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BRANCH 33, CLEVELAND EAST By Arline Krestel-Suts

Sisters and Brothers, and *Volksblatt* readers: I have just a few remarks this month.

First we want to thank Gerhard Maroscher. On May 10 he did a presentation related to his experiences growing up in WWII Europe, then immigrating to the US. He also did a book signing "Why Can't Somebody Die Around Here?" Riveting to listen to his experiences, and I am sure many of our members could relate. If any of you are looking for an event speaker (oh about 45 minutes to an hour), I would recommend Mr. Maroscher.

Youth members: Hey! Saxon Summer Camp is coming up, July 16 to July 21, Camp Frederick, in Rogers Ohio. Any of our Youth members, ages 7 to 17, Branch 33 will be glad to help you finance the week by reimbursing half the cost of your trip. Call Ema Litschel or Cindy Schneider for details. I already known of one 7 year old going... so meet up and make new friends! Registration Form is in the *Volksblatt*.

Our next outing is the Lake County Captains Baseball game in Eastlake. Barb Hum is taking reservations: July 8, a Saturday, Fireworks after the game. Evening includes all you can eat picnic from 6:30 pm to 8 p.m. All Branch 33 Members over 4 years old \$12, Adult non-members \$28, Youth non-members \$25. We have a good crowd coming, so don't be left out!

Then the following event is August 26, our annual Picnic at Penitentiary Glen. I promise to have games

(so you can win back your admission fee), and Barb is ordering food from a different place (Dickie's I think?) which we sampled and REALLY tasted good! \$5 for members, \$10 for guests. By that date, you ATS travelers to Siebenbürgen will be back, so please come and tell us all about the trip!

Finally, our next meeting is June 14, starting with Party Tray Supper at 7 p.m. Bakers are Cindy Schneider, Donna Foisel, and Margie Ziegler. This is the last meeting before our summer vacation break. So remember to come and eat and pay your dues!

And Happy belated Mother's Day, and an early Happy Father's Day!

BRANCH 26, MERRILLVILLE By Helen Brooks

The meeting of Saxon Lodge Branch 26 was held on May 7, 2017. President Randall Floyd called the meeting to order and the pledge to the flag was said.

Roll call of officers – two were absent. Secretary Sam Palyok read the minutes and they were accepted.

Pete Guip gave the treasurer's report and it was also accepted.

Trustee Judith Andrews reported that her brother Mike Gottschling is in the Indiana Soldiers Home in Lafayette, IN.

Financial Secretary Zita Palyok reported two delinquent members' monies were sent.

It was voted on and approved to support the Saxon softball team again.

The casino trip was discussed again with an upcoming date to be announced.

The raffle was won by Pete Guip and attendance prize by Heidi Smith.

The meeting was closed and we all enjoyed a chicken dinner and fellowship.

Til we meet again.

60th TSBA Bowling Convention



June 10, 2017 10:00 am

Youngstown Saxon Club
710 S. Meridian Road
Youngstown, Ohio 44515

Only two (2) reps from each
Branch are permitted to vote
however, all are welcome to attend

Lunch will be served after meeting
Cost: \$8 per person
R.S.V.P. to Tom Simon
by June 6, 2017
(330) 720-7988

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Joan Miller-Malue
ATS Nat'l President



The Branch Presidents' Meeting was held at the Cleveland Sachsenheim on Saturday, May 20, 2017. I was honored to present President Pins to two newly elected presidents, Monica Gilles, Branch 5 – Lorain and June Hoelzel, Branch 22 – Youngstown. During the meeting, we reviewed the financial and fraternal reports for the past year. Also, proposed amendments to the ATS Constitution were presented that will be discussed and voted on at next year's Convention. We talked about how the fraternal organizations have had to make changes to their corporate operations that include regulations that mandate the responsibilities of the Board of Directors under new Enterprise Risk Management requirements and annual filings of Corporate Governance Disclosure. It was stressed that it is the responsibility for Local Branches to nominate qualified individuals to fill positions on the Board of Directors. It was also discussed the importance of our Local Branches to serve their communities by charitable work which is very important for our tax exemption. Each Branch needs to submit a completed Annual Charitable Work Paper to the ATS Home Office by June 1. We discussed the importance of local activities to keep members active and the need to increase ATS membership. During the meeting, we distributed to the Presidents, the Branch Sharing funds, Subsidy Grants for the culture groups and scholarship recipient award certificates. We thank the Branch Presidents for their participation and hope they found the meeting informative. All Branch Presidents are to be praised for taking on the leadership of their Local Lodge. Please help them with their task by giving them your support.

