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Association of Transylvanian Saxons in Germany e.V.

The President of the Association

Berlin

To the Federal Executive of the Association of Transylvanian Saxons in Germany e.V.

To the members of the Federation Council of the Federation of Transylvanian Saxons worldwide

To all employees at the Federal Office

Resignation from office as President of the Association and President of the Federation

Dear ladies and gentlemen, colleagues, dear friends in our regional community,

Upon decision of the Federal Government on 11/4/2018, I was appointed Commissioner of the Federal Government for Emigrant Affairs and National Minorities. Therefore, in order to avoid a possible conflict of interest in the performance of the above positions with the tasks now delegated to Government, I resign my office as President of our Association and Federation with immediate effect. According to the statute, my current tasks are now being performed by the elected federal chairman, whom I thank heartily for the excellent cooperation so far and wish her all the best for the overall future management of the association.

I had great pleasure in my commitment to our community, at all levels, as honorary legal representative of the National Association of Bavaria since 1996 up until the position of Association President in 2018. This has not made my decision any easier. But I am convinced that in my new assignment in Government, I will be able to do even more about the concerns of German refugees and displaced persons, the German minorities in Central and Eastern Europe and also national minorities in Germany.

It is with deep loyalty and gratitude to all fellow campaigners in the boards and the office, who supported my endeavour that I conclude my activity at the Association and Federation of the Transylvanian Saxons. First of all, I am convinced that any work in our vibrant and cohesive community will continue unabated and, secondly, I believe you all, including our community, will remain fully connected by heart without hindrance in the time ahead.

Best regards,



Dr. Bernd Fabritius

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ASK YOUR
DEPUTY HOW
A CERTIFICATE OF
MEMBERSHIP
IN THE ATS CAN
HELP YOU TO SAVE!

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Joan Miller-Malue

ATS Nat'l President



On Monday, April 2nd ATS Secretary Monica Gilles, ATS Trustee Randall Floyd and lattended Chicago Branch 9's monthly meeting. I want to thank the officers and members for their warm welcome. President Dede Thut conducted a well-run meeting. All Officers and committees gave detailed reports that were very informative to their members. They are busily preparing for their Annual Maifest which will be held on Saturday, May 5th. I hope that many of the Chicago area members and their families will support the event and enjoy an evening of Saxon Gemütlichkeit. I commended the officers and membership for their dedication and fine efforts in promoting the Transylvanian Saxon culture within the Chicago area. The Branch works nicely with the other German groups that support one another in their ethnic festivities. ATS Trustee Randall Floyd informed the membership that he has an Illinois insurance license and is anxious to serve the Branch as their ATS Deputy.

On Saturday, April 7th I attended the Memorial Service for Dr. Robert Schneider at the First Baptist Church of Greater Cleveland where he was a vital part of the worship for twenty-five years as the organist and director of music. The memorial tribute was so majestic filled with beautiful music by choirs, three string ensemble, piano and organ selections that truly was a testament to his faith and love for others. The grandeur of the memorial service was one that could have been given to an official dignitary in Washington DC. It was breath-taking to the 700 and some persons that attended the service. How proud we can say he was a Saxon member of our Society that had touched and inspired so many people through his music.

On Sunday, April 8th I attended Youngstown Branch 22 meeting along with Secretary Monica Gilles. The meeting was very well attended and President June Hoelzel is to be commended on her leadership. All officers and committees gave detailed reports on their activities. They are busily preparing for the Annual Goulash Dinner on Saturday, April 14, their Annual Mothers and Daughters Banquet that will be held on Sunday, April 29 and the ATS National Convention that will be held at the Youngstown Saxon Club the weekend of June 2 – 3. Following the ladies meeting, there was a joint meeting with the officers and members of

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TIMELY - DO NOT DELAY MAILED WEDNESDAY, APRIL 18, 2018 Attention Postmaster: Send all Changes of Address to: The Alliance of Transylvanian Saxons 5393 Pearl Road Cleveland, OH 44129-1597



Countdown to our

North American Saxon Heimattag
Cleveland, Ohio June 22 - 24, 2018
63 days left!

See Page 7 for Reservation and Hotel Information



Schloss Horneck needs OUR help!

Since 1960 Schloss Horneck has housed the Siebenbürger er Museum, the Siebenbürger Library and Archive, the Siebenbürger-Institut and is the base for many Saxon organizations. A seniors home is also located on the property. Last September the Verband der Siebenbürger Sachsen in Deutschland purchased the property for one million Euro.



Donations were received from individuals and organizations to help fund the purchase of the property. The purchase of Schloss Horneck gives the Siebenbürger Saxons throughout the world a central location where Saxon artifacts, books and other historical documents can be collected and stored to preserve our ethnic history for many years.

The Federation of Transylvanian Saxons is asking for donations from all Saxons and Saxon organizations to help in funding of this historical facility. If you are interested in giving a donation to help fund this project please complete the form below and send to the ATS Home Office, 5393 Pearl Road, Cleveland, OH 44129. Please make your check payable to the ATS.

DONATION FOR SCHLOSS HORNECK FUND

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You can indicate if donation is in memory or honor of someone:

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE Cont'd from Page 1

Branch 30.

Secretary Monica Gilles, who serves as chairperson of the Youth Activities Committee, spoke at both Branch 9 and 22 on upcoming national youth activities for 2018. She emphasized the importance of getting our youth involved since they are the future of our organization. She reported that the Committee is reviving the Teen Weekend which will be held the weekend of July 6 -8. It is a free event for our teenagers and hoped that they would encourage their members to attend.

I want to bring attention to the earlier date for the Saxon Summer Camp Applications that had been in previous years. The new camp director is asking that we inform him by May 15th the number of campers in the different age groups so that he can assure that he will have sufficient camp counselors. The camp will be held at Camp Frederick the week of July 15. Reservation forms must be received at the ATS Home Office by May 12th. Flyers have been mailed to our ATS junior members, age 7 – 17. This is a wonderful opportunity for members from different Branches to get to acquainted and enjoy a week of outdoor activities.

