

ATS Founded in 1902

July 9, 2021

BRANCH 27, NEW CASTLE By Dolores Both

Our president, Marie Benedict, opened our June 10, 2021 meeting with a big smile saying, "It's been a long, long time seeing everyone!" (We last met on March 5, 2020, 15 months ago.) We had an enthusiastic turnout for our meeting and indoor picnic. It's hard to believe, but letters were read from 2020 and 2021. Marie asked if members knew of any ill members, to please let her know. Our dues collection has gone well.

Social activities to think about doing as Covid-19 restrictions are lifted: Amish countryside tour of our area and/or attend a play at the New Castle Playhouse. Dolores Both will find out more information and try to schedule something later this summer or fall.

Good and Welfare: The club opens at 5:00. The men are busy remodeling the kitchen at the club and are open to donations towards the kitchen project. It's an expensive and greatly needed renovation and any donations will be greatly appreciated. Branch 27 donated \$2,000.

At this point in time, we are not permitted to hold our annual Octoberfest. Let's hope next year will be a better year for public events.

President Marie announced for our ladies to think of who may be interested in running for president when elections come up in December. She has been president for quite a while and feels it's time to step down and have a younger person take over.

After our meeting, we enjoyed a delicious indoor picnic and visiting with each other. We surprised

Can't wait for the postal delivery of your Volksblatt?



Current and back issues can be read on the ATS Website www.atsaxons.com Marie with a belated Happy Birthday Party. She is now 80 years young and we had a cake, a card, and plenty of hearty singing to celebrate her. We weren't on key, but we sang good and loud! Happy Birthday Marie!

Next meeting will be July 7 at Kings Family Restaurant. Dinner is at 4:00 p.m. at members own expense. Meeting will be right after dinner. Members are welcome to come to the meeting only if they prefer. Please call Dolores Both 724 658-7407 to let her know you'll be there for dinner. The restaurant requested we let them know how many guests they need to prepare for.

> BRANCH 4, CLEVELAND By Joan Miller-Malue

We missed a few members at our June meeting and are hoping to see our loyal members at our September meeting. We are taking a summer break and will not have a business meeting until September.

But the Sachsenheim will be busy throughout the summer with the following events: Saturday, July 17 the Sausage and Beer Fest from 7-10 p.m. Cost is \$40 for all you can eat and drink. Tickets can be purchased in advance at the Club or that day.

On Wednesday, August 11 will be the Lagerfest and Saturday, August 28 the Oktoberfest. And of course, our weekly Taco Tuesdays, Wednesday Wing Night, Thursday Burger Night and Friday, Fish dinners (the mussels are delicious).

Mark your calendar for Sunday, September 19 for the Membership Banquet. Children's Halloween Party will be Friday, October 29

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Denise Aeling Crawford ATS Nat'l President



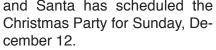
We have two dates for upcoming ATS National events that you need to put on your calendar. The 2021 ATS Open Bowling tournament will be held on Saturday and Sunday, October 23rd and 24th. Thank you, Cleveland West bowlers, for hosting. The bowling will take place at the RollHouse Bowling alleys on Brookpark Road. The other event is the 2022 North American Heimattag. This will take place in Salem, Ohio on July 8th to the 10th, 2022. Thank you, Salem, for agreeing to host this event for us. Look for details in future issues of the Volksblatt. And, of course, coming up in a couple weeks on July 24th is the ATS Family Day at Waldameer. If you haven't ordered your tickets yet, contact the Home Office as soon as you can. I'm looking forward to seeing you at all of these events!

The ATS Board of Directors has created a new Fraternal Benefit program: The ATS Student Loan Debt Relief Grant. The program is designed to provide financial support to our college graduates who have student loans. A grant in the amount of \$500 will be awarded to qualifying applicants through a random drawing. It doesn't matter how old you are, just that you have been an ATS member for four years and out of school for at least two years. Applicants must be current on their student loans and have been active in their Local Branch activities or ATS National activities or other volunteer involvement. Please look for the advertisement in this issue of the Volksblatt for the Request Form that needs to be sent into the Home Office to receive the application. Deadline for the applications will be September 1, 2021.

I hope everyone had a wonderful 4th of July. It is a time to celebrate the freedoms that we have in our country. For those of us that are second, third, or fourth generation Americans, we sometimes take those freedoms for granted. For those who were born elsewhere and immigrated here, you probably hold those freedoms a little closer to your heart.

