!

It is that time of year that we remind our members that it is not late to make their 2018 contribution into their ATS IRAs. Deposits must be made by this year's tax filing deadline of April 15th. If you do not have an ATS Traditional or Roth IRA and have earned income, I recommend that you start one now! An IRA is a powerful savings tool. Both the Traditional and Roth IRA allow you to enjoy tax advantages while saving for your future. A simple explanation of how they differ: Traditional IRA grows tax-deferred and the contributions may be tax deductible in the current year but are taxed when withdrawn in retirement. Its main advantage is that it can help reduce your tax bill. Roth IRA is different in that the account is funded with after-tax contributions but are not taxed when withdrawn in retirement. Its advantage is that it provides a hedge against future tax rates because it provides for tax exempt withdrawal and there are no minimum distribution requirements at age 70 1/2 which is required with a Traditional. Call your Local Branch Deputy or the ATS Home Office for more details. We encourage our young working members to start saving early. Regardless of your age, it is important to get into the habit of saving as much as possible, as early as possible. Expenses go up as you age, get married, have kids and buy a home. If you save for retirement more aggressively in your 20s and early 30s (when you don't have those obligations), you will maximize savings and earn interest on top of interest. The snowball and compounding effect will ensure substantial savings for your future retirement. By setting up automatic contributions with ATS Autopay it will help you build your savings for retirement painlessly. You are never too young to start saving for retirement!

Love, Cupid, hearts, chocolates, cards and flowers are on display everywhere for Valentine's Day! On February 14, Americans celebrate love

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**TIMELY - DO NOT DELAY
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Schloss Horneck needs OUR help!



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

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

Please make your check payable to the ATS.

DONATION FOR SCHLOSS HORNECK

Name _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____
Zipcode _____

Amount Donated \$ _____

Please indicate if donation is in memory
or honor of someone

NEWS

HIGHER ANNUAL INTEREST YIELD
EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 1, 2018
3.00%
On Current Annuity and IRAa
issued after 10/1/2012 and after

Healthy Living Tip

If you are giving your loved one some chocolate this Valentine’s Day, make it as healthy as possible. Dark chocolate contains flavonoids, which have been shown to improve heart health.

To get the most benefits out of chocolate, choose treats that have at least 60 percent cocoa. But don’t go overboard—while dark chocolate is better for you, it still has as many calories and grams of fat as the milky variety. It is true that in this case, a little goes a long way.

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THE DEADLINE DATE FOR ARTICLES
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You may either

MAIL: PO BOX 45198,
Westlake, OH 44145
FAX: (440) 399-9339
E-MAIL: saxonvolksblatt@aol.com

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

DEADLINE DATES FOR ARTICLES:

DEADLINE	ISSUE
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2019	FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2019
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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.

PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE
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Church Fortress of Leschkirch

and friendship. The romance we associate with Valentine’s Day may spring from the medieval belief that birds select their mates on February 14th. During the Middle Ages, human lovebirds recited verse or prose to one another in honor of the day. “Shall I compare thee to a summer’s day?” wrote William Shakespeare. And poet Elizabeth Barrett Browning wrote: How do I love thee; let me count the ways.” I send my love and special wishes to our Fraternal Membership for a Happy Valentine’s Day.

Transylvanian Saxon Trivia: Leschkirch was another of Transylvania’s eleven district chairs in the 17th century which was founded in 1150. The fortified church that was constructed in the 15th century around an older church that was enforced by five defense towers and an outer wall. At the end of the 18th century there were a total of seven towers that had been constructed but only existed for a short time when parts were demolished for the construction of several administrative buildings. Leschkirch

was the birthplace of Baron Samuel von Brukenthal, the only Transylvanian Saxon who ever held the position of Governor of the Great Principality of Transylvania. Near the village of Leschkirch there used to be a village Angerden that was destroyed during a war. There was a legend that people used to hear the sound of a bell ringing where the village had stood. Once a man led his pigs to root in the area of where the town was stood. The sow found the old bell of Angerden where she built a nest and had her piglets in it. The bell was eventually taken to Alzen, where it was known as the Johannisglocke.