Transylvanian Saxon Trivia: The first Transylvanian Saxon that came to America was Johann Kelp, a Lutheran theologian who was born in Schässburg in 1669. In 1694 he arrived in Germantown, Pennsylvania which is now the city of Philadelphia. He was the first scientist to grow European medicinal plants and herbs in North America. His diary was published as a historical record. The hymns he composed and set to music are the oldest music ever written in Pennsylvania. He died in 1708.

Ich wünsche allen einen schönen Tag.



Shakespeare had a good run, but is it over?

Born 454 years ago April 23, Shakespeare and his 38 plays and 154 sonnets are said to make up the foundation of English literature.

He had a good run, but it appears to be over.

Today, of the 52 highest ranked universities and liberal arts colleges, only four require English majors to take a class on the bard, according to a study by the American Council of Trustees and Alumni.

Instead, schools offer courses on vampires, cyborgs, popular film and television. Schools are increasing readings on race, class, gender and sexuality, according to ACTA.

The four universities that required a course dedicated to Shakespeare were Harvard University, Wellesley College, the US Naval Academy and the University of California at Berkeley.

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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:

DEADLINE

ISSUE

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 25, 2018 WEDNESDAY, MAY 9, 2018 WEDNESDAY, MAY 23, 2018

FRIDAY, MAY 4, 2018 FRIDAY, MAY 18, 2018 FRIDAY, JUNE 1, 2018

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 27, NEW CASTLE By Dolores Both

We met Thursday, April 5, at 3:30 at the club. President Marie Benedict called our meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance. All officers were present and reports were approved as read.

Correspondence was received from the ATS thanking our president, Marie Benedict, for her leadership, and information on the ATS Convention to be held in Youngstown on June 2 and 3. Delegates elected to go to the convention are Marie Benedict, Helen Burick and Jane Fishovitz.

A thank you letter was received from the family of Ryan Diviney. Our best get well wishes go out to Carol Lang, Jim Jefferies, Marie Kraus and Arlene Calhoun.

Dolores Both reported on the pizza cooking class several of us went to at the First Assembly of God Church. We learned how to make various doughs and five delicious varieties of pizzas which we got to taste at the end of class. We have a few ladies who are interested in going to the painting class at the Crafting on Pine Hill Farm on April 12. We will paint a 'Sweet Spring Bird.'

Our next meeting will be May 3 at 5:00 pm at Faraone Brothers Restaurant. We will be celebrating Mother's Day with dinner followed by a brief meeting. Call Dolores Both 724 658-7407 by April 26 for reservations.

Jean Kaba bought several sturdy pot holders for the club kitchen. Further research will be made into the purchase of roasters for the kitchen.

A Schnitzel dinner will be held on April 13. The next dinner will be May 13. The dinners are by reservation only, so be sure to sign up.

Glorie Geisel won the door prize. Be seein' you May 3 at 5:00 pm at Faraone's Restaurant.

BRANCH 5, LORAIN By Michael Johnson

The month of April was our second general meeting of the year with a fairly good turn out. Without members attending meetings, we can't conduct business, so your attendance is really important to the continuation of this branch of the ATS. Our next meeting will be Saturday May 5th, 2018 at the American Slovak Club, 2915 Broadway, Lorain.

Last August, Sister Juliana Johnson traveled to Romania with fellow ATS members from Youngstown, Salem, Cleveland and Chicago to attend the Sachsentreffen 2017. At the May 5th 2018 regular scheduled meeting, she would like to present her trip visually through the pictures she took while chronicling her adventure. We will begin promptly at 5:00PM with pizza being served, her presentation following shortly thereafter, and then our meeting beginning at 7:00PM. Plan on joining us that evening for both business and fun.

We will be sending four delegates to the 106th ATS Convention hosted by Branches 22 and 30 in Youngstown OH on June 2nd and 3rd 2018. Members Brother Brian Gilles and Sisters Erica Zgola, Sharon Powell and Janie Mowery have all agreed to represent Branch 5 for this biennial

Brother Russ meeting. Gilles is the alternate in the event one of the delegates are unable to attend. Due to the date of the ATS Convention being held the same date as our regular meeting in June, that month's meeting will be moved to Saturday, June 9, 2018 at the American Slovak Club at 7:00 PM. It was also voted on to take a summer break and cancel the meeting for July.

Members going on the sick list are Sister Olga Theiss and Brother Al Lachman. Our prayer is for their speedy recovery of their illnesses.

Celebrating birthdays in the month of April are Brother Ned Jones, Sisters Barb Gilles, Ginger Romes and Debbie Tomusko, and Junior members Sofia Ali, Aidan Brown, and Mackenzie Smith. Happy Birthday! May you all enjoy your special day!

There are many activities to be a part of throughout the ATS printed in the Volksblatt that you can attend and enjoy while helping to support other branches. Spring is just around the corner and it's time to begin planning your summer. Consider some of these opportunities to enrich your Saxon heritage.

Spring Into Spring Cleaning

It's that time of year. As the air gets warmer and the sun shines more each day, it is the perfect time to tackle all those chores you've been putting off. These chores don't have to become overwhelming. Just keep these tips in mind.

First Things First

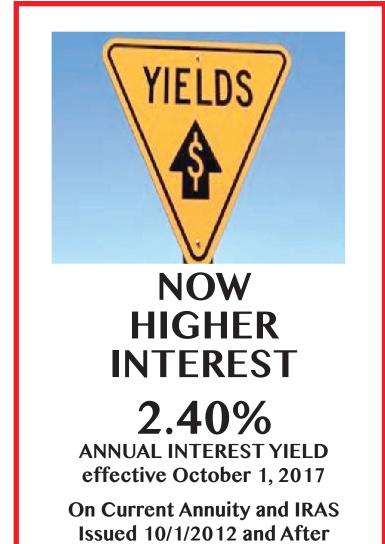
Don't try to clean a cluttered room. Spend time putting things away first so you don't waste time cleaning around obstacles. You'll be happier with a less cluttered room as well. And remember to vacuum before dusting, so you don't kick up dust onto your freshly cleaned furniture.

