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# February 4, 2022

## BRANCH 4, CLEVELAND By Joan Miller-Malue

Winter has arrived with temperatures plummeting and snowfalls abundant. December was mild and January has proved itself to shows us what bitter winter is all about. Let's hope February shows a bit of mercy. We are anticipating that our scheduled Branch meeting for Monday, February 21 at 7:00 pm will be ad day of free if snowfall and surge of Covid.

I was thinking of the Saxon celebration of Urzelnlaufen which is observed in the town of Agnethlen in late January to scare away the bad spirits of winter and welcome a new spring. Following a parade, the costumed "Urzeln" run around the town hitting their whips in the air and shaking cowbells to ward off the bad spirits. Let's hope their actions work to bring in nice weather and the rid the world of the Covid spread.

Due to Covid we had to postpone our Chinese Auction/Sausage Dinner to a later date. We have scheduled the Chinese Auction for Sunday, April 24, 2022. We will be asking for our members' support to help make this fundraiser a success. We will be asking for new items or financial donations. Letters will be sent out at a later time.

We will hold the Children's Easter Party on Saturday, April 9<sup>th</sup>. Invitations will be sent to the junior members of Branches 1, 4,5 and 33. Mark these dates on your calendar.

Valentine's Day is approaching and it is a special day to show our love to one another. It reminds me of a poem written by Kate Summers:

#### Love Is

What does love mean on this Valentine's day Love is doing more for another than for self Love is encouraging and supportive Love is patient Love is kindness for one another Love is helping and laughter too Love is appreciating all you do Love is sharing interests Love is sharing interests Love is a comfort Love is always there Love is meant to be shared Love is beauty in the eyes of the beholder Love is showing that you care. Love is you and all you do Happy Valentine's Day to YOU! BRANCH 26, MERRILLVILLE By Helen Brooks

On Sunday, January 9<sup>th</sup>, Saxon Lodge Branch 26 of Merrillville held its first meeting of 2022.

Dues were paid by the members that were there.

We started with the pledge to the flag, and the Roll Call of officers. Reports were read and approved. Randall Floyd has agreed to run for re-election for his position of 3<sup>rd</sup> Vice-president of the ATS.

It was noted that Michelle Schuffert is going to have surgery. We wish her a quick recovery.

Condolences go to the family of Ray Serocka who has passed away.

Meeting was then adjourned. The raffle was won by Randall Floyd, and the attendance prize

by Linda Smith.

We enjoyed a variety of pizzas and fellowship.

Stay warm and safe. Til next time.



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# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Denise Aeling Crawford ATS Nat'l President



Attention all Branches and Cultural Groups: Please make sure that your Secretary has sent in the 2022 Branch Roster form to the ATS Home Office. This form is what we use to print contact information in the back of the Volksblatt for your Branch or Group. You should include your Officers, ATS Secretary, Dues Secretary, Youth Rep, meeting time and place, and more. Mailings from the ATS Home Office are sent to different people in your Branch or Group, depending on the nature of the mailing. If the form does not have a name listed for a specific mailing, it will be mailed to the President or Secretary.

I have been in touch with John Werner in Canada and the Federation regarding the Cultural Exchange group from Austria scheduled to visit this summer for the Heimattag. With the pandemic still raging around the world, too much is unknown. Would the group be allowed to travel from Europe? Austria was recently shutdown. They are re-opened now, but will a new shut-down occur? Would the group be allowed to cross the USA/Canadian border? Could they cross it twice as they usually do on these exchanges? While the ATS usually pays for hotel rooms for the group, Canada generally houses these groups in their homes. Is anyone there willing to host strangers from another country in their home? With all of these unknowns, the decision was made to push the exchange group back another year. We are still mulling over whether or not to have the Heimattag this year. It is scheduled to be held in Salem, Ohio on July 8 - 10th. Currently, the USA/Canadian border is open. Will that change? Will the Canadians want to come? It is the North American Heimattag. It certainly would not be the same without the Canadians. I will keep you posted. We should make a decision within the next month. Did you know that the footballs used in the Super Bowl are made at the Wilson Football Factory in Ada, Ohio? Not just the Super Bowl footballs, but also every football used by the NFL since 1955 has been made there. Ada, Ohio is located in Hardin County about 70 miles southwest of Toledo. Other Super Bowl fun facts, according to Readers Digest, are that each team playing in the Super Bowl gets 108 footballs. Of those, 54 are for practice and the other 54 are for the actual game. The words "Commissioner", "Wilson", and "Made in the USA" have been imprinted on every single Super Bowl game football since day one. As a perk, every player in the big game gets a loaner car to drive around for the week leading up to the game. Tickets to the big game are not cheap. The average price for a Super Bowl ticket is between \$4,000 and \$5,000. However, the price of tickets for the very first Super Bowl in

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1967 was \$6.00. People thought that was too expensive and there were 30,000 empty seats! Most halftime performers are not paid for performing. Nevertheless, the exposure can be worth millions of dollars to them. Often times, the halftime show scores higher ratings than the actual game. The Super Bowl did not become known as that until Super Bowl III. The first two games were simply known as the AFL-NFL World Championship Game.

Until next time....



### "I can't put it down."

February 4 Go Red for Women

# **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



# Will our accents change now?

A British team spent four months in Antarctica in 2017. Linguists said that, in isolation, they began to develop their own very slight, but still distinguishable accent.

So what happens when an entire nation, or every single nation, isolates itself for two years?

That's a question linguists hope to answer.

People acquire their accents from the people around them, which is why everyone didn't start speaking like Walter Cronkite in the 1950s, despite his status as the most famous voice in the country.

According to University of Munich linguist Jonathan Harrington, accents develop when populations are isolated. First as very subtle differences, and then, after long isolation, dialects emerge. Finally, new languages arise.

Linguists don't think we are looking at new languages, or even new dialects, but accents could change. It would take long isolation for the changes to stick, however.

Harrington told Atlas Obscura that, given real isolation over a long period of time, new accents could emerge and stick despite the influences of social media and other mass communication.

What would happen if we sent people on a long voyage to another planet, like Mars? "They would develop a Martian accent. Can you imagine that?" Harrington said. Alliance of Transylvanian Saxons Home Office: 5323 Pearl Rd., Cleveland, Ohio 44129 Telephone: (440) 842-8442 FAX: 440-842-5442 E-mail: office@atsaxons.com Website: www.atsaxons.com

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To be eligible for a Freshman Academic Scholarship Grant you must be a high school senior with an accumulated grade point average in high school of 2.8, or better.

Twenty-two Scholarship Grants will be awarded to freshmen in undergraduate study at an accredited college or university in the United States and three renewable grants to present recipients of the Victor Deptner Scholarship.

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Applicants for the Scholarships listed must be ATS Members in good standing with a minimum of two years continuous membership prior to the scholarship application deadline of April 15th. High School Seniors must have maintained a 2.8, or better, grade point average in high school.

Complete the Request Form below to receive your Application. Please note: upon our receipt of the Request Form, an <u>official</u> ATS Scholarship Application Form will be mailed to you. The <u>completed</u> <u>official</u> ATS Scholarship Application Forms from the applicant and school must be received at the ATS Home Office before April 15th.

