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BRANCH 5, LORAIN By Michael Johnson

The weather wasn't going to stop us this time. Many of our regular attending members came out for our first meeting of the year which was and will continue to be held on the **third** Monday of each month at 7:00 PM. A reminder to **officers**, next meeting on March 18, 2019, we will be having an audit of the books prior to our regular monthly meeting at 6:00 PM.

Currently we have two members on the sick benefit list. Sister Carolyn Mrosky is recovering from knee replacement surgery and Sister Betty Ralph had a hand injury requiring a short stay in the hospital. Your dues support The Transylvanian Saxon Sick Benefit Society of Lorain Ohio; Branch #5 of the Alliance of Transylvanian Saxons. This benefit helps assist financially, the member with an injury or illness requiring a doctors care. It is

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imperative that you contact Sister Jane Mowery at 440-246-3004 as soon as you are able to get this benefit started when this need arises.

For all of our junior members, Branch 5 will be hosting a 'Bowl Where You Are', party on Saturday, March 23rd, 2019 at Rebman Recreation Inc, 5300 Oberlin Ave., Lorain, Ohio starting at 2:00 PM. Call Sister Monica Gilles at 440-309-7894 by March 17 to reserve your spot to enjoy a complimentary, expenses paid afternoon of pizza, pop, 3 games of bowling and a whole lot of fun!

There are many birthdays celebrating in the month of March. Sisters June Nau and Betty Ralph, Brother George Drop and Junior members Andrew Brown, Braeden Gilles, Kaitlyn Smith, Kaitlyn Weber, Kiya Windham, Rhys Berlin, and Reese Bond. Happy Birthday everyone and enjoy your special day!

It was reported by Sister Jeanne Petty that during our Christmas dinner get together, a total of 86 pounds of food were collected and donated to the Second Harvest Food Bank. That translates into 72 meals for those in need of this service. Branch 5 exists not only for our own members, but also for the community in which we live. If any member knows of a community project or opportunity that we as an organization can donate some time to make our presence known, contact me, Michael Johnson 440-324-2534 or e-mail mikjo79@gmail.com. Your comments, ideas and interests help to make this article a conduit to reach all of our members and to keep us united. Read your Volksblatt, stay warm and remember, spring is just around the corner!

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Joan Miller-Malue
ATS Nat'l President



It is important to our fraternal organization that we promote youth activities at our national as well in each of our Local Branches. Our Junior Members are our future and we want them to feel that we care about them and provide them activities that they can get to know each other. The ATS Youth Activities Committee's responsibilities are to encourage youth activities in the Local Branches and promote national youth activities for different age groups. The recent event was an overnight stay at the Cleveland Zoo. Our Junior Members who participated in the overnight program "Tracking an Amur Tiger" had a great learning experience and at the same time a fun adventure bedding down in the Wolf Lodge with the entire group. Everyone I spoke with loved the event and are looking forward to going again next year. We thank the adults who helped chaperone.

We are happy to see that several Local Branches are holding bowling parties for their Junior Members in conjunction with the ATS Bowl Where You Are Tournament: Chicago, Cleveland East, Cleveland West, Erie, Lorain, and Salem/Alliance. This event can provide an opportunity for a Local Branch that have fewer junior members to make it a family outing including parents, grandparents, aunts and uncles. This Tournament, also allows for our members that do not live near their Local Branch to participate and submit a signed official scoresheet to the ATS Home Office. Each participant will receive a free t-shirt, have a chance to win an award plaque and will earn scholarship award points that can benefit them when applying in their later years for an ATS scholarship.

Parents, please show your children the issues of the Volksblatt and explain to them they belong to a fraternal benefit society that promotes our Transylvanian Saxon heritage. I have started a Youth Activities page which includes some German lessons and fun puzzles or mazes in hopes that parents will show their children the newspaper and let them look forward to this fun page. It is one way that the children will get acquainted with our fraternal family.

I am glad to report that Salem Branches 18 and 19 have agreed to host the 2020 Saxon Heimattag the weekend of July 10 – 12th. Many of our USA and Canadian Saxon Landsleute have been asking when Salem will host this event again. I am thankful to Branch 18 and 19 for their commitment to take on this task. Of course, they will have the full cooperation and assistance from the ATS Board of Directors and Home Office Staff. The Salem Club provides a beautiful venue for our Saxon Heimattag celebration. The 2019 Saxon Heimattag will be held in Aylmer, Ontario, Canada on July 12 -14.

This year the ATS Board of Directors will hold the Branch Presidents' Meeting in New Castle hosted by the Eintracht Singing Society Branch

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Schloss Horneck needs OUR help!



Schloss Horneck located in Gundelsheim, Germany is the international location for our Siebenbürger Sachsens 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.

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Healthy Living Tip

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issued after 10/1/2012 and after

Everyone gets hit with a craving for sweets every now and again. In fact, some people find that their sweet tooth gets going every day. If you are trying to lose weight, this can end up being your downfall. But to combat this, you don't have to give up all sweets. Simply opt for fruit instead of candy or cake every time you have a sweets craving. If you foster this habit, soon it will be easy to manage this type of craving.

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25 on Saturday, May 4. That evening the Eintracht Singing Society will be celebrating their 125th Anniversary. They have a lovely evening planned and I hope that many of our ATS members will join them for this milestone anniversary. Further information will be printed in the future issues of the **Volksblatt and information** will be sent to the ATS Branch Presidents. It is so exciting that we can be part of an organization that has been in existence for **125 years!**

Transylvanian Saxon Trivia: Urwegen has one of the last preserved noble castles in Transylvania. Count Daniel had built it in the 13th century seeking protection against the frequent Turk attacks. The castle was surrounded with a massive wall. After the Count's family fled, the Saxon villagers took over the structure. During an attack in 1658 the entire



Urwegen
Luftbildaufnahme: Georg Gerster
Quelle: Siebenbürgen-Institut Archiv

village was destroyed but the castle stood strong and the Saxons rebuilt the village. The only access to the castle is through a tunnel under the gate tower. In the castle there exist one of the last preserved Transylvanian bacon chambers which still serves it purpose today. The tower also preserves a collection of historical objects illustrating local life and traditions of the village. The former residential tower which was enlarged in the 19th century, offers a sweeping view of the village and surrounding areas. Urwegen is approximately 25 miles west of Hermannstadt.

Ich wünsche allen einen schönen Tag.

Trautes Beim, Glück allein

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THE DEADLINE DATE FOR ARTICLES IS WEDNESDAY - 12 NOON.

You may either

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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:

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WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13, 2019 WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27, 2019 WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10, 2019 FRIDAY, MARCH 22, 2019 FRIDAY, APRIL 5, 2019 FRIDAY, APRIL 19, 2019

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.

BRANCH 33, CLEVELAND EAST By Arline Krestel-Suts

I will start this article with some Branch 33 info from February meeting. The meeting was started with members sharing trivia and storytelling.... well I was late for the meeting so unfortunately I did not get to hear what members shared. But one thing I was told, Fred Krestel shared how the Saxons butchered a hog pre-WW2, with I think the intent to appreciate how we now get our pork for the sausage Branch 33 makes. Readers can insert here whatever Emoji they deem appropriate. Oh and we did hear from Linda Nagy our member in Georgia. She sent an email noting she reads the Volksblatt and wanted to share that her family is keeping tradition alive by baking Saxon breads regularly using her mother's recipe, Josephine Schneider. That is so great to hear!

Because of the cold February weather, attendance was only 29 at the meeting and we missed many of our regulars. We always think of Peg Maurer, Florence Davidson, Marie Spann, Elva Kiefer, and all of our shut-ins. Notably we missed Bette Schmidt, who is in rehab after a fall and surgery. Sister Bette does such a good job trying to keep track of the members who cannot attend meetings and her report on those sisters and brothers was missed. Unfortunately we also lost some members and friends of Branch 33. Wayne Remner, and longtime member Ruth Ungar passed away. We also heard that Marie Spann's daughter Barbara passed away. Branch 33 sends sincere sympathies to their families.

