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## 2022 Election of ATS National Officers

At the upcoming ATS Convention that is being hosted by Branch 33 - Cleveland East on May 21 – 22, 2022, we will hold the Election of Officers for the following offices:

First Vice President    Third Vice President  
Treasurer    3 Trustees

Nomination forms for individuals wishing to run for office had to be submitted to the ATS Board of Directors by March 15, 2022. The following ATS members have submitted nomination forms for the following offices:

Robert B. Cunningham III - First Vice President  
Randall B. Floyd - Third Vice President  
Michael Teutsch, Jr. - Treasurer  
Michael Bachinger – Trustee  
Ingrid E. Weihs-Ferguson – Trustee  
Margarete I. Ziegler - Trustee

A brief background of each nominee follows.

**ATS First Vice President**  
**Robert B. Cunningham III**  
Member of Branch 1  
Cleveland (West), OH  
(incumbent)

Rob has served on the ATS Board of Directors since 1985. He has held the positions of Trustee, Third Vice President, and has been the First Vice President since 2002. He currently chairs the Orphan and Insurance Sales Committees and serves on the Investment, Constitution, IT and Strategic Planning Committees. Rob is our Deputy Sales trainer.

Rob has 38 years of service to his local branch. He is the Secretary and Treasurer of Branch 1, as well as being on the branch Board of Directors and their ATS Secretary. Rob has an Ohio insurance license and serves as his Branch's Sales Deputy.

Rob is also a greeter and part of the Hospitality Team for Community of Hope Lutheran Church where he is a member. He was a Deacon at his previous church.

Rob has been employed at the ATS Home Office since 1983 and specializes in annuity payouts and settlement options available to members and beneficiaries. Rob has an Associate

of Applied Science in Business Management and holds an insurance license for the State of Ohio. Rob has been an ATS member for 43 years, beginning in Monaca, PA and now in Cleveland.

Rob takes pride in his Transylvanian heritage and has enjoyed his many years of experience being a National Officer for the ATS. He would love to continue his involvement in the organization and help keep the heritage alive. He feels it is an honor to serve as an ATS Officer.

**ATS Third Vice President**  
**Randall B. Floyd**  
Member of Branch 26  
Merrillville, IN  
(incumbent)

Randall has served on the ATS Board of Directors since 2014, serving first as Trustee and currently as the Third Vice President. He chairs the Audit and Internal Audit Committees and serves on the Investment, Insurance Sales, Orphan, Salary & Pension, and the Fraternal Events/Scholarship Committees.

Randall is the Past President of Branch 26 in Merrillville and serves as their Sales Deputy.

Randall is a past Precinct Committeeman and President of Church Council at Emanuel Lutheran Church. He volunteers at the local food bank, local parks, and with cancer fundraising.

Randall is a retired electrician. He has been in the insurance

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Denise Aeling Crawford  
ATS Nat'l President



Congratulations to the winners of the TSBA 2021-2022 bowling season and the season-end tournament. The season wrapped up with the tournament held in Salem, Ohio on Saturday and Sunday, April 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>. The season championship team was Youngstown #2 and the tournament winning team was New Castle #6. See the back page for a complete listing of winners and pictures.

In this issue of the Volksblatt, you will find the rules and entry form for the Saxon Handicraft Exhibit that will be a part of the Convention. Please remember that you do not have to be a Delegate at the Convention to enter the contest. Alternatively, if you wish to have an item displayed and not part of the contest, you can do that, too.

The ATS is accepting donations for Ukrainian assistance. Refugees are still crossing the Ukrainian/Romanian border. Supplies are needed and will continue to be needed for some time to come. You can mail your check, payable to the ATS, to the Home Office address. We will be forwarding the donations to the Evangelische Kirche A.B. in Rumänien (The Evangelical Church in Romania).

The ATS is looking to hire someone to work part-time in the ATS Home Office. It is a clerical position. Please see the ad in this issue. Somewhere down the road, we are hoping this will turn into a full-time position. If you or someone you know may be interested, please contact us.

Did you know the word April comes from the Latin Aprillis? No one knows how the month ended up with its name, but the Romans called it Aprillis. Some historians believe that it comes from the words aperire, meaning to open due to the season of flowers and trees beginning to open or apricus, meaning sunny as April is seen as the month of sun in the northern hemisphere. Another explanation for the name goes back to Aphrodite, the Greek goddess of love, beauty, and procreation. Etruscans (an ancient Italian civilization) knew her as Apru. Since the Romans inherited many Etruscan customs and myths, they celebrated the same goddess in April. April is the fourth month of the year, on the Gregorian calendar. It previously had been the fifth month in the Julian calendar. April used to have 29 days, until Julius Caesar added an extra day when he established the Julian calendar. April is also a good month to see meteor showers. The Lyrids meteor shower appears April 16 – 26<sup>th</sup> each year, with the peak generally occurring on April 22<sup>nd</sup>. The Eta Aquariids meteor shower starts in April with a peak around May 6<sup>th</sup>. Other showers appear in April, but not every year. Other notable April activities include George Washington being inaugurated as the first President of the United States on April 30, 1789. The Titanic hit that famous iceberg on April 15, 1912. On

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PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE  
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April 11, 1970, Apollo 13 launched into space. It ran into difficulties about two days later, and the famous line “Houston, we have a problem” was born. Actually, the real words spoken by astronaut Jack Swigert were “Okay Houston, we’ve had a problem here”. NASA asked for a repeat of the transmission. Fellow astronaut Jim Lovell responded with the phrase “Ah, Houston, we’ve had a problem”. I am glad to report no problems here on the ATS home front this April. Enjoy the spring and Happy Easter to all of you!

Until next time....



Part Time Office Assistant

The ATS Home office is looking for a candidate with excellent customer service skills, general office knowledge, and experience in AR/AP and billing. Candidate must be proficient in Microsoft Excel, Word, Outlook, and be detailed oriented and able to multi-task. We can offer a competitive salary and flexible schedule. Please email inquiries to [office@atsaxons.com](mailto:office@atsaxons.com)

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.  
DONATION FOR SCHLOSS HORNECK

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_  
Zipcode \_\_\_\_\_

Amount Donated \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please indicate if donation is in memory  
or honor of someone  
\_\_\_\_\_



What to do if you  
can’t pay your taxes

Tax day is fast approaching and that means millions of Americans are busy assembling their tax returns. While many Americans look forward to refunds, some will find themselves sending payments to Uncle Sam. And, unfortunately, not everyone will have the money to pay their taxes.

The Internal Revenue Service reports that as of 2020, more than 11 million Americans owed back taxes. With more people relying on the so-called gig economy, earning money by giving rides through platforms like Uber or through making deliveries through Doordash, unpaid tax bills and delinquent payments may rise. That’s because you have to pay taxes on such income, and often, it’s not automatically withheld.

So what do you do if you can’t pay your taxes? Two tips:

First, don’t panic. While people get sent to jail over tax issues, it’s typically due to tax fraud and serious, willful crimes. Americans can’t be jailed simply because they’re unable to pay their income taxes. But the IRS can make your life difficult, with steep fines, property liens and seizing your bank accounts.

Second, never ignore the problem. You still want to file your taxes on time even if you can’t make your payments. Not filing your taxes is a crime and you could find yourself in legal trouble for not doing so. You’ll also get hit with late filing fees. In some cases, you can set up monthly payment plans with the IRS. This way, you can pay your taxes in monthly installments. Payment plans will still incur fees and penalties, however.

If you can’t pay your taxes, sometimes you can reach an agreement with the IRS to settle for a lesser amount. This is called “payment in compromise” and the IRS will closely review your income and financial situation before settling.

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DEADLINE DATES FOR ARTICLES:

DEADLINE	ISSUE
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 20, 2022	FRIDAY, APRIL 29, 2022
WEDNESDAY, MAY 4, 2022	FRIDAY, MAY 13, 2022
WEDNESDAY, MAY 18, 2022	FRIDAY, MAY 27, 2022

Please have your articles in by 12 Noon.

Did you miss the deadline?