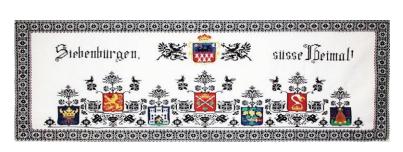
Have the Right Tools

Any chore is easier with the right equipment. Have on hand a broom, dust pan, mop, vacuum, cleaning rags, scrub brush, bucket, sponges, step ladder, and paper towels. When gathering your cleaning products, remember to use heavy-duty types. Look for products that are multi-use to cut down on the number of bottles you have to carry through your home.

Clean Safely

Never use a cleaning product without first reading the label. Make sure you properly ventilate your cleaning area. And always keep cleaning solutions out of the reach of children.





ATTENTION: Members Cleveland East Branch 33 2018-19 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 2018-19 academic year. IT IS THE MEMBER'S RESPONSIBILITY to call or write to REQUEST an application. **DEADLINE IS May 31, 2018**.

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 or call Karyn at (216) 382-7397.

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FRATERNAL CALENDAR

NATIONAL EVENTS

April 21, 22, 2018

TSBA Tournament

Host New Castle PA Bowlers

June 2-3, 2018

ATS Convention Youngstown, Ohio Host Youngstown Branches 22 and 30

June 9, 2018

TSBA Convention, Cleveland Sachsenheim

June 22 -24, 2018

North American Heimattag, Cleveland Sachsenheim Hosts Cleveland West Branches 1 and 4

July 6 -8, 2018

Revival of ATS Teen Weekend, Salem Saxon Club

July 15 - 20, 2018

Saxon Summer Camp at Camp Frederick

July 28, 2018

ATS Family Day at Waldameer Amusement Park and Water World

August 11, 12, 2018

ATS Golf Outing, Salem Hills Golf Course

Hosts: Salem Branches 18 and 19

October 20-21, 2018

ATS Open-Bowling Tournament, Merrillville, Indiana, **Host Merrillville Branch 26**

LOCAL EVENTS

April 21, 2018

Salem Clean-up Day (1) 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

April 22, 2018

Cleveland East Br. 33 Membership Banquet St. Noel's Banquet Center, Willoughby Hills

April 26, 2018

Salem Bar Open <u>7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.</u>

April 28, 2018

Salem Clean-up Day (2) 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. New Castle Clean-up day at The Picnic Grounds **Cleveland West Sachsenchor Spring Concert April 29, 2018**

Youngstown Br. 22 Mother Daughter Banquet May 2, 2018

Salem Saxon Retirees 11:30 a.m.

May 3, 2018

Salem DRIVE THRU DINNER 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

May 3, 2018

Salem Bar Open <u>7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.</u>

May 5, 2018

Salem CC Clean-up Day (3) 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. **New Castle Singers Spring Concert**

Chicago Br. 9 Maifest

Schwaben Center, Buffalo Grove

Cleveland Saxon Dance Group, Trachtenfest May 6, 2018

Youngstown Branches 22 and 30 meet 2:00 p.m May 7, 2018

Salem Br. 19 Meeting 7:30 p.m.

May 10, 2018

Salem Bar Open <u>7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.</u> New Castle Br. 25 Monthly Meeting 8:00 P.M

May 11, 2018

Salem Joint Social Dinner??? 6:00 p.m

May 12, 2018

New Castle Clean-up at The Picnic Grounds

May 14, 2018

Salem Br. 18 Meeting 7:00 p.m.

May 17, 2018

Salem Bar Open 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

May 24, 2018 Salem Bar Open 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

May 26, 2018 **New Castle Opening weekend at The Picnic Grounds**

"Eintracht Brew Fest" 2 - 7 p.m.

"Manhattan" 8 - 11 p.m.

June 2, 2018

New Castle Take Solo at The Picnic Grounds 8:00 - 11:00 P.M.

June 4, 2018

Salem Br.19 Meeting 7:30 p.m.

June 6, 2018

Salem Saxon Retirees 11:30 a.m.

Salem DRIVE THRU DINNER 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

June 7, 2018

Salem Bar Open 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

June 8, 2018

Salem Joint Social Dinner??? 6:00 p.m.

BRANCH 8, ALLIANCE By Lesley Reed

Our second meeting of 2018 was held on March 21st. Our hostesses were Jan Ossler, Shari Edwards, and Mary Craven. This month's attendance awards were presented to Denise Crawford and Alice Freeders. We also wished a very happy birthday to Phyllis Biggs.

Old business included a reminder that our next gathering will take place at Papa Gyro's on State St. in Alliance at 6 p.m. on April 18th. Our May meeting will be held at the American Legion Hall on May 16th at 6:30 p.m. with hostesses that evening being Denise, Casey, and Courtney Crawford.

New business included the reading of correspondence which consisted of three "thank you" cards. These were in response to a memorial donation that was made in memory of Ed Wonner, a floral arrangement sent to the Tillie Ameser family, and for scholarship monies received by Emily Brennan. The minutes for the October and January meetings were read and accepted as was the current Treasurer's report. Pres. Aeling discussed proposed changes to the ATS constitution, with more information to come in the Volksblatt, which will be brought up for vote at the upcoming ATS convention. Our two delegates who will represent us at the convention were decided upon and these ladies will be Helen Aeling and Barb Esterly.

Golf Preparedness

With spring finally here, many of us are gearing up for the golfing season. Before you head back out on the course, take time to review some basic preparation steps to ensure that you have a day free of injuries or strains.