Thetrustees audited Branch 33's financial books for 2018 and I'm happy to report we are well in "the black" and all is in order. Thank you for Jeff Krestel, he does a phenomenal job on the financial records.

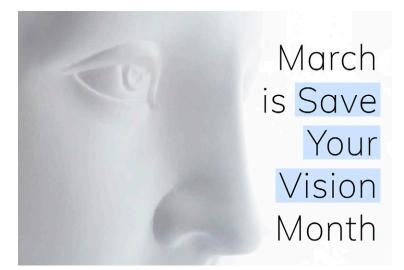
ATS bowling has just a cou-

ple sessions to go; Branch 33 has three teams and the bowlers are doing very well this year. We hope our newest bowler Dave Schneider is having fun.

As for the future, Cleveland East we will be hosting the 2020 national ATS convention. The convention committee has been working diligently to find a venue and it looks like it will be held at the Marriott Inn in Beachwood. Barb Hum is working on a date for a Lake county Captains game. May 5 is our spring membership dinner to be held at Saint Noel Banquet Center in Willoughby Hills, Doors open at 1 PM dinner at 2 PM. The dinner is free for members, nonmembers \$28. Cindy Schneider is taking the reservations: (216) 410-8851.

Our next meeting is Wednesday, March 13. We start the evening with a soup and chili cook-off. Come share a meal and bring a pot to share if so desire, prize money can be won!

And finally just a few facts about March I'd like to share. The month of March is noted not only for the Spring equinox, and start of daylight savings time. March 14 is Pi day, so bake your favorite pie! We all know March 17 is St. Patrick's Day when the beer turns green. March is also National Nutrition month, Women's history month, Cerebral Palsy awareness month, Music in our Schools month, Multiple Sclerosis awareness month, National athletic training month, National kidney month, National celery month (does every vegetable get its own month?), National frozen food month (with celery?), National Social Work month, National Reading awareness month, Youth Art month, National poison prevention, and really many more. But as you're celebrating all of these worthy causes, remember to come to our meeting March 13.



BRANCH 4, CLEVELAND By Joan Miller-Malue

At our February meeting we held our annual Memorial Service for those members who passed away during 2018. Vice President Stephanie Miller read a poem and placed a white carnation on the table as the names were called. The Eintracht-Saxonia Sachsenchor sang several songs directed by Edith Yeager who was substituting for director Andrea Ball. We are thankful to the choir for always being a part of this memorial service.

Special recognition was given to our outgoing officers that decided not to seek re-election: Trustee Maria Botsch and Archivist Erika Botsch. A gift was given to these Sisters for their many years of service to Branch 4

We had several of our junior members attend the Overnight program at the Cleveland Metropark Zoo: Katie Hanek, Lukas and Scarlett Jones, Katelyn and Quinn Pechatsko, Chloe and Dylan Schaef and Lexi Seiler. They all enjoyed the event. I understand the adults that went: Stefanie Jones, Robert Hanek and Trudy Schaef had enjoyed it as much as the kids. They look forward on going next year.

We had another successful Chinese Auction/Sausage Dinner. We want to thank everyone who helped in the organization of this event, the kitchen crew and cleanup crew and of course, to our many members and friends who donated items or a monetary gift to make this fundraiser another successful event. Profits will help to support maintenance expenses at the Club. Thank you so much for your kindness and generosity to help us keep our Saxon home.

I hope you have made plans to attend the Cleveland Saxon Dance Group's Annual Chili Cook-Off on Saturday, March 9th. Doors open at 6 p.m. This is a fundraiser for the Dance Group to help them with their travel and other expenses. The Adult and Children group is vital to keeping our Transylvanian Saxon heritage alive in the USA. You can purchase tickets at the door. Come out to support them, it is a fun evening!

Our next monthly meeting will be held on Monday, March 18th at 7:00 p.m. Hope to see you there.

ATTENTION: Members Cleveland East Branch 33 2019-20 Application for Scholarship/Reimbursement

Scholarship/Reimbursement
College Expenses

Branch 33 members who are newly entering or continuing college (undergraduate studies only) are invited to apply for a Freshman (\$1,000) or Sophomore/Junior/Senior (\$500) scholarship for the 2019-20 academic year. IT IS THE MEMBER'S RESPONSIBILITY to call or write to REQUEST an application.

DEADLINE IS May 31, 2019.

Here are the eligibility requirements, i.e. the RULES.

- 1. At least one parent or guardian or grandparent of the applicant must be a member in good standing of ATS Branch 33 for the past two (2) years.
- Scholarship applicants must be a member in good standing of ATS Branch 33 for the past two
 years, having transferred from Junior/Juvenile status to Active/Adult i.e. local dues paying status.
- 3. Freshman: High School accumulative GPA minimum 2.0
- 4. Upperclassman: College accumulative GPA minimum 2.5

Branch 33 members attending college for undergraduate studies can request an application by mailing in the form below or via e-mail to Karyn Schmidt at mbks26@gmail. com.

Questions call Karyn at (216) 382-7397.

Application Request for Branch 33 College Scholarship/Reimbursement

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DEADLINE IS May 31, 2019:

Mail to: Karyn Schmidt 4979 Anderson Road, Lyndhurst OH 44124

Is debt consolidation wise?

According to Consumer-Credit.com, people thinking about consolidating debts often have one question: Is debt consolidation wise or not?

The answer is maybe. As one might expect, the wisdom of debt consolidation depends on several factors:

- The interest rate on the new loan.
- The consumer's goal in taking out the new loan.
- The consumer's resolve not to take on any more debt.

With a debt consolidation, you move your debt to a new loan serviced by one lender instead of many.

In theory, with a new loan at a lower interest rate, the money saved on interest each month may enable you to pay off your debts faster. Or, if the new loan has a longer term, you may be able to lower your monthly payment. Either way, debt

consolidation might be useful in some situations.

But debt consolidation isn't always effective.

Debt consolidation is useful for people who are disciplined enough to make the payments without taking on new debt. That's the key. If you consolidate, but don't change spending habits, you'll be in deeper debt in a few years.

With debt consolidation, good credit can make a big difference.

Trying to consolidate debt with bad credit is usually not wise. With a bad credit rating, it is unlikely that you can get a loan with low enough interest to make a difference in paying down debt. While having only one monthly payment may be a temporary source of comfort, consolidating debt to a high-interest loan hurts finances rather than improving them.

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

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

Schwaben 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

August 24, 2019

Cleveland West Br. 1 Oktoberfest

September 22, 2019

Cleveland West Brs. 1 and 4 Membership Banquet

October 5, 2019

Cleveland Sachsenheim Clambake

October 19, 2019

Cleveland Saxon Dance Group Truabenfest

October 25, 2019

Cleveland West, East and Lorain Children's Halloween Party

November 3, 2019

Cleveland Sachseheim Fall Schnitzel Fest November 10, 2019

Cleveland West Veterans Day Dinner

Cleveland ES Sachsenchor Sausage Sale

December 7, 2019

YOUNGSTOWN SAXON CLUB PORK-KRAUT DINNER MARCH 24, 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!

EINTRACHT SAXONIA **SACHSENCHOR** By Edith Hebrank

Even though we have not had a harsh winter so far, it was just bad enough on

January 14, 2019, that the branches meetings needed to be canceled. And with that, the choir's only activity of the season, participating in the branches' Memorial Service of our departed sisters and brothers, had to be postponed to the February 18, 2019.

Our director, Andrea Ball, still needed time to recuperate from surgery. That left our singer, Edith Yerger, an excellent substitute. A big Thank You, Edith. With her help, the choir contributed the right note to the Memorial Service with "Du Grosser Gott" and "Ich bete an die Macht der Liebe".