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TIMELY - DO NOT DELAY MAILED WEDNESDAY, JULY 7, 2021 Attention Postmaster: Send all Changes of Address to: The Alliance of Transylvanian Saxons 5323 Pearl Road Cleveland, OH 44129-1503



We look forward to seeing you at these events. We appreciate your support to keep the Sachsenheim a part of our lives.



Did you know the Declaration of Independence was written on a laptop? Not today's version of a laptop. Thomas Jefferson drafted the Declaration of Independence on a writing desk that could fit over one's lap. This type of desk was referred to at that time as a "laptop". Also, according to 15 Fun Facts about the Fourth of July, we didn't actually declare Independence on the 4th of July. The official vote for Independence occurred two days before and the "Declaration" was published in the papers on July 4th. Two men signed the Declaration on July 4, 1776. They were Charles Thompson and John Hancock. The remaining 54 signatures were added over the course of the next month. Fifty years later, both Thomas Jefferson, age 82, and John Adams, age 90, both died on July 4, 1826 within five hours of each other on the 50th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence.

Until next time....

Schloss Horneck needs OUR help!



Schloss Horneck located in Gundelsheim, Germany is the international location for our Siebenbürger Sachsens 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

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Zipcode	

Amount Donated \$_

Please indicate if donation is in memory or honor of someone

BRANCH 5, LORAIN By Michael Johnson

Well, here we are half way thru 2021 and we're still feeling the after effects of the global pandemic. It feels like when after a big storm you poke your head out the door and look around to see if it's safe to go out. It feels so good not to have to wear the face covering, but at the same time there's many who still do voluntarily. And then there are store employees, workers, public food workers still under mandate to wear them. I still have to wear one where I work. In time I'm sure that we'll look at it like any other potential disease that may infect our bodies as we move through each day in whatever each of us is doing. That's when it will be "back to normal". We had a good dinner at The Shipyards restaurant before heading to the Slovak Club for our June meeting. This would be the last meeting until we meet again for the Branch 5 picnic being held at Lakeview Park on Sunday August 15th, 2021. We have Pavilion #1 reserved from 1:00 p.m. till

5:00 p.m. which is at the west end of the park. Make your reservation to attend by calling brother Brian Gilles at (440) 315-5214 or by e-mail at bgilles74@ yahoo.com no later than August 8th. Let him know how many in your family will be attending and what side dish or dessert you would like to bring. The Branch will be providing the main dish, tableware, and beverage. To our older members who may not drive, don't let that stop you from attending. If you need a ride let Brian know and we can arrange transportation so that you can come and enjoy this time with our members, we'd love to see you! Face covering is not required, but if you choose to wear one we'll not judge anyone who makes that choice. Ournextregularscheduled branch meeting will be on Monday, September 20th. 2021 at 7:00 p.m. As of the last meeting there is no one receiving sick benefits or has reported an accident or illness at this time.

Remember taxes?

It's easy to procrastinate during the lazy hazy days of summer, but if the topic is taxes, it's past time to figure out a plan. No need for panic, though -- you usually have options, even at this late date.

The deadline to file this year was May 17. If you missed the deadline, hopefully you filed for an extension, but if not, do that now. You can request it for free via Free File on the IRS website, or else contact your accountant -- who has probably already been pestering you -- ASAP to do so.

Remember that an extension on filing does not equate to an extension on payments, however. If you owe taxes, you should have paid a tax estimate by May 17. Again, you have an option to request an extension. You can request a six-month extension, though you will accrue interest.

If you have children, you've got a potential extra incentive to file: You might be able to get an advance on the 2021 child tax credit, which was expanded in the March aid package. This year's credit is \$3,000 per child ages 6-17 and \$3,600 for children under six.

Eligible parents can opt to receive up to half of that in payments starting in July. Parents of children under six could receive payments of \$300 from July to December, while those with children 6-17 could receive \$250 a month.

One caveat? You need to have filed your 2020 return. If you do opt for the installments, you'll calculate how much of an advance you received when you file your 2021 taxes to receive the remainder.

The TSBA convention was attended by sister Monica Gilles and she reported that the league will start in September. If you would like to bowl this season with Branch 5 contact Monica by August 15th, 2021 at (440) 309-7894 or by e-mail at gillemo76@hotmail.com to let her know if you are interested. Happy Birthday to those celebrating in this month of July, sisters Dana Brown, Denise Weiler, brothers Scott Kranstuber, and Kyle Cassidy, as well as Junior members Lauryn Davis, Kailey Hochevar, Addison Long, and Kaden Windham. May you all enjoy your special day!

