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BRANCH 8, ALLIANCE

By Lesley Reed

Our latest meeting was held on May 16th. There were fifteen members present and two excused. Our hostesses were Denise, Casey, and Courtney Crawford. Casey was one of the members excused from the meeting as she is on a trip to volunteer in the Dominican Republic. This month's attendance awards were presented to Phyllis Biggs and Mary Craven. We also wished happy birthdays to Helen Aeling and Barb Esterly.

Our old business consisted of a comment that the reservations for the convention have been made and received. Appreciation was expressed to Barb Esterly and Helen Aeling for delivering bouquets of flowers to our members Dorothy Brunie, Helen Kinser, and Men's branch member, Rudy Kotzbacher. These flowers were part of floral arrangements we donated to the local Lutheran church and were collected after the service to brighten the day for the folks

mentioned above.

We had much new business to attend to this month. We welcomed a new member, Linda Gelsinger. Congratulations were extended to Casey Crawford for graduating magna cum laude from Baldwin Wallace, while also receiving her Master's degree at the same time. We suspended our June, July, and August meetings for summer vacation so our next meeting will take place on Sept. 19th. We were delighted to welcome back member Dorothy Brunie who hasn't been able to join us for a while. We made two donations this month, one to the Alliance YWCA ABC for Kids program and one to the Minerva area Meals on Wheels program in memory of member Sue Hertel. She and her husband were long time volunteers with this organization. We closed our meeting with a moment of silence in her honor. Sue is, and will continue to be, deeply missed by us all.

BRANCH 10, COLUMBUS

By Susi Mueller

We had our monthly Saxon Club meeting today (Monday, May 21st) and were honored to welcome ATS National President Joan Miller-Malue and Vice President Robert Cunningham. We are proud to announce we finally have an ATS Secretary! His name is Mike Roth, and he is now our Branch 10 deputy. Joan and Robert came down to meet with him and gave him some papers that he needs.

On a sad note, however, we would like to share the news of two club-member deaths with you. First was Doris Gellner; she died at home April 28th, after a six-week diagnosis of pancreatic cancer. The last week of her life, she was comforted by hospice care. She was born in Munich, Germany, but was more of a Saxon than some of us are. The other member is Richard Kautz, our former Saxon Club President. He died May 17th and was 92 years old. He passed away at the hospital: Mt. Carmel East.

We are also sorry about Sophie Untch's sister being very ill and wish her the best. She resides in the Youngstown area.

On a much happier note, several of us are going to the Heimattag. These are the names of those attending: Dorothy and Martin Hesch George and Liz Lassel Regina Kellner Sophie Untch Olga Hesch Susan Resch Debbie Zardinkas Susi Mueller and daughter Marlene

We hope you all had a happy Pentecost and Memorial Day!

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Joan Miller-Malue

ATS Nat'l President



Last week, Robert Cunningham and I met with Branch 10 – Columbus' new ATS Deputy, Michael Roth. Michael is retired and still holds his life insurance and annuity license. We hope our members in the Columbus Branch will assist Michael in his sales work by referring friends and family members. Our sales team is vital to the growth and financial strength of our fraternal benefit society. We welcome more members to join our sales team. Individuals must have a valid Life Insurance License or be being to obtain a license which the ATS will reimburse them for the cost of them getting their license. We will provide training and support as needed. This can be an interesting part-time job for retirees and busy mothers that only have several hours to spare during the month. We need to work harder in every Branch to increase ATS membership which will benefit the Fraternal locally as well as nationally.

Our Saxon relatives and friends in Europe had a successful Saxon Heimattag that was held in Dinkelsbuehl, Germany the weekend of May 18-21. The Saxons in Germany hold their Heimattag celebrations on certain weekend to adhere to the Christian holiday of Pentecost so to remind us that all Christians are united in faith which brings together the spirit of life, energy, hope, community and joy. Our 2nd Vice President Monica Weber represented the ATS at the festivities and attended the Federation of Siebenbürger Sachsen Meeting. Herta Daniel, Chairperson of the Verband der Siebenbürgen Sachsen in Deutschland, was elected to serve as the Chairperson for the Federation. Thousands of Saxons attend the Annual Heimattag in Dinkelsbuehl, it certainly is an event that you want to put on your "bucket list!" The ATS had sponsored a trip there years ago; it might be time to plan for another.