An unfortunate accident occurred the day before the Wurstmarkt on February 1, 2019, i.e. the day we have to cut the meat. Adolf Fischer was directing the meatdelivery truck to the correct door in the back of the Sachsenheim. He slipped, fell and broke his left arm. Adolf, the members of the choir regret it and wish you a quick recovery. However, we all know, this recovery involves much, great pain. We all wait for the day you come back, without pain.

Singers, please note we will start rehearsing March 12, 2019 1:30 PM. And yes, Andrea has mended by then; she will be with us. Remember, we need to practice diligently for our concert April 27, 2019.

This month spring will begin, so let's sing:

Wenn der Fruehling kommt, Von den Bergen schaut.....

Volkslied

Almost everything in life is easier to get into than to get out of.

BRANCH 10, COLUMBUS By Donald Blum

We are now in the month of March. The month of March was named for the Roman god of war. This was the time of the year to resume military activity after being interrupted by the winter. Wow, they really were very proper about war back then.

I am not sure if you have wondered about old habits, superstitions and the like. My grandmother always slept with a heated water bottle under the sheets and comforter in the winter (very sensible and what we did before heating blankets), but always had bars of soap in her bed, all year long. As my mother got older and had a hard time changing the fitted sheets, I would change the sheets and make the bed. Whenever I got to the sheets, inevitably bars of soap would fall on the floor. I never asked my grandmother about this because I was younger and just assumed she was always right (which was normally true). Idid ask my mom. She said she would get cramps and the soap would help to relieve the cramps and help her sleep. Well, I was older now, and you know how kids at some point always think they know more than their parents.

So I looked in several sources like Wikipedia and articles by Dr. Oz. None of which I would say are great sources of medical information, just as a basis for explaining where the soap idea began and if it was real. Many people posting to online health forums swear by this home remedy, claiming that unwrapped soap bars cured them of their nightly leg cramps. The soapy cure has gained such a following that it was even brought up on the daytime talk show, "The Doctors," where Dr. Jim Sears conducted a Twitter poll and 42 percent of his responders said they've successfully used soap to However, there is no scientific research that supports himself found when he re-

viewed the scientific literature. Similar anecdotal evidence exists for preventing restless leg syndrome (RLS) with soap, but on a smaller scale. On another popular medical talk show, "The Dr. Oz Show," Dr. Mehmet Oz recommended placing a bar of lavender soap beneath the bed sheets to alleviate RLS, hypothesizing that the smell of lavender is relaxing in itself and may be beneficial for the condition. However, there are no peer-reviewed studies that suggest lavender or lavender soap — can successfully treat RLS. So if you're suffering from nightly leg cramps or RLS, perhaps you should try placing a bar of soap under your sheets near your feet. Even though science has yet to show that these treatments work, what have you got to lose? Just don't try Dove or Dial — those soaps don't work, according to many online testimonies. Why? Your guess is as good as any. What they have stated is there is no harm to putting bars of soap in your bed at night. In fact, for some people that might be the closest their feet may get to soap and if nothing else they may smell better (just joking, I know all good Saxons wash their feet).

If you have restless leg syndrome and/or cramps that are causing you painful nights you probably want to contact your family doctor. Also, drinking the correct amount of fluids could help relieve some of these symptoms. Again, consult your doctor if you are concerned

My advice if you use the soap in your bed and you feel better, go ahead and continue doing it.

St. Patrick's Day comes up on March 17th. And while it may not be in our heritage to celebrate St. Patrick's Day, I am not one to pass up an opportunity to congregate with my Irish friends and drink relieve nighttime leg cramps. a few beers to help them celebrate.

We look forward to getting this treatment, as Dr. Sears together for our monthly meeting on March 18th.





St. Peter's **German and Saxon Lutheran Church**

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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



Luck abounds if you do find a four-leaf clover

Like the discovery of a heads-up penny or the act of tossing spilled salt over your left shoulder, finding a four-leaf clover is considered good luck to those of us with a superstitious bent. But while your chances of stumbling upon the penny are 50-50 and you can toss that salt any old time, what are the odds of finding the four-leaf clover?

About 1 in 10,000.

Dr. John Frett, professor of Landscape Horticulture and Director of the University of Delaware Botanic Gardens, was quoted on marthastewart.com as saying the 1 in 10,000 chance is for a typical group of plants that represents the statistical norm for the population. On the other hand, in 2014, a woman in Sydney, Australia, happened upon 21 of the lucky clovers in her front yard. So there's that.

One website devoted to clovers warns against buying imposters. The real deal, according to clovers. com, comes from the White Clover plant, or the trifolium repens. The site even includes diagrams to educate the public on genuine versus fake four-leaf clovers.

BRANCH 9, CHICAGO By Rose-Marie Hauer

Hopefully winter will soon be winding down and the cold weather and snow will soon be gone. Our meeting was held on February 4, with fair attendance. The membership welcomed Victoria Mronga who was visiting from South Korea and Steve McCrea. Sister Hilde Mueller thanked the membership for all their kind words and cards on the loss of their daughter in law Nina and her mother Pauline Zultner.

Sister Claudia Schmidt reported that the following members are on the Sick List; Sister Rosemarie Morgan, Brother Rick Opperman, Brother Fritz Roth and Brother Daniel Schuller. God's blessing is with all of you.

Happy 60th Anniversary

Friedrich and Katharina Roth (Ordosch) celebrated their 60th wedding Anniversary on February 12, 2019 with their close family and friends. Fritz came from a town called Kerz am Alt and Kathi from Rode in Siebenbuergen, Romania.. They met in Tirgu Mures and started out their married life at the young



Fritz & Kathi Roth



age of 19 which was normal back then. For 25 years they worked side by side in a furniture factory. They had two daughters Katharina and Diethild. They immigrated to the U.S. in 1977. Fritz worked as a cabinet maker and Kathi as a cook in a German restaurant called Edelweiss in Chicago. They were and still are involved with the Siebenbuerger Sachsen club in Chicago. They have 4 grandchildren: Thomas and Elisabeth Linz and Markus and Karina Thut which are their pride and joy. Since retirement they enjoy the winters in Florida and summers in Chicago. We wish them continued health and happiness surrounded by their

family and friends.

Upcoming Events:

March 3 from 1-4pm "Bowl Where You Are" info has been mailed out. If you need information call Liz Hauer 847-685-9821.

May 11-Siebenbürgen Sachsen Stiftungsfest & Trachtenball-info to follow

June 23- Picnic-Lynn Woods-Morton Grove, IL

Members please bring raffle prizes and baskets to the meeting or drop them off at Rose Hauer's house. Have a good month and see you at the next meeting on March 4.



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.

Virginia J. Fahringer

Age 92

Died: January 21, 2019 Branch 22, Youngstown OH

Raymond Lozinski

Age 92

Died: January 29, 2019 Home Branch, Cleveland OH

Robert E. Kimes

Age 90

Died: February 7, 2019 Branch 30, Youngstown OH

I don't mind going back to daylight saving time. With inflation, the hour will be the only thing I've saved all year. - Victor Borge

BRANCH 18, SALEM By Barbara Spack

Our officers for 2019 were installed at the January meeting by sister Helen Aeling. The officers are: President Marilyn McNutt, 2nd Vice President Terri Spack, Recording Secretary Barbara Spack, Financial Secretary Helen Aeling, Treasurer Sharon Walker, Trustees Mary Ann Roth, Marcia Spack, and Trudy Ehrhart, Sergeant at Arms Kate Lederle, and Birthday Secretary Lois Whitacre.

A donation of canned fruit was made to the Banquet of Salem for the dinner sponsored by Emmanuel Lutheran Church on February 21.

Branch 18 ladies sponsored a family bowling party on February 9 at the Hunt Club Lanes. Seventeen people attended the party and a Valentine's Day theme was celebrated with hearts and valentines. Snacks, soft drinks, pizza, and valentine's cookies were served. The kids were able to write a valentine to their friends and family. The party provided an opportunity for seven our juvenile members of branches 18 and 19 to bowl in the ATS Bowl Where You Are tournament. They were Alexander Spack, Christian Martig, Isabel Martig, Maggie Martig, Catie Best, Emely Best and Madisyn Best. We also had six adult bowlers. The non-bowlers helped fill out the official ATS Bowl Where You Are scoresheets and watched the fun.

