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CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES 2017 SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

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Best wishes to ATS Actuary, Howard Heidorn, Jr., on his retirement after 29 years of service to our organization



BRANCH 25, NEW CASTLE By Jonathan Baisch

Summer has seen a lot of work and fun events for the Eintracht Singing Society. Some of our members have put a lot of work into updating our dance hall at the Picnic Grounds in preparation for this summer's events and activities. The dance hall now has been repainted and a new ceiling installed behind the bar. Many thanks to the members who worked on this! We also updated the electrical in preparation for renovations in the coming years.

Our Picnic Grounds (586 McKee Fording Road, New Castle PA) is the site of our summer concert series and the next concert will be in combination with our annual Männerchor Picnic July 15th. The Youngstown Brass Band will be performing this year followed by Mädel Jäger and, of course, somewhere between them the Eintracht Männerchor will be singing.

Our second annual golf scramble at Sylvan Heights on June 24th was a very nice event with 12+ teams participating and everyone enjoying the Steak dinner afterwards down at the picnic grounds.

Other upcoming events for the Eintracht are a Blues Festival (July 29th), our member picnic for Branches 25 & 27 (August 6), and we are planning our first annual Schützenfest (August 26). Come join our Schützen-

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fest and see if you can become König of Schützenfest.

The Eintracht Singing Society had an unfortunate setback on July 13th when torrential rain flooded our club with over 6" of water. The cleanup has been costly, but the club is restored to operation – The Eintracht is taking donations to help defray the cost of the flooding.

Finally, our Männerchor has been practicing some new pieces (and some that I thought were new but are actually older than I am) in preparation for Oktoberfest and the fall / winter seasons. The Männerchor is available to come perform at any of the other clubs – if interested please contact Dan Forsberg, our director, or myself at newcastleeintracht@gmail.com.

BRANCH 9, CHICAGO By Rose-Marie Hauer

The annual picnic was held on June 11, with hot sunny weather, many members and guests attended. The food was excellent and so we were all those delicious baked goods! The raffle had so many prizes and lots of people went home winners. Thank you to the committee for all their hard work. All your efforts paid off and we had a very successful picnic. President Thut presented ATS scholarship certificates to Stephanie Schmidt and Alyssa Schmidts. We congratulate these young women as they continue their college educations.

Our meeting was held on June 5, with fair attendance. President Thut discussed many of the events that will be occurring in the next month.

July meeting will be on July 10, NOT July 3 (due to 4th of July holiday).

No meeting for the month of August.

Steuben Parade September 9, at 2 p.m. We need people to march in costume for the parade. Please contact President Thut as soon as possible if you can march.

Sister Schmidts reported that we have no members on the Sick list.

Again please mark your calendars for the events listed above and see you at the next meeting on July 10, 2017. Have a great summer!

(See Page 5 for photos from the picnic)

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Joan Miller-Malue

ATS Nat'l President



On Saturday, June 10th the Transylvanian Saxon Bowling Association (TSBA) held its annual Bowlers' Convention at the Youngstown Saxon Club. We wish to thank our hosts, Tom Simon and Bob Lohr, for providing us with warm hospitality and refreshments for the day. TSBA President Glenn Spack welcomed the delegates from the local Branches that will be hosting this upcoming season sessions. Unfortunately, Alliance will be unable to host further sessions, since the city no longer has bowling lanes available. The delegates decided to keep seven sessions, and have the city who has first pick of dates each year to also have the opportunity to host two sessions if they so choose. All officers were re-elected with the exception of Trustee Debbie Tomusko who was unable to serve another term due to work. Karen Kinser, Alliance Branch 8, was elected to serve as the new Trustee. The TSBA officers and delegates are to be commended on their efforts to provide this opportunity for local branches to share in a monthly activity that strengthens the bond of our ATS membership. I encourage more members to join in the fun each month. Certainly, there are more ATS families or group of ATS friends that can make up a four-person team to enter the TSBA to enjoy the friendship of other members within our ATS organization. No skill is needed, the TSBA utilizes a bowling handicap system. This bowling handicap allows a person to compete against other bowlers with varying levels of skill with an equal chance of winning. So, the field is open for you to be a winner plus enjoy Saxon Gemütlichkeit! Deadline for team entries is August 15, 2017. If you are interested and want more information you can contact Glenn Spack at (330) 332-8174 or Jenny King at (216) 551-1728.

Our ATS Actuary, Howie Heidorn, Jr., after working diligently for our organization for the past 29 years, has decided to retire this month. The service of an Actuary is essential in the business operations of a Fraternal Benefit Society. He analyzes the financial consequences of risks of uncertain future events that could affect both sides of the balance sheet. He calculates the necessary reserves that are needed to support our life insurance and annuity funds. We were fortunate to have his expertise that helped us stay financially strong as well as establishing a sincere friendship. Monica Gilles, ATS National Secretary, Randall Floyd, ATS Trustee and myself were in Chicago for a meeting and along with Branch 9 President Diethild Thut and husband Georg we invited Howie and his wife, Carol, assistant actuary Silvio Rodia and wife Michelle to dinner and presented Howie with the Saxon Honor Pin to show our appreciation for his long years of dedicated service to our fraternal. He has a played an important role in the growth and success of our organization. Howie is a member of the ATS and we extend our warmest wishes for a well-deserved retirement.

ATS Family Day at Waldameer Amusement Park and Water World located in Erie, Pennsylvania is a perfect way to celebrate some summer fun with your family and friends. There is no admission to enter the park. We are subsidizing the cost for members' tickets that are only \$12 which allows you to go on the amusement park rides and also enter Water World. We have a discount ticket price for non-members at \$24.50. We have a reserved

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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

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

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pavilion, Coaster #1, for the whole day. You are permitted to bring in your own food and beverages to be enjoyed while at the pavilion. We will have a drawing at 5:00 pm, so make sure you stop by the pavilion when you arrive to sign up the drawing. There are free shows throughout the park. The Water World was expanded this year, which now features 103 water attractions, seven slides and 400-gallon tipping bucket plus the new "Battle of Lake Erie." This definitely sounds like a fun day to me. Tickets are available at the ATS Home Office. Deadline for ticket orders is July 20th.

We just received notice that our faithful member, Katharina Toecker has passed away. Sister Toecker served as President and ATS Deputy for Chicago Branch 9 for many, many years. She worked diligently enrolling ATS members while serving her Saxon and German community. We extend our condolences to her family.

Transylvanian Saxon Trivia: There were eleven Saxon Chairs and Districts in Transylvania which included Hermannstadt, Schässburg, Kronstadt, Mediasch, Bistritz, Mühlbach, Grosschenk, Reps, Reussmarkt, Leschkirch and Broos. Siebenbürgen (*Septem Castra* in Latin) refers to seven of the fortified towns: Bistritz, Hermannstadt, Grosschenk, Kronstadt, Mediasch, Mühlbach and Schässburg.

Ich wünsche allen einen schönen Tag.

BRANCH 33 CLEVELAND EAST PRESENTS 50 YEAR PINS



Branch 33 President Ema Litschel (left) presents Karyn Schmidt and Maria Phillips with their 50-year pins.

l've taken a vow of poverty. To annoy me, send money.



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DEADLINE DATES FOR ARTICLES:

DEADLINE ISSUE

WEDNESDAY, JULY 5, 2017 FRIDAY, JULY 14, 2017 WEDNESDAY, JULY 19, 2017 FRIDAY, JULY 28, 2017 WEDNESDAY, JULY 26, 2017 FRIDAY, AUGUST 11, 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.

Happy 4th of July!

Hey Kids – Color this Independence Day picture and receive a patriotic packet!



Name		Branch No	Cert No.
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before 7/7/17

ATS 2017 Golf Outing A New Format This Year Salem Branches 18 and 19 will host this two-day event at the Salem Hills Golf Course on Saturday Sunday, August 12 and 13, 2017. The course is located approximately one mile north of Salem on State Route 45. Glenn Spack has made the arrangements and has set it up that the Outing will be in a Ryder Cup Format composed of two person teams, as well as the Traditional 18 Hole Format within the two-day outing which will allow for those who can't or do not want to play 36 holes. Tee times have been reserved for 40 golfers. (Unable to do shotgun start because we needed at least 72 golfers) Those who sign up for the 36 Holes will get the early tee times. The Ryder Cup Format will be: 1st Nine Holes - Saturday, August 12 - Alternate Shot. 2nd Nine Holes - Saturday - Scramble 3rd Nine Holes - Sunday - Best Ball 4th Nine Holes - Sunday Bother Players scores will count. A modified Callaway Handicap System will be used in both events, same as used in the past. A Handout will be given to all players as they sign in to explain the particulars of the Golf Outing. There will also be Hole Prizes and a Skins Game for those who want to enter.

