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## CONVENTION PREPARATION NOMINATIONS FOR ELECTIONS OF ATS OFFICERS

In preparation for the upcoming convention, nominations for newly elected officers have to be nominated by their Local Branch prior to the convention and the nomination forms are to be submitted to the ATS Home Office 60 days prior to the date of the National Convention. Nomination forms have been sent to each Local Branch. Corporate governance for fraternal benefit societies has come under scrutiny by State Insurance Regulators. They closely review the education, qualifications, expertise and experience of each board member. The National Association of Insurance Commissioners have mandated that an annual corporate governance disclosure be made annually. It is important that we elect qualified individuals to serve on the ATS Board of Directors.

The following offices will be up for election at the 2020 Convention: President, Second Vice-President, Secretary and two Trustees. To be eligible for the office of President, a member must be in good standing and have served as an Alliance National Officer for at least five years.

Nominee for election to a national office must meet the following:

- 1) Be a member of the Alliance in good standing for the past three years.
- 2) Be an American citizen.
- 3) Not be an immediate family member of current officer or nominee. (immediate family member shall be defined as a spouse, parent, child, sibling, grandparent, grandchild, step-parent or stepchild).
- 4) Possess general knowledge of the fraternal benefit society system and the fraternal workings of the Alliance.
- 5) Have served as a Delegate to at least one previous National Convention.
- 6) Be willing to complete continuing education as designated by the Board of Directors of the Alliance.
- 7) Have the willingness and commitment to devote the necessary time to fulfill the duties of office.

- 8) Not be a current officer in another fraternal benefit society.
- 9) A candidate must be elected a delegate and attend the Convention.

After being elected the member must complete a Biographical Affidavit required by the Ohio Insurance Department which lists a person's educational background, employment record for past 20 years, types of licenses, any legal (criminal or civil) cases, adjudged a bankruptcy, etc.

**Completed Nomination forms must be received at the ATS Home Office by March 30, 2020. The forms must be signed by the Nominee, the Branch President and Branch Secretary.**

The list of names of nominees and their qualifications will be sent to the Local Branches for their review and printed in the Volksblatt prior to the convention session. The 2020 Convention will be held at the Cleveland East Marriott the weekend of May 30-31. Our convention host is ATS Branch 33.

### BRANCH 27, NEW CASTLE By Dolores Both

After our two month winter hiatus, it was such a pleasure to see everyone again at our March meeting. The spirit of Gemütlichkeit flowed all afternoon. President Marie Benedict began our meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. Reports were read and approved. Sorry to report we have four ill members: Dee LeComte, Georgetta Presnar, Joan Wertz and Helen Burick. Our sincere get well wishes for a speedy recovery are sent your way.

We received a very nice picture Christmas card from the Susan Diviney family in Virginia and a lovely note from Jean Kaba who recently moved to South Carolina to be near family.

Social news: We will celebrate Mother's Day with a dinner on May 7 at the club. Guests are welcome. We will have a short meeting at 5:00 p.m. followed by dinner at 6:00 p.m. Be prepared to make your reservations at the April 2 meeting. The meal will be catered by Giant Eagle.

The annual book audit has been scheduled for April 20 at 4:00 p.m.

Discussion was tabled regarding kitchen renovations due to a lack of information. Marie asked everyone to support the Schnitzel dinner on March 13 and the chili cook off on March 7. See you all at the next meeting April 2, at 3:30 p.m. at the club.

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Joan Miller-Malue  
ATS Nat'l President



On February 29, 2020, the Strategic Planning Committee, chaired by Third Vice-President, Monica Weber reviewed and updated our Risk Assessment and Management document which is filed with the Ohio insurance Department. The strategic risk management is the process of identifying, quantifying and mitigating any risk that affects or is inherent to our company's business strategy, strategic objectives and strategic execution. The Board annually reviews and updates the assessments based on new developments or actions that the ATS has taken to prepare for any additional risks that find may affect our company's operations. The committee's findings and recommendations are presented to the ATS Board of Directors for final approval and the updated document is included in this year's filing of our Annual Corporate Governance Disclosure.

On Sunday, March 8, the TSBA had its final bowling session for the season in Youngstown, Ohio. After bowling we enjoyed a delicious roast beef dinner at the Youngstown Saxon Club. We thank Youngstown for their hosting this session. They will host this year's TSBA Tournament the weekend of March 28 – 29 when the final results of this past season will be announced as well as tournament winners. I encourage the bowlers that will be staying overnight to attend the Goulash Dinner at the Youngstown Saxon Club that Saturday evening. You will be assured a delicious meal and additional time of Saxon Gemütlichkeit! Call the Youngstown Club to make your reservations.

A reminder that nomination forms for members wishing to run for office at this year's convention must be received at the ATS Home Office by March 30. To date, our current National Treasurer, Denise Aeling, has submitted a nomination form for the Office of President and therefore, we need nominations for the Office of Treasurer. For those members who wish to run for a national office must be committed to attending all scheduled Board meetings and Committee meetings. A candidate elected will need to complete a biographical report that we submit to the Ohio Insurance Department for their review of their education, qualifications, expertise and business/fraternal experiences that exemplifies as a qualified Board of Director for a fraternal benefit society.

We extend congratulations to President of Romania, Klaus Johannis, a Transylvanian Saxon, for being presented the prestigious European Prize Coudenhove-Kalergi award for his outstanding merits as a politician that is dedicated to European values and his decisive contribution to the deeper integration of Romania into the European community. This award is given every two years to individuals who have significantly contributed to the project of a united and peaceful Europe. His leadership has benefited the reputation of the

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**TIMELY - DO NOT DELAY  
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Transylvanian Saxon community. Transylvanian Saxon Trivia: The church in Senndorf which is located in the Bistritz district of Transylvania was built by the Saxon in the second half of the 14<sup>th</sup> century. A few years ago, a Hungar-

ian historian discovered patches of a fresco in the church ruin which was a rare medieval copy of a legendary masterpiece by Italian painter Giotto. After the 16<sup>th</sup> century Reformation, frescoes were white-washed or plastered over in the Lutheran churches



Senndorf church as constructed (above) and present day ruins (below).



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  
\_\_\_\_\_

because they frowned around imagery inside churches. In recent years, decaying churches in Transylvanian have revealed many medieval frescoes. The fragments of this fresco in the Senndorf is a reproduction of Giotto’s “Navicella” mosaic that used to adorn St. Peter’s Basilica in Rome. There are only three other 14<sup>th</sup>-century copies of the work, depicting Christ walking on water before the apostles in a boat known to exist in Strasbourg France, Florence and Pistoia in Italy. The historians find it astonishing that such a major work was reproduced in a small village church located so far from Rome. Unfortunately, the talented local artist will more likely forever remain a mystery. So disturbing to view a decaying church with such creative workmanship. Ich wünsche allen einen schönen Tag.

