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BRANCH 5, LORAIN By Michael Johnson

We're only 4 weeks into summer and already it feels like it's passing too quickly. Of course, last year at this time we were just making sure that we all weren't going to be shut down by a Covid resurgence. Let's hope we can continue to stay healthy.

At our June 20th meeting it was voted upon to suspend our July and August meetings. Next meeting will be at 7 p.m. on September 19, 2022. In lieu of the July meeting at the Slovak Club, members are invited to have dinner on Tuesday. July 19, 2022 at Dodie's Dockside 301Broadway Ave, Lorain, OH 44052 which is located in the Historic Ariel Hotel. To attend, you must make your reservation by July 12th by calling brother Brian Gilles at; 1(440) 315-5214 or email bgilles74@ yahoo.com. While talking to Brian about your RSVP for that evening you can also make your reservation for the Branch 5 Picnic being held at Pavilion 1 at The Lakeview Park, 1800 W Erie Ave., Lorain, OH 44052 on Sunday, August 21, 2022 starting at 1:00 p.m. till sunset. Be prepared to let Brian know if you will be bringing a dessert or side dish to share. The branch will provide the main dish of fried chicken, corn on the cob, pop, water and chips.

Congratulations to our Junior members Braedon Gilles (\$1,000 Scholarship Lorain Saxon Ladies Branch11) and Dalton Cantrell (\$500.00 Scholarship in memory of Gerard Slusny) for being awarded continuing education scholarships through the more than 40 Alliance of Transylvanian Saxons Grants, Funds, and Memorials established through the many branches of the ATS. Grace Botsch, a Freshman Academic Scholarship winner of Branch 4 received the \$1,000 Lorain Branch 5 scholarship. We also want to congratulate brother Brian Gilles for his participation again in the American Lung Association's; Fight for Air Stair Climb, back in May at Progressive Field.

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TIMELY - DO NOT DELAY

Any member who would like to be a part of The Transylvanian Saxon Bowling Association Branch 5 league for the 2022 - 2023 season beginning in September should contact President Monica Gilles at 1(440) 309-7894 or email gillemo76@hotmail.com to let her know you're interested as soon as possible.

Soon to be off of the sick benefits list is sister Jeanne Petty as she finishes her therapy for knee surgery. There are no other members as of this report that are receiving sick benefits.

Celebrating birthdays this month of July are sisters Dana Brown, Denise Weiler, brothers Scott Kranstuber, Kyle Cassidy, and junior members Kaden Wyndham, Lauryn Davis, Kailey Hochevar, and Addison Long. My apologies to sister Lesley Hochevar on missing announcing her in the June birthday greetings last month. May you all enjoy your special day. Happy Birthday!

There are still many opportunities to enjoy the summer in activities hosted by many of the ATS branches listed in your Volksblatt's Fraternal Calendar on both the national and local level. Hope you all had a happy 4th of July holiday.

Until next time stay healthy, stay strong.



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Denise Aeling Crawford ATS Nat'l President



I hope everyone had a wonderful 4th of July. Independence Day is a day that everyone should celebrate. Whether you came to America from Transylvania or you are first, second, or third generation Americans, we should all be thankful for the freedoms that we have here in America and we should not become complacent with these freedoms. We also need to remember that we are the land of the free because of the brave.

The Cultural Promotion Committee, under the direction of Chairperson Margie Ziegler, has the Saxon Stories project almost complete. We are planning to have a rough draft available this weekend at the ATS Saxon Day for people to leaf through. We will begin taking orders at that time. The book will still need to go to the printer to be bound before the final copies are ready. Look for an order blank in a future issue of the Volksblatt. I want to thank all of you who submitted your story or your family's story. It's been a big project, but definitely worth the effort.

Please make your reservations for the upcoming summer events. You don't want to miss out on all of the fun!

Did you know that the origins for the Monopoly game is as old as the ATS is? The ATS was founded in 1902. Some of our local branches are older than that, as those local branches got together to form the ATS. The ATS's history is pretty straightforward. Not so for the game of Monopoly. The earliest known version of Monopoly was The Landlord's Game. It was designed by an American named Elizabeth (Lizzie) Magie in 1902. She applied for a patent in 1903 and received that patent 1904. It was one of the first board games to use a "continuous path" without clearly defined start and end spaces. Handmade boards were made until 1906 when it was actually manufactured and published. She submitted an edition to Parker Brothers around 1910, which George Parker declined to publish. The game was published in the UK in 1913 under the title "Brer Fox an' Brer Rabbit." Shortly after, a professor at the Wharton School of Finance and Commerce at the University of Pennsylvania began using the game as a teaching tool in his classes. Other professors at various universities also used it in classrooms. The original patent on The Landlord's Game expired in 1921. By this time, the hand-made games became known simply as Monopoly. Magie re-patented a revised version of The Landlord's Game in 1924. This version included named streets and a special "monopoly" rule and card that allowed higher rents to be charged when all railroads and utilities were owned and included "chips" to indicate improvements to properties. She again approached Parker Brothers about her game and George Parker again declined.

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Parker was credited with urging her to take out the new patent. Over the years, various players created their own versions of the game. Eventually, one of these players, Charles Darrow, copyrighted his version in 1933. Darrow took his version to Milton Bradley and Parker Brothers who both rejected it in 1934. Parker Brothers then bought Darrow's game in March 1935 after finding it had excellent Christmas sales. By April of 1935, the company learned that Darrow was not the sole inventor of the game. The company subsequently bought out Magie's patent and the copyrights on other versions of the game. Other version names included The Fascinating Game of Finance shortened to Finance, Prosperity, Inflation, Big Business, Fortune, and Easy Money.

Until next time....



"What do I regret most? That I didn't get a chance to clear my browser history."

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	
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or honor of someone



Get out there and walk, run and play

All through the winter you promised yourself that when warm weather came, you would start walking. Well, it's here.

Being, busy doesn't cut it now. All you have to do is put your shoes on and walk out the door. Just start with a 15-minute walk. Once you do, you'll enjoy it so much that extending the time, little by little, will be a pleasure.

Another thing you will enjoy is how you will look after walking for a few weeks. Your waistline will thank you and you'll have a more toned look.

According to exercise tables, it could seem as if a few of hundred calories won't count for much when it comes to losing weight. The better part of exercising is that your body will continue to burn more calories for a time after your session is over.

As you exercise more, particularly if you add some weights to your exercise routine, you will build more muscle. Muscle burns more calories than the fat you are losing, so you will burn more calories 24 hours a day.

Doctors at the Mayo Clinic say exercise will improve your mood and calm you down when you are stressed. It promotes better sleep and a better sex life.

Exercise helps to manage or prevent chronic diseases, such as heart disease, osteoporosis, high blood pressure and breathing problems. Doctors at Duke University say walking is the magic pill for better health.

And it's fun, so get out there!

Hard work has a future payoff. Laziness pays off now. Alliance of Transylvanian Saxons
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THE DEADLINE DATE FOR ARTICLES IS WEDNESDAY - 12 NOON.

