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## 2017 Easter Coloring Contest Winners:

Congratulations to the following juvenile members for winning their age group in the Easter Coloring Contest! All the winners received an art kit to further their artistic talents! The Youth Activities Committee thanks all contestants for their entries. See Page 5 for listing of all entrants.

Ages 3-4

Lilliana Bachinger, Br. 22  
John Mshar, Br. 30

Ages 7-8

Cameron Burns, Br. 22  
Justin Preble, Br. 30

Ages 5-6

Roman Donahue, Br. 30  
Julie Wagner, Br. 2

Ages 9-10

Payton Leunis, Br. 7  
Joshua Muntean, Br. 30

## BRANCH 37, DETROIT

By Susi Fleischer

Branch 37 celebrated its 104th Anniversary on March 18, 2017 at the Carpathia Club, with a dinner /dance. A delicious dinner was prepared and served by the Carpathia ladies and music was provided by the Special Edition for our listening and dancing pleasure.

It was a pleasure to welcome members and friends for an enjoyable and fun filled evening and having the chance to catch up on all the latest happenings in everyone's life.

Our raffle is always a crowd pleaser, especially those who go home with a prize. Thanks to everyone who donated a prize for this occasion.

We also had a special raffle as a fund raiser for the Turning Point organization of Macomb County, established in 1980, and they are always available to help people in desperate need to live a violence free life. Special thanks goes to Sue Wilburn for donating a handcrafted andirondack chair for this raffle.

We cannot forget our 2nd VP, Debbie Ferguson, for a job well done in taking care of all the preparations in order to make this evening a memorable one.

Two special members were honored this evening for their active service to Br. 37, namely Sam Klein and George Schemmel. Each was presented with a clock engraved with their names, Branch 37 and the years of being an active member. Thank you Debbie

for picking the appropriate gift for these two members. Job well done.

George has been a member for 70 years and has held almost every office except President, Secretary and Treasurer since he joined Br. 37 back in 1947, his last position was ATS Secretary, which he held for 14 years. He also served as a Trustee on the National ATS Board for many years. George was unable to attend due to health problems. George, we wish you better days ahead with God's blessing.

Sam has been a member since 1951, and during his 60 years has held just about every office. President, 1st VP, 2nd VP, Financial Secretary, ATS Secretary and his last position as Treasurer for 14 years.

I would like to encourage every member and friends to come and join us at our monthly meetings, it is vital to keep our fraternal organization and heritage alive for our future generation. Our next meeting will be on May 7th at St. Peter's Lutheran Church at 12:30 p.m.

Wishing everyone warmer days ahead, now that Spring is supposedly here.

All the best until next time.

(Editor's Note: This article was submitted for the April 8 issue, however due to a computer glitch was not printed. HH)

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Joan Miller-Malue

ATS Nat'l President



Baseball season is upon us and we can witness each day how individuals working as a team produce the outcome of the game. It reminds me of a famous quote from Babe Ruth: "The way a team plays as a whole determines its success. You may have the greatest bunch of individual stars in the world, but if they don't play together, the club won't be worth a dime." And so, goes it within our organization. Our Local Branches are the individual teams to make up our organization. The ATS is hub of our financial and cultural activities while the Branches are the spokes which generate the output. I am so happy to report that several of our Branches have stepped up to the plate to help with our national events.

First, we wish to thank Salem Branches 18 and 19 for agreeing to host the 2017 ATS Golf Outing which will be held at the Salem Hills Golf Course. They are going to try something new by holding the outing for two days, August 12 – 13. They are hoping more members will want to enjoy a full weekend of Gemütlichkeit on the golf course. The ATS Future Planning Committee will work with Branches 18 and 19 to plan for this event.

Secondly, we wish to thank Youngstown Branches 22 and 30 for extending an invitation to have the 2018 ATS National Convention at the Youngstown Saxon Club. Due to booking dates at the Youngstown Saxon Club and deadlines for filings at the ATS Home Office, the Convention weekend will be held June 2 and 3<sup>rd</sup>. The ATS Board of Directors is looking forward with working with Branches 22 and 30 to plan for a successful weekend that is productive as well as strengthening the camaraderie between the ATS Local Branches.