BRANCH 4, CLEVELAND By Joan Miller-Malue

The Sausage and Beer Fest was a huge success. The weather was beautiful in the Sachsenheim's garden with a constant breeze. Our manager, Scott Lindell, is to be commended on the numerous sausages he prepared for the event. It was quite a variety and all delicious. And, of course, the variety of beers were enjoyed by all. It was a great event!

We had a rather short June meeting. We announced three new junior members: Emily Mackey, Emma and Mary Carvaines; heard all committee reports; reviewed the Branch Presidents' meeting; approved the auditing and treasurer's reports. After the meeting, we had a lot of fun with the secret gift auction. Our winners were: Maria Fischer, Maria Botsch, Maria Tellman, Erika Botsch, Rosemarie Zimmer and Katie Hanek.

We will not hold meetings during the summer months of July and August. But we want you to stay active with participating in the ATS summer activities: ATS Family Day at Waldameer Park and Water World on Saturday, July 29; for our golfers, the ATS Golf Outing that will be held at the Salem Hills Golf Course August 12 – 13 and the Sachsenheim's Oktoberfest on Saturday, August 26.

We are looking for some more bowlers for the TSBA. We would like to have at least one more team from Cleveland West. Only need four members to make up a team! Let me know if you are interested. Deadline for team entries will be August 15th.

YOUNGSTOWN **SAXON RETIREES** By Teri Laret

Welcome to all! The following are the minutes of the Youngstown Retirees meeting held on Thursday, June 8. We open the meeting with prayer of thanksgiving to God and prayers for the future. The Dundon family is hosting this month and as usual there is an abundance of good food from the kitchen. If anyone goes home hungry it's their own fault.

Hermine has family members here as guests today. It's good to see them and it's good that Hermine is here also as she has been on the sick list the past few months. Carolyn Rauschenberg, Garland Dunkel and Martha Konrad have been added to the sick list.

Anote for all to know: Doctors say anyone can recognize a stroke by answering three questions. 1) Ask the person to smile; 2) speak a simple sentence and 3) raise both arms. If they cannot respond call emergency immediately.

On a lighter note, next meeting July13 the Dundon family offered to host again. We invite others to take a turn as it is not hard; as you just need to pick the month and a menu. Once you have selected a menu call Debbie in the office and she will take care of the rest, it is as easy as that.

Down to business the drawing was won by Marge T, Teri, Tillie, Lucy, Sandy (a guest), Lisa and Julie.

That's all folks. So ein Tag!

BRANCH 22, YOUNGSTOWN

By Rosemarie Kascher

Bring the whole family to the Saxon Picnic, Sunday, July 23, 2017, starting at 1:00 p.m. You can enjoy the following: Sausage sandwiches, hot dogs, kraut, German potato salad, beer or pop, raffles,including rip offs, games for the kids, and music from the Brass Band in the Gazebo.

July highlights:

July 3,4 - Club will be

July 9, Branches meet

July 13, Retirees meet

July 23, Saxon Picnic in the Pavillion

July 6, Officers meet at 2:00

September 30th will be a celebration honoring the Saxon Club's Fiftieth Anniversary. 6:00 social hour, dinner at 6:30 p.m. and it will be open to the public. More information will follow.

Get well cards were sent to Diana Roth, thinking of yous to Bev Myers, Leona Hazen and sympathy was sent to Bev Myers and family on the loss of her husband, John. Our deepest sympathy to you, Bev.

ATTENTION ERIE BRANCH 2 MEMBERS!

There will be NO MEETING in JULY or AUGUST Our next meeting will be Sunday, September 17th at 2:30 p.m. In the mean time everyone enjoy the summer!

It matters not

where you were born, or where you live, but what's in your HEART.

> Be Proud to be Transylvanian Saxon!

FRATERNAL CALENDAR

NATIONAL EVENTS

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

July 3, 2017

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

July 4, 2017

Salem July 4 Dance 2:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

July 5, 2017

Salem Saxon Retirees 11:30 a.m.

July 6, 2017

Salem Bar Open 7 – 9 p.m.

July 8, 2017

Cleveland East Lake County Captains game

July 10, 2017

Salem Br. 18 Trustees Audit 6:30 p.m.

Salem Br. 18 Meeting 7:30 p.m.

July 13, 2017

Salem Bar Open 7 – 9 p.m.

New Castle Br. 25 Monthly Meeting 8:00 P.M.

July 14, 2017

Salem Joint Social Dinner 6:00 p.m.

Salem Scholarships awarded

July 15, 2017

New Castle Singer's picnic at The Picnic Grounds
(1 p m to 11 p m)

(1 p.m. to 11 p.m.) July 15, 2017

<u>Salem BREAKFAST</u> BUFFETT 7:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. July 20, 2017

Salem Bar Open <u>7 – 9 p.m.</u>

July 27, 2017 Salem Bar Open <u>7 – 9 p.m.</u>

Salem Bar (August 2, 2017

Salem Saxon Retirees 11:30 a.m.

August 3, 2017

gust 3, 2017 Salem Bar Open 7 – 9 p.m.

August 6, 2017

New Castle Member's family day at

The Picnic Grounds

August 7, 2017

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

August 10, 2017

New Castle Branch 25 Monthly Meeting 8:00 P.M.

Salem Bar Open 7 – 9 p.m.

August 11, 2017

New Castle Night at the Races at The Grounds

Salem Joint Social 6:00 p.m.

August 14, 2017

Salem Br. 18 Meeting 7:30 p.m.

August 17, 2017

Salem Bar Open 7 – 9 p.m.

August 19, 2017

Salem BREAKFAST 7:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

Salem Saxon Club Breakfast Buffet



The Salem Saxon Club, will be serving its next monthly Breakfast Buffet on Saturday, July 15th 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.



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

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Mail Ticket Order Form to ATS Home C	Office, 5393 Pearl Road, C	leveland, Oh 44129.
Deadline for Tick	ets Orders July 20, 2017	

BRANCH 2, ERIE By Lee Wolfe

Our Supper/Business meeting was held Sunday, June 18 at 2:30 p.m. There were no members' deaths to report. However, after the meeting we learned of two member deaths, namely Eileen Agostini and Lois Barthelmes. We send our sincere sympathy to the departed's families and friends. They will be remembered in our prayers. Lois was a friend mine for over 45 years. She was one of the nicest people you would ever want to meet. When Loey and I started to bowl at the Siebenbuerger Club we became friends with Judy Wagner and Rose Ziegler. The four of us had such good times going to Atlantic City. I will miss my dear friend a lot and I know Judy will too.

We send out our best wishes to Joanne Kurczewski who is on the sick list.

There will be NO MEETINGS in JULY or AUGUST. Our next meeting will be held Sunday, September 17 at 2:30 p.m. In October we will hold our dinner meeting. We miss many of our members who have not attended during this past year and welcome all of you to join us. We welcomed new member Sophie Irene Randolph.

Our Branch Sharing Check will be divided for our October and January dinners, our Chi Party, the Bowl Where You Are Tournament for our young members and a donation to our Veterans.

A Happy Birthday to our July celebrants come of who are: Gilda Carr, Mary Nemenz, Grace Goellner, Anthony Comi, Ronald DiSantis, Wayne Morschhauser, Phyllis Pierce, Karli M. Goellner, Maryssa Martin, Danny Gorzynski, Flo Martin, Liz Manning and Ray Borgia.

Congratulations and Happy Anniversary to our July couples: Mr. & Mrs. Paul Williams, 47 years; Robert & Val Quinn, 33 years; Dr. Anthony & Jean Cilluffo, 49 years; Scott & Ann McLaughlin, 30 years; Merle and Phoebe Wood, 58 years; and Vincent and Elva Vargo, 48 years. We wish all our anniversary couples a very happy and wonderful day!