Beware! Coronavirus used as bait in phishing attacks

Although the Wuhan coronavirus has not yet caused significant infections in the U.S., it is still being used in email phishing attacks to infect computers. The infected emails contain links to pdfs or .doc files that purport to be a list of people in the area infected with the virus. The links may appear to come from the Centers for Disease Control, but in fact, redirect users to a page that appears to be Outlook. Or, it can offer ‘safety measures’ in the form of a pdf. Clicking on any of these links exposes users to malware designed to access bank accounts, financial data, and bitcoin wallets, according to Bleeping Computer.

It’s worth noting that major events or holidays have also been used with these phishing attempts. It was infamously used to invite recipients to a demonstration by global warming activist Greta Thunberg. It has also been used in invitations to Christmas and Halloween parties. Protect yourself by never opening attachments unless confirming over the phone with the sender.

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SECRETARIES TAKE NOTICE:

THE DEADLINE DATE FOR ARTICLES IS WEDNESDAY - 12 NOON.

You may either  
MAIL: PO BOX 45198  
Westlake OH 44145  
E-MAIL: saxonvolksblatt@aol.com  
PLEASE NOTE: FAX SERVICE IS NO LONGER AVAILABLE

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, MARCH 25, 2020	FRIDAY, APRIL 3, 2020
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 8, 2020	FRIDAY, APRIL 17, 2020
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 22, 2020	FRIDAY, MAY 1, 2020

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.



ATS National Convention  
May 30-31,2020  
Cleveland Marriot East  
Warrensville Heights, Ohio  
Host : ATS Branch 33 Cleveland East



Meal reservations:	Price	# of tickets	Total
<b>Saturday lunch:</b>			
Soup and Salad Buffet	\$20.00	_____	_____
<b>Saturday Night Banquet:</b>			
Cocktail hour at 6 p.m.			
Dinner at 6:30 p.m.			
Pecan crusted chicken with grain mustard cream sauce	\$30.00	_____	_____
Children ages 4 -12	\$24.00	_____	_____
Children ages 3 and under	free	_____	_____
or			
Atlantic salmon, herb crusted with citrus sauce	\$30.00	_____	_____
Children ages 4 -12	\$24.00	_____	_____
Children ages 3 and under	free	_____	_____
or			
Vegetarian option:	\$30.00	_____	_____
Diced assorted vegetables in a garlic, ginger sauce			
on top of couscous			
Children ages 4 -12	\$24.00	_____	_____
Children ages 3 and under	free	_____	_____
<b>Sunday lunch:</b>			
Salad and Baked Potato Bar	\$20.00	_____	_____
<b>Grand total:</b>			_____

**Saturday and Sunday morning complimentary coffee, fresh fruit and pastries**

Reservations made by \_\_\_\_\_  
(tickets will be held at the door in your name)  
Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone number \_\_\_\_\_ email \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks payable to ATS Branch 33 and mail to

Ema Litschel  
8050 Conestoga Trl  
Concord, Ohio 44060

Home phone: 440-358-1184  
Cellphone: 440-479-9334

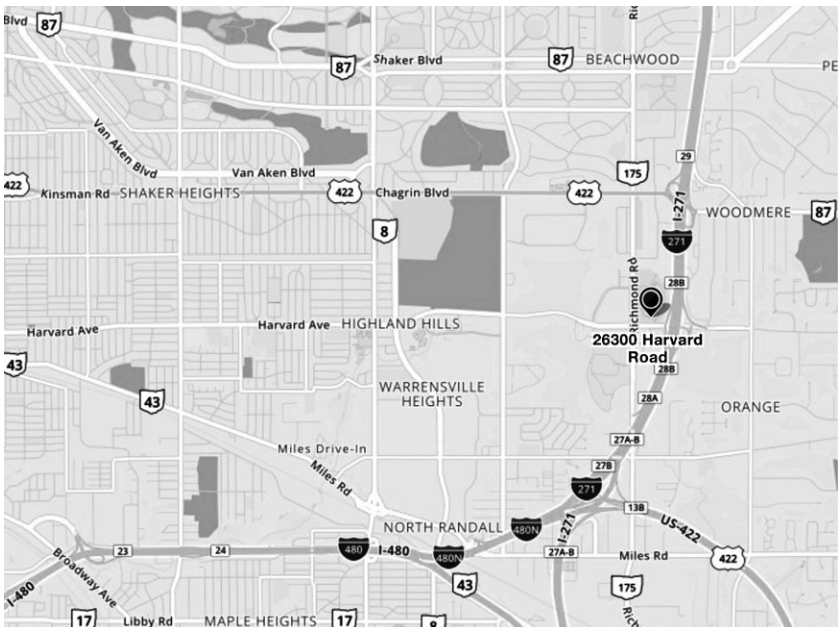
**Deadline for reservations: May 15, 2020**

**Convention Hotel Information**  
Reserve your room under the “Alliance of Transylvanian Saxons”  
for discounted rates at the hotel below:

Marriott Cleveland East  
26300 Harvard Rd.  
Warrensville Heights, OH 44122  
1-800-533-0162

Standard room with 2 Double beds \$109.00 + tax  
Standard Room with 1 King bed. \$109.00 + tax

All rooms are non-smoking  
Coffee, fruit and pastry will be available until 9 a.m. in the meeting room.  
Deadline to reserve your room at the discounted rate will be May 15th, 2020.



**ATTENTION:**  
**Members Cleveland East Branch 33**  
2020-2021 Application  
for 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 2020-2021 academic year. IT IS THE MEMBER’S RESPONSIBILITY to call or write to REQUEST an application.

**DEADLINE IS May 31, 2020.**

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.
2. Scholarship applicants must be a member in good standing of ATS Branch 33 for the past two (2) 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**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: (     ) \_\_\_\_\_  
College/University: \_\_\_\_\_  
Year: circle one  
Freshman   Sophomore   Junior   Senior  
Parent/Guardian/Grandparent Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**DEADLINE IS May 31, 2020:**  
Mail to: Karyn Schmidt  
4979 Anderson Road, Lyndhurst OH 44124

**The Salem Saxon Club  
FISH FRYS**  
(Carry outs available)

Every Friday beginning  
February 28  
thru April 3  
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, Homemade Cake

Cash bar open

FRATERNAL CALENDAR

NATIONAL EVENTS

February - March, 2020  
Bowl Where You Are Tournament  
March 28 - 29, 2020  
TSBA Tournament Youngstown, OH  
May 30 - 31, 2020  
ATS Convention  
Host Cleveland East Br. 33  
Marriott East, Beachwood OH  
June 13, 2020  
TSBA Bowlers Convention  
Host Cleveland West Bowlers  
June 21-26, 2020  
Saxon Summer Camp  
Camp Frederick Rogers, Ohio  
July 10 - 12, 2020  
North American Saxon Heimattag  
Salem, Ohio  
July 25, 2020  
ATS Family Day  
Waldameer Park Erie, PA  
October 10 - 11, 2020  
ATS Open Bowling Tournament  
Host Youngstown Saxon Bowlers

