



Celebrating over 100 years of Saxon Fraternalism

ATS Founded in 1902

July 22, 2022

## Thank you Aylmer Dance Group for attending the ATS Saxon Day!





#### CLEVELAND SAXON DANCE GROUP By Christine Roppelt

#### SAVE THE DATE!

January 28, 2023 and start planning to attend the reunion/ anniversary celebration of Saxon Dancers of Cleveland.

The Cleveland Saxon Dance Group is planning a very special event next year. It will be a reunion of all former Saxon dancers, officers, musicians - you name it! If you were ever involved with any Saxon dance group in Cleveland, we want YOU to attend. We are planning to make it a night of reminiscing and for making new memories but we need your help!lf you are a former participant, we would like your contact information. We are also asking you to reach out to any other former members you may know and have them forward their information on as well. We are also asking for pictures of past group events for inclusion into a slideshow. Please

> white (ie. piece of paper) Please send all contact infor-

> have photos on a background of

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Denise Aeling Crawford ATS Nat'l President



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Thank you to all of the Youngstown Saxon Club members who helped make our ATS Saxon Day a great success! The clubhouse, pavilion, and grounds looked great. Everyone raved about the food. Even the weather cooperated with a warm, but not humid, day. All four of our Cultural Groups performed, as well as our friends from Aylmer, Canada. Thank you, performers! The day started with the Youngstown Culture Group's brass band, under the direction of John Krauss. Attendees enjoyed their lunch while listening and dancing to the wonderful music. The Eintracht Saxonia Sachsenchor with members from Cleveland Branches 1 and 4 sang beautifully. The Aylmer Dance Group, the Cleveland Saxon Dance Group, and the Cleveland Children's Dance Group all danced by themselves, and then in various combinations with each other. What a great group of dancers! Following the dance groups, we enjoyed the songs from the Eintracht Mannerchor from ATS Branch 25 in New Castle, even singing along with them when asked. In between and after the performances, everyone had time to walk around the grounds, mingle with old friends and meet new ones, and answer Saxon Trivia questions. The children were kept entertained with plenty of activities, including riding the Saxon Trolley. I would like to thank everyone who attended for participating in this new first-time ATS event.

ATS Saxon Day was just the first of our summer events in which you can participate. Family Day at Waldameer is this weekend. August  $6^{th}$  is the Field Trip at the Cleveland Metroparks Zoo. August  $20^{th}$  is the Fishing Charter, and September  $23 - 25^{th}$  is the family camping weekend at Camp Fitch.

Did you know the ATS is paying 3.0% on our new annuities? Do you understand what an annuity is? An annuity is an agreement between you and an insurance company like the ATS, in which you make a lump-sum payment or a series of payments, earn interest, and in return, receive regular disbursements beginning immediately or at some point in the future. An annuity is a considered a retirement asset. Annuities come in three main types: Fixed, Variable, and Indexed. Variable and Indexed annuities could have a higher rate of return, but have increased risk because they are generally based on the stock market. In today's volatile stock market, do you really want your retirement account based on the market? Fixed annuities pay a guaranteed amount (or higher) and come in two different types: Immediate and Deferred. The immediate type, as its name implies, pays out immediately. The deferred type annuity pays you later. The ATS only sells the fixed guarantee-type of annuity. New annuity accounts are guaranteed to earn 1.75%, but the ATS is currently paying 3.0% APR. For new accounts, there is a five-year surrender charge period. This means



Rumor has it that the Aylmer group thought about taking the Saxon Trolley home! Issue 15

## TIMELY - DO NOT DELAY MAILED WEDNESDAY, JULY 20, 2022

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Don't forget to put your name in the email so I know who you are!

Thanks everyone - can't wait until we will all be celebrating together!



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that if you withdraw more than 10% of your balance in the first five years, you are subject to a fee. However, once you are past the five years, there are no other fees or charges. This five-year surrender charge period does not restart if you add money to your account later on. If you withdraw funds prior to age 59 1/2, you could incur an IRS penalty on the taxable portion of your withdrawal. Remember, this is supposed to be a retirement asset, hence the possible penalty if you are not 59 1/2 when you withdraw funds. You can open a new annuity with just \$300 or as much as you like. Additional deposits can be as little as \$25, or as much as you like. So, if you are looking for a safe and steady environment for your money in today's uncertain times, an ATS Annuity could be just what you need. Contact your local sales deputy or call the ATS Home Office (440) 842-8442 to open a new annuity account. You can also contact your local sales deputy or call the ATS Home Office if you have questions on adding funds to your existing account. Until next time....