Judy Sova was very luck at our meeting as she won the 50/50 and the Club's dinner gift certificates.

We hope that all of you will have a happy healthy summer. As they say take time to smell the roses, enjoy all the beautiful trees in full bloom, the gorgeous flowers, hearing kids laughing as they play, most of all enjoy each other, your family and your friends. Too soon they are gone, but thank the Lord we are blest with wonderful memories of the good times you had with your departed loved ones.

See you in September. Take care everyone!

Tips for staying with exercise

About 21 percent of adults in the U.S. always make it to the gym or exercise studio.

Why them and not every-one?

Steady exercisers have some habits in common.

According to studies by Dr. Navin Kaushal of the Montreal Heart Institute, steady exercisers have a regular exercise schedule that never varies. They don't debate whether they have the time that day, because exercise is just part of the day.

However, the most active people aren't rigid about their routines. While they always exercise, they are flexible on time. If they are 20 minutes late to the gym and can't make an exercise class, they will get in the remaining minutes doing something else. It still counts.

In fact, regular exercisers count all sorts of activity as exercise. A family hike can count as exercise just as much as an hour of weight training, if the situation presents itself.

Finally, it helps to have visual cues for exercise, Kaushal found in a 2017 study. A runner might have his running clothes laid out and ready to go. A walker might have the walking stick ready at the door.



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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



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CALENDAR OF EVENTS
FOR TIMES.

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CHICAGO BRANCH 9 PICNIC











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.

Margaret Kay Klamer

Age 53
Died: October 10, 2016
Branch 22, Youngstown OH

Maxine M. Wakeford

Age 86

Died: May 11, 2017 Branch 22, Youngstown OH

John E. Myers

Age 69 Died: May 29, 2017 Branch 30, Youngstown OH

Janis C. Bernard

Age 85

Died: June 7, 2017 Branch 22, Youngstown OH

Henry W. Davis

Age 96

Died: June 8, 2017 Branch 30, Youngstown OH

Martha Konrad

Age 95

Died: June 9, 2017 Branch 22, Youngstown OH

Katharina Toecker

Age 88

Died: June 18, 2017 Branch 9, Chicago IL

Bertha Schuffert

Age 88

Died: June 18, 2017 Branch 26, Merrillville IN





Courtney Crawford



Abigail Richardson



Ryan Untch



Alyssa Schmidts



Jessica Rinke



Grace Leach

CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES 2017 SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

Congratulations are extended to all of the scholarship applicants for their scholastic records in their respective schools, and best wishes to all as they continue their education in the universities/colleges of their choice.

Thirty-four new recipients were awarded scholastic scholarships this year. This is in addition to the three current recipients of the renewable scholarships from the Victor Deptner Memorial Fund. They are as follows:

The recipient of the \$1,000 Four-Year Renewable Grant awarded from the Victor Deptner Memorial Scholarship Fund is Courtney A. Crawford, Alliance, Ohio, Branch 8. The recipient of the \$1,000 Past ATS Officers' Memorial Scholarship Award is Abigail K. Richardson, Cleveland, Ohio, Branch 4; the recipient of the \$1,000 Henry Schindler Scholarship Award is Ryan T. Untch, Cleveland, Ohio, Branch 1; the recipient of the \$1,000 Michael W. Schassburger Memorial Scholarship Award is Austin K. Householder, Youngstown, Ohio, Branch 30; the recipient of the \$1,000 Jon Weber Memorial Scholarship Fund Award is **Annalise N. lavarone**, Erie, Pennsylvania, Branch 2; the recipient of the \$1,000 ATS Branch 33 National Scholarship Endowment Award is Alyssa C. Schmidts, Chicago, Illinois, Branch 9; the recipient of the first \$1,000 Julia and Martin Konnerth Memorial Scholarship Award is Jessica G. Rinke, Erie, Pennsylvania, Branch 2; the recipient of the second \$1,000 Julia and Martin Konnerth Memorial Scholarship Award is Grace A. Leach, Cleveland, Ohio, Branch 4; the recipient of the \$1,000 Columbus Branch 10 Scholarship Award is Stephanie A. Schmidt, Chicago, Illinois, Branch 9; the recipient of the \$1,000 Branch 14 Canton Scholarship Award is Johnah G. Hrabowy, Youngstown, Ohio, Branch 22; the recipient of the \$1,000 Davidson-Schuller Appreciation Scholarship Award in honor of ATS and Branches 33 and 34 is Ashleigh H. Best, Salem, Ohio, Branch 18; the recipient of the \$1,000 Rev. and Mrs. John Foisel Memorial Scholarship Award is Meredith P. Pallo, Youngstown, Ohio, Branch 22; the winner of the \$1,000 John F. Spack Memorial Scholarship Award is **Andrew** M. McCaffrey, New Castle, Pennsylvania, Branch 25, the winner of the \$1,000 John and Mary Guip Memorial Scholarship Award is Nicole E. Shenker, New Castle, Pennsylvania, Branch 27; the winner of the \$1,000 Branch 5 Lorain Scholarship Award is Krista M. Adler, Cleveland, Ohio, Branch 33; the winner of the first Dale and Rose Segedi-Kaufman Memorial Scholarship Award is Kasey L. Jamison, Youngstown, Ohio, Branch 22; the winner of the second Dale and Rose Segedi-Kaufman Memorial Scholarship Award is Andrew J. Sizer, Youngstown, Ohio, Branch 30, and the winner of the Dr. David E. Schuller Appreciation Scholarship in honor of his parents, Elsie & Daniel S. Schuller is Melanie A. Kaufman, Home Branch.

The recipient of the \$750 Niles, Br. 20 Scholarship Award is **Kevin Greger**, Cleveland, Ohio, Branch 1; the recipient of the \$750 New Castle Br. 27 Scholarship Award is **Dakota R. Stevens**, Columbus, Ohio, Branch 10, and the recipient of the \$400 Donzella Herman Scholarship Award is **Cameron Schmid**, Salem, Ohio, Branch 19.

Current recipients of the Four-Year Renewable Grants are: **Anny M. Carroll**, Youngstown, Ohio, Branch 22 (4th year); **Jack P. Watts**, Detroit, Michigan, Branch 37 (3rd year) and **Anastasia B. Kauntz**, Cleveland, Ohio, Branch 4 (2nd year).

Also, we are pleased to announce the following winners of the Continuing Academic Scholarship Grants: the recipient of the first \$1,000 Award in memory of Marie Stirner is **Kathryn G. Hall**, Cleveland, Ohio, Branch 4; the winner of the second \$1,000 Award in memory of Marie Stirner is **Kathryn A. Bailey**, Cleveland, Ohio, Branch 4; the winner of the third \$1,000 Award in memory of Marie Stirner is **Katherine M. Simonis**, Cleveland, Ohio, Branch 4; the winner of the fourth \$1,000 Award in memory of Marie Stirner

is **Eric A. Hall**, Cleveland, Ohio, Branch 1; the recipient of a \$1,000 Award in memory of Gertie & Ernie Gottschling is **Christian M. Brooks**, New Castle, Pennsylvania, Branch 25; and the winner of the \$1,000 Lorain Saxon Ladies Branch 11 Scholarship Award is **Cari E. Cutler**, Cleveland, Ohio, Branch 33.

The winner of a \$500 ATS Branch 34 Cleveland East Scholarship Award is Nathaniel M. Kuhn, Cleveland, Ohio, Branch 33; the winner of a \$500 Award in memory of Karl & Charlotte Klamer is Casey Crawford, Alliance, Ohio, Branch 8; the winner of a \$500 Award in memory of Donald G. Miller is Max S. Morrow, Youngstown, Ohio, Branch 30, the winner of a \$500 Farrell - Branch 7 Scholarship Award is Marianna J. Vinson. Youngstown, Ohio, Branch 22, the recipient of the first \$500 ATS Continuing Academic Scholarship Grant is James B. Verlotte, New Castle, Pennsylvania, Branch 25; the winner of the second \$500 ATS Continuing Academic Scholarship Grant is **Kevin J. Kraus**, Cleveland, Ohio, Branch 1 and the winner of the final \$500 ATS Continuing Academic Scholarship Grant is Richard J. Gal, Home Branch.