You may either

E-MAIL: saxonvolksblatt@aol.com POSTAL MAIL: Saxon News Volksblatt 29076 Fall River Dr Westlake OH 44145

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

DEADLINE DATES FOR ARTICLES:

DEADLINE ISSUE
WEDNESDAY, JULY 27, 2022 FRIDAY, AUGUST 5, 2022
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 10, 2022 FRIDAY, AUGUST 19, 2022
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 24, 2022 FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 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

The membership of Cleveland West wants to congratulate our members Hanz and Barbara Hermann on being awarded Saxon Honor Pins for their outstanding service to the Saxon community for their many years of serving as the managing editors of the Saxon News Volksblatt. They have done a great job helping ATS local branches communicate their local news and advertising their upcoming events. We thank you for your many years of service to our organization.

We had eleven lucky winners at the 250 Club drawing we had at our June Branch meeting: Mary Ann Anderson, Elizabeth Schuller, Courtney Crawford, Eugene King, Don Weber, Tom Hospodar. Jane Mowery, Rick Oldorff (lucky man won twice), Rich Konieczny ad Marga Schetterer. We still have many more weekly drawings and welcome new members. The Saxon 250 Club is setup to help raise some funds to help with expenses of our Sachseheim. There are 50 weekly drawings for \$25; \$100 special

drawing at 25th week; and the following prizes will be awarded at the 250 Club dinner...\$1000, \$899, \$500, \$400, \$300, 3 - \$100 and 3- \$50. You do not need to be present at the dinner to be a winner. Please invite your family and friends to join and support our efforts at the Sachseheim. To join send your \$50 check to: Stephanie Miller, 23500 Wingedfoot Drive, Westlake OH 44145. Make check payable to ATS Branch 1 - Saxon 250 Club. We are grateful for your support of this fundraiser.

At our June meeting we agreed to have vacation months for July and August. There will be no monthly meetings during the summer. Our next meeting will be in September.

Thinking of the Saxon Day Celebration that will be held at the Youngstown Saxon Club on Saturday, June 9th, I recall the song written by the International Saxon Youth Rally that several years ago that they called "Saxon Roads" that was sang to the music of a John Denver song called "Take Me Home,

Country Road." It was very clever:
Almost Heaven, Transylvania
Die Karpaten, Alt und Kokel River.
Life is old there, older than the trees
Younger than the mountains, growing like the breeze.

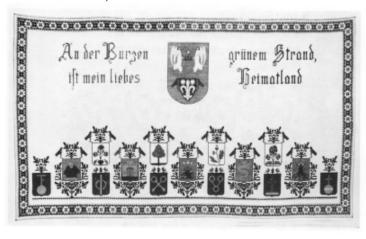
Saxon Roads take me home To the Place I belong, Transylvania, Saxon Mamma Take me home, Saxon Roads.

All my memories gather 'round her Saxesch lady, stranger to...whatever. Dance in Tracht and we try to fly Sueffig Taste of Pali, teardrop in my eye.

Saxon Roads take me home To the Place I belong, Transylvania, Saxon Mamma Take me home. Saxon Roads.

I hear the horns in the morning when they call me Hofbrau band reminds of my home far away. Munch' on a mitsch I get the feeling That I should have been home yesterday, yesterday!

Saxon Roads take me home To the Place I belong, Transylvania, Saxon Mamma Take me home, Saxon Roads.





DAY FIELD TRIP CLEVELAND METROPARK ZOO 3900 Wildlife Way Cleveland, OH Saturday, August 6, 2022

Enjoy a beautiful day at the Cleveland Metropark Zoo

Explore the Zoo, stop and observe the animals and chat with one of the Zoo's many knowledgeable Zoo Ambassadors and interpreters located throughout the Zoo's wildlife areas.

Check out the inquiry-driven educational kiosks at the Ben Gogolick Giraffe Encounter and in The RainForest at the orangutan habitat.

The ATS will be providing an Ail-American lunch at the Wild Wonders pavilion

All participants must meet at the Group ticket booth by 10am

Reservations and Payment must be made by July 22, 2022:

ATS Members Cost \$10.00	Non-ATS Members Cost \$15.00
Name	
Address	
Phone No	
ATSMember(s) @\$1	\$
Non-Member(s) @ S	\$15 \$
Total Remittan	ce \$

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Save on insurance with smart devices

Insurance companies are wise to the fact that some smart devices increase safety and mitigate risks, such as house fires. And as a result, they're giving customers using certain smart devices discounts on premiums. In fact, you could save 5 to 20 percent, depending on the devices and your insurer.

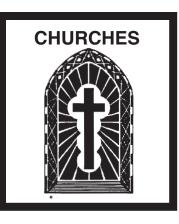
Many home insurance companies provide discounts for homes with security systems. With monitored security systems, a security company will keep an eye on your home and if sensors are tripped, they can contact you or the police. Some systems also offer "self-monitoring" and will send alerts to your phone, but won't contact the police or the security company until you give permission.



The Environmental Protection Agency estimates that leaking pipes and faucets in households waste over a trillion gallons of water per year. Not only will this run up your utility bills, but water damage can ruin cabinets, walls, floors and more. Fortunately, you can set up smart leak sensors under sinks and elsewhere.

When a leak is detected, you'll get pinged on your phone. You can also use the Flo by Moen Smart Water Security System. If there's a failure, say a water pipe breaking, it can shut off the water completely, potentially preventing a flood. Some insurers offer premium discounts for homes equipped with these water monitoring systems.

The NFPA reports that over 350,000 fires occur at home each year, many caused by electrical issues. But with Ting's in-socket smart sensors, if an electrical issue occurs, homeowners are warned before the fire starts. A few insurers now provide Ting free and some security systems also include devices that monitor for fires and water leaks.



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10:00 Service

Nursery

Coffee following service Senior Circle

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

Rev. Barbara Holzhauser Pastor

10:00 Worship Service

The time you enjoy wasting is not wasted time.

BRANCH 33, CLEVELAND EAST By Arline Krestel-Suts

Branch 33 is taking a hiatus, no business meetings to be held in July or August. Our next meeting will be held September 14th at St. John's Lutheran Church in Highland Heights. We hope everyone has a happy and healthy summer break.

We do have two outings planned. July 16 will be the annual Lake County Captains ballgame. Barb Hum taking reservations, tickets to be picked up at Will Call. Members price only \$10.

Branch 33's Annual Picnic at Penetentiary Glen pavilion will be Sunday, August 28 in Kirtland. This event is one of the most popular and we hope to have many members and guests attend. Price is \$5 for members, \$10 for guests (we would like cash because your money will be used for prizes). Of course I'm planning some great games again! Reservations will be taken by Kathie Brusk (215) 407-6654 or you can call me at (440)-867-6103. The picnic will be catered by Mission BarBque; we had a

great meal from this restaurant last year.

Recapping the June 8 meeting, we started the evening with a party tray supper and outdoor games; members played bocce ball and corn hole. President Margie Ziegler and the delegates reported on the Convention proceedings. All delegates had favorable reports and said they would gladly serve as delegates again. We were very sad to hear that longtime member Dorothy Hull passed away in April, she had been a member since 1946. Our sympathies to her families. Deputies are working on recruiting new members. We did welcome new members: adults Caroline Ginter, wife of Michael Ginter, and Janice Schneider and Alfred Schneider; also Junior member Sloan Suminski, a member of the Zink family. We want to wish you congratulations to members Madeline Nagy and Payton Schneider graduating from college this spring. Good luck in your careers!

