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CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES 2021 SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

See Page 6 for details

BRANCH 5, LORAIN
By Michael Johnson

BRANCH 9, CHICAGO
By Rose-Marie Hauer

After a fine pre-meeting meal at the Amherst Blue Sky Restaurant, we all made our way to the Lorain Slovak Club to take care of business for this past month. We hope for a better turnout next month as we will again get together for dinner before the meeting on Monday June 21 at the Shipyard Restaurant, located at 500 Shipyards Way, Lorain, OH at 5:00 PM. From North Colorado Ave. you'll turn onto Driftwood Dr. and follow the signs down to the shipyards. Call or text Brother Brian Gilles by June 14 to confirm your attendance.

We want to congratulate Brother Gilles also for completing the 1100 step challenge at Progressive field for the American Lung Association's "Fight for Air" fundraiser. Along with his fellow Avon Lake Fireman team members, they were able to raise \$1000 for the cause.

It seems as though all of our members have been vaccinated by now. However, if the Slovak Club still mandates masks or restaurants we attend require them we will oblige. Even though Ohio's health orders will be lifted June 2, those orders will not prevent a business from imposing its own requirements for entrance. And no one can tell you not to wear a mask if you're still not convinced that public gatherings are safe for you.

At the present time there is no one reporting any illness or receiving sick benefits, which is a happy thought as we move forward into the summer months.

Birthdays being celebrated in the coming month of June will I'm sure be enjoyed more this year than last. Happy Birthday to Brother Paul Kirschner, Sisters Arlene Gilles, Lesley Hochevar, Eleanor Norheim and to our most senior member Shirley Mitoff who at 91 can only know the joy, peace,

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Greetings to everyone! It has been a long year due to the pandemic but there appears to be a light at the end of the tunnel. With the implementation of vaccines we can finally get back to some form of "normal".

The Board members of Branch 9 wish to let you know that "We are finally back"! On July 18, 2021 we will hold our annual Picnic. Please plan to attend and follow the state of Illinois and CDC guidelines. We will be in Grove 1 of Linne Woods in Morton Grove starting the day at 11:00 a.m. There will be food, fun, raffles and fellowship. The Board is also asking to please bring canned goods to donate to the food pantry. Ladies, if you can bake, please do so. Come join us! (See ad on Page 3).

If you have any family members that have graduated from elementary, high school or college and want them to be acknowledged please email or call me and I will put them in my next article.

All the best and God Bless you all!

**ARE YOU PROUD TO
BE SAXON?**

**KEEP CALM,
WEAR A MASK,
AND GET
VACCINATED!**



**TIMELY - DO NOT DELAY
MAILED WEDNESDAY, JUNE 9, 2021**

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Denise Aeling Crawford
ATS Nat'l President



Things are opening up! Here in Ohio, almost all health department mandates are now gone. Hopefully wherever you are is the same. Still, be careful out there as the virus hasn't gone away yet.

It looks like our Branches that haven't been meeting are now starting to get together. Others are now planning local events or outings for the summer. Remember, your Branch needs you now more than ever. Please help them out when they call on you to volunteer at an event. Better yet, call and volunteer first without having to be asked!

Our first upcoming national event is ATS Family Day at Waldameer in Erie, PA. It will be held on Saturday, July 24th. The ATS has secured the same pavilion (Coaster #1) as in past years. Discounted tickets are now on sale through the ATS Home Office. The amusement park side has lots of rides for all ages and the water park area has plenty of wet activities. For those of you who do not wish to ride any of the rides or enter the water park, you do not need to purchase a ticket. You can walk around the park or visit with others at the pavilion. Coolers and picnic baskets are allowed to be brought into the park. The Youth Activities Committee will be playing bingo and will also have a drawing for prizes at the pavilion. This is a great event with a little something for everyone! Please join us!

Did you know that the current US Flag was designed by a 17-year-old Ohio student? When the American Revolutionary War started in April, 1775, most regiments fought under their own flags. A single flag had not been designed yet. In June, 1775 the Second Continental Congress met in Philadelphia to create the Continental Army (a unified colonial fighting force) with the hopes of a more organized battle. This led to the creation of the first "American" flag, the Continental Colors. This original flag had 13 red and white alternating stripes and a Union Jack in the corner. Some thought this was way too similar to the British flag. George Washington realized that flying this flag was not a great confidence builder for the cause. On June 14, 1777, the Second Continental Congress passed a resolution stating that "the flag of the United States be 13 stripes, alternate red and white" and that "the union be 13 stars, white in a blue field, representing a new constellation." Over 100 years later, in 1916, President Woodrow Wilson marked the anniversary of that decree by officially establishing June 14 as Flag Day. In the 1950s, when it seemed certain that Alaska would be admitted into the Union, designers began retooling the American flag to add a 49th star to the existing 48.

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Schloss Horneck needs OUR help!



Schloss Horneck located in Gundelsheim, Germany is the international location for our Siebenbürger Sachsen to house Sachsen artifacts, books and other historical documents and records. It is important to our worldwide Sachsen community to help in the maintenance expenses of this historical facility that will preserve our Sachsen culture and heritage.

The Federation of Transylvanian Saxons requests donation to help in the funding of the facility. If you are interested in giving a donation, 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

Name _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____
Zipcode _____

Amount Donated \$ _____

Please indicate if donation is in memory
or honor of someone

PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

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Bob Heft, a 17-year-old Ohio student borrowed his mother’s sewing machine, disassembled his family’s 48-star flag and stitched on 50 stars in a proportional pattern. He handed his creation to his history teacher for a class project, explaining that he expected Hawaii would soon achieve statehood as well. The student sent the flag to his congressman, who presented it to President Eisenhower after both new states joined the Union. President Eisenhower selected Bob Heft’s design. On July 4, 1960, President Eisenhower and the high school student watched together as the 50-star flag was raised for the first time. This year, on Flag Day, June 14th, proudly display your American flag and reflect on what our flag represents – freedom. Until next time....



BRANCH 5
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and health that comes with a life well lived. Happy Birthday too to our Junior members Kayla Ali, and Logan Davis. May everyone enjoy their special day!

We have two Junior members who are graduating high school this year that have been reported to me that I would like on behalf of the members of Branch 5 Lorain Saxons, to congratulate. Aiden Brown, grandson of Sister Janie Mowery and nephew of Sister Dana Brown will graduate with honors from South Oldham High School in Crestwood, Kentucky. Aiden was on the varsity golf and JV basketball teams and plans on attending the University of Kentucky to major in business. Also with an impressive list of accomplishments is Ethan Gibbs, grandson of Sister Jeanne Petty, will graduate with honors from the Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind in St. Augustine. This unique school which is recognized as one of top schools in the nation for sensory-impaired students, guided Ethan for a lifetime of success. Taking advantage of every opportunity, he made time for many extracurricular activities such as performing in the school’s theatre program, he was a cheerleader, dance troupe member and student trainer to the different school sports teams. We encourage you both to a bright and successful future.

