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Christmas is About Christ

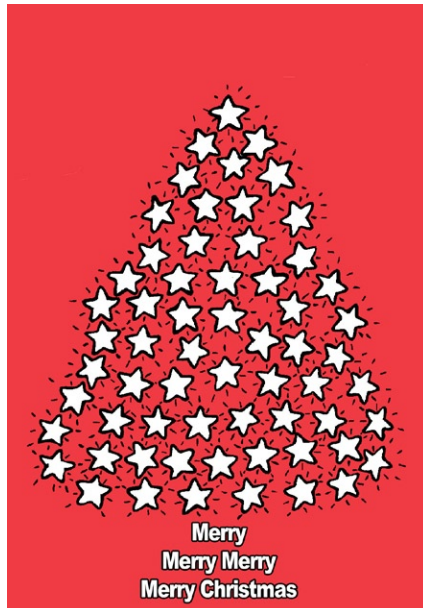
*I heard a song the other day
and the years just fell away.
I felt myself a child again
and remembering Christmas when;
things were simpler or so they seemed
toys and candy is what I dreamed.
The Christmas story I heard with joy
as I hugged a Christmas toy.
I did not fathom the real worth
of that child's humble birth.
Today however it is quite clear
when the Christmas story I hear.
Just how great was our Father's gift
given to mend the sinful drift.
To save all souls from endless night
and guide us to the heavenly light.
May Christmas bring Christ to all mankind
so salvation all may find.*

*An original poem by Judith E. Both
Christmas 2021*



Birth of Christ. Panel painting from the 500-year-old winged altar in Bogeneschdorf, 1518 (attributed to Johann Stoss in Schäßburg).

Photo: Martin Eichler



**BRANCH 27,
NEW CASTLE**
By Dolores Both

Branch 27 ladies met at Kings Restaurant on December 1, 2021 for their Christmas Party. After we had our meal and opened our presents, we had a brief meeting. Instead of exchanging gifts, the members donated money to the Orphans Fund. This amount was matched by the Treasury. Branch 27 also donated to the Kinderchor and to the club in support of the kitchen project.

Doris Shenker reported that she contacted all the officers and they agreed to stay in their positions except Glorie Geisel. Judy Both agreed to fill Glorie's trustee position.

Door prizes were won by Sherry Fenske, Linda Stoops and Helen Burick. Rosemarie Montini informed the ladies of the exciting plans in progress for the Children's Christmas Party.

Mark your calendar: There will not be any meetings in January or February due to weather conditions. Next meeting will be March 2, 2022, at the club at 3:30 pm.

We hope everyone enjoys the original poem "Christmas is About Christ" written by Judy Both. Our best wishes to everyone for a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Denise Aeling Crawford
ATS Nat'l President



I want to wish everyone a happy, healthy and prosperous New Year! We all hoped that 2021 would be better than 2020. In ways it was, in other ways, it was not. Let's hope the year 2022 will be better than ever.

Thank you to Branch 26 – Merrillville, IN for the invitation to their Branch Christmas dinner that was held on Sunday, December 5th. The meal at the restaurant was terrific. I enjoyed meeting and talking to those who attended. I also had the privilege of installing their Branch Officers to their positions. What a wonderful day!

I also wish to thank Branch 30 – Youngstown, OH for their invitation. I attended their monthly Branch Meeting on Sunday, December 12th. At the end of their meeting, I had the privilege to install their Branch Officers to their positions. Following the meeting, the Branch held their Christmas Dinner. The Club has a new chef. The food was wonderful. The piano player playing Christmas music was terrific. It was great to see and talk to so many people that afternoon. I really enjoyed the day.

On Saturday, December 11th, the Board of Directors held its last meeting of the year at the ATS Home Office. The Third Quarter financial statements filed with the NAIC and the Ohio Department of Insurance were reviewed. The ATS is on track to have another good financial year. Committee reports and updates were given. Preparations for the 2022 Convention and Heilmattag will renew after the first of the year. The interest rate on annuities was reviewed, with no change in what is being credited to accounts. Remember that we're paying 3% on all new annuity accounts, with a guaranteed rate of 1.75%. The next Board of Directors meeting will be held in March, after the 2021 year-end financials are completed and filed.