We were glad to hear that

Florence Davidson and Ingeborg Krestel and Evelyn Keefer are home from the hospital. Also, we do have convention tote bags and glass beer mugs available for sale, you can call Cindy Schneider (216) 410-8851 and I will bring items to the picnic for any members interested as well.

Mr. Suts and I attended the bowling convention in New Castle. Thank you to our brothers and sisters in New Castle for hosting. The ATS bowling schedule was hashed out; Cleveland East will be hosting Sunday, January 15. We would love to have a third team put together for Branch 33. If anyone is interested in bowling it's only one Sunday a month September to April. Please call Wayne Suts (440) 279-3330. All you have to know to do is throw a ball and have fun! It is such a good way to meet brothers and sisters from the other branches.

Hope everyone has a great summer and able to get out and enjoy the weather, spend time with family, and remem-



Adelheid "Adi" Naples Age 88

Died: June 13, 2022 Branch 30, Youngstown, OH

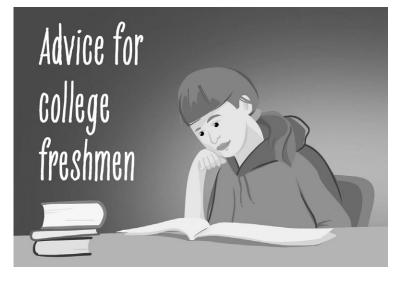
Barbara A. Noll

Age 88

Died: June 22, 2022 Branch 8, Alliance, OH

ber to sign up and attend ATS summer events.

Making your summer plans, don't forget ATS family day at Waldemere park in Erie. Branch 33 will reimburse price for members' admission tickets! Bring your receipt to September meeting.



Good advice for college freshmen, parents

School will start in a few weeks, but it's not too late to help your college freshman avoid poor choices. Student development offices give this advice:

- Don't overload your schedule. But remember: do it.
 You are paying for this, so you want to make a commitment to the basic classes in your first year.
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- Plan to go to class, al-
- Study at least an hour for each hour in class. It's not like high school.
- Avoid committing a certain number of hours to an outside job until after the first week of classes. By then, you'll have a better idea about how much you can do and still keep up with your studies.
 - Ask for help when you

need it. There are math and writing labs, peer tutoring and workshops.

- Keep your social life in balance with study requirements.
- Stay positive. You can
- Don't feel pressured to choose a career during your freshman year.
- Drop classes if you want, but do it during the designated period.
 - Back up your laptop.
- Keep your room reasonably clean and be a considerate roommate.
- Learn to do laundry.
- Find a place to study outside of your residence hall.
- For parents, impress upon your student that college loans are not free money.



FRATERNAL CALENDAR

NATIONAL EVENTS

July 9, 2022 **ATS Saxon Day Host: Branch 30 Youngstown** July 23, 2022 **ATS Family Day** Waldameer Park, Erie PA August 6, 2022 **Day Field Trip Cleveland Metropark Zoo** August 20, 2022 **ATS Annual Fishing Charter Eastlake OH** September 23-25, 2022 **ATS Family Weekend** Camp Fitch, North Springfield PA October 29 - 30, 2022 **ATS Open Bowling Tournament** Host: Branch 30 Youngstown

LOCAL EVENTS

July 16, 2022 Cleveland East Br. 33 **Lake County Captains Game Outing** July 17, 2022 Chicago Br. 9 Annual Picnic August 21, 2022 Lorain Br. 5 Picnic Pavillion 1, Lakeview Park, Lorain **August 28, 2022** Cleveland East Br. 33 Annual Picnic Penitentiary Glen, Kirtland OH September 18, 2022 Youngstown Br. 30 Pork/Kraut Dinner **September 25, 2022** Chicago Br. 9 Banquet October 15, 2022 Youngstown Br. 30 Craft Show



Plan now for next year's family reunions

one takes a few days off, so even if relatives have to come some distance, they can make it.

Independence Day may not be appropriate for oddnumber family reunions, but for a well-publicized 10th, 20th or 25th, you can add fireworks for a "popping" good time.

For a good crowd at a 2023 reunion on the Fourth, now is the time to start sending letters to your scattered family members,

July is one of the most or use form letters with popular months for family personal notes. People will reunions. Virtually every- be hesitant to plan something else for that time and could use the reunion as the centerpiece for next year's vacation. If you hold the reunion at a resort, outof-towners will have more entertainment and a place

> Discuss it with key people in your family.

> Ask for a reply by midyear. A few people will commit early. When you send a follow-up letter, you could mention people of interest who will be present.



ATS FAMILY WEEKEND AT **CAMP FITCH** N. SPRINGFIELD PA SEPTEMBER 23 - 25, 2022



Join us for a fun filled weekend at Camp Fitch. Located on the shores of Lake Erie, Camp Fitch provides safe and engaging outdoor recreational and natural experiences. We will be staying at Glenn Oaks Lodge with bunk beds, dorm style bathrooms, common spaces and our own fire circle. We will be eating breakfast, lunch and dinner in the Dining

Cost: \$50 per person

Over the course of the weekend our group can participate in the following activities:

- Rock Climbing (indoor or outdoor)
- Archerv
- Candle making
- Aquatic Recreation (including Canoeing, Stand Up Paddle boarding, Sea Kayaking and Swimming in Lake Erie -- warm weather dependent)
- Night Hikes

ATS FAMILY WEEKEND AT CAMP FITCH **Registration Form**

Name	
Address	
City/State/Zip	Email
Tele. No.()Member Br. No.	ATS Cert #
Number of additional family members	_
Names of additional family members:	
Make Checks payable to ATS	\$

This form must be received at the ATS Office by August 19, 2022. Mail check and form to: ATS, 5323 Pearl Road, Cleveland, Ohio 44129



ATS ANNUAL FISHING CHARTER

SATURDAY, AUGUST 20, 2022 LINDA MAE CHARTER 226 E. Island Dr. Eastlake, OH

Just 20 miles East of Downtown Cleveland \$30.00 for member \$65.00 for non-members **Pre-paid reservations** Includes fishing and bait. Charter departs at 2 p.m. Please arrive by 1:30

This is a great opportunity to enjoy what nature has to offer. What better way to spend the day than having a great time, relaxing and fishing on Lake Erie. And the great thing about it is it's fun for everybody, from the person who never had a rod in their hand to the professional angler.

Space is limited, So First Come, First Served!

Additional Fees, as needed, are: **Ohio Fishing License \$14.00** Fishing Pole Rental \$10.00 No License Required for anyone under the age of 16

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Name:		
Address:		
Phone Number:	Email:	

Please make checks payable to ATS

Mail reservation and check to ATS Home Office; 5323 Pearl Road; Cleveland, OH 44129 **DEADLINE FOR RESERVATIONS: August 5, 2022**

Attention Branch 30 Members:

The Branch 30 Constitution Committee has updated our Constitution, By-Laws and House Rules. After two further printings in the Volksblatt, we will be voting on the acceptance of the Constitution, By-Laws and the House Rules at our General Meeting on Sunday August 14th, 2022 at 2:00 pm. Please contact Kiki Eberth at (330) 509-8443 or kkeberth@gmail.com with any questions. Thank you for your support and input regarding this matter.