REQUEST FOR ATS HIGH SCHOOL

#### UNDERGRADUATE CONTINUING ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIP GRANTS

The ATS is offering Eighteen Academic Undergraduate Continuing Education Scholarship Grants to our members who are not current year high school graduates and are not entering college in their freshman year of study but are in an <u>undergraduate program.</u>

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- \$ 500 Award in memory of Gerard Slusny

Applicants must be ATS members in good standing, with continuous membership for a minimum period of two (2) years. They must have a grade point average of at least 2.8. They may be any age; however, they cannot be a current year high school graduate or entering their freshman year of college.

Applicants must be enrolled in an **undergraduate program** as a **full-time student** at an accredited college or university in the United States.

Requests for <u>official</u> ATS Undergraduate Continuing Academic Scholarship Applications may be made by calling the ATS Home Office (440) 842-8442, or by completing the Form printed below by March 15, 2022.

Completed <u>official</u> ATS Applications for scholarship grants must be received at the ATS Home Office before April 15th. Undergraduate Continuing Academic Scholarship winners will be chosen in a random drawing conducted by the ATS Scholarship Committee

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# CLEVELAND SAXON DANCE GROUP By Christine Roppelt

Hello everyone and welcome to the new year! We hope this time finds you well and that this year will be better than the last one (or two).

The Cleveland Saxon Dance Group is looking forward to things "getting back to normal". We have resumed practices at the Sachsenheim at 7 p.m. for dancers of ALL ages. Please consider joining us. Come down to the club for a great meal and then have some fun with the group. We are looking forward to seeing you!

We started the new year with the installation of officers by Zoom meeting: Christine Roppelt, President Amanda Donnellan, Vice President Stephanie Miller. Secretary and Ema Litschel, Treasurer. Our auditors are Rosie Wittine, Geoffrey Wittine and Henry Botsch. Speaking of Henry, we wish him a speedy recovery from his torn meniscus and ensuing surgery. We also offer our condolences to Bryan Sizemore who lost his sister last year. On a happier note, we would sincerely like to thank Stephanie Miller for serving as our president during the last 2 years. There were definitely some unforeseen circumstances that she led our group through in this era of the pandemic!

Since Covid is still rearing its ugly head, we felt it was wise to cancel our chili cookoff again this year. We are committed to finding some way to safely hold this event next year. Even so, we have a full year of events to we are looking forward to performing at including: Trachtenball on May 14th, the ATS Convention on May 21, Sommerfest at the Sachsenheim, Heimattag July 8-10 in Salem and our Traubenfest in October (date still to be determined). We have also been invited to dance at a few events being hosted by the Gemütlichkeit Clevelander Musikanten including their Beer and Sausage Fest on July 16th and Krampusfest December 10, both at the SAC.

Sounds like a lot of fun stuff, right? Well, I have SAVED THE BEST FOR LAST! The Cleveland Saxon Dance Group is celebrating 50 years of existence this year. We are planning a great celebration, but Covid has slowed everything down so we are actually planning to have the big "party" in January of 2023. We want all the former members and officers to be a part of this event so if you are a former member or know how to contact any of them, please leave your contact information for us at: CSDG7001@yahoo.com. We really want you all to be acknowledged for your part in our cultural preservation.

Stay well, don't shovel too much snow and see you again soon!

# Ski fever: The highest slopes can cause mountain fever

For doctors and nurses at Colorado's highest elevations, ski season means a steady flow of casualties from a little-understood problem: acute mountain sickness.

Skiers are already for the risk of broken bones and frostbite, but they often don't know how mountain sickness works, and resorts don't tell them. The condition is caused by a decrease in oxygen in the blood at higher altitudes. It affects people who travel rapidly from sea level to elevations over 8,000 feet. A more serious condition, high-altitude pulmonary edema, is fatal in 1 percent of cases. Thousands of skiers experience symptoms within a day of arriving: headaches, nausea, dizziness, fatigue, insomnia, loss of appetite and vomiting. About 25 percent to 40 percent of visitors experience symptoms

of altitude sickness. Copper Mountain Ski Resort warns would-be visitors about it. Their flier says it creates a "hangover" feeling and pregnant women, people with anemia or people with chronic heart and lung conditions should be cautious.

Aspen, Vail and some oth-

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er Colorado mountains have bases at or above 8,000 feet, but people at hotels experience less altitude sickness. The hotels lie at lower elevations, allowing visitors more time to adjust. The peak at Aspen rises to 12,510 feet. At Telluride, the peak is 12,255. Breckenridge peaks rise to 12,998 feet and Copper Mountain peaks top out at 12,313 feet.

Skiers coming from sea level locations such as Chicago (668 feet) or Michigan (839 feet) should allow time for their bodies to adjust before going to the higher peaks.

# FRATERNAL CALENDAR

#### **NATIONAL EVENTS**

March 20, 2022 **TSBA Bowling Session Youmgstown OH** April 2-3, 2022 **TSBA** Tournament Host: Salem 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 July 23, 2022 **ATS Family Day** Waldameer Park, Erie PA

#### LOCAL EVENTS

March 26, 2022 **Cleveland East Bowl Where You Are Party** Wickliffe Lanes 2:00 p.m. April 9, 2022 **Cleveland/Lorain Children's Easter Party** April 24, 2022 **Cleveland Br. 4 Chinese Auction** May 14, 2022 **Cleveland Saxon Dance Group Trachtenball** 

#### **BRANCH 5, LORAIN** By Michael Johnson

It seems as though winter has finally caught up to us. Having had a snow storm blow down on us on MLK eve the 17th of January, we had no meeting due to the need to cancel because most of us would still be shoveling out. In the last few years the trend seems to be that our worst weather comes during the last half of January up into April. So hang on, we have a long way to go.

Hopefully we can have our next regularly scheduled meeting on February 21st, 2022 at the American Slovak Club starting at 7:00 PM. If you are a dues paying member, please come prepared to pay your dues by either cash or check payable to: ATS Branch 5, Lorain, OH. If you are not going to be attending, you can submit your dues by mailing your check to Michael W. Johnson, 41868 Earlene Court, Elyria, OH

44035. Thank you to those who have already submitted their dues for the year.

At the time of this writing there have been no reports of illness or any of our membership collecting sick benefits. Remember, your yearly dues are to help sustain this member benefit which you should take full advantage of when the need arises. Again, you can reach VP Jane Mowery by calling (440) 246-3004 or email Janie.e.mowery@ gmail.com to report your need as soon as you come under a doctor's care for your illness or injury.

Happy Birthday to those members celebrating this month of February; sister Sharon Powell, brothers John Binder, Brian Long, and junior members Jenna Peters, Conner Hochevar, Piper Simon and Michael Simon. May you all enjoy your special day!



# The love of the beloved

Young love, romantic love, hopeless love, love unrequited, love betrayed -- all the big ideas of love can be found in the plays and sonnets of the Bard, William Shakespeare, who started writing for the stage in 1590 and is still considered the founder of literature in the English-speaking world.

His words revealed sentiments so obvious that they are still quoted today.

If someone is far too open about their broken heart, you say he wears his heart on his

- Venus and Adonis,

Nothing.





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10:00 Worship Service



### BRANCH 33, CLEVELAND EAST By Arline Krestel-Suts

Greetings to all and Happy New Year!

Wir wünschen euch allen einen guten Rutsch ins Neue Jahr! Hoping 2022 allows more fraternal Gemütlichkeit.

