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SIEBENBÜRGISCHES KULTURZENTRUM
SCHLOSS HORNECK E.V.

The ATS wants to thank all of those Members and Branches who have donated to the Saxon Relief Fund and to Schloss Horneck. The ATS recently remitted those funds to Germany, as well as adding an additional donation from the ATS to each.

Below is the Thank You received from Schloss Horneck.

Dear Denise,

I can confirm that we have received the funds and that we are so pleased knowing the “overseas Saxons” are both thinking about us and supporting us financially.

We’ll use a part of the funds for the yearly membership fee and for maintenance works regarding the castle which we need to take care about on an ongoing basis.

Recently we organized and hosted a cultural event called “Sommerliche Kulturtage auf Schloss Horneck” (Summer cultural days on Schloss Horneck). At this event that was sponsored by the Kulturwerk (an organization that is sponsored by the Bavarian state) we were celebrating the opening of the “Carpate theme wall” and the 20 years anniversary of the death of Ernst Irtel, a famous Saxon musician who lived on the castle.

Target for the Schlossverein is both to maintain the castle and make it for the Saxons a point of meeting and nurturing the Transylvania heritage.

I hope we’ll see you soon in Gundelsheim. You and your colleagues are more than welcome!

Please send cordially greetings on behalf of the board of the Schlossverein.

Warmest greetings,

Dr. Axel Froese
Schloss Horneck

Sozialwerk der Siebenbürger Sachsen e.V.
Karlstraße 100 80335 München

Helft uns helfen



August 2023

Ladies and Gentlemen,
Dear fellow countrymen,

Your donations and grants, coming regularly, are proof of trust for us and our work for the Sozialwerk der Siebenbürger Sachsen. Trust makes us feeling honored on the one side, on the other we are aware that there is an obligation to make every effort possible to continuously help those who are needy, looking for a helping hand.

The unbowed commitment of our community, to help the weakest, makes us happy, gives us power and hope.

People who are dependent of our help and accompaniment get encouraged, new perspectives and hope due to your donations. No matter if we deal with big amounts or little inputs - every Dollar is a contribution to a better life for our needy fellow countrymen.

After the years we had to fight against the pandemic, we are happy that many donators turned back to continue the Siebenbürgenhilfe. This again is a strong proof for the good common spirit which is one of the characteristics of our community of solidarity.

I will take this opportunity to thank you from the bottom of my heart!

Due to your contributions we are able to continue our work with diaconal institutions as well as the retirement homes, with many individual and institutional help actions.

The Sozialwerk could help the weakest of our community efficiently and fast because of the great support of our partners in Siebenbürgen. Therefore, here comes a “great thank you” for all those helping down there, so that our support and assistance reaches the needy, safely and as fast as possible.

Thank you all for your fidelity and empathy. All the best for you.

Take care and stay active.

yours sincerely

Dr. Johann Kremer
Chairman Sozialwerk der Siebenbürger Sachsen e.V.

PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

By Denise Aeling Crawford
ATS Nat’l President



It is back to school time! While driving, please watch out for the little ones as they walk to and from school or for the school bus to pick them up and drop them off. They’re not watching out for you so you need to watch out for them.

Some of our Local Branches, who take the summer months off from meetings, are now getting back into the swing of things. Please plan to attend your monthly Branch Meeting. Events are showing up in the Fraternal Calendar. Please take a few minutes to look these over and mark your calendar for the dates. Most events are advertised well enough in advance for you to be able to attend the event. Better yet, offer to help. Feel free to visit another Branch and participate in their events. They will be happy to see you.

Between this issue and the next is Labor Day, Grandparents Day and Patriot Day. Labor Day falls this year on Monday, September 4. It is viewed as the unofficial end of summer, even though the Autumn Equinox and the official end of summer and beginning of Autumn will be on September 23rd. National Grandparents Day falls on Sunday, September 10th (first Sunday after Labor Day). September 11 is Patriot Day or 9/11 Remembrance Day. These days are all special in their own way. Other quirky days in September include National Bowling League Day on September 3 (think TSBA!); Eat an Extra Dessert Day on the 4th; National Beer Lover’s Day on the 7th; National Teddy Bear Day on the 9th; National Cream-Filled Donut Day on the 14th; International Talk Like a Pirate Day on the 19th; National Chocolate Milk Day on the 27th; and National Love People Day on the 30th. Some serious observances for September include National Suicide Prevention Week (3 – 9); National Days of Prayer and Remembrance (9 – 11); Constitution Week (17 – 23); Baby Safety Month; Library Card Sign-Up Month; National Childhood Cancer Awareness Month; and National Courtesy Month. I think there is something for everyone in the month of September!

Did you know the movie *The Wizard of Oz* first opened in theaters on August 25, 1939? Since that opening day in theaters around the United States, it has become one of the best-loved movies in history. L. Frank Baum’s 1900 children’s novel *The Wonderful Wizard of Oz* is the basis for the movie. Judy Garland starred as the young Kansas farm girl Dorothy, who, after being knocked unconscious in a tornado, dreams about following a yellow brick road, along with her faithful dog Toto, to the Emerald City to meet the Wizard of Oz. The scenes in Kansas were filmed using traditional black and white film, while Oz appeared in vivid Technicolor, a relatively new film process at that time. The film was nominated for an Academy Award in the Best Picture category.