Remember to warm up before teeing off. Walk for several minutes, swinging your arms to warm up those muscles. After your muscles are beginning to warm up, do some stretches, concentrating on the muscles that you will use most during your game. Stretch your arms and back, as well as your shoulders and legs. To protect your feet from injury and fatigue, make sure that your golf shoes are properly fitted and are comfortable at all times during your walk on the course.

BRANCH 22, YOUNGSTOWN By Rosemarie Kascher

Club Announcements and Activities:

Mother/Daughter Banquet April 29 @ 12:00 p.m.

Officers Meeting Tuesday, May 1 @ 1:00 p.m.

Branch 22 Meeting Sunday, May 6 @ 2:00 p.m.

Retirees Meeting Thursday, May 10 @11:30 a.m

Mother/Daughter tickets can be procured from the office or from Julaine Gilmartin or Rosemary Zamrey.

Since our secretary, Cindy Blubaugh is relocating to Virginia, a new secretary is needed. If you have those skills and would like to serve as an officer, please contact our president.

Birthdays are Samantha Marucci, Regina Teutsch, Kay Herman and Betty Garhammer.

The Restoration Committee reported their current on-going improvements. The need for an updating of our whole computer system was addressed with its solution.

Those who might be interested in part time work, consider becoming an agent for selling ATS insurances. Please contact Jim Mauch for more information.

July 16 is the Summer Camp at Camp Frederick and Teen Weekend is July 6,7,8 at the Salem Country

We are grateful to Joan and Monica for coming from the ATS Office to assist us with information about reorganization in our Youngstown Club possibilities.

IT IS ENCOURAGING TO THINK THAT Spring might soon be here as flowers bloom through the snow. Best wishes to each of you!

YOUNGSTOWN SAXON RETIREES By Cindy Blubaugh

Our theme for this meeting was Easter. We had real looking bunnies at the head table and Easter baskets on the other tables. It was all so cute. There was also snacks on the tables of chocolate candy and snack mix. These were surely appreciated after our meal.

Our hostesses this month were Ro Dundon and Teri Laret although Teri was not present. She is now on our sick list.

We had a very relaxed atmosphere at this meeting. We had some open discussions that were insightful and entertaining. One of the discussions was in regards to our meal that day. We were served one thin slice of roast beef (which

was excellent), potatoes, gravy, mixed vegetables, a salad of lettuce & carrots and rolls. Many felt that we could have gone to a restaurant for a more filling meal at the same or even lower cost. That may happen in the short future. Our hostesses provided us with the dessert of apple and apricot kolachi.

Our 50/50 raffle was won by Susan Mraz, Kay Ring, Marge Ludt, Hermine Gentile, Lucy Secka and Dom Sugar.

Our next meeting will be hosted by Kay Ring at 330-718-8089 and Eileen Ring at 330-718-7462. Please get vour reservations to them by May 5, 2018.

So ein Tag



"Technology has come a long way. Instead of kicking, the baby is now tweeting."



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



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

Money Tip

Many people carry credit insurance coverage on installment or credit card loans, but in reality don't really need it. If you have this type of coverage, which makes your payments in the event of illness, disability, death, or unemployment, take a look at your situation. If you are in a two-income household, you may have enough income to cover these types of bills for a month or two. You may find that your savings could cover these payments sufficiently as well. If so, consider dropping that coverage and applying the payments to the principle on the debt instead.

BRANCH 9, CHICAGO By Rose-Marie Hauer

Greetings to all our members and friends! Spring is finally here! Hope you all had a blessed Easter with your families and friends.

Our meeting was held on April 3, and was well attended. President Thut brought the meeting to order and welcomed all the members and guests. We were privileged to have our ATS President Joan Miller-Malue and Board members Monica Giles and Randall Floyd in attendance. What a wonderful gesture to attend our meeting and share information. Branch 9 was thrilled to have them in attendance.

President Thut told the membership a Board meeting was held on February 15, for book auditing and all the books were in order. All reports were read and accepted.

Sister Claudia Schmidt reported the following people were on the Sick List and are recovering; Sister Sara

Hartig, Sister Rosemarie Morgan, Brother Henry Reif, and Sister Hilde Schoonmaker. Please remember these Brothers and Sisters in your prayers.

Sadly two more fellow Saxons have passed away recently. We send our deepest sympathy to the families.

*Helmut Korp, 86, beloved husband of Berta for 60 years, fond brother of the late Michael, Willi, Walter, and Herta, loving father to Helmut and Peter (Catherine) and cherished Opa of Christina, Nicole and Jeannine. Helmut was born in May 1931, in Hermannstadt (Sibiu), Romania but persevered in emigrating with his entire family from Romania to the United States in the pursuit of freedom and a better life. He worked in Chicago as a machinist and tool & die worker until he went to enjoy his golden years in retirement with his family. *Katharina Drotleff, nee Thellmann, age 90, of Skok-





INVEST YOUR SAVINGS IN AN ATS ANNUITY PLAN

ie. Beloved wife of the late Johann "John"; loving mother of the late Robert; cherished aunt to many nieces and nephews.

Maifest is May 5, 2018 at the Schwaben Center in Buffalo Grove, IL. Admission is \$35 which includes a delicious dinner! Ladies please bake your favorite cake/cookie for the dessert plates. Please have your baked good cut so it can be placed on the plate of goodies. Entertainment will include Dancers and the Hirsch band. Please RSVP as soon as possible to Rose Hauer 847-685-9821. Mailings were sent out the week of April 1. If you need more information please call Rose. Looking forward to seeing all our members and friends once again for a fun filled evening!

Please mark your calendars! Our events for 2018 are as follows:

June 27, 2018 -Dancers from Transylvania (details to follow).

Picnic at Linne Wood Forest Preserve, Morton Grove, IL. July 15, 2018.