Let us all remember Memorial Day which is May 31st. Don’t take offense, this is not a public servant day i.e. police, fireman, first responders, etc. No, this is a day that honors the men and women who lost their lives while serving in the U.S. military. These are the ones who gave all. This day, don’t thank a living veteran, their day is November 11th and Armed Forces Day is the third Saturday in May for those currently serving active duty. This is a great country we live in, nowhere else in the world do its citizens enjoy the freedoms we do thanks to those who have gone before us. Until next time, peace and good health to all. (Our apologies to Brother Johnson and the members of Branch 5. This article was accidentally omitted from the last issue. Ed.)

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THE DEADLINE DATE FOR ARTICLES
IS WEDNESDAY - 12 NOON.

You may either

MAIL: 29076 Fall River Dr
Westlake OH 44145
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 16, 2021 | FRIDAY, JUNE 25, 2021 |
| WEDNESDAY, JUNE 30, 2021 | FRIDAY, JULY 9, 2021 |
| WEDNESDAY, JULY 14, 2021 | FRIDAY, JULY 23, 2021 |

Please have your articles in by 12 Noon.

Did you miss the deadline?

Have you emailed your article past 12 Noon?
Please call Hanz Hermann at (440) 525-0020



July 10th
Sylvan Heights
Golf Course

Golf Outing
and Dinner
\$65 / Person

8 AM
Shotgun Start

Dinner to be
Served at the
Golf Course

July 10, 2021

All proceeds benefit The Eintracht Singing Society

Joe Kraus Memorial Golf Scramble Golf and Dinner

4 man, best ball scramble. Refreshments
available, lunch at the turn,
hole prizes and skins.

Joe Kraus Memorial Golf Scramble
July 10, 2021
Sylvan Heights Golf Course
2661 Ellwood Rd, New Castle PA 16101

SHOTGUN START AT 8 AM

PLEASE ARRIVE 45 MINUTES AHEAD OF TIME TO CHECK IN

\$65/Person - Includes golf, prizes, refreshments,
lunch and dinner afterwards at the golf course

All proceeds benefit The Eintracht Singing Society

CONTEST TO INCLUDE:

1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winners

Shortest drive, longest drive, skins, 50/50 also available mulligans

Player 1 : _____ Phone: _____
Player 2 : _____ Phone: _____
Player 3 : _____ Phone: _____
Player 4: _____ Phone: _____

Teams must be registered
and payment made by JULY 1, 2021

Questions may be directed to:

Hans Kraus: 724-651-0806 or Rose Montini: 724-674-9327

Forms, along with money, can be dropped off at the

Eintracht Singing Society Club

108 Taylor St, New Castle PA 16101

Checks are to be made out to: "Eintracht Singing Society"

GOLD SPONSORS \$100.00 _____

SILVER SPONSORS \$50.00 _____

BRANCH 4, CLEVELAND By Joan Miller-Malue

After over more than a year, we had a meeting. It was so wonderful to see one another. Our monthly meetings are at the heart of an effective organization. Each meeting gives us the opportunity to plan future activities that will provide Gemuetlichkeit and fond memories. So, we hope to see you at our next monthly meeting on Monday, June 21 at 7:00 p.m.

We want to extend warmest congratulations to our high school and college graduates. Caps off to you! Best wishes on your next adventure.

We certainly are appreciative to all our members and friends that support the Sachsenheim by enjoying dinners at the Club or take-out orders. Food and drinks are served Tuesday through Sunday.

**I doubt,
therefore
I might be.**

WE ARE FINALLY BACK!!!

Join us at the Annual Saxon Branch 9

Summer Picnic celebration



There will be food, fun, raffles and fellowship.
Anyone willing to bake please bring with to share. Canned goods to donate to the food pantry are also appreciated and needed.



Where: Linne Woods, changed to Grove 1, on
Dempster and Ferris Ave. in Morton Grove

When: Sunday, July 18, 2021

Time: Beginning at 11:00 AM



Vaccine safe for heart patients

Heart attack survivors are at much greater risk of complications from the COVID-19 virus than they are from the vaccine, according to the American Heart Association.

While short-term side effects from the vaccine, such as fatigue or soreness at the injection site, may occur,

the risk of complications is very slight.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, none of the vaccines approved for use in the U.S. contain weakened live virus — another concern for heart disease patients and individuals with weakened immune systems.



ATS Family Day at Waldameer and Water World

3100 West Lake Road
Erie, Pa.

Saturday, July 24, 2021

Over 100 Attractions and Waterpark full of
Wet n' Wild Fun for Everyone

ATS has reserved a Picnic
Pavilion – "Coaster #1"

Free Parking

Free Admission to Picnic
Facility and Amusement Park

Bring Your Own Picnic Basket
Grill available by Pavilion

Discounted Tickets for Combo
Pass –
Amusement Park Rides and
Water World

ATS Member \$14.00
Non-Member \$29.75
(Children under age 1 Free unless
they want to enter Water World)

Hours for Water World 11 am – 7 pm
Waldameer Rides Noon – 9 pm

TICKET ORDER FORM

NUMBER OF ATS MEMBERS @ \$14.00.....\$

Name and Certificate Number of Members:

Cert No. _____
Cert No. _____
Cert No. _____
Cert No. _____

Number of Non-Members @ \$29.75.....\$

Number attending that will not purchase combo pass

Amount Remitted.....\$

Mail tickets to: _____

Address _____ Telephone _____

City _____ State _____ Zipcode _____

Make Checks Payable to ATS

Credit Card Number _____ Expiration Date _____
Security Code _____ Billing Zip Code _____

Mail your Ticket Order to: Alliance of Transylvanian Saxons, 5393 Pearl Road, Cleveland, OH 44129
Deadline for Ticket Orders is July 9, 2021

INVITE

your relatives and friends to
join the crowd at ATS.
Tell them about our fraternal society!