LOCAL EVENTS

March 20, 2020  
Salem Fish Fry (4) 4:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.  
Cleveland Brs 1 and 4 250 Club Banquet  
March 22, 2020  
Youngstown Pork Kraut Dinner 11:30 - 2:30 p.m.  
March 26, 2020  
Salem Set-up for Fish Fry 5:00 or 6:00 p.m.  
March 27, 2020  
Salem Fish Fry (5) 4:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.  
March 28, 2020  
Youngstown Presidents Goulash Dinner 6:00 p.m.  
April 2, 2020  
Salem Set-up for Fish Fry 5:00 p.m. or 6:00 p.m.  
April 3, 2020  
Salem Fish Fry (6) 4:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.  
April 4, 2020  
Cleveland Brs 1 and 4 Children's Breakfast with  
Easter Bunny  
April 11, 2020  
Salem Easter Egg Hunt 1:00 p.m.  
April 18, 2020  
CC Salem Clean-up Day (1) 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.  
April 19, 2020  
Cleveland Sachsenheim Schnitzel Fest  
April 25, 2020  
CC Salem Clean-up Day (2) 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.  
Cleveland ES Sachsenchor Spring Concert  
May 2, 2020  
CC Salem Clean-up Day (3) 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.  
Cleveland Saxon Dance Group Trachtenball  
May 5, 2020  
Cleveland Sachsenheim Cinco de Mayo/Taco  
Tuesday  
May 9, 2020  
Chicago Br. 9 Siebenbürger Sachsen Stiftungsfest  
June 14, 2020  
Chicago Br. 9 Picnic, Lynn Woods Morton Grove  
June 20, 2020  
Cleveland Sachsenheim Sausage Fest  
July 15, 2020  
Cleveland Brs 1 and 4 Host Group from Traun  
Austria  
July 16,2020  
Cleveland Brs 1 and 4 Concert Group from  
Traun, Austria  
August 15, 2020  
Cleveland Brs 1 and 4 Oktoberfest  
September 20, 2020  
Cleveland Brs 1 and 4 Membership Banquet  
October 17, 2020  
Cleveland Saxon Dance Group Traubenfest  
October 30, 2020  
Cleveland Brs 1 and 4 Children's Halloween Party  
November 8, 2020  
Cleveland Brs 1 and 4 Veterans Day Dinner  
November 21, 2020  
Cleveland Brs 1 and 4 Sausage Sale  
December 12, 2020  
Cleveland Brs 1 and 4 Children's Christmas Party

SALEM RETIREES  
By Norma C. Byers

Hello Spring!  
2 Beautiful robins have appeared in my back yard so I welcomed them with open arms along with the sunshine! It was good to see everyone again after hibernating for 2 months.  
We met on March 4th at Mike's Penn Grill with a very good turnout and delicious food. We were all seated at a long table and it was so great, for the 1st time we were able to chat with the folks that always seated themselves at a distant table at the club. I feel like I've met new friends. It was fun! To start us out,  
Tony gave the invocation and everyone seemed to enjoy themselves as well as the food! As I write this, it is 63 degrees in my backyard! Whoopee!  
Our next meeting falls on April 1st (no fooling). Our wonderful caterers will be returning then, so everyone, please mark your calendars so we can have a joyous lunch, meeting and Bingo! (Hear that Tony?)

Many Seniors Passing on the Opportunity to Check Online Medical Records

More and more health care providers are offering their patients access to their electronic records. These records include immunization records, prescribed medication records and instructions, lab results, and appointment reminders. But a recent study shows that less than a third of adults aged 65 and older go onto the Internet to manage their health information.  
The research shows that this problem is not related to cognitive decline in the elderly. Rather, the best indicator of whether a person will try to access their health information online is whether they are comfortable using the Internet in the first place.  
How can you make sure you or your loved one are not left behind? First, talk to your health care provider to see if they have a system set up for their patients to access online health information. If so, ask to have someone show you how to access your information. Your health care provider should be able to guide you through the process. You can also ask a trusted family member or friend to help. With some practice, you should be able to fully participate in these new innovations.

EINTRACHT SAXONIA SACHSENCHOR  
By Edith Hebrank

Nothing is as constant as change: Winter is almost over, although it was kind to us, and the Sachsenchor's winter break is over. We began rehearsals March 3, and with that, the Choir experienced another change; it has a new choir director.  
Andrea Ball, who directed the Choir for many, many years, had to step down for health reasons. Thank you, Andrea, for having time and patience with us. Fortunately, a former colleague of hers was willing and able to take us on. Mr. Dallas Young has an extensive resume; the members like him and are happy to work with him.  
Without doubt, time will fly with indoor and outside extra spring preparations; yet members, please be mindful of practice Tuesdays at 1:30 pm. Our annual

Spring Concert is scheduled April 25, 2020. Even though the various selections by the guest choirs are not discussed in advance, I am always surprised by the variety of songs presented by every group.  
To all the Volksblatt's readers, their families and friends: Please attend events advertised in our Saxon newspaper. It is community support; that's the reason our Saxons withstood the many, many adversities over more than 800 years.  
*Der Winter ist vergangen,  
ich seh des Maien Schein'  
Ich seh die Bluemlein prangen,  
des ist mein Herz erfreut.*  
Aus  
J. F. Thysius' Lautenbuch (um 1600)

BRANCH 9, CHICAGO  
By Rose-Marie Hauer

The meeting was held on March 2, and President Thut brought the meeting to order and all the reports were read and accepted.  
Sister Schmidt reported that a few members were recovering from illness and surgery. We wish, Sister Elfi Sanderson, and Brother Mike Schmidt a speedy recovery.  
**Upcoming Events:**  
**March 20, 2020 - Come join us as we give back! Feed my Starving Children** 740 Wiley Farm Court, Schaumburg. Call Rose at 847-685-9821 to RSVP.  
**May 9 - Siebenbürger Sachsen Stiftungsfest** – May 9, 2020 at the Schwaben Center in Buffalo Grove, IL. Invitations have been mailed out. Please contact Rose Hauer for reservations.

**Please bring your raffle prizes to the meeting in April.**  
**June 14 - Picnic**-Lynn Woods-Morton Grove, IL.  
Birthday Greetings for the month of March are extended to Mandy Hartig ( March 4), Rosemary Laubenheimer (March 6), Werner Kasper (March 10), Hilde Mueller (March 15), Kathi Fandl (Mach 16).  
The German Day Association has come up with a new website <http://germanday.com> to announce all upcoming events in the Chicagoland area. Please refer to this website to obtain information about events coming up in the future that you may be interested in attending.  
The next meeting will be held on April 6, at the DANK Haus.