Thirdly, we wish to thank Cleveland West Branches 1 and 4 for offering to host the 2018 Saxon Heimattag at the Cleveland Sachsenheim on the weekend of June 22 – 24. Cleveland has started to plan for the weekend's festivities and is looking forward to welcoming our Saxon friends from Canada and the USA. Hosting the Heimattag is a great undertaking and the ATS Board of Directors will work with Cleveland to provide for a memorable colorful cultural event.

We are grateful to the officers and members of these Branches that help show the strength and spirit we have within our fraternal benefit society. So, member golfers we are calling on you to support Salem's efforts by attending this year's golf outing. In 2018, we look forward to Local Branches sending their Delegates to Youngstown for a successful Convention and for our members and friends to come to the Saxon Heimattag in Cleveland to help celebrate our Transylvanian Saxon culture and heritage.

Several years ago, several of our Local Branches would hold Mother and Daughter's Banquet which were to show appreciation and honor to motherhood. It is nice to see that Youngstown still holds an annual banquet which this year was held on Sunday, April 30<sup>th</sup>. This year on Mother's Day, which will be Sunday, May 14, take time to thank your mom and let her know how much she means to you. For those of us whose mother

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MAILED WEDNESDAY, MAY 3, 2017

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a healthy Branch.

2017 NORTH AMERICAN  
SAXON HEIMATTAG  
KITCHENER ONT CANADA  
JUNE 23-25



SEE PAGE 6 FOR  
RESERVATION FORM  
AND MOTEL INFORMATION

# Schloss Horneck needs OUR help!

Since 1960 Schloss Horneck has housed the Siebenbürger Museum, the Siebenbürger Library and Archive, the Siebenbürger-Institut and is the base for many 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

NAME\_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS\_\_\_\_\_

CITY\_\_\_\_\_

STATE\_\_\_\_\_ZIP CODE\_\_\_\_\_

AMOUNT DONATED \$\_\_\_\_\_

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

\_\_\_\_\_

## PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

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is no longer living, let’s make time to remember the love and support she always gave to us and the loving memories we have forever.

**Transylvanian Saxon Trivia:** In 1989 the Democratic Forum of Germans in Romania was founded to provide affinity for the Germans remaining in the country. The Forum has been represented in the new Romanian parliament and is supported by the German government. It has introduced various economic and cultural measures to stabilize the German minority and has fostered politicians that are Transylvanian Saxons who have earned respect among the citizens of Romania as efficient and incorruptible administrators such as the current President of Romania, Klaus Johannis.

Ich wünsche allen einen schönen Tag.

### YOUNGSTOWN SAXON RETIREES

By Teri Laret

The following are the minutes of the Youngstown Social Retirees meeting held on Thursday, April 13, 2017 at 710 S. Meridian Road, Youngstown, Ohio.

Today we are a social retirees group as the format of the meeting is entirely different. In fact everything is different, but better. A group of women Saxons are our guests today. Welcome ladies of Branch 22! Maybe a few of you ladies are retired, right?

Kay Ring opened the meeting and my best friend, Ro Dundon is covering for the secretary; thank you! An apology from the *Voksblatt* was read and a Treasurer’s report was given with all members accepted the

mix up.

We left our hostesses Cindy and Lucy in a muddle but their know how got us through with flying colors. All ladies were completely overcome with the story of our guest, Judy Juggins, and her life and the many stories she shared with us. Judy indeed kept all our ladies interested.

This is the end for today. Let’s hope all gets back to normal. Thank you for being understanding.

See you in the spring. Our next meeting is going to be Thursday, May 11th. Please call the office at 792-7973 and Secretary Debbie will have further information.

### BRANCHES 14 AND 17, CANTON

By Cheryl Schnebelen

Yea!! Spring has made it to Ohio! I hope everyone is doing well. Canton Branches 14 and 17 will be having its next meeting on Sunday, May 21, at 1:00, where we will be having lunch, socializing, and bottling some wine. The meetings are being held at Vino Fabbri-canti, 4029 Hills & Dales Rd NW, Canton, 44708, so if you would like to attend please call Mary Rowinsky at 330-478-9333 See you there!!

When everything’s  
coming your way,  
you’re in  
the wrong lane

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## SECRETARIES TAKE NOTICE:

THE DEADLINE DATE FOR ARTICLES  
IS WEDNESDAY - 12 NOON.

