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BRANCH 30, YOUNGSTOWN By Rosemarie Kascher

The Youngstown Saxon Club is open Sundays from 9:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. with Wednesdays and Fridays open from 4:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

The next general meeting will be October 9, 2022 at 2:00 p.m. Come and vote for people who might be good prospective officers for next year. Your vote counts!

The anticipated Goulash Dinner will be March 25, 2023 as a better date.

Compliments to Rick Lieb, and his committee, on another successful 300 Club including some fine food by our chef.

The Youth Committee has a basket drawing for \$5.00 per ticket, for youth activities. The prizes are great. including a TV. Check on it and help an important cause.

If someone would like a table for the Craft Show, contact Tammy Wahn in the office.

Because of increasing expenses to maintain our Saxon Club, the body voted, starting January 1, 2023 to raise the Fraternal dues by \$5.00. We

are also asking honor members that they consider paying half dues of \$20.00 per year to help with expenses, please. One of the duties of membership is to help the club and your help, financially or to help keep the Club maintained, is very much appreciated.

We are immediately addressing credit card fees and might offer a discount to those who pay cash.

I encourage college students to join the Br. 30 membership for only half price since your ATS Scholarship came via Br. 30; We are working hard so your Br. 30 Club can be available for you and your future heritage. Please contact Julaine Gilmartin 330-799-5171, 4173 Timberlaine Tr. Canfield OH 44406. Best wishes!

BRANCH 26, MERRILLVILLE By Helen Brooks

On September 11, 2022 the Saxon Lodge Br. 26 had its meeting at the Cedar Lake, Indiana Historical Center.

President Jeff Szostek called the meeting to order.

We recited the Pledge to the Flag followed by the Roll Call of officers – a few were absent.

Minutes were read and accepted. New business included the upcoming ATS Open Bowling Tournament to be held in Youngstown, Ohio on October 29 and 30. Several of our members will be attending.

There was discussion about our October and November meetings. It was decided to meet at the Innsbrook Country Club. October we will present nominations for election of officers for the coming year.

We voted to donate to the Cedar Lake Historical Museum.

We took a guided tour of the Historical Museum. We learned many interesting facts about the area. It was fun.

Back to the meeting room where we enjoyed a variety of sandwiches. Our next meeting will be October 2 at the Slovak Hall.

Stay healthy and safe.
Till we meet again.

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Siebenbürgen

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Denise Aeling Crawford
ATS Nat'l President



The ATS Board of Directors met on Saturday, September 10th at the ATS Home Office. All Board Members were in attendance. We reviewed the 2nd Quarter financial statements as well as the Investment activity. Total assets at June 30, 2022 were \$101,758,276, with our bond portfolio, other invested assets and common stocks making up the majority of that figure with a total of \$97,449,435. Our net income for the first six months of 2022 was \$372,394. Discussions included a review of the ATS Saxon Day and the other summer events that were held this year. Other discussions included next year's North American Heimattag to be held in New Castle, PA and the Saxon Stories book that is almost complete. The Trustees (who make up the Audit Committee) and Treasurer were in the office the previous day to perform their Trustees' audit. No discrepancies were noted. The next Board of Directors meeting will be in December.

There's still time to join the TSBA league. The opening session was held in Youngstown on the 18th of September. The next session will be in Salem on October 2nd. There are a few teams that are short a bowler and are looking for an extra person to join them. If you would like to bowl, you can call the ATS Home Office and we can get you connected. The ATS Open Bowling Tournament will be held on Saturday and Sunday, October 29th and 30th. This event is open to any ATS member whether they bowl with the TSBA or not. See the ad in this issue of the paper for details.

Did you know that September 30 marks the 115th anniversary of the dedication of the McKinley National Memorial in Canton, Ohio? The Memorial is the final resting place of William McKinley who served as the 25th President of the United States. He was president from 1897 until his assassination in 1901. He lived in Canton, practiced as an attorney, and conducted his political campaigns from the city. Following his funeral, several of his advisors met to discuss the location for a proper memorial to serve as his final resting place. The McKinley National Memorial Association was created and Theodore Roosevelt chose the first Board of Trustees. The Association chose a site often visited by President McKinley. He had once suggested that a monument be erected on that site to honor soldiers and sailors from Stark County, Ohio killed in American wars. The dedication occurred on September 30, 1907, with President Roosevelt attending. The William McKinley Presidential Library and Museum is located adjacent to the Memorial. Also in Canton, Ohio, is the National First Ladies Library and First Ladies National Historic Site. These were established