Upcoming activities include the weekly Friday fish fry dinners beginning on March 8 through April 12. The Friday dinners will be carry out only this year and will include choice of baked fish, fried fish or breaded pork chops; coleslaw or fruit, scalloped potatoes, green beans, rolls and butter, and cake. The bar will be open for purchases of beverages while waiting for orders. Dinners will be served from 4:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. and cost is \$10.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children. Diane Kuttler will be calling for cakes and if you would like to bake a cake for any or all of the dinners, please call Diane at 330-428-1723.

The ladies would like to extend condolences to the families of Nancy Moore and JoAnn Reichenbach who passed away. Memorial donations were sent to the

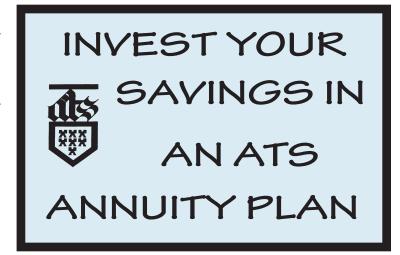


Salem Bowl Where You Are

Salem Saxon Scholarship Fund for Nancy Moore and to the Holy Trinity Lutheran Church in Salem for JoAnn Reichenbach. It is also with great sadness, that we ex-Gavlene Kekel Englert upon p.m. at the club.

the passing of her daughter, Heather Dobbins. May all of those experiencing grief and loss find peace and comfort.

Our next meeting will be press our sympathy to sister Monday, March 11 at 7:00



Youngstown Saxon Culture Group's Spring Sausage Sale

We are now taking orders for hot, mild, and garlic sausage. All flavors come in 3lb and 5lb links or 5lb bulk packages (each with a little overage). The price is \$3.50 per pound

Saturday, March 23, 2019

Pickup is from 9:00 to 2:00 in the pavilion.

You can call in orders to Maria Bachinger 330-792-4005 Walter Benesch 330-398-5449 Robert Bachinger 330-792-5177

Orders will be accepted until March 19, 2019

You can also email your order to



43rd ANNUAL PRESIDENT'S AUTHENTIC GOULASH DINNER



Saturday, March 30, 2019 Dinner at 6:00 p.m.

Adults \$16 per person

For Reservations call Saxon Club Office at 330-792-7973

The Salem Saxon Club CARRY OUT FISH FRYS (Carry out only)

Every Friday beginning March 8 thru April 12 Serving from 4:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m Adults \$10.00 Children \$5.00



Fried Fish, Baked Fish or Breaded Pork Chops Escalloped Potatoes, Green Beans, Coleslaw or Fruit, Homemade Cake,

> Cash bar open (while waiting for orders)

More News from Branch 9 Chicago

Congratulations to Stephanie Schmidt, from Branch 9 who was honored by the University Y.

The UY Non-Profit Management Internship program attracts students across all majors and career paths to create a diverse community of learners and achievers! Stephanie was honored for her authentic positivity and her strong work ethic as she approaches her Community Impact and Development (CI&D) focused service at the UY! Thank you, Stephanie, you are an integral part of our UY community - family! Below are words written by Stephanie Schmidt.

"My name is Stephanie Schmidt, I am a sophomore at The U studying Sports Management with a minor in Spanish. The UY is a great place to build a sense of belonging and connections that makes me feel like I have a place to belong on campus. Being from Illinois I don't have my family here so the UY has kind of taken on that role. The UY is a great place to develop my skills and create long lasting friendships. Recently my team planned

Food Tip

Bagged and prepared salad mixes are very

convenient. If your goal is to increase your con-

sumption of vegetables,

they make it easier to do just that. But it comes at a steep price, as these bagged salads are much more expensive than

purchasing unprepared

lettuce. If you have just five extra minutes a

week, you can prepare your own salad mix.

Just buy several types of

lettuce such as iceberg, romaine, and red leaf.

When you come home

from the store, wash

the lettuce, chop it, and

store it in ziptop bags

lined with a paper tow-

el. You'll have prepared lettuce all week long at

a fraction of the cost.

the UY student retreat! loved planning even though I hadn't had a chance to go to one yet, so this one got to be extra special for both of those reasons. I really relied on my other CI&D family to guide me in the direction of where we want to go and what we want to do since they have had experience with the retreats before. We really wanted to make sure that everyone got an opportunity to bond with the other interns or mentors and make some new connections.

If I could change one thing on the planet, it would be that everyone got an equal opportunity and shot in life. I feel like talent is distributed pretty equally, however opportunities to get to show those skills isn't given to everyone due to the many challenges and barriers placed by society. Whether that be access to education, sports, jobs or health care, I wish that all people were able to have the same kinds of opportunities to have better lives.

Post-graduation I hope that I can change the way sports, specifically major league teams, operate in their communities. Whether I'm working directly with a team or a non-profit focused on giving kids the opportunity to play



Stephanie Schmidt

who otherwise might not be able to, I want all types of kids to be able to find an activity that they love and get them active. Without the communities and fans that a team has, they wouldn't be able to sustain themselves, so by creating ways that new generations can get involved in turn helps the teams as well.

My superhero value is Support Others! I believe how well the superhero is able to support another person not only in their time of need, but on a daily basis is extremely important. Everybody needs a little extra help sometimes and it takes a real superhero to notice that and be there for that person. Being a great cheerleader and supporter makes for a better outlook on your life and helps you strive to be the best you can be."



Runner-up in the Mr. Anchor Lodge contest. He is joined here with his children, some grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Brother Elmer Schneider, Branch 5 - Lorain, was 1st





Bowl Where You Are Tournament

Ages 6 -17

February and March

Saxon Summer Camp

June 23-28 2019

Camp Frederick Rogers, Ohio

New Adventure Grades 1 - 2 (completed)

Discoverers Grades 3 - 4 (completed)

Journeyers Grades 5 - 6 (completed)

Ultimate Challenge Grades 7-9 (completed)