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

BRANCH 4, CLEVELAND  
By Joan Miller-Malue

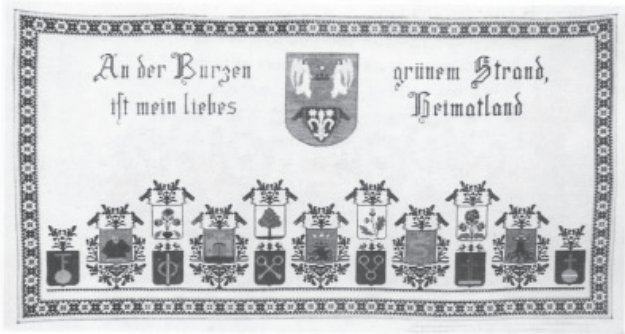
Our next monthly meeting will be held on Monday, April 16 at 7:00 p.m. We will finalize the election for delegates for the upcoming ATS Convention that will be held by Cleveland East – Branch 33 at the Cleveland Marriott East Hotel the weekend of May 21 -22.

Our Cleveland West bowlers wish to thank Salem for their fine hospitality in hosting the TSBA Bowling Tournament. We all enjoyed the Gemütlichkeit with the ATS members from the various cities. I would like to commend New Castle for the many new bowlers they added to the TSBA this past year. It was great fun getting to know them. The TSBA convention will be held in New Castle on Saturday, June 11 when

the delegates will set the bowling session for the coming year. I encourage our Cleveland West members to join in on the fun. You don't have to be a good bowler just a person who loves to enjoy new making new friendships.

A reminder to send in your reservations for the Chinese Auction/Sausage Dinner that will be held on Sunday, April 24 at 1:00 p.m. Reservations are a must and are to be made by April 16. Due to the pandemic we were not able to hold this fundraiser for the past two years. We are looking forward to a full house that will help to raise some funds for our Club.

Have a Happy and Blessed Easter! Please say a special prayers for the people of Ukraine.



CLEVELAND SAXON DANCE GROUP'S  
*TRACHTENBALL*

Westside Sachsenheim  
7001 Denison Avenue  
Cleveland, OH

Saturday, May 7, 2022

Doors open at 5:30pm Schnitzel Dinner served at 6:00pm

Performances by adult and child members of the  
Cleveland Saxon Dance Group

Dress in Tracht and join in the Aufmarsch  
Try your luck at our TOMBOLA

Dance music by Fred Ziwich and his International Sound Machine

Adults \$22.00 Children ages 4-10 \$12.00

To ensure social distancing,  
RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED.  
by April 29, 2022

Send reservations to:

Christine Roppelt  
8905 Fernhill Avenue  
Parma, Ohio 44129  
216-773-9375

Make checks payable to: The Cleveland Saxon Dance Group  
Or pay in advance with a credit card at

<https://trachtenball-may-7-2022-reservations.cheddarup.com>

No additional seats will be sold at the door

We will do our best to accommodate seating requests but cannot guarantee all requests can be honored

# Adult tickets @ \$22.00 per ticket \_\_\_\_\_ # Child tickets at \$ 12.00 per ticket \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to sit with the following people.

\_\_\_\_\_



ATS National Convention  
May 21 and May 22, 2022



Cleveland Marriot East • 26300 Harvard Road  
Warrensville Heights, Ohio  
Hosted by ATS Branch 33

	Ticket Price (Adult)	Ticket Price (Children 4-12) (Children 3 and under free)	Number of Tickets	Total Amount
<b>Saturday, May 21, 2022</b>				
Lunch: 12:00 PM ~ Soup and Salad Buffet	\$20.00	\$20.00	X _____	\$ _____
Cocktails @ 6PM (cash bar) Dinner @ 7PM				
Pecan crusted chicken with grain mustard cream sauce	\$30.00	\$24.00	X _____	\$ _____
Atlantic salmon, herb crusted with citrus sauce	\$32.00	\$25.00	X _____	\$ _____
Vegetarian Option: Diced vegetables in garlic, ginger sauce on top of couscous	\$30.00	\$24.00	X _____	\$ _____
<i>The evening event is open to non-delegates that wish to join in the celebration. Please add the reservations to the list above:</i>				
<b>Sunday, May 22, 2022</b>				
Lunch: 12:00 PM ~ Soup and baked potato bar	\$20.00	\$20.00	X _____	\$ _____
<i>Saturday and Sunday morning complimentary coffee, fresh fruit and pastries</i>				
<b>Grand Total: (Please enclose Check or Money Order)</b>				\$ _____

Reservations made by: \_\_\_\_\_ (\*tickets will be held at the door\*)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Branch: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Make Checks payable to: ATS Branch 33

Send Reservation and Payment to:

Ema Litschel  
8050 Conestoga Trail  
Concord, OH 44060

*Deadline for reservation: May 1, 2022*

Home phone: 440.358.1184  
Cell phone: 440.479.9334  
Email: [emalitschel@gmail.com](mailto:emalitschel@gmail.com)

Hotel Information

Cleveland Marriott East (CLEEM)  
26300 Harvard Rd. Warrensville Heights, OH 44122

Call (216) 378-9191 to reserve your room under the  
“ATS May 2022” block for the discounted rate of \$109  
per night + tax for Standard Room with 2 Double Beds  
(listed as double, but actually are Queens) Standard  
Room with 1 King Bed

Deadline for reserving rooms under this discounted  
rate is May 6, 2022.

You may also use the (888) 236-2427 to make your  
reservations but ask specifically for Cleveland East  
Marriott before asking for the “ATS May 2022” block  
of rooms.

To reserve rooms online, use this link:

[https://www.marriott.com/events/start.  
mi?id=1645472750543&key=GRP](https://www.marriott.com/events/start.mi?id=1645472750543&key=GRP)



“I think I've reached that awkward age where  
I've forgotten more passwords than I remember.”



FRATERNAL CALENDAR

NATIONAL EVENTS

May 21-22, 2022  
ATS Convention  
Host: Cleveland East Br. 33  
Cleveland Marriott East Hotel, Beachwood OH  
July 9, 2022  
ATS Saxon Day  
Host: Branch 30 Youngstown  
July 23, 2022  
ATS Family Day  
Waldameer Park, Erie PA

LOCAL EVENTS

April 16, 2022  
Salem Saxon Club Easter Egg Hunt 1:00 p.m.  
April 24, 2022  
Cleveland Br. 4 Chinese Auction  
May 7, 2022  
Cleveland Saxon Dance Group Trachtenball  
May 15, 2022  
Cleveland East Br. 33 Krapfen Making  
St. John Lutheran Church  
Youngstown Br. 30  
Mothers’ Day Banquet  
July 17, 2022  
Chicago Br. 9 Annual Picnic

Get the most out of Easter ham  
with easy ham and beans

If you’ve got a pile of left-over ham after your Easter feast and you’re not in the mood to eat ham sandwiches for a solid week, try a pot of ham and beans. This filling, flavorful dish reheats well, keeps in the refrigerator for several days and can be frozen to be eaten later. Don’t be afraid to experiment with flavors or add in extra vegetables or meats that you want to use up.



Ingredients  
1 pound dry great northern beans  
About 6 ounces bacon, diced  
1/2 pound (or more) cooked ham, diced  
2 to 3 fresh sausage links (optional)  
1 small onion, chopped  
2 to 3 carrots, chopped  
1 to 1-1/2 quarts of stock (use less for a thicker soup)  
2 bay leaves  
1/2 teaspoon pepper (or more to taste)  
2 to 3 sprigs of fresh thyme (or about a teaspoon dried)  
Scant 1/4 teaspoon ground allspice  
Optional: 1/4 teaspoon (or more) cayenne pepper

Rinse dried beans, then soak overnight in salted water (at least eight hours). In a medium-hot pot or Dutch oven, render bacon and then remove as much fat as you want, but keep some. If you’re adding sausage, drop sausages into hot fat and brown (leave them whole during the cooking process), then add onion and carrots. When the onions are translucent and the carrots have softened slightly, add the beans and diced ham and stir to distribute the rendered fat. Add stock and stir, then add spices. Heat until bubbling, then reduce heat, cover and simmer for 1 to 1-1/2 hours, or until beans are tender. Remove thyme sprigs, bay leaves and sausages. Slice the sausages and add back to the pot, discard the bay leaves and thyme. Add more pepper if desired -- you likely won’t need more salt. Serve hot.