FRATERNAL CALENDAR

NATIONAL EVENTS

June 12, 2021
TSBA Convention
Host: Salem Saxon Club
July 24, 2021
ATS Family Day at Waldameer
Waldameer Family Fun Park, Erie PA
May 22-23, 2022
ATS Convention

LOCAL EVENTS

July 18, 2021
Chicago Br. 9 Picnic Lynn Woods, Morton Grove IL
July 24, 2021
Cleveland East Br. 33 Captains Baseball Game
July 25, 2021
Youngstown Br. 30 Saxon Day
August 8, 2021
Cleveland East Br. 33 Annual Picnic, Penitentiary Glen
August 15, 2021
Lorain Br. 5 Picnic, Lakeview Park

YOUNGSTOWN SAXON RETIREES
By Ro Dundon

Hello to everyone. It's good to be able to report on our May meeting. It was held at a different location. We met at AMEN's Corner, located in Girard Ohio. (I did get there).
The meeting was presided over by our President, Diana Kommel. It was a real gab fest. Those members who have been able to attend club meetings, go to breakfasts, and or dinners shared those times with us. We are all glad things are going good. It will be a day to celebrate when things get back to even near normal.
Conversations continued about what's new in our lives. As I stated above this was a real gab fest. It was so much so that after Diana closed the meeting, some of us stayed longer than ever. Well, you know we can't leave without

hearing the end or beginning of another story.
John, we missed you. Please try to attend June's meeting. The time will be the same, at noon, the location is unknown. As usual, Diana will be in touch with everyone before Thursday, JUNE 10th.
Spring has Sprung with a bit of summer squeezed in. Isn't is wonderful?
This is too late to remind all to have a good Memorial to Day and remember those who made it possible for us to live In this great country. To all the Fathers, "Happy Father's Day." I hope it is a great one.
Get those vaccinations or if you haven't, wear the mask in public.
Until we meet again, As usual, it's RO.

Container gardens
add color, a touch
of nature

Green-thumbed apartment and condo dwellers can get in touch with nature and add beauty to patios, balconies and window boxes. Container gardens can be beautiful.
Places that get full sun can be used to grow almost any flower or vegetable. Others are good for shade or part-sun plants.
Almost any container with adequate drainage will do, but be sure it is large enough for what you want to grow. Small pots should contain just one plant. Large pots can hold groups that favor the same growing conditions.
A soil base works best for plants that will remain in their pots for a year or more. Containers require frequent watering, but adding moist granules composed of polymer to the soil will help. In dry spells, the granules release their water.
Because frequent watering can leach nutrients from the soil, plan to fertilize regularly.



BRANCH 8, ALLIANCE
By Lesley Reed

Our latest meeting was held May 19th. We had twelve members present and one excused absence. Our hostesses for dinner were Denise, Casey, and Courtney Crawford. We enjoyed our delicious baked chicken meal and sheet cake for dessert! This month's attendance awards were presented to Mary Craven and Linda Gelsinger. Scholarships were awarded to Evan Hertel and Courtney Crawford. We were happy to congratulate Courtney for recently graduating from John Carroll University.
Our "old business" this month consisted of learning the April altar flowers we donated to St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Alliance were split into bouquets and delivered to six members of their congregation who are currently shut-in. One of them is member Dorothy Brunie, who just celebrated her 101st birthday. Our president, Helen Aeling, recently came across the official proclama-

tion from the city of Alliance that congratulated our club on its 100th anniversary back in 2003 and was signed by the mayor.
"New business" included a motion for the suspension of meetings for the summer months of June, July, and August. A motion was also made and carried to make a donation to the Alliance YWCA "ABC for Kids" program. They use donations to buy students, who've used the services of the domestic violence shelter, new school supplies prior to school starting in August. We received two thank-you cards. One was from Dorothy Brunie for the bouquet and the other from Courtney Crawford for her scholarship.
Our next meeting will be Wednesday, September 15th at 6:30 p.m. at the American Legion Hall. The hostesses will be Karen Kinser, Shari Edwards, and Mary Craven.
Until then, have a terrific summer everyone!

Prevent heat exhaustion

The National Safety Council recommends that people who are working outside in hot weather or in non-air-conditioned environments should cool down with wet scarves around their necks. As the moisture evaporates, the body stays cooler.
Drinking enough water is very important. You can alternate water with a sports drink that contains electrolytes. The key is to drink enough so you never

get thirsty. If your urine is concentrated -- a dark color -- you need to drink more. Drink enough water so your urine is pale yellow.
When you are working outside, be sure to wear a hat and a lightweight, long-sleeved shirt with no T-shirt underneath.
Remember that caffeine and alcohol are dehydrating. Drink decaffeinated beverages, bottled water or sports drinks.



The Alliance of Transylvanian Saxons is looking for members to share their family's personal story of life in Transylvania and their journey to America.

The ATS is hoping to gather enough stories that we can publish a book that will be valuable to future generations on learning from personal memoirs on how our Saxons lived in Transylvania and their travels from their homeland.

Individuals submitting their stories can also include photos.

Submit your story to the ATS Home Office, 5393 Pearl Road, Cleveland, Ohio 44129. Include your full name, phone number, email and local Branch No.

We hope that we can collect enough stories within the year that we can publish a book of Transylvanian Saxon Memoirs.

Deadline for submission is June 30th.

ATS Masks for Sale



The ATS has face masks for sale.
ATS Secretary, Monica Gilles, modeled the mask while working at the ATS Office.

Masks are \$5.00 each. Send checks payable to
ATS Home Office
5393 Pearl Road
Cleveland, OH 44129

CHURCHES



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www.stpeterswarren.or

10:00 Bilingual Service

Nursery

Coffee following service

Senior Circle

Sunday School

Church Choir

Bell Choir

St. John's Lutheran Church

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

Rev. Barbara Holzhauser
Pastor

10:00 Worship Service

BRANCH 30, YOUNGSTOWN

By Rosemarie Kascher

This is a special invitation to all our members for Saxon Day at the Youngstown Saxon Club, July 25, 2021; this includes our social members.

There will be free food and beer; liquor can be bought at the bar. Non-members pay only \$5.00 per person.

This is by reservations only so we can have adequate preparation for the event. Please phone our office for reservations at 330-792-7973 for all members and guests.

We need men and women for two hour shifts to help serving food and beer in the Pavillion kitchen. Please volunteer from 1:00 p.m. until 3:00 p.m., from 3:00 p.m. until 5:00 p.m. and a clean up helpers group. If you can help for a couple hours, contact Rosemarie Zarny 330-792-0388 or Julaine Gilmartin 330-720-8127. Social members' assistance is appreciated.

Baked goods contributions are also a request, if you can.

This will be a grand time to get together with friends again! Welcome to Saxon Day!

BRANCH 10, COLUMBUS

By Donald Blum

MONTHLY MEETING

Special mention and in consideration of the health of all Saxons attending the meeting, we hope everyone has been vaccinated and we will abide by the protocols of Hickory House.

HICKORY HOUSE

550 Offcenter Place
Gahanna, Ohio 43230
Monday, July 19, 2021
Time 12:00 noon

Our meetings are the Third (3rd) Monday of the month.