"This memory foam mattress isn't working. I still can't remember where I put my glasses."

## 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**

## BRANCH 30, YOUNGSTOWN

By Rosemarie Kascher

Calendar:

Lenten Specials every  
Wednesday in April.

No Pork/Kraut Dinner in  
April.

Fish every Friday.

March 22, Pork/Kraut Din-  
ner 11:30 - 2:00 p.m.

April 9, Retirees Luncheon  
11:00.

April 16, Officers Meeting,  
7:00.

April 19, Branch Meeting,  
2:00 p.m.

April 26, Mother Daughter  
Brunch Buffet; 1:00 p.m.

German Night, see bar  
poster for info; food and  
music

Our Annual Goulash Din-  
ner is on March 28. Doors  
open at 6:00 p.m. Dinner  
at 6:30 p.m. Adults \$16.00,  
children six to twelve \$7.50;  
under six free. For reserva-  
tions call The Saxon Club  
Office at 330-792-7973.

The Man and Woman of  
the Year will be announced  
that evening. We especially  
thank Helen Fotiuk for hav-  
ing served on that committee  
for over thirty-five years.

April 18 will be another  
Work Party. Every member,

fraternal or social should  
serve on this at least once  
a year. What we can do our-  
selves, we don't have to pay  
for. Please come and help.

Our Mother-Daughter  
Brunch Buffet on April 16 is  
when we honor the mother  
of the year. The deadline  
for reservations is April 19,  
2020. Door open at 12:30  
p.m., Buffet at 1:00 p.m.,  
Adult tickets are \$15.00,  
children twelve and under  
are \$7.00, three years and  
under, free. A short program  
will follow. Please contact  
Julaine Gilmartin 330-799-  
5171 for reservations.

Our new members are  
John Krauss, Paul Avdey  
and Andrea Povec. We wel-  
come you!

The Car Cruise will be  
starting up again, soon.  
Contact June Hoelzel if you  
can help.

Remind our youth that they  
can "Bowl Where They Are"  
and send in their scores to  
the ATS to participate, ages,  
six -seventeen.

AARP is offering a four  
hour course for \$15.00 which  
could get you a 10% discount

on insurance. See Tammy  
Hahn for more information.

Branch 30 dues, for both  
men and women, are \$35.00,  
young adults, ages 18-25  
are \$17.50. Send them  
into the Saxon Club office,  
please.

Scholarships to YSU are  
made possible thru Branch  
30: ATS scholarships are  
made possible to attend  
other schools. There is a  
scholarship also available  
thru the Better Business  
Bureau. Contact Julaine  
Gilmartin 330-792-7973.  
Deadline April 15, 2020.

## Egg Whites and Wrongs

The risk of contract-  
ing a foodborn illness  
from eggs is small. It is  
estimated that only one  
in every 20,000 eggs  
has harmful bacteria in  
it. However, bacteria  
love the nutrient rich en-  
vironment of eggs. You  
never know when a par-  
ticular egg might have  
problems. Your best bet  
is to wash your hands  
before and after hand-  
ling eggs, and to make  
sure that your eggs are  
properly cooked. Al-  
ways keep your eggs  
chilled and discard any  
that have dirty shells,  
cracks, or are broken or  
leaking.

Eggs should always be  
refrigerated. The "sell  
by" date marked on the  
carton is thirty days af-  
ter the date that the eggs  
were packed. Generally,  
eggs are good for four  
to five weeks after this  
pack date. Hard boiled  
eggs are good for one  
week.

In addition to controlling  
diabetes and blood pressure,  
you can protect your kid-  
neys with these steps.

- Get treatment for strep  
throat. When streptococ-  
cus invades the kidneys of  
adults, it can lead to kidney  
problems and kidney failure  
in some cases.

- Know what's in "natural  
herb supplements." Some  
substances can work like  
prescription drugs. Patients  
taking blood thinners should  
know that garlic, ginger,  
Ginkgo biloba, and ginseng  
all contain natural antico-  
agulants. They could cause  
internal bleeding in people  
taking blood thinners.



**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.**

**Ruth Seiman Bennett**

Age 77

Died: February 9, 2020  
Home Branch

**Kay E. Turner**

Age 67

Died: February 22, 2020  
Branch 10, Columbus OH

**Martha J. Hammond**

Age 89

Died: February 22, 2020  
Branch 30, Youngstown OH

**Michael H. Lutsch**

Age 83

Died: February 25, 2020  
Branch 19, Salem OH

**John R. Fleischer**

Age 90

Died: March 4, 2020  
Branch 1, Cleveland OH

**Henry W. Reif**

Age 88

Died: March 5, 2020  
Branch 9, Chicago IL

## BRANCH 26, MERRILLVILLE By Helen Brooks

Our Saxon Lodge Branch  
26 meeting was held on  
March 1, 2020. President  
Randall Floyd called the  
meeting to order. We started  
with the Pledge to the Flag.

Roll Call of Officers: all  
were present. Minutes were  
read and accepted. Treas-  
urer Pete Guip gave his  
report; all was in order and  
accepted. Financial Secre-  
tary Zita Palyok gave her  
report.

Erika Sumichrast was visit-  
ing from Nevada. She has a  
new grandchild and is home  
to help Momma out.

Jana Szostek, our activi-  
ties chairperson, gave some  
ideas for upcoming outings.

The raffle was won by lucky  
Wally Szostek, who also won  
the attendance prize.

The meeting was then  
adjourned and we enjoyed  
pizza, desserts, and fellow-  
ship.

## March is National Kidney Month

### Some painkillers may harm kidneys

If you regularly take over-  
the-counter painkillers, es-  
pecially for a long period  
of time, consider checking  
with your doctor about a  
kidney function test.

OTC pain and fever reduc-  
ers are not dangerous. But,  
over time, some painkillers  
can have negative effects.

Some examples of pain-  
killers that are metabolized  
by the kidneys are ibupro-  
fen and naproxen sodium.  
But others can have an im-  
pact on kidneys too.

If you already have im-  
paired kidney function, be  
absolutely sure you are fol-  
lowing the doctor's orders  
on painkillers.

If you have taken pain-

killers over time, you might  
want to ask a doctor about  
it.

Your doctor can order a  
simple blood test called a  
serum creatinine level. This  
test measures the amount  
of a waste product in your  
blood that is normally re-  
moved by your kidneys. If  
your kidneys are not work-  
ing as well as they should,  
the creatinine level will be  
increased in your blood.  
The results of the serum  
creatinine test can be used  
to estimate your glomerular  
filtration rate (GFR). Your  
GFR number tells your doc-  
tor how much kidney func-  
tion you have.

Your doctor can also order

a urine test for the presence  
of protein. Persistent protein  
in the urine may be an early  
indication of kidney dam-  
age.