SAXON HANDICRAFT EXHIBIT

A highlight of the ATS Convention is the Saxon Handicraft Exhibit. The Exhibit this year will be held at the Marriott Cleveland East, where the ATS Convention will meet on May 21 – 22, 2022. Handicraft Exhibit Director is Maria Foisel Phillips and Assistant Director is Kathie Brusk.

The Junior Category, which allows our junior members, ages 13 and under, to exhibit their handcrafted items in an open category will once again be a part of the Exhibit. All members competing in this category will receive a small token of appreciation.

The Handicraft Exhibit provides an opportunity to display articles which relate to our Transylvanian Saxon cultural background, but is not restricted to this category only. It is a showplace for the artistic talents and abilities of our people, present and past.

A prize competition is held for items made by present ATS Members only. The rules for this prize competition are as follows:

1. There will be prize competition in ten (10) categories.
2. There will be first and second prizes awarded in each category.
3. There will be one (1) President’s Award for “Best of Show” Entry.
4. No more than three (3) entries allowed per member.
5. Only items actually made by present ATS members, ages 14 and over, are eligible for entry in this prize competition.
6. There will be a separate Junior Category for ATS members, Ages 13 and under.
7. Winning entries will be determined by ballot vote of the Convention Delegates.

**NOTE:** An Entry Blank must be filled out for all items placed on display. Advance registration will be appreciated. The exhibit room will be opened Saturday morning (May 21) for delivery and set-up of display items. All items must be picked up Sunday morning (May 22) prior to the start of the Sunday Convention Session.

Send your entry blank for the Saxon Handicraft Exhibit to:

Maria Foisel Phillips  
Handicraft Exhibit Director  
5515 Daintree Lane  
Medina, Ohio 44256  
(440) 552-1364

SAXON HANDICRAFT EXHIBIT ENTRY BLANK

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Branch No. \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

☐ I will bring the following items for exhibit only

☐ I will bring the following items to enter in prize competition

My ATS Certificate No. is \_\_\_\_\_

Adult Exhibit Categories: Describe your entry.

1. Ceramics	6. Needlepoint
2. Crewel	7. Quilting
3. Crocheting	8. Paintings
4. Cross Stitch	9. Photography
5. Knitting	10. Open Class

Junior Category (Ages 13 and Under) – Open Class

Description: \_\_\_\_\_

**AGREEMENT**  
I agree to be responsible for the delivery, display and pickup of these items at my own risk, and hold the Alliance of Transylvanian Saxons and Branch 33 harmless against any and all loss, damage, cost and expense that may be incurred by reason of such display and exhibition. I hereby certify that any item(s) entered under my name for Prize Competition was (were) made by me personally.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Pet ownership keeps you smart and happy

Owning a pet for a long time keeps you sharper and happier, a study has found. People who own pets seem to keep a sharper mind compared to non-pet owners, according to a new study from the American Academy of Neurology. The study used data on more than 1,300 adults who participated in the University of Michigan’s Health and Retirement Study and found that long-term pet ownership was the most beneficial, according to CNN. The key to reaping the highest benefit: ownership of five years or



more. Animal companions don’t necessarily have to be of the fluffy variety, either. While dogs and cats were the more prevalent pets in the study, people who owned birds, fish and reptiles saw benefits, too. The study’s authors say that they could only confirm an association, and more re-

search is needed to establish a cause-and-effect relationship between pet ownership and better cognitive health. But the relationship between pet ownership and stress reduction has been well-established in numerous studies, and researchers believe that the physiological benefits of pet ownership, such as reduced blood pressure and lower cortisol levels, could impact cognitive health. The study joins a growing body of evidence that supports what animal lovers have known all along: Pets just make life better.

ASK YOUR DEPUTY HOW A CERTIFICATE OF MEMBERSHIP IN THE ATS CAN HELP YOU TO SAVE!



## CHURCHES



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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**

## BRANCH 26, MERRILLVILLE By Helen Brooks

Branch 26 of Merrillville IN met on April 3, 2022.

We were served a chicken dinner before our meeting started.

President Jeff Szostek called the meeting to order, followed by the Pledge to the Flag.

Roll call of officers was taken; Brigitte and Randall Floyd were absent, as were Dan Schuffert and Jimm Smith.

A moment of silence was held for Walter Szostek who passed away. On March 25, 2022 we held our Saxon memorial which Brigitte Floyd read. It was very touching.

The Ross Township Easter Egg Hunt sounds like a lot of fun for the kids.

Andy Gazdich won the raffle and Zita Palyok won the attendance prize.

Happy Easter to all and God's blessings.

*He has made everything beautiful in its time.*

*He has also set eternity in the human heart,*

*No one can fathom what God has done from beginning to end.*

Ecclesiastes 3:11.

Till we meet again.

## BRANCH 10, COLUMBUS By Donald Blum

### MONTHLY MEETING

HICKORY HOUSE  
550 Officenter Place  
Gahanna, Ohio 43230  
Monday, April 18, 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.

### MEMORIAM

George Rader, age 92, passed peacefully on March 25, 2022 in Lewis Center, Ohio. He was born in Zendersch, Romania on November 9, 1929. He was a retired brick and block mason. Preceded in death by his Wife, Sara; his mother Sara (Henning) and father Michael Rader, and brothers Michael and Hans. Survived by brother, Andreas Rader who resides in Germany, daughters Gerda (Gene) Monnette and Renate (Craig) Curtis, four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

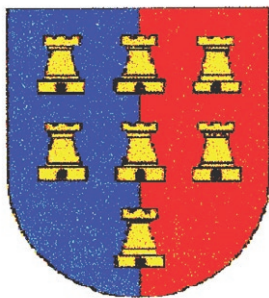
A memorial service was held on Saturday, April 9, 11:00 at Powell United Methodist Church at 825 East Olentangy Street (Rt. 750), Powell OH. In lieu of flowers, please consider donations to PIN (People in Need, Inc.), 138 Johnson Drive, Delaware, OH 43015. PIN is a private, not-for-profit 501(C)(3) social services agency dedicated to providing emergency assistance to Delaware County residents. PIN offers a variety of services including food pantry, produce market, programs that support families during holidays, and much more in memory of George Rader. You may also make donations Echo Hospice of Ohio, 8050 North High Street, Columbus, OH 43224 in memory of George Rader

### HUMOR

There were 2 red-heads (really was a blond joke but I thought I would give them a break) driving to Disney for vacation.

They came to a rode sign that said 'Disney Left'.

They looked at each other,



started crying and drove home.

### 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."

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 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  
Nösnerland/Nösen/Bistritz  
Hermannstadt  
Klausenburg  
Kronstadt/Kruhnen  
Meinbach/Mühlbach  
Schassbrich/Schässburg

### Klausenburg

On the site of the city was a pre-Roman settlement named Napoca. After the AD 106 Roman conquest of the area, the place was known as Municipium Aelium Hadrianum Napoca. Possible etymologies for Napoca or Napuca include the names of some Dacian tribes such as the Naparis or Napaei, the Greek term napos (νάπος), meaning "timbered valley" or "to flow, to swim, damp". The first written mention of the city's current name – as a Royal Borough – was in 1213 under the Medieval Latin name Castrum Clus and the German name Klause – Kluse (meaning "mountain pass" or "weir") or the valley that narrows or closes between hills just to the west of Cluj-Mănăştur. At the beginning of the middle Ages, two groups of buildings existed on the current site of the city: the wooden fortress at Abtsdorf and the civilian settlement developed around the current Museum Place in the city center. Although the precise date of the conquest of Transylvania by the Hungarians is not known, the earliest Hungarian artifacts found in the region are dated to the first half of the tenth century. In any case, after that time, the city became part of the Kingdom of Hungary. King Stephen I made the city the seat of the castle county, and King Saint Ladislaus I of Hungary founded the abbey of Cluj-Mănăştur (Kolozsmonostor), destroyed during the Tatar invasions in 1241 and 1285.