Remember to bring a canned good item or other food item.

CELEBRATIONS

Birthdays

Please join me in wishing a very Happy Birthday to Sara Kalweiner (June 4), Brianna Mueller (June 4), Martin Hesch (June 6), George Alzner (June 11), Rosina Hartig (June 20), Caroline Oehlman (June 21), and Sara Alzner-Brown (June 22). We hope they have a wonderful celebration and wish them many more happy birthdays.

Anniversary

Liz and George Lassel (June 25). Happy Anniversary. We wish you many more anniversaries, happiness, good fortune and good health.

ONLINE AUCTION! YOU ARE INVITED TO PARTICIPATE IN AN EXCITING VIRTUAL ONLINE AUCTION!

STILL TIME TO PARTICIPATE IN THE SECOND AUCTION!

WHAT: You won't want to miss this chance to pick up valuable keepsakes of history and heritage. The auction is for the estate of the late Paul & Evelyn Roth. Mike Roth and Marlene (Roth) Betts are auctioning the accumulation of over 70 years of vintage and mid-century furniture, household, personal goods, bar decor/ supplies, and many unique items. Included are several interesting pieces of German and Saxon Heritage, Folk Art, Wine making supplies, Foreign and Domestic Beer Cans, Wood and Metal shop tools & power equipment, and much more.

HOW DO YOU PARTICIPATE?

The auction is being handled by Urban Online Auctions, a member of Auction Ohio. WHEN? June 4th through June 9th, followed by a second auction of even more of the above on June 12th through 16th! You simply register to participate at www.urbanonlineauctions.com. There will be photos of all items for auction and their current bid status. If you are the lucky bidder, you will receive instruction on day, time and location to pick up your auction winning deals.

DON'T MISS OUT... REGISTER TODAY!

(Shipping is available at the buyer's expense.)

If you should have any questions on the Auction, Please contact Mike Roth.

LIFE OF MARTIN LUTHER

One of the members of our Saxon Club Facebook Group, Rick Fleischer, got me interested in Martin Luther by posting the topic of 'Luther, a new free online course' by Dallas Theological Seminary. Also, I used a reference of Martin Luther from 'Encyclopedia of World Biography', in summarizing some points of Martin Luther's life. Additionally, I thought it would be interesting to share the story of Martin Luther as his teachings and doctrines would shape religious history for Germans, Saxons and the entire world. This will be a series of stories and this is **PART 5**.

As we ended **PART 4**, we learned that Luther gets his chance to be heard. This is just what he wants. He gets three debates. Does he slay/destroy his debaters? That is what we will find out in our **Part 5 of The Life of Luther** and the final part of this series.

Luther gets his chance to be heard. This is just what he wants. He gets three debates. Does he slay/destroy his debaters? Naturally, the good guy always wins? Wrong! Luther gets three (3) debates and he loses them all.



In Luther's first debate with John Eck, he loses the debate. Johann Maier von Eck was a German Scholastic theologian, a high-ranking member of the clergy (possibly a bishop) and major opponent to Martin Luther and the Reformation. While Luther loses the debate the problems for the Catholic Church begin. Luther begins to get acceptance and support from important catholic clergy. One of the first is Martin Bucer (Martin Butzer), a well-respected member of the Dominican Order. While Bucer was one of the initial supporters of Luther and the Reformation, many more of the catholic clergy would come to be supporters of Luther's Reformation movement. So, while he had lost the battle, he was beginning to win the war.

Luther debates at Heidelberg and loses there. And then in the final debate, which was not really a debate, occurs at Augsburg, is a threat to Luther. Close friends to Luther see that his challenges, while gaining supporters, are also gaining fierce adversaries to his teaching and ideas. They plead with Luther to just keep his mouth shut and not to stir up more controversy. The wealthiest person in the world, named Jakob Fugger, who owned mercury and copper mines in South America. He is tied deeply to the Catholic Church in Rome. Luther is brought into the office of Fugger. Fugger tries to approach Luther in a grandfatherly manner, saying we care for you and don't you know what you are doing to the church, thinking he can sway Luther's thinking on a humanistic level. Luther does not listen to his friends' pleas to keep quiet. A side note on Fugger, he would found the first low-income housing project in the world and it is still in existence today. It is in Augsburg. It is 132, 2 bedroom units development. Staying there has only 2 requirements: first is cost is \$.50 (yes fifty cents) a year, second is that every day you must say a mass for Jakob Fugger's soul and you could live there for fifty (50) cents a day, everything included. Luther does not listen to the pleas from Fugger.

The Catholic Church is extremely concerned that Luther is gaining support and that he refuses to adhere to established catholic tradition, doctrines and teaching in many areas. The church reacts and gives him an ultimatum of 60 days to repent.

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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.

Nicole M. Phillips

Age 48

Died: December 18, 2020
Branch 30, Youngstown, OH

Jean M. Duffett

Age 92

Died: February 14, 2021
Branch 30, Youngstown, OH

Susan A. Witte

Age 82

Died: May 20, 2021
Branch 8, Alliance, OH

Rosemary Stephanchick

Age 84

Died: May 23, 2021
Branch 5, Lorain, OH

Anneliese Rothbrust

Age 93

Died: May 25, 2021
Branch 18, Salem, OH

Jo Ann Gonda

Age 80

Died: May 28, 2021
Branch 4, Cleveland, OH

Herman H. Hann

Age 92

Died: May 31, 2021
Branch 33, Cleveland, OH

BRANCH 1, CLEVELAND

By Robert Hanek

As summer approaches, Ohio is slowly getting back to normal. I'm glad to say our first Branch meeting since last year was well attended. We will be having our next meeting on June 23rd. The election of officers and what Branch 1 will do going forward in the new "normal" will be on the agenda.

Grumpy and the staff at our Sachsenheim have gone above and beyond to keep our club open. Thank-you! With the help and generous support of our National ATS, Choir, Dance Group and members, we showed what can be accomplished when we work together. I would like to thank our members, friends and staff who helped make sausage and the spring cleanup a success. Tom Hospodar organized a spring cleanup that was overdue.

Enjoy the summer and the company of others again.



Aurora Estabrook



Elissa Scheel




Jacob Sattely



Benjamin Heindrichs



Erica Schenker



CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES 2021 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.