### Here's how kidneys work

Every day your kidneys  
go about their work of re-  
moving excess fluid and  
waste from your blood. You  
probably never think about  
them. But you should.

In addition to filtering  
waste, the kidneys have sev-  
eral important jobs to do.  
Consider this: They produce  
the two hormones needed  
to make red blood cells and  
regulate blood pressure, and  
they produce the active form  
of vitamin D, which helps  
maintain calcium for bones  
and other body functions.

Each kidney has millions  
of tiny nephrons that act as  
filters. Beginning about age  
40, a natural loss of nephrons  
occurs, but because there are  
so many, that doesn't cause  
problems unless other fac-  
tors are present. If you have  
high blood pressure, diabe-  
tes, or both, some nephrons  
will lose their ability to filter  
blood.

## YOUNGSTOWN SAXON CLUB PORK-KRAUT DINNER

MARCH 22, 2020

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!

OF THE YEAR

**CANCELLED**

Sept. 1 - May 1, 2020

Saxon Club Office at 330-792-7973

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 towel. You'll have prepared lettuce all week long at a fraction of the cost.

The doctor said, “I didn’t say that. I said you’ve got a heart murmur. Be careful!”



**BREAKFAST WITH THE EASTER BUNNY**

**Saturday, April 4, 2020**  
**10:00 AM**  
**Westside Sachsenheim**

All ATS Junior Members of Branches 1, 4, 5, and 33 are Invited to attend Breakfast with the Easter Bunny at no charge.

Breakfast will be served at 10:00 am. Following breakfast, CJ will entertain us with his magic and balloon artistry show.

After the entertainment is over, you will be invited to participate in an Easter Egg Hunt. And, all Children will have the opportunity to make a craft.

Make your reservations by calling or emailing  
Patty Cunningham - (216)398-7520  
(If you reach the answering machine,  
leave name and phone number. )  
Email: prscunn@yahoo.com

**DEADLINE FOR RESERVATIONS IS March 28th**  
**ATS Junior Members Free**  
**Adults \$4.00 and Non-Member Children \$10**

We ask all to bring a canned or non-perishable food Item to be donated to a local food bank.



# ATS



Bowl Where You Are Tournament

Ages 6 -17

February and March

Saxon Summer Camp

June 21-26 2020

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)

Saxon Heimattag

Salem Saxon Club

July 10—12, 2020

ATS Family Day

July 25, 2020

Waldameer Park, Erie PA

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

## KID’S RECIPE FOR RANCH SNACK MIX



### Ingredients

- 1 package (12 ounces) miniature pretzels
- 2 packages (6 ounces each) Bugles
- 1 can (10 ounces) salted cashews
- 1 package (6 ounces) miniature cheddar cheese fish-shaped crackers
- 1 envelope ranch salad dressing mix
- 3/4 cup canola oil

### Directions

- In two large bowls, combine the pretzels, Bugles, cashews and crackers. Sprinkle with dressing mix; toss gently to combine. Drizzle with oil; toss until well coated. Store in airtight containers.

## CASTLE MAZE



## GERMAN PHRASES

Deutsch	Englisch
1. zum Beispiel (z.B.)	for example
2. vor allem	predominantly, above all
3. gar nicht / gar nichts	not at all / nothing at all
4. ein bisschen	a little bit
5. das heißt (d.h.)	that is (i.e.)
6. ein paar (LOWERCASE!)	a few
7. mehr als	more than
8. sogenannte (+ adjective ending)	so-called
9. im Jahr(e)	in the year
10. und so weiter (usw.)	and so forth (etc.)
11. nicht nur . . . sondern auch	not only . . . but also
12. unter anderem (u.a)	among other things
13. erst mal (adverb, colloquial)	first
14. weder . . . noch	neither . . . nor
15. im Rahmen (+ genitive or “von”)	within the context (of)
16. so was (colloquial for „so etwas“)	something like that
17. sowohl . . . als auch	both . . . as well as
18. ebenso . . . wie / ebenso wie	as . . . as / as well as
19. am Ende	in/at the end
20. in der Regel	generally, normally, as a rule
21. kennen lernen	to get to know, to meet
22. im Moment	at the moment
23. entweder . . . oder	either . . . or
24. (k)eine Rolle spielen	to be (ir)relevant
25. zum Teil	partly, in part

**SARA SCHNEIDER †**  
**Member of Branch 37 Detroit**  
**Died February 20, 2020**

**Sara gave this interview on October 16, 2015 at the age of 77. The interviewer was Jim Larkin. Her son, Dieter, gave permission to share this story with our Saxon Family. I think many of our members' families can relate to the love, strength, sadness, sacrifices that many had made during World War II.**



In April of 1938 the world welcomed Sara Schneider into it. She was born into a small farming community in the Transylvania region of Romania. To hear Sara talk about her home is amazing. She was so little when she left there, when she was forced from there, but she remembers it as if she left yesterday. As Sara talks, she is hearing the sounds of her town. She is smelling the smells. She will lose herself in the memories and close her eyes and smile. Remember how safe you felt at 5 years old? The world was a wonderful place. Your family was so perfect, if only because you didn't know any better. When Sara thinks of that time, she is 5 years old again.

"I never saw a policeman. We never had one. The minister would decide things. We didn't need a policeman. It was so nice." She recalls with the most beautiful smile.

Sara was born to farmers. Her father and mother, George and Sara Weiss, were loving parents. As Sara talks about her father, you can still feel the love that she has for him to this day. She is proud of her parents. Everyone would trade with everyone. Everyone knew everyone. Everyone loved everyone. It truly sounds idyllic. Everyone was so happy.

Until 1943.

Sara was very young, but remembers the day German soldiers came into her town and told them they had to leave. "I can still hear him what he said. He said 'Just for a few days'. He said the war was coming to our town, but if it didn't we could come back. Just for a few days we'd go." Sara remembers.

They trusted the soldiers because they were of German descent. In fact, Sara's father joined the German Army, leaving her grandfather to head up the family. He was a cook. She is very proud that her dad never did any shooting.

"He was a good man." she says with a tight smile on her lips, saying it in a way that defended him. "He was a good man."

Her family left with what they had on and could

grab.

"We were packed on one wagon. We were 14 people" she says.

Fourteen people on one horse drawn wagon who were leaving everything they owned behind because they trusted those soldiers. They left everything behind. You need to remember, they were farmers in the 40s. There were no Wal-marts. No Target's. If they wanted to survive the winter, they had to store food. If they wanted clothes, they had to make them. Toys were precious.

The whole town followed each other out, leaving their whole lives behind, but not worried. They would be right back.

"Finally we stopped in the woods for the night. While we were in these woods, all of a sudden there was a little airplane. I remember the men were saying 'Is it German, is it Russian' ....we didn't know. All of a sudden, it starts shooting at us. There were no soldiers, just farmers. Nobody got killed except a poor buffalo that was pulling a cart." She remembers.