Ich wünsche allen einen schönen Tag.

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ALLIANCE OF TRANSYLVANIAN SAXONS SCHOLARSHIP GRANTS – 2019

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
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\$1,000	Dr. David E. Schuller Appreciation Scholarship in honor of his parents Elsie and Daniel S. Schuller
\$1000	John Boehm 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 1st. 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 1st.**

REQUEST FOR ATS HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR SCHOLARSHIP

Name

Address

City, State, Zip Code
Tele: _____
E-Mail: _____
Br. No. _____ Cert. No. _____

Request must be received by March 1st

MAIL SCHOLARSHIP REQUEST FORM TO:
ATS Home Office
5393 Pearl Road
Cleveland, Ohio 44129-1597
Request Forms must be received by
March 1, 2019

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

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
\$1,000	Lorain Saxon Ladies Branch 11 Scholarship
\$1,000	Award in memory of Edward Gottschling
\$ 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 1, 2019.

Completed official ATS Applications for scholarship grants must be received at the ATS Home Office before April 1st. Undergraduate Continuing Academic Scholarship winners will be chosen in a random drawing conducted by the ATS Scholarship Committee

REQUEST FOR ATS UNDERGRADUATE CONTINUING EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP

Name

Address

City, State, Zip Code
Tele: _____
E-Mail: _____
Br. No. _____ Cert. No. _____

Request must be received by March 1st

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

Request Forms must be received by March 1, 2019
Please Note: Only official ATS Scholarship Application Forms will be accepted for consideration

**** Scholarship winners will be announced at the ATS Branch Presidents' Meeting on May 4, 2019 and winners will be notified by mail. ****

BRANCH 33, CLEVELAND EAST
By Arline Krestel-Suts

Just a few notes about Cleveland East Branch 33.

Coinciding with the ATS Junior Bowl Where You Are event we scheduled a Bowling party on Saturday, February 23, from 2:30-5:30 p.m., at Wickliffe Lanes, 30315 Euclid Av. Wickliffe, Ohio 44092. Pizza and refreshments will be provided. For reservations call Ema Litschel at 440-358-1184 by February 18. Adults and junior members are welcome as well as a guest/friend that the children would like to bring. Not much to do on a February weekend so come out bowling!

A reminder that our next meeting is Wednesday, February 13 starting with the "did you know..." at 7 PM.

And a special hello to Bette Schmidt who is in rehab after a fall. We hear she is doing well and by now is probably advising on how they should be running the facility. Keep Bette and Florence and Peg in your prayers, as well as all of our shut ins.

Join us for the Cleveland Saxon Dance Group's

9th Annual
Chili Cook-off Fundraiser

Westside Sachsenheim
7001 Denison Avenue
Cleveland, OH

Saturday March 9, 2019

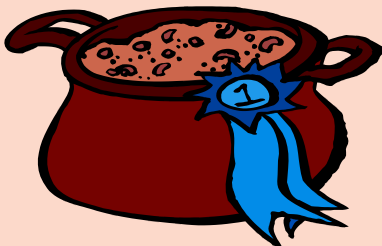
Doors open at 6:00 pm

Chili Tasting begins at 6:30 p.m.

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



FEBRUARY 9, 2019

1:00 PM

Salem Saxon Club Branches 18 and 19

FAMILY BOWLING PARTY

A family bowling party will be held at the Hunt Club Lanes in Salem on Saturday, February 9, 2019 at 1:00pm. All members of Branches 18 and 19 and guests are invited to bowl. The club will provide free shoe rental and 3 games of bowling to all branch 18 and 19 members. Non-member guests are welcome to bowl at their own expense. Juvenile ATS members ages 6 to 17 may participate in the Bowl-Where-You-Are tournament. Don't forget to bring your official ATS tournament score sheet. Please RSVP by calling 330-501-1491 before February 5, 2019.

HUNT CLUB LANES
188 Railroad Street Salem OH 44460

Free Bowling

Free Shoes

Pizza

Soft Drinks

Free for all Adult and Juvenile Branch 18 and 19 Members

Non-Member guests are welcome to join. Bowling and shoes will be at guest expense.