That evening the Presidents were invited to the Cleveland Saxon Dance Group's Annual Trachtenball. We enjoyed a delicious Schnitzel dinner that was prepared by the Dance Group. Following dinner everyone in tracht took part in the Aufmarsch. Then it was time for the premiere performance of the newly formed Children's Group which include children ages 2 – 9. The children performing were Jamison Donnellan, Katie Hanek, Andrew and Christian Hintz, Scarlett and Lukas Jones, and Lexi Seiler. They did a fantastic job! It was a tough act to follow, but the Adult group did follow and performed beautifully. The ATS Board of Directors wants to commend the Cleveland Saxon Dance Group on providing us with a very memorable evening. President Amanda Donnellan and Kristan Pechatsko are to be applauded for the time and effort they have given to instruct the young children. I hope that more children will join the group and that it gives incentive to the other local branches to work at organizing a children's culture group. We are delighted that the Cleveland Saxon Adult and Children Dance Groups will perform at this year's North American Saxon Heimattag that will be held in Kitchener, Ontario, Canada.

Just a reminder that you can read each issue of the *Volksblatt* on the ATS website and you can view www.ats.org.

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



SEE PAGE 6 FOR
RESERVATION FORM
AND MOTEL INFORMATION

TIMELY - DO NOT DELAY
MAILED WEDNESDAY, MAY 31, 2017

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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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atsaxons.com on your mobile phone. Our website was updated to include links to other Saxon organizations, such as the Verband der Siebenbürger Sachsen in Deutschland; Verband in Austria; Transylvania Club in Kitchener; Siebenbürgen Forum in Romania; Youngstown Saxon Club; Saxonia Hall in Aylmer. If any other Local Branch has a website, please let me know so I can add it to this list.

Transylvanian Saxon Trivia: In 2016, the Black Church in Kronstadt (Brasov) was the most visited fortified Saxon church in Romania. Over 220,000 visitors, twice as many that visited the church in Hermannstadt (Sibiu) which attracted 100,000 visitors. The church in BIRTHÄLM (Biertan) had 55,000 visitors and Tartlau (Prejmer) had over 50,000. The Evangelical Church of the Augsburg Confession assists local communities in making their churches assessible to the public. There is a small fee to tour the churches which help toward the upkeep. The Black Church in Kronstadt is one of the largest Gothic constructions in Eastern Europe and houses the largest mechanical organ in Romania. It is adorned with a large collection of oriental carpets dating back to the 15th and 16th centuries.

BRANCH 10, COLUMBUS

By Susi Mueller

Spring Greetings to everyone. Unfortunately, Susi Karst fell immediately after our April 17th Saxon Club meeting which we hold at the Hickory House, so she will not be able to attend the Heimattag in Canada. Neither her sister, Mary Lassel, or daughter, Mary Stevenson, will be in attendance. In addition, Sophie Untch cannot attend due to her knee problems. Due to Susi Karst’s subsequent absence at our May 15th meeting, she missed receiving the \$10 attendance prize when her name was drawn. Consequently, June 19th’s meeting attendance prize will be \$20.

We have five hotel rooms on hold, and we will be driven by Olga Hesch in the van. Persons attending are: Olga Hesch, Anita Johnson, Cathy, Doris and John Gellner, Regina Kellner, and Marlene and Susi Mueller.

We are glad to report that Anna (Untch) Hall is finally at home. She had been in intensive care after her third open-heart surgery, where after ten days later she had to have another surgery (laser) to remove liquid from around her heart. Anna is supposed to rest, and it hurts when she walks.

Wishing you all well...

Common foods pose choking hazard

Kids under five years old should not have whole grapes or grape tomatoes. Children that young have small airways making it easy for these small fruits to be trapped and completely block all air.