We would like to again thank everyone who participated in our sausage sale, making and especially all who bought sausage. Half the proceeds we made were donated to the Willowick food bank in December, \$600. Our January meeting started off with our fabulous sausage sandwiches and Sauerkraut that was made by Ema Litschel. Sooooo good and her cooking was much appreciated!. After supper was Installation of Officers for year 2022, performed by former President Litschel: President Margarete Ziegler, Vice President Maria Phillips, Treasurer Jeff Krestel, Secretary Arline Suts, Financial secretary Mike Bretz, ATS secretary Karyn Schmidt, membership chairperson Cindy Schneider, Trustees Barb Hum, Wayne Suts, Nick Ziegler, and our newest trusty Trustee Kathie Brusk. Members of Branch 33 truly appreciate all of your dedication and hard work. Branch 33's ATS Conven-

tion committee has been hard at work; reminder that the National Convention will be the third weekend in May. Members please Save the Date! mark your calendars for Saturday, May 21; the convention banquet will be combined with our annual membership banquet and we would really love a strong show of Br. 33 members' support. The evening will



**Bette Schmidt** 



#### **Dorothy Schneider**

be filled with entertainment, dinner and dancing at the Beachwood Marriott. More details will be upcoming.

Junior members, attention please!! The ATS "Bowl Where You Are" program is starting, each of you will be receiving a mailed letter of invitation. To make the event easy fun, Branch 33 is inviting ALL junior and senior members to attend a bowling party Saturday, March 26 at Wickliffe Lanes (30315 Euclid Ave, Wickliffe OH) 2 to 5pm (be ready to bowl at 2:30 PM -lanes are turned on). This party is free to all Branch 33 members. We will be providing refreshments and drinks (Pizza Party!), or you can bring your own snacks too...But management says No Coolers. RSVP to Cindy

Schneider by Wednesday, March 16, call (216) 410-8851. Kids - remember to bring your ATS Bowl Where You Are score sheets!

We send greetings to everyone who has been ill at home, I've heard quite a few members had the dreaded 'Rona in November & December. Hopefully everyone is well on the way to recovery with minimal or no adverse effects. January was a great month for birthdaysseveral of our members are now well into their 90s this month, including Inge Mahn, Dorothy Schneider, Susanna Stamp, Bette Schmidt an ATS member since 1942, Evelyn Keefer now 99 years old and a member since 1939, and Peg Maurer, member since 1940, an officer for many years is now 101. Happy Birthday to all! Nice to see Dorothy and Bette at the meeting to celebrate in person.

Branch 33 officers did meet this month to hash out the 2022 budget as well as the calendar of events, which we will be sharing at the February meeting. Our next meeting is Wednesday, February 9th.

Finally, we would like to thank the ATS board for the monetary gift we received at Christmas. Thank you to everyone who attended the Branch Christmas party, and our January meeting. It's nice to see everyone in person again. Please keep all members in your thoughts and prayers and a special hello goes out to Austin Bonnett who is in Army Boot Camp out in Missouri, hang in there Bud! Hopefully weather will improve in February so we can meet again in person. Stay safe everyone!



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.

James K. Kelly Age 87 Died: December 16, 2021 Branch 25, New Castle, PA

George Crofcheck Age 92 Died: December 28, 2021 Home Branch

# Elinor Williams

Age 96 Died: January 3, 2022 Branch 30, Youngstown, OH

#### Sandra A. Bieber

Age 80 Died: January 10, 2022 Branch 30, Youngstown, OH

## Rebecca Bentley Age 72

Died: January 19, 2022 Branch 18, Salem, OH



# Wear sunscreen even in the winter

Cold weather is no reason to ease up on your sunscreen routine, according to the Skin Cancer Foundation. While UVB rays, which are the primary cause of sunburn, are weaker in the winter, UVA rays remain steady year-round and can penetrate clouds and fog, as well as windows. On a snowy day, UVA rays can actually be worse -- snow reflects up to 80 percent of UV light, so the rays hit you twice. The best protection is an even coat of broad spectrum sunscreen over all exposed skin, even the tops of your ears and around your hairline. A moisturizing sunscreen can do double duty, protecting you from the sun and harsh winter air.

## Impress your sweetie with this easy chocolate mousse

Tasty, fun and a little bit cheesy if you want to go over-the-top on presentation, this easy chocolate "mousse" is a quick threeingredient dessert to impress your sweetie on Valentine's Day. Or you can enjoy it on your own anytime -- it really is that simple.



temperature, you can stabilize the mousse with gelatin and cold water. Add one packet of unflavored gelatin to 1/4 cup cold water and allow to bloom for two minutes, then melt in microwave for 15 seconds or until liquid (heating times will vary). Let the gelatin cool until it's just warm, but still pourable. Prepare the mousse as directed, but slowly pour the gelatin into the still-running mixer once the mousse has reached medium peaks. After the gelatin has been added, continue whipping to stiff peaks. Be careful with temperature -- too-cool gelatin will form clumps, and too-warm gelatin will deflate the mousse. Once the mixture has reached stiff peaks, serve as normal.

Ingredients: 1-1/2 cups heavy whipping cream 1/4 cup sifted cocoa powder, or 1/3 cup for dark chocolate flavor 1/2 cup powdered sugar or 1/4 cup for dark chocolate flavor 1/4 teaspoon almond or vanilla extract (optional) Fruit for garnish

Using a hand or stand mixer with a wire whisk attachment, begin whipping the cream in a chilled bowl until frothy and slightly thickened. Add the cocoa powder and powdered sugar and carefully mix until soft peaks form. Add the optional extract and continue whipping until stiff peaks form. Spoon the mousse into a plastic bag or piping bag with a tip and pipe into your preferred small bowl or dessert glass for extra panache. Garnish with fruit and serve immediately.

If you plan to serve later or you're serving in a warmer

#### BRANCH 10, COLUMBUS By Donald Blum

## MONTHLY MEETING

HICKORY HOUSE 550 Officenter Place Gahanna, Ohio 43230 Monday, February 21, 2022 Time 12:00 noon Our meetings are the Third (3<sup>rd</sup>) 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.

#### HUMOR

Our fourth grader celebrated his birthday on crutches, so he couldn't carry the cupcakes into school without help. The mother asked her sixth-grader, Noah, to help his brother carry them in. "I could," he said, "but I'd prefer not to." Spotting a teaching moment, my husband asked Noah, "What would Jesus do?" Noah answered, "Jesus would heal him so he could carry his own cupcakes."

#### **HISTORY**

This is a story about the Transylvanian Coat of Arms, which depicts seven towers, castles or fortifications. We will look at a little history before we get into Transylvanian Flag or Coat of Arms.

It is common knowledge that King Geza II invited German settlers that would later become known as Transylvanian Saxons, to Transylvania. These Saxons would be granted special status. They would form very strong communities of farmers, artisans, merchants and individuals with mining skills. King Andrew II of Hungary continued this tradition by providing territorial autonomy. We know there were ulterior motives in bringing in these German settlers, and it was not out of the kindness of the Hungarian Kings. The area was a frontier wasteland. The area was a constant path for invasions over the years by the Turkish, Tartars (Mongolian) and the Ottoman Empire. The Hungarians who controlled this territory were wary of the invading groups. The kings decided that Transylvania could serve as a buffer from these invading groups. So the primary motive was protection or first line of defense. In order to serve as a defense, a series of towns would construct fortifications. Some legends state that seven Magyar Chieftains erected fortifications in this region. This brings us to the Transylvanian Coat of Arms, which depicts the Seven Towers or Fortifications. Also, it brings into the discussion the name, 'Siebenbürgen', which has been used to describe "Seven Towns" or "Seven Castles."



that represent the Towers or Castles in the Transylvanian Flag or Coat of Arms. The fortified towns that comprised the Seven Towns are:

> Medwesch/Mediasch Nosnerland/Nosen/Bistritz Hermannstadt Klausenburg Kronstadt Mühlbach Schassbrich (Schässburg)

In this series we will discuss the Seven Towns depicted in the Transylvanian Flag or Coat of Arms.