Constitution of Branch #30

ARTICLE I. NAME

The name of this Society shall be SAXON CLUB, YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO and BRANCH 30 of The Alliance of Transylvanian Saxons.

ARTICLE II PURPOSE

The purpose of the Society shall be to provide fraternal fellowship for its members as

envisioned in the following Mission:

- 1. To perpetuate the preservation of 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 organization, Alliance of Transylvanian Saxons.

ARTICLE III. MEETINGS

Section 1.

At every Regular Meeting, eleven (11) members in good standing and the majority of the officers shall constitute a quorum.

The March and August meetings are designated Section 2

as General Meetings in which special reports, changes to the constitution are proposed, and revisions to the by-laws and house rules are suggested.

Section 3. Special meetings may be called by the President or by written request of eleven (11) members in

good standing.

Robert's Rules of Order, latest edition, shall gov-Section 4. ern parliamentary procedures of all meetings of

ARTICLE IV. MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Applicants for membership in this Society must be a national

Section 2. Only individuals mentally and physically sound, and not under (16) years of age, may become

members of the Society.

Section 3. The Deputy proposing a candidate shall read and give all information concerning

> the applicant to the membership after having been reviewed by the Board of Directors. If three (3) or more votes are cast against the candidate by the Board, they shall not refer said applicant to the Membership. After a favorable report from the Board, voting shall take place by the Membership. In the event, during the membership vote, three (3) votes are cast against the candidate, no membership shall be granted.

ARTICLE V. OFFICERS AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The following constitutes the Officers and Board of Directors: President, First Vice-President, Second Vice-President, Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer, Assistant Treasurer, Financial Secretary, Assistant Financial Secretary, ATS Secretary, Sergeant-at-Arms and at least Six (6) Trustees (additional trustees to be appointed, by the president, as needed).

ARTICLE VI. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The election of officers shall be held each year in the November meeting of the Society.

To qualify for an elected office a candidate must be a member in good standing for at

least one (1) year and must have attended at least four (4) of the last twelve (12) meetings.

Section 1. The term of Office for all Officers shall be for one (1) year.

The election shall be conducted by the President who shall appoint an Election Committee to assist in nominating, posting positions, collecting ballots, tallying votes, and posting results.

A Candidate for President, 1st Vice President and Section 3. Treasurer must have been an elected officer for at least two (2) years.

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

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

> An absent qualified candidate may be nominated for an office provided they have submitted a written request for the office desired to the Branch Recording Secretary or has been nominated by the Elections Committee.

Any office becoming vacant shall be filled by a member appointed by the President until the following election. Appointees must have attended at least two (2) meetings during the past twelve months (12).

Section 8. In order to qualify for voting, a member must be present, must be in good standing at least five (5)

Anyone who resigns from an office may not be Section 9. elected to an office for a period of one (1) year from the date of resignation. This rule does not apply if the resignation was due to the officer being elected or appointed to another office.

ARTICLE VII. DUTIES OF OFFICERS

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

Section 2. The President will:

Section 6.

Section 7.

- Preside at all meetings
- See to it that the Laws of the Society are strictly carried out
- Explain and bring to a vote all motions made which are not in conflict or contrary to existing Federal, State, or local laws
- Receive all reports and submit same to the meeting Sign all bills and obligations approved by the Trustees for prompt payment
- Appoint committees as needed
- Initiate new members
- Pronounce all fines prescribed by the Constitution, with the inclusion of the other officers
- Represent the Society at all functions and activities
- Examine all bonds
- Appoint a Lodge Chaplain as needed
- Appoint a Head Trustee that will act as a supervisor of the

Section 3. The First Vice- President will:

- Diligently support the President in all official duties
- Fulfill all presidential duties during any temporary absence of the President
- If the Office of President becomes vacant, the 1st Vice President shall become President and shall assume the duties and responsibilities of the President until the next
- Will have the right to attend any and all trustee's meetings
 - Will have the power, with the head trustee and the corresponding trustee to hire and fire employees

Section 4. The Second Vice-President will:

- Take charge of and keep all cultural, historical and youth activities of Branch 30
- Coordinate cultural, historical and youth activities with the national committees of the A.T.S.
- Will coordinate, with the A.T.S. Secretary, all youth activities in Branch 30 and/or find a committee to do so
- Will act as liaison between Branch 30 and the Culture
- If the Office of 1st Vice President becomes vacant, the 2nd Vice President shall become the 1st Vice President and shall assume the duties and responsibilities of the 1st Vice President until the next election. The president will then appoint a new 2nd Vice President.

Section 5. The Recording Secretary will:

- Follow all discussions in the meetings of the Society
- Keep impartial minutes thereof Post in the minutes all bills of the Society

Section 6. The Corresponding Secretary will:

- Attend to all general correspondence of the Society
- Notify all members of Special Meetings in writing, in accordance with Article III Sec. 3
- Submit a Bi-weekly Article of news and meetings of the Society in the Volksblatt for publication, as needed

Section 7. The Financial Secretary will:

- Take in all Fraternal membership dues of the Society
- Record same at the conclusion of each meeting
- Keep record of all social membership
- Coordinate with the A.T.S. Secretary about juvenile, student and adult membership
- Issue all key cards
- Deliver all money collected against receipt to the Treasurer

Section 8. The Assistant Financial Secretary will:

- Assume the duties and responsibilities of the Financial Secretary in their absence
- Assist in the execution of that office

Section 9. The Treasurer will:

- Will be responsible for all monies of the society
- Accept from the Financial Secretary, all monies taken in
- Examine the books and submit receipts for all expenditures Deposit all monies of the Society immediately upon receipt
- in the banks designated by the Society as its depository
- Submit monthly to the Society an accurate financial report of all monies taken in and all expenses paid out
- Pay all financial obligations of the society
- Must sign all checks along with other designee Designee must not be related in any way.
- Must sign all withdrawals from the Saving Accounts along with other designee
- Furnish bond at the Society's expense

Section 10. The Assistance Treasurer will:

- Assume the duties and responsibilities of the Treasurer in their absence
- Assist in the execution of that office

Section 11. The Sargent of Arms will:

- Maintain order during Society meetings
- Ensure all meeting attendees have signed in, provided their key card number, and e-mail address (if applicable)
- Present non-member visitors to the President for permission to attend the meeting
- Present new member candidates for induction into the
- Assist in other duties designated by the President

Section 13. The ATS Secretary will:

- Conduct all of the Alliance business in the Society
- Keep accurate record of same
- Complete and forward all required reports to Alliance Home Office within five (5) days after the meeting
- Keep track of new and suspended members of the ATS (Including juvenile members)
- Coordinate with the Financial Secretary about current juvenile, student and adult membership
- Coordinate with the Second Vice-President concerning cultural, historical and youth activities of the national committees fo the A.T.S as well as of Branch 30
- Execute all records prescribed by the ATS
- Render all reports required and requested by same
- Issue a Transfer Card to a member transferring to another
- Preserve the records, receipts and duplicate copies of reports to the Alliance in the Society Archives for a period of 7 (seven) years
- Report the number of delinquent members and the death of a member to the Alliance Home Office
- Be of service to members in regard to Alliance business in the spirit of fraternal helpfulness

Section 14. The Trustees will:

- Conduct a monthly business inventory
- Examine the property of the society
- See that all property is properly maintained Have all necessary repairs completed as soon as possible
- Get authorization from the Board of Directors for any expenditures exceeding three-hundred dollars
- See that the retail business is operated as prescribed by the Board of Directors
- Maintain accurate records
- Ensure accurate accounting made monthly to the Society at each monthly meeting
- The President will appoint a Head Trustee that will act as supervisor of the trustees

Section 15. Ex-Presidents will:

Become advisory members of the Board of Directors

Section 16. Alliance Convention Delegates will:

- Automatically include the President, Recording Secretary, the ATS Secretary and the ATS Deputies
- Be elected at least two (2) months prior to the Convention Must be a member in good standing at least one year prior
- to their election Must have attended at least five (5) of the last twelve (12) meetings of Branch 30

ARTICLE VIII. DUTIES AND RIGHTS OF MEMBERSHIP

- To mutually aid each other
- To strive for fraternal cooperation
- To assist in the promotion and advancement of membership
- activities in the best interest of the Society and the Alliance. Abide and protect the Constitution and By-Laws of the Society and the Alliance
- Attend Society meetings regularly

the national Alliance

Participate in all deliberations pertaining to the business and activities of the Society Serve on committees and/or volunteer time

Generally, enjoy all rights and privileges of the Society and

- Section 1. Members must pay their local dues at the beginning of each calendar year for the entire year and must pay an initial key card fee.
 - Key cards will remain activated upon the full payment of dues for the current calendar year. If dues are not paid in full by the February regular meeting key cards will be
 - deactivated and membership will be terminated. A member in good standing of the Society for forty (40) years shall not be required to (but may) pay any dues or assessments.
 - All members under the age of twenty-five (25) may pay only one-half of the annual fee.

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Constitution of Branch #30

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Section 2.

A member of this Society may retain their membership in the Society even though they relocate in a city in which there may or may not be another Society. Our Society will accept members who wish to join by transferring from another Society. A Certificate of Transfer form must be filed with the Librarian.

Section 3.

Members are to keep the Financial Secretary informed of any changes of contact information.

Section 4.

Upon written request all Affiliated Organizations are required to provide detailed financial reports within 30 (thirty) days. Upon failure to furnish said annual report, said affiliated organization shall be denied its status as an affiliate of Branch 30.

Section 5.

All standing committees or other committees of the Society, not having previously submitted a written report, shall submit a report of its committee at the March General Meeting together with a written Financial Report.

ARTICLE IX. CHARGES, GRIEVANCES, & RECALL

Section 1.

Procedures shall be the same as that set forth by the Constitution of the A.T.S., except that the Grievance Committee, when needed, shall be made up of five (5), non-office holding members in good standing; selected at random from the most recent general meeting attendance.

Section 2. Unless otherwise provided in the Branch Constitution, when a dispute, charge, or

grievance arises internally among members of the Branch; they shall specify same in writing to the President. The President will in turn forward it to the Grievance Committee. The committee shall act upon the charges made. Report their findings and recommendations to the Body at the next regularly scheduled Branch Meeting.

Section 3.

The President shall immediately notify the office of the A.T.S of any external dispute, charge, or grievance between Branch 30 and any Branch or member thereof. The President shall in turn receive detailed written copy of the Procedure necessary to resolve the issue in an impartial fraternal manner.

Section 4

The following procedures are mandatory and must be followed prior to any legal action in a public court of law or equity.

Section 5.

A resignation may be requested by the President of any officer who fails to perform their duties as prescribed in the Constitution. The President may be recalled by a 2/3 majority of the body after eleven (11) members have submitted a valid reason mailed to the Recording Secretary and reviewed by the Board of Grievances.

Section 6

Any member who, at a meeting or outside of the Society, is guilty of improper action towards another member (so far as the Society affairs are concerned), or who shows themselves underserving of Society membership, shall be suspended or expelled.

ARTICLE X. AMENDMENTS

All articles and Sections of the Constitution may be changed or amended. All proposed changes and amendments shall be submitted in writing to the Recording Secretary. Changes shall be signed by five (5) members in good standing, read by the Recording Secretary at a regular meeting and then submitted by the Recording Secretary to be published in at least two (2) consecutive publications of the official journal of the ATS prior to the General Meeting. Approval shall be at a meeting designated.

ARTICLE XI. MERGER AND/OR DISSOLUTION OF THE SOCI-

Section 1. As long as eleven (11) members in good standing desire the continuation of the Society, it cannot be disbanded.

Section 2

Should the society be disbanded, all remaining assets shall be remitted to the national alliance where they will be held in trust for one (1) year. If, during that year, the Society is re-activated the assets will be returned to the Society.

Section 3. The Society may consolidate or merge with an branch of the A.T.S.

ARTICLE XII. ORDER OF BUSINESS

Opening of the meeting.

- a. The President calls the meeting to order with a strike of the gavel.
- The President asks the Sergeant-at-Arms whether or not everyone present is entitled to attend the meeting.
 The President will lead in The Lord's Prayer and Pledge
- The President will lead in The Lord's Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.
- If a member has passed away since the last meeting, there shall be an acknowledgement with a moment of silence.

- e. The president strikes the gavel once and members will take their seats.
 - Roll call of officers.
 - Reading of the minutes.
 - Correspondence.Introductions of new candidates.
 - Installation of new members.
 The Sergeant-at-Arms brings the candidate(s)
- before the membership.
 b Sergeant-at-Arms: "President, may I introduce to
- you the candidate(s)."

 c. President: "I have the honor to incorporate you as
 - a member of this Society. This is a National Fraternal Benefit Society whose interests are to provide financial

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."

- d. President: "You promise herewith, in the presence of the officers and members, that you will acknowledge and uphold the Constitution of the Saxon Society, Youngstown, Ohio, Branch 30 and the National Alliance of Transylvanian Saxons. Furthermore, you promise to respect your fellow members, and to safe-guard and protect the welfare and property of the Society. If you are prepared to keep these promises, then answer by saying yes."
- e. Handshake: "I welcome you to our Society.
 - Treasurer's report.
 - Trustee's report.
 - Financial Secretary's report.
 - · Report of Sunshine Committee.
 - · Report of Special Committees.
 - Unfinished business. New business.
 - Welfare.
 - Adjourn meeting.
 - a. One stroke with the gavel, the meeting is adjourned.

ARTICLE XIII. A Business Manager (If deemed necessary by the Executive Committee)

- Hired by, dismissed by and report to The Executive Committee.
- Oversees all facets of the Retail Business of Branch 30 including the Bar, Restaurant and Catering
- Any exception to this may only be made by the Executive Committee.
- Such exceptions will be explained to the body at a Branch 30 meeting.
- This Article (XIII) supersedes any item in the Constitution with which it may conflict concerning a Business Manager.
- The Executive Committee shall consist of: the Board of Directors. Fifty percent plus one (50% + 1) shall constitute a quorum.

ARTICLE XIV. ASSESSMENTS

- Any assessment imposed by Branch 30 must have been read and discussed at the August Branch 30 meeting of the previous year and have been approved at the (following) September Branch 30 meeting.
- An assessment must be approved by a majority of those voting.
- An assessment shall be effective for one (1) year only.
- An assessment must begin on Jan. 1st.
- The assessment for one (1) year shall not exceed the Regular Branch 30 dues for that year.
- Honor members are NOT to be charged any

BY-LAWS

Section 1. These By-laws pertain to all fraternal and social members, visitors, and guests of Youngstown Saxon Club.