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German-American Day October 6



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PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE
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in 1996. The historic home of President McKinley’s wife, Ida Saxton McKinley, is the location of the First Ladies Library. President McKinley, in a way, was also responsible for the Scarlet Carnation being named as the state flower of Ohio. Levi Lamborn, a horticulturalist and politician from Alliance, Ohio created the red (or scarlet) carnation. He ran unsuccessfully against William McKinley in 1876 for congress. Before a debate between the two, Lamborn gave McKinley one of his red carnations. After McKinley won, he adopted the flower as a good-luck token for the rest of his career in politics, keeping a vase of them in the White House. In 1904, the Ohio General Assembly named the Scarlet Carnation as the state flower in the memory of William McKinley.

Until next time....



“Question. Do you want the answer based on science or the tweets from a guy living in his mother’s basement?”

Schloss Horneck needs OUR help!



Schloss Horneck located in Gundelsheim, Germany is the international location for our Siebenbürger Sachsen to house Sachsen artifacts, books and other historical documents and records. It is important to our worldwide Sachsen community to help in the maintenance expenses of this historical facility that will preserve our Sachsen culture and heritage.

The Federation of Transylvanian Saxons requests donations to help in the funding of the facility. If you are interested in giving a donation, please complete the form below and send to the ATS Home Office, 5323 Pearl Road, Cleveland, OH 44129.

Please make your check payable to the ATS.
DONATION FOR SCHLOSS HORNECK

Name _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____
Zipcode _____

Amount Donated \$ _____

Please indicate if donation is in memory
or honor of someone

SALEM
SAXON RETIREES
By Norma Byers

What a beautiful day! Salem Saxon Retirees, Branch 18, met at the Club on September 7th, 2022 with 21 present and two guests. Our President greeted everyone, then struck the gavel for us to quiet down so Tony Rothbrust could give the invocation, after which we recited the Pledge of Allegiance to our precious flag. Our caterer was unable to be here today, so Katie Lederle made arrangements for our lunch and dessert from a Salem restaurant. Very good and thank you Katie!

Our secretary, Dianne Kutler, read the minutes from July and August. Then the financial report was given by Katie Lederle. There were no September birthdays. We had two guests: Helen Cranmer and Nina Wisler! We were happy to see our friend Shirley Westphal who is back from Florida for the summer.

Our vice-President, Dora Lee Sandoe held the 50-50 drawing. Helen Aeling, who we depend on for keeping us cheerful, did not disappoint us! We were happy to hear “Humor by Helen” today. Our President said, no other business so we all stood and said The Lord’s Prayer. Tony brought in the Bingo box, that we all look forward to! Thanks Tony for all you do! I did get my second cup of “energy”! Now our next meeting is October 5th and the following Monday is Columbus Day and then the 31st is Halloween!- BOO!

Please stay well, enjoy our fall weather in all colors - and I’ll see you then!!
TOODLE- OO

Don’t fry the fish!

Researchers have found that people living in southern coastal areas consume a larger amount of fried fish than people in other areas of the country. They also have a higher stroke risk, according to the journal Neurology. Fish is generally known as a healthy food, but frying it destroys the healthy omega-3 acids in fish and adds to calorie and fat content.

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DEADLINE DATES FOR ARTICLES:

DEADLINE	ISSUE
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2022	FRIDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2022
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2022	FRIDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2022
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2022	FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 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

ATS OPEN BOWLING TOURNAMENT RULES

1. All bowlers must be Alliance of Transylvanian Saxon members in good standing to participate in this tournament.
2. Each bowler will receive 100% of the difference between his or her average and a two hundred ten (210) scratch with no limit on pins.
3. Averages to be used are:
 - a. The average of the past five years' tournaments, with exception of 2020.
 - b. If the bowler has no tournament average, then the bowler will establish his or her average after the first three games rolled in the tournament, which will remain the bowler's average for the remainder of the tournament.
4. A bowler may bowl only once in each event in this tournament.
5. The tournament management has the right to return for correction any entry, which does not comply with the above rules.
6. Prizes will be awarded at the ratio of at least one (1) prize for each ten entries. One hundred percent (100%) of the prize fee must be returned. Prizes will be awarded by handicapped scores and not by gender.
7. It shall be the duty of the tournament manager to keep a running record of all bowlers' averages participating in each event.
8. Tournament starts on October 29, 2022 and ends on October 30, 2022.
9. Closing date for entries is October 12, 2022.
10. There will be no refunds of fees after October 19, 2022.
11. Two All Events Winners will be awarded. One for actual scores; one for actual scores plus handicap.
12. We will start with Doubles Event followed by the Singles Event on Saturday.