A recent entry in the Archives of Disease in Childhood reported three cases of children from Scotland ages 5, 2, and 17 months who presented in the emergency room with blocked airways. Each had eaten a whole grape that became lodged and formed a tight seal in the airway. Two of the children died.

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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 7, 2017	FRIDAY, JUNE 16, 2017
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21, 2017	FRIDAY, JUNE 30, 2017
WEDNESDAY, JULY 5, 2017	FRIDAY, JULY 14, 2017

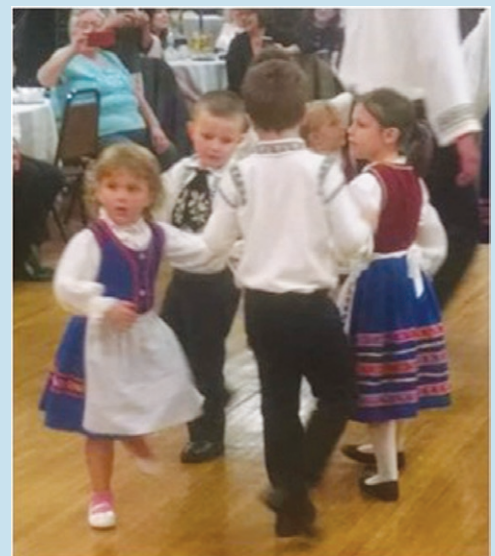
Please have your articles in by 12 Noon.

Did you miss the deadline?

Have you emailed your article past 12 noon?

Please call Hanz or Barb Hermann at (440) 892-0436.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE CLEVELAND SAXON DANCE GROUP FOR A MEMORABLE TRACHTENBALL



BRANCH 2, ERIE
By Lee Wolfe

Our regular meeting was held Sunday, May 21st at 2:30 p.m. We held a moment of silence for deceased members Marvin Hunt and Emil Chernicky. We send our sympathy to the departed's family and friends. We also send out our best wishes to Lois Barthelmes in the hopes that she is feeling better.

Our next meeting will be held Sunday, June 18 at 2:30 p.m. This will be our supper meeting. The menu is Pot Roast. Please call Val Pinczewski at 898-0494 to make your reservation. There is NO CHARGE to members of Branch 2 for this meal. For non-members the fee will be \$8.00

There will be no meetings in July or August.

President Manning attended the ATS Presidents' meeting at which time he received our Branch Sharing check. We will divide this check to our various activities at another meeting.

We were very happy and proud to hear from President Manning that two of our high

school seniors received scholarships of \$1000.00 each. Scholarships were awarded to Annalise Iavarone and Jessica Rinke. We wish them good luck in all of their future endeavours.

We send out very Happy Birthday wishes to our June celebrants, some of who are David Barthelmes, Mitchell Bone, Troy Goellner, Val Pinczewski, Charles J. Haibach, Cecelis Griffith, Erin Nemenz, Shelby Bone, Evelyn Holdsworth, Amy Van De Merwe, George Cook, Tiffany Kaiser, Sue Goellner, and Amelia Italiani.

We send out belated Birthday wishes to John G. Griffith who turned 99 on April 16th. We understand he still lives in his own home and does his own work around the house. God love you, Mr. Griffith.

Also, a very Happy Birthday to our George Cook who will turn 94 on June 22nd. We wish you the best, George.

We welcome new member Kaleigh Robin Kester-Cash.

A very Happy anniversary to our June couples: John and Elaine Crandall, 38 years; Ron and Bonnie Barthelmes, 38 years; Robert and Patricia Markham, 42 years. We hope all of you have a wonderful day.

We received a Thank You note from Val Pinczewski for our memorial honoring her husband Art.

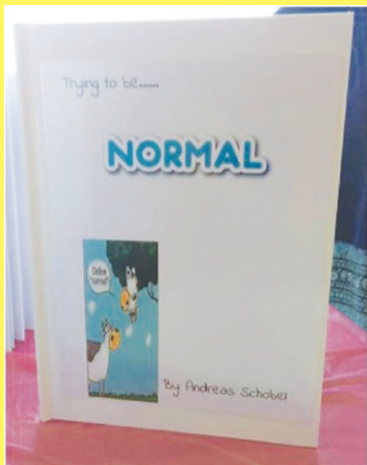
Congratulations to Julie Wagner who won the 2017 Easter Coloring Contest in her age group.