I once read a saying that stated, "A people without the knowledge of their past history, origin and culture is like a tree without roots." That is why our Saxon organizations stress the importance of our cultural activities so that we can be enriched by our past, glorify our present and strive to preserve our culture for the future. Which brings me to our North American Saxon Heimattag that will be held this year at the Cleveland Sachsenheim the weekend of June 22 – 24th. Although, our celebration is much smaller in comparison to Germany's we are just as enthusiastic and joyful in acknowledging our Saxon heritage and culture. We look forward to the music, singing, folk dancing and Gemütlichkeit we share

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Attention TSBA Bowlers



61th TSBA Convention
June 9, 2018
10am

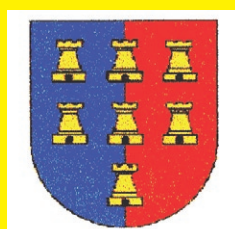


Cleveland West Sachsenheim
7001 Denison Cleveland OH 44102
Lunch \$8

Reminder: Each Branch is encouraged to send 3 delegates
RSVP: CJ Schmitz (440) 799-1940 by June 3

TIMELY - DO NOT DELAY
MAILED WEDNESDAY, MAY 16, 2018

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Countdown to our
North American Saxon Heimattag
Cleveland, Ohio June 22 - 24, 2018
21 days left!
See Page 6 for Reservation
and Hotel 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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with our Saxon friends from Canada and the USA. Every year new friends are made and old are renewed. Please invite your friends so that they can experience the beauty of our Saxon heritage. Deadline for reservations is June 4th.

One activity that has brought our membership fun and plenty of Saxon Gemütlichkeit over the years is the Transylvanian Saxon Bowling Association which was started in 1954. Members travel to different Branch Cities each month to have fun bowling as they enjoy the friendships they have made throughout our organization. The Annual TSBA Convention will be held Saturday, June 9, 2018 at the Cleveland Sachsenheim. Each ATS Branch is entitled to send three delegates. At this meeting they will set the schedule for the upcoming bowling session that starts in the Fall. If you are interested in joining your Local Branch’s bowlers please contact your Local Bowler’s Rep (list is in this issue of the Volksblatt). You do not have to be a skilled bowler, you just have to have a good attitude that you want to have fun.

And speaking of “fun,” I encourage our ATS Teenagers to attend Saxon Teen Weekend that will be held at the Salem Saxon Club July 6 – 8. You get to meet new friends from other cities as you enjoy different activities, learn how to make Krapfen (Saxon donut), watch movies on a huge screen and

campout in an open-air pavilion. The weekend is free and you can even bring along a friend. Reservation form is printed inside the Volksblatt. You will have a great time!

Transylvanian Saxon Trivia: Historians debate exactly who invented the first automatic windshield wiper. Some scholars suggest William M. and Fred Folberth, two brothers born in Mediasch who came to Cleveland, Ohio in the early 1900, invented the automatic windshield wiper. The Folberths invented the wiper in 1919, however, William did not receive a patent for the product until August 16, 1921. They had begun to manufacture the wiper in a factory in Cleveland in 1925. The Folberths’ automatic wipers got their power from the motor via a tube. Air was diverted from the motor to make them work using the vacuum principle. The wiper would slow down and speed up as the car slowed down or sped up and drivers desired a more consistent wiper, so during the 1930s, dramatic improvements occurred in electrical wipers, making the Folberths’ version obsolete. They owned the Automotive Development Company in Cleveland and eventually owned over 100 patents. So, when you are driving in the rain or snowfall you can thank two Transylvanian Saxons for coming up with the invention of automatic windshield wipers!

Ich wünsche allen einen schönen Tag.