Stueben Parade September 8, 2018 at Lincoln/Lawrence/Western in Chicago.

Christmas party December 16, 2018 at the Donauschwaben clubhouse.

As members are getting older or passing away our Saxon Trachts and shirts are left behind for younger generations. However, these generations may not want to keep these items. Many members do not have Trachts and have asked us if they could borrow one for an event. Our answer is we don't have any! As you know a Tracht is unavailable to buy. So we have come up with an idea at Branch 9 to correct this issue. Rose Hauer and Dede Thut are reaching out and asking any members, past members, and children of members that have a Saxon Tracht or shirt hanging in their closet they do not want to please contact Rose at 773-758-9461. We would like to preserve these costumes and have them available for others to wear to our events.

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 May 7, 2018 at the DANK Haus.



We remember our Sisters and Brothers who have departed this life in recent days. Our sincere sympathy is extended to the members of the bereaved families.

John M. Eve

Age 89 Died: March 24, 2018 Branch 1, Cleveland OH

Alan T. Dieter

Age 91

Died: March 26, 2018 Branch 30, Youngstown OH

Otto H. Binder

Age 89

Died: March 29, 2018 Branch 1, Cleveland OH

Maria Allert

Age 86

Died: March 30, 2018 Branch 10, Columbus OH

Michael J. Hermes

Age 53

Died: April 4, 2018 Branch 30, Youngstown OH

Henry W. Rau

Age 98

Died: April 9, 2018 Branch 1, Cleveland OH

Performance

Don't lower your expectations to meet your performance. Raise your level of performance to meet your expectations. Expect the best of yourself, and then do what is necessary to make it a reality.

- Ralph Marston

The thing about performance, even if it's only an illusion, is that it is a celebration of the fact that we do contain within ourselves *infinite possibilities.*

- Sydney Smith

The value of achievement lies in the achieving.

- Albert Einstein

When performance exceeds ambition, the overlap is called success.

- Cullen Hightower

Virtue is more clearly shown in the performance of fine actions than in the nonperformance of base ones.

- Aristotle

Cleveland Sachsenheim's **Breakfast with the Easter Bunny**



Thank You Grace Botsch for being the MC at the Sachsenheim's Easter Party



Wake up well

Some people hate to wake up and get up. Some do it on automation. Some enjoy it.

Why not enjoy? It's fairly easy to do.

Sit up when you wake. Breathe deeply. Stretch.

Notice your surroundings: the light, the temperature, colors, and how you feel.

Sit up on the side of the bed and focus on three deep breaths.



Your wake-up time isn't limited to the first moments in bed. Establish a short routine for the morning that includes some exercise to get your energy going.























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2018 Easter Coloring Contest Participants

The ATS Youth Activities Committee thanks the following junior members who sent in their colored Easter pictures.

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It matters not

where you were born, or where you live, but what's in your HEART. Be Proud to be **Transylvanian Saxon!**



April and May welcome the vivid colors of tulips

Tulips will open their colorful petals this month in a familiar and welcome nod to spring that, sadly, lasts only about a week.

Still, the vivid colors of the tulip have been valued throughout the world for a thousand years since Turkish growers began cultivating wild specimens, trading them throughout the Ottoman Empire.

Some speculate that the tulip actually derives its name from the turbans worn by early Turkish traders.

By 1594, the tulip was established in Holland and was traded throughout Europe. The Dutch are still the main exporters of tulips, selling about 3 billion bulbs annually.

The flower didn't arrive in the United States until about 1847 when bulbs were imported for planting on the Fay Estate in Massachusetts.

The tulip can grow and flower from either bulb or seed. However, bulbs are the main way the plants are sold, since a seed takes from five to seven years to produce a flowering plant.

Meaning of tulip colors

According to FlowerMeaning. com, tulip colors have special symbolism in art and culture:

- Yellow is the color of unrequited or spurned love. Sending a yellow tulip to someone means you love them, but you know they don't return your feelings.



- Bright red is the color of passion and perfect love. Don't send a bouquet of these flowers to a family member or you'll be sending the wrong message!
- Purple is tied to royalty, but also abundance and prosperity.
- Pink is less intense affection and love, and also offers a more appropriate choice for friends and family.

Multi-colored tulips

Some early tulips bewitched the 17th century population of Holland because of their intense variegated color. However, in the 1920s it was finally established that these intense variations in color resulted from the Mosaic Virus, a disease that 'broke' the color of the tulip and made it appear flamed or striped.

Today, no infected flowers are sold on the market, mainly because they result in weak and stunted plants. However, many varieties of multi-colored tulips do exist, thanks to experimentation and propagation.

2018 SAXON HEIMATTAG RESERVATION FORM

June 22 – 24, 2018



Cleveland Sachsenheim – 7001 Denison Avenue Cleveland, Ohio Hosts: Branch 1 and 4



FRIDAY EVENING	Ticket Price	Number Tickets	Total
7:00 pm – "Beads & Bling it's a Mardi Gras Thing" Mardi Gras Buffet 7:30 – 8:30 pm Casual evening, fun, music, mo	Adults \$10 Free for Children Ages 12 & Under ore		\$
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Pork Schnitzel dinner	Adults \$25 Free for Children Ages 12 & Under	x	\$
Vegetarian – Eggplant Schnitzel	Adults \$25 Free for Children Ages 12 & Under		\$
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Beef Rouladen Dinner	Adults \$18 Free for Children Ages 12 & Under		\$
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Cleveland, Ohio 44129-1547
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DEADLINE FOR RESERVATIONS: JUNE 4, 2018

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Distance from Sachsenheim: 5.1 miles

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Amenities: Full service hotel, pool, Restaurant, free parking for our group, Free WiFi

Distance from Sachsenheim: 5.2 miles

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\$85/night +tax 2 Queens non-smoking "Heimattag" Block Held until 6/1/2018

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SAXON SUMMER CAMP

Ages 7 - 17 July 15 - July 20, 2018

CAMP FREDERICK

ROGERS, OHIO



Summer is rapidly approaching and the ATS Youth Activities Committee is once again sponsoring Saxon Summer Camp, for our Junior Members and friends, ages 7-17, the opportunity to spend a week together in fellowship. We are offering four camp programs for the different ages. The programs are designed to allow campers to continue to grow, every time they move to a new age group the type and level of activities increase to meet the needs of that age group

New Adventurers – Ages 7–8 Songs, creek stomping, hiking, swimming, crafts, discovery time, camp fires and more. Cost: ATS Junior Member is \$160 and \$310 for non-member children.