You may either

**MAIL:** PO BOX 45198,  
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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, MAY 10, 2017	FRIDAY, MAY 19, 2017
WEDNESDAY, MAY 24, 2017	FRIDAY, JUNE 2, 2017
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 7, 2017	FRIDAY, JUNE 16, 2017

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.



## ATTENTION: Members Cleveland East Branch 33

### 2017-18 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 2017-18 academic year. IT IS THE MEMBER'S RESPONSIBILITY to call or write to REQUEST an application. **DEADLINE IS May 31, 2017.**

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.

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, 2017:

Mail to: Karyn Schmidt

4979 Anderson Road, Lyndhurst OH 44124

## BLUE AND RED LIVES MATTER

### BECOME A SAXON ACTIVIST

#### BRANCH 4, CLEVELAND

By Joan Miller-Malue

Our next monthly meeting will be held on Monday, May 15 at 7:00 pm. Collection of local dues will be taken at 6:30 pm. A reminder to the Trustees there will be auditing of the books at 6:00 pm. After the meeting we will hold the Saxon Derby, so get your Spring Hats ready - it is time for the races! Enjoying the Derby Races would not be complete without enjoying a Mint Julep! Treasurer Donna Jankow has promised to whip up a batch or two.

Reminder to make your reservations for the Cleveland Saxon Dance Group's Annual Trachtenball that will be held at the Sachsenheim on Saturday, May 20<sup>th</sup>. They will be preparing a delicious Schnitzel dinner followed by the performances of the Children and Adult Dance Groups. Music for the evening dance will be provided by Klang & Gesang. Admission for adults \$18 and children ages 4-10 \$9. Prepaid reservations are recommended. To make reservation send a check made payable to the Cleveland Saxon Dance Group and send it to Amanda Donnellan, 18920 Laurel Circle, Strongsville, OH 44136. Telephone: (216) 235-5240. Deadline for reservations is May 13, 2016.

The North American Saxon Heimattag will be held in

Kitchener, Ontario, Canada the weekend of June 23 - 25<sup>th</sup>. At our last meeting, we discussed the possibility of arranging for a bus if we had enough folks interested. Please contact one of the officers if you are interested within the next week so we can see if it is worthwhile for us to hire a bus. The ATS will pay half the cost of the bus.

Saxon Summer Camp will be held for our Junior Members the week of July 16 - 21 at Camp Frederick in Rogers, Ohio. This year the ages have been extended to include children ages 7 - 17. The program is set up so that various age groups will partake in camp activities that interest the various ages. The teens will enjoy some tougher-type activities such as white-water rafting and camping over night at a state park as well as exploring a cavern. Information will be sent directly to our junior members. There is a registration form in this issue of the *Volksblatt*. I know each year we have several of our Cleveland West junior members attend and they always look forward to the following year.

Coming up in June at the Sachsenheim will be a Steak Fry on Sunday, June 4<sup>th</sup> and the Annual Beer and Sausage Fest on Saturday, June 17<sup>th</sup>.

#### Did you know? Nearly all countries have some sort of Mother's Day

It has been said in song that the word 'mother' is so precious that it sounds the same in every language.

If that is true, it shouldn't be a surprise that mothers throughout the world have a special day.

In the United States and Canada, Mother's Day is always the second Sunday in May. In the U.S. Mother's Day was officially established in 1914.

Around the world, the dates may be different but the celebration is roughly the same: Cards, flowers or maybe chocolates for mom.

France established their holiday for mothers in 1950 and is generally on the fourth Sunday in May.

In the UK, mothers were honored as early as the 16th century on the fourth Sunday of Lent, called Mothering Sunday.

The mariachi sounds of Las Mananitas are heard in Mexico every May 10 to celebrate mom.

In Indian and Japan, Mother's Day is the second Sunday in May.

In Egypt and some other Arab countries, mothers are honored on the first day of spring, according to Time.

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

**ATS JUNIORS' CORNER**



### Cleveland Sachsenheim's Children's Easter Party



Kids watching JimBaDaBim



Children dancing



Children Saxon Dance Group



Easter Egg Hunt



Madeline Nagy, Branch 33 Cleveland East, participating in Bowl Where You Are in Georgia!