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You may either

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

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

DEADLINE DATES FOR ARTICLES:

DEADLINE	ISSUE
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 6, 2018	FRIDAY, JUNE 15, 2018
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 20, 2018	FRIDAY, JUNE 29, 2018
TUESDAY, JULY 3, 2018 ****	FRIDAY, JULY 13, 2018

**** DEADLINE CHANGE DUE TO 4TH OF JULY HOLIDAY

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.

SAXON TEEN WEEKEND
JULY 6 - 8, 2018

ATS members, ages 13 – 19, are invited to attend Saxon Teen Weekend, which will be held at the Salem Saxon Club, Salem, Ohio starting on Friday, July 6th at 7:30 pm and ending at Noon on Sunday, July 8th.
You can't beat the price...IT'S FREE !

This is a fun get-away weekend that gives you a chance to meet members from other ATS Branches and enjoy various sporting activities, movies, music and games. Do you have a friend that is not an ATS member but would like to share in this fraternal activity? Bring him/her along – they are welcome to join us!

The Salem Saxon Club has an enclosed Dance Pavilion that will be your sleeping quarters for Friday and Saturday. Make sure you bring along a sleeping bag or an inflatable mattress, and in case the weather gets cool, some warm clothes. It is a good idea to pack an extra pair of athletic shoes, especially if the grounds should be wet. Also, bring along a towel and soap for washing up in the mornings. We will have a TV and DVD player set up in the Dance Pavilion, so bring along your favorite DVD's and video games.

The weekend will include a scavenger hunt, movies on the big screen, various sporting activities, music and dancing. We will also learn to make Saxon Krapfen. Be sure to pack your swimsuit in case we have a chance to get to hit the pool. The weekend will be finished off with an enormous bonfire (weather permitting).

This weekend is free of charge and includes all your meals and snacks but we must have your reservation in by June 22nd so that we can plan for the meals and transportation. Return this reservation and permission form to the ATS Home Office, 5393 Pearl Road, Cleveland, Ohio 44129-1597. All telephone inquiries are to be directed to the ATS Home Office, (440) 842-8442. If you are bringing a friend, please have one of their parents or a guardian write up a permission slip, which will give us permission to take their child off the Salem Saxon Club grounds for possible other local activities.

The Salem Saxon Country Club is located at 1980 Newgarden Road, State Route 9, approximately three miles south of Salem.

SAXON TEEN WEEKEND
Reservation Form – Deadline: June 22, 2018

Name
Age
Address
Telephone
Email
Branch No. Certificate No.

Yes, I will attend the Teen Weekend Events on Friday, Saturday, Sunday
Yes, I will attend the Teen Weekend Events on Saturday, Sunday
Yes, I will bring a friend.
My friend's name is

Please have your friend's parent or guardian submit written permission for him/her to be transported off the Saxon Country Club grounds. The permission slip must accompany this Reservation Form and must include your friend's address and telephone number.

As the parent/guardian of the above named ATS member, I do give my permission for him/her to leave the Saxon Country Club ground

Signature (Parent or Guardian)



ATS ANNUAL GOLF OUTING
Salem Hills Golf Course
12688 Salem Warren Road
Host: Salem Branches 18 & 19

Saturday and Sunday, August 11 – 12, 2018
Saturday Registration at 10:30 am – Tee Time Noon – 12:00 pm
Sunday Registration at 9:00 am – Tee Time 10:00 am

2- Day Cost \$60.00 Golf with Cart, refreshments, dinner, prizes
1-Day Cost \$35.00 Golf with Cart, refreshments, dinner, prizes

Deadline for Entries is August 1, 2018

Please list your Two Person Team
Name
ATS Certificate No.
1.
2.
2- day golf – 36 holes
18 Holes – Saturday Only
18 Holes – Sunday Only
Non golfer dinner @ \$12
Total Amount Enclosed: \$
(Make checks payable to: FTSS Branch 19)

Entry Form Submitted by:
Name
Address
Telephone No.
Email:

Send Entries and Checks to:
Glenn Spack 943 Stewart Road Salem, OH 44460
Tele: (330) 332-8174 Email: sspack2@neo.rr.com
Cancellations must be called in by August 4, 2018



TSBA
WANTS
YOU!