**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.**

**Alyce Sheely**  
Age 90

Died: January 12, 2022  
Home Branch

**Wayne J. Morschhauser**  
Age 64

Died: February 7, 2022  
Home Branch

**Donald Pietrowski**  
Age 84

Died: March 12, 2022  
Home Branch

**Frida A. Halemba**  
Age 89

Died: March 23, 2022  
Branch 33, Cleveland, OH

**Samuel Klein, Jr.**  
Age 85

Died: March 23, 2022  
Branch 37, Detroit, MI

**Eric R. Cornelius**  
Age 22

Died: March 30, 2022  
Branch 30, Youngstown, OH

As for the civilian colony, a castle and a village were built to the northwest of the ancient Napoca no later than the late 12th century. This new village was settled by large groups of Transylvanian Saxons, encouraged during the reign of Crown Prince Stephen, Duke of Transylvania. The first reliable mention of the settlement dates from 1275, in a document of King Ladislaus IV of Hungary, when the village was granted to the Bishop of Transylvania. On 19 August 1316, during the rule of the new king, Charles I of Hungary, Klausenburg was granted the status of a city,

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**Happy Easter!**



*Wie schön! Das Osterfest fällt ja auch, zumindest in unseren Breitengraden, in die schönste Jahreszeit. Die Tage sind heller und länger geworden. Der Frühling ist im Begriff einzuziehen. In den Gärten blüht und sprießt es in bunten Farben. Die Vögel jubeln in den Bäumen ihre vielstimmigen Lieder. Alles motiviert zum Leben.*

Ein Blick auf das Titel-



**Beweinung und Grablegung Christi. Vorreformatori-  
sche Tafelmalerei von der Predella des alten Altars in  
der evangelischen Stadtpfarrkirche in Hermannstadt  
(um 1530). Foto: Konrad Klein**

Dabei ergibt sich die Frage, ob ein vorreformatorisches Gemälde noch eine Aussage für unseren Glauben und das Leben im 21. Jahrhundert hat? Bei der Beantwortung dieser berechtigten Frage ist hilfreich und weiterführend, wenn es uns gelingt, Fragen des Glaubens, auch wenn sie sich aus Darstellungen alter Meister ergeben, mit anderen Christen zu besprechen.

Zusammen mit dem Religionslehrer Konrad Klein haben wir das Bild zu deuten versucht. Überschriften wird es ja mit „Beweinung und Grablegung Christi“. Die Darstellung strahlt um den halbaufgerichteten Oberkörper des Leichnams Jesu eine bemerkenswerte Vielfarbigkeit aus, als handele es sich um ein feierliches gesellschaftliches Ereignis. Maria, die Mutter Jesu, mit weißem Kopftuch strahlt Helligkeit aus. Ihre rechte Hand zeigt segnend zum Kopf des Gekreuzigten. Leicht zurückversetzt an ihrer Seite ist Maria Magda-

lena, ebenfalls mit weißem Kopftuch, an dem Geschehen beteiligt. Im Hintergrund dürfte es Johannes, der Lieblingsjünger, sein, der mit der linken Hand zu Joseph von Arimathia weist, der im Begriff ist, den letzten Dienst am Leichnam Jesu zu verrichten. Das Gemälde zeichnet ein Geschehen von großer Ernsthaftigkeit, ohne dass es eine betonte Traurigkeit vermittelt. Es drückt in lebendigen Farben eher eine Übergangssituation aus, erfüllt von dem Glauben und der Hoffnung, dass der Tod nicht das letzte Wort haben wird, sondern die Auferstehung und das Leben, das der Welt am Ostermorgen verkündet wird.

Während ich diese Zeilen geschrieben habe, hat die Bundesversammlung einen neuen Bundespräsidenten, Pfarrer Joachim Gauck, gewählt. In mehreren Meinungsäußerungen wurde hoffnungsvoll auf seine christliche Werteorientierung hingewiesen. Er wird nicht ein politischer Moses sein, sondern einer, der aus der erfahrenen Freiheit lebt, „dem der Glaube am Herzen liegt“, dessen eingedenk, dass daraus die Verantwortlichkeit und der Dienst an den Menschen hervorgehen. Dies geschah am Sonntag Laetare, und das heißt mitten in der Passionszeit: „Freuet euch“! In diesem Sinne wünsche ich Ihnen ein schönes und gesegnetes Osterfest!

Dekan i.R. Hermann Schuller, Vorsitzender der Gemeinschaft Evangelischer Siebenbürger Sachsen und Banater Schwaben im Diakonischen Werk der EKD (Hilfskomitee)

SBZ Online 8. April 2012

Branch 33 members who are newly entering or continuing college (undergraduate studies only) are invited to apply for a Freshman (\$1,000) or Sophomore/Junior/Senior (\$500) scholarship for the 2022-2023 academic year. IT IS THE MEMBER'S RESPONSIBILITY to call or write to REQUEST an application.

**DEADLINE IS May 30, 2022.**

Here are the eligibility requirements, i.e. the RULES.

1. At least one parent or guardian or grandparent of the applicant must be a member in good standing of ATS Branch 33 for the past two (2) years.
2. Scholarship applicants must be a member in good standing of ATS Branch 33 for the past two (2) years, having transferred from Junior/Juvenile status to Active/Adult i.e. local dues paying status.
3. Freshman: High School accumulative GPA minimum

Branch 33 members attending college for undergraduate studies can request an application by mailing in the form below or via e-mail to Karyn Schmidt at [mbks26@gmail.com](mailto:mbks26@gmail.com).

Questions call Karyn at (216) 382-7397.

**Application Request for Branch 33  
College Scholarship/Reimbursement**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

College/University: \_\_\_\_\_

Year: circle one

Freshman      Sophomore      Junior      Senior

Parent/Guardian/Grandparent Name: \_\_\_\_\_

DEADLINE IS May 30, 2022:  
Mail to: Karyn Schmidt  
4979 Anderson Road, Lyndhurst OH 44124



Salem Saxon Club  
Saturday, April 16  
1:00 pm

## Easter Bunny will be in attendance

For children and  
grandchildren of Members

Outside weather permitting  
Plenty of eggs with games,  
snacks, and drinks after



as a reward for the Saxons' contribution to the defeat of the rebellious Transylvanian voivode, Ladislaus Kán.

Many craft guilds were established in the second half of the 13th century, and a nobleman or aristocrat group based in commerce and craft production displaced the older landed elite in the town's leadership. Through the privilege granted by Sigismund of Luxembourg in 1405, the city opted out from the jurisdiction of voivodes, vice-voivodes and royal judges, and obtained the right to elect a twelve-member jury every year. In 1488, King Matthias Corvinus ordered that the city council, consisting of one hundred men—be half composed from the wealthy people, with craftsmen supplying the other half; together they would elect the chief judge and the jury. Meanwhile, an agreement was reached providing that half of the representatives on this city council were to be drawn from the Hungarian, half from the Saxon population, and that judicial offices were to be held on a rotating basis. In 1541, Klausenburg became part of the Eastern Hungarian Kingdom (that transformed to Principality of Transylvania in 1570), after the Ottoman Turks occupied the central part of the Kingdom of Hungary; a period of economic and cultural prosperity followed.

The city is considered the unofficial capital of the historical province of Transylvania. From 1790 to 1848 and from 1861 to 1867, it was the official capital of the Grand Principality of Transylvania.

The nickname "treasure city" was acquired in the late 16th century, and refers to the wealth amassed by residents, including in the precious metals trade.

The city spreads out from St. Michael's Church built in the 14th century and named after the Archangel Michael, Klausenburg's patron saint.

The St. Michael's Church in Klausenburg has been the holly gathering sanctuary for a variety of different sects throughout its long history. For the first two centuries following the church's inception, the church belonged to the Catholic faith. During the years of 1545 to 1558, the church was of the Lutheran

denomination. From 1558 to 1566, the church became a Calvinist worship facility. In the years, 1566 to 1706, the church once again became home to a different affiliation, this time Unitarian.

While under the Unitarian leadership, the St. Michael's Church served as the center, and most important site, for the Unitarian religion in all of Europe. In 1570, the Unitarian bishop of Klausenburg, Francisc David, prophesied that the coming of Jesus would take place in the city of Klausenburg. After his prophecy became unfulfilled many Unitarian adherents were left disappointed and dissatisfied in the bishop.

In the year 1699, the Habsburgs took occupation of Transylvania. During their occupation, they gained control of all the places of worship in Klausenburg and surrounding areas. They converted the Church of St. Michael's back to the church's original, and the empire's primary religion, of Catholicism. The St. Michael's Church is Romania's only church to have served 4 different religions.