Following are the recipients' academic, athletic and community achievements:

Courtney Crawford received an Honor's Diploma from Marlington High School in Alliance, Ohio where she graduated in the top 10% of her class. She was a member of the National Honor Society; the Spanish National Honor Society; and on the Honor Roll throughout high school. Courtney was a member of the Robotics Club, Character Counts, was treasurer for Teens Against Cancer, part of the backstage crew for high school musicals and she also tutored other students in Spanish. Courtney was a past participant in the USA Jugendlager and is active in her local Branch 8. She will be attending John Carroll University and plans to major in computer science and minor in actuarial science.

Abigail Richardson is a graduate of Brecksville Broadview Heights High School in Broadview Heights, Ohio where she was on the Honor Roll; a member of the National Honors Society; National Society of High School Scholars; Athletic Scholars; was Vice President of Student Government, Captain of Varsity Tennis, on the Track Team, Model United Nations, a member of the Kiwanis Key Club, Band, German Club, Earth Club, and had volunteered at local animal shelters, church vacation bible studies, church nursery, Park Creek assisted living and also volunteered at National Honor Society luncheons. She also worked as a vacation bible school camp counselor, was a ski instructor, tennis instructor and a nanny for 2 years. Abigail also started a recycling program at her school (prior to this her school did not recycle plastics or aluminum). She will be representing the ATS at Jugendlager 2017 in Transylvania (Romania). Abigail will be attending The Ohio State University where she plans to major in business and a minor in environmental science.

Ryan Untch is a recent graduate of Hilliard Darby High School in Hilliard, Ohio and was on the Honors and Honor Roll for every quarter throughout high school, was a member of the National Honor Society, Band, Marching Band, and Jazz Band, the leader of the Theater and Improv Groups, and the Technical Theater. Ryan



Stephanie Schmidt



Johnah Hrabowy



Ashleigh Best



Meredith Pallo



Andrew M. McCaffrey



Nicole Shenker



Krista Adler



Kasey Jamison



Andrew Sizer



Melanie Kaufman



Kevin Greger



Dakota Stevens

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will be attending the University of Cincinnati and plans to major in civil engineering.

Austin Householder graduated from Canfield High School in Canfield, Ohio where he was a member of the National Honors Society, the Junior Engineering Technology Society, Drama Club, Key and Leo's Clubs (service organizations), Chambers Choir Ensemble, Church Leadership Team, 2-year football letterman and Football Leadership Team. Austin will be attending Youngstown State University and his field of study will be in engineering.

Annalise lavarone (photo not included) recently graduated from Northwest PA Collegiate Academy in Erie, Pennsylvania and in her Freshman and Sophomore years was Magna cum laude - Summa cum laude in her Junior and Senior years, was on the Honor Roll since the 7th grade, a member of the National Honors Society (she was the head of the Service Committee), on the Senior Banquet Committee, lab assistant in the art rooms, organized and attended Second Harvest Food Bank volunteer sessions, was a Peach's Neet Feet volunteer artist, and continues volunteer services at St. Francis Xavier Parish. Annalise will be entering LaRoche College where her major will be in graphic design.

Alyssa Schmidts is a recent graduate of Barrington High School in Barrington, Illinois. She was an All-State Scholar, a member of the National Honor Society and the World Language National Honors Society. Alyssa was on the Girls' Swimming and Diving Team, Girls' Water Polo Team, a member of the Barrington High School Symphonic Band, a Fine Arts Student Board Member, and an Assistant Math Teacher. She plans to attend Bradley University and her field of study will be mathematics, with a minor in secondary education.

Jessica Rinke graduated from Mercyhurst Preparatory School in Erie, Pennsylvania where she received First Honors in grades 9 through 12, was a member of the National Honors Society, the Women in Motion Club, Ophelia Club, and the Spirit Squad Club. Having played Junior Varsity and Varsity soccer, Jessica was given the position of Team Captain of the Soccer Team, had completed over 150 hours of community service throughout her high school career, was nominated for National Arts Honors Society, upon her graduation she received the International Baccalaureate Certificate, and she has been accepted into the L.E.C.O.M. and participated in their M.A.S.H. program for students looking to possibly have a future career in medicine. She plans to attend the University of Akron and will decide on a field of study at a later time.

Grace Leach is a recent graduate of Kansas City Christian School in Prairie Village, Kansas and was on the High Honors Honor Roll every semester of high school, a member of the National Honor Society, a varsity athlete, having played Varsity Basketball and Varsity Soccer (she was named the MVP of Soccer her junior year, and was also named Team Captain). She was a member of K-Life, a Christian organization, SWE - a student aide in Kindergarten classroom, Young Life, a Christian organization, Champions (she volunteered for this special needs group) and a SOAK volunteer (SOAK sponsored activities for students with special needs). In her senior year. Grace traveled to Trinidad on a Mission Trip. She will be attending the University of Arkansas and her field of study will be kinesiology.

Stephanie Schmidt recently graduated from Niles West High School in Skokie, Illinois where she was a 4-year Honor Roll Student, served as Secretary of her class, Secretary of the German Club, belonged to the Spanish Honors Society, selected as best witness in "Mock Trial," Captain of JV Water Polo Team, and received a "You

Make a Difference" Award from Class Cabinet. Stephanie was on the Mock Trial Varsity Team, Girls' Water Polo (both JV and Varsity), a member of the German Club, Book Club, Secretary in Class Cabinet; volunteered as a camp counselor at the Chicago Botanic Gardens, and a member of the Chicago Donauschwaben Dance Group and was 2014-15 Rosenkönigin. Stephanie will be attending the University of North Dakota and plans to major in forensic science.

Johnah Hrabowy graduated as Valedictorian from Highland View Academy in Hagerstown, Maryland. She received the Karen Minner Scholarship Award (high academics and involvement in school activities), Student Association Vice President, Secretary of her class in her junior year, was on the Gymnastics Team, in the Band for 3 years, Bells for 4 years, Elite Choir, involved in all aspects of the music program, and enrolled in dual credit classes. Johnah will be entering Youngstown State University and plans to major in engineering.

Ashleigh Best graduated as Valedictorian from Leetonia High School in Leetonia, Ohio where she received the Honors Diploma, was on the Honor Roll, a member of the Key Club, Spanish Club, Band, editor of the school newspaper and she also volunteered as a Sunday School Teacher. Ashleigh will be attending Youngstown State University and her field of study will be in early childhood education.

Meredith Pallo is a recent graduate of Sharpsville High School in Sharpsville, Pennsylvania where she was a member of the National Honor Society, the National Junior Honor Society, and received the Academic Achievement Award. She was a L.E.A.D. Team Member (participated in welcoming students from China and Japan), as well as the developer/coordinator of "Zombie Tag" (a fundraising event), Student Tech Director, Vice President of the Thespians Club, Honors Band (first chair Tuba), Drum Major of the Marching Band, founding member of the Brass Quintet, Concert Choir, Women's Ensemble, Music Theory Student, and cast member of numerous productions. Meredith plans to attend Youngstown State University and major in music recording.

Andrew McCaffrey graduated from Western Reserve Academy in Hudson, Ohio where he was a Morgan Leader (highest position of leadership on campus), and achieved Academic High Honors and Academic Honors his sophomore, junior and senior years. He was on the Wrestling Team, serving as their Captain in his senior year, the Football Team, received the Coaches Award for Wrestling and Football, was Chief Ambassador for Admissions Office, a contributing author for Military Kid's Life Magazine, and a motivational and public speaker. Andrew will be entering his freshman year at Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University as a pre-med (biology) student.

Nicole Shenker recently graduated from Lakeshore High School in Stevensville, Michigan and was on the Honor Roll throughout high school, a Four-Year high school scholastic letter recipient, student of the month in Spanish 3, Marketing, Chemistry and Spanish 4, completed AP classes in microeconomics, macroeconomist and language and composition. She lettered in Varsity Cross Country and Varsity Track, having received the Coach's Award for being the most accommodating member on the track team; was on the Soccer team, in the Key Club and DECA Club, and also in the student mentoring program. Nicole will be attending Michigan State University and plans to major in actuarial science.