Did you know different countries and cultures celebrate New Year's Eve and Day with different foods and traditions? For example, in the southern US, Ireland, Germany and Italy, leafy greens and legumes (peas, beans, peanuts, etc.) are associated with financial fortune. The Japanese eat long noodles as the long noodles signify long life. In Portugal, Hungary, Austria and Cuba, pork is a standard New Year food and it signifies prosperity and progress. A Spanish and Mexican tradition is eating 12 grapes at midnight. While eating the grapes, they will make wishes. Greece, Mexico and the Netherlands go for ring-shaped pastries and cakes, which signify that the year has come to a full circle. In the Philippines, round shapes or fruits representing coins are set on the table to symbolize prosperity in the New Year. An abundance of food on the table that night is believed to ensure a prosperous New Year. Australia celebrates the New Year with a barbecue and grilling sausage, steak and lamb. (Don't forget, their New Year's Eve comes in summertime.)

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BRANCH 26, MERRILLVILLE
By Helen Brooks

On December 5 Saxon Lodge Branch 26 of Merrillville gathered at Gamba Ristorante for our Christmas party and installation of officers.

President Jeff Szostek welcomed all members and guests. We were served a good meal.

Special guests were ATS President Denise Crawford along with her mother, Helen Aeling.

I had the pleasure of sharing the evening with Helen Aeling.

Once dinner was over, Denise installed the officers who were all retained from the previous year.

We wish all a very Merry Christmas. Stay safe and healthy.

I am a Saxon

I am a Saxon I'm proud to say,
From old noble Saxon roots.
Where is there a race so brave
With no one master, no one slave
Just honest men, German and free,
My Saxon folk, I'll stay true to you.

I am a Saxon I'm proud to say,
From old noble Saxon roots.
Though surrounded by threatening foes
We stand united by danger and death.
We will not fear their rage and cry,
My Saxon folk, I'll stay true to you.

I am a Saxon I'm proud to say,
From old noble Saxon roots.
We'll preserve in distressing times
No matter how long and fierce the fight.
We trust that God is on our side,
My Saxon folk, I'll stay true to you.

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 donations 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, 5323 Pearl Road, Cleveland, OH 44129.

Please make your check payable to the ATS.

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or honor of someone

PRESIDENT'S
MESSAGE

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In Ireland, an old tradition is to bake huge cakes, smash them, and eat the crumbs, in hopes of a plentiful New Year. For the Irish, eating a big feast on New Year's is meant to avoid starvation in the year to come. In Sweden, rice pudding is served with an almond hidden inside. Whoever finds the almond will receive good fortune all through the New Year. I believe that most of the Transylvanian Saxon people celebrate the New Year with the traditional sausage and sauerkraut or cabbage rolls, also known as Pigs in the Blanket. Whatever foods you like to celebrate with, enjoy it. Happy New Year!

Until next time....

Riddle Rattle

Where do spies shop?
At the Snoopermarket

What's Santa's favorite hobby?
Must be gardening, he always says, "Hoe, hoe, hoe."

Where do wasps go on holiday?
Singapore.

How can you contact a fish?
Drop him a line.

What song do monsters sing at Christmas time?
"Deck the halls with poison ivy, Fal-la-la, la-la..."

Find the secret Christmas message: A, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, i, j, k, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z.
Noel (No L).

What do you call a foot with a rocket tied to it?
A Missiletoe.

What do you get when a cat walks along the beach?
Sandy Claws!

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Please have your articles in by 12 Noon.

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Have you emailed your article past 12 Noon?

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BRANCH 32, ELLWOOD CITY
By Docia Jacobs

Branch 32 has been very busy since the summer break in September. We held a pot luck meal at our monthly meeting.

