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## BRANCH 27, NEW CASTLE

By Dolores Both

It was great to see everyone at our first meeting of 2023. We had a delicious dinner of our choice at The Grill on the Hill and enjoyed having our meeting before, during and after our meal. You can say we were an enthusiastic group! We started our meeting with a beautiful thank you card from Dan Forsberg, Director of the Kinderchor, for our monetary Christmas gift. The card was appreciated very much.

Best wishes to Pat Both for continued recovery from her fall at home and recent surgery. Our sympathies are extended to Gertrude Tizak in the loss of her brother.

Our new president, Judy Both, passed out the meeting agenda to all and we got busy to address all the items listed. The questionnaire mailed to members resulted in moving our meetings to Thursdays at 6:00 p.m. Tom Stoops, Branch 25 president, is working hard to get the room in the back of the club cleaned up so we ladies have a private area for our meetings. The room needs a new floor covering and we will have to discuss the issue at our meeting. Members had suggestions to have speakers and refreshments. In the near future, e-mails and texts will be used to notify members of meetings and activities. Please provide Judy Both with your e-mail address and/or cell phone number. Judy's e-mail address is JBOTH1512@comcast.net or text her at (724) 674-7862.

Our checking account was moved to Huntington Bank because they do not charge a monthly service fee, transactions can be done by computer



and it is more convenient for the new treasurer. A working capital account has been established for paying bills.

Membership cards were revised and mailed as were Honor cards to senior members.

A big thank you to the ATS for doing our taxes! Whew! What a relief!

On the agenda was a list of items needed by ARISE (the women's shelter.) Please bring an item for the shelter to our April meeting. Judy will take the donations to the shelter. Items needed are: women's body wash, women's hair conditioner, paper plates/plastic ware, dryer sheets, HE laundry soap, and cleaning supplies.

Members engaged in active and interested conversations on how we could promote our Saxon culture. This will be a project dear to our hearts.

Times have changed, but not our constitution. Judy typed up the constitution from 1991 and included the 2010 revisions. Copies were given to members to review. We need to update, change or delete outdated items.

Last but not least a big thank you to our past officers Marie Benedict, Helen Burick and Gertrude Tizak for their combined 126 years as officers of Branch 27. We couldn't have done it if it wasn't for your dedication and hard work. Your continued help and support are very appreciated.

We will have information on our Mother's Day celebration at the April 6<sup>th</sup> meeting. Reservations will be taken at the meeting.

Next meeting is April 6<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. at Soni's Restaurant. Call Judy Both at (724) 654-0573 to let her know you're coming so she can let the restaurant know how many to prepare for. Please bring a donation for the women's shelter if you wish.

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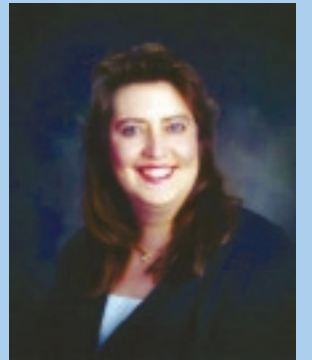
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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Denise Aeling Crawford

ATS Nat'l President



Anyone wishing to attend the Eastern European Congress of Ohio dinner celebration on Saturday, April 22 should call the ATS Home Office at (440) 842-8442 for reservations. The dinner will be held at the Westside Sachsenheim in Cleveland. As I mentioned in the January 20<sup>th</sup> issue, April is Eastern European Month in Ohio. The ATS is a member of this organization, along with 25 other nationalities. Entertainment for the evening will be our own Cleveland Saxon Dance Group. The deadline for dinner reservations is Friday, March 31. Anyone is welcome to attend. I am hoping that we have quite a few Transylvanian Saxons on hand that evening to meet with the other nationalities attending.