Discoverers - Ages 9-11 Traditional camp activities plus climbing tower and archery. Cost: ATS Junior Member is \$180 and \$330 for non-member children

Journeyers - Ages 12-14 Includes traditional camp activities plus canoeing, high rope courses and zip line. Cost: ATS Junior Member is \$235 and \$385 for non-member children

Ultimate Challenge - Ages 15-17 Includes camping out at Ohiopyle, Pa, go whitewater rafting and caving at Laurel Caverns.

Cost: ATS Junior Member is \$300 and \$450 for non-member children

The one week camp will be held at Camp Frederick, a beautiful camp located in Rogers, Ohio on 144 acres of forest, rambling streams, rolling hills, glacial rocks and meadows. Camp Frederick is an organized camp center located at the Ohio, Pennsylvania and West Virginia border. The camp is located 1 ½ miles east of Rogers, Ohio off SR 154. The address is 6996 Millrock Road. The camp is staffed with trained and experienced counselors.

At Camp Frederick our campers will be housed in Cabins which accommodate eight persons.

One evening will be devoted to Saxon folk dancing and folklore.

We welcome our members to bring along one friend who is not a member. Also, ATS members may send their children or grandchildren (who are not yet ATS members) to the camp at the non-member cost. Each Camper will receive a free Saxon Summer Camp T-Shirt.

If you wish to attend please complete the Registration Form and send it along with a \$100.00 deposit for ATS Junir Members and \$150.00 for non-member children to the ATS Home Office by May 12, 2018. Upon receipt of your registration fee we will send you a Camper's Health Examination Form and Personal Information Form that must be completed by you and returned to this Office by June 15, 2018 along with the balance of your camp fee. We will mail you a map and detailed information as to arrival and departure times, and what to bring along.

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Facing fears helps kids develop confidence

Children encounter many scary situations as they develop and, according to Alison Alden from the Anxiety Treatment Center of Greater Chicago, there are ways if the parent is helping by to identify the early warning signs of anxiety.

Alden uses the example of a child that grows scared when approaching a large dog. The child's natural reaction is to shy away, called behavioral inhibition, and this is the point where intervention is necessary to prevent causing a long-term

Allowing the child to avoid confronting the fear, Alden explains, will only make the issue worse by reinforcing the anxiety in the future. Instead, parents should model behavior that helps them overcome fears

such as approaching the dog, petting it, reassuring the child that everything is safe and inviting him to pet the dog himself. Even getting involved, the child is still facing their fears and will develop the confidence needed to face new and different situations as they grow.

Popular blog Focus on the Family suggests that two other ways to help a child grow their confidence are to help them own their fears and to identify courage. Owning their fear means acknowledging that the fear exists and admitting that it is a problem. For instance, a child that is scared of the dark could merely say aloud: "I am scared of the dark because I can't see

what is out there." A parent can even help at first by saying it with the child at the same time. Once the feelings of fear have been put into words, it allows the child and parent to break it down into what makes it scary in the first place so that they can tackle the actual issue.

Helping a child identify courage means reminding them of a time in which they were brave in the face of danger or a scary situation in the past. If they can do it once, the logic goes, they can do it again by using the same tactics they used the first time. Over time, this strategy continually reinforces itself as there will be more and more memories from which to draw cour-



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You are cordially invited to come and share the evening with us on:

> Saturday, May 5, 2018 Schwaben Center 301 N. Weiland, Buffalo Grove IL

Doors open at 6:30PM – Dinner at 7:00 Tickets \$35 ---- Cash Bar

Folk Dance Performances by: Donauschwaben Jugendgruppe & Donau Dancers

Music by "HIRSCH"

For reservations please call Rose at 847-685-9821 by April 27, 2018. Sent payment to: Rose Hauer 216 E. Sibley Park Ridge, IL 60068





106th ATS Convention June 2nd and 3rd, 2018 Youngstown OH Hosted by Branches 22 and 30



Number of Total Ticket Tickets Price Saturday, June 2nd 2018 Lunch: 12:00 PM Pasta with Meatballs, Cold Cuts, Adults \$11 Potato Salad, Tossed Salad Coffee or Tea Dessert Cocktails @ 6:00 Dinner: 6:30 PM Roast Beef, Chicken Française Adults \$19 Mashed Potatoes and Gravy, Tossed Salad, Vegetable and Dessert The evening event is open to non-delegates that wish to join in the celebration. Please add the reservations to the list above. Sunday June 3rd 2018 Lunch: 12:00 PM Pork and Kraut, Mashed Potatoes and Gravy Applesauce and Dessert Adults \$12 **Grand Total (Please enclose check or money order)** ***Continental Breakfast will available both mornings*** Reservation made by: Address: _ Phone Number: Email: **Youngstown Saxons Branch 22** Make Checks payable to: Send Reservations and Payment to: Helen Fotiuk 3849 Frederick St. Youngstown, OH 44515 Phone (330) 792-0034 Please include the reservation slip with your payment. Deadline for Reservations will be May 21st 2018

Hotel and Lodging information

Reserve your room under the "SAXON" block for discounted rates at all hotels below