In October we held the annual Trunk or Treat for the children. There was a good turnout of kids in a variety of costumes and many adults with trunks full of treats. Door prizes were given to all participants & a pumpkin was presented to each.

Several children decorated the club Christmas tree. Thanks!

On December 8 the Ladies

dinner was held. And on the 11th, the children's party was held. The kids sang Christmas carols to welcome Santa. Santa gave each one a stocking filled with treats and an ornament. The kids made "reindeer food" to take home. Snacks were then served and then we listened to "The Night before Christmas."

We are looking forward to 2022 and a successful year.

Wishing you all a Merry Christmas & Happy New Year.

Seasonal Fun in Ellwood City



BRANCH 30, YOUNGSTOWN
By Rosemarie Kascher

We are open three days a week: Sundays from 9:30 a.m. until 2 00 p.m. with Wednesdays and Fridays, from 4:30 p.m. until 9:00 p.m.

For the holidays, the Club will be closed December 24 - 26, and 31.

Your fee for membership is due for the next year now: \$35.00 per person, ladies and gentlemen alike for this small amount. Make your checks out to : The Youngstown Saxon Club c/o Val Thomas 5947 Tipicanoe Rd. Youngstown, Oh., 44406 or to The Saxon Club address: 710 S. Meridian Rd. Youngstown, Oh., 44509. Your card can be invalidated by the February meeting if it is not paid on time. Please, it is an honor to keep our Saxon traditions. Thank you.

We were delighted to have President Denise Aeling Crawford initiate the new officers for next year. We are truly grateful to have this outstanding woman as our leader.

We invite ATS members, sixteen years and older to join The Saxon Club; it costs only \$5.00 per year for our younger members. Contact an officer or the office for information and procedure to begin.

Scholarships to YSU are possible through Br. 30 for men and women of any age for full time attendance. You need to be a member for two years to apply, please., and have a 3.0 grade average. Contact, if you can Julaine Gilmartin, 330-799-5171, 4173 Timberlaine Trail, Canfield, Oh., 44406.

We thank Crissy, Denny and Dauline for the eighteen wonderful baskets you donated to the Club.

We thank, also, the committee who made the Christmas Dinner/Program possible; it was both delicious and lovely.

May you have a healthy and joyous Christmas and New Year.



FRATERNAL CALENDAR

NATIONAL EVENTS

January 16, 2022
TSBA Bowling Session Cleveland East
February 6, 2022
TSBA Bowling Session New Castle PA
March 20, 2022
TSBA Bowling Session Youngstown OH
May 21-22, 2022
ATS Convention
Host: Cleveland East Br. 33
Cleveland Marriott East Hotel, Beachwood OH
July 8 - 10, 2022
North American Saxon Heimattag
Host: Branches 18 and 19 Salem OH

LOCAL EVENTS

February 27, 2022
Cleveland Br. 4 Chinese Auction

BRANCH 4, CLEVELAND
By Joan Miller-Malue

We wish to express our sincerest sympathy to the family of Erna Kloos who passed away on November 22, 2021 at the age of 95. Erna was a long time devoted member of Branch 4. I had known her since I was a young child and will always remember her smile and love of conversation reminiscing on past social gatherings at the Sachsenheim. She was very active in the Cleveland Saxon Seniors and always supportive of our fraternal benefit society. Erna worked for Meals on Wheels for over 30 years. A memorial service is pending.

On a brighter note, we had a joyful Children's Christmas on Sunday, December 12. We thank our junior member, Lillian Vidal, for her solo, Jesus Loves Me. The children enjoyed the performance of Magic by JR and of course, the visit of Santa Claus. Thanks go out to all who helped and especially to my niece, Jenny King, who stepped in for myself and Donna Jankow who were unable to attend. Last minute changes can be chaotic but not when you can depend on a well-organized person like Jenny. Of course, she is very appreciative of all the helpers to make the party a success.