FRATERNAL CALENDAR

NATIONAL EVENTS

May 20, 2017  
Branch Presidents' Meeting  
Host Cleveland West Br.1  
June 10, 2017  
TSBA Convention  
Host Youngstown Bowlers  
June 23 - 25, 2017  
North American Saxon Heimattag  
Kitchener ONT Canada  
July 16 - 21, 2017  
Saxon Summer Camp at Camp Frederick  
July 29, 2017  
ATS Family Day  
Waldameer Park, Erie PA  
August 3 - 16, 2017  
Federation Saxon Jugendlager  
Transylvania/Romania  
August 12 - 13, 2017  
ATS Golf Outing, Salem OH  
Hosts: Salem Branches 18 and 19

LOCAL EVENTS

May 5, 2017  
Cleveland Sachsenheim Cinco de Mayo Buffet  
May 6, 2017  
New Castle Singers Spring Concert  
May 8, 2017  
Salem Br. 18 Meeting 7:30 p.m.  
May 11, 2017  
New Castle Br. 25 Monthly Meeting 8:00 P.M.  
Salem Bar Open 7 p.m. - 9 p.m.  
May 12, 2017  
Salem Joint Social 6:00p.m.  
May 13, 2017  
Chicago Br. 9 Siebenbürger Sachsen Maifest  
May 18, 2017  
Salem Bar Open 8 p.m.-10 p.m.  
May 20, 2017  
Salem BREAKFAST 7:00 a.m.-10:00 a.m.  
Cleveland Saxon Dance Group Trachtenball  
New Castle Clean-up at The Picnic Grounds  
May 25, 2017  
Salem Bar Open 7 p.m. - 9 p.m.  
May 27, 2017  
New Castle Opening weekend at The Picnic Grounds  
June 1, 2017  
Salem Bar Open 7 p.m. - 9 p.m.  
June 4, 2017  
Cleveland Sachsenheim Steak Fry  
June 5, 2017  
Salem Br.19 Meeting 7:30 p.m.  
June 7, 2017  
Salem Saxon Retirees 11:30 a.m.  
June 8, 2017  
New Castle Br. 25 Monthly Meeting 8:00 P.M.  
Salem Bar Open 7 p.m. - 9 p.m.  
June 9, 2017  
Salem Joint Social Dinner 6:00 p.m.  
June 12, 2017  
Salem Br. 18 Meeting 7:30 p.m.  
June 15, 2017  
Salem Bar Open 7p.m. - 9 p.m.  
June 17, 2017  
Salem BREAKFAST 7:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.  
Cleveland Sachsenheim Beer and Sausage Fest

Salem Saxon Club Breakfast Buffet is back!



The Salem Saxon Club, will be serving its next monthly Breakfast Buffet on Saturday, May 20th serving from 7.00 a.m - 10 a.m.

Adults/children \$7.00/under 5 yrs. Free. Menu includes bacon, sausage gravy and biscuits, fried potatoes, sausage, scrambled eggs, Belgian waffles, pancakes, tropical fruit, various baked goods, juice, coffee and tea.

SAXON SUMMER CAMP

Ages 7 - 17  
July 16 - July 21, 2017  
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 stompng, hiking, swimming, crafts, discovery time, camp fires and more. Cost: ATS Junior Member is \$165 and \$300 for non-member children.
- Discoverers – Ages 9–11 Traditional camp activities plus climbing tower and archery. Cost: ATS Junior Member is \$185 and \$320 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 \$240 and \$375 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 \$315 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 Sax on 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 Junior Members and \$150.00 for non-member children to the ATS Home Office by June 9, 2017. 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 30, 2017 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.

SAXON SUMMER CAMP REGISTRATION FORM

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Sex \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zipcode \_\_\_\_\_

Tele No (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_ Br.No. \_\_\_\_\_ Cert No. \_\_\_\_\_

- ☐ Enclosed is an ATS Registration Form & deposit of \$100.00 for myself
  - ☐ Enclosed is a Registration Form for my non-member friend and deposit of \$150.00
- Friend’s Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

This Form and deposit must be received at the ATS Home Office by June 9, 2017.  
Balance will be due by June 30, 2017.