Your All Events score will be your total individual score of singles, doubles, and team event plus your handicap total for the tournament.

Separate men and women prizes will only be awarded in Singles event only. Doubles and team event will be mixed.

Respite care: Every caregiver needs a break

Respite is time off, time away, a much-needed time for a caregiver. It's relying on someone else, whether a friend, relative, volunteer or professional, who can fill in for you and give you some time to yourself -- because your wellness should be priority number one.

Unfortunately, according to a National Respite Coalition survey, most caregivers don't realize they're in need of respite care until it's too late.

Only a small percentage of a National Alliance for Caregiving members actually used respite care. When they did, it was because of a health crisis or another emergency.

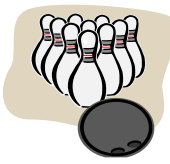
The problem is that they don't see themselves as care-

givers, but as spouses, mothers or sisters whose obligation it is to care for someone. They don't see themselves as entitled to a break.

If you are a caregiver, you need time away just as any worker needs a vacation from the daily stress of his or her job, according to the National Caregivers Association. It's a break that renews you.

The ideal respite is to go somewhere else so you're not in the same environment. That's the best way to clear your head. It gives a little bit of your life back.

Don't wait until you become very depressed or very ill. Arrange it now for a few hours at least once a week.



ATS ANNUAL OPEN-BOWLING TOURNAMENT

OCTOBER 29 – 30, 2022

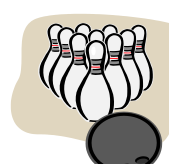
HOST: YOUNGSTOWN SAXON BOWLERS

HOLIDAY BOWL

777 YOUNGSTOWN POLAND RD

STRUTHERS, OHIO

(330) 755-1444



Check in on Saturday at 10:15 am

Doubles Event 11:00 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 29

(Name)

(Certificate #)

Singles Event 2:00pm Saturday, Oct. 29

(Name)

(Certificate #)

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

1. _____

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4. _____

Team Event 10:00 a.m. Sunday, Oct. 30

(Check in at 9:30 am)

(Name)

(Certificate #)

All Events

(Name)

(Certificate #)

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

DEADLINE FOR ENTRIES: OCTOBER 12, 2022

Note: Tournament is for A.T.S. Members in good-standing only. All bowling fees and meal reservations money for bowlers and non-bowlers MUST accompany this form. No refunds after October 19, 2022. Sunday Banquet will be held at the Youngstown Saxon Club; 710 S. Meridian Rd.

_____ Doubles @ \$46.00..... \$ _____

_____ Singles @ \$23.00..... \$ _____

_____ Team @ \$92.00..... \$ _____

_____ All Events @ \$2.00..... \$ _____

_____ Sunday Banquet @ \$0.00 for Bowlers..... \$ _____

_____ Sunday Banquet @ \$20.00 for Non-Bowlers \$ _____

TOTAL AMOUNT DUE..... \$ _____

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SEND ENTRY FORM AND PAYMENT TO:

ATS Home Office

5323 Pearl Rd.

Cleveland, OH 44129

Make checks payable to ATS

Deadline October 12, 2022

Any further questions, call ATS Home Office at (440) 842-8442 or email: monica@atsaxons.com

HOTELS FOR THE BOWLING TOURNAMENT

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Quality Inn
870 N Canfield-Niles Rd.
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Fairfield Inn & Suites
801 N. Canfield-Niles Rd.
Austintown, OH
(330) 505-2173

All hotels have continental breakfast.
Hotels are about a 20-minute drive to the bowling alley.

Exercise fights
winter colds

People who exercise frequently, as well as those who rate themselves as physically fit, are less susceptible to upper-respiratory infections. A study by Appalachian State University suggests those who work out five days a week suffer 43 percent fewer days with respiratory infections than those who exercise just one day a week.