Magic by JR



Lillian Vidal



Ditch the watch
to enjoy run

New research suggests that when runners leave their watches and fitness trackers at home, they might enjoy their workouts more, according to CNN. Researchers at the National University of Ireland Galway studying the psychology of fitness tracking apps found that some users became obsessed with analyzing their data to compare with others. For these users, workouts became stressful. Instead of runner's high after a long run, users simply felt bad when they saw how they stacked up against other runners. There's a simple solution, though: Leave the smart watch at home.



Prolonged grief
disorder classified as
official diagnosis

The American Psychiatric Association will add prolonged grief disorder (PGD) to the newest version of the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders (DSM), the primary resource among providers for diagnosing mental health issues.

Emotional distress after a significant loss is common for most people, but individuals with PGD experience ongoing, debilitating grief that doesn't go away. Like many mental health issues, PGD can impact physical health as well, and is linked to increased risk for cancer, hypertension and other medical problems. Treatment for this "complicated grief" typically starts with psychotherapy, according to Yahoo News.

Detroit Branch 37 Christmas Party



BRANCH 37, DETROIT
By Susi Fleischer

After many months of not being able to get together and enjoy each other's company, it felt wonderful to celebrate the Christmas holiday with all the members of Br. 37, Sunday, December 5, 2021.

Everyone was happy to catch up on all that had transpired during the past year. We enjoyed a delicious meal, which was prepared by Katie Moody, and the cookies and desserts were provided by the members.

Thanks to Debbie Ferguson for putting the gifts together that were handed out to the members and guests. Also a heartfelt thanks to our Treasurer, Susanna Wilburn, for handling all the monetary responsibilities that needed to be taken care of throughout the year.

We all had a good time singing Christmas carols, not a very professional production, but we all tried our best. Just by enjoying a leisurely afternoon with family and friends. Thanks to everyone

who attended and made this a memorable afternoon.

Santa Claus also came to visit with us, but since we had no young children to enjoy Santa's visit, the adults were more than happy to talk with Santa and put in their request for certain items they would like to receive for Christmas. Each member and guest received a small gift. Hopefully a good time was had by everyone.

A special thanks to the officers for all their work during the year, and to all the members who attended our regular meetings, because they are an important part of our club, they keep our organization alive.

Wishing everyone a merry and blessed Christmas and a prosperous and healthy New Year.

See you all next year for our first meeting of 2022 on Sunday, January 9, 2022 at 12:00 p.m. at St. Peter's Lutheran Church.



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St. Peter's German and Saxon Lutheran Church

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10:00 Bilingual Service

Nursery

Coffee following service

Senior Circle

Sunday School

Church Choir

Bell Choir

St. John's Lutheran Church

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

**Rev. Barbara Holzhauser
Pastor**

10:00 Worship Service



Winter

Winter is the time for comfort, for good food and warmth, for the touch of a friendly hand and for a talk beside the fire: it is the time for home.

— Edith Sitwell

I wonder if the snow loves the trees and fields, that it kisses them so gently? And then it covers them up snug, you know, with a white quilt; and perhaps it says, "Go to sleep, darlings, till the summer comes again."

— Lewis Carroll

What good is the warmth of summer, without the cold of winter to give it sweetness.

— John Steinbeck

Summer friends will melt away like summer snows, but winter friends are friends forever.

— George R.R. Martin

If winter comes, can spring be far behind?

— Percy Bysshe Shelley

BRANCH 10, COLUMBUS

By Donald Blum



CHRISTMAS PARTY

Our Christmas party was wonderful. After missing last year, we more than made up for it in our celebration this year. We had a great meal, a little bit of wine, delicious desserts, sang songs, visit from Santa, some gifts from Santa and took pictures. Santa had the pleasure of being the first Santa picture for the most wonderfully behaved baby. We took a moment of silence to remember the Saxons that were with us in spirit but have left us since the last Christmas gathering. Mike Roth led us in a prayer, remembering that while it was a party, the true meaning of Christmas is the birth of Christ, our Lord. Everyone got \$1,000,000 Santa bucks. In addition, a few extra good Saxons earned a lottery ticket and we had at least one winner that was very rich, earning a whopping \$1.00. Of course, there were a few Saxons that ended up on the naughty list and they got their lump of coal. We even had the chance to wish Marlene Betts (December 25) a happy birthday and sing a happy birthday song. We hope to see everyone, and more, at our Christmas party next year. Thanks to all that attended. There was a rumor that Santa dashed off so quickly to get back to the North Pole, that he left his pants behind. That is another story for another day.