Section 2. Visiting Saxons shall be entitled to the Lounge Facilities of the Club after entering their Name, Residence, and Club Number into the Guest Register, and obtaining a visitor's pass from a bartender or a member of the Board of Directors.

Section 3. Social Membership

- Social members of Branch 30 must agree to support and preserve the ethnic and cultural Saxon heritage.
- Social members must pay their annual dues at the beginning of each calendar year. There will be an initial key card fee.
- Social members may participate in all social functions of the society and may serve on committees for social events.
- 4. Should a social member, for any reason, give possession of their personal club identification as supplied to them by this club, such social member shall have their membership immediately revoked. They may reapply for social membership after a one-year suspension.

Section 4. The term "guest" as used in these rules means a person who is NOT a member. A member introducing a guest to the club shall enter their Name, Member Number, and the Guest'(s) Name in the Guest Register, together with the Date.

Section 5. Guests, when accompanied by a member in good standing, may be admitted to the lounge, main dining room, and the lower lounge, unless otherwise stated. Such member shall be responsible for the conduct of their guest(s).

Section 6. All entertainment is subject to the approval of the Board of Directors.

Section 7. The Club Lounge facilities shall be open in accordance with Ohio Law and on special occasions regulated by the Board of Directors.

Section 8. The Club facilities may be rented for meetings, parties, bereavements, and/or various other functions: only on approval of the Board of Directors and/or the Business Manager.

Section 9. No Club Property shall be removed from the premises for personal use.

Section 10. Conduct of members and guests:

 Every person shall conduct themselves in an orderly manner. Any unbecoming behavior (including on social media platforms) which might discredit the Club shall be promptly reported to a member of the Board of Directors and/or the Business Manager.

For the following offenses, the penalty clause set forth hereafter will apply:

- a. OFFENSES
- Profanity (loud and boisterous) or obscene language, including on attire.
- 2. No smoking or vaping in Main Building or Pavilion.
- 3. Littering or spitting on floors.
- 4. Improper use of lavatory facilities.
- 5. Removal of Club Property for personal use.
- 6. Misuse and/or destruction of Club Property.
- 7. Possession of illegal drugs or firearms.
- 8. Any unbecoming behavior, including on social media platforms, which might discredit the club.

b. PENALTY CLAUSES
Any member or the Business manager may prefer charges for a violation of this section to the Board of Directors, who shall forthwith notify the offending member that their club privileges are temporarily suspensed until a formal hearing by the Grievance Committee can be held. This hearing shall be conducted within ten (10) days of the notification. If hearing cannot be held within the 10 days, member's privileges shall be reinstated until such time a formal hearing can be held. Upon such formal hearing—if found guilty, the Penalty Clause herein set forth shall apply without

-For violation of No. 1, there will be a seven days suspension of club privileges for a first offense, thirty days for a second offense, and ninety days for a third offense.

-For violation of Nos. 2 and 3, there will be thirty days suspension of privileges for a first offense, sixty days for a second offense and one hundred and twenty days for a third offense.

-For violation of No. 4, there will be sixty days suspension of club privileges for a first offense, ninety days for a second offense, and one hundred and eighty days for a third offense.

-For violation of No. 5 there will be a one-year suspension of club privileges for a first offense and termination of membership for a second suspension.

-For violation of Nos. 6 and 7 there will be a termination of membership.

-For violation of No. 8 will be determined by the grievance committee

- No member or guest shall bring food or intoxicating beverages on the club premises unless during rental of the Pavilion, Ballroom or Lower Lounge.
- The Board of Directors and/or the Business Manager shall have charge of the Club Rooms and all Club Property, and it shall be their duty to enforce the rules of the Club as set forth in the Constitution and the By-Laws.
- 4. Should a Fraternal Member, for any reason, give possession of their personal Club identification as supplied by the Club, such Fraternal Member shall have their club privileges suspended for six months. Subsequent infractions will be brought before the Board of Directors.
- Lounge doors will be locked at all times; the exception being a public function or rental of the Lower Lounge.
- 6. No political advertisements are to be displayed on the Youngstown Saxon Club property or on any property owned by the Youngstown Saxon Club, except as allowed for in a rental contract for a specific date and hours.
- 7. Fraternal Members shall receive a discount on rentals. Social members shall receive a discount equal to half that of Fraternal Members. To receive the discount, the membership must exist one year prior to the event. If claiming Fraternal or Social membership discount, said member must sign contract(s) and said member shall be held responsible for facilities.
- All sub-organizations of the Youngstown Saxon Club and the Youngstown Saxon Culture Group shall be allowed to use the Club facilities at no cost.
- All members of sub-organizations must be members of the Youngstown Saxon Club, or any Saxon Club affiliated with the ATS
- 10. As long as the Society is affiliated with the Alliance of Transylvanian Saxons, all Fraternal Members of this Society shall comply with the Constitution of the ATS. Refusal to do so shall result in expulsion from this Society.

Section 11. DUTIES OF STANDING COMMITTEES

The Audit Committee shall consist of five (5) members who shall audit the Society's books annually and report to the meeting. Three (3) to be present to audit the books.

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BRANCH 10, COLUMBUS By Donald Blum

MONTHLY MEETING

HICKORY HOUSE 550 Officenter Place Gahanna, Ohio 43230 Monday, July 18, 2022 Time 12:00 noon

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

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

PRAYERS

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

CELEBRATIONS

Please join me in wishing Regina Kellner a Happy Birthday. We hope she has wonderful birthday celebration. Alles gute zum Geburtstag.

FACEBOOK PAGE

Our Facebook page continues to draw interest from Saxons in many places and is growing regularly. Many of the new Facebook members are sharing interesting stories of their Saxon family background. This is just another way on keeping the Saxon history alive and relevant today.

Alliance of Transylvanian Saxons, Columbus

Branch 10

We will continue to modify and improve the Facebook page as needed. You are invited to join our Facebook group and share your Saxon history or just enjoy what others post. If you are interested in becoming part of the Facebook group you can request an invitation or send me your email address (donaldcblum@prodigy.net), and we will set you up.

We are happy to say, we continue to add Saxon/ German heritage individuals to the Facebook Group. Some of the new members include people from Europe and Canada. We encourage you to spread the word about our group and invite others to join.

HUMOR

A doctor, a lawyer, a little boy and a priest were out for a Sunday afternoon flight on a small private plane. Suddenly, the plane developed engine trouble. In spite of the best efforts of the pilot, the plane started to go down. Finally, the pilot grabbed a parachute, yelled to the passengers that they had better jump, and then he bailed out. Unfortunately, there were only three parachutes remaining. The doctor grabbed one and said "I'm a doctor, I save lives, so I must live," and jumped out. The lawyer then said, "I'm a lawyer and lawyers are the smartest people in the world. I deserve to live." He also grabbed a parachute and jumped. The priest looked at the little boy and said, "My son, I've lived a long and full life. You are young and have your whole life ahead of you. Take the last parachute and live in peace." The little boy handed the parachute back to the priest and said, "Not to worry, Father. The 'smartest man in the world' just took off with my back pack."