I would like to remind all Branch Treasurers that the IRS Form 990 or the 990-N Electronic Postcard is due May 15<sup>th</sup>. Every ATS Branch is required to file one of these two types of information forms. Even though each Branch is exempt from federal income taxes under the ATS exemption, each Branch still has an annual reporting requirement. If the annual gross receipts of a Branch is normally \$50,000 or less, the 990-N E-Postcard can be filed online with the IRS. If the annual gross receipts for the Branch is normally greater than \$50,000, a traditional Form 990 must be completed and filed. If a Branch goes for three years without filing one of these types of forms, it will lose its tax-exempt status. If this happens, you will be required to pay federal income taxes on the Branch's earnings, just like any other taxable company. Filing the 990-N E-Postcard is relatively easy. If you need assistance, call the ATS Home Office and we can help you through the process. A copy of the filing (whether it is the Form 990 or the 990-N E-Postcard) should be mailed to the ATS Home Office for our records.

During the 2022 ATS Convention, there were no bids received to host the 2024 Convention. The ATS is still looking for a Branch to host the Convention next year. Please discuss hosting this event during your next Local Branch Meeting. If you have questions about hosting the event, please feel free to call or email the ATS Home Office.

Did you know the March weather proverb "In like a lion, out like a lamb" also has a different interpretation? The phrase means that if the month starts out stormy, it will end with mild weather. In most years, this proverb holds true. However, this phrase could come from an astronomy perspective. The constellation Leo, the lion, rises in the east at the beginning of March and thus the month "comes in like a lion". The constellation Aries, the ram, will set in the west at the end of the month, and therefore "will go out like a lamb". On

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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.

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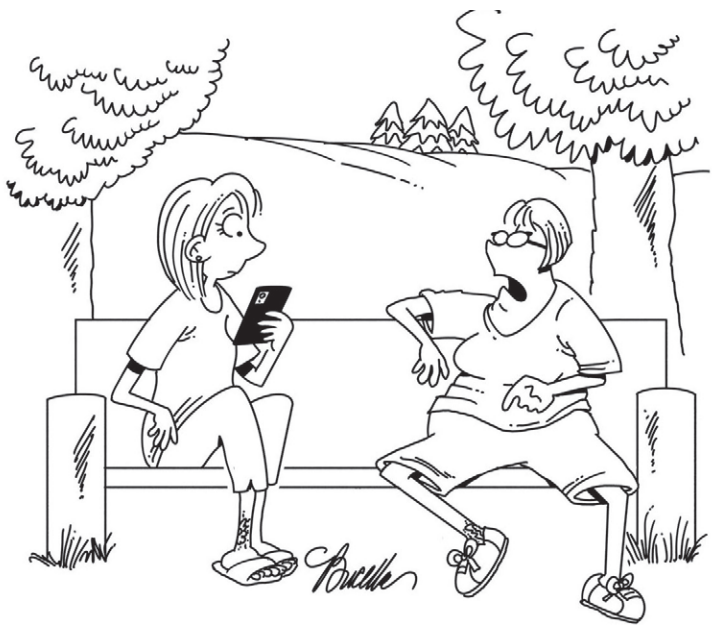
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“I wanted an ankle tattoo, so I had it put on my thigh when I was young.”

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**PORK & KRAUT DINNER**  
**MARCH 19, 2023**

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**\$12.00**

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PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

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March 20<sup>th</sup>, Spring will begin. At least on the calendar! This date is the March equinox, known in the Northern Hemisphere as the vernal or spring equinox. In the Southern Hemisphere, autumn begins. At this time, the sun is directly above the equator, making the day and night equal in length. I think the following quote about spring from Henry Van Dyke, Jr. says it all: “The first day of spring is one thing, and the first spring day is another. The difference between them is sometimes as great as a month.”

Until next time....

Those who can’t  
laugh at themselves  
leave the job to  
others.

**BRANCH 4,  
CLEVELAND**  
By Joan Miller-Malue

We had another very successful Chinese Auction/ Sausage Dinner and want to thank everyone who had helped with the set-up, during the event and clean-up. We are grateful to those who attended, for our members and friends who donated items or made monetary contributions to make this a fantastic fundraiser. Thank you, thank you for your support. We are so fortunate to have such wonderful members and friends.