Are you looking to get more involved with the ATS?
Would you like to meet fellow Saxons from other branches?
If so, WE WANT YOU IN THE TSBA!
The TSBA is a Saxon bowling league that meets once a month, September - March. It's a handicapped, non-sanctioned league that allows bowlers, of all skill levels, to enjoy some Saxon Gemütlichkeit.

For more information or to join a team, please contact your Local Branch rep.

- Alliance – Karen Kinser (330) 581-5049
- Cleveland East – Ema Litschel (440) 358-1184
- Cleveland West – CJ Schmitz (440) 799-1940
- Lorain – Monica Gilles (440) 309-7894
- New Castle – Rich Baker (724) 854-0149
- Salem – Glenn Spack (330) 332-8174
- Youngstown – Tom Simon (330) 720-7988



your relatives and friends
to join the crowd at ATS.

Opening a custodial investment account for children

Parents can open brokerage accounts for their children and get tax breaks, according to The Motley Fool. Custodial accounts are so named because they are opened in the name of the parent and will remain under their control until the child turns 18 or 21 (depending on the state) and assumes ownership. Other than the transfer of ownership, these brokerage accounts are the same as any other and investments can be made into any of the brokerage's offerings. Any withdrawals or earnings from the account will be taxed at the child's rate which is typically much lower than the household's. Money can be pulled out to cover certain expenses that would benefit the child.

FRATERNAL CALENDAR

NATIONAL EVENTS

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

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.

June 7, 2018
Salem Bar Open 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
Salem DRIVE THRU DINNER 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

June 8, 2018
Salem Joint Social Dinner??? 6:00 p.m.

June 9, 2018
Cleveand Sachsenheim Sausagefest

June 11, 2018
Salem Br. 18 Meeting 7:00 p.m.

June 14, 2018
New Castle Branch 25 Meeting 8:00 P.M.
Salem Bar Open 7:00p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

June 16, 2018
New Castle Summer Concert at the Grounds
“The Classic Rockers” 8 - 11 p.m

June 21, 2018
Salem Bar Open 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

June 23, 2018
New Castle Eintracht Golf outing @ Sylvan Heights
1 p.m. Shotgun start. Steak fry to follow.
New Castle Summer Concert at the Grounds
“Swear” 8 - 11 p.m.

June 28, 2018
Salem Bar Open 7:00p.m.- 9:00p.m.

July 7, 2018
New Castle Summer Concert at the Grounds
“The River Saints” 8:00 – 11P.M.

July 12, 2018
New Castle Branch 25 Meeting 8:00 P.M.

July 15, 2018
Chicago Br. 9 Picnic
Linne Wood Forest Preserve, Morton Grove IL

July 21, 2018
Cleveland East Br. 33 Captains Baseball Outing
New Castle Singers’ Picnic and “Polka Fest”

July 28, 2018
New Castle 3rd Annual Blues and Brews Festival

BRANCH 26, MERRILLVILLE By Helen Brooks

The Saxon meeting of Branch 26 was held on May 6 on a beautiful sunny day. Our president called the meeting to order and we said the pledge to the flag followed by the secretary’s reading of the minutes which were approved and accepted. It was decided to pay Jana Szostek fraternal benefits for her foot surgery and also Marge Skroupa. The expense report was read and accepted. Zita Palyok gave the financial report and it was also approved and accepted. We decided to support the baseball team this year. There was discussion on the hosting of the annual bowling in October and Jana Szostek will be the chairwoman. It was a sad note to learn long time member Ed Gottschling passed away on May 7, 2018. We send our sincere condolences to Ed’s family. He will be missed. We also send our sympathy to the family of Joan Miller Malue. God bless them both. Our meeting was closed. The raffle was won by Willard Schuffert and attendance was won by our President Randall Floyd. We enjoyed a great meal and friendship. Till we meet again!