"It's all hypothetical, of course, but how much wood do you think you could chuck?"

Youngstown Saxon Club, Branch 30 *House Rules*

The following rules and regulations shall govern the operation of the Club rooms of the Youngstown Saxon Club, Branch 30.

I

All members of the Youngstown Saxon Club and Auxiliaries in good standing are members of the Club.

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VISITING SAXONS shall be entitled to all the privileges of the Club after entering their name, residence, Home Club/Branch number in the Visitor's Register, and obtaining a pass from the Board of Directors and/or a bartender.

III

Guests, including minor children, when accompanied by members in good standing may be admitted to the lounge, main dining room and the lower lounge, unless otherwise stated.

IV

The term "VISITOR" as used in these rules means a non-member. A member introducing a VISITOR to the Club shall enter the date, VISITOR'S Name and Member's Name and Member Number in the VISITOR'S Register.

Any member may introduce Visitors to all privileges of the Club; however, such privileges may be subject to the approval of the Board of Directors. Such member shall be responsible for the conduct of their guest.

V

All entertainment is subject to approval of the Board of Directors.

The Club facilities may be open from 12:00 p.m. until 1:00 a.m., except on Sundays and on special occasions to be regulated by the Board of Directors and as alcohol license requires.

VII

The Club facilities may be rented for meetings, parties, bereavements, and various other functions only upon approval of the Board of Directors and/or the Business Manager.

VIII

Conduct of Members and Guests:

Every person shall conduct themselves in a proper manner. Any unbecoming behavior (including on social media platforms), which might discredit the Club shall be promptly reported to a member of the Board of Directors and/or the Business Manager.

For following offenses, the penalty clause set forth hereafter will apply:

Offenses:

- 1. Profanity (loud and boisterous) or obscene language including on attire.
- No smoking/vaping in Main Building or Pavilion.
- 3. Littering or spitting on floors.
- 4. Improper use of lavatory facilities.
- 5. Removal of Club Property for personal use.
- 6. Misuse and/or destruction of Club Property.7. Possession of illegal drugs and/or firearms.
- 8. Any unbecoming behavior (including on social media platforms) which might discredit the club.

Penalty Clauses:

-For violation of No. 1, there will be a seven day suspension of club privileges for a first offense, thirty days for a second offense, and ninety days for a third offense.

-For violation of Nos. 2 and 3, there will be thirty days suspension of privileges for a first offense, sixty days for a second offense and one hundred and twenty days for a third offense.

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of club privileges for a first offense, ninety days for a second offense, and one hundred and eighty days for a third offense.

-For violation of No. 5, there will be a one-year suspension of club privileges for a first offense and termination of membership for a second violation.

-For violation of Nos. 6 and 7, there will be a termination of membership.

-For violation of No. 8, will be determined by the grievance committee.

Any member or the business manager may prefer charges for a violation of this section to the Board of Directors who shall forthwith notify the offending member that his Club privileges are temporarily withdrawn until a formal hearing by the Grievance Committee can be held. This hearing shall be conducted within ten (10) days of the notification. If hearing cannot be held within the ten (10) days, the member's privileges shall be reinstated until such time a formal hearing can be held. Upon such hearing, if found guilty, the Penalty Clause herein set forth shall apply without exception.

IX

No member or guest shall bring food or intoxicating beverages on Club premises (excluding rental of facilities).

A violation of this section will result in a six-month suspension for the offending member or the member whose guest so offends, said suspension to become effective in the same manner as set forth in the last paragraph of Section VIII.

The Board of Directors and/or the business manager shall have charge of the Club Rooms and all the Club Property. It shall be its duty to enforce the rules of the Club as herein set forth or as contained in the Constitution and/or By-Laws.

XI

Should a social member, for any reason, give possession of their personal club identification as supplied to them by this club, such social member shall have their membership immediately revoked. They may reapply for social membership after a one-year suspension.

XII

Should a Fraternal Member, for any reason, give possession of their personal Club identification as supplied by the Club, such Fraternal Member shall have their club privileges suspended for six months. Subsequent infractions will be brought before the

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- 2. The Election Committee shall consist of five (5)
- 3. All committees to serve one (1) year.

Section 12. Death Benefits

 \bullet Total death benefits shall not exceed four hundred dollars (\$400.00) See Chart below:

A member 10 years or more\$	50.00
A member 15 years or more\$	100.00
A member 20 years or more\$	150.00
A member 25 years or more\$	200.00
A member 30 years or more\$	300.00
A member 35 years or more\$	400.00

See American goldfinches by your own window

If you long to see a bright yellow and black goldfinch, getting one or more to visit your backyard feeder is not that difficult. All you need is a bag of thistle seed.

The males are yellow with black trim and the females are an olive-toned yellow. Watch for them.

The adult birds put on a show as they gather seed from thistle and zinnias, cosmos, bee balm, liatris and coreopsis.

Goldfinches love thistle seed, also known as nyjer, and sunflower seeds. Seed makes up almost their entire diet. They will regularly visit



backyard feeders and appreciate having a birdbath close by. Backyard birders see them across most of the United States and southern Canada.

They are among the latest nesting birds. In late summer, they collect thistle down to line their nests and raise four to six young, feeding them a partially digested

substance called "canary milk." Both the male and female feed the baby birds.

Goldfinches may sing "per-chick-o-ree" with each flap of their wings as they fly. In winter, they may sing "se-mee, se-mee" and other pretty twittering songs.

Join us at the Annual Saxon Branch 9

Summer Picnic celebration

There will be food, fun, raffles and fellowship.



The committee would appreciate donations of baked goods.

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

Morton Grove

When: Sunday, July 17, 2022

Time: Beginning at 11:00 AM





WE HAVE A RICH AND COLORFUL
HISTORY AND HERITAGE!
WE NEED YOUR HELP TO KEEP IT ALIVE!



The ATS Student Loan Debt Relief Grant



Qualifying applicants must:

- Be an ATS member for 4 years.
- Be out of school for at least two years.
- Have an annuity certificate with a balance of at least \$1,000 or a life insurance policy.
- Not be in default with loan payments.
- Have been involved with ATS National or Local events during the past two years or proof of volunteer involvement during the past two years.

Request for ATS Student Loan

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

Selection of grant recipients will be determined by a random drawing conducted by the ATS Scholarship Committee. Selected recipients will be awarded \$500, payable to the lending institution.

Send in the attached Request Form to receive the Application. Requests must be received by August 19, 2022. The completed Application, along with the supporting documentation, must be returned to the ATS Home Office by September 1, 2022.

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



Name Address City, State, Zip Phone: E-mail: Branch #: Cert #: Request Deadline: August 19, 2022 Application Deadline: September 1, 2022

Quick Cut: The history of lawn mowers

In pursuit of the well-trimmed lawn

Few things say Americana like a well-trimmed lawn. Yet the modern lawn is a modern invention. Throughout most of history, trimmed yards were a luxury for the wealthy, who could hire people to cut and trim by hand. Most regular people only cleared land for farming or other agricultural purposes. Sometimes, grazing animals, like goats, were used to keep nature in check. By and large, however, people didn't cut the grass in the modern sense.