The second town we will study is Schassbrich (Schässburg).

Schassbrich is one of the Saxon fortified cities of the Transylvanian Coat of Arms. The city has a rich history, which covers almost a thousand years. It is part of the German/Saxon heritage in Transylvania. The seven fortified settlements were built in the area beginning in the 12<sup>th</sup> century. The city is renowned for being a place of where Wallachian prince Vlad Dracul (father of Vlad the Impaler) resided while being exiled. Vlad had coins minted here, which were used as coinage for the Hungarian Kings. The Baroque sculptor Elias Nicolai lived in the city, too.

A document from 1280 records that a town was built on the site of a Roman fort called Castrum Sex, or 'Six-sided camp, which refers to the fort's shape of an irregular hexagon.

The city played an important strategic and commercial role at the edges of Central Europe for several centuries. Schasbrich became one of the most important cities of Transylvania, with workers in skilled trades, which made hand-made products. These craftsmen dominated the urban economy, as well as building the fortifications protecting the settlement. The town is made up of two parts. The medieval stronghold was built on top of a hill and is known as the Citadel. The lower town lies in the valley of the Grosse Kokel River. Attached is an artist rendering of what Schassbrich would have looked like in the day. The city would have had a strong defense system with 14 towers and several bastions (projecting part of the fortification built at an angle to the line of the wall, so as to allow defensive fire in several directions). Each tower was built, maintained and defended by a craft guild. Among the towers were the Blacksmith's Tower. Butcher's Tower, Cobbler's Tower, Furrier's Tower, Ropemaker's Tower, Tailor's



**Clock Tower** 

Tower, Tanner's Tower, Tinsmith's Tower, a few other tower's not identified and one of the most striking and important towers was the Clock Tower. The Clock Tower would serve as the gathering place for the town council. The four small corner turrets on the top of the tower represented the judicial area for the town council, which could be used to carry out the justice rulings, including the death penalty. This tower controlled the main gate of the half-mile-long defensive wall and stored the town's treasures. The Clock Tower houses an intricate two-plate clock that has been working continuously since the Middle Ages. The fortification was constructed on two to four levels, the towers stored ammunition and food supplies and had firing windows for cannons, shells and arrows. For several centuries, Schassbrich was a military and political stronghold. During the 14<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup> centuries, the walled fortification would protect the town from Turkish raids.

The Clock Tower, in addition to the Clock, contains several intricate features. The tower contains figurines, moved by the clock's mechanism, each represent a different character. On the citadel side we see Peace holding an olive branch, accompanied by a drummer who is beating the hours on his bronze drum. Above them is Justice, with a set of scales, and Law, wielding a sword, accom-

panied by two angels representing Day and Night. At 6 a.m., the angel symbolizing the day appears, marking the beginning of the working day. At 6 p.m., the angel symbolizing the night comes out carrying two burning candles, marking the end of the working day. The dial overlooking the Lower Town features a set of seven figurines, each representing the pagan gods who personified the days of the week: Diane (Monday), Mars (Tuesday), Mercury (Wednesday), Jupiter (Thursday), Venus (Friday), Saturn (Saturday-a bit of an interesting fact is that Saturn for Romans was actually Cronos-which today represents a time keeping process for accumulating working hours for figuring paychecks) and the Sun (Sunday). The spire of the tower ends in a small golden sphere. At the top, there is a meteorological cock (weather vane), which turns around by air currents, forecasts the weather.

Also, we have included a current picture of the city with the Clock Tower in prominence of the place within the city.

The city today is a large architectural attraction for Europe and remains an integral part of the Transylvanian Saxon history and heritage.

In the next series we will discuss

At one time, Transylvania had 300 fortified churches or castles. These structures served as fortresses against the invading groups.

This brings us to the Seven Towns

another of the other Seven Towns of Transylvania.



# Heimattag 2022 wieder analog statt digital



Impressionen vom Trachtenumzug des Heimattages 2019, dem letzten Pfingsttreffen vor Pandemiebeginn. Collage: Christian Schoger

Nach zwei digitalen Heimattagen 2020 und 2021 soll das diesjährige Pfingsttreffen der Siebenbürger Sachsen wieder vor Ort in Dinkelsbühl stattfinden. Diesen Entschluss hat der Heimattagausschuss bekräftigt. Per Zoom-Konferenz erörterten die Verantwortlichen am 25. Januar den Programmablauf und organisatorische Fragen.

Der Verband der Siebenbürger Sachsen in Deutschland veranstaltet den 72. Heimattag vom 3. bis 6. Juni im mittelfränkischen Dinkelsbühl unter dem Motto "Wurzeln suchen – Wege finden". Mitausrichter ist die Regionalgruppe Hermannstadt-Harbachtal des Verbandes der Siebenbürgisch-Sächsischen Heimatortsgemeinschaften (HOG).

Das hochdynamische Infektionsgeschehen, das derzeit durch die Omikron-Variante dominiert wird, erschwert die konkreten Planungen erheblich. Der Heimattag zählt zur Kategorie der Großveranstaltungen. Die Organisatoren müssen daher das dreitägige Programm mit Augenmaß und Flexibilität gestalten, vorbehaltlich der Anfang Juni geltenden Hygiene- und Sicherheitsregeln. Die Heimattagsbesucher können sich gleichwohl auf traditionelle Highlights wie die feierliche Eröffnung, Trachtenumzug, Festkundgebung, Ausstellungen, Preisverleihungen, Pfingstgottesdienst, Jugendzeltplatz, Nachwuchs- und Volkstanzveranstaltung, Sportturniere u. a. m. freuen. Aktuell gilt in Dinkelsbühl die 2G-Plus-Regel. Danach können an Veranstaltungen nur vollständig geimpfte oder genesene Personen teilnehmen, die zusätzlich das negative Ergebnis eines Antigen-Schnelltests oder eines PCR-Tests vorlegen können. Der Heimattagausschuss verständigte sich darauf, dass eine Arbeitsgruppe mit der Erstellung eines Hygieneund Sicherheitskonzeptes beauftragt wird.

#### Et wör emöl en reklich Med (Schniel bekirt)



 E stattlich Pursch, di wul se från, uch sä wul än dich gärn zem Mån, wel hi e wacker Kont uch fesch; doch wä hi se zer Frä dro hesch, si stålt se sich als wīl se net. Hm, hm, cha, cha, als wīl se wärlich net.

 "Ach Mottero, ich bleïwen hä, net git mich schin dem Misch zer Frä." "Woräm dän net, ta Guldich't menj? Ir wärt det stattlichst Puër jo sen!" "Ich bän halt doch noch vil ze jang." Hm, hm, cha, cha! Se wor noch vil ze jang.

4. Der Motter wor dåt zwor net riëcht, et dēt er līd äm dese Kniëcht, doch sōt se: "Wä et dir gefällt, ta sålt diën fränjdern diën ta wält; ech zwänjen dich za nichem net." Hm, hm, cha, cha! De Motter zwänjt se net.