We had no entries on the Bowl Where You Are Bowling Tournament for our young members. I find this kind of sad. Here is a fun day, free of charge for our young members, and we had no takers. I know that the kids who participated in the past always had a good time. Let's hope that next year we have a nice turnout.

We wish all the Dads out there a Happy Fathers' Day. We will be having our Supper/Business meeting that day. The menu will be Pot Roast and it's free of charge to members. Think of bringing dad here to celebrate. Hope to see you on June 18th. Take care everyone.

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

ATS JUNIORS' CORNER



Congratulations to Andreas Schobel, Branch 1 Cleveland West, age 12, on his first published book.

BRANCH 4, CLEVELAND
By Joan Miller-Malue

We want to thank the Cleveland Saxon Dance Group for an enjoyable evening at their Annual Trachtenball. The Children's Dance group had a great premiere performance and simply "stole the show." We thank Jamison Donnellan, Andrew and Christian Hintz, Katie Hanek, Scarlett and Lukas Jones, and Lexi Seiler. It was unfortunate that two other dancers, Katelyn and Quinn Pechatsko were unable to attend the event that evening. We thank Amanda Donnellan and Kristan Pechatsko for their dedication as the children's dance instructors.

At the Branch Presidents' Meeting that was held at the Sachsenheim on May 20th, the winners of the ATS Scholarship awards were announced. We want to congratulate our Junior Members: Abigail Richardson was awarded the \$1,000 Past ATS Officers' Memorial Scholarship; Grace Leach was awarded the \$1,000 Julia & Martin Konnerth Memorial Scholarship; and Kathryn Hall, Kathryn Bailey and Katherine Simonis each were awarded \$1,000 Marie Stirner Continuing Education Scholarships. We commend these Junior Members on their academic excellence and involvement in the ATS.

We congratulate all high school and college graduates and hope that you continue to make right choices and take

advantages of those opportunities that come your way that will lead to your success. A good attitude and positive thinking will help you achieve your future goals. We wish you best of luck on your future endeavors.

Kudos to Branch 1 Junior Member, Andreas Schobel, on his first published book entitled, *Trying to be... Normal*. It was on display at Lorain County Community College with other young authors in Lorain County. We are proud of you, Andreas!

A reminder that our manager and chef, Grumpy, has two great events scheduled during the month of June. First is a Steak Fry on Sunday, June 4 from 1 – 4 pm. There will be three different steaks on the menu: Flank Steak \$10.95; New York Strip \$12.95 and Filet Mignon \$14.95. Call the Sachsenheim at 216-651-0888 to make reservations. Deadline for reservations is June 2nd. The second event is the Annual Sausage & Beer Fest that will be held on Saturday, June 17th. You will have your choice of 18 different sausages with potato salad and pasta salad and taste beers from 6 different breweries. Prepaid ticket is \$35 and at the door \$40. This event is very popular, so you probably want to get your tickets in advance.

Our last monthly meeting before summer break will be held on Monday, June 19th at 7:00 pm. Hope to see you there!



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LIFE AND ANNUITY SALES

Looking for energetic members who are interested in selling ATS Life Insurance and Annuities on a part time basis. Individuals must have a valid Life Insurance License or must be willing to obtain a license. (The ATS will reimburse individuals for the cost of obtaining a license.) We will provide training and support throughout your work. You must be ambitious and a self-starter with integrity and strong work ethic. Earnings are commission based and are paid monthly. Contact us: office@atsaxons.com or call (440) 842-8442 for further information.