March will be a busy month. The Chili-Cook-off was held on March 11. The Cleveland West Bowlers will host the TSBA Tournament the weekend of March 25-26, the 250 Club Banquet will be held on Friday evening March 31. The Breakfast with the Easter Bunny will be held on Saturday morning, April 1. Mailings were made to the members of the 250 Club to make their reservations for the dinner as well as invitations were sent to the Junior Members of Branches 1, 4, 5, and 33 to attend the Easter party.

Our March monthly meeting will be held on Monday, March 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. Hope to see you then.

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WEDNESDAY, APRIL 19, 2023	FRIDAY, APRIL 28, 2023

Please have your articles in by 12 Noon.

Did you miss the deadline?

Have you emailed your article past 12 Noon?

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## BREAKFAST WITH THE EASTER BUNNY

**SATURDAY, April 1, 2023  
10:00 A.M.  
WESTSIDE SACHSENHEIM  
7001 Denison Avenue**

All ATS Junior Members of Branches 1, 4, 5 and 33 are invited to attend "Breakfast with the Easter Bunny" at no charge.

Breakfast will be served starting at 10:00 a.m. Following breakfast J Bug will entertain us with her Hula Hoop show.

After the entertainment you will be invited to participate in an Easter Egg Hunt. All Children will have the opportunity to make a craft.

Make your reservations  
by texting or calling  
Joan Miller-Malue at: 216-233-8631

If you reach the answering machine,  
please leave a message and your  
telephone number. Joan will call you  
back, she will need to know the  
name and age of each child  
- or

You may e-mail Joan at:  
miller-malue@cox.net

**DEADLINE FOR RESERVATIONS:  
March 25th**

ATS Junior Members	FREE
Adults	\$ 4.00
Non-Member Children	\$ 10.00

## Survey: medical data is not accessible to patients

Sixty percent of consumers don't have quick access to their health records and another 17 percent aren't sure if they do, according to a new survey from Carta Healthcare.

Out of over 1,000 patients who participated in the survey, a further 66 percent didn't know what happened to their data after they left their doctor's office. The large majority of the patients -- 74 percent -- indicated that better access to their data was important, and 45 percent said they were more likely to recommend physicians who provided easy access to their medical records.

## Youngstown Saxon Club 44th ANNUAL PRESIDENTS' GOULASH DINNER



**Saturday, March 25, 2023**

Social 6:00 - 6:30 p.m.  
Complimentary Beer & Soft Drinks  
Family style dinner 6:30 p.m.  
Entertainment by The Saxon Brass Band

Adults \$25.00 per person  
Children 12 and under \$13.00  
Children 6 and under free

Reservations required by  
Monday, March 20th.  
No door sales will be accepted.

All reservations need to be  
paid in advance.  
Call the Saxon Club Office  
at 330-792-7973  
or contact Kiki Eberth, Water Benesch,  
Ernie Roth, June Hoelzel, Candy Crum,  
or Rosemarie Zarny for tickets.

## Classic Irish soda bread comforts the soul

Irish soda bread might be one of Ireland's most famous foods, but the technique -- leavening bread with soda instead of yeast -- is probably even more American than apple pie.

Native Americans prepared the first quick breads with pearl ash, a potash-derived natural soda that reacted with mild acids like sour milk or honey to release carbon dioxide bubbles.

Irish soda bread came along much later, when commercial production of baking soda made it cheap and widely available. When famine and poverty ravaged Ireland, basic soda bread, which could be prepared with just four ingredients, helped families survive. Eventually, necessity turned into tradition, and today, just about every Irish family has their own traditions regarding this classic staple. Experiment with this simple recipe and maybe you can create your own.