Make check payable to ATS (Alliance of Transylvanian Saxons)

Mail Check and Form to: ATS, 5393 Pearl Road, Cleveland, Ohio 44129-1597

Signature of Parent or Guardian

\_\_\_\_\_



Know your rights!

# MAY IS OLDER AMERICANS MONTH

Stay Engaged \* Strive for Wellness \* Explore New Things

Cook gets it right

An elementary school cook prided herself on the healthy meals she provided with lots of vegetables and fruits. When the power failed one day, the cook couldn’t serve a hot meal in the cafeteria, so at the last minute she made stacks of peanut-butter-and-jelly sandwiches.  
As one little boy filled his plate, he said, “It’s about time. At last -- a home-cooked meal!”  
(from no-dig-vegetablegarden.com)



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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. Roberta Davis-Newhouse  
Pastor**

**9:00 Worship Service**



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

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In our Main  
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**Birthday Specials  
Pig Number**

**We're wheelchair  
accessible!**

**Food Available!  
Security  
Inside & Outside!**



## 2017 Easter Coloring Contest Participants

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

### Ages 3-4

Lilliana Bachinger, Youngstown  
Emerson Cinderich, Monaca  
Mary Gelsinger, Alliance  
Katherine Hanek, Cleveland  
Margaret Hoover, Chicago  
Alice Mc Cormick,  
Youngstown

Carson Mshar, Youngstown  
John Mshar, Youngstown  
Scarlet Palkovitch,  
New Castle  
Xander Palkovitch,  
New Castle

Alison Peitzsch, Detroit  
Kyle Preble, Youngstown  
Cole Sergeant, Lorain  
Addison Shilling, Youngstown  
Lauren Springer, Columbus  
Jenna Westland, Canton

### Ages 5-6

Griffen Begue, Canton  
Jacob Both, New Castle  
Roman Donahue, Youngstown  
Hannan Hoover, Chicago  
Addison Houser, Youngstown  
Amanda Hudak, New Castle  
Gianna Italiani, Erie  
Kendall Kaba, New Castle  
Angelina Krafft, Farrell  
Grayson Lawrence, Canton  
Maggie Martig, Salem  
Margarita Padilla, Chicago  
Sophia Regula, Youngstown  
Andy Sanor, Salem  
Chloe Schaef, Cleveland  
Dylan Schaef, Cleveland  
Lexi Seiler, Cleveland  
Carsen Sergeant, Lorain  
Hailey Slotnick Hebrank,  
Cleveland

Sophia Snow, Alliance  
Alexander Spack, Salem  
Martin Turk, Cleveland  
Adriana Vidal, Cleveland  
Julie Wagner, Erie  
Jaycie Westland, Canton

### Ages 7-8

Logan Aeling, Alliance  
Cameron Burns, Youngstown  
Aleah George, Youngstown  
Travis Griffith, Erie  
Brooke Hudak, New Castle  
Elle Izenour, Home Branch  
Alexander Krafft, Farrell  
Cailen Lawrence, Canton  
Jonathan Malue, Cleveland  
Fiona Mc Cormick,  
Youngstown

Madeline Peitzsch, Detroit  
Allison Phillips, Cleveland  
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Madeline Snow, Alliance  
Catherine Spor, New Castle  
Joey Springer, Columbus  
Matthew Springer, Columbus

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Ray Appleby, Salem  
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Alliance  
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Logan Wagner, Erie

## BRANCH 33, CLEVELAND EAST

By Arline Krestel-Suts

Spring has sprung... Temperatures are rising and it's more bearable to get outside. Those gray leafless trees and wilted flowers are budding and showing so much more color. Feeling so much more energetic, before those slow hot lazy days of summer begin. But I do feel sorry for those of you with allergies -- Spring's frustrating pollenback. I can tell by the film of pollen on my windshield! Oh, and remember to keep your umbrella handy too. One of my German cousins went to the Netherlands for the Tulipfest in Amsterdam; texted me some amazing pictures, acres of flowers in beautiful colors. Definitely an add on to anyone's "bucket list"!