As Sara tells this story, there is still the fear of a 5 year old in her voice.

"We were just people. We weren't soldiers. I don't know why he was shooting at us" she says.

They continue on and end up being put on a train for the rest of their journey.

"Was it a nice train at least?" I asked.

"No no no" she says. It was in an open coal car.

"It was full of black dust..... so dirty"

They ended up in Germany after a farmer took them in. The family was split up, sleeping in the barn and some in the house.

One day her grandfather comes running into the house yelling that the Russians were coming. He was a WWI vet and knew how the world worked.

"He told my aunts, they were teenagers, 'Now you go and put lots of makeup on, lots of rouge, and pull your hair out, let it fly.'" Sara remembers the conversation but didn't know why at the time.

As it turns out, the Rus-

sians were pretty nasty. The girls made themselves look like gypsies to avoid being raped because the Russians wouldn't touch gypsies.

"Did it work?" I asked

"It worked. Kept them all safe, nobody was touched." she said proudly.

This was life back then.

The Russians ultimately offered Sara's family a choice, they could stay where they were or they could go home.

"My grandmother wanted to go home so badly." Sara says. This statement changes the tone of the conversation noticeably, and not for the good.

"My grandmother said, 'If we can only live in the basement, I want to go home.' So we went home" Sara remembers

When they got home, there were strangers living in their home. People from the mountains. Gypsies. They were wearing Sara's clothes. They were eating her family's food. They were sleeping in their beds.

"They didn't work. They just went around stealing stuff." She is angry now.

"Those were our things and we were never allowed in the house again. All of our beautiful embroidered costumes that took years to make....nothing. We had to start over."

Sara is so mad she is almost crying. Still, to this day. She is so hurt. So angry. She closes her eyes tightly, like she is trying to force the memories away.

"We had nothing" she laments. "This is so difficult for me. Talking of these things."

They settled into another town when Sara was 10 or so.

"There was a policeman in this new town, he was so nasty. He was always drunk. He was married to a terrible woman, a gypsy. He was the worst and she was so nasty." Sara remembers.

They had a little boy they called Józsi (pronounced YO-zhee) who was very young and very frail. Of all the things that Sara remembered throughout this conversation, Józsi is the one that brought tears. There is still a place

in Sara's heart for Józsi and a void after all these years, wondering whatever happened to him.

"She used to tell him 'Go chop wood, go do this, go do that.' he was never allowed to play. My mother always made sure we had some time to play."

"Sara remembers one time in particular, 'The dad comes home and he is already drunk. She lies about Józsi. 'He didn't do this, he talked back' she tells him. Józsi would never talk back. He was so shy. Such a sweet boy.' She tells the father that he must discipline Józsi, and he did."

Sara starts tearing up" He, being drunk, believes her. He took him into the shed and in the shed was a post. He tied his hands behind his back on that post so he couldn't move. He just left him there."

It was dark now. Sara told her brother to go out and check on Józsi. He came back and told her that he was still out there. He was crying. He was hungry. He was so thirsty. George took Józsi some food and water.

The anguish in Sara's voice almost makes me stop her.

"I still think about this boy and wonder if he is still alive. I cannot forget that little boy. He was so dear. We all loved him so much."

Sara's dad was in Austria and borrowed money to buy citizenship for the family so that they could be together again. They hadn't seen each other for over 7 years. Sara was 12 years old now.

"When we got off that train, it had been so long since I had seen him but he had sent us pictures." she says.

Sara remembers sitting on a bench with her siblings while her mother went into the station to look for their father.

"I saw a man...he was walking into the station where my mother had just gone and I knew. That was my father."

She told her brother and he ran to get him.

When Sara thinks of her dad walking toward her that first time, she closes her eyes and that beautiful smile comes across her face again.

"It was a great feeling. Oh God. It's something you can't describe too much. You have to go through things like that in order to know how people feel" she says.

On April 14, 1955, they arrived in New York City. A new beginning. "It was just beautiful" she remembers. "My dad saw laundry hanging in the street in the neighborhoods and he says 'What have we gotten into'" she is laughing so hard.

"Can you imagine? This is what he's worried about."

I'm so glad she's laughing now. I truly almost lost her with Józsi.

From this point on, Sara's life is more in line with what she deserves.

They first lived in Detroit where a church helped them out. "We had nothing. Just what we could carry." To this day, Sara still has a couple pots that they brought over with them.

Sara did not go to school. At 14, she was working to help support the family. She went to night school when she wasn't working to learn a few things, like English.

Sara met Joe Schneider in 1962. He was a singer in Cleveland at the Sachsenheim. She was a singer in Detroit. She was in Detroit, he was in Cleveland. Long distance relationships are easy today. Back then, not so much.

"Did you know you were going to marry him when you met him?" I asked.

"Oh, no." she laughs, "But everyone else knew."

"One thing led to another. We met in September, we got engaged at Christmas, and got married in July.

They shared a love story. It was intense and life was well lived. They had a son, Dieter, and a daughter, Carmen.

She says Joe was the love of her life, and after all she went through growing up, she deserved to grow old with Joe. Sadly, it was not to be.

Joe died of cancer in 1986. He was only 62. Sara says that she never married again.

"I put my Joe on such a high pedestal that there was never anyone that could be on the same pedestal."

I wish I could have met him. She is so enamored with him that I wish I could talk to him. I wish I could see how they would look at each other as she tells her story.

Tragedy would strike once more when cancer took Carmen from Sara in 2012.

"I miss Joe so much, but

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## „Sie haben sich damit abgefunden“: Ausstellung in Berlin erinnerte an die Russlanddeportation vor 75 Jahren

„Ein Gefangener hatte immer nur das Essen im Sinn, denn Hunger hatten wir jeden Tag. Mit Hunger standen wir auf, mit Hunger gingen wir schlafen.“ 75 Jahre nach der Deportation von rund 70.000 Rumäniendeutschen in die Sowjetunion brachte die Ausstellung „Order 7161 Zeitzeugenporträts einer Deportation“ ein Kapitel der Nachkriegsgeschichte ans Licht. Das Rumänische Kulturinstitut Berlin zeigte in einem Kooperationsprojekt mit der Kulturreferentin für Siebenbürgen vom 14. Januar bis 18. Februar eine Ausstellung mit Bildern des Luxemburger Fotografen Marc Schroeder. Seit 2012 besuchte und fotografierte er auf seinen Rumänienreisen 40 Opfer der Russlanddeportation. Aida Ivan führte das folgende Gespräch mit Marc Schroeder.

Wie sind Sie auf die Idee gekommen, ein fotografisches Projekt zu diesem Thema durchzuführen?