### Ingredients:

1-3/4 cups buttermilk  
1 large egg  
4-1/4 cups flour (spooned and leveled), plus more for hands and work surface  
3 tablespoons white sugar  
1 teaspoon baking soda  
1 teaspoon salt  
5 tablespoons unsalted butter, cold and cubed

Preheat the oven to 400 degrees Fahrenheit and grease a round cake pan or pie dish. Whisk flour,

sugar, baking soda, baking powder and salt together in a large bowl; then cut in cold butter into flour mixture with a fork, your hands, or a pastry cutter. Whisk buttermilk and 1 egg together and add to flour mixture. Bring the dough together with your hands into a circular loaf and score the top with a very sharp knife. Bake in pie dish or cake pan until golden brown -- about 45 minutes. Cool for at least 10 minutes in pan before transferring to wire rack.



**Eastern European Month Celebration Dinner**

**Saturday, April 22, 2023**

**Sachsenheim Hall**

7001 Denison Ave

Cleveland, OH 44102

6:00 pm

\$20 per person

**Traditional Saxon Dinner**

The Cleveland Saxon Dance Group will perform

Silent Auction and 50/50 Raffle

Call the ATS Home Office for Reservations

(440) 842-8442

Deadline for reservations is Friday, March 31





FRATERNAL CALENDAR

NATIONAL EVENTS

March 25 - 26, 2023  
TSBA Tournament - Host Cleveland West  
May 20, 2023  
Branch Presidents Meeting - Host - Salem  
June 10, 2023  
66th Bowlers Convention Host Cleveland West  
June 25 - 30, 2023  
Saxon Summer Camp  
Camp Frederick in Rogers, OH  
July 7 - 8, 2023  
North American Heimattag  
Host: New Castle Branch 25  
July 22, 2023  
ATS Family Day  
Waldameer Park, Erie PA  
October 21 - 22, 2023  
ATS Open Bowling Tournament  
Host : Merrillville, IN

LOCAL EVENTS

March 18, 2023  
Cleveland East Bowl Where You Are Pizza Party  
Wickliffe Lanes 2 - 5:30 p.m.  
March 25, 2023  
Youngstown Br. 30 Goulash Dinner  
March 31, 2023  
Cleveland West Saxon 250 Club Banquet  
April 1, 2023  
Cleveland West  
Children's Breakfast with the Easter Bunny  
April 8, 2023  
Salem Branches 18 & 19 Easter Egg Hunt  
Saxon Club Grounds 1:00 p.m.  
April 22,2023  
Cleveland Sachsenheim  
Eastern European Congress of Ohio Banquet  
May 7, 2023  
Cleveland East Br. 33 Membership Banquet  
May 13, 2023  
Cleveland Saxon Dance Group Trachtenball  
July 10, 2023  
Cleveland West - Traun Austria Cultural Group  
Dinner and Concert  
July 23, 2023  
Chicago Br. 9 Annual Picnic, Morton Grove IL  
August 26, 2023  
Cleveland Sachsenheim Summer Oktoberfest  
September 19, 2023  
Chicago Br. 9 Banquet, Lone Tree Manor  
October 14, 2023  
Cleveland Saxon Dance Group Traubenfest  
October 27, 2023  
Cleveland West Children's Halloween Party  
November 12, 2023  
Cleveland West Veterans Day Dinner  
December 2, 2023  
Cleveland West Sausage Sale  
December 16, 2023  
Cleveland West Children's Christmas Party



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The Irish ballad of beauty and mystery

The ballad Danny Boy perhaps perfectly reflects the pain of the diaspora from Ireland and has become an Irish anthem. But the origins of the tune are obscure, its lyrics something of a mystery.

Interestingly, the lyrics weren't written by an Irishman, but English lawyer Frederic Edward Weatherly, who wrote two stanzas of the song in 1910 without a tune to go with it. How the lyrics were set to music is hotly debated. Some say that in 1912, Weatherly's Irish sister-in-law sent him the music to Londonderry Air. Others say that Weatherly's sister-in-law was living in Ouray, Colorado, and set Frederic's poem to the tune of Londonderry Air herself.