Teen Weekend

July 19-21, 2019

Salem Saxon Club

Ages 13-19

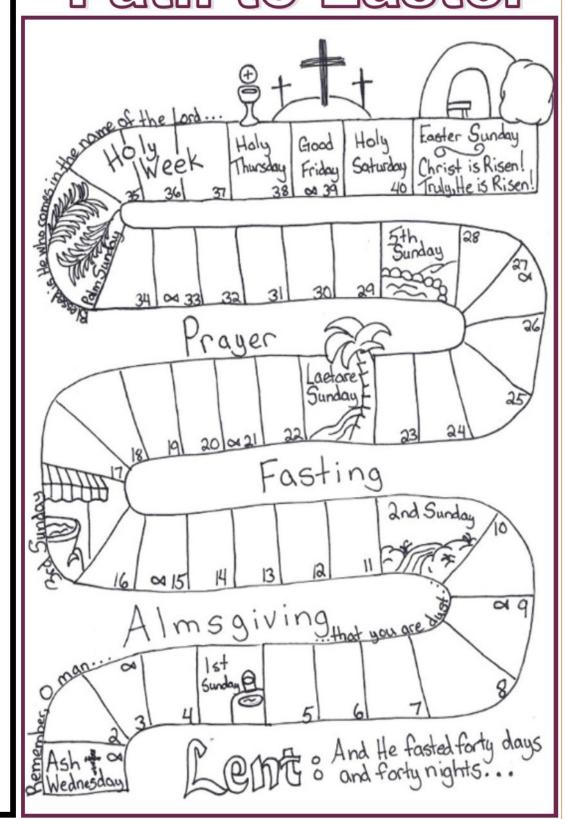
ATS Family Day

July 27, 2019

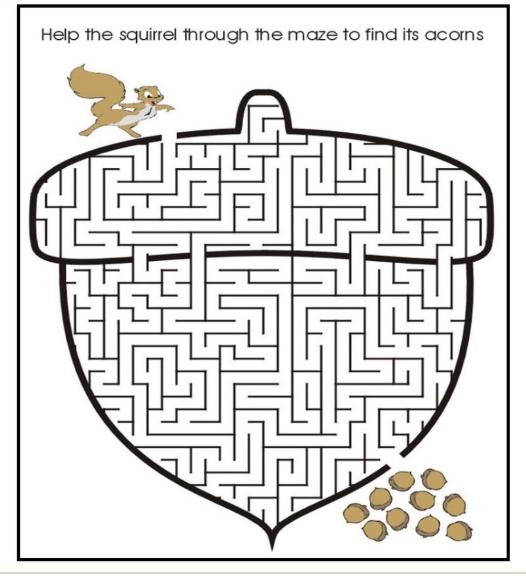
Waldameer Park, Erie PA

Plus Coloring Contests during the Year and Coloring Projects in the Volksblatt

Color the Lenten Path to Easter







The final draft of the Constitution of the merged Branch #30

Dear members of Branch #22 and Branch #30,

Below is a copy of the final draft of the Constitution of the merged Branch #30. This draft was reviewed and accepted with changes at a special meeting of the combined membership after the January meeting. According to the Constitution, we must let all members of the branch review and recommend any changes to the Constitution. It will be published in this publication for the next two issues and if you have any changes and or suggestions, please let your officers know before March 15th, 2019 so that changes can be discussed and voted upon in the April meeting.

Thank you, Robert Bachinger, Merger Committee Chairman

Constitution for the merged Branch #30 **Youngstown Ohio**

ARTICLE I.

The name of this Society shall be SAXON CLUB YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO and BRANCH 30 of The Alliance of Transylvanian Saxons.

ARTICLE II

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

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

ARTICLE III. MEETINGS

At every Regular Meeting, eleven (11) members in Section 1. good standing and the majority of the officers shall constitute a quorum.

The March and August meetings are designated as Section 2. General Meetings in which special reports, etc. are

Section 3. Special meetings may be called by the President or by written request of eleven (11) members in good

Robert's Rules of Order, latest edition, shall govern Section 4. parliamentary procedures of all meetings of this MEMBERSHIP

ARTICLE IV. Section 1

Section 3.

Applicants for Fraternal Membership in this Society must be a National Alliance member, having qualified as follows:

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

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

Ages for juvenile members range from birth

through Age 15.

The Deputy proposing a candidate shall read and give all information concerning the applicant to the membership after having been eviewed by the Board of Directors. If three (3) or more votes are cast against the candidate by the Board, they shall not refer said applicant to the Membership. After a favorable report from the Board, voting shall take place by the Membership. In the event that during the membership vote, three (3) votes are cast against the candidate, no mem-

bership shall be granted. OFFICERS AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS ARTICLE V.

The following constitutes the Officers and Board of Directors: President, First-Vice President, Second Vice-President, Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer, Assistant Treasurer, Financial Secretary, Assistant Financial Secretary, Librarian, ATS Secretary, Sergeant-at-Arms and Six (6) Trustees.

ARTICLE VI. **ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

The election of Officers shall be held each year in the November Meeting of the Society. To qualify for an elected office a candidate must be a member in good standing for at least 1 year.

The term of Office for all Officers shall be for one (1) Section 1.

The election shall be conducted by the President who Section 2.

shall appoint an Election Committee to assist in ing collecting ballots tallying votes A Candidate for President, 1st Vice President and

Section 3. Treasurer must have been an elected officer for at least two (2) years. Each nominee must secure an absolute majority of the Section 4.

votes cast in order to be officially elected. All Officers' terms shall begin on the first day of Section 5. January and end on the last day of December. The President shall be elected for only ONE year term. Section 6. His consecutive one-year term may not exceed FOUR

Section 7. An absent qualified candidate may be nominated for an office provided they have submitted a written request for the office desired to the Branch Recording Secretary or has been nominated by the Elections Committee.

Section 8. The officer's stipend for the ensuing year shall be determined prior to nominations.

Any office becoming vacant shall be filled by a mem-Section 9. ber appointed by the President until the following election. Appointees must have attended at least two (2) meetings during the past twelve months (12).

Section 10. In order to qualify for voting, a member must be present, must be in good standing at least five (5) months, must have attended at least four (4) meetings of the previous twelve (12) monthly meetings.

Anyone who resigns from an office may not be elected Section 11. to an office for a period of one (1) year from the date of resignation. This rule does not apply if the resigna tion was due to the officer being elected or appointed to another office.

ARTICLE VII. DUTIES OF OFFICERS

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

Section 2. The President will:

- Preside at all meetings
 - Enforce order and conduct of the same
 - See to it that the Laws of the Society are strictly
- Explain and bring to a vote all motions made which are not in conflict or contrary to existing Federal, State, or local laws
- Receive all reports and submit same to the meeting Sign all bills and obligations approved by the Trustees for prompt payment
- Appoint all committees
- Initiate new members
- Pronounce all fines prescribed by the Constitution, with the inclusion of the other officers
- Represent the Society at all functions and activities
- Examine all bonds
- Designate the individual responsibility of each Trustee Appoint a five (5) Grievance Committee and a Lodge

Section 3.

- The First Vice- President will:

 Diligently support the President in all official duties
 Fulfill all presidential duties during any temporary
- absence of the President If the Office of President becomes vacant, the 1st Vice
- President shall become President and shall assume the duties and responsibilities of the President until the next

Section 6.

Section 7.

Section 8.

- The Second Vice-President will: Take charge of all cultural and historical activities of
- Coordinate cultural and historical activities with the national committees of the A.T.S.
- Will have the right to attend any and all Trustee meet-
- If the Office of 1st Vice President becomes vacant, the 2nd Vice President shall become the 1st Vice President and shall assume the duties and responsibilities of the 1st Vice President until the next election. The president will then appoint a new 2nd Vice President.

The Recording Secretary will: Section 5.

- · Follow all discussions in the meetings of the Society Keep impartial minutes thereof
- Post in the minutes all bills of the Society
- Turn all bills over to the Treasurer for payment

The Corresponding Secretary will: Attend to all general correspondence of the Society

- Notify all members of Special Meetings in writing, in
- accordance with Article III Sec. 3
- Submit a Bi-weekly Article of news and meetings of the Society in the Volksblatt for publication, as needed The Financial Secretary will:

Take in all Fraternal membership dues of the Society

- Record same at the conclusion of each meeting Deliver all money collected against receipt to the Treasurer

The Assistant Financial Secretary will:

Assume the duties and responsibilities of the Financial Secretary in their absence Assist in the execution of that office

Section 9.

- - Will be responsible for all monies of the society Accept from the Financial Secretary, all monies taken in
 - Pay all financial obligations approved at the meeting and acknowledged by the members Exam the books and submit receipts for all expenditures
 - Deposit all monies of the Society immediately upon receipt in the banks designated by the Society as its depository
 - Submit monthly to the Society an accurate financial report of all monies taken in and all expenses paid out
 - Pay all bills and obligations of society
 - Must sign all checks along with other designee o Designee must not be related in any way.
 - Must sign all withdrawals from the Saving Accounts along with other designee Furnish bond at the Society's

Section 10. The Assistance Treasurer will:

- Assume the duties and responsibilities of the Treasurer in their absence
- Assist in the execution of that office
- Section 11. The Librarian will: Maintain all memberships' names and addresses (Frater
 - nal and Social) · Issue all Key Cards

The Seargent of Arms will: Section 12.