Forty-one 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 **Aurora Estabrook**, Ellwood City, Pennsylvania, Branch 32. The recipient of the \$1,000 Past ATS Officers' Memorial Scholarship Award is **Elissa Scheel**, Cleveland, Ohio, Branch 4. The recipient of the \$1,000 Henry Schindler Scholarship Award is **Jacob Sattely**, Home Branch. The recipient of the \$1,000 Michael W. Schassburger Memorial Scholarship Award is **Benjamin Heindrichs**, Canton, Ohio, Branch 14. The recipient of the \$1,000 Jon Weber Memorial Scholarship Fund Award is **Erica Schenker**, Farrell, Pennsylvania, Branch 7. The recipient of the \$1,000 ATS Branch 33 National Scholarship Endowment Award is **Jennifer Zayac**, Cleveland, Ohio, Branch 4. The recipient of the first \$1,000 Julia and Martin Konnerth Memorial Scholarship Award is **Nadine Kauntz**, Cleveland, Ohio, Branch 4. The recipient of the second \$1,000 Julia and Martin Konnerth Memorial Scholarship Award is **Kyla Jamison**, Youngstown, Ohio, Branch 30. The recipient of the \$1,000 Columbus Branch 10 Scholarship Award is **Katilyn Cavanaugh**, Ellwood City, Pennsylvania, Branch 32. The recipient of the \$1,000 Branch 14 Canton Scholarship Award is **Morgan Liden**, Columbus, Ohio, Branch 10. The recipient of the \$1,000 Davidson-Schuller Appreciation Scholarship Award in honor of ATS and Branches 33 and 34 is **Colleen Rooney**, Chicago, Illinois, Branch 9. The recipient of the \$1,000 Rev. and Mrs. John Foisel Memorial Scholarship Award is **Heidi Partlow**, Youngstown, Ohio, Branch 30. The winner of the \$1,000 John F. Spack Memorial Scholarship Award is **David Bierman**, Cleveland, Ohio, Branch 1. The winner of the \$1,000 John and Mary Guip Memorial Scholarship Award is **Brennan Satola**, Cleveland, Ohio, Branch 33. The winner of the \$1,000 Branch 5 Lorain Scholarship Award is **Olivia Gillespie**, Cleveland, Ohio, Branch 4. The winner of the first \$1,000 Dale and Rose Segedi-Kaufman Memorial Scholarship Award is **Maxwell Molish**, New Castle, Pennsylvania, Branch 25. The winner of the second \$1,000 Dale and Rose Segedi-Kaufman Memorial Scholarship Award is **Emely Best**, Salem, Ohio, Branch 18. The winner of the \$1,000 Dr. David E. Schuller Appreciation Scholarship in honor of his parents, Elsie & Daniel S. Schuller is **Matthew Parkonen**, New Castle, Pennsylvania, Branch 25.

The recipient of the \$750 Niles, Branch 20 Scholarship Award is **Aidan Brown**, Lorain, Ohio, Branch 5. The recipient of the \$750 New Castle Br. 27 Scholarship Award is **Rachel Kotalik**, Cleveland, Ohio, Branch 4; and the recipient of the \$400 Donzella Herman Scholarship Award is **Alexander Wynn**, Youngstown, Ohio, Branch 30.

Current recipients of the Four-Year Renewable Grants are: **Corinne Kampman**, Youngstown, Ohio, Branch 30 (4th year); **John Krew**, Cleveland, Ohio, Branch 33

(3rd year) and **Matthew Leach**, Cleveland, Ohio, Branch 1 (2nd year).

Also, we are pleased to announce the following winners of the Continuing Academic Scholarship Grants: the recipient of the \$1,100 Award in memory of Elmer Schneider is **Haley Jones**, Cleveland, Ohio, Branch 33. The recipient of the first \$1,000 Award in memory of Marie Stirner is **Hailey Schmidts**, Chicago, Illinois, Branch 9. The winner of the second \$1,000 Award in memory of Marie Stirner is **Georg Mathew Lang**, New Castle, Pennsylvania, Branch 25. The winner of the third \$1,000 Award in memory of Marie Stirner is **Payton Schneider**, Cleveland, Ohio, Branch 33. The winner of the fourth \$1,000 Award in memory of Marie Stirner is **Dominic Pasquale**, Ellwood City, Pennsylvania, Branch 45. The recipient of a \$1,000 Award in memory of Gertie & Ernie Gottschling is **Samuel Kuhn**, Cleveland, Ohio, Branch 33. The winner of the \$1,000 Lorain Saxon Ladies Branch 11 Scholarship Award is **Joshua Bierman**, Cleveland, Ohio, Branch 1; and the winner of the \$1,000 Award in honor of Joan Miller-Malue is **Nicholas Fromel**, Youngstown, Ohio Branch 30.

The winner of the \$750 Award in memory of Donald G. Miller is **Jillian Mott**, Youngstown, Ohio, Branch 30. The winner of a \$500 ATS Branch 34 Cleveland East Scholarship Award is **Brianna Tetzloff**, Merrillville, Indiana, Branch 26. The winner of a \$500 Award in memory of Karl & Charlotte Klammer is **Braedon Gilles**, Lorain, Ohio, Branch 5. The winner of a \$500 Farrell – Branch 7 Scholarship Award is **Elizabeth Kaufman**, Home Branch. The recipient of the first \$500 ATS Continuing Academic Scholarship Grant is **Dalton Cantrell**, Lorain, Ohio, Branch 5. The winner of the second \$500 ATS Continuing Academic Scholarship Grant is **Michael Izenour**, Home Branch; and the winner of the third \$500 ATS Continuing Academic Scholarship Grant is **Alexander Livingston**, Cleveland, Ohio, Branch 1.

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

Aurora Estabrook graduated from Maynard High School in Maynard, Massachusetts where she was active in student council, cross country, track and field, and the Rotary Club. Throughout her high school years, she received outstanding achievements in calculus, French, physics, algebra, and English. She will be attending Mercer University and plans to major in Mathematics.

Elissa Scheel is a graduate of Highland High School in Medina, Ohio where she strived for academic excellence throughout her schooling. Elissa was a member of the National Honor Society. She participated in varsity cross country, track and artistic roller skating. Elissa became a four-time National medalist and eight-time Regional medalist in artistic roller skating. Elissa will be attending Gannon University in the Fall.



Jennifer Zayac



Nadine Kauntz



Kyla Jamison



Katilyn Cavanaugh



Morgan Liden

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Colleen Rooney



Heidi Partlow



David Bierman



Brennan Satola



Olivia Gillespie

Jacob Sattely is a recent graduate of Clearwater Central Catholic High School. Jacob was in the Honors Society for English, Math, Science, Social Studies, and Spanish. He also played basketball and was involved in peer ministry. Jacob will be attending Clemson University and plans to study Civil Engineering.