Krista Adler is a graduate of St. Pius X Catholic High School in Atlanta, Georgia where she received the Latin cum laude Award, was on the Honor Roll and received the St. Pius X



Cameron Schmid



Kathryn Hall



Katherine Simonis



Eric Hall



Christian Brooks



Cari Cutler

Nathaniel Kuhn



Casey Crawford



Max Morrow



Marianna Vinson



Kevin Kraus

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Visual Arts Certificate of Creative Achievement. Krista was on the Swimming and Diving Teams, Volleyball Team, and a member of the Baking Club. She will be attending the University of South Carolina and her field of study will be sports and entertainment management.

Kasey Jamison recently graduated from Salem High School in Salem, Ohio and was a member of the National Honor Society, received the NBC Scholastic Athlete Award, Lou Slaby Arts and Athletics Award, received Silver Kev Awards in Scholastic Arts Competitions, and a Cleveland Clinic Expressions Art Competition Red Ribbon Award. She was elected as the Art Club Historian/Social Media Officer, earned varsity letters in Basketball and Golf, was a member of the Key Club and Pep Club, Fellowship of Christian Athletes member, office aide and Phys Ed class aide, assisted weekly at Youth Basketball Skills Clinics, on the Yearbook Staff and she filmed, edited and photographed Jr. High Girls Basketball Games. Kasey will be entering her freshman year at Kent State University Columbiana County and plans to major in occupational therapy.

Andrew Sizer is a recent graduate of Austintown Fitch High School in Austintown, Ohio and was a member of the National Honors Society, received a Certificate of Achievement for 2016 Youngstown State University Summer Honors Institute, and the AFHS White Honors Award. He was in the Spanish Club, PTSA, and Key Club. Andrew plans to attend the University of Akron and his field of study will be mechanical engineering.

Melanie Kaufman graduated from Riverside High School in Ellwood City, Pennsylvania where she was on the Honor Roll and High Honor Roll throughout high school. She was on the Student Council, a member of the Teen Leadership Club, International Club, Art Club, played Varsity Softball, and was a Varsity Cheerleader for Basketball and Football. She is an active member of Trinity Lutheran Church where she volunteers teaching Sunday School, as well as helping with Vacation Bible School. Melanie will be entering Kent State University and plans to major in exploratory, with a focus on design.

Kevin Greger recently graduated from Brunswick High School in Brunswick, Ohio where he participated full time in the College Credit Plus Program and played basketball. He will be attending Bowling Green State University and his field of study will be in accounting.

Dakota Stevens is a graduate of Hamilton Township High School in Columbus, Ohio and was on the Honor Roll; OMUN (Ohio Model United Nations) Senior Vice Council President; took Honors, AP and College Credit Plus classes; on the Dean's List at Columbus State Community College; received a Certificate in Phlebotomy from Larock Healthcare Academy; and a 100 Stick Certificate from Larock Healthcare Academy. She played Volleyball, was a member of the French Club, COSI Academy Health Program; COSI Academy Science Program, Ohio Leadership Institute's Summer Leadership Camp, was a Teacher's Aide, and volunteered at Relay for Life and Race for the Cure. Dakota is currently taking a State Tested Nurse's Aide Class to get her STNA license. She will be entering her freshman year at Ohio University and her field of study will be in nursing.

Cameron Schmid is a recent graduate of Olentangy Liberty High School in Powell, Ohio. He was a member of the Tri-M Music Honor Society, the Interact Service Club, CAD Club, Principals Advisory, Kneeding for the Needy, in the Marching Band and Concert Band. Cameron will be attending the University of Cincinnati and

plans to pursue a major in civil engineering.

Kathryn Hall will be entering her junior year at Capital University with a major in Social Work and a minor in Criminology. She enjoys helping those in her community and abroad, being outside, art and sports. She is looking forward to graduating and to adopting dogs.

Kathryn Bailey (no photo included) is studying Public Relations, Catholic Studies, and Peace and Justice at Loras College in Dubuque, Iowa. Upon her graduation in December, she plans to move to Washington D.C. to begin her career in Nonprofit Marketing and Advocacy. Katie loves to travel and be engaged in various communities. She enjoys listening to live music, cooking, and volunteering in her spare time. On a sunny day, Katie loves nothing more than reading a good novel in her hammock. She someday hopes to attain her Master's Degree in Public Interest Communication.

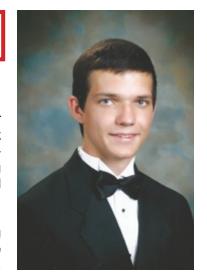
Katherine Simonis will be entering her senior year at Baldwin Wallace University. Her major is in International Business and Marketing, while minoring in German. During the academic year, she plans to continue developing her leadership skills by being involved in many organization. Currently she is the Budgeting Chair for Baldwin Wallace Student Government, the President of the German Club, and the President of her Student Ambassadors. In the past, she has also been in a Living and Learning Community, a Student Fellow for the Center of Innovation and Growth, and held an on-campus job at Ritter Library. Last May she participated in a Seminar in Germany that focused on intercultural communications and allowed her to travel to Germany for three weeks. In addition to being a dynamic campus leader, academics are one of her highest priorities. Katherine currently has a 3.99 GPA and has been on the Dean's List for the past six semesters. She is also a member of Alpha Lambda Delta Freshman Honor Society, Delta Phi Alpha German Honor Society, the Dayton C. Miller Honor Society, and the Baldwin Wallace Business School Honor Society. Outside of Baldwin Wallace Katherine volunteers for the Hinckley Chamber of Commerce during Buzzard Days, and volunteers for the Blitz Kids Run and Obstacle Course. She has been a Business Development Intern at Majestic Steel USA for the past year and plans to start working with Majestic full-time after graduating.

Eric Hall is currently attending Columbus State Community College and his future plans include transferring to The Ohio State University and majoring in Finance. His hobbies include reading, various outdoor activities such as basketball and fishing, video games, and listening to music. He is an avid Ohio State Buckeyes, Columbus Blue Jackets, Cleveland Browns, Cincinnati Reds, and Miami Heat fan.

Christian Brooks is enrolled at the Pennsylvania State University – Erie – The Behrend College and he plans to major in Management Information Systems and his goal is to graduate in 2020. He is interested in computers and information technology, hence his major. Christian's hobbies include stamp collecting, coin collecting, reading, riding ATV's, being a model train enthusiast and an amateur genealogist. He is fascinated by the Saxons and enjoys learning as much about his family tree as possible.

Cari Cutler will be entering her sophomore year at John Carroll University this fall. She is majoring in Early Childhood Education and minoring in Catholic Studies. Cari enjoys organizing religious retreats, traveling and making iswelry.

Nathaniel Kuhn is a sophomore at The Ohio



Richard Gal

State University and is majoring in Finance with a minor in Political Science. He is a member of the Evans Scholarship Chapter, and during his first year he was elected new scholar president of his scholarship class. He participates in various clubs on campus including running club, and serving as one of the 12 representatives of the multicultural Greek council. In addition, Nathaniel maintained a 4.0 grade point average in his first semester of college.

Casey Crawford is a senior accounting and entrepreneurship student at Baldwin Wallace University. She is in the Honors Program and recently joined the Board of the Accounting Association. Upon graduating next May, she will enter the tax field and pursue her Certified Public Accountant licensure. Casey has completed two internships, and just started on her third this summer in both individual and corporate tax services. She has just recently returned from an amazing study abroad trip to Ghana, where she studied culture, music, and dance for three weeks. This August Casey is excited and grateful to be traveling to Siebenbürgen with her family on the ATS tour to explore and connect with her own rich Saxon history, culture, music and dance.

Max Morrow will be a senior this fall at The Pennsylvania State University majoring in Finance with a minor in Statistics. At Penn State, he is the President of Student Managed Fund, a financial assistant with the Business School, and a past member of the Tennis Team. In nis spare time iviax enjoys goit and spending time with family. He graduated from Boardman High School and also earned the rank of Eagle Scout with Troop #46 in Boardman. His goal after graduation is to enter the workforce in the field of Investments.