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TIMELY - DO NOT DELAY
MAILED WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 30, 2023

Attention Postmaster: Send all Changes of Address to:
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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.

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

PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE
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egory. However, it lost to Gone With The Wind. The movie won a Best Oscar song for “Over the Rainbow”, sung by Judy Garland. She also won a special award at that year’s Oscar for the Best Juvenile Performer. Production on the film began when Walt Disney’s Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs (1937) showed that films adapted from popular children’s stories and fairytale folklore could still be successful. Filmed at MGM Studios in Culver City, California, the movie was a modest box-office success when it was first released. It did not make a profit until it was re-released in 1949. It was MGM’s most expensive production at that time. Its popularity grew after it was televised for the first time in 1956. An estimated 45 million people watched that inaugural broadcast. As it has aired countless times since then, it is not surprising that the U.S. Library of Congress states it is the most seen film in history. Some of the movie’s famous lines, including “There’s no place like home” and “Toto, I’ve a feeling we’re not in Kansas anymore” are well known to several generations of movie watchers.

Until next time....



Ticks can fly?

Those icky, dangerous, blood-sucking ticks are lazy and they can’t jump. But they can fly -- sort of. According to a study i the journal Current Biology, static electricity generated by animals moving around creates electrical charges, the same as when you rub a balloon on your head and your hair stands up straight. This static electricity lifts ticks up toward the charged forces present on animals.

YOUNGSTOWN SAXON RETIREES
By Ro Dundon

We reported in the July edition our next meeting would be at Lucy’s pavilion. Well not so!! Our meeting was held at Bob Evans on Route 46 in Austintown. We have never met there but it passed muster and we will be back. We were all pleased to see Dom at the meeting and I now he was pleased to be there. Also Marnie, mysister, came for lunch. We hope she comes back whenever she can. Missing was Bev, Barb, Lisa and Rosemarie. You were all missed and hope you can make it for September’s meeting. Now for the reason we did not have our expected and

looked forward picnic. Well... Rosemarie, the planner and go getter for supplies, had the nerve to fall and break her hip while playing Bocce. Who would have thought Bocce was such a physical game....it’s not like it Soccer. We are really sorry and hope you have a fast recovery. Knowing you we will see you back in action in no time. The Birthday Gal for the month is our President Diana. Before we adjourned we sang (??) Happy Birthday to her. We hope she had a wonderful time on her special day. The group will be back to Bob Evans in Austintown for the September 14th meeting. Come 11:30 –12:00. If anything changes Diana will give a call. By that time schools will be in session. Time has gone so fast and the older we get, the faster it goes. Everyone stay happy and healthy. Until we meet again — As usual — It’s RO



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DEADLINE DATES FOR ARTICLES:

DEADLINE	ISSUE
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2023	FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2023
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2023	FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2023
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2023	FRIDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2023

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 21, 2023 and ends on October 22, 2023.
9.

Closing date for entries is October 6, 2023.
10.

There will be no refunds of fees after October 11, 2023.
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 be awarded in Singles event only. Doubles and team event will be mixed.



TRAVEL WITH US TO THE
ATS OPEN BOWLING TOURNAMENT
IN MERRILLVILLE, INDIANA
OCTOBER 20 – 22, 2023

COST FOR ROUND TRIP ON BUS IS \$50
ACCOMMODATIONS ARE AT EITHER
FAIRFIELD INN OR HAMPTON INN
\$149+TAX/NIGHT
2 Double or Queens Beds

BUS STARTS EARLY FRIDAY MORNING
FROM THE YOUNGSTOWN SAXON CLUB
WITH A STOP AT THE ATS HOME OFFICE

RESERVATIONS FOR BUS MUST BE MADE
BY SEPTEMBER 22, 2023

We welcome Bowlers and Non-Bowlers
to join us for this trip to Merrillville.

ATS ANNUAL OPEN-BOWLING TOURNAMENT

OCTOBER 21 – 22, 2023

HOST: MERRILLVILLE SAXON BOWLERS

STARDUST BOWL 2

3925 E. LINCOLN HWY.

MERRILLVILLE, IN

(219) 627-2924

Check in on Saturday at 11:15 am

Doubles Event 12:00 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 21

Singles Event 3:00 p.m. (approx.) Saturday, Oct. 21

(Name)

(Certificate #)

(Name)

(Certificate #)

1. _____

1. _____

2. _____

2. _____

3. _____

3. _____

4. _____

4. _____

Team Event 9:00 a.m. Sunday, Oct. 22

All Events

(Check in at 8:30 a.m.)

(Name)

(Certificate #)

(Name)

(Certificate #)

1. _____

1. _____

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2. _____

3. _____

3. _____

4. _____

4. _____

DEADLINE FOR ENTRIES: OCTOBER 6, 2023.

Note: Tournament is for A.T.S. Members in good-standing only.