Fairfield Inn and Suites Standard room with 2 Double beds \$99.00 +tax 801 N. Canfield Nile Road Standard room with 1 King bed \$99.00 +tax (330) 505-2173

All rooms are non-smoking Breakfast is available until 10:00 AM

Country Inn and Suites

5570 Interstate Blvd. Standard room with 2 double rooms Youngstown, Ohio 44515 Standard Room with 1 King bed (330)-544-0300

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All rooms are non-smoking Breakfast is available until 10:00 AM

Deadline to reserve your room with the block name of "SAXON" will be May 10th, 2018

There are several more hotels in this same area that may be available However, they not part of the "SAXON" block

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SAXON HANDICRAFT EXHIBIT

A highlight of the ATS Convention is the Saxon Handicraft Exhibit. The Exhibit this year will be held at the Youngstown Saxon Club, where the ATS Convention will meet on June 2-3, 2018. Handicraft Exhibit Director is Carmella Markel and Assistant Director is Sara Deutschlander.

The Junior Category, which allows our junior members, ages 13 and under, to exhibit their handcrafted items in an open category will once again be a part of the Exhibit. All members competing in this category will receive a small token of appreciation.

The Handicraft Exhibit provides an opportunity to display articles which relate to our Transylvanian Saxon cultural background, but is not restricted to this category only. It is a showplace for the artistic talents and abilities of our people, present and past.

A prize competition is held for items made by present ATS Members only. The rules for this prize competition are as follows:

- 1. There will be prize competition in ten (10) categories.
- 2. There will be first and second prizes awarded in each category.
- 3. There will be one (1) President's Award for "Best of Show" Entry.
- 4. No more than three (3) entries allowed per member.
- 5. Only items actually made by present ATS members, ages 14 and over, are eligible for entry in this prize competition.
- 6. Winning entries will be determined by ballot vote of the Convention Delegates.
- 7. There will be a separate Junior Category for ATS members, Ages 13 and under.

NOTE: An Entry Blank must be filled out for all items placed on display. Advance registration will be appreciated. The exhibit room will be opened Saturday morning (June 2) for delivery and set-up of display items. All items must be picked up Sunday morning (June 3) prior to the start of the Sunday Convention Session.

Send your entry blank for the Saxon Handicraft Exhibit to:

Carmella Markel
12075 Sandy Lane
N. Jackson, Ohio 44451-9637
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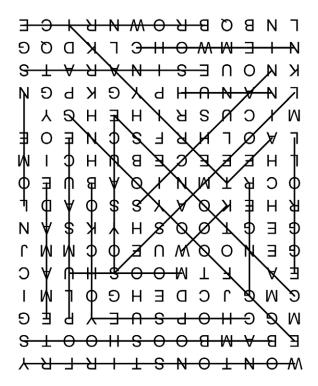
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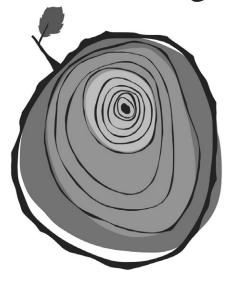
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April 27

Ostermarkt 2018 im neuen Bistritzer Kulturpalast

"Diese Art Veranstaltung ist in Siebenbürgen einzigartig", äußerte Bischof Reinhart Guib am 24. März anlässlich des diesjährigen Ostermarktes in Bistritz. "Wo treten denn Vertreter der traditionellen siebenbürgischen Konfessionen gemeinsam auf? Nur hier in Bistritz." Seit 16 Jahren feiert die kleine deutsche Nösnerland-Minderheit den Ostermarkt am Samstag vor Palmsonntag. Die bunte Kulturveranstaltung wird von der Stadt Bistritz, vom städtischen Kulturpalast "George Coşbuc", dem Demokratischen Forum der Deutschen aus dem Kreis Bistritz-Nassod und der evangelisch-lutherischen Kirchengemeinde Bistritz gemeinsam organisiert.

historischen Zentrum und im Kulturpalast, wo Händler handgefertigte bemalte Eier, Eier mit Perlen, Blumenarrangements, Kunsthandwerk, Gruppen erfreuten anschließend Herz und Ge-Gegenstände aus Holz, Keramik und Töpferwaren, Strickwaren, Schmuck, Ikonen, Uhren aus Holz, Kerzen in verschiedenen Formen, Blumen, Süßigkeiten, Spielzeug und andere Produkte zum Kauf anboten.

Der Kulturteil fand diesmal aus Witterungsgründen am Samstag im modernen, kürzlich renovierten Kulturpalast (frühes Gewerbevereinsgebäude) beim Stadtpark statt. Zunächst spielte im voll besetzten Saal die Militärkapelle der Garnison Bistritz die Hymnen Rumäniens und Europas. Dem würdevollen musikalischen Einstieg folgte die traditionelle ökumenische Andacht, den meisten Zuspruch, als die jüngsten Tänzezelebriert von Bischof Reinhart Guib und Stadtpfarrer Johann Dieter Krauss, vom griechischkatholischen Stadtpfarrer Ioan-Vasile Frişan, dem katholischen Stadtdekan Gered Péter, dem orthodoxen Protopopen Alexandru Vidican und seinem Kollegen Nicolae Feier und dem ungarischen evangelisch-lutherischen Pfarrer von Bistritz. Ihre prägnanten Worte und Gebete konzentrierten sich auf das Ökumenische im Zusammenleben in der Stadt und das nahende Osterfest, das heuer die evangelischen und katholischen Christen am 1. April und die orthodoxen Brüder und Schwestern am 8. April feierten.