Stay safe using free Wi-Fi

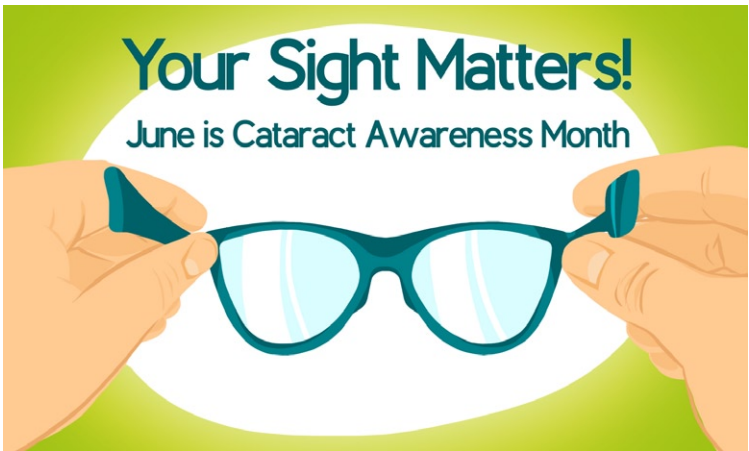
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6. Change your passwords frequently.

BRANCH 4, CLEVELAND By Joan Miller-Malue

Our next monthly meeting will be held on Monday, June 18 at 7:00 pm. At that time, we will review and discuss any unfinished items we need to do that week for the Heimattag. We are thankful to those members that have volunteered to serve meals on Saturday, to bake pastries for Sunday’s dessert plates, set-up and take-down and housing for our guests from Transylvania. We can use some more help so all are welcome to lend a hand. If anyone is interested in housing several of our guests please give me or Monica Weber call. I want to remind everyone that if you are planning to come to the Heimattag, deadline for reservations is June 4th. We need to stick to this deadline so that we know how much space we need for set-up and equipment needed. So please be kind to us and adhere to the reservation deadline. We are happy that we have several Cleveland-West members going to Saxon Summer Camp: Grace and Jacob Botsch, Liam Clay, Lukas Jones, Alexis Perry, Lexi Seiler, Andreas and Vala Schobel. I know that they will

have a great time. We look forward to hearing about their week adventures. We hope that several of our Cleveland West members will be able to attend Saxon Teen Weekend at the Salem Saxon Club. We used to have this event in September when school had already started up, so the ATS Youth Activities Committee had worked with the Salem Branches to get a weekend during the summer in hopes that more teens could attend. It is a great opportunity to get to know other members from the different ATS Branches plus it is a lot of fun. Deadline for reservations is June 22. A great event at the Sachsenheim is the Sausagefest that is held on Saturday evening, June 9th. There will be sixteen plus different sausages to include Munich & Berliner Brats, Fresh & Smoked Kielbasa, Mettwurst, Potatowurst, Currywurst, Knockwurst, Weisswurst, Chevapi, and Mici. More to be added. Plus a variety of beers. Tickets are \$35 PRESALE and \$40 at the door. You can get your tickets at the Sachsenheim Rathskeller.



Cataracts: You can have your sight back

Cataracts, a clouding of the eye lens, have been known and diagnosed since at least 29 AD, but the treatments, until the 1940s or so, have probably been worse than the problem. With age, it is very common to suffer some vision loss from the clouding of the natural eye lens. According to the World Health Organization, age-related cataracts are responsible for 51 percent of world blindness. In North America, about 42 percent of people have lens changes between ages 42 and 64. That percentage rises to 91 percent by age 75. Today, cataracts are repaired surgically by inserting a foldable plastic lens

to replace the natural one. Surgery is very safe and effectively restores vision. Symptoms of cataracts, according to the Mayo Clinic: Clouded, blurred or dim vision Increasing difficulty with vision at night Sensitivity to light and glare Need for brighter light for reading and other activities Seeing “halos” around lights Frequent changes in eye-glass or contact lens prescription Fading or yellowing of colors Double vision in a single eye

Salem Saxon Club

DRIVE-THRU

Thursday, JUNE 7, 2018 4 - 6 p.m.

Fried Fish, Escalloped potatoes, Green beans, Cole Slaw, Roll, Cake

\$9.00

BAKED FISH - ADVANCE ORDERS ONLY!