Londonderry Air is an ancient tune with roots in Ireland and Scotland, perhaps even Celtic origins. The tune was first published in 1851 by Jane Ross, who heard it played by a blind traveling fiddler. Before the tune became famous as Danny Boy, it had been arranged many times as Londonderry Air with many different lyrics, usually patriotic.



O Danny boy, the pipes, the pipes are calling  
From glen to glen and down the mountainside  
The summer's gone and all the roses falling  
'Tis you, 'tis you must go and I must bide

But come ye back when summer's in the meadow  
Or all the valley's hushed and white with snow  
'Tis I'll be here in sunshine or in shadow  
O Danny boy, O Danny boy, I love you so

Even so, Danny Boy's well-known lyrics continue to intrigue.

For one thing, we can only speculate about the narrator, who says that Danny Boy must leave for a long while, but the narrator must stay, pledging to wait for him always, even to death. While the song is a favorite of tenors, the lyrics can be read as a woman longing for her beloved, a father lamenting his son, or even a paeon to a sibling. In the second to last verse, we know it is not the mother singing, because she has been brought low by Danny Boy's absence.

In addition, nowhere in the lyrics does it say why Danny Boy must leave. Some say the 'pipes calling across the glen' suggest that Danny Boy participated in an uprising. In some versions, notably that of Sinead O'Connor, the verses are changed to be explicitly political: Danny Boy is fighting for the freedom of Ireland.

Finally, in the last two stanzas, the longing for Danny Boy changes. It becomes clear that Danny Boy has been so long gone that he is feared dead. Only in heaven will they all be reunited.

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### St. Peter's German and Saxon Lutheran Church

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www.stpeterswarren.org

10:00 Service

Nursery

Coffee following service

Senior Circle

## Reducing the pain, increasing function with wrist arthritis

Wrist arthritis is common in older adults. Often, it develops as the result of a past trauma or fracture, but there are simple steps that can reduce pain and increase function.

- Apply heat, cold, or both. An electric heating pad or warm water soaks can ease pain and stiffness. An ice pack or cold water soaks can reduce pain from a flare-up caused by too much activity.

- Contrast baths can also be helpful. Soak hands in warm water for 10 minutes. Then switch to cold water for one minute. Or cycle back and forth for half an hour and end with warm water.

- Apply a topical prescription pain reliever gel like Voltaren or Solaraze.

- Over-the-counter pain relievers can help. Acetaminophen (Tylenol and others) and Advil have the lowest risk of side effects.

- Wear a splint to limit movement during a wrist-intensive activity.

- If pain persists, ask your doctor about anti-inflammatory medication or corticosteroid injections.

When severe pain is unresponsive to other treatments, some surgical techniques are available, including total wrist replacement. Wrist fusion can help younger people with advanced arthritis, but the trade-off is loss of joint mobility.

## Gebet eines Seniors

*Herr, Du weißt es besser als ich,  
dass ich von Tag zu Tag älter  
und eines Tages alt sein werde.  
Bewahre mich vor der Einbildung,  
bei jeder Gelegenheit and zu jedem Thema  
etwas sagen zu müssen.*

*Erlöse mich von der großen Leidenschaft,  
die Angelegenheit anderer ordnen zu wollen.  
Lehre mich, nachdenklich, aber nicht grüblerisch,  
hilfreich, aber nicht diktatorisch zu sein.  
Bei meiner ungeheuren Ansammlung von Weisheit  
tut es mir ja leid, sie nicht weiter zu geben - aber  
Du verstehst, Herr; daß ich mir ein paar Freunde  
erhalten möchte. Lehre mich Schweigen über meine  
Krankheiten and Beschwerden, sie nehmen zu -  
und die Lust,*

*sie zu beschreiben wächst von Jahr zu Jahr;  
Ich wage nicht, die Gabe zu erleben, mir Krank-  
heits-Schilderungen anderer mit Freude anzuhören,  
aber lehre mich, sie geduldig zu ertragen.  
Ich wage auch nicht, um ein besseres Gedächtnis  
zu bitten - nur um etwas mehr Bescheidenheit and  
etwas weniger Bestimmtheit, wenn mein Gedächtnis  
nicht mit dem der anderer übereinstimmt.*