Benjamin Heindrichs graduated from Columbus Alternative High School in Columbus, Ohio where he was in the National Honor Society. Benjamin served as captain of the ultimate frisbee team. He was also a member of the Rock and Mineral Club, Bethel Youth Group, and Centennial High School tennis team. Benjamin will be attending The Ohio State University and his field of study will be Engineering.

Erica Schenker recently graduated from Dos Pueblos High School in Goleta, California where she was a member of the National Honor Society. She played and was an active leader in indoor volleyball and beach volleyball. Erica was selected to the STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Math) team and was a mentor for PASS (Peer Academic Support Services). Erica will be entering Texas Christian University where her major will be in Sociology.

Jennifer Zayac is a recent graduate of Westlake High School in Westlake, Ohio where she earned a STEM honors diploma. Jennifer was in the German club and the drama club, recently serving as the Vice President. She plans to attend Ohio Northern University and major in Mechanical Engineering.

Nadine Kauntz graduated from Lutheran West High School in Rocky River, Ohio where she was a member of the National Honor Society. Nadine was a member of the golf team and German Club. She was a student ambassador and was awarded the outstanding tutor award. Nadine will be attending Kent State University majoring in Early Childhood Education.

Kyla Jamison is a recent graduate of Salem High School in Salem, Ohio, where she was President of the National Honor Society. Kyla was captain of the basketball team and was in Key Club, served as Student Council Representative, and was co-founder of Youth in Philanthropy. Kyla was also a Teen Ambassador to the Ohio Attorney General. She will be attending the University of Pittsburgh and her field of study will be Political Science.

Katilyn Cavanaugh recently graduated from Forsyth Central High School in Cumming, Georgia. She was a member of the gymnastics team, the track and field team, and the dive team. Katilyn was a member of the National Honor Society, the National Technical Honor Society, and the BETA club. She currently is the school record holder for women's pole vault. She will be attending the University of Georgia in the Fall to begin her journey to become a Nurse Anesthetist.

Morgan Liden graduated from Bishop Hartley High School in Columbus, Ohio. Morgan participated in tennis, lacrosse, and track and field. She was part of the

Model United Nations, the diversity club, the art club and the ski club. Morgan was also a member of the National Honor Society. Morgan is currently undecided where she would like to study Political Science.

Colleen Rooney graduated from Indian Trail High School in Kenosha, Wisconsin where she is a member of the National Honor Society. Colleen was on the lacrosse team. She participated in Student Council, Key Club, Women's Empowerment Club, Link Crew, Spirit Squad, and Stressless Club. She was one of the founding members of the Powderpuff Football Charity game team that supported a local women's and children's safehouse. She will be attending Louisiana State University and her field of study will be in Sports Management.

Heidi Partlow is a recent graduate of Boardman High School in Boardman, Ohio where she received an Honors diploma. She served as President of the Vegan Club. She also participated in the Science Club, Medical Careers Club, and cross country. Heidi plans to attend Youngstown State University and major in Physical Therapy.

David Bierman graduated from A&M Consolidated High School in College Station, Texas. He was a member of the wrestling team and audio/visual club, serving as its treasurer. David plans to attend Texas A&M University and major in Engineering and Construction Science.

Brennan Satola recently graduated from Theodore Roosevelt High School in Kent, Ohio where he was in the National Honor Society. Brennan received the Academic Excellence Award and the Scholar Athlete Award. He was a member of the cross-country team. He was in the One Voice Club, the marching band, the jazz band, the pep band and the wind symphony. Brennan will be attending Bowling Green State University and plans to major in Resort and Attraction Management.

Olivia Gillespie is a graduate of Cloverleaf High School in Lodi, Ohio where she was a member of the National Honor Society. She served on student council and was part of the student leadership team. Olivia was elected class President and played tennis. She will be attending the Fashion Institute of Technology and her field of study will be Fashion Merchandising.

Maxwell Mollish recently graduated from Trinity High School in Washington, Pennsylvania. Maxwell was inducted into the National Honor Society and achieved perfect attendance throughout high school. He played in the marching band, the jazz band, and concert band. He was also in orchestra and choir. Maxwell will be entering his freshman year at West Virginia University and plans to major in Mathematics.

Emely Best is a recent graduate of Ohio Connections Academy in Mason, Ohio where she was on the Honor Roll. Emely was a member of the National Honor Society. She participated in the art club and received science recognition awards. Emely plans to attend Kent State University—Salem campus and her field of study will be Nursing.



Maxwell Mollish



Emely Best



Matthew Parkonen



Aidan Brown



Rachel Kotalik

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Alexander Wynn



Haley Jones



Hailey Schmidts



Georg Lang



Payton Schneider

Matthew Parkonen is a recent graduate of Neshannock High School in New Castle, Pennsylvania where he was a member of the Future Business Leaders of America. Matthew played varsity basketball and helped with the schools' food drives. Matthew plans to attend Youngstown State University and study Civil Engineering.

Aidan Brown is a recent graduate of South Oldham High School in Crestwood, Kentucky. He was on the varsity golf team and played basketball. Aidan plans to attend University of Kentucky and plans to study Business.

Rachel Kotalik is a recent graduate of Waukesha North High School in Waukesha, Wisconsin where she was on the varsity swim team. She also played lacrosse and track. Rachel was also a member of the Key Club. Rachel plans to attend the University of Wisconsin – Stevens Point and her field of study will be Pre-Veterinary Medicine.

Alexander Wynn is a recent graduate of Boardman High School in Boardman, Ohio where he was on the Honor Roll. Alexander played soccer and was in the Spanish Club. He plans to attend Youngstown State University.

Haley Jones is a sophomore at the University of Mount Union. She is majoring in Civil Engineering with a minor in Mathematics. Throughout her freshman year, Haley played on the Women's Soccer Team and she joined two clubs, the ASCE (American Society of Civil Engineering) and Alpha Lambda Delta.

Hailey Schmidts is a student at Illinois State University studying Spanish Teacher Education. One thing that she is very passionate about in her life is exercise. She is constantly finding new ways to stay fit and be healthy all the while looking for new activities to bring others into. Hailey joined the sorority Gamma Phi Beta. Their chapter strives to empower young women and this is a goal she will forever aim to achieve.

Georg Lang successfully completed another academic year at Ohio University as a Computer Science major. He is amazed that he will be embarking on his senior year this fall. He is looking forward to returning to campus in August since COVID had him studying remotely last year. In addition to his school work, Georg was hired as an OU student software engineer, where he was able to work with a team of students to provide software products and services for the university. During the spring, he accepted a software engineer summer internship at Highmark Health in Pittsburgh. One non-academic passion is baseball and he's hoping to join the Ohio University club team when school resumes.