Gelesen habe ich einen Reisebericht über Hermannstadt. Ich habe recherchiert und herausgefunden, dass die Siebenbürger Sachsen ursprünglich aus dem heutigen Raum Luxemburg Mosel-Rheinland kamen. Dann wollte ich ein fotografisches Projekt über die Deportation machen. Ich war mir natürlich bewusst, die sind die Letzten. Ada zum Beispiel war damals 83 Jahre alt und sie war eine der jüngsten. Und ich habe gedacht, wenn ich das durchziehen möchte, muss ich mich beeilen. Weil ich als Fotograf das Thema behandelt habe, habe ich die Leute eigentlich frei reden lassen. Meine Priorität war, dass ich die Leute in Bildern darstelle. Ich bin kein Historiker, ich bin kein Forscher. Ich wollte, dass die Leute sich in meiner Anwesenheit wohlfühlen.

Welche Schwierigkeiten gab es während der Reise?

Die Leute haben sich wirklich gefreut. Ich war positiv überrascht, denn das war mein größtes Bedenken, als ich mit dem Projekt angefangen habe: Dass die Leute sich mit diesem Thema nicht auseinandersetzen wollen. Aber das war überhaupt nicht der Fall. Die Herausforderung war, die Leute zu finden. Ich bin acht Mal nach Rumänien geflogen. Als ich 2013 dann das Stipendium vom Rumänischen Kulturinstitut bekam, war ich zwei Monate in Rumänien. Und da habe ich 10-12 Leute fotografiert. Ich wollte nicht nur Siebenbürger Sachsen vor der Kamera haben. Es gibt auch andere Gemeinschaften – in der Bukowina, Sathmar, Banater Bergland, in Craiova, Bukarest und Ploiești. Jeder hat natürlich seine eigene individuelle Geschichte



**Marc Schroeder und die Politologin Dr. Anneli Ute Gaby in der Berliner Ausstellung „Order 7161 Zeitzeugenporträts einer Deportation“. Foto: Aida Ivan**

te und die hat mich sehr interessiert. Das kollektive Gedächtnis ergibt sich erst, nachdem man mit mehreren Personen gesprochen hat. Diese Entdeckungsreisen waren eigentlich die schönsten Arbeiten meines Lebens, seitdem ich mit der Fotografie angefangen habe. Für mich war das sehr wichtig, denn hier ging es noch um ein Thema, worüber ich nichts wusste und worüber viele Leute in Rumänien damals nichts wussten. Eine gewisse Genugtuung war auch noch da, denn ich kann hier der Öffentlichkeit etwas mitteilen, was sie noch nicht weiß.

Wie sind die Fotos entstanden?

Als ich angefangen habe, wollte ich mir keine Regeln vorschreiben. Ada war die erste, die ich damals fotografiert habe. Wir haben in der Küche gesessen und geredet und dann hat sie mich ins Wohnzimmer mitgenommen. Sie hatte dort einen Wandteppich, auf den sie ganz stolz war. Ich bat sie, sich aufs Bett vor den Wandteppich zu setzen und habe ein Bild gemacht. Und so entstand das Leitmotiv für die gestellten Farbporträts – die Leute in ihrem Wohnraum mit einem Weitwinkelobjektiv zu porträtieren.

Nicht alle Fotografien sind aber Porträts.

Ja, an der Wand gibt es ein Bild von einem Zim-



**Die Ausstellung, ein Kooperationsprojekt des Rumänischen Kulturinstituts Berlin und der Kulturreferentin für Siebenbürgen, konnte bis Mitte Februar im Rumänischen Kulturinstitut Berlin besichtigt werden**

mer ohne Person. In der Mitte steht ein leerer Stuhl, die Dame lebte in Freidorf und wollte nicht fotografiert werden. Dann habe ich ein Foto von diesem Stuhl in der Küche neben dem Kachelofen gemacht. Zur Ausstellung gehören auch vorbeiziehende Landschaften, die die Leute vielleicht gesehen haben, als sie nach Russland fuhren oder als sie aus der Deportation zurückkamen.

Sie haben so viele Geschichten gehört. Wie sind die Leute mit ihren Traumata umgegangen?

Sie haben sich damit abgefunden. Auch wenn das Erinnern schwer fiel, waren sie froh dass jemand, ein Fremder, nach ihrem



**Prinz Nikolaus von Liechtenstein (Dritter von links) überreicht Klaus Johannis den Coudenhove-Kalergi-Europapreis 2020. Die Laudatio auf den Preisträger hielt der ehemalige EU-Ratsvorsitzende Donald Tusk (1. von links). Foto: Rumänisches Präsidialamt (www.presidency.ro)**

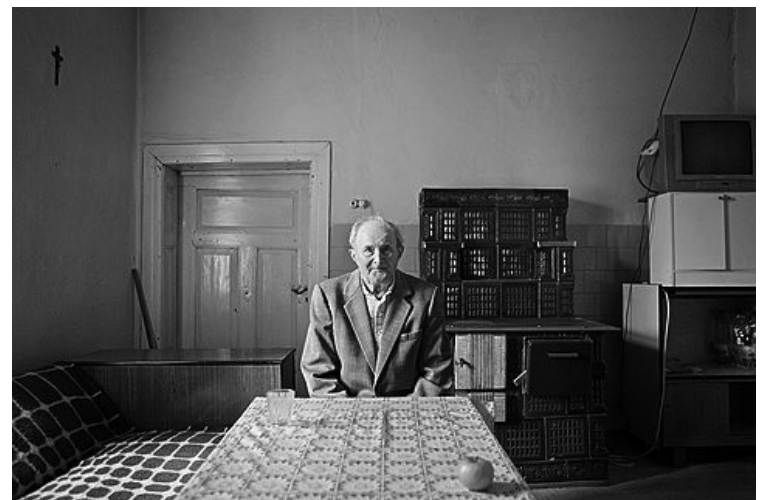
## Coudenhove-Kalergi-Europapreis für Präsident Klaus Johannis

Bukarest – Rumäniens Staatspräsident Klaus Johannis wurde am 4. März im Bukarester Cotroceni-Palast mit dem Coudenhove-Kalergi-Europapreis 2020 ausgezeichnet, der seit 1978 alle zwei Jahre für besondere Verdienste im Sinne der europäischen Einheit verliehen wird. Den Preis überreichte Prinz Nikolaus von Liechtenstein, der Johannis' Hingabe und seinen Einsatz für die europäischen Werte würdigte.

Die Laudatio hielt der ehemalige EU-Ratsvorsitzende Donald Tusk. Dieser lobte Johannis ausdrücklich als herausragenden Politiker, der Aufbauarbeit leiste, statt zu zerstören, und dem Manipulation fern liege. Tusk erwähnte auch, dass er selbst Johannis als seinen Amtsnachfolger vorgeschlagen hatte. Dieser habe jedoch abgelehnt, es gebe noch zu viel zu tun in seinem Land. Tausende junge Leute in Rumänien glaubten an europäische Werte, die wolle er nicht hinten lassen.