*Lehre mich die wunderbare Weisheit,  
daß ich mich irren kann.  
Erhalte mich so Liebenswert wie möglich.  
Ich weiß, daß ich nicht unbedingt ein Heiliger bin,  
aber ein alter Griesgram ist das  
Krönungswerk des Teufels.  
Lehre mich, an anderen Menschen unerwartete  
Talente zu entdecken, and verleihe mir, Herr,  
die schöne Gabe, sie auch zu erwähnen.*

*Theresia von Avila (1515 -1582)  
eingesandt von Brigitte Hurley*

## SALEM SAXON RETIREES By Norma Byers

A beautiful warm, sunny day on March 1st was chosen for the Salem Saxon Retirees at the club with 23 present and one guest, Morry Johnston.

Our President, Lois Whitacre, welcomed everyone, then hit the gavel to quiet down for Tony Rothbrust to give the invocation and then we recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Then our caterer, Bev, prepared a delicious meal! A large round slice of ham with pineapple on top, baked beans, scalloped potatoes, tossed salad, homemade bread and for dessert, iced brownies with vanilla ice cream, topped in caramel sauce! So tasty!

Our secretary, Dianne Kuttler, was unable to attend, so we had no minutes from December, so Katie Lederle gave us the financial report-accepted!

We had 4 birthdays in March - Hermine Henris, March 12th; Lois Whitacre, March 18; Gloria Judy, March 19th; and Bob Kekel, March 24th. We sang Happy Birthday to all!

Our Vice-President, Dora Lee Sandoe conducted the 50-50 drawing!

A letter was sent to us and was read, and accompanying \$200 to help us celebrate the holidays! Thanks!

We really missed Helen Aeling and her "Humor by Helen". So, we all hope she will be here in April! That reminds me - Remember to talk to yourself- because there are times you need expert advice!!!!

Then we stood and prayed The Lords Prayer!

Tony brought out the Bingo. Thanks Tony!!

It must be getting close to spring, because everyone seemed to be in a jolly and happy mood!

Be sure to mark your calendars for April 5th, our next meeting. We want to see you! Stay well and take care!

TOODLE-OO



**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.**

**Richard L. Huffman, Sr.**  
Age 60  
Died: December 8, 2022  
Branch 1, Cleveland, OH

**Magdalena Seimen**  
Age 88  
Died: February 10, 2023  
Branch 9, Chicago, IL

**George Hartig**  
Age 86  
Died: February 21, 2023  
Branch 10, Columbus, OH

**Michael H. Linz**  
Age 90  
Died: March 2, 2023  
Branch 25, New Castle, PA

## BRANCH 26, MERRILLVILLE By Helen Brooks

Branch 26 held its meeting on Sunday, February 5.

President Jeff Szostek called the meeting to order. We recited the Pledge to the Flag. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. The treasurer's report was also read and accepted, as was the financial report.

There was discussion about the upcoming bowling tournament to be held in October. We voted on taking money for the treasurer. Approved.

The raffle was won by Andy Gazdich and the attendance prize by Jim Spence.

There will be no March meeting. Our next meeting will be on April 2, 2023.

We enjoyed sub sandwiches, friendship and great desserts.

Enjoy the beautiful Spring. Til we meet again.

**BEER & WINE  
TASTING**  
**March 31, 2023**  
**6-9 pm**  
**Limited Tickets Available!**  
**\*Presale: \$25 At Door: \$30**

**Eintracht**  
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**Live Music**  
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## Easter Egg Hunt



**Salem Branches 18 & 19**  
**Saturday, April 8**  
**1:00 p.m.**  
**Saxon Club Grounds**





## Second Great Sachsentreffen in August 2024 in Hermannstadt (Sibiu)

In the tradition of the Great Saxon Meeting, which was held in Hermannstadt / Sibiu for the first time in 2017, the next meeting will take place from August 2nd to 4th, 2024: Under the motto **“Home without borders”**, which the planning committee announced on February 13th, 2022 has selected, there are cultural events of all kinds in Sibiu and the surrounding area for the weekend.