Juvenile members age 6 – 17 bring your ATS Bowl-Where-You-Are scoresheet

RSVP by February 5, 2019

Barbara Spack
330-501-1491



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

FRATERNAL CALENDAR

NATIONAL EVENTS

February and March, 2019
Bowl Where You Are Tournament for Junior Members
February 23, 2019
Tiger Tracks at Cleveland Metro Parks Zoo
May 4, 2019
Branch Presidents' Meeting
Host New Castle
June 23-28, 2019
Saxon Summer Camp
July 12-14, 2019
North American Saxon Heimattag
Host Aylmer German-Canadian Club, Aylmer ONT
July 19 - 21, 2019
Teen Weekend
July 27, 2019
Family Day at Waldameer Park, Erie PA
October 19-20, 2019
ATS Open Bowling Tournament
Host Cleveland West

LOCAL EVENTS

February 9, 2019
Salem Branches 18 and 19 Family Bowling Party
Hunt Club Lanes
February 10, 2019
New Castle TSBA Bowling at Colonial Lanes
February 16, 2019
Youngstown Saxon Club Comedy Nite
February 17, 2019
Cleveland West Br. 4 Chinese Auction/Sausage Dinner
Youngstown Pork and Kraut Dinner
March 3, 2019
Youngstown TSBA Bowling at Holday Bowl
March 5, 2019
Cleveland Sachsenheim Fat Tuesday Mardis Gras Buffet
March 9, 2019
Cleveland Saxon Dance Group Chili Cook-Off
March 16, 2019
Detroit Br. 37 106th Anniversary Dinner Dance
Carpathia Hall
March 24, 2019
Youngstown Pork and Kraut Dinner
March 30, 2019
Youngstown Br. 22/30 Goulasch Dinner
April 5, 2019
Cleveland West Br. 1 250 Club Banquet
April 6-7, 2019
Cleveland West TSBA Tournament
April 13, 2019
Cleveland West, East and Lorain Children's Easter Party
April 27, 2019
Cleveland ES Sachsenchor Spring Concert
May 5, 2019
Cleveland East Br. 33 Membership Banquet
Noel Banquet Center
May 11, 2019
Chicago Br. 9 Stiftungsfest/Trachtenfest
Schwabens Center Buffalo Grove IL
May 4, 2019
Cleveland Saxon Dance Group Trachtenball
June 15, 2019
Cleveland Sachsenheim Beer and Sausage Fest
June 23, 2019
Chicago Br.9 Picnic Lynne Woods Morton Grove

YOUNGSTOWN SAXON CLUB
PORK-KRAUT DINNER
FEBRUARY 17, 2019

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!



Hearts

I would rather have eyes that cannot see; ears that cannot hear; lips that cannot speak, than a heart that cannot love.
- Robert Tizon

The heart has its reasons, which reason does not know.
- Blaise Pascal

There are many things in life that will catch your eye, but only a few will catch your heart... pursue those.
- Michael Nolan

Educating the mind without educating the heart is no education at all.
- Aristotle

Be the master of your fate, be the captain of your soul, but do not hesitate, should the chance befall you, to be the slave of your heart
- Robert Brault

BRANCH 10, COLUMBUS
By Donald Blum

Unfortunately, due to severe weather conditions our January meeting was cancelled. We are looking forward to not only having good weather on February 18th, but celebrating President's Day and our February, Branch 10 meeting.

We will have already celebrated Groundhog Day, February 2, by the time the next Volksblatt paper is circulated. The Delaware Indians believed the groundhog to be a sacred ancestor. They believed their forebears began life as animals and emerged centuries later to hunt and live as men. The name of Punxsutawney Phil originates from the Delaware Indian name which translated means town of sand flies or mosquitos. Not very inviting, but after the movie Ground Hog Day in 1993, the town attracts 30,000 visitors for the event.