 Kom hat de Mēd des Riëd gehīrt, si wor se neklich gånz bekīrt!
Af ist wor de Verställung ous, und schniël plazt är det Wīrt erous: "Ach Motter, Motter, zwänjt mich doch.
Hm, Hm, cha, cha! Ach Motter, zwänjt mich doch!"

Ernst Thullner

# Es war mal eine schöne Maid (Schnell bekehrt)

Hermann Kirchner

1. Es war mal eine schöne Maid, um die schon mancher Bursch gefreit, so weiß wie Milch, so rot wie Blut, doch leider wußt' sie es zu gut, daß sie die Allerschönste war, hm, hm, ja, ja, die Allerschönste war.

2. Ein kühner Bursch kommt da heran, auch sie wollt' ihn recht gern zum Mann, weil er so wacker war und grad, doch als er um sie warb und bat, da stellt' sie sich, als wollt' sie nicht, hm, hm, ja, ja, als wollt' sie ihn nicht.

 "Ach Mutter, helft, daß ich noch bleib, nicht gebt mich schon dem Hans zum Weib!" "Warum denn nicht, mein Töchterlein? Das schönste Paar mögt ihr wohl sein!" "Ich bin halt doch noch gar so jung." Hm, hm, ja, ja, sie war noch gar so jung.

4. Die Mutter war zwar nicht bereit, es tat ihr um den Burschen leid, doch sagt' sie: "Wie es dir gefällt, es gibt noch Burschen auf der Welt. Ich zwing dich nie und nimmermehr." Hm, hm, ja, ja, die Mutter zwingt sie nicht.

 Kaum hat das Mädchen das gehört, da war sie plötzlich schon bekehrt.
Alsbald war die Verstellung aus, und voller Angst platzt sie heraus: "Ach Mutter, Mutter. zwing mich doch, hm, hm, ja, ja, ach Mutter. zwing mich doch!"

Übertragung: Wolf von Aichelburg

## Ech geng af Gassen (Verlassen und verloren)

Satz: Anneliese Barthmes



An der von Organisationsreferent Horst Wellmann geleiteten zweistündigen Online-Sitzung nahmen neben dem Bundesvorsitzenden Rainer Lehni unter anderen auch Vertreter der Siebenbürgisch-Sächsischen Jugend in Deutschland (SJD), der Carl Wolff Gesellschaft, des HOG-Verbandes sowie der Stadt Dinkelsbühl teil. Die nächste Sitzung des Heimattagausschusses findet am 4. März auf Schloss Horneck in Gundelsheim statt.

> Christian Schoger SBZ Online 27. Januar 2022

2. Wonn hi mich såch af Gasse gön, stand hi und såch mer fränjdlich nö.

 Wo äs e mät senjem giël krousen Hör? Mer hadden<sup>1</sup> es läw siwe Jör.

4. Mer wülen es niën, de Fränjd wüle net, mer wülen es schīden und kangden net.

5. Ai trouren, ai trouren, woni nist ta en Änjd? Wonn as Birebum rīt Rīse bränjd.

<sup>1</sup> Silbenaufteilung: had-den es läw

#### Ich ging auf Gassen (Verlassen und verloren)

1. Ich ging auf Gassen und weint' auf Straßen. Mein Herzgeliebter hat mich verlassen.

2. Wenn er mich sah auf der Gasse, ach, stand er und blickte mir freundlich nach.

3. Wo ist er mit seinem goldkrausen Haar? Wir hatten uns lieb ganze sieben Jahr.

4. Wir wollten uns freien. Die Freunde wollten's nicht. Wir wollten uns trennen und konnten's nicht.

5. O Trauer, o Trauer, wann nimmst du ein End? Wenn unser Birnbaum von roten Rosen brennt. Übertragung: Wolf von Aichelburg

# SALEM MERGER CONSTITUTION PROPOSAL

To all Members of Branches 18 and 19 in Salem, Ohio.

The Men and Ladies Branches of Salem have voted to explore the possibilities of combining our Branches. As we move forward, membership is aging and declining and we are facing the challenges associated with those issues. Over the past few months a constitution committee, with members from both Branches, met several times and blended our two constitutions. What follows is that document, as approved for submission by both Branches. It has also been approved by the ATS.

We are putting it out for all to see so we can solicit feedback. After three printings in the Volksblatt there will be a mailing to all regular member of both branches to vote on the merger.

If you have any input, suggestions or comments you may contact any branch officer listed for Branches 18 or 19 in the Volksblatt. Contact your Branch secretary if your address is not current.

Thanks in advance for your help and inputs.

#### ARTICLE I. NAME

The name of this Society is the **"First Transylvanian Saxon Society of the United States,** Branch 19, of the Alliance of Transylvanian Saxons, of Salem, Ohio". Except, as fully set forth hereafter, the organization shall be herein referred to as "the Society."

#### ARTICLE II. PURPOSE

The purpose of the Society shall be to provide fratemal fellowship and brotherhood for its members as envisioned in the following goals:

- 1. To preserve and perpetuate the Transylvanian Saxon heritage and culture.
- 2 To support its members in times of need and sorrow.
- 3. To encourage all members to be good and loyal citizens of the United States.
- 4. To fulfill its obligations and support as members of the national, Alliance of Transylvanian Saxons, herein referred to as "the ATS" or "Alliance."

#### ARTICLE III. MEETINGS

Section 1. The Society shall hold regular monthly business meetings, with any number of members in good standing, and a majority of the Officers present.

Section 2. The January, April, July and October meetings are designated as General Meetings in which special reports, etc. are given.

Section 3. Special meetings may be called by the President or by written request of six members in good standing.

Section 4. Robert's Rules or Order, latest edition, shall govern parliamentary procedures of all meetings of this Society.

#### ARTICLE IV. MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Applicants for regular membership in this Society must be a national Alliance member, having qualified as follows:

- a. Is of Transylvanian Saxon or German birth or a descendant thereof.
- b. Be married to a Saxon or German descendant thereof.
- c. If other than the above, applicant must agree to support the preservation of the
- ethnic and cultural goals outlined in the national Alliance Constitution and By-Laws.
- d. Is an owner of an Alliance life insurance or an Annuity contract.
- Section 2. The age requirement for adult membership is age 16 or older.
  - a. Ages for juvenile members range from birth through Age 18. Juvenile members my transfer to regular membership at age 16 if they desire.

Section 3. 50 year members are those regular members who have paid their dues for fifty years.

Section 4. Applicants for social membership in this society must agree to support the preservation of the ethnic and cultural goals of the Society.

a. A Social Member may participate in all social functions of the Society and shall fulfill committee duties.

- b. A Social Member shall pay dues.
- c. A Social Member has the privilege of voting for all local issues and can make and second

motions but may not vote on issues of the Alliance or for delegates to the convention.

- d. A Social Member may not hold an office.
- e. Social Membership may not exceed 10% of the regular membership of the Society.

#### ARTICLE V. OFFICERS

The elected Officers of this Society shall be: President, Vice Presidents, Recording Secretary, Treasurer, Financial Secretary, Trustees, ATS Secretary, and Sergeant-at-Arms.

# Section 2. The President shall preside at all Society meetings, maintaining order and enforcing observance of the Society's Constitution and By Laws and represent the Society at every suitable opportunity.

- a. Shall sign all legal documents as may be required.
- b. Shall appoint all committee chairs and special appointees as required.
- c. Shall have full knowledge of all matters pertaining to the operation and activities of the Society and assure all Officers fulfill the duties of their offices.