Orders call: (330) 692-2009

Taking Orders at Club December 7, 12:00-4:00 p.m. (330) 222-1770

CHURCHES



St. Peter's German and Saxon Lutheran Church

11423 Chicago Rd.
Warren, Michigan 48093
(586) 979-3850
stpeters_church@sbcglobal.net
www.stpeterswarren.or

10:00 Bilingual Service

Nursery

Coffee following service

Senior Circle

Sunday School

Church Choir

Bell Choir

St. John's Lutheran Church

1000 Ford Road
Highland Hts., Ohio
(440) 449-1334

Rev. Paul Stork
Pastor

10:00 Worship Service



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



BRANCH 9, CHICAGO

By Rose-Marie Hauer

Greetings to all our members and friends! Summer is just around the corner. Time to get all the flowers and vegetables planted.

Our meeting was held on May 7, and was well attended. President Thut brought the meeting to order and welcomed all the members and guests. The Convention will be held on June 2-3, in Youngstown, OH. Branch 9 will be send-

ing five delegates: President Thut, Brother George Thut, Sister Hilde Mueller, Brother Andreas Mueller and Sister Claudia Schmidt. We wish them a safe trip. We are looking forward to hear about the results of the meetings.

Thank you to all our members and guests for attending the Maifest on May 5. The evening was beautiful and very successful. The hall was decorated very



elegantly with centerpieces displaying Saxon Trachts. Thank you to all the ladies that baked so many delicious desserts. It was hard to make a decision on what to eat! Then of course we had the Donauschwaben Jugendgruppe perform which included three of our members Paige Deloy, Amanda Schmidt, and Karina Thut. It is so special to have this group perform for us every year and especially see all these teenagers maintain their culture. The guests received a special surprise when the Donau Adult Dance group performed in Saxon Tracht. Many of these members also belong to our Saxon group Eric and Jenny Deloy, Rose, Elizabeth and Erica Hauer and Claudia Schmidt. A special thank you goes to Gen Kroner who donated her grandmother's Tracht and some Saxon shirts. These items were used by the Donau Adult Dance for their performance. Many of the guests danced the night away thanks to the band Hirsch led by Brother Eric Hauer. Towards the end of the evening the basket raffle was held with over 38 prizes. Many of the guests left the evening happy and with a raffle prize. Thank you again to the committee for all of their hard work.

Many of our members will be attending the Heimattag June 22-24, in Cleveland. Please remember to make your hotel reservations as soon as possible.

The Bowling tournament will be held in Merriville, IN on October 20-21.

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

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



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.

Katherine Wilttrout

Age 94

Died: April 24, 2018

Branch 32, Ellwood City PA

Clarence E. Gilson

Age 78

Died: May 8, 2018

Branch 02, Erie PA

Karl C. Gaber

Age 93

Died: May 3, 2018

Branch 2, Erie PA

Richard S. Kautz

Age 92

Died: May 17, 2018

Branch 10, Columbus OH

Michael M. Schmidt

Age 79

Died: May 20, 2018

Branch 14, Canton OH

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.

To end the meeting President Thut read a poem to celebrate the month of May called Maigedichte Fröhngslied.

The next meeting will be June 4, 2018 at the DANK Haus.





ATS Family Day

At

Waldameer and

Water World

Saturday, July 28, 2018

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ATS has reserved Picnic Pavilion Coaster #1

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Free Parking

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Free Admission to Picnic Pavilion & Park grounds

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Free Shows

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Drawing at Pavilion at 5:00 p.m.

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Discounted Tickets for Combo Pass includes both the Amusement Park and Water World

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ATS Member Price is \$12.00

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Non-ATS Member Price is \$25.50

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Children under age 1 are free – unless they want to enter Water World

Waldameer Rides: Noon to 10 p.m.

Water Word: 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.

TICKET ORDER FORM

Number of ATS Members @ \$12.....\$

Name and Certificate Number of Members:

Cert No.

Cert No.

Cert No.

Cert No.