Marianna Vinson is a prepharmacy student at the University of South Carolina (USC). This summer she will be applying to the four-year College of Pharmacy at USC, and plans to minor in German. Marianna hopes to study abroad in Ger-

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60th TSBA Convention Minutes



- I. The meeting was called to order by President Glenn Spack on June 10, 2017 at 10:00 am in Youngstown, Ohio. An invocation was delivered followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence for the members of the league that have passed since the last convention. Delegates were reminded to sign in on the convention register.
- II. Glenn Spack appointed Bob Lohr to act as Sergeant-At-Arms.
- III. Roll Call of Officers
 President Glenn Spack (present)
 Vice President- Tom Simon (present)
 Statistical Secretary- CJ Schmitz
 (present)

Secretary/Treasurer- Jenny King (present)

Auditors- Debbie Tomusko, Monica Gilles and Rich Baker (all present)

- IV. A motion was made by Monica Gilles followed by a second by Kathy Roman to dispense with the reading of the minutes from the 59th TSBA Convention, since they had already been accepted. All were in favor. Motion carried
- V. The Officers each gave their report for the 2016-2017 season. Debbie Tomusko gave the Auditor's Report which found the books to be in good record. A motion was made by Diane Baker and a second by Kathy Roman to accept Officer's Reports. All were in favor. Motion Carried.
- VI. The roll call of delegates showed 18 people present and 17 people registered to vote.
- VII. There was no Unfinished Business.VIII. Honorariums and Allowances to stay the same.
- IX. League type will stay the same, consisting of a 4 person team. The number of sessions will stay at 7 sessions. The Team and Branch fee will remain at \$15 each. The Bowler fee will remain at \$5 per bowler.
- X. CJ Schmitz brought up the issue that we do not have the minimum number of games bowled to be eligible for the tournament written anywhere. ATS President Joan Miller-Malue made a motion to set 9 games as the minimum to be eligible for TSBA tournament. Monica Gilles second the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried. The minimum number of games will now be written in the TSBA Constitution in the Membership and Eligibility section.
- XI. Rich Baker nominated Karen Kinser to take Debbie Tomusko's position as Auditor, since she is stepping down. Fred Krestle second the motion. All were in favor. Vice President Tom Simon, Secretary/Treasurer Jenny King, and Trustee Monica Gilles all accepted another term in their respected positions. Kathy Roman made a motion to cast a unanimous ballot to reelect Officers to their respected positions. Diana Baker second the motion. All were in favor.

- Motion carried. ATS President Joan Miller-Malue preformed the installation of Officers.
- XII. City Representatives were set for the 2017-2018 season. A list of Branch Representatives is to enable any bowler to contact them during the year to make changes in meal reservations or bowling schedule.

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XIII.

Karen Kinser (330) 581-5049 Cleveland East

Diane Hum (440) 339-1336 Cleveland West

CJ Schmitz (440) 235-3343 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

Karen Kinser reminded bowlers that Alliance no longer has a bowling alley and would not be able to host a session. It was agreed that the city with the first pick of dates would have the option to host a session twice during the season.

XIV. Tentative Schedule for 2017-2018 September 17 Lorain

October 1 Cleveland West
November 12 Cleveland East
December 3 New Castle
January 14 Cleveland West
February 11 Salem
March 19 Youngstown

March 18 Youngstown
April 14&15 Tournament in New
Castle

*Tournament forms will be available at the February session and will be due on March 18, 2018.

*Cleveland West will host the TSBA Tournament in 2019.

- XV. President Glenn Spack reminded everyone the 61th TSBA Convention will be held in Cleveland West on June 9, 2018. The location of the 62th TSBA Convention was not set.
- XVI. Tentative Number of teams for the 2017-2018 Season

Alliance 1
Cleveland East 4
Cleveland West 2
Lorain 3
New Castle 7
Salem 2
Youngstown 1

XVII. The minutes of the 60th TSBA Convention were read by Secretary/Treasurer Jenny King. A motion was made by Carl Schmitz to accept the reading of the minutes, followed by a second from Monica Gilles. All were in favor. Motion carried.

XVIII. A motion was made by Kathy Roman and a second by Diana Baker to adjourn the 60th TSBA Convention. All were in favor. Motion carried. President Glenn Spack thanked all who attended.

ANNUAL DANCE Fred Ziwich Tuesday July 4, 2017 2:00 to 6:00 pm in Air Conditioned Club Bldg. To Streetsboro To Rt. 480 Salem Rt. 62 Rt. 62 Rt. 62 Rt. 62 Rt. 62 Rt. 62 Rt. 63 Rt. 63 Rt. 64 Rt. 62 Rt. 64 Rt. 62 Rt. 62 Rt. 62 Rt. 63 Rt. 64 Rt. 62 Rt. 63 Rt. 64 Rt. 62 Rt. 64 Rt. 62 Rt. 62 Rt. 64 Rt. 62 Rt. 62 Rt. 63 Rt. 63 Rt. 64 Rt. 64 Rt. 64 Rt. 64 Rt. 65 Rt. 6

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many with a language intensive program next summer. She has been learning German for a total of five years throughout high school and college. In her free time Marianna enjoys gardening and reading historical fiction. She is also active in Girls Scouts and will be working as a camp counselor for younger scouts this summer

James Verlotte (no photo included) is currently enrolled at Youngstown State University for Civil Engineering and working for an engineering firm for the summer, which is really giving him a lot of great experience. He is excited to take back all the lessons learned to the classroom with him this fall. James enjoys any activity that is outdoors and does not like to sit idle. During the summer, he mostly works (calling work his hobby), and in the winter, he skis and hunts. He does not yet know which area of Civil Engineering he would like to specialize in but does know that he is in the right field for his interests.

Kevin Kraus is a student at The Ohio State University where he is studying electrical engineering. He plans to engineer computer or audio hardware in the future because he loves working hands-on with electronics. Kevin's hobbies include building and researching computer and audio systems, working on cars, playing clarinet and saxophone, and trail riding on dirt bikes with his friends.

Richard Gal is enrolled at Florida State University and majoring in Mechanical Engineering, and interested in orthopedics and prosthetics. He is pursuing an undergraduate degree in engineering because it allows him to understand the mechanical side of the human body. Following his undergraduate degree, he will pursue med school to get his medical degree in Orthopedics and hopes to be able to use his background in medicine and engineering to design and implant better prosthetics to those who need them. Ricky enjoys playing intramural sports, such as softball and beach volleyball, during the school year. On Sundays, he plays guitar in his church praise and worship band and whenever he has some free time, Ricky likes to relax by going fishing out in the bay. He favorite TV show is Friends, and he likes listening to country music.

Don't swallow pool water

Outbreaks of a yucky pool parasite have risen two-fold in the last two years, according to the Centers for Disease Control.

The parasite goes by the nickname of crypto (for cryptosporidium) and is spread through human feces. It causes three weeks of diarrhea, stomach cramps, nausea and vomiting.

The parasite gets into the water at parks and pools primarily through kids under the age of 5

who poop in the pool even in small amounts.

Once in the water, ordinary chlorine levels that are safe for swimming don't affect the nasty bug. It can survive for up to 10 days at swimsafe chlorine levels. When detected, pool owners must keep people out of the water and add high levels of chlorine.

It's best to caution kids and adults never to swallow water from a swimming pool.

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Your Horòscope

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Aries 3/21 - 4/19: Mid-month fatigue could be a factor in a night driving trip. Although you always welcome a new adventure, be ready to take a safety break.

Taurus 4/20 - 5/20: Fluff up that pillow and sink into a comfy chair. This month is a breeze for most bulls, with some rainy days that shouldn't pose much of a challenge.

Gemini 5/21 - 6/20: A summer cold could slow you down somewhat in the beginning of the month. Renew your commitment to health and exercise.

Cancer 6/21 - 7/22: The stars move in an unconventional alignment. Think opposite not just different!

Leo 7/23 - 8/22: As the moon moves to full glory on the 8th, look for new ideas to populate your thinking. Be critical. If it doesn't work, let it go.

Virgo 8/23 - 9/22: Your exacting nature is just the ticket this month. Review financials and put some plans in motion.

Libra 9/23 - 10/21: You'll be somewhat tried by a loved one's sudden change of fortune. Libra always pitches in for family. But, beware, complicated solutions.

Scorpio 10/22 - 11/21: The stars say double check the details this month as the planets move into favorable alignments for an interview or presentation.

Sagittarius 11/22 - 12/21: If you are feeling blah before the full moon on the 8th, art can perk you up. Visit a show or contemplate sculpture for inspiration.