The origination of Ground Hog Day is traced back to Europe and more specifically to the German tradition of Candlemas Day. Farmer's traditions were that if it was bright and sunny they would

hold off hiring laborers for 6 weeks because it meant they would have winter and snow for another 6 weeks. If it was dark and cloudy, it meant that warmth and rain would thaw out the fields early and be ready for planting.

German tradition used the Badger as a predictor of the weather. When German settlers immigrated to Pennsylvania they could not find Badgers, so they adopted the Ground Hog to fit the tradition and lore.

How accurate is the Ground Hog day prediction? National weather service reports that gauging weather on seeing or not seeing a shadow has only been right about 39 percent of the time. Based on this, I would not pack your snow shovel or winter coats away regardless of the shadow or no shadow.

Valentine's Day is coming up February 14th. My prediction is 100% for sure, if you don't do something special for your Special Valentine Person, you will experience another cold, cold 6 weeks of winter.

INVITE

your relatives and friends to
join the crowd at ATS.



ATS BRANCH 4 - 2019 FUND RAISER
28th ANNUAL CHINESE AUCTION/
SAUSAGE DINNER

Sunday, February 17, 2019
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 17, 2019
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

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 WILL BE CLOSED
DURING THE MONTHS OF
DECEMBER, JANUARY,
AND FEBRUARY
PLEASE CHECK
THE BRANCH CALENDAR
FOR RE-OPENING DATE

Q: What does a Valentine envelope say when you lick it?

A: Nothing. It just shuts up!

Q: What did the Valentine envelope say to the stamp?

A: Stick with me and we'll go places!

Q: How do two Valentines talk?

A: Heart to heart!

Q: What happened when two dogs met on Valentine's Day?

A: Puppy love!

Q: What do snowmen do on Valentine's Day?

A: They throw a big Snow Ball!

BRANCH 5, LORAIN

By Michael Johnson

Ordinarily I would write this article after our monthly meeting which **used** to be the first Saturday of the month. However we have changed the day we meet to the **3rd Monday of each month**. With our first meeting having been canceled due to frigid temperatures from our first real snow of the season, I did not feel the need to write. But just to reiterate the change I wanted to bring it again to your attention reminding you to come out to our next meeting on **Monday, February 18, 2019, 7 PM** at our same location as before. The American Slovak Club, 2915 Broadway Ave., Lorain, Ohio 44055.

I'm trusting that everyone who requested a Branch 5 Directory by filling out the member information form and sending it back to me has received theirs by now. Keep in mind that the names in this directory are not of our entire membership and only those members who gave their permission to have their names and contact information published are listed, while honoring the remaining members wishes to keep their contact information private. Please contact the ATS home office with your change of address and most current contact information when you

move. This helps us to stay in touch with periodic mailings and information about Branch 5.

At this time I'm unaware of anyone who is ill or has applied for sick benefits. As I've written in the past, your dues pay for this benefit. If you are ill or injured and are under a doctor's care, contact Sister Jane Mowery at 440-246-3004 as soon as those events happen to get you started receiving those benefits.

I don't want to forget to announce the birthdays in January. Happy Birthday to Sister Carolyn Mroski, Brothers Russell Gilles, Robert Ralph, Tom Ralph, and junior members Abigail Case, Chloe Zgola, and Kylie Weber. Celebrating birthdays in February are Sister Sharon Powell, Brother John Binder and junior members Conner Hochevar, Jenna Peters, Piper Simon and Michael Simon. Happy Birthday! May you all enjoy your special day!

Take time to read through your *Volksblatt* and support the many activities available through our brother and sister ATS branches. Parents, encourage your children to participate as well in the events planned and presented throughout the year. Keep warm!

Why the heart symbol looks like that

Follow your heart. Give your heart. Break a heart. In all these sentiments, one probably imagines that familiar symbol rounded at the shoulders and pointed at the end.

It wasn't always that way.

In the western world, for nearly 1,500 years, the physical heart was considered to be shaped more like a pinecone. That was thanks to second-century Greek physician Galen, who evidently never looked at a real one. Since Galen believed it, so did everyone else, according to Marilyn Yalom, Clayman Institute scholar.