Number of non-ATS Members @ \$25.50.....\$

Total Remitted.....\$

Number attending that will not purchase Combo Pass

Mail Tickets to

Address

CityStateZip

TelephoneE-Mail

Mail Ticket Order Form to ATS Home Office, 5393 Pearl Road, Cleveland, OH 44129

Deadline for Ticket Orders is July 15, 2018



Enter the Drawing

to Win Four Tickets

to ATS Family Day

July 28, 2018

Complete the following information and send to the

ATS Home Office, 5393 Pearl Road, Cleveland, OH 44129.

Name

Address

CityStateZipcode

TelephoneEmail

Branch No. Certificate No.

Return by July 1, 2018 to the ATS Home Office.

2018 SAXON HEIMATTAG RESERVATION FORM

June 22 – 24, 2018

Cleveland Sachsenheim – 7001 Denison Avenue

Cleveland, Ohio

Hosts: Branch 1 and 4

Ticket Price

Number Tickets

Total

FRIDAY EVENING

7:00 pm – “Beads & Bling it’s a Mardi Gras Thing”

Mardi Gras Buffet

7:30 – 8:30 pm

Casual evening, fun, music, more

Adults \$10

Free for Children

Ages 12 & Under

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SATURDAY EVENING

Doors Open 5:00 pm

Official Opening 6:00 pm

Pork Schnitzel dinner

Adults \$25

Free for Children

Ages 12 & Under

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Vegetarian – Eggplant Schnitzel

Adults \$25

Free for Children

Ages 12 & Under

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SUNDAY

9:00 am – 1:00 pm

Beef Rouladen Dinner

Adults \$18

Free for Children

Ages 12 & Under

x

x

\$

\$

Vegetarian – Zucchini Rollups

Adults \$18

Free for Children

Ages 12 & Under

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GRAND TOTAL

(Please enclose check or money order in USA currency)

\$

Reservations made by (Tickets will be held at the door in your name):

Name

Address

Phone NumberEmail

ALL FESTIVITIES AND CHURCH SERVICE
WILL BE HELD AT THE SACHSENHEIM.

Make checks payable to ATS and send along with Reservation Form to:
Alliance of Transylvanian Saxons
5393 Pearl Road
Cleveland, Ohio 44129-1547
Telephone: 440-842-8442 Fax: 440-842-5442 Email: office@atsaxons.com

DEADLINE FOR RESERVATIONS: JUNE 4, 2018

Heimattag Hotels

Cleveland Airport Marriott

4277 West 150th Street

Cleveland, OH 44135

216-252-5333

\$79/night +tax 2 Queens or 1 King

“Heimattag” Block

Held until 6/1/2018

Amenities: Full service hotel, pool, Restaurant, airport shuttle, free parking for our group

Distance from Sachsenheim: 5.1 miles

Four Points – Cleveland Airport

4181 West 150th Street

Cleveland, OH 44135

216-252-7700

\$85/night +tax 2 Queens

“Heimattag” Block

Held until 5/23/2018

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

Distance from Sachsenheim: 5.2 miles

Best Western

16501 Snow Road

Brookpark, OH 44142

216-267-9364

\$85/night +tax 2 Queens non-smoking

“Heimattag” Block Held until 6/1/2018

Amenities: Continental Breakfast, free Parking, airport shuttle, free WiFi, Pool

Distance from Sachsenheim: 8.5 miles

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Choruses

**CLEVELAND, SECTION 1
EINTRACHT SAXONIA
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Rehearsal:
Tuesdays 1:30 - 3:00 p.m.

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Rehearsal: Fridays
6:30 p.m Children
7:30 pm Adults
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BOOKS

The Saxon Cook Book - Third Edition
Over 400 Saxon/American Recipes \$12.00 per copy (postpaid)

Fleeing to the Friendly Enemy by Barbara Ohler Weber
A true story of the author's experiences during World War II and her immigration to America in the 1950's.
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Saxons Through Seventeen Centuries, author Rev. John Foisel
A paperback which provides a romantic account of the customs and phases of intellectual development of the Transylvanian people. Not intended to be a history of Transylvania, rather a story of our people based upon seventeen centuries of history.
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Why Can't Somebody Just Die Around Here?, author Gerhard Maroscher.
Tells the story of how his family was impacted by World War II. His mother fled Transylvania with two young sons and his father reluctantly served in three Axis armies and was a prisoner of war by the Russians. Family immigrated to the USA to live the American dream.
\$24.95 per copy (postpaid)

All books unless noted have English Text.