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You may either **MAIL:**

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

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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

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BRANCH 9, CHICAGO By Rose-Marie Hauer

Greetings to all the members and our Saxon friends! We are back! Please plan on attending our Annual Picnic on July 18. You should have received a flyer in the mail! It will be so nice to see everyone. If you did not receive a flyer here is the information. We will be in Grove 1 of Linne Woods (Dempster & Ferris Road) in Morton Grove, IL starting the day at 11:00am. 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).

Branch 9 is pleased to announce that we have two ATS Scholarship winners as well as two college graduates. We are so proud of these individuals and wish them the best of luck in the future.

ATS Scholarship Win-<u>ners</u>

Recipient of the \$1000 Rev. & Mrs. John Foisel Memorial Scholarship

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. She is the granddaughter of Sister Anna Salmen.

Recipient of the \$1000 in memory of Marie Stirner Scholarship

Hailey Schmidts is a student at Illinois State University studying Spanish Teacher 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. She is the daughter of Brother Herwig Schmidts and granddaughter of Sister Hildegard Schmidts.

College Graduates

Stephanie Schmidt graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in Sports Management with a minor is Spanish Studies and a Human Resource Development Certification from the University of Minnesota-Twin Cities. During her time at the U, she was a part of Sports Management Association, UMN's chapter of Women in Sports and Events (WISE) and served as the secretary of Y Connect on Campus, a volunteering organization that connects the campus Y to university students. During her time at university, she has made the Dean's List each semester, maintaining a GPA of 3.67 or higher. She will be staying in Minnesota where she will be working as a contractor for Minnesota Sports and Events working on the NCAA's Women's Final Four community programs: Read to the Final Four and Bounce. She will also be serving as a member of the WFF Local Organizing Committee. Stephanie is the daughter of Brother Michael Schmidt and Sister Claudia Schmidt.

Karina Thut graduated from Harper College with an associate's degree.

She will be working towards her Bachelor's Degree for Business Administration/Management at DePaul University through the Harper College University program, where she will be taking De Paul classes, but at the Harper campus. Karina looks forward to this next chapter in her life and to see where it takes her. Education. One thing that Karina is the daughter of she is very passionate about Brother George and Sister Dede Thut.



Stephanie Schmidt



Karina Thut



ATS Family Day at Waldameer and Water World 3100 West Lake Road Erie, Pa. RAVIN FLYER Saturday, July 24, 2021 Over100 Attractions and Waterpark full of Wet n' Wild Fun for Everyone **Discounted Tickets for Combo** Pass -Amusement Park Rides and Water World ATS has reserved a Picnic Pavilion – "Coaster #1" **ATS Member** \$14.00 **Non-Member** \$29.75 Free Parking (Children under age 1 Free unless Free Admission to Picnic they want to enter Water World) **Facility and Amusement Park** Hours for Water World 11 am - 7 pm Bring Your Own Picnic Basket Waldameer Rides Noon-9pm Grill available by Pavilion 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: Telephone Address _State_ Zipcode City 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

I hope this article finds you in good health. All the best to all of you and enjoy your 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

Waldameer Family Fun Park, Erie PA

ATS Family Day at Waldameer

NATIONAL EVENTS July 24, 2021

October 23 - 24, 2021



Ι. The meeting was called to order by President Glenn Spack on June 12, 2021, at 10:30 a.m. in Salem, 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. 11. Glenn Spack appointed Wayne Suts to act as Sergeant-At-Arms. III. Roll Call of Officers President – Glenn Spack (present) Vice President- Tom Simon (excused) Statistical Secretary- CJ Schmitz (present) Secretary/Treasurer- Jenny King (present) Auditors-Rich Baker, Monica Gilles (both present) and Karen Kinser (excused) A motion was made IV. by Monica Gilles followed by a second by Rich Baker to dispense with the reading of the minutes from the 63rd TSBAConvention, since they had already been accepted. All were in favor. Motion

64th TSBA Convention Minutes

V. The roll call of delegates showed 12 people present and eligible to vote.

VI. There was no Unfinished Business.

VII. Honorariums and Allowances to stay the same.

VIII. 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.

IX. Vice President Tom Simon, Secretary/Treasurer Jenny King, Auditors Monica Gilles and Karen Kinser all accepted another term in their respected positions. Rich Baker made a motion to cast a unanimous ballot to reelect Officers to their respected positions. Carl Schmitz seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried. ATS President Dennis Crawford performed the installation of Officers.