FRATERNAL CALENDAR

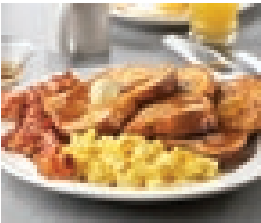
NATIONAL EVENTS

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
October 28 - 29, 2017
ATS Open Bowling Tournament
Hosts: Youngstown Saxon Bowlers

LOCAL EVENTS

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 11, 2017
Chicago Br. 9 Picnic, Linne Woods in Morton grove
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
June 22, 2017
Salem Bar Open 7 p.m. - 9 p.m.
June 24, 2017
New Castle Eintracht Golf outing @ Sylvan Heights
1 p.m. Shotgun start. Steak fry to follow.
June 29, 2017
Salem Bar Open 7 p.m. - 9 p.m.
July 8, 2017
Cleveland East Lake County Captains game
July 13, 2017
New Castle Senior Lodge Br. 25 Monthly Meeting
8:00 P.M.
July 22, 2017
New Castle Singer’s picnic at The Picnic Grounds
(1 p.m. to 11 p.m.)
August 6, 2017
New Castle Member’s family day at
The Picnic Grounds
August 10, 2017
New Castle Branch 25 Monthly Meeting 8:00 P.M.
August 11, 2017
New Castle Night at the Races at The Grounds

Salem Saxon Club Breakfast Buffet is back!



The Salem Saxon Club, will be serving its next monthly Breakfast Buffet on Saturday, June 17th 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 stomping, 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

Easy steps to keeping a kitchen garden

Keeping a kitchen garden can benefit your pocketbook and your health.

With some simple planning and a little bit of space in the yard, you can have a garden that will keep you fed all year long.

Start with seeds

In more northerly zones, buy and start seeds in February or March. Warmer zones might start even earlier.

Seeds offer great variety and they are much cheaper than starts. You can get just what you want including heirloom veggies. An envelope of seeds can cost \$5, but you get about 50 seeds. If you can’t use all of them one year, keep them cool and dry and your investment will span two or more seasons.

Cold-hardy plants



Begin with a few plants that do well in the cold and can be planted as soon as the ground is thawed and workable. They include lettuces, cabbage, spinach, and peas according to www.botanicalinterests.com.

By late spring, you can be picking a salad from your gar-

den each day.

In late summer, you and the kids can snack on grape tomatoes right out of the garden.

Warmth-loving seeds

Start seeds that are less cold hardy at a sunny window inside or sow them directly in your garden when it is warm enough. Squashes, pumpkins, tomatoes, cucumbers, and peppers need warmer temperatures.

Berries and herbs

You can buy a flat of strawberry plants and each year they will come back and spread. A blueberry bush will do the same thing. Most herbs work the same way. A small mint plant will come back every year and spread. The same is true for oregano and other herbs.

CHURCHES

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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. Roberta Davis-Newhouse
Pastor

9:00 Worship Service

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

Youngstown
Saxon Club

In our Main
Ballroom
Sunday Evenings

DOORS OPEN @ 5PM
BINGO STARTS
@ 6:45PM

\$10, \$15 & \$20
Special Packages
Tear Offs

Birthday Specials
Pig Number

We're wheelchair
accessible!

Food Available!
Security
Inside & Outside!

ATS FAMILY DAY
at
WALDAMEER AND WATER WORLD
Erie, Pa
SATURDAY, JULY 29, 2017

• ATS has reserved a Picnic Pavilion
Coaster #1

• Free Parking

• Free Admission to Picnic Facility and
Amusement Park

• Bring your Own Picnic Basket

• Free Shows

• Drawing at Pavilion at 5:00 pm

• Discounted Tickets for Combo Pass
Amusement Park Rides & Water World

• ATS Member \$12.00

• Non-Member \$24.50

(Children under age 1 free unless they
Want to enter Water World)

• Hours for Water World 11 am - 7 pm

• Waldameer Rides Noon - 10 pm

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-Members @ \$24.50.....\$

Total Remitted.....\$

Number attending that will not purchase Combo Pass

Mail Tickets to

Address

CityStateZipcode

TelephoneEmail

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

Deadline for Tickets Orders July 20, 2017

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.