Even when fit people got sick, their symptoms were less severe than those of non-exercisers.

Your best defense against a cold or flu might be found in the gym.

FRATERNAL CALENDAR

NATIONAL EVENTS

- October 2, 2022
TSBA Bowling - Host Salem
- October 29 - 30, 2022
ATS Open Bowling Tournament
Host: Branch 30 Youngstown
- November 20, 2022
TSBA Bowling - Host Cleveland West
- December 4, 2022
TSBA Bowling - Host Lorain
- January 15, 2023
TSBA Bowling - Host Cleveland East
- February 5, 2023
TSBA Bowling - Host New Castle
- March 5, 2023
TSBA Bowling - Host Youngstown
- March 25 - 26, 2023
TSBA Tournament - Host Cleveland West
- July 7-8, 2023
North American Heimattag
Host: New Castle Branch 25
- July 22, 2023
ATS Family Day
Waldameer Park, Erie PA

LOCAL EVENTS

- October 1, 2022
Salem Br. 18 50 Year Dinner
- October 15, 2022
Youngstown Br. 30 Craft Show
Cleveland Saxon Dance Group Traubenfest
- December 3, 2022
Cleveland East Br. 33 Sausage Sale
Loran Br. 5 Christmas Dinner
Amber Oaks Restaurant, Sheffield Lake OH
- December 11, 2022
Cleveland East Christmas Party
Pine Ridge Country Club
- January 28, 2023
Cleveland Saxon Dance Group 50th Year Reunion
- March 25, 2023
Youngstown Br. 30 Goulash Dinner

YOUNGSTOWN SAXON RETIREES
By Ro Dundon

On September 8th the Youngstown Saxon Retirees met at the Eat and Park Restaurant in Austintown at the usual time—Noon.

Our location was changed because Lucy developed Covid and just was not up to getting things together. That really takes so much out of a person. Lucy was able to make it to the meeting even though she was still not up to par. Hopefully Lucy, Roger, Lisa and Barb will be able to make it in October.

It's always good to see familiar faces and find out what's new. We discussed our holiday meetings but will bring the subject up next month. We reminded everyone of the coming 300 Club Dinner coming up. Now it's known that everyone had a very good time—it

was a success. The new tickets for the 300 Club will be out shortly so be sure to sign up. The Speck Fry will be on Sept. 24th but will be over by the time this gets in the Volksblatt. Everyone is sure to have had a good time as usual.

Here's Happy Birthday and many, many more to Beverly and Eileen. Hope your day was special.

It looks as though Fall is here—almost. So, when the wind and the rain does start to whip up, bundle up and stay warm and dry.

See you all on Thursday October 13 at Eat and Park in Austintown. If anything changes, Diana will get in touch to change or to remind as she always does.

Until we meet again, as usual, it's RO.

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

BRANCH 9, CHICAGO
By Rose-Marie Hauer

Our meeting was held on September 12, 2022. President Thut thanked all the members that participated in the 100th anniversary of the United German American Association (see photo). Thank you to President Thut, Sister Claudia Schmidt, and Brother Fritz Roth for marching in the flag ceremony.

President Thut thanked all the members that marched in the Steuben Parade on September 10. There was a nice turnout of people and it was a beautiful day (see photo). She also thanked all the volunteers that assisted in the food and beer tents at the German Day Festival.

Sister Schmidt reported no one is on the sick list. We sent get wishes Sister Rosemarie Morgan, Brother John Huprich, Sister Anna Fleps and Sister Hildegard Schmidts.

Please mark your calendar and attend the German American Day Commemoration on October 2 at St Benedict Church 2215 W Irving Park Rd Chicago, at 2pm.

Congratulations to Sister Karina who won third place in the Oma Abt essay contest that was sponsored by the Donauschwaben Stiftung. Below is her winning article.

****What is one idea or tradition of the Donauschwaben that you are going to pass down to future generations and why?**

Growing up in the Saxon and Donauschwaben culture, it's hard to choose just one idea or tradition to pass down. If I could, I would write about how I would pass down everything about it. From joining the dance groups, to the ethnic foods and baked goods that are made every day, to creating everlasting friendships. While all of that is extremely important to me, I think the most crucial trait that I will pass down to future generations is the strong work ethic and unrelenting courage that my grandparents and parents have taught me.