Section 3. The First Vice President shall diligently support the President in all official duties.

- a. Shall fulfill all presidential duties during any temporary absence of the president.
- b. If the Office of President becomes vacant, the Vice President shall become President
- and shall assume the duties and responsibilities of the President until the next election.c. Shall see that committees are appointed for all <u>functions of the Society.</u>

Section 4. The Second Vice President shall see that all members receive all the benefits they are entitled to and report actions at each monthly meeting.

- a. Shall maintain a record of all benefits.
- b. Shall assume First Vice Presidents duties should the First Vice President have to assume the Presidents duties.
- Section 5. The Recording Secretary shall record the Minutes of all Society meetings.
  - a. Shall handle Society correspondence.
  - b. Shall submit news articles containing information of the Society's announcements and activities to the Saxon News Volksblatt publisher and to local newspapers.

Section 6. The Treasurer shall receive all monies taken in by the Financial Secretary, Trustees and Committees, etc. and pay all approved expenses.

- a. Shall provide a receipt to the Financial Secretary for monies received for dues.
- b. Shall deposit immediately all monies received in the Society's accounts.
- c. Shall maintain an accurate record of receipts and expenditures and report at each meeting on the previous month's activity.
- d. Shall provide books for audit to the Trustees quarterly and annually.
- All checks and withdrawal forms must be countersigned by the Treasurer with authorization from the Trustees.
- f. The Society may furnish a Blanket Position Bond to cover the Treasurer and any other person involved in handling Society funds.

Section 7. The ATS/Financial Secretary shall collect Society membership dues and maintain a record thereof. All monies collected each month shall be immediately remitted to the Treasurer for deposit and a receipt from the Treasurer will be received.

- a. Shall maintain records of all Society benefits paid to active members.
- b. Shall mail notification to members who become six months delinquent in dues payments. If no response, notice to be followed by one first class letter. If no response within next six months member will be dropped at next meeting.
- c. Books must be audited by the Trustees quarterly and an annual report must be given to the Society.
- d. Shall keep addresses of members current.
- e. Shall report death of an ATS member to the ATS Home Office.
- f. Shall collect any payments due the Alliance presented at regular monthly meetings and remit them to the Alliance within five days.
- g. Shall submit all required reports and correspondence to the Alliance and maintain all records for seven years.
- h. Shall, in spirit of fraternal helpfulness, be of service to members in all Alliance business and strive to attract new members to the Branch and Alliance..

Section 8. The Trustees shall examine the financial records of the Society quarterly and report their findings to the Society at the Quarterly and Annual meetings. They shall assist in other duties as assigned by the President.

- a. They shall guard and assist in the maintenance of the property of the Society.
- b. Shall assure that all monies are promptly turned over to the Treasurer.
- c. They shall examine all bills to assure that they are paid promptly.

Section 9. The Sergeant-at-Arms shall maintain admission and order during Society meetings, shall present nonmember visitors to the President for permission to attend the meeting, shall present new member candidates for induction to the Society, and assist in other duties as requested by the President.

#### ARTICLE VIII. BRANCH DEPUTY/AGENT

Section 1. The Society President shall appoint or recommend a Branch Deputy. The Branch Deputy must be qualified as prescribed by the State Insurance Department's regulations and approved by the Alliance.

Section 2. Branch Deputy must become knowledgeable on membership requirements and Alliance insurance and annuity savings plans.

- a. Deputy/Agents shall forward immediately all applications and monies received to the Alliance Home Office.
- b. They must deliver the issued benefit plan contracts to the members as soon as they receive them from the Home Office.
- c. The Deputy/Agent must present the applicant to the Branch for acceptance and induction.

#### ARTICLE IX. APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Written application for membership must be made to a Branch Deputy or Agent on application forms provided by the Alliance and the Local Branch. A premium payment or annuity payment as specified for the certificate contract must accompany Alliance applications.

Section 2. When applications require a medical examination, the applicant shall pay the examination fee. The

#### ARTICLE VI. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The election of Officers shall be held each year during the November meeting of the Society.

Section 1. The term of Office for all Officers, except the Trustees, shall be two years. Trustees shall serve three year terms. The President, Second Vice President, Treasurer, ATS secretary shall be elected in even numbered years. The First Vice President, Recording Secretary, Financial Secretary and Sergeant-at-Arms shall be elected in odd numbered years. Trustees will be elected for three year terms, staggered so at least one trustee will be elected every year.

Section 2. The election shall be conducted by the President, who may appoint an Election Committee to assist in collecting ballots, tallying votes, etc. All Officers shall be elected by secret ballot.

Section 3. Candidates for Office must have been members in good standing for at least three months.

Section 4. Each nominee must secure an absolute majority of the votes cast in order to be officially elected.

Section 5. All Officers' terms shall begin on the first day of January and end on the last day of December.

Section 6. Vacancies in office during the year shall be filled by election or appointment at the discretion of the Society meeting, except for the office of Presidency whereby the Vice President automatically assumes the office.

#### ARTICLE VII. DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Section 1. All Branch Officers must be regular members in good standing with the Alliance.

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society may reimburse this fee if approved by the members.

Section 3. Upon approval of an application, a certificate contract for the plan applied for shall be forwarded to the Branch Deputy or Agent for delivery to member.

Section 4, If an applicant is not approved by Branch membership, the applicant may apply to another Branch or be accepted in the ATS Home Branch.

Section 5. Application for social membership only can be made to any branch member for consideration at the monthly meetings.

#### ARTICLE X. ALLIANCE CONVENTION DELEGATES

The Society shall elect Delegates to represent the Society at the Alliance Convention meetings.

Section 1. The Society is entitled to send Delegates to the convention as prescribed by the ATS. All Delegates must be in good standing, that is, they must be fully current with all payments to the Alliance and the Branch as of December 31, preceding the Convention.

Section 2. The Society must forward the name and certificate number of its Delegates on certified official forms to the Alliance Home Office by date specified by the ATS preceding the Convention.

Section 3. Any Alliance member in good standing, regardless of ancestry or affinity, may be elected or serve as a Delegate.

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Section 4. The President and ATS Secretary shall automatically be the first two Delegates and remaining Delegates shall be elected.

#### ARTICLE XI. DUTIES, BENEFITS AND RIGHTS OF MEMBERS

Section 1. It shall be the duty of members to mutually aid each other, to strive for fraternal cooperation, and to assist in the promotion and advancement of membership activities in the best interests of the Society and the Alliance.

Section 2. Members shall abide and protect the Constitution and By-Laws of the Society and the Alliance.

Section 3. Members shall attend Society meetings regularly and participate in all deliberations pertaining to the business and activities of the Society. They shall serve on Committees and generally enjoy all rights and privileges of the Society and the National Alliance.

Section 4. Members must pay their local dues according to the payment schedule voted on by the Society. Local dues and certificate payments may be paid at the Society meeting or mailed to the ATS Home Office.

Section 5. A member of this Society may retain their membership in the Society even though they may relocate to a city in which there may or may not be another Society,

 The Society will accept members who wish to join by transferring from another Society who will issue the Certificate of Transfer form.

Section 6. The Annual Dues and amount of financial assistance available to members in good standing in times of need may be determined annually.

Section 7. New members shall be accepted in accordance with the age and benefit table established by the society. In case of death, any balance in the fraternal benefit account of the member reverts to the Society.

Section 8. It is the duty of the member to request fraternal benefits and provide doctor's written release.