Mary Lou Kenny
Age 87
Died: November 27, 2016
Branch 2, Erie PA

Mary P. Ungar
Age 86
Died: March 29, 2017
Branch 27, New Castle

Peter Tchoryk
Age 84
Died: March 30, 2017
Branch 30, 2017

Elizabeth Schuller
Age 86
Died: April 3, 2017
Branch 32, Ellwood City

Georgia E. Pachell
Age 69
Died: April 10, 2017
Branch 22, Youngstown

Robert W. Moherman
Age 87
Died: April15, 2017
Branch 22, Youngstown OH

Alice M. Burguist
Age 75
Died: May 2, 2017
Branch 22, Youngstown

Herbert Tellman
Age 95
Died: May 9, 2017
Branch 5, Lorain

George Remner
Age 95
Died: May 9, 2017
Branch 33, Cleveland OH

Marvin E. Schwenzer
Age 87
Died: May 10, 2017
Branch 33, Cleveland OH

Frances L. Brock
Age 76
Died: May 14, 2017
Branch 22, Youngstown OH

Young Americans not preparing for retirement

Retirement can have a multitude of meanings depending on the situation, but one constant is that there should be some strategy involved to ensure that the bank account is not empty once the paychecks stop flowing.

This strategy does not have to be complicated, but due to the advantages of compound interest, it is always a smarter move to start saving as early as possible before retiring. Unfortunately, most Americans are not.

According to Time magazine, a full 33 percent of all Americans surveyed had zero money saved for retirement. And 56 percent have less than \$10,000 saved for their retirement years. The survey also shows that 13 percent of the population has a savings of \$300,000 or more.

The data show that the youngest group surveyed, the millennials (ages 18 to 34), are the least likely to have started a retirement account. In fact, they are 40 percent more likely not to have savings than the Generation Xers that came before them.

U.S. News shares five reasons why millennials might be less likely to start and continue saving for retirement:

* They take jobs without benefits

Young people flock to small business and high-growth startups. While this is great for innovation and entrepreneurship, many of these firms do not offer retirement benefits. More than 40 percent belong to this category.

* They are not eligible for the 401k plan

Even if a business offers it, new employees might not have access to the program due to temporary status or a waiting period. This is especially true for younger workers that find themselves with two part-time jobs and no full-time benefits.

* They fail to sign up

Millennials seem to be less likely than the last generation to sign up for a retirement plan. If the program offers employer contributions, however, over 70 percent will sign up.

* Parenthood, homeownership, and other financial obligations

Once millennials reach the

family-starting years, they are forced to balance the needs of now versus the needs of tomorrow. Coming up with a down payment for a house, for instance, could directly compete with that retirement contribution.

* Lower salaries

Just like any other worker, millennials are more likely to participate in a retirement account if they make more money. Only half making less than \$25,000 will volunteer to save, but that number spikes to 80 percent for those making over \$100,000.

Enter the Drawing
to Win Four Tickets
to ATS Family Day
July 29, 2017

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, 2017 to the ATS Home Office.

Don't have a retirement plan?
Call the ATS today!

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

FRIDAY EVENING – KAMERADSCHAFTSABEND “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

	TICKET PRICE	TICKETS REQUESTED	TOTAL
SATURDAY EVENING	Adult \$45.00 x	_____	= \$ _____
6:00 - 12:00 p.m.	Children \$30.00 x	_____	= \$ _____
	Vegetarian \$45.00 x	_____	= \$ _____
	Gluten Free Meal \$45.00 x	_____	= \$ _____

(ALPINE CLUB – Schnitzel and Chicken Dinner, Cultural Program, Dance, Festivities)

SUNDAY 9:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Adult \$25.00 x	_____	= \$ _____
	Children (under 12) \$12.00 x	_____	= \$ _____
	Vegetarian \$25.00 x	_____	= \$ _____
	Gluten Free Meal \$25.00 x	_____	= \$ _____

Church Service and “Kundgebung” at Breithaupt Centre - 350 Margaret Ave. Kitchener
Gulasch Dinner and Program at the Alpine Club - 464 Maple Ave. Kitchener

GRAND TOTAL \$ _____
(Please enclose cheque or money order in Canadian currency)

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

Name _____
Address _____
Phone Number () _____

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

Tel: (519) 744-1191
Deadline for Reservations: June 2, 2017 **transylvaniacub@intown.net**

YOUNGSTOWN SAXON RETIREES
By Teri Laret

The following are the minutes of the Youngstown Saxon Retirees’ meeting held on Thursday, May 11 at 710 S. Meridian Road, Youngstown, Ohio.