## 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

#### SALEM SAXON RETIREES By Norma Byers

Salem Retirees met on July 6th at the Club with19 present. Our President, Lois Whitacre, greeted everyone and hit the gavel. Tony Rothbrust gave theninvocation and we all recited the Pledge of Allegiance to our beautiful red, white and blue flag!

We had a delicious lunch prepared by our Caterer, Beverly and also Cheryl. We had cheeseburgers, hot dogs, salads and our choice of white or chocolate cake with whipped cream and cherries...they were yummy! Tables were beautiful in red, white and blue, place mats, napkins and each person had their own small bouquet in a vase in red, white and blue along with an American Flag. June minutes were read by our secretary Dianne Kuttler, and the financial report was given by Katie Lederle. Next, our vicepresident, Dora Lee Sandoe held the 50-50 drawing and it was won by Mary Ann Roth.

Birthdays were announced for July by Nancy Stumperth: George Spack July 5 (96), Shirley Westphal July 10 (91), Nancy Stumperth July 20, Donna Manning July 28.

We sang Happy Birthday to all! Shirley and Donna were not there and we didn't see George or Nancy doing the "Birthday Dance" - SAD!!

Our Deputy Helen Aeling had a funny reading, "Senior Pearls of Wisdom". We all appeared to recognize ourselves, unfortunately! Oh! we had a visitor again this month, Paul Spack from Clearwater, Florida, George Spack and Helen Aeling's brother. Good to see you again Paul!

We all said the Lord's Prayer and looked up to see Tony bringing in the Bingo. FUN time! And it was fun because I won a game (or 2) and I didn't even get my second cup of good coffee (Seattle's Best). Ha! Next meeting is August 3rd and we don't want you to miss it, so punch it in your phone, or on your calendar. Most of all, stay well, so we can all be together next month! TOODLE--OO.

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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.

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Everyone says I'm in denial, but really, I'm not.

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

#### 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



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

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

#### CLEVELAND SAXON DANCE GROUP By Christine Roppelt

The Cleveland Saxon Dance Group would like to formally thank our sister ATS branch in Detroit for their very generous donation of childrens' and youth Trachts. They are FABULOUS! We hope to continue to put them to good use. The dance group will be making a donation of \$500 to the Saxon Orphan Fund in appreciation of their donation.

We would also like to thank and congratulate all those involved in making Saxon Day in Youngstown such a great event. It was a blast!

#### HIV drug reverses memory loss in mice

Researchers at the University of California Los An-



ATS Members Cost \$10.00

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

Non-ATS Members Cost \$15.00

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:

Name	
Phone No Email	
ATSMember(s) @\$10	\$
Non-Member(s) @ \$15	\$
Total Remittance	\$

Make Check payable and send to the: Alliance of Transylvanian Saxons 5323 Pearl Road Cleveland, Ohio 44129.



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



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.

Martin Schneider, Jr. Age 80 Died: May 13, 2022 Branch 30, Youngstown OH

> Joshua M. Testani Age 37 Died: June 16, 2022 Branch 7, Farrell PA

#### BRANCH 30, YOUNGSTOWN By Rosemarie Kascher

Our next general meeting will be August 14 at 2:00 p.m; the officers meeting will be August 11 at 5:30 p.m.

We wish to thank all those who helped make the ATS Saxon Day such a success. Our thanks to all who performed, served on a committee, or assisted personally with special thanks to Mike Teutsch, Jr., who chaired the event as well as Mrs. Mike Teutsch Jr. who is always so supportive. Thanks to the Culture Group as well.

Thomas Miller is our prospective new member; he is Atty. Ed Miller's son.

We encourage you to look over our new revised/ updated Br. 30 Constitution; much time was allowed for you to respond before it was submitted to the Volksblatt for your ideas and suggestions. I thank the committee for doing such a thorough and careful job in revision.

The new walkway adds much to the safety and appearance of our Br. 30 Club. Thank you for making it possible.

We encourage you to par-

geles have found that the HIV drug maraviroc may restore a specific kind of memory loss, according to National Public Radio. Relational memory -- the ability to link events with the people we saw there -declines with age and may be severely compromised in people with Alzheimer's disease. The drug restored relational memory in mice, and researchers are optimistic about future use with aging people and stroke patients.