Here in Cleveland, Branch 33 had its annual Spring Banquet honoring our membership. President Ema read off some interesting member statistics. We have a new adult member this month, Payton Schneider, granddaughter of Kathy Brusk. Sending a special hello out to Kay Graul in California, she is our most senior member. We missed seeing Peg Mauer, (who is in a senior independent living apartment, NOT assisted living; my mistake), and the Davidsons (hope Chick and Florence are holding up well). We had many missing members this year,

but several Nonagenarians were in attendance such as Evelyn Keefer, Bette Schmidt, and Franz Hum. It was nice to see Eleanor Krew, Joan Blaha and Ron K. I could go on listing names, and it was nice to see members and guests from ages 20 to 90 mingling, sharing stories and Gemütlichkeit. Applause and much appreciation to Cindy Schneider and Margie Ziegler who worked hard to make the afternoon a success. Thanks to everyone who attended!!

Branch 33's next outing will be the Lake County Captains baseball game scheduled for Saturday, July 8. All you can eat picnic buffet starts at 6:30 p.m., the game starts at 7 p.m. with fireworks afterwards. I believe we will be on the third base side in a covered party deck with a Loge-type area attached. Really great seating and perfect for the end of the Independence Day celebrations. All members over age of 4 the cost is \$12; adult nonmembers \$28; youth non-members (age 4-12) \$25. Age 3 and under are free. Barb Hum is taking reservations, (440) 336-5290. So bring your family, your neighbors, your friends and come on out to the ball game...We hope to get a good turnout!

Just a reminder to our mem-

## BRANCH 22, YOUNGSTOWN By Rosemarie Kascher

Our Trash/Treasure Event was a project to raise money for our Scholarship Fund. We would like to thank all those who volunteered to help make it a success. Our scholarship winner this year is Tessa Napolitano; congratulations.

A thinking of you card was sent to Bev Myers and a sympathy card was sent to Mrs. Joyce Lawerentz and family.

There are no anniversaries in this month but there is one birthday, Betty Garhammer. Congratulations, also.

The Mother/Daughter Banquet was held on April 30<sup>th</sup>. 40 year members were honored as well as Mother of the Year.

Michael Teutsch, Sr. is retiring as chairman of the Memorial Celebration Fund. We are looking for someone to continue his dedicated hard work over the years. The chairman cannot be an officer of the Club.

Please pay your dues to Betty Garhammer, \$24.00 at 969 Canfield Rd. Youngstown, OH 44511, phone 330-788-4274. If dues are not paid in time, a \$5.00 fee is charged to cover the cost of reinstalling your key card. The deadline is this month.

Upcoming events are:

Br. 22 Meeting, Sunday, May 7 @ 2:00 p.m.

Retirees Meeting, Thursday, May 11 @ 12 p.m.

BINGO, Ballroom every Sunday, @ 6:45 p.m. Volunteers are welcome

Wishing a happy Springtime to all members. Sachs halte Wacht!

bers in college that the application for Branch 33 scholarship is posted in the *Volksblatt*, and you need to send that to Karyn Schmidt.

Mike Bretz reported on the ATS bowling finals and in regular league standings Branch 33 had teams in first and second place! Many members did well in the league tournament as well. Remember Branch 33 is always looking for more bowlers; this is a fun league... no experience required! On average we bowl about eight sessions and it turns out to be only once a month. I can guarantee you a fun-filled Sunday!

Our president Ema Litschel will be attending the ATS Presidents Meeting in May which happens to coincide with Branch 1 & 4 Trachtenball evening on May 20. We hope many Branch 33 members are able to attend the Trachtenball; let's show those Westsiders our Siebenbürger spirit and support!

Our next meeting will be on Wednesday, May 10. The evening will start at 7 p.m. with the guest speaker, Gerhardt Maroscher. He has authored a book and will speak about living in Germany/Transylvania during World War II and immigrating to the U.S., a subject many of us can relate to. A reminder to the bakers for that night, Bette Schmidt and Clara & Don Weber. See all of you then!