Payton Schneider will be entering her senior year at The Ohio State University majoring in Human Nutrition and Dietetics. She is a member of Delta Gamma sorority and works at Campus Grinds. She also volunteers at the local food bank. In her spare time, Payton loves to be outside, and enjoys reading, exercise and travel.

Dominic Pasquale has just completed his junior year at the University of Pittsburgh majoring in Professional and Media Communications. Due to COVID, Dominic had to postpone his internship with The University of Pittsburgh's Sports Information Director. In the meantime, he has worked at the local golf course while helping a neighbor with his landscape lighting business. Another pastime Dominic has taken up is reading.

Samuel Kuhn will be entering his junior year at the University of Toledo majoring in Engineering. Sam is looking forward to attending in person classes again and being involved on campus. He enjoys being a referee for high school football games in the fall and being an umpire for baseball games in the spring.

Joshua Bierman just completed his junior year at Colgate University in Hamilton, New York. He is an economics major and is interested in pursuing a career in the area of banking and finance. He has been an officer in his Colgate fraternity and participated in voter registration drives. He has worked part-time at the Express retail store. His primary hobby is collecting everything Coca Cola related.

Nicholas Fromel is currently a junior at Youngstown State University majoring in chemistry with a minor in biology. After his undergraduate degree, Nicholas plans to go to dental school, possibly at The Ohio State University. In his free time, he enjoys playing golf, disc golf, fishing, and playing video games.

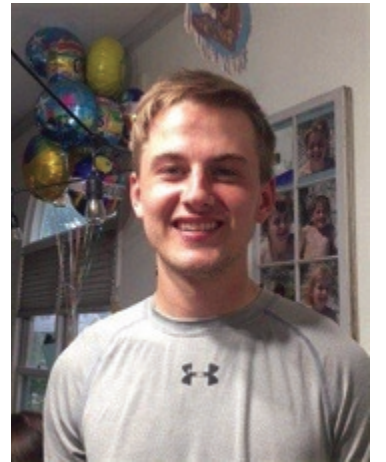
Jillian Mott is currently attending Bowling Green State University studying Inclusive Early Childhood Education. Jillian has always strived to help others and with her major, it will allow her to use her passion of helping people. One of the things she loves to do the most is dance. Jillian has been dancing for 16 years and is continuing her training and performing at college. When she is not at college, she works as a classroom aide and helps teach an adaptive dance class. In her spare time, she hangs out with her family, friends, and pets.

Brianna Tetzloff is going to be a junior at Purdue University majoring in Athletic Training and will be working with the football team this fall. She has been given the opportunity to work with many sports including volleyball, track and field, and wrestling. When she is not busy with her clinical hours or schoolwork, Brianna likes to spend time with friends. They play sand volleyball together when the weather is warm enough and they also get together and have movie nights. She also likes to read books when she has the time and go to the gym for a good workout.

Braedon Gilles will be a sophomore at the University of Wisconsin – Stevens Point majoring in Urban Forestry. He also runs cross country and track. He loves to run, and says it is so fun to compete for his school. During the summer, Braedon will be working for the City of Middleton as a Forestry/Conservancy Lands Intern.



Dominic Pasquale



Samuel Kuhn



Joshua Bierman



Nicholas Fromel



Jillian Mott



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Brianna Tetzloff



Braedon Gilles



Elizabeth Kaufman



Michael Izenour



Alexander Livingston

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Elizabeth Kaufman is currently attending Pittsburgh Technical College studying Surgical Technology and plans to graduate in January, 2022. One of her goals in life has always been to help others. In the medical field, the patient comes first and your goal is to restore wellness and health to those patients. She never would have expected herself to be so interested and fascinated in surgical technology. She is proud of herself for putting in the efforts and finding something she truly loves.

Dalton Cantrell (photo not available) is attending Western Kentucky University and is majoring in Mechanical Engineering. He loves hanging out with friends and working out in his free time.

Michael Izenour will be entering his senior year at the University of Pittsburgh pursuing a degree in finance and supply chain management. At school, Michael has joined the ski club, investment club and is the activities director of the poker club. In his free time, he enjoys mountain biking, skiing, and playing the guitar.

Alexander Livingston is currently attending Owens Community College where he plans to attain an associate's degree in applied science with a main area of study in both electrical engineering technologies and computer science. He is currently learning how to design, manufacture, and maintain control panels for industrial ovens. He hopes to take what he has learned from school and work to further his life and hopefully, someday, positively contribute to society. Alexander also enjoys truck bed rides, off-roading, bicycle riding, adventure walking, traveling, swimming, and learning. He is a self-proclaimed project junkie.

NOTES OF THANKS

... Thank you very much for awarding me the scholarship in memory of Marie Stirner. I very much appreciate it and it will go toward my tuition in the fall.

Payton Schneider

... Thank you so much for awarding me the scholarship in memory of Marie Stirner. This will be greatly beneficial.

Dominic Pasquale

... Thank you so much for the ATS Continuing Education Scholarship. The generosity of the ATS has assisted me greatly in my studies.

Michael Izenour

... Thank you for this generous scholarship. It will be very helpful in pursuing my academic endeavors.

Samuel Kuhn

... Thank you so much for the scholarship in memory of Marie Stirner. I hope to make the ATS proud with my future accomplishments.

Georg Lang

... Thank you so much for choosing me as a scholarship recipient. I appreciate it greatly.

Jillian Mott

... Thank you so much for selecting me to be a recipient of the scholarship in memory of Marie Stirner. I am truly honored.

Hailey Schmidts

... I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for selecting me for the ATS scholarship in memory of Elmer Schneider. It will help me continue my education.

Haley Jones

... I am extremely thankful for the scholarship in memory of Karl and Charlotte Klamer. It will help pay for college and get me one step closer to graduating and becoming a great community member.

Braedon Gilles

... Thank you so much for the Lorain Saxon Ladies Branch 11 Scholarship.

Joshua Bierman

The following excerpts are taken from notes/letters written to the ATS from this year's recipients of ATS Scholarships:

... Thank you for this scholarship opportunity. It will be put to good use and will help me tremendously in reaching my goals and aspirations.

Nicholas Fromel

... Thank you for selecting me as one of the scholarship recipients.

Brianna Tetzloff

... Thank you for the Henry Schindler Memorial Scholarship. This money will go a long way to help to pay for my tuition.

Jacob Sattely

... Thank you so much for awarding me the scholarship. It will be an incredible help. I am grateful to the ATS for choosing me.

Jennifer Zayac

... Thanks to the ATS Scholarship Committee for selecting me for the Julia & Martin Konnerth Memorial Scholarship.

Nadine Kauntz

... Thank you so much to the ATS for the Branch 10 Columbus Scholarship. I greatly appreciate it.