It goes without saying that our ancestors have gone through extreme hardships in the past to give their families better lives than they did. They have gone through situations that we can't even imagine, yet they persevered through the extreme government and societal persecu-

tion of their time. On top of all of this, they were still working every single day doing back-breaking work to provide for their families. They then were forced to leave their homeland and everything they knew with just the clothes on their backs, not knowing if they would have any place to go. When my parents and grandparents moved to the US, they had one suitcase that they put everything in and barely knew any English. They all had to find work, go to school, find a home, and create an entire new life. It was hard for them to assimilate culturally and become a part of normal American culture.

On my mom's side, my Opa was a carpenter. He specialized in fine furniture with carvings, which he continued doing when he moved to Chicago. My Oma worked in the same factory, but she did the staining and put the shellac coating on the furniture. When they moved here, she then worked at the Edelweiss restaurant as a cook for 17 years. Growing up, she had to mature very quickly, both of her parents died when she was very young, so she had to help take care of her five brothers. On my dad's side, my Opa was a handy-

man. He helped butcher pigs, cut trees in the forest and bring them back to the village to make firewood. He would also help with building houses, and he even was a volunteer firefighter. My Oma worked in a textile factory where they made material for making carpets, all while raising four children and making sure that there was enough food on the table for everyone. They also used to run the movie theater in Michelsberg, Romania. Not to mention, as I bet most of our Opas did, they were both forced into joining the army for two years.

My grandparents are the strongest and selfless people that I know, and I can only hope that I will become half as hardworking and courageous as they are. They never complain, they never take anything for granted, and they would do anything to keep their family healthy and happy. To this day, they are my biggest role models and I hope to pass down their work ethic and courage to future generations. Just like the Saxon community, the Donauschwaben community always stride together and always overcome even when faced with the most difficult of battles in life.

****The next meeting will be October 10, at the Donauschwaben Clubhouse in Des Plaines at 7 p.m.**



German American Dinner



Steuben Parade

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10:00 Service

Nursery

Coffee following service

Senior Circle

St. John's Lutheran Church

1000 Ford Road
Highland Hts., Ohio
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**Rev. Barbara Holzhauser
Pastor**

10:00 Worship Service



October 10: Celebrate the voyage

Columbus Day is the annual U.S. commemoration of explorer Christopher Columbus' landing in the New World (at San Salvador Island, also known as Watling Island, today part of the British Bahamas). The actual date of the landing was Oct. 12, 1492.

In the modern era, Columbus' trek into the unknown has been criticized as insensitive to indigenous populations. Others have tried to diminish his accomplishment by pointing out that the Vikings (and others) probably also sailed to North America.

Nonetheless, Columbus' deed has long stood as a visionary triumph of skill, courage and daring in the face of the utter unknown.

**If you can't be a
good example, you'll
just have to be a
horrible warning.**

BRANCH 33, CLEVELAND EAST

By Arline Krestel-Suts

Branch 33 September meeting was particularly busy. We started the evening with a party tray supper, then on to business. We are very sad to hear that Saint John's Lutheran Church, which many of our departed and current members attended, is closing and being decommissioned at the end of October. St. John's did celebrate its 100th anniversary with a service on September 18. It is sad that a church that was founded by our German and Transylvanian ancestors has come to an end. Our Branch members, and I personally, have many memories tied to St. John's. Many of us shed tears as we shared our memories. Branch 33 has held meetings and events in St. John's Parish Hall for many years. So that leaves us searching for a new meeting place. Discussions were held by the officers and venues were presented to the members at the meeting. Messiah Lutheran Church was voted unanimously to serve as our new meeting place. There are several Br. 33 members that attend and are familiar with Messiah Lutheran and Pastor Paul Moody; it's located only about 2 miles from St. John's at 5200 Mayfield Rd., in Lyndhurst. Meetings at Messiah Lutheran will start in November. We thank St. John's, its Pastors, Council, and members for allowing Branch 33 to be a part of its life.

Branch 33 Welcomes new members this month - Michael and Lisa Ziegler, and the Flerchinger family, relations of the Ziegler family, sponsored by our president Margie Ziegler. We were very happy to meet them at the August picnic.

Events coming up—Branch 33 does plan on making and selling our Saxon sausage December 3rd.

Our annual Christmas party is being planned for Sunday, December 11 at Pine Ridge Country Club. And we heard from Santa, he will be attending again!