For half a century, the St. Michael's Church was also a primary meeting location for the Transylvanian Diet. The Transylvanian Diet was a group of noblemen that compromised a legislative, administrative and judicial body, which operated in the region from 1570 and 1867. The Diet made numerous important political decisions at meetings within the church's walls.

In terms of religion, Protestant ideas first appeared in the middle of the 16th century. During Gáspár Heltai's service as preacher, Lutheranism grew in importance, as did the Swiss doctrine of Calvinism. By 1571, the Torda Diet had adopted a more radical religion, Ferenc Dávid's Unitarianism, characterized by the free interpretation of the Bible and denial of the dogma of the Trinity. Stephen Báthory founded a Catholic Jesuit academy in the city in order to promote an anti-Reform movement; however, it did not have much success. For a year, in 1600–1601, Klausenburg became part of the personal union of Michael the Brave. Under the Treaty of Carlowitz



St. Michael's Church, Klausenburg



Bonțida Bánffy Castle

in 1699, it became part of the Habsburg Monarchy.

There are a large number of castles in the countryside surroundings, constructed by wealthy medieval families living in the city. The most notable of them is the Bonțida Bánffy Castle—once known as "the Versailles of Transylvania. In 1387, the Bonțida estate came into the possession of the Hungarian Bánffy of Losonc family, when Sigismund of Luxemburg donated it to Dénes, son of Tamás Losonci. The present castle was preceded by a manor house, whose history

dates back to the 15th-16th centuries. The castle was later fortified between 1668 and 1674 by surrounding it with curtain walls that formed a rectangular enclosure, reinforced at the corners with massive circular towers. The castle could be accessed through a seven-story high gatehouse located on the fortification's eastern side.

This covers one more of the Seven Towns/ Fortifications represented on the Transylvanian Flag/ Emblem. We have two more Towns/Towers to cover in upcoming issues.

Earth Day 2022: Consider the chopstick

Chopsticks are everywhere.

A third of the global population uses them every single day. The rest of the population fumbles (and masters) them at restaurant meals. All those chopsticks add up -- mostly in landfills.

About 80 billion pairs of chopsticks are thrown away every year. To make that massive number of chopsticks, activists in China have documented the destruction of 100 acres per day of aspen, birch and bamboo.

In Vancouver, Canada, entrepreneur Felix Bock wants to do something about all those chopsticks. Something useful. Something artistic.

His new startup, ChopValue, transforms sticky single-



use chopsticks into furniture.

His raw material is not in short supply. According to Bock, his company collects 350,000 used chopsticks from 300 restaurants every week. He cleans them, compresses them, and turns them into book shelves, cutting boards, art, and desks. He

Is it a scam? How to know if the IRS is really calling

IRS scams are everywhere, bilking people out of thousands of dollars and fraudulently obtaining their personal information.

Phone scams are big at tax season. The thing to remember is that the real IRS will never:

- Call to demand an immediate payment using something like a prepaid debit card, gift card or wire transfer. If the IRS wants money from you, they will send a letter first. It won't come as a surprise.

- Threaten you. The IRS will never say they are going to bring police or any other kind of law enforcement person to arrest you.

- Demand tax payments without offering you the opportunity to appeal or even ask for details about the demand.

- Call you about a tax refund. They might write to you, but they won't call you first.

If you receive such a call, note the number and hang up. You can report the scam at [treasury.gov/tigta/reportcrime\\_misconduct.shtml](https://www.treasury.gov/tigta/reportcrime_misconduct.shtml)

estimates that he has transformed 50 million pairs of chopsticks since 2016.

Here is how it all works.

The wood is harvested in Asia and made into chopsticks. The sticks travel 6,000 miles to Vancouver, where they end up in restaurants and are used once.

The ChopValue staff collects the sticks. They coat them in a water-based resin and sterilize them at 200 degrees Fahrenheit for five hours, according to Atlas Obscura.

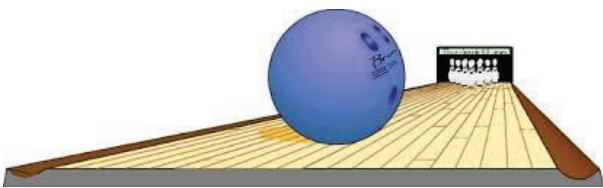
After that, the sticks are sorted and sent to a hydraulic machine than breaks them down into composite wood. They are sanded, polished and lacquered.

It takes more than 10,000 chopsticks to make a desk.



**Branch 33  
Bowl Where You Are Event.**

Thanks to Cindy Schneider for arranging the party; such a good time!



**Electrical  
injuries up,  
fatalities  
down**

The good news is that in 2020, there was a 24 percent decrease in fatal electrical injuries.

However, non-fatal electrical injuries were up 17 percent, according to the Electrical Safety Foundation International.

Of the fatalities, 44 percent involved workers in construction and extraction. About 20 percent involved installation, maintenance and repair. The highest number of fatalities occurred in mining and construction.

Even while work hours decreased 10 percent in 2020, non-fatal injuries occurred in maintenance and repair (31 percent), service (25 percent) and construction and extraction (21 percent).



**The Ziegler Family**



**Kathie and Don Brusk, Paul Schneider, Susie Guip and Ema Litschel getting ready to bowl.**



**Maria Foisel Philips  
chatting with spectator Ingeborg Krestel**



**Cindy Schneider brought friends Renee Everette, Bella and Anthony Bencie. Bowlers in the background are Lisa, Dave and son David Deaton.**



**Caiden Phillips and Mora Ziegler  
bowled AND gamed.**



**Harrison Hum  
throws for a strike!**



**Our eldest bowler Fred Krestel  
teaching the youngest, his great-grandson Quill Suts.**



**Maria Phillips and her grandkids,  
Allison and Caiden**



2022 Election of ATS National Officers cont'd from Page 1

portant aspect is his love and admiration for the Saxon culture.

**ATS Treasurer**  
**Michael Teutsch, Jr.**  
**Member of Branch 30**  
**Youngstown, OH**  
**(incumbent)**

Mike has served as the ATS Treasurer since 2020. He previously held the Trustee position. He chairs the Investment Committee and serves on the Cultural Promotion, Fraternal Activities/Scholarship, Sales, Salary & Pension, and the Strategic Planning Committees.

Mike has 28 years of service to his local branch. He has held the office of Vice President, Trustee and Head Trustee and has served on many committees. Mike has an Ohio insurance license and serves as his Branch's Sales Deputy.

Mike's community service includes Habitat for Humanity, Lutheran Brotherhood, Community Gardens and Church Council. Memberships include Life Underwriters, the Tri-County Business Networking Group, and various Realtor groups.

Mike is employed by Progressive Insurance as a claims adjuster. He is also a real estate agent. Mike has an Associate Degree in Business Management and a Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration. Mike is a lifetime member of the ATS.

Mike feels that his 30 plus years in the insurance industry, already serving as the ATS Treasurer, as well as his National and Local activities qualifies him for the Treasurer position.

**ATS Trustee**  
**Michael Bachinger**  
**Member of Branch 30**  
**Youngstown, OH**  
**(incumbent)**

Mike has been an ATS Trustee since 2020. He chairs the Information Technology Committee and serves on the Audit, Cultural Promotion, Fraternal Events/Scholarship, Sales, and Investment Committees.

Mike has served his local branch for over 40 years. He has held the offices of Vice President, Secretary,

Treasurer, Trustee and ATS Sales Deputy. He has also served on various local committees including the property upkeep and pavilion remodeling committees. He is also a member of the Youngstown Saxon Culture Group and Brass Band.

Mike has been active in his community with the Youngstown Housing Task Force, United Way and the YMCA. He also plays with the Deutsche Musik Verein.

Mike retired from the US Postal Service after 40 years, having held positions as letter carrier, Manager, Customer Service, Labor Relations and Human Resources. He attended Youngstown State University. Mike previously held an Ohio insurance license. He is a lifetime member of the ATS.

Mike feels that being a lifetime member of the ATS, being active on a National level as well as on the Local level qualifies him for the position of Trustee with the ATS. He is deeply committed to the preservation of our Saxon heritage as well as his local club and the ATS.