- · Maintain order during Society meetings
- · Present non-member visitors to the President for permission to attend the meeting
- · Present new member candidates for induction into the Society Assist in other duties designated by the President

Section 13. The ATS Secretary will: · Conduct all of the Alliance business in the Society

- · Keep accurate record of same
- · Complete and forward all required reports to Alliance Home Office within five (5) days after the meeting Keep track of new and suspended members of the ATS
- (Including JUVENILE MEMBERS) • Execute all records prescribed by the ATS
- · Render all reports required and requested by same
- Issue a Transfer Card to a member transferring to an
- · Preserve the records, receipts and duplicate copies of reports to the Alliance in the Society Archives for a

period of 7 (seven) years

- · Report the number of delinquent members and the death of a member to the Alliance Home Office
- Be of service to members in regard to Alliance business in the spirit of fraternal helpfulness

Section 14.

- The Trustees will: · Conduct a monthly business inventory
- Examine the property of the society
- See that all property is properly maintained
- Have all necessary repairs completed as soon as possible
- Get authorization from the Board of Directors for any expenditures exceeding three-hundred dollars
- See that the retail business is operated as prescribed by the Board of Directors
- Maintain accurate records
- Ensure accurate accounting made monthly to the Society at each monthly meeting
- The President will appoint a Head Trustee that will act as supervisor of the Trustees

Section 15. Ex-Presidents will:

• Become advisory members of the Board of Directors Section 16.

Alliance Convention Delegates will: • Automatically include the President, Recording Secre-

- tary, the ATS Secretary and the ATS Deputies • Be elected at least two (2) months prior to the Conven
- · Must be a member in good standing at least one year
- prior to their election • Must have attended at least five (5) of the last twelve (12) meetings of Branch 30

Section 17.

· All members of the Society must pay dues to the Branch annually

• All members must pay a initial Key Card fee

- Key cards will remain activated upon the full payment of dues for the current calendar year. If dues are not paid in full by the February regular meeting Key cards will be deactivated.
- A member in good standing of the Society for Forty (40) years shall not be required to pay any dues or assessments
- All members under the age of twenty-five (25) may pay only one-half of the annual fee

ARTICLE VIII. DUTIES AND RIGHTS OF MEMBERSHIP

- · To mutually aid each other To strive for fraternal coop-• To assist in the promotion and advancement of member-
- ship activities in the best interest of the Society and the · Abide and protect the Constitution and By-Laws of the Society and the Alliance Attend Society meetings regularly
- Participate in all deliberations pertaining to the business and activities of the Society
 • Serve on committees Generally enjoy all rights and

privileges of the Society and the national Alliance

- Members must pay their local dues at the beginning of Section 1. each calendar year for the entire year. A member of this Society may retain their membership in Section 2. the Society even though they relocate in a city in which there may or may not be another Society. Our Society
- will accept members who wish to join by transferring from another Society. A Certificate of Transfer form must be filed with the Librarian Section 3. Members are to keep the Librarian informed of any changes
- of contact information Upon written request all Affiliated Organizations are Section 4. required to provide detailed financial reports within 30 (thirty) days. Upon failure to furnish said annual report, said affiliated organization shall be denied its status as an
- affiliate of Branch 30. All standing committees or other committees of the Soci-Section 5. ety, not having previously submitted a written report, shall submit a report of its committee at the March General

Meeting together with a written Financial Report. ARTICLE IX. CHARGES, GRIEVANCES, & RECALL Procedures shall be the same as that set forth by the

Constitution of the A.T.S., Except that the Grievance Committee shall be made up of a committee of Five (5) appointed by the President as per ARTICLE VII, Sec. 2 Section 2. Unless otherwise provided in the Branch Constitution, when a dispute, charge, or grievance arises internally members of the Branch, they shall specify same in writing to the President. The President will in turn forward it to the Grievance Committee. The committee shall act upon

the charges made. Report their findings and recommenda-

tions to the Body at the next regularly scheduled Branch

Meeting. The President shall immediately notify the office of the Section 3. A.T.S of any external dispute, charge, or grievance between Branch 30 and any Branch or member thereof. The President shall in turn receive detailed written copy of the Procedure necessary to resolve the issue in an impartial

The following procedures are mandatory and must be fol-Section 4. lowed prior to any legal action in a public court of law or

A resignation may be requested by the President of any Section 5. officer who fails to perform their duties as prescribed in the Constitution. The President may be recalled by a 2/3 majority of the body after eleven (11) members have submitted a valid reason mailed to the Secretary and re-

viewed by the Board of Grievances. Section 6. Any member who, at a meeting or outside of the Society, is guilty of improper action towards another member (so far as the Society affairs are concerned), or who shows themselves underserving of Society membership, shall be

suspended or expelled. ARTICLE X. AMENDMENTS

All articles and Sections of the Constitution may be changed or amended. All proposed changes and amendments shall be submitted in writing to the Recording Sec retary. Changes shall be signed by five (5) members in good standing, read by the Recording Secretary at a regular meeting and then submitted by the Recording Secretary to be published in at least two (2) consecutive publi cations of the official journal of the ATS prior to the Gen-

eral Meeting. Approval shall be at a meeting designated. ARTICLE XI. MERGER AND/OR DISSOLUTION OF THE SOCIETY As long as eleven (11) members in good standing desire the continuation of the Society, it cannot be disbanded.

Should the society be disbanded, all remaining assets shall be remitted to the national alliance where they will be held in trust for one (1) year. If, during that year, the Society is re-activated the assets will be returned to the

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ARTICLE XII. ORDER OF BUSINESS

- Opening of the meeting.
- The President calls the meeting to order with a strike of the gavel.
- The President asks the Sergeantat-Arms whether or not everyone present is entitled to attend the
- The President will lead in The Lord's Prayer and
- Pledge of Allegiance of the Flag. If a member has passed away since the last meeting, there shall be an acknowledgement with a moment of
- The president strikes the gavel once and members will take their seats.
- · Roll call of officers.
- · Reading of the minutes.
- · Correspondence.
- · Introductions of new candidates.
- · Installation of new members.
- The Sergeant-at-Arms brings the candidate(s) before the member
- Sergeant-at-Arms: "President, may I introduce to you the candidate(s).
- President: "I have the honor to incorporate you as a member of this Society. This is a National Fraternal Benefit Society whose interests are to provide financial security by its insurance and annuity plans and to promote fraternal fellowship and Transylvanian Saxon heritage and culture."
- President: "You promise here with, in the presence o the Officers and Members, that you will acknowledge and uphold the Constitution of the Saxon Society, Youngstown, Ohio, Branch 30 and the National Alliance of Transylvanian Saxons. Further more you promise to respect your fellow members, and to safe-guard and protect the welfare and property of the Society. If you are prepared to keep these promises, then answer by saying yes.
- Handshake: "I welcome you to our Society.
- · Treasurer's report
- · Trustee's report.
- · Financial Secretary's report.
- · Librarian's report.
- · Report of Sick Committee. · Report of Special Committees.
- · Unfinished business.
- · New business.
- · Welfare · Adjourn meeting.
- ARTICLE XIII.
- is adjourned.

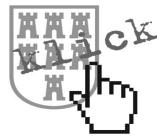
One stroke with the gavel, the meeting

A Business Manager

- · Hired by, dismissed by and report to The Executive Committee
 - · Oversees all facets of the Retail Business
 - of Branch 30 including the Bar, Restau rant and Catering. · Any exception to this may only be made
 - by the Executive Committee · Such exceptions will be explained to the
 - body at a Branch 30 meeting • This Article (XIII) supersedes any item
 - in the Constitution with which it may conflict concerning a Business Manager.
 - The Executive Committee shall consist of: the President, the First Vice-President, the Treasurer and the Head Trustee. The Treasurer shall be a non-voting member of the committee

ARTICLE XIV. ASSESSMENTS

- Any assessment imposed by Branch 30 must have been read and discussed at the August Branch 30 meeting of the previous year and have been approved at the following) Septemt
- An assessment must be approved by a majority of those voting
- · An assessment shall be effective for one (1) year only
- An assessment must begin on Jan. 1s. • The assessment for one (1) year shall not exceed the Regular Branch 30 dues for
- · Honor members are NOT to be charged



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Deutsches Jahrbuch 2019

Bukarest – Das jährlich von der Allgemeinen Deutschen Zeitung für Rumänien herausgegebene Deutsche Jahrbuch 2019 hat das Licht der Welt erblickt! Es leuchtet auch der Stern auf der Titelseite, ein charmantes Decken-Dekorelement aus der Kirchenburg von Zeiden in Blau-Rot-Weiß-Gold. Der Kalender mit Bildern von George Dumitriu bezaubert in diesem Jahr mit siebenbürgisch-sächsischer Möbelmalerei: Kirchengestühl und Emporen, Kanzel und Kanzeldeckel, Nachbarschaftsladen und bemalte Truhen, Deckendekors und Kassetten, ein Krügerl-Wandbord, eine Wohnstube, ein 500-jähriger geschnitzter Altar. Die Schmuckstücke wecken Sehnsucht nach den Kirchenburgen in Zeiden, Deutsch-Weißkirch, Mediasch, Birthälm, Keisd, Meschendorf, Klosdorf, Wurmloch, Honigberg und Bogeschdorf!