Debt Relief	Grant	application
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Name

Address

City, State, Zip Phone:\_\_\_\_\_ E-mail:\_\_\_\_\_ Branch #:\_\_\_\_ Cert #:\_\_\_\_

Request Deadline: August 19, 2022 Application Deadline: September 1, 2022 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



ticipate in the special family activities planned by the ATS for the summer, a great chance to get together with your family and friends. Wishing you a great summer!



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## **FRATERNAL CALENDAR**

#### **NATIONAL EVENTS**

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

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 January 28, 2023 **Cleveland Saxon Dance Group 50th Year Reunion** 



#### Protect your garden during a heat wave

In large parts of the U.S., late summer heat is no joke, and even the most heatfriendly garden crops like tomatoes and peppers can get cranky during a serious heat wave. But with some smart short and long-term solutions, your garden can survive the heat and stay green and productive.

or morning before the heat wave hits so the plants have ample time to drink up.

• Don't over-water. If your plants still wilt during the hottest part of the day, wait until the next morning. If they're still limp, give them another long, slow drink.

• Focus on the soil at the base of the plant when watering instead of leaves. Droplets of water on leaves or fruit can heat in the sun and sunburn or scorch the plant. • Try shade cloth for plants that are younger or especially heat-sensitive. You can also use sheets or umbrellas. Move potted plants to shadier locations.



### 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 Hall.

#### Cost: \$50 per person

Over the course of the weekend our group can participate in the following activities: Rock Climbing (indoor or outdoor)

- Archery
- Candle making
  - Aquatic Recreation (including Canoeing, Stand Up Paddle boarding, Sea Kayaking and Swimming in Lake Erie -- warm weather dependent)
- Fishina
- Night Hikes

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

Address City/State/Zip		Email
	Member Br. No	ATS Cert #
Number of additional fam	ily members	
Names of additional famil	y 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



This is a great opportunity to enjoy what nature has to offer. What better way

• Check the forecast. Some plants may droop a bit in the heat, but if the temperature will fall within a few days, your garden should bounce back with a little care and attention.

• Water long and slow. You should do this all season, but especially during heat waves to help saturate the soil and keep plants hydrated and more droughtresistant.

• Make sure to mulch at the beginning of every season. Re-distribute mulch before

• Give your garden a deep, a heat wave to ensure all slow watering the evening plants are well protected.

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

Name: Address:		-
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Mail reservation and check to AT	S Home Office; 5323 Pearl I	Road; Cleveland, OH 44129
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#### **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.
Section 2.	The March and August meetings are designated as General Meetings in which special reports, changes to the constitution are proposed, and revisions to the by-laws and house rules are sug- gested.
Section 3.	Special meetings may be called by the President or by written request of eleven (11) members in good standing.
Section 4.	Robert's Rules of Order, latest edition, shall gov- ern parliamentary procedures of all meetings of this Society.

#### ARTICLE IV. MEMBERSHIP

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

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.

Section 3.	A Candidate for President, 1st Vice President and 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.
Section 5.	All Officers' terms shall begin on the first day of January and end on the last day of December.
Section 6.	An absent qualified candidate may be nominated for an office provided they have submitted a writ- ten request for the office desired to the Branch Recording Secretary or has been nominated by the Elections Committee.
Section 7.	Any office becoming vacant shall be filled by a member appointed by the President until the fol- lowing 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) months.

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:

- 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 Trustees

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 election.
- 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 Group
- 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 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 Society
- 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 branch
- 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 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

#### 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 Section 2. who shall appoint an Election Committee to assist in nominating, posting positions, collecting ballots, tallying votes, and posting results.

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

- 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
- 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 the national Alliance
- 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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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.

Upon written request all Affiliated Organizations Section 4. 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.

All standing committees or other committees of Section 5. 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

- Procedures shall be the same as that set forth by Section 1. 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.

- The President shall immediately notify the office Section 3. 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.
- The following procedures are mandatory and Section 4 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-

The president strikes the gavel once and members will e. 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)
- a. before the membership.
- Sergeant-at-Arms: "President, may I introduce to b you the candidate(s)."
- President: "I have the honor to incorporate you as с. a member of this
  - Society. This is a National Fraternal Benefit Society whose interests are to provide financial security by its insurance and annuity plans and to promote fraternal fellowship and Transylvanian Saxon heritage and culture."
  - 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 theSociety. If you are prepared to keep these promises, then answer by saying yes."
    - 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. 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 assessment.