Congratulations to members who graduated from high school this year, and to those graduating from college including Madeleine Nagy in Georgia, and to Payton Schneider who we heard is going on for her Masters at Case Western University.

Jack Krew, whose scholastic grades are incredible, is entering his senior year at Johns Hopkins. Good luck to

William Krew, Hudson Schneider, (both were awarded ATS National Scholarships), and Nevan Medina (Guip family) as they start their college freshman year.

Thank you to all who attended the Branch 33 picnic in August. Attached should be some final pictures taken at the picnic. I have to say I believe the picnic was a great success, which was certainly due to so many members who helped.

Branch 33 remembers all of our members who are shut in at home or nursing facilities. Keep the Mahters, Inge Mahn, Florence Davidson, Joan Blaha, Evelyn Keefer and all our members in your prayers. We want to send a special thinking of you shout out to Donald Blum from Columbus Branch, waiting for a heart transplant. Stay positive! We do miss your Volksblatt articles.

Happy birthday to all members celebrating in September. We made a special happy birthday video sent to Florence Davidson.

Our next meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 12, final meeting at St. John's Church. It will be a Halloween party night, and we will have a dress up Halloween costume Contest. Dust off your costumes, dear witches and goblins!

October was a beautiful month at Green Gables, when the birches in the hollow turned as golden as sunshine and the maples behind the orchard were royal crimson and the wild cherry trees along the lane put on the loveliest shades of dark red and bronzy green, while the fields sunned themselves in aftermaths.

Anne reveled in the world of color about her.... coming dancing in with her arms full of gorgeous boughs, "I'm so glad I live in a world where

there are Octobers. It would be terrible if we just skipped from September to November, wouldn't it? Look at these maple branches. Don't they give you a thrill—several thrills? I'm going to decorate my room with them."

(From the novel *Anne of Green Gables* by L.M. Montgomery).

And going by Montgomery's description, Northeast Ohio is also particularly beautiful in October!!



Eldest member at picnic, Bette Schmidt, with youngest member, her great-grand niece Elise Fogel, supported by mom Corin Fogel.



Playing games with juniors



Karyn and Bette Schmidt



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.

Paul L. Hall

Age 99

Died: August 14, 2022
Branch 30, Youngstown, OH

Timothy Hertel

Age 56

Died: September 7, 2022
Branch 3, Alliance, OH

Anita S. Weiss

Age 83

Died: September 17, 2022
Branch 37, Detroit, MI

If in the last few years you haven't discarded a major opinion or acquired a new one, check your pulse, you may be dead.

Frank Gelett Burgess

One is taught by experience to put a premium on those few people who can appreciate you for what you are.

Gail Godwin

Skill without imagination is craftsmanship and gives us many useful objects such as wickerwork picnic baskets; imagination without skill gives us modern art.

Tom Stoppard

Sometimes our light goes out but is blown into flame by another human being. Each of us owes deepest thanks to those who have rekindled this light.

Albert Schweitzer

There is nothing like returning to a place that remains unchanged to find ways in which you yourself have altered.

Nelson Mandela

The real voyage of discovery consists not in seeking new lands, but in seeing with new eyes.

Marcel Proust

Some things never change ... There will always be grief and laughter, fear and courage. It's up to us to decide on which of these things we will focus.

Nancy B. Gibbs



BRANCH 5, LORAIN
By Michael Johnson

After a summer break and a wonderful picnic enjoyed by many of our members, it was time to come back together for our monthly business meeting which was held on September 19. The minutes of our last meeting held in the month of June were read and approved. The financial reports were found to be in good order as well considering the money spent these last few months on various club activities, convention delegate reimbursements and picnic expenses.

Two of our members have come off the sick list and currently there are no reports of any others needing sick benefits.

You have until October 24 to sign up using the entry form in your last issue of the *Volksblatt* for the ATS Annual Open Bowling Tournament. It was voted on and passed that a member in good standing who wants to participate in this event will be reimbursed their entry fee for one event.

You have until October 2 to sign up to attend the Cleveland Saxon Dance Groups **Traubenfest** which is being held at the Westside Sachsenheim. This event

is also in your last issue of your *Volksblatt*. It was voted on and passed that a member in good standing will be reimbursed the cost of the admission to this event when turning in your receipt.