**ATS Trustee**  
**Ingrid E. Weihs-Ferguson**  
**Member of Branch 37**  
**Detroit, MI**  
**(incumbent)**

Ingrid has been an ATS Trustee since 2018. Prior to 2018, she was an Appointee to the ATS Youth Activities Committee since 1998. She is the Constitution Committee chairperson. Ingrid serves on the Audit, Insurance, Investment, Strategic Planning, and Youth Activities Committees.

Ingrid has 26 years of service to her local branch. She has held the offices of 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President, Financial Secretary, and Trustee. Committee work includes the audit committee and youth programs.

Ingrid's community service includes Grace Outreach, Relay for Life and the 3 Day Breast Cancer Walk. She's a member of various business organizations and the Detroit Regional Chamber of Commerce.

Ingrid is employed as a Manager at CORT Furniture Rental. She will be retiring this summer. She has a Bachelor's Degree in Management and Marketing.

Ingrid has been a member of the ATS for 42 years.

Ingrid feels having served on the ATS Board for the last four years has helped to make her even more qualified to continue serving in the same position. She is looking forward to having more time to devote to ATS activities in the future.

**ATS Trustee**  
**Margarete I. Ziegler**  
**Member of Branch 33**  
**Cleveland (East), OH**  
**(incumbent)**

Margie has served as an ATS Trustee since 2018. She is the Chairperson of the Cultural Promotion Committee. Margie also serves on the Audit, Information Technology, Salary & Pension, and Youth Activities committees.

Margie serves as the President of Branch 33 -

Cleveland East. Previous positions include Trustee and the membership committee. She has an Ohio insurance license and serves as an ATS Sales Deputy.

Margie's community service includes 20 years with the Girl Scouts. This includes being a Troop Leader, a Trainer and Mentor. She's also a member of the NE Ohio Metal Clay Guild.

Margie retired from Key-Bank as a Senior Vice President, with a career of over 25 years in the Finance and Marketing Departments. She is currently a Jeweler and Reflexologist. Margie has a Bachelor's Degree in Managerial Economics and German, and an MBA in Finance. She is a lifetime member of the ATS.

Margie feels that her experience in the banking and financial services industries qualifies her to be an ATS board member. She is deeply committed to preserving our Transylvanian Saxon traditions and culture.

**INVITE** your relatives and friends to  
join the crowd at ATS.

Anti-cancer drug promotes weight loss in obese mice

The drug camptothecin has been around since 1966 and was previously used as a cancer drug. But according to Fierce Biotech, Chinese researchers have been testing another application -- weight loss.

Obese mice who received the drug lost 11 percent of their body weight in 30 days, with most of the reduction from fat reserves. Researchers believe that the initial rodent tests are promising, but there are skeptics. Camptothecin was sidelined as a cancer drug due to its side effects, which include constipation, shortness of breath, insomnia, headache and flu-like symptoms.

ATS BRANCH 4 – 2022 FUND RAISER

CHINESE AUCTION/SAUSAGE DINNER

Sunday, April 24, 2022

WESTSIDE SACHSENHEIM

7001 Denison Avenue  
Cleveland, Ohio 44102

Sausage Dinner Starting at 1:00 p.m.  
Serving until 2:00 p.m.

Admission by prepaid reservation only!

\$12.00 - Adults Children 10 and Under - \$6.00

Auction Tickets: \$8.00 (Sold day of Auction)

DEADLINE FOR RESERVATIONS: April 16<sup>th</sup>

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Make your prepaid reservations by completing the Form below:

SAUSAGE DINNER/CHINESE AUCTION

Sunday, April 24, 2022

By Prepaid Reservation Only

\_\_\_\_\_ Adult Dinners @ \$12.00 each \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ Children's Dinners @ \$6.00 each (Ages 10 and under) \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Total Amount Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Make Check or Money Order payable to: ATS Branch 4  
Mail check and Reservation Form to: Donna Jankow  
7663 Ragall Pkwy.  
Middleburg Hts., OH 44130

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone No. ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Meal Tickets will be held at the Door

We will have assigned seating --- please indicate below if you wish to sit with specific individuals:

DEALINE FOR RESERVATIONS: APRIL 16<sup>th</sup>



# Ballgame seats

**Across**

1. Halloween cry

4. Religious images

9. Mont Blanc, e.g.

10. Raise at an angle

11. Bottom of the barrel

13. "Bye!"

14. Water-softening compound

16. Word in a simile

17. TV watchdog org.

18. Therefore

20. Place for soaking

22. "Aquarius" musical

24. Abominable Snowman

25. "Encore!"

27. Actor Carney

28. Painter's plaster

29. More, in Madrid

**Down**

1. Light wood

2. Dairy section selections

3. Newspaper piece

4. Tagged player

5. Tacky

6. Brightly colored fish

7. Cashew, e.g.

8. Marienbad, for one

12. Some African expeditions

15. Be in a cast

18. Hindu sacred writings

19. Newspaper section

20. Slant

21. Locker room group

22. Witchy woman

23. Questionnaire datum

26. Thumbs-down

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*The headline is a clue to the answer in the diagonal.*

Weise: Michael Zikeli  
Satz: Walter Scholtes

S. A. 1. Sachs hal - te Wacht, — Sachs hal - te Wacht. Die Vä - ter sie ha - ben ge -

T. B. Sachs, hal - te Wacht, hal - te Wacht, hal - te Wacht.

- run - - gen, sie ha - ben die Feinde be - zwun - - gen, sie ha - ben für Hei - mat - gut ver -

- gut ver - gos - sen ihr teu - res Blut. Hal - - te Wacht, Sachs hal - te Wacht.

- gos - sen ihr teu - res Blut. Sachs hal - te Wacht, — Sachs hal - te Wacht.

2. Sachs halte Wacht, Sachs halte Wacht!  
Was dir deine Väter erworben,  
wofür sie gelebt und gestorben,  
das sei dir ein heil'ger Hort,  
das wahre mit Schwert und mit Wort.  
Sachs, halte Wacht, Sachs halte Wacht!

3. Sachs halte Wacht, Sachs halte Wacht!  
Dein Land mit den waldigen Bergen,  
es duldet nur Herr'n und nicht Schergen,  
es kennt nur der Freiheit Licht,  
die Knechtschaft verträgt es nicht.  
Sachs, halte Wacht, Sachs halte Wacht!

Josef Groß

Saxon News **VOLKSBLATT** April 15, 2022 - 10

We don't know for sure when humans first got the idea to drink fermented grain beverages, but according to the Los Angeles Times, our primate ancestors were consuming alcohol in the form of fermented fruits about 10 million years ago.

It wasn't happy hour, it was survival: When food was otherwise scarce, fallen fruit that had started to rot and ferment was the only thing on the menu. The human practice of intentionally producing fermented beverages emerged alongside the earliest civilizations, according to Science Direct. As soon as humans started hanging out in larger groups, they decided to get some drinks together.

But grain-based alcoholic beverages came a bit later, after humans settled down and shifted from foraging to agriculture. The earliest known beer was brewed in China around 9,000 years ago, but it's impossible to know for sure where it developed first. New evidence uncovered in Israel suggests that people in the Levant region may have been crushing and processing grains to brew beer as early as 10,000 to 15,000 years ago. We also don't know exactly when barley entered the mix. The earliest confirmed evidence of barley beer dates back to about 3,400 to 3,000 BC, from residue on a wide-mouthed jug found in Iran's Zagros Mountains.


To the modern palate, ancient beers might be unfamiliar or even downright unpleasant. According to World History Encyclopedia, Mesopotamian beer had a gruel-like consistency and had to be consumed through



a straw to avoid the floating malt. Ancient Egyptian beer had a more liquid consistency, but the flavor profiles -- spiced and sweetened with no hops -- would be unrecognizable to modern beer drinkers. And while people have always enjoyed getting tipsy, ancient people didn't just think of beer as an intoxicant -- it was a dietary essential that supplied valuable calories.

Beer that we would recognize as beer came about during the Middle Ages, when Catholic monks were likely the first brewers to experiment with hops, according to Mental Floss. Like most things in Europe at that time, beer brewed with hops became a flashpoint during the 16th century Reformation, with Protestants claiming hopped beer as their preferred drink while Catholics ditched the hops and embraced traditional aromatics instead. But hops won because of one decisive advantage: It was also a preservative that delayed spoilage.

So the next time you open a beer, whether you choose a plain-Jane can of Budweiser or a fancy craft beer, just think: This could be gruel instead.