X. City Representatives were set for the 2021-2022 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.

Alliance	Karen Kinser	(330) 581-5049		
Cleveland East	Wayne Suts	(440) 279-3330		
Cleveland West	CJ Schmitz	(440) 799-1940		
Lorain	Monica Gilles	(440) 309-789		
New Castle	Rich Baker	(724) 854-0149		
Salem	Glenn Spack	(330) 332-817		
Youngstown	Tom Simon	(330)720-7988		

XI. Tentative Schedule for 2020-2022

Tentative Number of Teams

September 26	Salem	2
October 17	Youngstown	2
November 7	Cleveland West	3
December 5	Lorain (no meal)	2
January 16	Cleveland East (no meal)	2
February 6	New Castle	4
March 20	Youngstown	1
	(Allia	nce)

April 2 & 3 Tournament in Salem (April 23 & 24 if April 2 & 3 is not available)

*Tournament forms will be available at the February session and will be due on March 20, 2022.

Cleveland West will host the TSBA Tournament in 2023. New Castle will host the 65th TSBA Convention on June 11, 2022. Cleveland West accepted bid for the 66th TSBA Convention in 2023.

XII. The minutes of the 64th TSBA Convention were read by Secretary/Treasurer Jenny King. A motion was made by Monica Gilles and a second by Arline Suts to accept the reading of the minutes and adjourn the 64th TSBA Convention. All were in favor. President Glenn Spack thanked all who attended.

Fraternally Submitted, Jenny King

ATS Open Bowling Tournament Host: Cleveland West Bowlers Rollhouse Bowling Alleys May 22-23, 2022 **ATS Convention** Host: Cleveland East Br. 33 **Cleveland Marriott East Hotel, Beachwood OH** Julv 8 - 10. 2022 North American Saxon Heimattag Host: Branches 18 and 19 Salem OH LOCAL EVENTS July 17, 2021 **Cleveland Sachsenheim Sausage and Beer Fest** 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 11, 2021 **Cleveland Sachsenheim Lagerfest** August 15, 2021 Lorain Br. 5 Picnic, Lakeview Park August 28, 2021 **Cleveland Sachsenheim Oktoberfest** September 19, 2021 **Cleveland West Branches 1 & 4 Membership Banquet** October 29, 2021 **Cleveland West Children's Halloween Party** December 4, 2021 Cleveland East Br. 33 Sausage Sale December 12, 2021 **Cleveland East Br. 33 Christmas Banquet Cleveland West Children's Christmas Party**



Introducing our newest Fraternal Benefit Program: The ATS Student Loan Debt Relief Grant

Qualifying applicants must:

- Be an ATS member for 4 years.
- Be out of school for at least two years.
- Have an annuity certificate with a balance of at least \$1,000 or a life insurance policy.
- Be current with their loan payments.
- Have been involved with ATS National or Local events during the past two years or proof of volunteer involvement during the past two years.



carried.

The intent of this program is to provide financial support in the form of a grant to qualifying ATS members who have graduated from college, have been out of school for at least two years, and still owe on their student loans.

Selection of grant recipients will be determined by a random drawing conducted by the ATS Scholarship

Request for ATS Student Loan Debt Relief Grant application

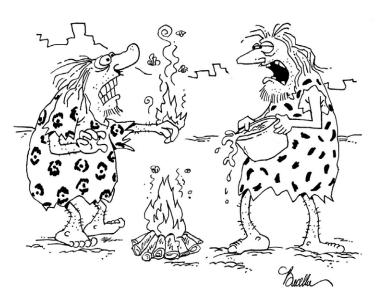
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Committee. Selected recipients will be awarded \$500, payable to the lending institution.

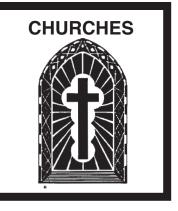
Send in the attached Request Form to receive the Application. Requests must be received by August 20, 2021. The completed Application, along with the supporting documentation, must be returned to the ATS Home Office by September 1, 2021.

Mail Request Form to: ATS Home Office 5323 Pearl Road Cleveland, OH 44129





"Are you the party who called tech support?"