It’s 12 Noon and the report from the kitchen is “SOUP’S ON,” and here it comes. Marge Deutsch and Julie Ruberto were the hostesses for today.

Cindy Blubaugh presented the group with up to date lists of members and phone numbers. Thank you so much.

Down to the business of the day.

The secretary read the minutes of last month’s meeting. The treasurer reported that the bank which holds our millions of dollars has changed hands. It is now Chemical Bank. Nothing has changed; just the name.

My apologies to Carolyn Rauschenberg; it was a big mistake. Her name was not listed last month from the sick list. It won’t happen again. But we are going to add Hermine Gentile to the list. Get well, ladies.

Birthdays to the May list. Lucy

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Refreshment list is the Dundon family – Jim, Ro and Dom.

Raffle time. Winners (2) Lucy, Ro, Teri, Garland, Marge T. and Julia.

The June 8 meeting will be hosted by Lisa Scott (330)539-6463 and Marge Deutsch (330)799-7794. As always, if there is any change in the reservation list, please call any of the above.

Before we close the meeting, let us take a minute to honor someone we all love.

Our Mothers

You’ve made a difference in my life. If I searched the world, I could never find a batter mother, a perfect example of love, caring, compassion and concern. Your love is what I need to grow to my fullest potential. I am grateful. You have seen my best and my worst and have loved me. The bond we have shared is everlasting. I will always carry your love in my heart.

That’s all folks.

June is still the most popular month for weddings

A Saturday in June is still the most popular time for a wedding, followed closely by Saturdays in July and August.

But while nuptial dates have remain steady, the costs have not. According to The Knot, the national average cost of a wedding is now \$35,329, up \$1,428 since 2015.

The average cost of a wedding dress is \$1,564. Compare to the groom’s attire at just \$280.

With the average cost per guest at \$245, some things have changed in the traditional wedding. There are fewer guests, for one thing down to 141 in 2016 from 149 in 2015. The bride’s father is no longer



always the one who pays for the wedding. Today, according to Bride’s Magazine, the cost is often shared by both families. At least 30 percent of the time, the bride and groom themselves pay for the wedding.



A. Alpine Club - 464 Maple Ave. Kitchener N2H 4X5
(519) 744-1521

1. Comfort Inn \$109.99 per night (second floor)
190 Weber Street North \$119.99 per night (first floor)
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N2J 3H4
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Fax: (519) 747-2134
www.cn314agm@whg.com
Att: Mark Bowland

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Phone: (519) 884-0100
www.victoria@destinationinn.com
Att: Victoria Alden

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14 Benjamin Road
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N2V 2J9
Phone: (519) 772-9800*****
Fax: (519) 772-9850
www.chelsea.carter@wgroup.ca
Att: Chelsea Carter

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Waterloo, Ontario
N2J 2Z5
Phone: (519) 804-1130
Toll Free (866) 875-6410
www.jen@theinnofwaterloo.com
Att: Jen Mitchell

* Pool and continental breakfast
\$129.00 per night

Saturday morning St. Jacobs
Farmers Market is (2) miles away
The village of St. Jacobs is (4) miles away

* Pool and continental breakfast
\$159.00 per night

Saturday morning St. Jacobs Farmers
Market and outlet mall is across the street
The village of St. Jacobs is (2) miles away
*****PLEASE NOTE THAT NUMBER
WHICH HAD BEEN PREVIOUSLY LISTED
WAS INCORRECT

*Pool and continental breakfast
\$144.99 per night

Saturday morning St. Jacobs Farmers
Market is (3) miles away
The village of St. Jacobs is (5) miles away

Note: Please reference
“Heimattag” (John Werner)
when making a reservation

food, music, games & fun



Friday June 23rd, 2017
7pm – Midnight @ Alpine Club

TICKETS \$15 AVAILABLE AT THE DOOR
includes homemade bratwurst, mitch, salads & desserts



BRANCH 9, CHICAGO
By Rose-Marie Hauer

The meeting was held on May 1, with fair attendance. President Thut welcomed all the members and reminded them of the upcoming Maifest. She encouraged all the members to attend and reminded all members to please pay your dues!

On the sick list this month we have Sister Sara Derra and Sister Sara Hartig. We wish these members a speedy recovery.