#### **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

1. Social members of Branch 30 must agree to support and preserve the ethnic and cultural Saxon herita

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
- 1. 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 exception.

-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 2. the club premises unless during rental of the Pavilion, Ballroom or Lower Lounge.
- The Board of Directors and/or the Business Manager shall have 3. 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
- Should a Fraternal Member, for any reason, give possession of 4 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 5. public function or rental of the Lower Lounge.
- No political advertisements are to be displayed on the Youngstown 6. 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.
- 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.

- 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.
- The Society may consolidate or merge with an Section 3. 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.
- b. 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 of Allegiance to the Flag.
- If a member has passed away since the last meeting, d. there shall be an acknowledgement with a moment of silence.

- Social members must pay their annual dues at the beginning of each calendar year. There will be an initial key card fee.
- 3. Social members may participate in all social functions of the society and may serve on committees for social events.
- Should a social member, for any reason, give 4. 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).

- 8. 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 9 Youngstown Saxon Club, or any Saxon Club affiliated with the ATS
- As long as the Society is affiliated with the Alliance of 10. 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 1. 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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Am 23. Juli startet der Siebenbürgische Kultursommer. Über drei Wochen lang, bis zum 15. August, wird in zahlreichen Gemeinden von Hermannstadt über Bistritz bis nach Kronstadt ein bunter Strauß an Veranstaltungen angeboten.

Beim Heimattag in Dinkelsbühl konnten sich die Besucher am Stand des Siebenbürgenforums bereits das über 60 Seiten füllende Programmheft mitnehmen. Das Interesse, sich beim Kultursommer einzubringen, ist weiterhin so groß, dass zwischenzeitlich weitere Termine dazugekommen sind. Über 130 Veranstaltungen zählen die Organisatoren bereits! Arbeitseinsätze, Wanderungen, Theateraufführungen, Workshops, Roadtrips, Tanz, Ausstellungen, Heimattreffen, Buchvorstellungen, Musik ... die Bandbreite ist riesig. Lernen Sie neue Orte und Menschen kennen und tauchen Sie ein in die Kulturlandschaft Siebenbürgens! Tagesaktuelle Informationen zu allen Terminen finden Sie auf www.kultursommer.ro.

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## News from home: One easy way to get mosquitoes gone

The mosquito is probably the most reviled pest in the world, spreading disease and leaving itchy bites, but here is a cheap idea for getting them out of your space: Use a fan.

Mosquitoes are weak fliers who just can't compete



#### 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.

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

II

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.

II

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. VI

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.

- 2. 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.

-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 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.

X

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 Board of Directors.

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## By-Laws of Br. 30

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

Section 12. Death Benefits

• 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

chemical vapors or open flames, buy a big fan to blow the mosquitoes off course. It really works, plus you get a nice, cooling breeze -- a perfect solution for a hot, humid summer evening.

If you are moving around, though, insect repellent works well. Active ingredients like DEET and picaridin are the gold standard for keeping mosquitoes at bay and work for about 10 hours at a time. Essential oil-based bug sprays -- like those containing oil of lemon eucalyptus -- also deter pests, but not quite as well or for as long, so be prepared to reapply as directed.

Citronella candles look nice, but as a mosquito repellent, their performance is modest at best, with a small effective radius.

Bug zappers are not effective against mosquitoes and can kill valuable pollinators.

#### How to give and receive a compliment

Basics first: Be sincere and don't make the compliment too big or too small. Be specific. Don't say you're good at your job, say it was a great report.

Show impact. Explain how the person positively impacted you.

If you receive a compliment, just say thank you. Don't make a self-depreciating remark or feel you have to give a compliment in return.

• We like to get compliments from fellow workers and the boss.

• Both men and women need compliments at home. Give compliments for little things, not just the big things.

• A compliment from a stranger is welcome if the



• Remember that people hear what they want to hear or expect to hear. If they are feeling good about themselves, they will like a compliment. If they are feeling insecure or have self-doubt, they could read the wrong thing into what you are saying.

Be careful. If you say someone looks good and then add toda, he or she might wonder what you think on other days. Instead, say his sweater looks nice. Say her scarf is pretty.

• Go ahead and praise yourself if no one is giving a compliment you deserve. Appreciate your new outfit or a job well done.

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## **ATS Saxon** Day July 9, 2022 Youngstown, Ohio