If you've been wanting to buy a life product or annuity through the ATS, now is a good time to contact our Branch 5 Deputy Sister Monica Gilles to help you with this decision. She can be reached by calling her at (440) 309-7894.

It's also time to mark your calendar for our Branch 5 Christmas dinner being held on December 3, 2022 at the Amber Oaks Restaurant, 4798 E. Lake Rd. Sheffield Lake, OH starting at 6:00 p.m.

Members celebrating birthdays this month are Sisters Monica Gilles, Jane Mowery, Erica Zgola, and Junior member Jenee Peters. Happy Birthday to you all and may you enjoy your day in your own special way!

Our next meeting will be held again at the American Slovak Club at 7:00 p.m. on October 17, 2022. Hope to see everyone there.

Stay safe and stay healthy!

Name: _____ Branch No. _____ Cert. No. _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Juvenile Members are encouraged to color and mail to the ATS Home Office for a special treat.

Please mail to the ATS Home Office; 5323 Pearl Road; Cleveland, OH 44129

Before November 6, 2022



For each coloring entry the ATS receives, a donation will be sent to St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital.

Fix it or junk it? What to do with the old car

If your car is paid for (or almost paid for) and the repairs don't cost much, it's probably a good idea to keep it.

The key to keeping a car running for 200,000 miles is in the care and maintenance you give it. Change the oil regularly, rotate the tires and don't let small problems turn into big ones.

If your car has high mileage, its days might be limited, but at the same time, you probably won't get much by selling it. As such, it's smart to drive the vehicle until it dies. Paying for cheap repairs on high-mileage cars can be a good idea, especially if the car is paid off. With expensive repairs, you may be better off upgrading.

One important factor to consider is rust. If your car is rusting, it'll get worse with time. Rust can cause extensive damage to exhaust and power train components, among other things. And with severe rust, it may only be a matter of time before components fail. It might be



toward a new car. New car financing has very low interest and with a high credit score, you might even be able to finance it for zero interest. But remember the average price of a new car has hit record highs, according to KBB.com.

Healthy Living Tip

Many families do not get enough fruits and vegetables in their diet. To make trying new foods fun, designate a recurring food tasting day. Pick one fruit or vegetable and gather some fun facts about it. Then have a tasting of different varieties and preparations of that food. For example, you can have an apple day, where you make apple pie, serve apple sauce, and drink apple cider. After several of these tasting days, you'll have a list of fruits and vegetables that your family enjoys.

CLEVELAND SAXON DANCE GROUP'S



Traubenfest

Westside Sachsenheim • 7001 Denison Avenue • Cleveland, OH
Saturday, October 15, 2022

Doors open at 5:30 p.m. Pork Roast dinner served at 6:00 p.m.

Performances by our very own
Cleveland Saxon Dance Group & Children's Group

GRAPE STEALING IS BACK!!!
Blindfolded Scarecrow-making contest for the kids

Dance the night away to Schnickelfritz!

Adults \$25.00 Children ages 4-10 \$15.00

Make checks payable to: The Cleveland Saxon Dance Group
Reservations are being taken by mail to Christine Roppelt
8905 Fernhill Avenue Parma, OH 44129
216-773-9375

Or Reserve and pay Online:
<https://traubenfest-october-15-2022-reservations-copy-12218.cheddarup.com/>

Meal tickets will be held at the door.
Please indicate if you wish to sit with specific individuals.
Deadline for reservations is October 2, 2022

Adult tickets @ \$25.00 per ticket _____ # Child tickets at \$ 15.00 per ticket _____
Name _____
Address _____
Phone _____
I would like to sit with the following people.

ATS BRANCH DIRECTORY

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Canton, OH Br. 17
Mtg. 2nd Sunday Location varies
PRES. Rosanne Miller
3624 Harris Ave NW
Canton OH 44708
(330) 413-1773
SEC'Y. Mary Rowinsky
1656 Dunkeith Dr NW
Canton OH 44708
(330) 478-9333
ATS SECRETARY: Helen Aeling
15354 Georgetown St NE
Minerva OH 44657
(330) 862-2563 HH658@aol.com
SICK NOTICES to Mary Rowinsky
LOCAL DUES to: Rosanne Miller