Members remember to mark your calendars for our annual Picnic on June 11, 2017 at Linne Woods in Morton Grove.

On Saturday May 13, 2017 Branch 9 celebrated its 76th Anniversary by having a Sachsen Maifest.. The event was held at the Schwaben Center in Buffalo Grove, IL. The evening began with the guests entering the banquet hall welcoming them with Saxon banners hung on the stage and on the walls

and windows. The tables were decorated with different colors of gerber daisy plants.

President Thut began the evening by welcoming all the guests and presidents from visiting clubs. She then led the guests into song to sing our anthem "Siebenbürgen, Land des Segens." Dinner was served and it was delicious! We want to personally thank all the woman who went out of their way to bake so many delicious Saxon bakery items for dessert! It was difficult to decide which dessert to eat!

After dinner the Chicago Donauschwaben Jugendgruppe performed the Bandeltanz, and two other dances. Next, were the Donau Dancers performing two dances. Thank you to both groups for their great performances.

President Thut sang a special

Mother's Day song in German with her mother. What a special tribute to them and all the guests. President Thut and Rose Hauer read Mother's Day poems. Each mother was presented an angel pin. The oldest mother sitting at that table went home with a plant for Mother's Day.

The raffle is always a huge fundraiser and this one was no exception! There were over thirty baskets to try and win! Thank you to Liz, Erica, Allison, and Amanda for selling tickets and running a successful raffle. Thank you to all who donated items for the raffle!

We cannot forget the Band "Paloma" that supplied dancing music for the evening! Thank you to the committee for all their assistance to make this event a success! I am proud to say the evening was a wonderful success - see photos below!

Our next meeting will be on June 5, at the DANK HAUS. See you then!

You're invited to the Annual
Siebenbuerger Sachsen

Summer Picnic celebration

There will be food, fun, raffles and fellowship.

Where: Linne Woods on Dempster and
Ferris Ave. in Morton Grove



When: Sunday, June 11, 2017

Time: Beginning at 11:00 AM



CHICAGO BRANCH 9 SACHSEN MAIFEST





WHO IS REALLY IMPORTANT IN OUR ORGANIZATION? EVERYONE!!!

A sea captain and his chief engineer got into an argument about which one was more important to the ship. Finally they decided to trade places for a day.

The chief went up to the bridge and the captain went down to the engine room. After a few hours, the captain suddenly appeared on deck, covered with oil and soot.

“Chief” he yelled, wildly waving a monkey wrench. “You’ll have to come down here! I can’t make her go!”

“Of course not!” replied the chief. “We’re aground.”

So it goes in our fraternal benefit society. EVERYONE is important in keeping our fraternal society afloat! Young and old are needed to contribute to the workings of our organization.

The ATS Board of Directors is elected by convention delegates to conduct the business of our non-profit corporation, which was established in 1902 to provide insurance and annuity plans for its membership. In addition, the Board is to organize fraternal programs to promote the preservation of the traditions and culture of the Transylvanian Saxons and provide fellowship by sponsoring various national activities for ATS junior and adult members.

The ATS Branch Officers have the important job of providing leadership and guidance in their local lodges. Their work is to include the promotion of ATS membership and the organization of fraternal programs which includes supporting their members in time of need and sorrow; initiating activities that preserve the Transylvanian Saxon culture and other fun activities that interest their local junior and adult members. Added duties are placed on Branch Officers who are also responsible for the maintenance and operation of a clubhouse. It is important that our local lodges participate and donate to charitable causes in their communities.

Our ATS members are needed to give their full support locally and nationally in upholding good moral character and volunteering their skills and expertise to strengthen the growth of our society. Everyone’s talents are needed to provide for interesting and successful activities that involve our fraternal families. ATS members have an important role in promoting new membership for our society.

All branches are looking for volunteers from their membership to help promote and organize their activities and those branches which own clubhouses need the help of their members to maintain their “Saxon Home.” Please take a moment to look at your calendar and set aside some time to lend a hand in helping out at your local Branch.

EVERYONE IS IMPORTANT IN OUR SOCIETY! Let us get to know one another better by becoming involved in our local and national fraternal activities. We need your talents to help our society grow and prosper.