# EARTH DAY

ACT (boldly)

INNOVATE (broadly)

IMPLEMENT (equitably)

April 22, 2022



# ATS BRANCH DIRECTORY

Cleveland, OH Br. 1  
Mtg. 3rd Mon. 7:00 p.m.  
Sachsenheim  
7001 Denison Ave  
Cleveland OH 44102  
(216) 651-0888  
PRES: Robert M. Hanek  
22677Peachtree Ln  
Rocky River OH 44116  
(216) 385-9932 rhanek8@yahoo.com  
SEC'Y. Robert Cunningham III  
9005 Memphis Villas  
Brooklyn OH 44144  
(216) 398-7520  
rbcunningham@roadrunner.com  
ATS SEC'Y. R.Cunningham  
LOCAL DUES to R. Cunningham

Alliance, OH Br. 3  
Mtg. 3rd. Wed. - 6:30 p.m.  
American Legion Post 166  
141 W Main St Alliance OH  
PRESIDENT John H. Aeling  
15590 Georgetown St. NE  
Minerva, 44657  
(330) 862-3706  
JDAll852@yahoo.com  
SEC'Y. John Esterly  
2940 Cedarwood Dr  
Alliance Oh 44601  
(330) 821-8766  
ATS SEC'Y. Helen Aeling  
15354 Georgetown St. NE  
Minerva OH 44657  
(330) 862-2563  
SICK NOTICES & LOCAL DUES to  
John Aeling  
Address shown as President

Cleveland, OH Br. 4  
Mtg. 3rd. Mon. 7:00 p.m.  
Sachsenheim 7001 Denison Ave.  
(216) 651-0888  
PRES. Monica M. Weber  
(440) 356-5936  
SEC'Y. Joan A. Miller-Malue  
17105 Hilliard Rd.  
Lakewood OH 44107  
(216) 233-8631  
miller-malue@cox.net  
ATS SEC'Y Donna Jankow  
7663 Ragall Pkwy  
Middleburg Hts OH 44130  
(440) 826-0773  
SICK NOTICES to  
Joan A. Miller-Malue  
Address as above  
LOCAL DUES to  
Donna Jankow Address as above

Lorain, OH Br. 5  
Mtg. 3rd Monday of month 7:00 p.m.  
American Slovak Club  
2915 Broadway, Lorain  
PRES. Monica Gilles  
3520 Beavercrest Dr. #107  
Lorain OH 44053  
(440) 309-7894  
gillemo76@hotmail.com  
SEC'Y. Brian Gilles  
244 Ashwood Dr.  
Avon Lake OH 44012  
(440) 315-5214  
bgilles74@yahoo.com  
ATS SEC'Y. Ginger Romes  
1507 West 39th St  
Lorain OH 44053 (440) 989-8424  
dgromes@roadrunner.com  
SICK NOTICES to Jane Mowery  
3600 Jaeger Dr Unit 3101  
Lorain OH 44053 (440) 246-3004  
janie.e.mowery@gmail.com  
LOCAL DUES to  
Michael W. Johnson  
41868 Earlene Ct, Elyria OH 44035  
(440) 324-2534 mikjo79@gmail.com

Farrell, PA Br. 7  
Mtg. 3rd Tuesday 5:30 p.m.  
Farrell Lions Den  
810 Lions Club Lane Farrell PA  
(724) 981-7130  
PRES. Karen Zaborowski  
1715 Shady Dr Farrell PA 16121  
(724) 346-0373  
SEC'Y. Betty Holmes  
409 Patt Dr. Farrell PA 16121  
(724) 981-7130

Farrell, PA Br. 7 (cont'd)  
ATS SEC'Y. Bonnie Gregorich  
55 Oak Tree Ct  
West Middlesex PA 16159  
(724) 528-0309  
SICK NOTICES to Karen Zaborowski  
LOCAL DUES to Kathy Schuller  
PO Box 834 Andover OH 44003  
(440) 293-6973

Alliance, OH Br. 8  
Mgt. 3rd Wed. 6:30 p.m.  
American Legion Post 166  
141 W Main St Alliance OH  
PRES. Helen E. Aeling  
15354 Georgetown St. NE  
Minerva 44657  
(330) 862-2563 HHA658@aol.com  
SEC'Y. Lesley Reed  
611 N. Market St Minerva OH 44657  
(330) 868-3816  
ATS SEC'Y. Denise Crawford  
5934 Stumph Rd Apt 416  
Parma OH 44130  
(330) 257-0267 dcrawfordcpa@outlook.com  
LOCAL DUES to: Lesley Reed  
Same address as above

Chicago, IL Br. 9  
Mtg. 1st Mon. 8:00 p.m.  
DANK Haus  
4740 N. Western (2nd floor) Chicago  
PRES. Diethild Thut  
923 E Slayton Dr  
Palatine IL 60074  
(847) 414-2660  
dedethut11@yahoo.com  
SEC'Y. Elfi Sanderson  
1425 London Lane  
Glenview IL 60025  
(847) 998-0939  
elfisanderson@gmail.com  
ATS SEC'Y: Claudia Schmidt  
8550 Niles Center Rd Skokie IL 60077  
(847) 899-8663  
Schmidt274@gmail.com  
LOCAL DUES AND SICK NOTICES TO:  
Claudia Schmidt  
Address as shown above

Columbus, OH Br. 10  
Mtg. 3rd Mon. 1:00 p.m. all months  
Hickory House,  
550 Officecenter Place Gahanna OH  
PRES. Mike Roth  
8063 Ivory Gull Cir  
Pickerington OH 43147  
(614) 834-2277 rothpmr@aol.com  
SEC'Y. Marlene Mueller  
310 Jericho Rd Apt 220  
Pickerington OH 43147-1459  
(614) 834-1060  
ATS SEC'Y. P. Michael Roth  
8063 Ivory Gull Cir Pickerington OH 43147  
(614) 216-0008  
LOCAL DUES and Sick Notices to  
Don Blum  
6436 Lakeview Cir  
Canal Winchester OH 43110  
(614) 837-1915  
donaldblum@prodigy.net

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

Canton, OH Br. 17  
Mtg. 2nd Sunday Location varies  
PRES. Rosanne Miller  
3624 Harris Ave NW  
Canton OH 44708  
(330) 933-4584  
SEC'Y. Mary Rowinsky  
1656 Dunkeith Dr NW  
Canton OH 44708  
(330) 478-9333  
ATS SECRETARY: Helen Aeling  
15354 Georgetown St NE  
Minerva OH 44657  
(330) 862-2563 HH658@aol.com  
SICK NOTICES to Mary Rowinsky  
LOCAL DUES to: Rosanne Miller

## USE ONLY THIS FORM FOR CHANGE OF ADDRESS AND CANCELLATIONS

All information in the form  
to the right and below must  
be correctly typed, or legibly  
written.

- ☐ CHANGE  
☐ CANCELLATION  
☐ NEW to receive paper

☐ HOME OFFICE RECORDS & VOLKSBLATT ☐ VOLKSBLATT ONLY  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature of Person Making Change \_\_\_\_\_

**Mail to: Alliance of Transylvanian Saxons, 5323 Pearl Road, Cleveland, Ohio 44129-1503**

## CHANGE OF ADDRESS FORM

Branch No. \_\_\_\_\_ Certificate No. \_\_\_\_\_

SS# \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Old Street Address was \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

**New Street** \_\_\_\_\_

**City/State/Zip** \_\_\_\_\_

THIS CHANGE IS FOR:

Salem, OH Br. 18  
Mtg. 2nd Mon. 7:00 p.m.  
Saxon Club 1980 St. Rt. 9 Salem,  
44460 (330) 222-1770  
PRES. Marilyn McNutt  
1721 State Route 9 Salem 44460  
(330) 337-8940  
SEC'Y. / ATS SECRETARY  
Barbara Spack  
1389 Brookview Dr Salem, 44460  
(330) 337-7487 babrayn@sbcglobal.net  
SICK NOTICES to Theresa Spack  
384 W Pershing  
Salem OH 44460 (330) 831-4119  
LOCAL DUES TO: Helen Aeling  
15354 Georgetown St. NE Minerva  
44657  
(330) 862-2563 HHA658@aol.com