Capricorn 12/22 - 1/19: Time to address a nagging problem with your usual business-like attitude. Solve it and get it off your mind.

Aquarius 1/20 - 2/18: Don't give in to a negative outlook as the moon enters its last quarter on July 15. A few roadblocks at the beginning of the month make projects or people seem difficult. Stay positive.

Pisces 2/19 - 3/20: You get good news this month that can possibly change your near-term plans.

Bitters have a rich history

Of all the herbs in common use, bitters have the most storied history.

The Germans swear by them to aid in digestion. Author Ernest Hemingway famously used them mixed with Vermouth.

According to the University of California's Berkeley Wellness letter, the term bitters would traditionally describe an alcohol-based extract of leaves, flowers, bark, or roots of bitter-tasting plants. Two of the most famous bitters, Angostura and Peychaud's, date back to the 1800s and are a frequent addition to cocktails. In modern days, bitters are classified as herbal supplements and are typically taken by the dropper as a remedy for digestive issues.

Many believe that the bitter taste helps trigger taste receptors in the mouth, which in turn help increase production of saliva, stomach and pancreatic enzymes, bile, and gastrointestinal hormones, according to Wellness.

Germany's version of the FDA has approved bitters as a treatment for relieving gas and nausea and for appetite promotion.

However, there is some research that suggests bitters could be harmful to those with acid reflux or ulcers and can interfere with some medications. Some theorize that a particular variety, gentian bitters, might lower blood pressure as well





From 1776: America's journey to freedom

From The Declaration of Independence, 1776

We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness. That to secure these rights, Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed.

1778: Patrick Henry to George Rogers Clark

I send you herewith some Copies of the Act of Government & Bill of Rights, together with the French Alliance. These will serve to show our new friends; the Ground upon which they are to stand, & the Support to be expected from their Countrymen of France. Equal Liberty & Happiness are the objects, to a participation of which we invite them.

Thomas Jefferson's First Inaugural Address, 1801

A rising nation spread over a wide and fruitful land, traversing all the seas with the rich productions of their industry, engaged in commerce with nations who feel power, and forget right, advancing rapidly to destinies beyond the reach of the mortal eye. When I contemplate these transcendent objects, & see the honor the happiness, & the hopes of this beloved country committed to the issue & the auspices of this day, I shrink from the contemplation, & humble myself before the magnitude of the undertaking.

The Emancipation Proclamation, 1863

All persons held as slaves within any State or designated part of a State, the people whereof shall then be in rebellion against the United States, shall be then, thenceforward, and forever free.

Abraham Lincoln's Inaugural Address, 1865

With malice toward none; with charity for all; with firmness in the right, as God gives us to see the right, let us drive to finish the work we are in; to bind up the nation's wounds, to care for him who shall have borne the battle, and for his widow, and his orphans to do all which may achieve and cherish a just and lasting peace, among ourselves, and with all nations. The 19th Amendment, 1920

The right of citizens of the United States to vote shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any State on account of sex.



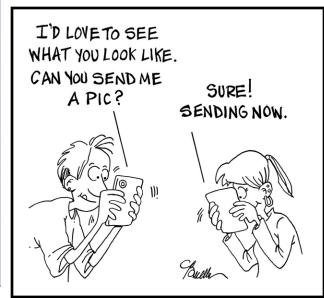
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Common sense safe practices for fireworks

- * Keep a bucket of water or the hose handy. It's not hard to do. It doesn't spoil the fun. But you can use it to douse duds or prevent small fires from getting big.
- * Use safety glasses if you are setting off fireworks. It can't hurt but it could save your eyes. The danger is not just from objects shooting in your face but also from particles that come off regular fireworks.
- * Don't be an idiot. Don't point fireworks at others. Don't let small children play with sparklers. Don't drink and get silly.



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Cleveland, OH Br. 1

Mtg. 3rd Mon. 7:00 p.m. Sachsenheim 7001 Denison Ave. (216) 651-0888 PRES: Martin Schuller 7619 Webster Rd Middleburg Hts 44130 (440) 532-0665 SEC'Y. Robert Cunningham III 9005 Memphis Villas, Brooklyn, 44144 (216) 398-7520 rbcunningham@roadrunner.com ATS SEC'Y. R.Cunningham LOCAL DUES to R. Cunningham

Erie, PA Br. 2

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Alliance, OH Br. 3

Mtg. 3rd. Wed.- 6:30 p.m. American Legion Post 166 141 W Main St Alliance OH PRESIDENT John H. Aeling 15590 Georgetown St. NE Minerva, 44657 (330) 862-3706 JDAII852@yahoo.com SEC'Y. Matt Aeling 909 E Broad St Louisville OH 44641 (330) 205-2586 maeling1@gmail.com ATS SEC'Y. Denise Aeling Crawford 15970 Cenfield St.NE, Alliance, 44601 (330) 821-5125 dcrawfordcpa@yahoo.com SICK NOTICES & LOCAL DUES to John Aeling Address shown as President

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Lorain, OH Br. 5

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Farrell, PA Br. 7

Mtg. 3rd. Mon. 7:00 p.m. Farrell Lions Den 810 Lions Club Lane (724) 981-7130 PRES. Bertha Chec 941 Sharon-New Castle Rd., #121 Farrell PA 16121 (724) 342-3139

(440) 324-2534 mikjo79@gmail.com

Farrell, PA Br. 7 (cont'd)

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Alliance, OH Br. 8

Mgt. 3rd Wed. 6:30 p.m. American Legion Post 166 141 W Main St Alliance OH PRES. Helen E. Aeling 15354 Georgetown St. NE Minerva 44657 (330) 862-2563 HHA658@aol.com SEC'Y. Sharon Edwards 1415 Broad Ave NW Canton OH 44708 (330) 453-0362 1tbowler@aol.com` ATS SEC'Y. Denise Aeling Crawford 15970 Cenfield St, Alliance 44601 (330) 821-5125 dcrawfordcpa@roadrunner.com SICK NOTICES to Phyllis Biggs 1690 S Freedom Alliance OH 44601 (330) 823-0681 LOCAL DUES to: Lesley Reed 16373 Freed St NE Minerva OH 44657

Chicago, IL Br. 9

Mtg. 1st Mon. 8:00 p.m. DANK Haus 4740 N. Western (2nd floor) PRES. Diethild Thut 923 E Slayton Dr Palatine IL, 60074 (847) 934-6308 dedethut11@yahoo.com SEC'Y. Elfi Sanderson 1425 London Lane Glenview IL 60025 (847) 998-0939 elfisanderson@gmail.com ATS SEC'Y: Hildegard Schmidts 1824 Dover Ct Arlington Heights, 60004 (847) 818-3884 hschmidts@sbcglobal.net

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Columbus, OH Br. 10

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Mtg. 3rd Mon. 1:00 p.m. all months Hickory House, 550 Officecenter Place, Gahanna OH PRES. Martin Hesch 9407 Southchester Dr NW Pickerington OH 43147 (614) 861-4078 SEC'Y. Susanna Mueller 726 Preston Trails Pickerington OH 43147 (614) 837-2221 opiomi@aol.com ATS SEC'Y. Hilda F. Kautz 1001 Parkview Blvd Apt 408 Columbus OH 43219 (614) 235-7661 rkautz@wideopenwest.com LOCAL DUES to Marlene Mueller 36 North East St, Pickerington OH 43147 (614) 834-1060

Canton, OH Br. 14

Mtg. 2nd Sun. - 12:00 p.m. La Pizzaria 3656 Dressler Rd NW Canton, Ohio PRES. Thomas J. Rowinsky 1656 Dunkeith Dr NW, Canton, 44708 (330) 478-9333 SICK NOTICES to Thomas Rowinsky Address as shown above

Canton, OH Br. 17

(330) 933-4584

Mtg. 2nd Sun. 12:00 p.m. La Pizzaria 3656 Dressler Rd NW Canton, Ohio PRES. Mary Rowinsky 1656 Dunkeith Dr. NW, Canton 44708 (330) 478-9333 SEC'Y. Jeanne Kirsch 2222 42nd St. NW, Canton 44709 (330) 492-2856 ATS SECRETARY: Helen Aeling 15354 Georgetown St NE Minerva OH 44657 (330) 862-2563 HH658@aol.com SICK NOTICES to Mary Rowinsky LOCAL DUES to: Rosanne Miller 5186 Everhard Rd NW Apt 7 Canton OH 44718

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Saxon Club 1980 St. Rt. 9 Salem, 44460

Salem, OH Br. 19

Mtg. 1st Mon. 7:30 p.m. Saxon Club 1980 Newgarden Rd Salem OH 44460 (330) 222-1770 PRES. Henry A. Spack, Sr. 1500 Depot Rd. Salem, 44460 (330) 337-3652 SEC'Y. Robert P. Vogt, Sr. 973 Sunset Blvd. Salem, 44460 (330) 881-3346 mvcobra27@gmail.com SICK NOTICES to Glenn T. Spack 943 Stewart Rd. Salem, 44460 (330) 337-7575 LOCAL DUES to Richard Vogt, Sr. c/o Salem Saxon Club 1980 Newgarden Rd, Salem, 44460 (330) 222-1770

Youngstown, OH Br. 22 Mtg. 2nd Sun. 2:00 p.m.