CHRISTMAS

It is a glorious time of the year. We have the opportunity to gather with family and friends. In all the chaos of buying presents and sending Christmas greetings, we need to remember the true meaning of Christmas. At a time when the world needed something to make the world better, God gave us His perfect Son, Jesus Christ. We celebrate receiving our most precious gift, ever. We should celebrate this wonderful gift and un-



derstand that this is the season for giving. Not only giving to family and friends but to our fellow individuals and families that may not be fortunate enough to get the most sophisticated iPhone, that may not have a Christmas tree, presents, adequate food or shelter. As Saxons, we are a giving group. If you can do something to make this season more happy and meaningful to someone, do not hesitate to do something special for those that are not as fortunate as us. God gave us the greatest gift of all; surely, we can do something that will make a person's life better. Frohe Weihnachten und Gott segne.

MONTHLY MEETING

HICKORY HOUSE
550 Officenter Place
Gahanna, Ohio 43230
Monday, January 17, 2022

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.

PRAYERS

Please keep long time ATS member, Paul Schaible, in your prayers. Paul is facing physical challenges. We wish him the best. Paul's family was founding members of Martin Luther Church in Columbus.

Please keep Dorothea Hesch in your prayers. Dorothea faces daily challenges and needs our prayers.

CELEBRATIONS

Please join me in wishing

Hedy Fleischer (January 1), Olga Hesch (January 12) and John Gellner (January 23) very happy birthdays. Alles gute zum Geburtstag!

HUMOR

A police officer attempts to stop a car for speeding and the guy gradually increases his speed until he's topping 100 mph. The man eventually realizes he can't escape and finally pulls over. The cop approaches the car and says, "It's been a long day and my shift is almost over, so if you can give me a good excuse for your behavior, I'll let you go." The guy thinks for a few seconds and then says, "My wife ran away with a cop about a week ago. I thought you might be that officer trying to give her back!"

Living nativities demand camels



When it comes to living nativity scenes, nothing makes a splash like a camel.

Yes, you have your sheep, and they are fluffy and warm when it is cold outside. They definitely have a place at the manger because the angels appeared to the lowly shepherds. You have the donkey, which is comic relief, and also Mary and Joseph had to get to Bethlehem some way and they probably parked their camel at the manger.

But nothing welcomes the newborn baby Jesus more than the camel. The camel's size, majesty and innate dignity make it a star attraction.

Camels have been part of Christmas for hundreds of years.

Even the first president George Washington rented a camel for the Mount Vernon Christmas party in 1787. He paid 18 shillings, about \$900 in today's money.

In Egypt, Baba Noel (Father Christmas), a fat man in a red suit with a white beard, can sometimes be seen near Cairo shopping districts riding -- of course -- a camel, bedecked in carpets and dangling balls, according to the Washington Post.

Nothing in the Bible tells us about a camel at the man-

ger, but throughout the centuries, people assumed there must have been one because of the Wise Men.

The Bible says the Wise Men, sometimes depicted as kings, came from the east following a star. They gave the baby Jesus three gifts: Gold, the treasure of a king; frankincense, a fragrant resin used for perfume and offerings to God; and myrrh, a resin used for fragrance, medicine and even embalming, according to Christianity Today.

The gifts from the Wise Men were expensive and only available on the Arabian peninsula or Africa. Therefore, people figured the Wise Men arrived on camels: Three gifts, from three Wise Men, on three camels. That's how it has worked out in common lore, but every piece of that can and has been disputed.