Die Geistlichen der vier traditionellen Konfessionen mit Bürgermeister Creţu. Foto: Friedrich Philippi

Im ersten Teil moderierte Direktor Prof. Dr. Dorel Cosma, anschließend übernahm ein Moderatorenpaar (Mihai und Doris). In siebenbürgisch-sächsischer Tracht begrüßte Bürgermeister Creţu das Publikum und hob u. a. hervor: "Der Ostermarkt gehört zur Tradition der Stadt. Er belebt alte Werte derjenigen Menschen, die Bistritz begründet haben, ich meine die Sachsen ... Ich beglückwünsche alle, die hier die sächsische Tracht anziehen, denn durch die Tracht zeigen wir unsere Liebe und unseren Respekt zu all dem, was frühere Geschlechter hier aufgebaut haben". Er zitierte auch aus der Mediascher Erklärung von 1919, als die Vertretung der Sachsen den Anschluss Siebenbürgens an Großrumänien bejahte.

Nach weiteren Grußworten von Dr. Hans Franchy und Bischof Guib beherrschte die geräumige Bühne Musik und Tanz. Gleich zu Beginn holte das professionelle Orchester des Kulturpalastes so richtig aus und spielte einige wunderbare deutsche Weisen. Bunte Tanzeinlagen mehrerer



Der Ostermarkt begann schon am Freitag im Die Jüngsten warten auf ihren Auftritt. **Foto: Erich Kohlruss**

müt: die Tanzgruppe des Kulturpalastes "Cununa de pe Someş" in siebenbürgisch-sächsischer Tracht (extra angefertigt für dieses Fest), die Tanzgruppen "Goldregen" aus Sächsisch-Regen, "Korona" aus Kronstadt, weitere aus Hermannstadt, das schwäbische Tanzensemble "Gute Laune" aus Sathmar. Abschließend spielte erstmals am Ostermarkt die Blaskapelle aus Rodna ebenfalls deutsches Liedgut. Die genannten Gruppen aus Bistritz, Hermannstadt, Sächsisch-Regen, Kronstadt und Sathmar freuten sich über kräftigen Applaus des Publikums. Naturgemäß gab es rinnen und Tänzer der deutschen Abteilung der Grundschule des Liviu-Rebreanu-Kollegs unter der Leitung von Isabella Popescu ihre fein gestalteten Tänze zeigten.

Wie in den letzten Jahren war der Vorstand der HOG Bistritz-Nösen beim Ostermarkt vertreten, diesmal durch Dr. Hans Franchy, Heide Wellmann, Erich Kohlruss, Dr. Maria Raidel, Günter Klein mit seinem Bruder Werner und Horst Göbbel: auch, um die Verbundenheit mit der Heimatregion und ihrer bescheidenen sächsischen Gemeinde zum Ausdruck zu bringen und zugleich, um mit den örtlichen zuständigen Partnern Vorhaben und Projekte zu besprechen, letzteres auch im Rahmen einer gemeinsamen Versammlung mit den Vertretern der evangelischen Kirchengemeinde (Pfarrer Dieter Krauss und Kuratorin Kathi Borsos) und des Demokratischen Forums der Deutschen aus dem Kreis Bistritz-Nassod unter Leitung des neuen Vorsitzenden Christian Roth. Dabei waren diesmal aus entsprechendem Anlass auch Bischof Reinhart Guib, Hauptanwalt Friedrich Gunesch und Landeskirchenkurator Prof. Friedrich Philippi sowie Bürgermeister Ovidiu Creţu. Nach einer umfassenden Bestandsaufnahme bisher zustande gekommener Projekte wurde über gemeinsame Vorhaben und Fragen der Sicherung des deutschen Kulturerbes in Bistritz und in Nordsiebenbürgen umfassend debattiert. Insbesondere die anstehende kostspielige Sanierung des Gebäudes des früheren evangelischen Gymnasiums, heute Nationalkolleg "Liviu Rebreanu", und die Fortführung der Arbeiten an der Restaurierung der evangelischen Stadtpfarrkirche und die Durchführung des geplanten Sachsentreffens 2019 in Bistritz (500 Jahre seit der Fertiggestellung des Turms der Stadtpfarrkirche in der heutigen Form) waren zentrale Themen.

Erwähnenswert ist auch die Präsentation zweier Neuerscheinungen in Bistritz im Rahmen des Ostermarktes: Am 22. März wurde im Deutschen Zentrum im Goldschmiedehaus das historische Lehrbuch zur Stadtgeschichte, "Kultur und Zivilisation in Bistritz", für die gymnasiale Stufe vorgestellt (Mitautor ist neben Vasile Duda und Dr. Corneliu Gaiu auch Günter Klein), am 25. März der Band "Vom Gewerbeverein zum Kulturpalast" (hier hat auch Dr. Hans Franchy mitgewirkt).

> Horst Göbbel SBZ Online 13. April 2018



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The Alliance of Transylvanian Saxons Branches 1 and 4 will host this year's Saxon Heimattag on June 20—22 at the Cleveland Sachsenheim. In addition to welcoming our Canadian and USA members and friends, we are excited to welcome a Siebenbürger Sachsen Dance Group from Transylvania:

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It will be a weekend highlighting our Transylvanian Saxon heritage. The Youngstown Saxon Brass Band under the direction of John Krauss will be the featured band for the Saturday and Sunday festivities. Other cultural groups performances will include: Aylmer Dance Group, Kitchener Transylvania Dancers, Cleveland Saxon Dance Group, Erie Siebenbuerger Singers, Cleveland Eintracht-Saxonia Sachsenchor, New Castle Eintracht Mannerchor and Kinder Chor.

The Heimattag weekend will start on Friday, June 22 at 7 pm as a casual evening with a theme "Beads & Bling it's a Mardi Gras Thing," with great food, drinks and music. Saturday, June 23 will be the official opening at 6 pm with evening festivities that will include a banquet, cultural performances, music and dancing and plenty of Saxon Gemütlichkeit. Sunday morning church service will be held at 9:30 followed by the Kundgebung, and lunch at Noon .

We hope you will attend the 2018 North American Saxon Homeland Celebration that will be held at the Cleveland Sachsenheim June 22 - 24!