**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.**

### Peter I. Morrison

Age 56

Died: December 10, 2016  
Branch 30, Youngstown OH

### Eugene C. Stieb, Sr.

Age 77

Died: March 23, 2017  
Branch 3, Alliance OH

### Robin Perrott Lilly

Age 47

Died: March 25, 2017  
Branch 17, Canton OH

### Sara W. Rea

Age 93

Died: April 2, 2017  
Branch 4, Cleveland OH

### Carol A. Peloso

Age 79

Died: April 9, 2017  
Branch 8, Alliance OH

### Martin T. Thalgot

Age 78

Died: April 11, 2017  
Branch 45, Ellwood City PA

## Even light activity can help with pain, study says

Want to stay out of pain? Vacuum the carpet or walk the dog.

A new study shows that older adults who do any sort of light to moderate activity feel less pain and are equipped to block pain more effectively.

The new research by Kelley Naugle and colleagues at Indiana University-Purdue Indianapolis, shows that even light activity (like housework or a stroll) can help prevent chronic pain. Activity may even be therapy for pain and it might prevent pain.

The study followed a group of older adults who had light to moderate activity. Moderate activity was that which might cause them to sweat.

The higher levels of activity, the lower the pain, the study found. But the results also showed that subjects didn't have to be an athlete. Even light activity resulted in the test subjects feeling less pain and blocking pain sensations.

The results suggested it might be possible to match a physical activity to specific pain as a treatment.





2017 HEIMATTAG RESERVATION FORM  
JUNE 23 – 25, 2017  
Transylvania Club - Kitchener, Ontario

**FRIDAY EVENING – KAMERADSHAFTSABEND “Bootleg & Bratwurst”**  
7:00 – 12:00 p.m. Alpine Club - 464 Maple Ave. Kitchener N2H 4X5  
Join us for Games, Music and Saxon hospitality – No reservations required  
\$15.00 per person includes BBQ, salads & desserts

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41 River Road East, Unit B,  
Kitchener, Ontario  
N2B 2G3

Tel: (519) 744-1191  
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CLEVELAND SAXON DANCE GROUP'S  
ANNUAL TRACHTENBALL  
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7001 Denison Avenue  
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Saturday May 20, 2017

Doors open at 6 p.m. Dinner served at 6:30 p.m.

Enjoy a delicious Schnitzel dinner with all the trimmings!

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Dress in Tracht and help us perform the Aufmarsch

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Prepaid reservations are strongly recommended  
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Make checks payable to: The Cleveland Saxon Dance Group  
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18920 Laurel Circle  
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(216) 235-5240

Meal tickets will be held at the door.  
Please indicate if you wish to sit with specific individuals.  
Deadline for reservations is May 13, 2017.

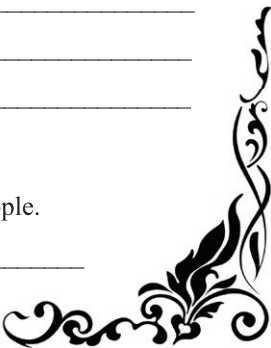
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# 2017 Easter Coloring Contest Artists

*We thank the following Easter coloring contest participants for sending in a photo.*

*We had 69 entries for this contest and they were all beautifully done by our young members. It was very difficult for the judges to select the winners in each of the age brackets.*

*We hope that more of our junior members send an entry in for the next coloring contest. Everyone is sent a letter of appreciation and some small gift for their coloring efforts. Remember participating in the coloring contests and other ATS activities and events will help a junior member achieve points toward the awarding of an ATS scholarship grant.*



Xander Palkovitch, age 3



Scarlet Palkovitch, age 4



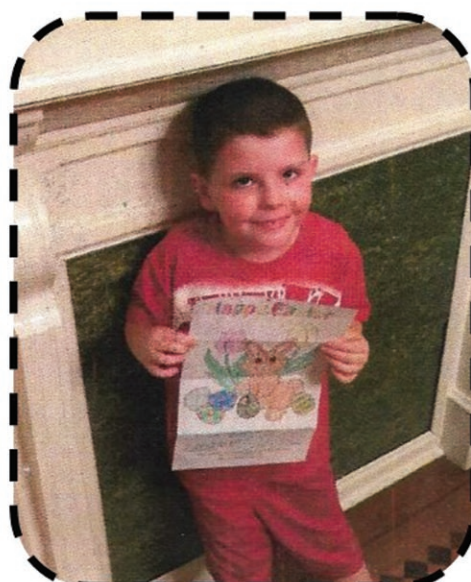
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Carsen Sergent, age 6



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