In 1830, Edwin Beard Budding introduced the lawnmower to the world, taking inspiration from local clothing mills. This early lawnmower looks comical by today's standards and was too heavy to easily use. However, Budding's ideas cut the way for human-powered reel-type mowers, which while less common, are still used today.

In 1859, Thomas Green created a chain-driven mower. Squint really, really hard, and this mower looks vaguely similar to the motorized push mowers found in many garages and sheds today. A steam power motor appeared in the 1890s, and a large commercial combustion mower hit the turf in 1902. The first gas power mower starting cutting in 1915.

These days, many folks opt for riding lawnmowers. Why push when you can rest? The first self-propelled riding lawnmower, so-called "Triplex," was introduced in 1922. Still, while mower technology advanced, many folks skipped cutting lawns. In 1952, as modern lawn care sensibilities were emerging, Briggs and Stratton developed a lightweight aluminum engine, which, in turn, allowed for light and easy to handle mowers.

The next several decades saw modern push and riding lawnmowers become more effective, cheaper and easier to handle. Thus, more and more people started cutting their lawns. Now, you can purchase automated lawnmowers guided by AI to trim your grass. And rather than pushing or driving, you can enjoy a glass of lemonade on your porch while the mower does the work.

Keep kids reading with these summer challenges

School's out, but that doesn't mean a break from learning. Books are the perfect screen-free activity when it's rainy or too hot to play outside, and with a few incentives, kids will keep their brains busy all summer long.

Mega-bookseller Barnes & Noble offers extensive summer reading lists for all ages and preferences on their website, and offers a free book incentive for kids who finish enough books and fill out a reading journal. Visit https://www.barnesandnobleinc.com/our-stores-communities/summer-reading-program/ for more information.

Scholastic's Summer Reading program provides books, kid-friendly activities and monitored online



spaces so kids can safely connect with other readers. Visithttps://www.scholastic.com/site/summer-reading.html for more information.

Showcase Cinemas' Bookworm Wednesdays program lets kids earn free admission to a select children's movie in exchange for book reports about their summer reading picks. With free admission for any accompanying parents or guardians and children under six, you can make it a family event.

Your local public library is also an excellent place to connect your favorite kid with a summer reading challenge or just give them a steady supply of free, ageappropriate books.

NOTES OF THANKS

The following Scholarship Thank Yous were inadvertently "jumbled." in the last edition Our sincere apologies to these Scholars. Ed.

will be very helpful in enter- la Herman scholarship. ing my senior year.

... Thank you for this oppor- ... I would like to thank you tunity and scholarship. It for awarding me the Donzel-

Samuel Kuhn

Erika Miller

High temperatures raise injury risk

California researchers say high temperatures increase injuries by 6 to 9 percent on days over 90 degrees.

The study of 11 million workers' compensation claims from 2001 to 2018 also found that injuries increase up to 15 percent when temps rise to 100 degrees or

In California alone, heatrelated injuries cost about 1.2 billion in lost wages and productivity, disability claims and health care ex- and insulting so burning hot penses.

Excessively hot conditions errors in judgment, and decreases the body's overall ability to cope with stress, release.

ommends:

- Drink plenty of fluids regardless of your activity a hot environment or strenuous activity of any kind, drink two to four glasses of headed or weak. cool fluids each hour. Don't drink alcohol, beverages working in the heat, monitor with a high sugar content or the condition of co-workers very cold drinks.
- als lost through sweating by drinking a sports beverage. Discuss beverages with your don't have air conditioning, doctor if you are on a lowsalt diet.
- ing. At home, wear as little when you go back into the as possible. When going out, heat. choose light-colored, looseprotection.



that are sufficiently thick pavement doesn't harm feet.

- Use sunscreen. Sunburn affect cognition, leading to affects the body's ability to cool itself. It causes a loss of body fluids, skin damage and pain. Apply a product according to a UCLA press rated SPF 15 or higher 30 minutes before going out.
- · Pace yourself. When The Centers for Disease working or playing sports Control and Prevention rec- in a hot environment, begin slowly and pick up the pace gradually. If your heart begins to pound and you begin gasping for breath, STOP all level. During heavy work in activity. Move to a cool area or at least into shade to rest, especially if you feel light-
 - · Watch each other. When and have them do the same · Replace salt and miner- for you. Be wary of confu-
 - Stay cool indoors. If you go to a place that does. Even a few hours in air condition-• Wear appropriate cloth- ing can help you stay cooler
- Don't depend on a fan to fitting clothing. Wear a cool yourself down. When wide-brimmed hat and sun- the temperature is in the glasses with UVA and UVB high 90s, fans will not prevent heat-related illness. • Wear shoes with soles Cool showers help.

Mythical Hero's Description

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Across

- 1. Soap ingredient
- 4. Fragrance
- 9. "If only listened ..."
- 10. At no time
- 11. Pond dweller
- 13. Shipped
- 14. Trooper's quarry
- 16. Word in a simile
- 17. "The loneliest number"
- 18. Yours truly
- 20. Magic lamp owner
- 22. Sandwich shop

- 24. Pouches
- 25. Fantasize
- 27. Annoy
- 28. Microscopic
- 29. sauce

Down

- 1. apso (dog)
- 2. Pound sounds
- 3. Slight advantage
- 4. Indefinite article
- 5. Plants again
- 6. "Your turn"

- 7. Chess pieces
- 8. Verb with thou
- 12. Windblown
- 15. Genetic stuff
- 18. Prefix with surgery or scope
- 19. Exalt to the heavens
- 20. Toward shelter, nautically
- 21. Speaker's platform
- 22. Banned pesticide
- 23. Bard's before
- 26. Sinatra's 'Way'

Things that won't exist in 10 years

- * Cable TV, but companies may start offering online options for view-
- * Alarm clock. Replaced by the phone.
- * Home landline phones, replaced by cellphones.
- * MP3 players -- mainly already replaced by cellphones.
- Checkbooks. Mostly replaced by online bill pay. Personal pay options will allow you to send money privately.

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dog days of Summer are Here!



It's hot. It's humid. The Dog Days are here.

The term Dog Days dates sultry weather. They called back to ancient times, when relied on the heavens and Days. the stars for navigation and spiritual sustenance.

into the night sky, before the annual variances in the modern lights obscured the equinoxes. stars, and imagined that the constellations formed images of bears (Ursa Major and Ursa Minor), a bull (Taurus) and dogs (Canis Major and Canis Minor).

was the brightest star in the night sky. It was so bright that the Romans thought it added heat to the earth.

In late summer, Sirius rises and sets with the sun, furthering the notion that the heat of the combined stars created the muggy,

the 20-day alignment of people studied the sky and the sun and Sirius the Dog

This alignment can vary in exact dates with the lati-These ancients looked tude of the observer and by

Most of us know only that this period is too hot for a good disposition and look for ways to stay cool during those 20 days. We could go for a swim, take a vacation Sirius, called the dog star, to a cooler climate, go to an air-conditioned theater or spend a few leisurely hours shopping at the air conditioned mall. Dress in cool clothes and don't overexert.

> But if you are still uncomfortable, you can blame it on the big dog and that familiar old star, the sun.



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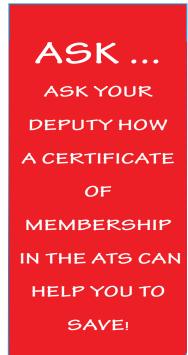
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