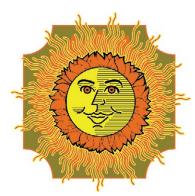
St. Peter's German and Saxon Lutheran Church 11423 Chicago Rd. Warren, Michigan 48093 (586) 979-3850 stpeters _church@sbcglobal.net www.stpeterswarren.or

10:00 Bilingual Service Nursery Coffee following service Senior Circle Sunday School Church Choir Bell Choir

St. John's Lutheran Church 1000 Ford Road Highland Hts., Ohio (440) 449-1334

Rev. Barbara Holzhauser Pastor

10:00 Worship Service



How to treat a sunburn

If you missed a spot with sunscreen or forgot it entirely, you may have to cope with a sunburn at the end of your pool or beach day.

Once you notice a burn, stay out of the sun.

Start cooling water imme-

BRANCH 10, COLUMBUS By Donald Blum

MARTIN HESCH †

It is with a sad heart that I tell you that Martin Hesch has passed away. Martin was battling a recovery from a serious fall. While Martin has lost this battle, in the end he has won the war. Martin is in God's hands now. He is no longer suffering the pains of this world. Martin is joining family and friends in heaven.

Martin Hesch, 85, of Pickerington, Ohio passed away June 29, 2021. He is preceded in death by parents Martin and Maria (Hendel) Hesch, brother John Hesch; in-laws Emil and Elizabeth (Diez) Barth. Martin is survived by his beloved wife Dorothea (Barth); children Christine (Todd) Oehlman, Steven (Johnna) Hesch; grandchildren Kathryn and Caroline (Justin Fotiuk) Oehlman and Andrew (Andrea Bacho) and Justin Hesch. Many brotherand-sister-in-laws, nieces, nephews and cousins in Central Ohio, Florida, South Carolina, Kitchener, Canada and throughout Germany.

Martin was an active member of the Alliance of Transylvania Saxons, Branch 10. He had several roles throughout his lifetime with the organization. From cooking meals for the weekly dinners, to attending Saturday night dances with Dorothea, to singing in the Sachsenchor (at the S. Front Street location), to his final role of being the President of the organization.

Visitation was Monday, July 5th, at O.R. Woodyard Funeral Home, 1346 S. High Street, Columbus. Funeral was Tuesday, July 6th at Epiphany Lutheran, Pickerington with interment at Violet Cemetery, Pickerington. Donations can be made in Martin's name to Epiphany Lutheran Church or Ronald

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

CELEBRATIONS Birthdays

Please join me in wishing a very Happy Birthday to Katherine Guerard (July 7th), Hans Duerr (July 8th), Andrew Betts (July 10th), Robert Hesch (July 11th), Regina Kellner (July 20th). We hope they have a wonderful celebration and wish them many more happy birthdays.

FACEBOOK PAGE Alliance of Transylvanian Saxons, Columbus Branch 10

We will continue to modify and improve the Facebook page as needed. You are invited to join our Facebook group and share your Saxon history or just enjoy what others post. If you are interested in becoming part of the Facebook group you can request an invitation or send me your email address (donaldcblum@prodigy.net), and we will set you up. You do not need to be a member of Columbus Branch 10.

We are happy to say, we continue to add Saxon/German heritage individuals to the Facebook Group. Some of the members include people from all over the US, Canada and Europe. We encourage you to spread the word about our group. We now have 124 Facebook members. Willkommen!

SAXON HISTORY - Monarchs, Empires, Kings, Queens, Dukes, Voidvodes, Rulers, etc. that impacted Transylvanian Saxons

I have found the history of Transylvanian Saxons to be extremely interesting. Beginning in the next issue, we will review the individuals that had an impact on Transylvanian Saxons lives. We will sort out the leaders and find out about how they fit into our Saxon history.

BRANCH 30, YOUNGSTOWN By Rosemarie Kascher

Our next general meeting will be the second Sunday in July, July 11 at 2:00 p.m. in the Ballroom.

The Youngstown Saxon Club is still open three days a week; Sundays from 9:30 a.m. till 2:00 p.m. with Wednesdays and Fridays, from 4:30 p.m. till 9:00 p.m.

Since our Club is experiencing age related needs we are asking for help from volunteers with general maintenance and building experience to help with repairs. Even if you can donate a little time, please contact the office 330-792-7973 or one of our officers. Your help is truly appreciated.

Also, we need volunteers to be at the Club during rentals so a member can be available and close the Club. If you can volunteer for an event, call the office. Thank you.

Even though we are open, we ask you to use good health practices while in the Club; distancing and masks when not eating or drinking, please.

Saxon Day will be held July 25th in the pavillion with free food and beer for members. Please show your card when entering and you will receive a wrist band entitling you to a free meal and beer. Liquor can be purchased at the bar. Non-members pay \$5.00 per person.