More than 10,000 visitors are expected to attend this big festival weekend. The aim is to build on the success of the major event in 2017: the aim is to bring the Transylvanian-Saxon community together from near and far, to make it a new experience for all generations and to celebrate a diverse festival together.

In the period from July 26th to August 11th, an extensive cultural program will also take place throughout Transylvania, the events of which will be included in the program booklet of the Sachsentreffen. For the program from August 2nd to 4th, 2024, cultural groups should submit their registration for performances of dance and brass bands in the city center by January 31st, 2024 at kultur [ät] siebenbuergenforum.ro. Registration for the traditional costume procession, which will take place on August 3rd in the city center of Sibiu, will take place separately by May 31st, 2024. Registrations in Germany at weltherilse [ät] gmx.net, registrations in Austria at manfred [ät] hauss-

chuller.at, Registrations in Transylvania at andrea.rost [ät] gmx.net. Other events such as workshops, readings, concerts, exhibitions, homeland gatherings, hikes, etc., which should be included in the program booklet, can be submitted to kultur [ät] siebenbuergenforum.ro by February 29th, 2024. The organizers reserve the right to choose which events will be included in the program.

A colorful range of groups presents itself at the festival: youth groups, Transylvanian-Saxon folk dance groups, brass bands, choirs, forums, church communities, local community groups, district groups and other associations as well as cultural groups from several countries are involved in the implementation. The organizers of the Great Saxon Meeting are the Democratic Forum of Germans in Transylvania, the Evangelical Church A.B. in Romania, the German Youth Association of Transylvania, the Saxonia Foundation, the Association of Transylvanian Saxons in Germany, the Association of Transylvanian-Saxon Home-town Communities, the Transylvanian-Saxon Youth in Germany and the Federal Association of Transylvanian Saxons in Austria.

Source: Transylvania Forum press release

(Editor's Note: stay tuned for a Tour of Transylvania to be planned by the ATS to coincide with the Sachsentreffen)

**It matters not  
where you were born,  
or where you live,  
but what's in your HEART.  
Be Proud to be  
Transylvanian Saxon!**

## March 19-25: National Poison Prevention Week Steps to take when poisoning is suspected

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention has this important information for you.

If you suspect that a child or adult has ingested poison, first, remain calm.

- Call 911 if the victim has collapsed. If the victim is not breathing, call 911, then give mouth-to-mouth resuscitation.

- If the victim is awake and alert, call the Poison Control Center at 1-800-222-1222. It is open 24/7.

- Be prepared to give the victim's age and approximate weight.

- Describe the substance. Read from the container if available.

- Never make the victim vomit unless instructed to do so by Poison Control.

- Give your address and phone number. Stay on the phone for instructions from the emergency operator. The specialist may need to call you back.

### National Poison Prevention Week

March 19–25

Child-resistant caps were mandated for medicines in 1970

### Poison Prevention

**Medicines:** Turn on a light when you give or take medicines. Read medication directions. Keep medicines in their original bottles. Store in a safe place where they can't be reached by children or teenagers.

**Household cleaners and chemicals:** Keep chemicals, cleaners and beauty products in their original containers. Always read the label before using.

Never mix cleaning products together. Doing so could produce toxic gases. Wear clothing that covers the skin

when you spray pesticides or other chemicals.

Open the windows and use a fan when using chemicals in the house.

**Protecting young children:** Keep drugs and chemicals in childproof cabinets that children can't reach.

Don't take medicine in front of children, since they often try to copy adults. When giving children a medication, never call it "candy."

Caution guests not to leave drugs where children can find them. Don't leave your own next dose on the counter.