Section 9. A member who has cancelled their contract with the ATS is no longer member of the Society.

#### ARTICLE XII. SOCIETY CAPITALIZATION

The Society shall maintain enough capital to pay any outstanding benefits. If the capital shall fall below this amount, the Society shall adjust local dues amounts, fraternal benefit amounts, etc. as needed.

#### ARTICLE XIII. AFFILIATED GROUPS

Affiliated groups organized and sponsored by the Society shall be governed as follows:

Section 1. Applicants for membership in an affiliated group must be members of the Society.

Section 2. A group must submit an annual activity report and financial report to the Society by February 15<sup>th</sup> each year.

Section 3. The names of the affiliated groups shall remain the property of the Society. If the group becomes inactive the remaining funds and other assets must be remanded to the Society.

#### ARTICLE XIV. CHARGES AND GRIEVANCES

Section 1. Disputes and Grievances arising between members may be directed in writing to the President who shall refer the matter to the Corrmittee of Reconciliation, who are to hold an impartial hearing of the parties involved. Their recommendations shall be presented at a regular meeting and approved by two-thirds (2/3) of the members present. A member whose improper actions outside of the Society shall similarly be treated. Appropriate disciplinary action may then be taken.

Section 2. Should a complaint or grievance be made against an Officer, they shall be suspended from office until a decision has been made.

Section 3. If a party involved refuses to attend the hearing, the case shall proceed as if they were present. A request for one postponement shall be granted a member.

Section 4. The Committee of Reconciliation shall be appointed by the President and consist of five members, three Officers and two members at large.

#### ARTICLE XV. MERGER AND DISSOLUTION OF THE SOCIETY

Section 1. As long as 25 members in good standing desire the continuation of the Society, it cannot be disbanded.

Section 2. The Society may consolidate or merge with any branch of the Alliance according to the constitution and by-laws of the Alliance.

Section 3. Should the Society be disbanded, all remaining assets shall be remitted to the national Alliance where they will be held in trust for one year. If, during that year, the Society is re-activated the assets will be returned to the Society.

a. If the Society does not re-activate, the national Alliance will distribute the assets first to the Salem Saxon Scholarship Trust Fund, if in existence; then to the Alliance to

#### **ARTICLE I. ORDER OF BUSINESS**

- Call to Order by the President
- Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

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- Roll Call of Officers Reading of Minutes of Previous Meeting
- Treasurer's Reports
- Report on New Candidates
- Induction of New Members
- Reading of Correspondence
- Report of Illness and Need
- 10. Reports of Special Committees
- 11. Unfinished Business
- 12. New Business
- 13. Good and Welfare Announcements
- 14. Adjournment with Lord's Prayer

#### ARTICLE II. RULES OF ORDER

- The President shall call the Meeting to order and all members shall be seated.
- The President shall preserve order and parliamentary procedures.
- A Member desiring to speak shall stand and address the President.
- No Member shall talk more than two times on one subject without the consent of the President.
- No one is permitted to leave or enter the meeting room while the Minutes are being read.
- Members must respect one another during Meeting discussions and debates.
- A Member who conducts themselves without decorum, uses disorderly words, or denies respect to the Chair, shall be called to order by the President and in case of repetition, be retired from the meeting room.
- 8. Should disturbances arise during the Meeting, the President shall have the power to postpone the Meeting for any length of time or call for its adjournment.

#### ARTICLE III. ORDER OF INITIATION

"I have the honor to incorporate you as Member of this Society. This is a National Fraternal Benefit Society whose interests are to provide financial security by its insurance and annuity plans and to promote fraternal fellowship and Transylvanian Saxon heritage and culture."

"If you are ready to join this Society and accept the obligations of membership please raise your right hand and take the oath I am about to give you."

#### Gavel: strike three times (all Members stand)

"You promise herewith, in the presence of the Officers and Members, that you will acknowledge and uphold the Constitutions of the First Transylvanian Saxon Society of the United States, Branch 19 of the Alliance of Transylvanian Saxons, of Salem, Ohio and the Alliance of Transylvanian Saxons. Furthermore, you promise to respect your fellow members, and to safeguard and protect the welfare and property of the Society. If you are prepared to keep these promises, then answer by saying Yes."

#### Handshake between President and new member

President says: "(Name), I welcome you to our Society. I now declare a short recess so that you can acquaint yourself with our new member, (name).

# \*\* ARTICLE IV. VICE PRESIDENTS (This section of the by-laws will be finalized after adoption of this version of the Constitution.)

The society shall have two Vice Presidents. We have them spelled out in the body of the constitution. Do we want to leave it that way or just list Vice President as we do trustees with just basic guidelines and then further explain those duties here.

# \*\*ARTICLE V. TRUSTEES (This section of the by-laws will be finalized after adoption of this version of the Constitution.)

The society shall have four trustees. They shall elect amongst them selves a head trustee. We should further break down the specific responsibilities here after the combining of the branches.

#### ARTICLE VI. DUES AND BENEFITS SCHEDULE

Section 1. The Society shall be able to collect annual dues in the amount of \$36.00. During the transition from two lodges to one, current ladies shall be able to pay as many years in advance as the want in the amount of \$12.00 annually. Those who do not pay in advance will have their dues raised to \$24.00 annually for a period of five years, at which time the will raise to \$36.00 annually. They will also have the option to pay in advance as many years as the want at \$24.00 annually. In both cases they will have six months to decide. All new members will come in at \$36.00 annually.

Section 2. Death Benefit shall be \$300.00

Section 3. Fraternal (formerly Sick) Benefit shall be \$364 for lifetime.

Section 4. The Society shall send a floral arrangement or a memorial donation upon death of a member, spouse, or juvenile member child.

Section 5. Rate schedule new candidates for membership. From age 16 to 35 years at time of membership Dues: \$3.00 per month Benefits: Fraternal: \$364 Lifetime (not to exceed \$120 in any calendar year) Death: \$300 From age 36 to 45 years and above at time of membership Dues: \$3.00 per month Benefits: Fraternal: \$243 Lifetime (not to exceed \$80 in any calendar year) Death: \$200 From age 46 to 60 years at time of membership Dues: \$3.00 per month Benefits: Fraternal: \$182 Lifetime (not to exceed \$50 in any calendar year) Death: \$150 From age 61 and above at time of membership Dues: \$3.00 per month Benefits: Fraternal: \$ 100 Lifetime (not to exceed \$50 in any calendar year) Death: \$100

establish a scholarship fund in the name of this Society

#### ARTICLE XVI. AMENDMENTS

Section 1. The preceding Articles constitute the laws of the Society.

Section 2. Changes, additions, corrections, amendments, to the Constitution may be presented at a general meeting but may only be approved by a majority vote of all members.

Section 3. By-laws shall be established to implement all provisions within this constitution. By-laws may be changed by majority vote on members present at regular monthly meetings.

Section 4. Article II, VII, Sec 6; VIII and X can be amended or changed only if necessary in order to agree with the National Constitution.

Section 5. All previous Constitutions, By-Laws, and Resolutions which do not coincide with the provisions as now constituted effective this date are now null and void.

#### Signature and Adoption block goes here.

**BY-LAWS Of the Society** 

These by-laws exist to allow Branch 19 to operate locally and establish those provisions as directed by the constitution. While constitution changes require two thirds vote of all current members, the by laws may be changed by a majority vote of members present at regular monthly meetings.