710 S. Meridian 44509 (330) 792-7973 PRES. June Hoelzel 695 E Western Reserve Rd Unit 2601 Poland OH 44514 (330) 953-2856 SEC'Y. Cynthia Blubaugh 4540 Deopham Green Youngstown OH 44515 (330) 793-9189 ATS SEC'Y. Julaine Gilmartin 4173 Timberland Trail Canfield 44406 (330) 799-5171 SICK NOTICES to Gloria Hahn 365 Beechcrest Dr Youngstown 44515 (330) 793-3588 LOCAL DUES to Betty Garhammer 969 Canfield Rd. Youngstown 44511 (330) 788-4274

Saxon Club Lower Lounge Restaurant

New Castle, PA Br. 25

Mtg. 2nd Thursday 8:00 p.m. Eintracht Hall 108 Taylor St., New Castle PA 16101 (724) 652-7221 PRES. John McCormick 152 Means Rd, New Wilmington PA 16142 (724) 944-2657 SEC'Y. Jonathan Baisch 3336 Plank Rd New Castle PA 16105 (724) 816-6866 newcastleeintracht@gmail.com

New Castle, PA Br. 25 (cont'd)

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Merrillville, IN Br. 26

Meeting first Sunday at 2 p.m. Slovak Club - 6920 Broadway (219) 756-5101 PRES. Randall Floyd 1806 E. 73rd Ave. Merrillville, 46410 (219) 798-6908 rfloyd1066@msn.com REC. SEC'Y. Raymond (Sam) Palyok 724 E. 25th. Pl Lake Station, 46405 (219) 962-7345 randz724@comcast.net ATS SEC'Y. Randall Floyd Address and phone as above LOCAL DUES to Zita Palyok 724 E. 25th Pl, Lake Station IN 46405 (219) 962-7345 randz724@comcast.net

New Castle, PA Br. 27

Mtg. 1st Thurs. 7:00 p.m. Eintracht Hall 108 Taylor St., 16101 (724) 652-7221 PRES. Marie Benedict PO Box 25 Edinburg, 16116 (724) 667-7395 bckskinbnny@verizon.net SEC'Y.Jean Kaba 16 Sunnybrook Dr New Castle 16105 (724) 658-1791 j.kaba@aol.com ATS SEC'Y. Judy Both 1512 Drespling Ln New Castle 16101 (724) 654-0573 LOCAL DUES and SICK NOTICES to Gertrude Tizak 241 Cambridge St. #401 N.Castle, 16105 (724) 652-1867 Tizakg@yahoo.com

Monaca, PA Br. 29

Mtg. 1st. Monday 7 p.m. Saxon Club 410 6th St. PRES. Leo Stiteler 1610 Virginia Ave Monaca PA 15061 (724) 601-4707 | stiteler@yahoo.com ATS SEC'Y. Terri L. Munroe 1255 Chestnut St. Monaca, 15061 (724) 544-0457 enchantra220@yahoo.com

Youngstown, OH Br. 30 Mtg. 2nd. Sun. 2:00 p.m.

Saxon Club 710 S. Meridian 44509 (330) 792-7973 PRES. Ernie Roth 6280 Morningside Hubbard OH 44425 (330) 534-4960 djer1@netzero.net SEC'Y. Jim Mauch 1053 Collins Ave Youngstown OH 44515 (330) 792-8484 jmauch@zoominternet.net ATS ADULT & JUV. SEC'Y. Jim Mauch Same address etc as listed above LOCAL DUES to Donald Hoelzel 695 E Western Reserve Unit 2601 Poland OH 44514 (330) 953-2856

Ellwood City, PA Br. 32

Mtg. 2nd. Wed. 7:30 p.m. Saxon Club 901 Millview St. (724) 758-3268 PRES. Laura Goehring 113 Mahony Ave Ellwood City PA 16117 ATS Sec'y. Sara Mullin 600 Dover Ln. Ellwood City, 16117 (724) 758-4764 SICK NOTICES to: Joan Evans 197 Portersville Rd Apt 3 Ellwood City PA 16117 (724) 752-1109

Cleveland, OH Br. 33

Mtg. 2nd. Weds. 7:30 p.m. St. John's Lutheran Church 1000 Ford Rd Highland Heights OH PRES. Ema Litschel 8050 Conestoga Trail Concord, 44060 (440) 358-1184 SEC'Y. Arline Suts 413 Downing Dr Chardon OH 44024 (440) 285-9498 asuts@windstream.net ATS SEC'Y. Karyn Schmidt 4979 Anderson Rd Lyndhurst OH 44124 (216) 382-7397 SICK NOTICES to Arline Suts Address and phone as above LOCAL DUES to Michael Bretz 388 East 317th St. Willowick, 44095 440-943-4543 meb3172@att.net

Detroit, MI Br. 37

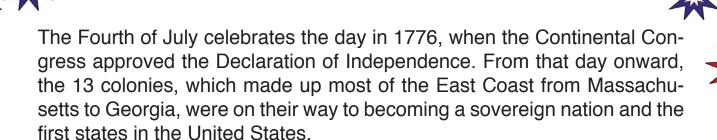
Mtg. 1st. Sun. 12:30 p.m. St. Peters Lutheran Church 11423 Chicago Rd. Warren, MI (586) 978-3850 PRES. Susanna Fleischer 11060 Furbush Rd. Holly MI 48442 (810) 694-1860 beetlebugsue7@peoplepc.com SEC'Y. Janet Nelson 650 Trinway Dr. Troy, 48085 (248) 879-3213 janetreadnelson@gmail.com ACTING ATS SEC'Y. Susanna Fleischer Address as above SICK NOTICES AND LOCAL DUES to Samuel Fleischer 11060 Furbush Rd. Holly MI, 48442 (810) 694-1860

Ellwood City, PA Br. 45

Mtg. 2nd. Sun. 7:30 p.m. Saxon Club 901 Millview Ave. (724) 758-3268 PRES. John Dengel, Jr. 305 Stamms Hollow Rd Ellwood City PA 16117 (724) 622-1593 SEC'Y. Laura Goehring 113 Mahony Ave Ellwood City 16117 (724) 971-2040 ATS SEC'Y. Sam Mullin 600 Dover Lane Ellwood City, 16117 (724) 758-4764 LOCAL DUES TO: Ellwood City Saxon Club PO Box 161, Ellwood City 16117 SICK NOTICES TO: Sam Mullin - Address above

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Today we celebrate that monumental moment in the U.S. history with barbecues, fireworks, and a good day trip to the beach — a far cry from what our founding fathers would have done. We must not forget why we celebrate Independence Day which is to honor the liberation and birth of the United States of America. It's time to celebrate the joys, the blessings and the sacrifices that form the fabric of our nation.

As Americans and Transylvanian Saxons we appreciate the spirit of liberty that was manifest in the principles that were embraced by our Founding Fathers. We know that we are blessed to live in this great country that provides us freedoms that are guaranteed in the Bill of Rights that include freedom of speech, assembly, religion, petition, to bear arms, right to equal justice, to own private property.

We also know that it is our duty to honor, respect and be grateful to our Veterans that have sacrificed so much that we may enjoy these freedoms.

Let us Celebrate Today and Every Day Our Freedom, Our Pride and Our Country.

God Bless our Veterans!

God Bless the United States of America!