Salem, OH Br. 19  
Mtg. 1st Mon. 7:30 p.m.  
Saxon Club 1980 Newgarden Rd  
Salem OH 44460 (330) 222-1770  
PRES. Glenn Spack  
943 Stewart Rd Salem OH 44460  
(330) 332-8174  
SEC'Y. Robert P. Vogt, Sr.  
973 Sunset Blvd. Salem, 44460  
(330) 881-3346 mvcobra27@gmail.com  
ATS SEC'Y Glenn Spack  
Address and phone as above  
SICK NOTICES to Glenn T. Spack  
address above  
LOCAL DUES to Richard Vogt, Sr.  
c/o Salem Saxon Club  
1980 Newgarden Rd, Salem, 44460  
(330) 222-1770

New Castle, PA Br. 25  
Mtg. 2nd Thursday 8:00 p.m.  
Eintracht Hall 108 Taylor St.,  
New Castle PA 16101  
(724) 652-7221  
PRES. Dave Miller  
118 E Hazelcroft Ave New Castle PA 16105  
(724) 730-3250  
Davidfmiller49@yahoo.com  
SEC'Y. Jacob Holzhauser  
764 Rose Point Rd New Castle 16101  
(724) 971-1260  
newcastleeintracht@gmail.com  
ATS SEC'Y: Doug Schafer  
113 Okinawa Dr New Castle PA 16105  
(724) 944-6199  
dougshafernc@aol.com  
Local Dues: Karl Hermann  
1650 Union Valley Rd  
Wampum PA 16157  
(724) 971- 6683  
karlhermann@comcast.net

Merrillville, IN Br. 26  
Meeting first Sunday at 2 p.m.  
Slovak Club - 6920 Broadway  
(219) 756-5101  
PRES. Jeff Szostek  
1652 West 97th Ave  
Crown Point IN 46307  
(219) 313-7854 219szsos@gmail.com  
SEC'Y. Jamie Connors  
1035 Garfield St Hobart IN 46342  
(312) 758-6341  
Weebec052277@yahoo.com  
ATS SEC'Y. Randall Floyd  
1806 E 73rd Ave, Merrillville IN 46410  
(219) 798-6908  
LOCAL DUES to Zita Palyok  
724 E. 25th Pl, Lake Station IN 46405  
(219) 962-7345 randz724@comcast.net  
Sick Notices to Jamie Connors  
Listed above

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

Monaca, PA Br. 29  
Mtg. 2nd Sunday 6 p.m.  
Saxon Club 112 Simes Ave  
Rochester, PA 15074  
PRES. Dan Nolder  
470 Center Grange Rd Monaca PA 15061  
(724) 312-1854  
SEC'Y Lauren Freshkorn  
1298 Wagner Ave Monaca PA 15061  
(724) 462-0046  
ATS SEC'Y. Terri L. Munroe  
1018 Wayne Ave Monaca PA 15061  
(724) 544-0457 enchantra220@yahoo.com

Youngstown, OH Br. 30  
Mtg. 2nd. Sun. 2:00 p.m.  
Saxon Club 710 S. Meridian  
Youngstown OH 44509  
(330) 792-7973  
PRES. Candace Crum  
5244 Kennedy Rd  
Lowellville OH 44436  
(330) 942-2928  
SEC'Y Fran Hinerman  
1481 Salsgiver Dr Leeper PA 16233  
(330) 507-1340  
ATS SEC'Y Julaine Gilmartin  
4173 Timberland Trail  
Canfield, OH 44406  
(330) 799-5171  
LOCAL DUES Val Thomas  
5947 Tippecanoe Rd  
Canfield OH 44406 (317) 373-0797  
SICK NOTICES to  
Rosemary Zamary  
2158 Cranbrook Dr  
Youngstown OH 44511  
(330) 509-9625

Ellwood City, PA Br. 32  
Mtg. 2nd. Wed. 7:30 p.m.  
Saxon Club 901 Millview St.  
(724) 758-3268  
PRES. Laura Goehring  
113 Mahony Ave Ellwood City PA 16117  
(724) 971-2040  
SEC'Y Docia Jacobs  
130 Belton Rd Ellwood City PA 16117  
(724) 758-8486  
ATS SEC'Y Lori Berendt  
2260 Cherry Hill Rd  
Ellwood City 16117(724) 714-1217  
SICK NOTICES to: Joan Evans  
197 Portersville Rd Apt 3  
Ellwood City PA 16117  
(724) 752-1109

Cleveland, OH Br. 33  
Mtg. 2nd. Weds. 7:30 p.m.  
St. John's Lutheran Church  
1000 Ford Rd Highland Heights OH  
PRES. Margarete Ziegler  
38047 Parkway Blvd.  
Willoughby OH 44094  
(440) 488-6821  
margarez@aol.com  
SEC'Y. Arline Suts  
413 Downing Dr Chardon OH 44024  
(440) 279-3330  
asuts@windstream.net  
ATS SEC'Y. Karyn Schmidt  
4979 Anderson Rd  
Lyndhurst OH 44124  
(216) 382-7397  
SICK NOTICES to Arline Suts  
Address and phone as above  
LOCAL DUES to Michael Bretz  
388 East 317th St.  
Willowick OH 44095  
(216) 392-6241 meb3172@att.net

Detroit, MI Br. 37  
Mtg. 1st. Sun. 12:30 p.m.  
St. Peters Lutheran Church  
11423 Chicago Rd. Warren, MI  
(586) 978-3850  
PRES. Susanna Fleischer  
11060 Furbush Rd. Holly MI 48442  
(810) 694-1860  
beetlebug7@peoplepc.com  
SEC'Y. Janet Nelson  
128 Ottawa Dr. Troy MI 48085  
(248) 879-3213  
janetreadnelson@gmail.com  
ACTING ATS SEC'Y.  
Susanna Fleischer  
Address as above  
LOCAL DUES to Ingrid Weihs-Ferguson  
11711 Lancer Dr Sterling Hts MI 48313  
iwferguson@aol.com

Ellwood City, PA Br. 45  
Mtg. 2nd. Sun. 7:30 p.m.  
Saxon Club 901 Millview Ave.  
(724) 758-3268  
PRES. Tim Hardy  
919 Aiken Ave Ellwood City 16117  
(724) 679-2122  
SEC'Y. Jamie Miller  
114 Rustic Park Rd  
Ellwood City PA 16117  
(724) 601-4181  
ATS SEC'Y. Lori Biddle-Berendt  
5412 Fifth Ave Koppel PA 16136  
(724) 900-2616  
LOCAL DUES TO:  
Ellwood City Saxon Club  
PO Box 161, Ellwood City PA 16117  
SICK NOTICES TO:  
Mike Bieselt  
106 Fairview Dr  
Ellwood City PA 16117  
(724) 709-0595



# TSBA 2021-2022 Bowling Season

Season Champions: Youngstown Team #2

Candy Crum, Alexis Marucci

Lisa Marucci, Mike Teutsch Jr.

Team High Game with Handicap: Salem #2

Art Maroscher, Tony Rothbrust

Francis Schlueter, Rich Vogt

Team High Series w/ Handicap: New Castle #5

Briana Bacich, Jerrod Palmer

Jen Wansack, Ken Wansack

High Game Actual

Jen Wansack, Milt McCoy

High Game with Handicap

Barb Gilles, Glenn Spack

High Series Actual

Sandra Maurer, Chase Vassen

High Series with Handicap

Michelle Radeff, Tom Spack

Most Improved

Jen Both, Milt McCoy

High Average

Sandra Maurer, Chase Vassen



Candy Crum



Rich Vogt, Tony Rothbrust,  
Art Maroscher



Jen & Ken Wansack



Milt McCoy



Barb Gilles



Tom Spack with the Boss



Michelle Radeff



Barb Hum, Mike Bretz



Sandra Maurer



Jen Both



David Vassen, Tom Zajac,  
Chase Vassen, Rudy Bacich



Dan Both, Jr.



Glenn Spack

## TSBA Season-end Tournament

Winning Team: New Castle #6

Rudy Bacich, Chase Vassen

David Vassen, Tom Zajac

Doubles Winners

Mike Bretz, Barb Hum

Singles Winners

Dan Both Jr., Barb Hum

All Events with Handicap

Rudy Bacich, Barb Hum

All Events Actual

Sandra Maurer, Tom Spack