Nach den Grußworten des Vorsitzenden des Demokratischen Forums der Deutschen in Rumänien (DFDR), Dr. Paul Jürgen Porr, und dem deutschen Botschafter in Bukarest, Cord Meier-Klodt, stellen sich in dem Kapitel "Im Dienst der Gemeinschaft" prägende Persönlichkeiten aus den Reihen des DFDR vor: unter anderem Dr. Paul-Jürgen Porr in "Hoffnung ist immer" (Nina May), Ovidiu Ganţ selbst in "Halbzeit der vierten Amtszeit", der 2018 verstorbene Dr. Dres. Paul Philippi, der noch schrieb: "Jede Kratie braucht ihren Demos – vor den Wahlen und nach den Wahlen"; über ihn schreibt D. Dr. Christoph Klein in "Sein Vermächtnis bleibt uns erhalten. Geachteter Spitzenvertreter der Deutschen in Rumänien: Paul Philippi (1923-2018)", Dr. Bernd Fabritius in "Der historische Anker, der am prägendsten für die deutsch- rumänischen Beziehungen wirkt" (Aida Ivan).z ... Siebenbürgen-Themen finden wir in den Kapiteln "Aus Stadt und Land": Über den evangelischen Kindergarten, der landesweit gemischt konfessionelle Kinder vereint, erzählt Laura Căpătâna-Juller; Dieter Drotleff befasst sich mit dem neuen Direktor an der jahrhundertealten Kronstädter Honterusschule, Radu Chivarean; Elise Wilk guckt hinter die Kulissen der deutschen Sendung bei Radio Neumarkt. Haupthelden der Geschichten von Nina May sind in der Trilogie "Fortgegangen. Zurückgekommen. Daheimgeblieben" diesmal jüngere Siebenbürger Sachsen: Alwin Schindler aus Scharosch, Angelika Holdreich aus Deutsch-Tekes und Harald Sălceanu aus Bogeschdorf. In "Das Klavier am Fenster und andere Erinnerungen" geht es um Hermine Antoni, die die Orgel in Meschen-

dorf wieder zum Klingen brachte,



und Michaela Türk erzählt in "Restaurieren genügt nicht – wir wollen auch Leben in den Kirchenburgen sehen" über die Projekte des Mihai Eminescu Trusts zur nachhaltigen Dorfentwicklung (Nina May).

Im Kapitel "Kultur, Kulturerbe" steht das Thema "Große Vereinigung" im Vordergrund. Wolfgang Wittstock plaudert aus dem Schatzkästchen der Geschichte: Warum sich Ministerpräsident Brătianu weigerte, den Minderheiten Schutzvertrag zu unterzeichnen. Christine Chiriac zeigt auf, wie Rumänen und Minderheiten in Schulbüchern für Geschichte dargestellt werden. Dr. Klaus Fabritius, Vorsitzender des DFDR Altreich, erzählt von der dortigen deutschen Minderheit. Über ein charmantes Kulturereignis, das Transylvanian Book-Festival in Reichesdorf, begeistert sich Christa Richter. Ursula Philippi lässt das Gedenken an Michael Weiß und das Studentendenkmal in Marienburg aufleben. Den aus Reps stammenden, mehrfach preisgekrönten Dichter und Literaturkritiker Hellmut Seiler stellt Mariana-Virginia Lăzărescu vor. Siebenbürgischliterarisch wird es auch in den Kapiteln "Lesespaß" und "Heimat, Brauchtum und Mundart" mit Joachim Wittstock, Carmen Elisabeth Puchianu, Karin Gündisch u.a. Im Kapitel "Heimat, Brauchtum und Mundart" befasst sich Hans Fink mit Zwergen und Heinzelmännchen in sächsischen Sagen. Reise- und Wanderfreunde kommen im letzten Buchabschnitt auf ihre Kosten: Mit Alpenrosen und Wintersonne lockt Klaus Philippi ins Zibinsgebirge; Elise Wilk präsentiert drei Hütten zum Verlieben: Poiana Secuilor, Stâna Târle, Ciucaș, Ralf Sudrigian erzählt die spannende Geschichte eines Dinosaurierfunds in Baraolt - und vieles mehr! Wer das neue deutsche Jahrbuch beziehen möchte, wende sich per Mail an: info[ät] adz.ro.

> Nina May SBZ Online 22. Februar 2019

BRANCH 2, ERIE By Lee Wolfe

Our regular meeting was held Sunday, February 17th. Before our meeting we enjoyed a Baked Half Chicken dinner. Please note that there will be no meeting in March. Our next meeting will be held on Sunday, April 7th at 2:30 P.M. We send our sympathy to the family and friends of deceased member John Angelloti. We send best wishes to two members on the sick list Hilda Borgia and Evelyn Holdsworth.

We received Thank You notes from the Veterans Administration and the Shrine Hospital For Children for our Christmas Charitable donations.

Election of Officers was held. Since no other member ran for an office the incumbents will remain in office, namely President, Tom Manning; Treasurer, Val Pinczewski; Recording Secretary, Lee Wolfe; Financial Secretary, Liz Manning; Auditors, Ray Borgia and Char Manning.

At our April meeting, which will be our Business/Dinner Meeting, the members agreed to have on the menu a Stuffed Pork Chop dinner with all the trimmings. There will be no charge for this dinner. Please call Val Pinczewski to make your reservation at 898-0494.

Char Manning won the Club's Dinner Gift Certificate and George Cook won the 50/50.

A very Happy Birthday to our March celebrants: Patricia Italiani, Ronald Uglow, Skylar Sutton, Tonia Nicklas, Michael Shannon Lorraine Lepkowski, George Swanson, Paul Pecorella, Nancy Dahlkemper, Louis Dovichow, Kayleigh Peck, Erin Kraus, Eileen Reed, Donald Michael, William Meisel, Jason M. Kraus, Marjorie Koehlert, William Fiamella, Bryce Bone, Jaxon Denman, Brody Matson, Brandon Sieber, Keith Proud, Aidan G.K. Cash, Craig Foster, Jeanne Abbott, Emily Mann, Scott Morschauser, Cara Prylinski, Melissa Hlawati, Val Bille, Logan Wagner, Taffylee Brochey, Rene Marisa Carr, Donald Ziegler, Cheryl Patalano, Kalyn Carney, Nicholas Hlawati.

Happy Anniversary to Marc and Marjorie Koehlert, 25 years; Donald and Judith Nordin, 57 years.

It's good to see the sun shining today though it is cold. It's also good to see that February is almost over and soon it will be March and Springtime is on its way here.

Don't forget, there will be no meeting in March. The next meeting will be our Business/Dinner meeting and the menu will be a Stuffed Pork Chop dinner with all the trimmings. Please make a reservation with Val Pinczewski. at 898-0494.

See you at the meeting on Sunday. April 7th meeting. As noted above, there will be no meeting in March, but we have a Stuffed Pork Chop dinner to look forward to in April. Please, don't forget to make your reservation with Val Pinczewski at 898-0494. Also, there will be no charge for this

Take care everybody and let us hope Spring weather will arrive soon.