The one thing we know about the Wise Men from the Bible is that they weren't snitches. The evil King Herod wanted the Wise Men to report to him when they had found the baby Jesus. But the Wise Men were way too wise for that. With the dignity of their silent camels, they found Jesus, then snubbed the king and slipped away home.



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.

Raymond P. Serocka

Age 85

Died: December 5, 2021
Branch 26, Merrillville, IN

Marianne Sawicki

Age 78

Died: December 8, 2021
Branch 30, Youngstown, OH

BRANCH 33, CLEVELAND EAST
By Arline Krestel-Suts

I want to start off by thanking everyone that helped make our fundraising sausage sale a success. It was fun as we had many helping hands, several who were new to the process. It was wonderful having Barbara Spack from Salem make the trip to Cleveland, the Ginthers and Deatons for the first time, and of course, many members who help out year after year. Ema Litschel did a great job organizing, and Fred Krestel kept us on track. Thank you all who purchased sausage, and arrived so promptly to pick up their orders. Overall we raised over \$1150, Half will be donated to the local food bank.

In this edition of the Volksblatt you will see several pictures taken at our Branch Christmas party held on December 12. So nice that Santa Claus could make it this year. Thank you to Holly Prankus and Donna Foisel for arranging his attendance! Congratulations to Mike Foisel who is now a 50 year member of Branch 33. He did receive his 50 year pin which was presented by President Margie Ziegler.

ATS Bowlers, pay attention here. Cleveland East hosts the next session on January 16, 2022 at North Woods Lanes Bowling Center, 10435 Valley View Rd. Macedonia OH. Starting time is later than usual, 11:30 a.m. with no meal.

Branch 33 members, our next meeting will be Wednesday, January 12. We start with a sausage and sauerkraut supper at 7 p.m. Yes, it is our own homemade sausage! Installation of officers for 2022 as well.

Soon we will be ringing

in the new year. Do we celebrate the end of 2021, or celebrate a new beginning, 2022? I guess a bit of both.

Many have had a tragic year, to those we wish our sincerest condolences. Through my own experiences, I have found it seems easier for many people to accept their own demise, to be at peace with their own mortality. But so much harder to let a friend or relative go, it hurts so much more. Death and loss truly is harder on the living. I have heard that Native Americans believe a person is not dead as long as their name is mentioned. So remember your loved ones, mention them in your prayers, share your memories with friends and family. But I encourage you not to collapse in your grief. C.S. Lewis said "you're never too old to set another goal or dream a new dream". Hopefully 2022 will allow us to move forward, enjoy more time together, and less déjà vu of 2020 and 2021.

Wishing everyone a Blessed and Happy Christmas while we continue to Pray for Health, Peace on Earth, and Good Will to ALL humankind.



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

BRANCH 33 CHRISTMAS PARTY





Choruses

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Meets: 2nd Sunday of Month
Youngstown Saxon Club

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New Year

Another year is coming to a close.
We can forget our troubles and woes.

For me, this year was tough.
It brought many emotions, was tearful and rough.

Now another year is approaching fast.
Let's hope it's a New Year with love and health; let's hope it's a blast.

May all your dreams come true
And you'll find peace and love in all that you do.

May this world know the gentle sound of a hush.
May it calm all its anger and slow its pace from the rush.

May we all hear the sound of joy
And push away all that hurts, all that destroys.

The New Year I hope will be good to us all.
Care and calm, a helping hand when we fall.

Listen more, slow down, and say I love you.
Stop for a moment; take a breath, take in the view.

Appreciate your family; tell them you care.
Do something exciting, a thrill or a dare.

Enjoy all that the New Year may give.
We have but one life, so let's learn to live.

It's a New Year, a brand new start.
Always remember, live and love from the heart.

Wishing each and every one a year to behold,
And may it be full of wonders for you to unfold.

Love, hugs, and kisses too...
A very happy New Year from me to you.

By Sandra Hearth

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