### Äm Fräjör kām e Vijeltchen

Hermann Kirchner

*Langsam*

S. A. 1. Äm Frä-jör kām e Vi-jelt-chen ous fä--re Län-der-n

T. B. hī--men und sāng senj ī--nich Lā-wes-līd äm Guēr-ten-af de Bī-men.

2. Äm Fräjör kangd uch ech et noch, det Līdche vun dem Lāwen und docht, der hīder Hemmel kānt sich nāmols, nāmols drāwen.

3. Der Härwest kām. Det Vijeltchen sānjt nemi af de Bīmen! Me Schatz äs dīt, und ous äs na vun iwijem Gläck menj Drīmen.

Ernst Thullner

### Im Frühjahr kehrt' ein Vögelein

1. Im Frühjahr kehrt' ein Vögelein aus fernen Ländern wieder und sang sein innig Liebeslied im Garten auf dem Flieder.

2. Im Frühjahr konnt' auch ich es noch, das Lied von Treu und Liebe und dachte, daß der Himmel hoch sich niemals, niemals trübe.

3. Es kam der Herbst, das Vögelein singt nimmer auf den Bäumen. Mein Schatz ist tot, und aus ist nun vom ewgen Glück mein Träumen.

Übertragung: Wolf von Aichelburg



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☐ VOLKSBLATT ONLY

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## Spring forward to a better financial future!

Spring is here! Most people want to hibernate through the Winter months. We tend to stay indoors and rarely venture out. Once Spring arrives, we all spring back to life and are raring to go places and meet people. We spring clean the house, start planting gardens and flowers, and look forward to the rest of the year. But what about your finances? This is the perfect time to change bad financial habits and create new habits to ensure a strong financial future.

### Here's a few ways to Spring Clean your Finances:

- **Sweep out old spending habits.** Spring is a great time to get rid of things that you no longer need. Do that with your finances as well. Do you have an automatic deduction to the gym that you haven't went to in more than a year? Now's a good time to cancel the membership. Do the same with a radio or video subscription, or cable package that you don't really use. Do you really need that expensive coffee every day on your way to work or need to eat out every day for lunch? Just one or two changes to your spending habits each month can really add up.
- **Dust off your budget.** If you haven't been sticking to your budget lately, this is a good time to restart. If you're saying "what budget?", it's time to create one. A budget is one of the best tools you can have for reaching major financial milestones - from paying off credit cards to saving up for a down payment on a house. When you budget consistently, it becomes much easier to reach those financial goals.
- **Plan your Retirement Contributions.** Have you budgeted your retirement years? Or how much money you will need to retire? Are you contributing the maximum dollar amount to your IRA or 401(k)? Are you taking advantage of a matching contribution? This is a good time to look at these amounts and maybe increase your contribution amounts.
- **Review your Life Insurance Policies.** Do you have enough life insurance? Has your situation changed during the year? Did you get married or have a child? Do you need to update your beneficiary on your life insurance policy?
- **Review your credit report for errors.** The three main credit bureaus let you check your credit report for free once a year. This is as good a time as any to check yours. To get your free annual credit report, visit [www.AnnualCreditReport.com](http://www.AnnualCreditReport.com).

**The ATS is here to help you! After spring cleaning your finances, if you find you need additional life insurance or want to open an annuity or IRA , contact your local ATS Sales Deputy or the ATS Home Office for more information on our Life Insurance and Annuity Plans.**

- **Single Payment Life**—Only one premium pays this plan for life
- **Seven Payment Life**—Payments are made for only seven years
- **Twenty Payment Life**—Can complete premium payments during one's best earning years
- **Life Paid up at Age 65**—Premium payments are completed by retirement age
- **Whole Life**—Provides the maximum amount of permanent life insurance with cash value at the lowest rates
- ♦ **Flexible Premium Deferred Annuity**
- ♦ **Single Premium Deferred Annuity**
- ♦ **Single Premium Immediate Annuity**
- ♦ **Traditional IRA**
- ♦ **Roth IRA**