But in the 1300s, the modern shape of the symbolic heart began to take form, preparing the way for real knowledge of the physical heart.

In the Scrovegni Chapel in Padua, the theological virtue of charity is depicted in work dated to 1305 as a woman holding a pear-shaped heart to God.

By 1340, that heart shape



changed. In a French manuscript of that year, the symbolic heart was depicted in the modern form we recognize today.

Perhaps that was a good time for the symbolic heart to detour from the physical one. By the 1500s, Flemish physician Andreas Vesalius and Leonardo da Vinci overcame centuries of taboo against studying the dead human body and were able to describe the actual, physical heart.

Meanwhile, in symbolism, the stylized heart we recognize today became the standard. It has been used ubiquitously in items as diverse as Martin Luther's personal seal in the late 1400s to Milton Glazer's famous 1976 logo: I (Heart) NY.



Rose Marie (Rosie) Badertscher (Parr) †

Rose Marie Badertscher, 76, of Tampa, FL, passed away peacefully on December 21, 2018. She was born in Massillon, Ohio on June 29, 1942. She graduated from Massillon Washington High School in 1960. She was a huge Massillon Tiger fan. Rose Marie married Marcel Badertscher on June 10, 1960. Marcel passed away in April of 2007 and has waited patiently for Rose Marie to rejoin him. Rose Marie was very active in the Eintracht Singing Society in New Castle, PA, the Lakeland Village Community, and her nine grandchildren. Rose Marie was preceded in death by her brother (James), grandson, Brandon, and her husband Marcel. She is survived by her loving children, Mark (Anne), Lisa McCaffrey (Todd), and Kurt (Laura). She is also survived by her nine grandchildren, Jason, Andrea, Michael, Stephan, Brittany, Lauren, Michael (Haley), Sara, and Andrew. Memorial donations may be made to the Badertscher Scholarship Fund at Villa Madonna, 315 W. Columbus Drive, Tampa, FL 33602 or your local Ronald McDonald House.



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.

Doris J. Cavanaugh

Age 90

Died: December 12, 2018
Branch 22, Youngstown OH

Mathilde Untch

Age 98

Died: January 4, 2019
Home Branch, Cleveland OH

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Age 75

Died: January 7, 2019
Branch 2, Erie PA

Pauline Zultner

Age 92

Died: January 8, 2019
Branch 9, Chicago IL

Frances A. Galla

Age 88

Died: January 8, 2019
Branch 22, Youngstown OH

Ruth A. Ungar

Age 96

Died: January 20, 2019
Branch 33, Cleveland OH

Martin Gubesch

Age 91

Died: January 21, 2019
Branch 14, Canton OH

Robert W. Reeder

Age 82

Died: January 26, 2018
Branch 30, Youngstown OH



Contenders for top Valentines treats

If you love candy for Valentine's Day-- and who doesn't? -- then here are some super sweet facts about the treat.

In the U.S., lovers spend \$448 million on candy, buying 58 million pounds of chocolate.

Conversation hearts are by far the most popular candy for Valentine's Day. And they have changed with the times. It's not just messages like Be True or Love You. These days you are bound to find messages like Tweet Me or Text Me, along with the more challenging Dare You.

Hershey's Kisses are also in the running for the most popular Valentine candy. Hershey makes 60 million

of these tidbits every single day. But for Valentine's Day, the company pumps out 750 million, according to Time Magazine.

By the way, Hershey's produces enough Reese's Peanut Butter Cups in one year to feed one to every person in the U.S., Japan, Europe, Australia, China, Africa, and India.

Always in the running for the most popular Valentine gift are the ubiquitous heart-shaped boxes of chocolates. In the U.S., buyers snag 40 million heart-shaped boxes every Valentine's Day. Carmels are the most popular. Ghirardelli gift boxes also make the cut in the top two favorites across the country.