Section 6. Any member that becomes a fifty year member (has paid dues for 50 years) shall no longer pay any dues. Any member that become a 50 year member, regardless of the age they became a member of the Society, shall be entitled to full Fraternal and Death benefits.

Section 7. Appropriate forms will be created and must be submitted to pay member benefits. A member must obtain and submit the Fraternal Benefits form to the  $2^{nd}$  Vice President to claim fraternal benefits. Upon the passing of a member the  $2^{nd}$  Vice President will submit the Death Benefits form to get the members designated beneficiary paid.

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## February

Aries 3/21 - 4/19: Hard conversation? Look for a little humor in your own position to lighten difficult conversations. Remain flexible.

Taurus 4/20 - 5/20: Before you let 'the powers that be' know what you think should change, be certain your own work is commendable.

Gemini 5/21 - 6/20: It's not a good time to excuse the behavior of someone you love. Stars say some truth will some be required.

Cancer 6/21 - 7/22: You can't see your big goal now. You might not even have a big goal. Time to brainstorm about what you really want in your life.

Leo 7/23 - 8/22: Be open and welcoming to personal ties and bonds. It will bring happiness not just this Valentine's Day but in the future, too.

Virgo 8/23 - 9/22: You may not be able to change the world today, but you can change your slice of it. Stars say act with kindness.

Libra 9/23 - 10/21: Some conflict is just unnecessary and draining. Start by assuming good motives in the people you love and work with.

Scorpio 10/22 - 11/21: Even if it is just a silly card, it means something to the person you love. Give your heart this Valentine's Day.

Sagittarius 11/22 - 12/21: Your big personality attracts people at home and at work. Use your superpower for good!

Capricorn 12/22 - 1/19: A relative or a friend asks for help. Consider what it will cost you in terms of your own peace, relationships, and commitments.

Aquarius 1/20 - 2/18: Something that you hadn't even thought about may interrupt your plans. Don't despair. It could lead to fantastic things.

Pisces 2/19 - 3/20: A friend may bend your ear this month. It's worth setting aside your time to listen. It will be deeply appreciated and it will help.



# **Don't Burn That** Food!

It is frustrating when you burn food you are cooking, but often you can salvage your meal and still eat it. A recent study by the Food Standards Agency, however, offer caution if you are often eating overcooked food. As food cooks, it forms a compound called acrylamide. It is a natural by-product of the cooking process. This chemical substance is what causes food to brown as it cooks.

While some browning is usually desired, an excess of acrylamide can cause problems, especially when it is from starchy foods like potatoes and breads. Acrylamide has been found to increase the risk of cancer. It is best to cook starchy foods like toast, chips, fries, and potatoes to only a light golden color rather than a dark brown. This will limit the amount of acrylamide and help reduce your risk of cancer in the long-term.

What song makes your heart pound? Do you get breathless from "Total Eclipse of the Heart?" Does Whitney Houston's cover of "I Will Always Love You" get you going? Or maybe you're old school and nothing makes your pulse race quite like the final movement of Beethoven's Symphony No. 9. Whatever your preference, humans have heart cells. Their data may always felt an innate con- explain how extreme stress nection between music and can contribute to serious their hearts. And according to Scientific American, that ancient instinct is helping modern physicians diagnose and treat today's cardiac patients.

Heart rhythm disorders, such as arrhythmia and atrial fibrillation, create complex tones that are audible an article for the Lancet, experienced decreased strain nephrologist Michael Fields on heart and lungs. describes how he uses musiauscultation to medical stuficult skill.

Physiology, another group spending 30 minutes a day of researchers used a scene relaxing with your favorite from a movie that pairs high tunes.

# How music can help heal a broken heart



tension with a fast-paced musical score to study how strong emotions influence cardiac arrhythmias.

According to Scientific American, cardiac patients can also benefit from musicbased interventions to help them recover from surgery, lower stress and help reduce blood pressure and heart rate. Some studies have found that patients who listen to relaxthrough the stethoscope. In ing music after heart attacks

While music therapy for cal analogies to teach cardiac heart patients is still an emerging area of study, the dents. According to Fields, early results are promisdescribing heart tones in ing, according to St. Luke's musical terms is a useful Health. And even though tool to help new physicians more research is needed and acquire this notoriously dif- music alone cannot treat cardiovascular diseases, there's According to Frontiers in no real risk attached to

# From tragedy to fame, African-American poet led extraordinary

She led a short life of spectacular tragedy, unlikely fortune, and international fame.

Phillis Wheatley, the first published African-American female poet, died at just 36 years old, but left an enduring legacy through her art.

The part of her story we know began with fear and loss when, as a 7-year-old child in 1761, she was kid- stunned at her intellect, tu-

Phillis Wheatley



she traveled to England, meeting important figures of the day. But her fortunes shifted, and five weeks after her arrival, she learned that Susanna Wheatley was gravely ill and returned to Boston. In 1774, Susanna died and Phillis Wheatley was freed. She stayed on with John Wheatley until he died in 1778.

In 1778, Wheatley married napped from her home in tored the child. Living a John Peters, a prosperous West Africa (probably Sen- privileged childhood with shopkeeper. Tragedy visegal/Gambia). History does only light household duties, ited Phillis again when both not record the birth name of she had a private room and of her children died during according to encyclopedia. proved fatal for both her and the child. She was 36. Wheatley's poetry was siastic promoters of Phillis patriotic and topical, touching on current affairs, but also suffused with Christian themes. She also wrote of slavery and the need to recognize the dignity and humanity of African people. She was the most talented poet of the Revolutionary era, experts say. But in modern times, she has been criticized for not overtly writing of poetry already published, about oppression.



the frail child who, wrapped took meals with the family, infancy. A third pregnancy in a carpet, arrived in Boston on the slave ship Phillis. com.

Too weak to work in the The Wheatleys were enthufields, she was sold to Susanna Wheatley, the wife as she grew her literary of a prominent Boston taigifts. Phillis Wheatley was lor, John Wheatley. Susanna just 11 when she began cor-Wheatley, who named the responding with preachers child after the ship on which and friends. She was about she was imprisoned, wanted 14 when her first poem was a lady's maid, but what she published, complete with got was a prodigy, according classical Greek references, a to the Poetry Foundation. sign of her fine education. In just over a year, the In 1773, her fame growchild could speak and read ing and the first of her books English and the Wheatleys,

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Canton, OH Br. 14 Mtg. 2nd Sunday Location varies PRES. Thomas J. Rowinsky 1656 Dunkeith Dr NW, Canton, 44708 (330) 478-9333 ATS SECRETARY: Helen Aeling 15354 Georgetown St NE Minerva OH 44657 (330) 862-2563 HH658@aol.com SICK NOTICES to Thomas Rowinsky Address as shown above

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New Castle, PA Br. 27 Mtg. 1st Thurs. 7:00 p.m. Eintracht Hall 108 Taylor St., 16101 (724) 652-7221 PRES. Marie Benedict PO Box 25 Edinburg, 16116 (724) 667-7395 SEC'Y. Dolores Both 3512 Hunters Woods Blvd #1 New Castle PA 16105 (724) 658-7407 doloresboth@verizon.net ATS SEC'Y. Judy Both 1512 Drespling Ln New Castle 16101 (724) 654-0573 LOCAL DUES to Gertrude Tizak 241 Cambridge St. #401 N.Castle, 16105 (724) 652-1867 Tizakg@yahoo.com SICK NOTICES to Marie Benedict

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