It is important that you make a reservation in advance so that we can prepare adequate food and refreshments for the day. Please phone the office at 330-792-7973, e-mail ygstsc@zoom internet.net or sign up at the bar to make a reservation or volunteer to help, regular or social members, please. Contact Rosemarie Zamary 330-792-0388 or Julaine Gilmartin 330-720-8127 to help in the kitchen Pavillion from 1:00 p.m.- 3:00 p.m., from 3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. or help with clean-up at the end so please volunteer to help for a couple hours, all ladies or men, then enjoy the picnic with your contribution to Saxon Day. Contributions of baked goods are also appreciated.



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.

Marcelene A. Cessna Age 89 Died: June 13, 2021 Branch 30, Youngstown, OH

Martin Hesch Age 85 Died: June 28, 2021 Branch 10, Columbus, OH

Pandemic takes another toll

The numbers are still preliminary, but it appears that drug overdose deaths have skyrocketed during the pandemic.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has found that during the 12-month period ending in May 2020, drug overdose deaths reached 81,230 -- the highest number ever recorded in such a time frame.

The CDC also reported an increase in synthetic opiods, "likely illicitly manufactured fentanyl."

According to the National Institute for Occupational Safety & Health, 37 percent of all opioid overdose deaths involve a prescription drug.

In June, the National Safety Council called for employers to prioritize employee mental health, warning of a possible increase in substance abuse.

diately. A cool water cloth could be handy in a pinch. At home, take slow-running cool showers throughout the day.

Take ibuprofen for pain and swelling.

Aloe vera is helpful for soothing skin.

Stay hydrated. Drink more water than usual.

Don't pop blisters. Dress in loose clothing with a tight knit.

Stay out of the sun.

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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 Officenter Place Gahanna, Ohio 43230 Monday, July 19, 2021 Time 12:00 noon Our meetings are the Third (3rd) Monday of the month.

HUMOR

Have you ever noticed that all instruments searching for intelligent life are pointing away from Earth?



Because of the Pandemic, our Saxon Club is being able to move forward because you choose to volunteer. Thank you, and the best of of health to each of you. Uncertain employment and the resultant family stresses were bad, but treatment and recovery centers were also put into isolation, with few in-person recovery meetings. This put increased stress on those in recovery or seeking help for addiction.

Telehealth systems have taken up some of the slack, but recovery systems must return to operation.

Bußd bei Mediasch / Buzd



Although the construction date of the church is unknown, its chancel was built in the late 14th century. In order to offer protection from the hillside, the chancel was fortified by adding three more defence levels, thus rising far above the nave. The upper fortification system can be accessed through a small spiral staircase and is situated above the rib vault. The ring wall built one century later, once over 6m tall, was downsized and its gate tower converted to a house for the castle guardian. The western Gothic portal features stylistic characteristics specific for the Medias area. A Neoclassic side gallery characterizes the nave's interior, while the Baroque altar dominates the chancel. Here, next to the Gothic tabernacle and dated to the same period, one can find the beautiful portal to the sacristy. Another interesting characteristic is the wooden roofed staircase leading to the fortress.

Place and surroundings

The imposing fortified chancel is what impresses at first sight about the evangelical church in Buzd. The respectable old building settled on a steep slope seems as trying once to climb up the mountain, but losing its strength halfway up, it had to surrender and remained to rest its massive body on the abrupt slope. In fact the building underwent two distinct stages of construction, which explains its appearance. The

chancel and the nave were not built in the same time. The unusual height of the fortified chancel stands for the requirements of a good defence: to offer protection against possible attacks coming from the hill side by allowing lookouts over the nearby hilltop into the side valley of the Târnava Mare river, in order to observe the approaching enemies in time and to avoid the surprise attacks.



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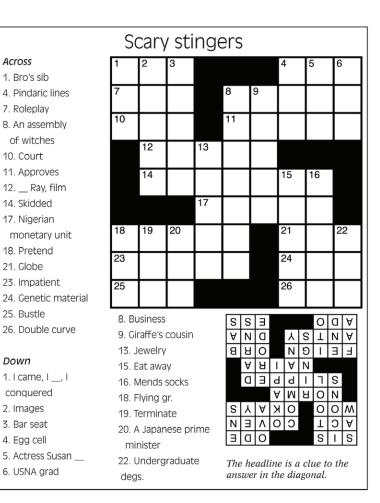
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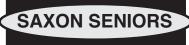
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