Proceeds from book sales go to the Saxon Orphan Fund Program.

Order From:
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5393 Pearl Road, Cleveland, Ohio 44129
Make Checks/Money Orders payable to
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ATS Member, please indicate Branch number.

SAXON SENIORS

**YOUNGSTOWN
SAXON RETIREES**
Meets 2nd Thursday 11:30 a.m.
Youngstown Saxon Club
(March - December)

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Meets 1st Wednesday
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Branch No. _____

Certificate No. _____ SS# _____

Date of Birth _____

Name _____

Old Street Address was _____

City/State/Zip _____

New Street _____

City/State/Zip _____

All information in the form to the right and below must be correctly typed, or legibly written.

☐ CHANGE

☐ CANCELLATION

☐ NEW to receive paper

THIS CHANGE IS FOR:

☐ HOME OFFICE RECORDS & VOLKSBLATT

☐ VOLKSBLATT ONLY

Date: _____ Signature of Person Making Change _____

ATS SUMMER FUN



Our Saxon Landsleute are heading to the Cleveland Sachsenheim to attend the Annual North American Saxon Heimattag the weekend of June 22 - 24 to share in the celebration of our Transylvanian Saxon Heritage. It will be a weekend of Saxon Gemütlichkeit meeting up with our friends from Canada and making new friendships. This is a time when we show how proud we are of our Transylvanian Saxon ancestry and enjoy the performances of cultural dance groups, choral groups and a brass band. Our special guests will be a dance group from Transylvania. We hope to see you there!



We invite our teens ages 13 -19 to attend Teen Weekend at the Salem Saxon Club the weekend of July 6 - 8. The activities will include sporting activities, music, dancing, scavenger hunt, movies on a big screen, and swimming. We will also learn how to make Saxon Krapfen. Saturday evening is the lighting of a huge bonfire. The weekend is **Free of Charge** and you can bring along a friend to share in the fun. Pack up your sleeping bag, the Pavilion will be the sleeping quarters for Friday and Saturday. Deadline for reservation forms is June 22, 2018.



Saxon Summer Camp will be held at Camp Frederick in Rogers, Ohio the week of July 15 - 20. We have sixteen members registered so far this year. The camp is open to Junior members and their friends, ages 7 - 17. There are four camp programs for the different age groups. The programs were designed to allow campers to continue to grow into different types and levels of activities according to their ages. Campers will be housed in cabins which accommodate eight persons. One evening will be devoted to Saxon folk dancing and bits of Saxon trivia. Each camper receives a free Saxon Summer Camp T-Shirt.



Please join us for ATS Family Day at Waldameer and Water Park on Saturday, August 28, 2018. The Park is located in Erie, PA and offers scores of amusement park rides, magnificent waterslides, live shows, midway games, refreshment stands. We have reserved a Pavilion and you can bring in your own picnic basket. The ATS will have a drawing at 5 pm for various prizes. ATS members cost is \$12 and non-members \$25.50 which includes rides and Water World. No cost if you only want to walk around and enjoy the shows. Free parking.

Join Our Golf Outing



Get your golf swing ready for the ATS Annual Golf Outing that will be held on Saturday and Sunday, August 11 - 12, 2018 at the Salem Hills Golf Course. Hosts will be Branches 18 and 19. The weekend promises to be full of fun which includes 18 holes each day with a golf cart, refreshments, dinner and prizes. You have the choice of playing two days or just Saturday or Sunday. Two-day Cost is \$60 and if you are playing only One-day the Cost is \$35. Let's see who are the great ATS golfers! Entry details are printed in this issue of the Volksblatt. Deadline for entries is August 1, 2018.