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Red Pepper Falafel



Falafel is an interesting blend of chickpeas, vegetables, and spices that are chopped up together, rolled into balls, and deep fried in vegetable oil. When asked today, people from many countries such as a Palestine, Yemen, Lebanon, and Israel would probably tell you that they are responsible for inventing falafel.

According to History Today, however, Egypt is the likely origin of the falafel that people are familiar with now and it might not be as old as you think. It was first mentioned in Egyptian literature as early as 1882 and seems to be linked to the British occupation of that time. As the troops had found a taste for fried vegetable croquettes in India, it is likely that their search for a replacement led to the locally-sourced chickpea falafel.

Ingredients

- 8 ounces dried chickpeas, soaked overnight, drained
- 1/2 onion, coarsely chopped
- 1/2 small red bell pepper, coarsely chopped
- 1 garlic clove, crushed
- 3 tablespoons chickpea flour
- 1 tablespoon ground cumin
- 2.5 teaspoons kosher salt
- 2 teaspoons ground coriander
- 1 teaspoon smoked paprika
- 1 teaspoon Hungarian sweet paprika
- 1 teaspoon baking powder
- Vegetable oil (for frying; about 8 cups)

Directions

- 1. Take the soaked chickpeas and pulse them in a food processor, scraping as necessary. After about one minute, they should resemble finely chopped nuts. Scrape everything into a large bowl.
- 2. Pulse the onion, garlic, and bell pepper in the food processor, until coarsely chopped, about
- 3. Add the chopped mixture to the chickpeas and then mix in chickpea flour, cumin, salt, coriander, smoked paprika, Hungarian sweet paprika, and baking powder. Mold mixture into ping-pongsized balls.
- 4. Pour oil into a large pot to at least three inches in depth. Heat the oil up to 330 degrees. Cook the falafel in small batches, turning occasionally, until deep brown and crispy. It will take about five minutes.
- 5. Transfer the finished falafel to a paper towel to drain.

These are great served alongside a bright cabbage slaw, tahini sauce, and pita bread!

The importance of reading aloud to vour children

Reading aloud to your children is a great way to entertain them and help them get to sleep, according to The New York Times.

It can even help improve their behavior.

Dr. Alan Mendelsohn, an associate professor of pediatrics at the New York University School of Medicine led a study of 675 families with children that were tracked from birth to age 5. A random selection of 225 families received intervention during their pediatric visits in which they were given books and toys. Parents were videotaped reading to their children and then given coaching that encouraged them to read with them frequently at home.



When the study looked at all of the children at ages 3 and 4, kids in the group that received the intervention were found to have significantly fewer problems with aggression and hyperactivity. They were also found to have longer attention spans.

The doctors leading the study believe that reading aloud also helps children to learn to use words to describe their feelings more easily, helping them to control anger and sadness.

According to PBS Parents, it helps to start early with babies and read often throughout the week. Making it a part of a daily bedtime routine is an excellent cue for both parent and child that it's time to read. Although it can be tempting to rush through a book and turn out the lights, intentionally take time to ask questions, explain stories, and generally keep reading time interactive.



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Nibbling in the garden? Edible flowers abound

Most anyone who owns a cat can tell you that cocktails); hibisfelines go crazy for flowers. But did you realize cus, whose cranthat humans also like to nibble on them? berry-like flavor is

In the popular TV show The Great British Bake great in teas and, Off, contestants have used edible flowers for sev- again, cocktails; eral seasons.

They look great on cakes, but can be delicious a slightly peppery in other ways, too. Perhaps you remember your taste much like grandfather sautACeing some dandelion leaves watercress; in a little olive oil and garlic and serving them with fried eggs, long before it was trendy.

The website The English Garden gave edible flowers a shout-out in an article about new flowering plants for 2019. The post was highlighted by a radiant photo featuring a mix from Thompson and Moran that included calendulas, nasturtiums, dianthus, and violas.

Southern Living Magazine published an article listing the 10 best edible flowers. The list flowers you choose are edible -- not all of them included a bunch of blossoms which taste like are. cucumbers (and work equally well in salads as in

nasturtiums, with pansies, roses, and violets.

Beware of picking flowers that have been treated with pesticides. If



The hibiscus make a nice tea, hot or cold. Dried flowers are a delicacy.

in doubt, wash them in cold water and let dry on a paper towel. And if you are thinking about trying it out, do your research and make sure the

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Erie, PA Br. 2

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Alliance, OH Br. 3

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Farrell, PA Br. 7

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Alliance, OH Br. 8

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Canton, OH Br. 17

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Salem, OH Br. 18

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Salem, OH Br. 19

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Youngstown, OH Br. 22

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New Castle, PA Br. 25

Mtg. 2nd Thursday 8:00 p.m. Eintracht Hall 108 Taylor St., New Castle PA 16101 (724) 652-7221 PRES. Detlif Seeger 116 Seneca Way New Castle 16101 (724) 667-8557 SEC'Y. Jake Holzhauser 592 Glass Rd New Castle 16101 (724) 971-1260 holzhauserjeh@gmail.com

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Merrillville, IN Br. 26

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Ellwood City, PA Br. 32

Mtg. 2nd. Wed. 7:30 p.m. Saxon Club 901 Millview St. (724) 758-3268 PRES. Laura Goehring 113 Mahony Ave Ellwood City PA 16117 (724) 971-2040 SEC'Y Docia Jacobs 130 Belton Rd Ellwood City PA 16117 (724) 758-8486 ATS SEC'Y Lori Berendt 2260 Cherry Hill Rd Ellwood City 16117 (724) 714-1217 SICK NOTICES to: Joan Evans 197 Portersville Rd Apt 3 Ellwood City PA 16117 (724) 752-1109

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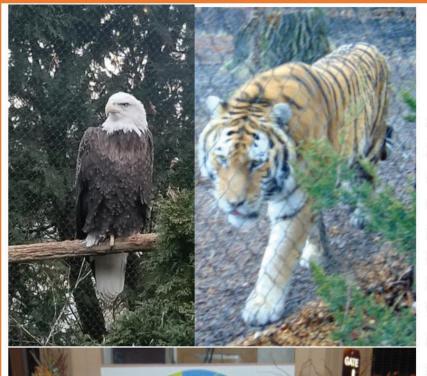
Mtg. 2nd. Weds. 7:30 p.m. St. John's Lutheran Church 1000 Ford Rd Highland Heights OH PRES. Ema Litschel 8050 Conestoga Trail Concord, 44060 (440) 358-1184 SEC'Y. Arline Suts 413 Downing Dr Chardon OH 44024 (440) 285-9498 asuts@windstream.net ATS SEC'Y. Karyn Schmidt 4979 Anderson Rd Lyndhurst OH 44124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

Detroit, MI Br. 37

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Ellwood City, PA Br. 45

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WHAT A MEMORABLE OVERNIGHT STAY AT THE CLEVELAND ZOO

Co-Chairman of the ATS Youth Activities Committee, Jacob Spor, reported that our Junior Members as well as their parents had a wonderful adventure "Tracking the Amur Tiger" through the zoo in the dark. The zoo keepers had a program that they brought out an owl, a boa constrictor and armadillo that the children could touch. Once they arrived at the Wolf Exhibit the zoo had another educational program, served hot chocolate before bedding down in the Wolf Lodge. In the morning after breakfast the group got a behind scene tour of the rhino exhibit, toured the educational building, got to see an Egyptian Goose get a physical exam and visited the giraffe exhibit all before the zoo opened to the public.

Talking with participants, it seemed that everyone enjoyed the walk through the zoo, the sleeping quarters in the Wolf Lodge and waking up to seeing wolves outside the window. Others looked out the window in morning and saw a Bald Eagle one way and a roaming tiger the other way. The kids gave the outing a thumbs up and hope that we hold the event again!











Awesome Zoo Adventure