Johannis ist nach Emil Constantinescu (1998) der zweite rumänische Präsident, der diese hohe Auszeichnung erhält. Der Preis ist nach dem Europa-Vordenker Richard Coudenhove-Calergi benannt.

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**Zur Ausstellung gehörte auch das Porträt von Franz Pleth aus Bildegg/Beltiug. Marc Schroeder machte das Foto 2013.**

Schicksal gefragt hat. Die meisten haben vielleicht mir mehr als eigenen Familien erzählt. Solche katastrophalen Ereignisse werden selten in der Familie besprochen, glaube ich. Es war das größte Leid, das Unheilbarste, das diesen Leuten widerfahren ist. Zur Ausstellung gehörte auch das Porträt von ...Ihre Fotos wurden sowohl in Deutschland als auch in Rumänien gezeigt. Wie hat rumänische Publikum reagiert? Gab es Unterschiede zum deutschen Publikum?

Die Ausstellung ist sowohl in Deutschland als auch in Rumänien beim Publikum gut angekommen. Große Unterschiede in den Reaktionen hat es keine gegeben. Abgesehen von Hermannstadt und der Ausstellung zur 75. Gedenkfeier der Deportation in Reschitza, war dieses Thema – ähnlich wie dem deutschen Publikum – auch den rumänischen Besuchern meistens unbekannt gewesen.

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Aquarium

ANGELFISH

BETTAS

CATFISH

CHERRY BARB

DISCUS

GOLDFISH

GUPPIES

KILLIFISH

KUHLI LOACH

MOLLIES

NEON TETRA

OSCAR

PEARL GOURAMI

PLATIES

PLECOSTOMUS

RAINBOWFISH

SUNFISH

SWORDTAILS

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Easter April 12:  
Be ready by making an Easter bonnet now

You need two main things for an Easter bonnet: Creativity and a place to show it off.

On the creative part, you have it covered with the following tips to make your hat.

A proper Easter bonnet has to start with a straw hat and end with flowers, but what's in between is up to you.

Here's what you can get from the hobby store or just your craft closet:

- Start with a a straw hat with a nice size brim. The brim is crucial since this is where you make your bonnet happen.
- You'll need some good fabric or craft glue and a scissors, of course.
- Felt: You can use this to cover your hat, if you wish.
- Paper confetti or Easter grass can make a nice nest on your hat.
- Plastic eggs, flowers,

chicks and bunnies -- good decorations.

- Cotton balls can be used to make flowers or even little bunnies or chicks.
- Or use anything at all you want. Make it yours.

Lastly you need a place to show it off.

- Host an Easter bonnet and card party.
- Start a parade.
- Gather your friends, go to the park on Easter, and wave at traffic.
- Wear one to church.
- Invite the family for dinner and wear it the whole time. They are going to be jealous.
- Invite the granddaughters over to make a hat, then take everyone to the park. Or go shopping. Or have a tea party (and you can do that with friends, too).
- Definitely wear it to any Easter celebration or party.

A sonnet about the Easter bonnet

Everyone knows that song about the Easter bonnet with all the frills upon it.

But, tell the truth, was there ever really an Easter bonnet tradition?

Yes and no, observers say.

We have to say yes because Christian women wore hats for church (and Easter) for centuries. And people did tend to buy new clothes (and hats) for Easter.

The tradition of women covering their heads in the church mainly disappeared in the west in the 1960s, as culture became casual and churches relaxed expectations.

But there are remnants of the tradition. In Spain, during Holy Week, some women still drape long, lovely, black lace mantillas over elaborate combs called peinetas. On the other end of the spectrum, plain dressing Hutterites and Amish women wear simple head coverings all

the time.

In England, the tradition of hats remains -- but mainly for royal weddings and race tracks. Ladies of the realm don elaborate hats with sweeping brims. Sometimes they sport quirky 'fascinators,' feathers or bows attached to the forehead or side of the head.

But the Easter bonnet in particular probably arose out of the tradition of wearing finery for Easter. In the 1870s, when everyone attempted to dress in their best clothes for church, the ladies and gentlemen parishioners emerged from St. Patrick's Cathedral and spontaneously decided to go for a stroll along Fifth Avenue. The New York City Easter Bonnet Parade was born.

Up until about 1930, the Easter parade was about finery. But by the 1940s, it was also about fun and humor. People started making

SARA SCHNEIDER  
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Carmen broke my heart.”

She is very proud of her family.

If I learned one thing about Sara Schneider during my time with her it's that nothing in this world is as important as family. People say that family is important, but Sara's faith in family is amazing.

Sara has lived through some horrible times as a child. Times bad enough that, had she developed problems as an adult, it would all be excused. She didn't though. Her family took care of her. They did the best they could and the the best they could was good enough.

It is so important, as you go through your daily life, that you look at people and know that they all have a story. Sara looks like a sweet lady, and she is, but man, she had a rough way to go to get there. She deserves everything good that comes her way now. She's done her time.

In the end, you'll be able to Google famous people after they're gone and read about their lives. When Sara is gone, she's gone. Poof. Just like that. Hopefully now, people can at least Google "Sara Schneider" and see that she lived.

If you see Sara out and about, give her a hug. She still believes in humanity and I believe she'll return that hug.

And Józsi, if you're reading this, leave me a message so I can let Sara know that you made it. She thinks about you often. If you didn't make it, I'm sorry that you had such a crappy life. Sara says you were a good soul, and that's good enough for me.

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March 31 is World Backup Day

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Canton, OH Br. 14  
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## ANOTHER MEMORABLE OVERNIGHT STAY AT THE CLEVELAND ZOO

Junior members along with eight adults enjoyed their night time adventure “tracking the Amur Tiger.” They enjoyed the educational program that included animals that they were able to touch or hold. Below are some comments from attendees:

*Dear ATS,*

*Thank you so much for having the sleep over at the Cleveland Zoo. We had lots of fun watching the wolves and sleeping in the Wolf Lodge. We got to see and touch a box turtle, a snake, an armadillo, and a lesser tenrec. Thank you again.*

Mary & Ray Appleby  
Salem



*Dear ATS,*

*I would like to thank the ATS for making it possible to go to the over night stay at the zoo. I enjoyed getting up close to the animals. The zookeepers were very nice and they would always greet us with their positive and smiling faces. There were always friends at every corner. Personally, my favorite part was watching the otters eat their snack! Most of the animals were out and moving. The weather was nice and the sun was out shining on all the animals. We played a lot of games and touched a lot of animals! My favorite animal that I touched was the armadillo. That sums up my wonderful zoo experience!*

*Thanks ATS for this wonderful opportunity!*

Catherine Spor  
New Castle

*Dear ATS,*

*We had a great time at the zoo. Jay, loved waking up with the wolves right there to see. Dylan and Chloe loved petting the animals, especially the snake and armadillo.*

Trudy Schaefer  
Cleveland West