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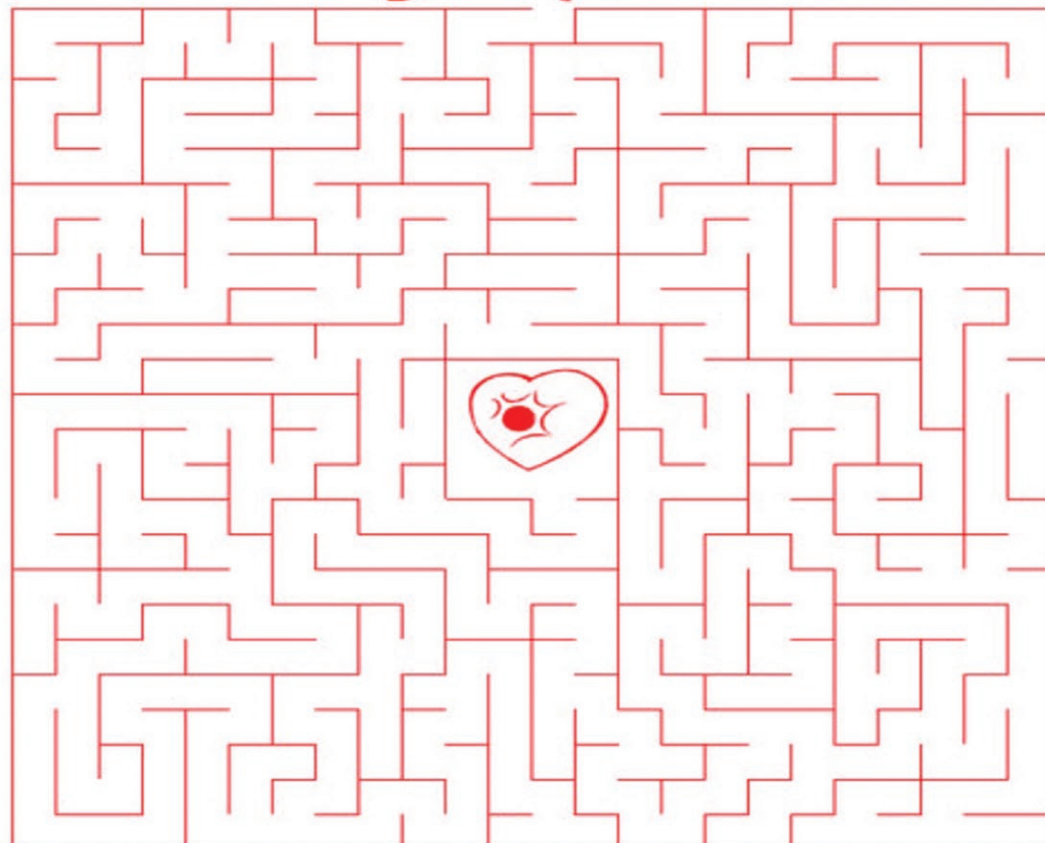
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Farrell, PA Br. 7

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Alliance, OH Br. 8

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ATS SEC'Y. P. Michael Roth
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Canton, OH Br. 14
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Location varies
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15354 Georgetown St NE
Minerva OH 44657
(330) 862-2563 HH658@aol.com
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Address as shown above

Canton, OH Br. 17

Mtg. 2nd Sunday Location varies
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Salem, OH Br. 18

Mtg. 2nd Mon. 7:00 p.m.
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Salem, OH Br. 19

Mtg. 1st Mon. 7:30 p.m.
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Youngstown, OH Br. 22

Mtg. 2nd Sun. 2:00 p.m.
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New Castle, PA Br. 25

Mtg. 2nd Thursday 8:00 p.m.
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PRES. Detlif Seeger
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New Castle, PA Br. 25 (cont'd)

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New Castle, PA Br. 27

Mtg. 1st Thurs. 7:00 p.m.
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Tizakg@yahoo.com

Monaca, PA Br. 29

Mtg. 2nd Sunday 6 p.m.
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Youngstown, OH Br. 30

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Youngstown, OH Br. 30 (cont'd)

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Ellwood City, PA Br. 32

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Cleveland, OH Br. 33

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(440) 285-9498 asuts@windstream.net
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Detroit, MI Br. 37

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Ellwood City, PA Br. 45

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