USE ONLY THIS FORM FOR CHANGE OF ADDRESS AND CANCELLATIONS

All information in the form
to the right and below must
be correctly typed, or legibly
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- ☐ CHANGE
☐ CANCELLATION
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Date: _____ Signature of Person Making Change _____

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

CHANGE OF ADDRESS FORM

Branch No. _____ Certificate No. _____

SS# _____ Date of Birth _____

Name _____

Old Street Address was _____

City/State/Zip _____

New Street _____

City/State/Zip _____

THIS CHANGE IS FOR:

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Date: _____ Signature of Person Making Change _____

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

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

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

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

Merrillville, IN Br. 26
Meeting first Sunday at 2 p.m.
Slovak Club - 6920 Broadway
(219) 756-5101
PRES. Jeff Szostek
625 Lake Shore Dr
Hobart IN 46342-5017
(219) 313-7854 219szsos@gmail.com
SEC'Y. Jamie Connors
1035 Garfield St Hobart IN 46342
(312) 758-6341
Weebec052277@yahoo.com
ATS SEC'Y. Randall Floyd
1806 E 73rd Ave, Merrillville IN 46410
(219) 798-6908
LOCAL DUES to Zita Palyok
724 E. 25th Pl, Lake Station IN 46405
(219) 962-7345 randz724@comcast.net
Sick Notices to Jamie Connors
Listed above

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

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

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

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

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

Detroit, MI Br. 37
Mtg. 1st. Sun. 12:30 p.m.
St. Peters Lutheran Church
11423 Chicago Rd. Warren, MI
(586) 978-3850
PRES. Susanna Fleischer
11060 Furbush Rd. Holly MI 48442
(810) 694-1860
beetlebug8ue7@peoplepc.com
SEC'Y. Janet Nelson
128 Ottawa Dr. Troy MI 48085
(248) 879-3213
janetreadnelson@gmail.com
ACTING ATS SEC'Y.
Susanna Fleischer
Address as above
LOCAL DUES to Ingrid Weihs-Ferguson
11711 Lancer Dr Sterling Hts MI 48313
iwferguson@aol.com

Ellwood City, PA Br. 45
Mtg. 3rd Tuesday 7:30 p.m.
Saxon Club 901 Millview St.
(724) 758-3268
PRES. John Dengel
305 Stamm Hollow Rd.
Ellwood City, PA 16117
(724) 622-1593
SEC'Y Dawn Dengel
Same as President
(724) 622-0152
ATS SEC'Y Cathie Bender
801 Park Ave.
Ellwood City, PA 16117
(724) 544-7232
LOCAL DUES to Kathy Carsele
318 Golf Ave.
Ellwood City, PA 16117
(724) 758-3002
Sick Notices to
Cathie Bender
Same as ATS Secretary

**Ich bin
ein Sachs,
und sagt's mit
Stolz!**



September is Life Insurance Awareness Month



Facts about Life Insurance

- Life Insurance is foolproof protection that secures your family in the event something happens to you. It is designed to pay a death benefit to the beneficiary of your policy.
- The younger you are, the less expensive Life Insurance is. The best time to buy Life Insurance is when you are young. If you purchase a Life Insurance policy when you are young and single, you can lock in a better rate than waiting until you are married and have a spouse and children who are depending on you. In addition, if you develop health issues later in life, you may pay more for coverage or not qualify for coverage at all.
- Life Insurance can pay for your funeral. Funerals are expensive. If you do not have Life Insurance, your loved ones will have to pay for it, possibly out of their own pockets.
- Life Insurance provides a tax-free inheritance. Your named beneficiaries do not pay taxes on the death benefit that they receive upon your death.
- Whole Life Insurance has a savings feature. It has a cash value. You can take a loan against that cash value if you need funds.
- Life Insurance provides peace of mind. Having a Life Insurance policy can make you confident that your family will have something to rely on when you pass. Your family can use these funds to pay off credit card debt, a mortgage, medical expenses, or use it for college tuition for your children.
- Life Insurance can provide time. Your family will have the time to go through the grieving process if they are confident that your Life Insurance Policy covers your final expenses, such as funeral costs, medical bills, etc.
- The proper amount of Life Insurance depends upon your present and your future income and your present and future obligations.

If you do not have a Life Insurance policy, or if the amount of your Life Insurance is not enough, please contact your local ATS Sales Deputy or the ATS Home Office to discuss your Life Insurance needs.

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