Katilyn Cavanaugh

... Thank you so much for choosing me for the Branch 14 Canton Scholarship. This will help me to attend college.

Morgan Liden

... Thank you very much for awarding me the John F. Spack Scholarship. It is appreciated and will help a lot with college costs.

David Bierman

... Thank you for providing me with this scholarship opportunity. I really appreciate it.

Brennan Satola

... Thanks to the ATS for choosing me as the recipient of the Branch 5 Lorain scholarship. I am so grateful, and this scholarship will aid me in pursuing my dreams.

Olivia Gillespie

... Thank you for selecting me as the recipient of the Dale & Rose Segedi-Kaufman Memorial Scholarship.

Maxwell Mollish

... I would like to express my sincerest gratitude for being chosen as the recipient of the Dr. David E. Schuller Appreciation Scholarship.

Matthew Parkonen



Flag Day, June 14:
Honoring our
national symbol



Only few remains are still preserved from the Gothic basilica of the 14th century and today's church bears the signs of the changes it underwent in the 15th century. The aisles were subject to multiple transformations: the southern arcades were demolished and the wall was heightened. Particularly interesting are the arcades preserved on the northern side featuring profiled columns and various capitals. In order to stand against attacks, the church was fortified: a defence floor was built above the chancel and a battlement walk on the bell tower. Moreover the assembly was surrounded by defence wall with a five-level gate tower. A community house was constructed later on in 1906 by using material left from the partial dismantling of the defence wall.

Place and surroundings

On the journey through the valley of Târnava Mare, just few miles east of Mediaş appears the fortified church of Brateiu, erected in the middle of the village. The bell tower is visible from far away and from its defense level one has a magnificent view of the surroundings.

After protecting for centuries the lives and the goods of the villagers, the fortified church is nowadays part of a training center, result of a successful cooperation between the Evangelical Church A.C. in Romania and the Evangelical Church of Kurhessen Waldeck (in German language only).

Starting with 2008 the craftsmen are trained here in various techniques to gain the skills necessary to properly repair the fortified churches.

At the western edge of the village towards Mediaş the copper-smiths from Brateiu present a shiny and rich offer: all kind of copper objects for various use.



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The flag is the symbol of our national unity, our national endeavor, our national aspiration. It tells of the struggle for independence, of union preserved, of liberty and union one and inseparable, of the sacrifices of brave men and women to whom the ideals and honor of this nation have been dearer than life.

The first flag was adopted in 1777 and it had 13 stars and 13 stripes. It changed July 4, 1960 to accommodate 50 stars with the admission of Hawaii to the union.

There have been 27 different flags featuring the stars and stripes, changing as states were admitted to the union.

When the flag is folded in ceremony, it is folded into a triangle with 13 folds, each representing an idea. The folded flag represents the three-cornered hat, the kind worn by George Washington and others during the Revolutionary War.

Interestingly, Flag Day falls in June, as does Father's Day. The 10th fold is a tribute to fathers who give their sons and daughters to defend the country. The 9th fold represents women, honoring their character traits of faith, love, loyalty and devotion.

Luther's response was that he took his 3,000 students from Wittenberg University and burned canonical books in a bonfire. Luther did have a flare for the dramatics. Luther throws a bull (figure) into the fire and the students' cheer.

Then Luther writes a reply to the pope and titles it, 'Against the bull of the Antichrist.' Obviously, there was no misunderstanding on what Luther thought about the request to repent. After this reply Luther is excommunicated. Then he is called before Charles V, the emperor of the Holy Roman Empire. A confidant of Luther's realizes if he is called to Rome that Luther will never return. So his confidant negotiates a meeting in the alternate location of Worms, a more neutral location. At the Diet of Worms, the emperor asks Luther 2 questions:

- 1. Do you recant all the errors in your writings?
- 2. Who are you to go against 1,500 years of the teaching of the church?

Luther replies to the first question with a tactful response of I will recant of any errors in my writings that are contrary to Holy Scripture—basically what he is saying yes I will recant of any errors in my writings that go against Holy Scripture, but since I have no errors against the Holy Scripture the question is really meaningless, in brief terms, I am not going to do it.

The answer to the second question posed to be more perplexing. Luther did not have an answer. Luther stalled by saying if you give me a day I will have an answer and reply to that question. The next day Luther comes back and has a response. Luther says, "There is no 1,500 years of the church, because our teachers have contradicted themselves, and further states my conscience is bound to the Word of God, unless you can convince me from the Word of God, it is neither right nor safe to deny one's conscience, here I stand, so help me God." The result of the comments and the Diet of Worms is that Luther is an enemy of the church and treasonous of the state, he is a criminal.

Luther did not leave Worms. He stays there 10 more days. The church and the state cannot figure out what to do with him, because they have threatened him and he would not change his position. So the emperor and church come up with a solution. All along they thought Luther was just seeking the fame, greed and

limelight, and was without true conviction. So they offer him a promotion, they offer him to become a cardinal. This incensed Luther even more, as he felt he was further justified that the church was corrupt.

On the way back to Wittenberg, the head and founder of the University of Wittenberg, knows that Luther is as good as dead. So he comes up with a scheme. He arranges a capture of Luther. He has a student spread a rumor that Luther is dead. Soldiers take him to a castle at Eisenach (Wartburg Castle). For 9 months, Luther is hidden in the castle. They give him an assumed name of Knight Junker Jorg. While holed up in the castle, Luther translates the New Testament to German in seven weeks. Luther considered all the dialects of Germany and came up with words that would best translate to all Germans. Later he translates the entire Old Testament in 34 weeks. Luther spends his time organizing his movement, the Reformation. During those 9 months, Luther would write 'On the Bondage of the Will.' The basis of this writing is that no one can achieve salvation or redemption through their own will power, that salvation is the product of God unilaterally changing a person's heart and turning them to good.

There was much chaos in Wittenburg. Followers of Luther had differing views and ideas of how to continue the process of the Reformation. Some of the followers were radical in their ideas and other could not continue to convince followers of the confirmation. Martin Luther decided it was necessary to come out of hiding and implement the ideas, framework and organization of the Reformation that he had developed in while in seclusion at Wartburg Castle.

Martin Luther and the Reformation would implement a movement that would change Germany, Europe and the entire world. The Reformation impacted Transylvanian Saxons. Because Transylvanian Saxons still had strong ties through trading and heritage exchange with their German roots, the Reformation spread quickly to Transylvania and resulted in an extensive religious transformation of the Saxons. This concludes the look at Martin Luther.

HUMOR

For those who don't want Alexa listening in on your conversations, they are making a male version...it doesn't listen to anything.



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