All bowling fees and meal reservation money for bowlers and non-bowlers MUST accompany this form. No refunds after October 11, 2023. Sunday Banquet will be held at the Slovak Home; 6920 Broadway; Merrillville, IN.

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

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

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

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

_____ Sunday Banquet @ \$5.00 for Bowlers.....\$ _____

_____ Sunday Banquet @ \$30.00 for Non-Bowlers \$ _____

TOTAL AMOUNT DUE.....\$ _____

Name _____

Address _____

Tel.Number _____ Email _____

SEND ENTRY FORM AND PAYMENT TO:

ATS Home Office

5323 Pearl Rd.

Cleveland, OH 44129

Make checks payable to ATS

Deadline October 6, 2023

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

RESERVATION FORM FOR BUS AND HOTEL

NAME _____ Br. No. _____

Number of Passengers _____ @ \$50.00 Total for Bus Remitted \$ _____

List of Travelers _____

Pick up Location: Youngstown Saxon Club _____ ATS Home Office _____

Make Check payable to ATS and send to ATS Home Office; 5323 Pearl Rd.; Cleveland, OH 44129

Complete the following if you would like the ATS to make your hotel reservation.

Name for Hotel Reservation _____

Hotel Preference _____ Number of Rooms _____

Credit Card _____ Expiration Date ____/____

Security Code _____ Billing Zip Code _____

Payment for Room must be on a Credit Card

FRATERNAL CALENDAR

NATIONAL EVENTS

September 17, 2023
TSBA Bowling - Salem
October 21 - 22, 2023
ATS Open Bowling Tournament
Host : Merrillville, IN
October 29, 2023
TSBA Bowling - Cleveland East
November 19, 2023
TSBA Bowling - Cleveland West
December 3, 2023
TSBA Bowling - Lorain
January 14, 2024
TSBA Bowling - New Castle
February 18, 2024
TSBA Bowling - Cleveland East
March 17, 2024
TSBA Bowling - Youngstown
April 6 - 7, 2024
TSBA Season End Tournament - New Castle
May 18 - 19, 2024
ATS Convention
Host: Youngstown, OH
July 12 - 14, 2024
North American Saxon Heimattag
Kitchener, ON Canada

LOCAL EVENTS

September 9, 2023
Youngstown 300 Club
September 17, 2023
Chicago Br. 9 Banquet, Lone Tree Manor
Youngstown Pork / Kraut Dinner
September 23, 2023
Youngsown Speck Fry
September 24, 2023
Cleveland West Brs 1 & 4 Membership Banquet
October 7, 2023
Cleveland Sachsenheim Clambake
October 14, 2023
Cleveland Saxon Dance Group Traubenfest
October 21, 2023
Youngstown Craft Show
October 27, 2023
Cleveland West Children’s Halloween Party
November 12, 2023
Cleveland West Veterans Day Dinner
December 2, 2023
Cleveland West Sausage Sale
Cleveland East Sausage Making and Sale
December 10, 2023
Columbus Br. 10 Christmas Party
Berwick Party House 1 - 4 p.m.
Youngstown Christmas Party
December 16, 2023
Cleveland West Children’s Christmas Party

BRANCH 4,
CLEVELAND
By Joan Miller-Malue

Summer time is winding down and now that it is September we will be back on our monthly schedule of having a meeting on the third Monday of each month. Next meeting will be held on Monday, September 18th at 7 p.m.

We wish our Branch 4 bowling team good luck for the upcoming TSBA season. The first bowling session will be held on Sunday, September 17th in Salem, Ohio.

Branch 1 and 4 Branch Annual Branch Membership will be held on Sunday, September 24th at 1:00 p.m. We will honor our 50 and 60-year members and enjoy a performance by the Eintracht-Saxonia Sachsenchor. The banquet is free of charge to local members and \$15 for non-members. Reservations must be made by calling Monica Weber at (440) 356-5936 or emailing at monica_weber@sbcglobal.net. Deadline for reservations is Monday, September 18, 2023.

With autumn season comes the Sachsenheim’s Clambake that will be held on Saturday, October 7, 2023. Clambake with chicken \$30 and Clambake with steak \$35. Order of extra clams is \$10. Tickets must be purchased in advance. You can get your tickets at the Sachsenheim or call the Club at (216) 651-0888. There will no tickets for sale the night of the clambake.

Taco Tuesday at the Sachsenheim is a very popular place to be on Tuesday night. With the patio open, it makes it extra nice. Wednesday is Wing Night and Thursday is hot dogs and sliders plus there are always several dinner specials each evening. Friday night offers a variety of specials along with the regular fish menu. And there are always a variety of good German beer.



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Saxon Memoirs!
Written by your fellow Saxons.
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Send checks payable to
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more information.



Siebenbürger Sachsen
Bankett



Sunday, September 17, 2023

Lone Tree Manor
7730 N. Milwaukee, Niles, IL
Doors open at 11:00 AM – Lunch at 12:00 PM
Tickets \$35 each---Cash Bar

Please make reservations by September 12,
Call Rose at 847-685-9821 for more information.

Makes checks payable to:
Transylvania Saxon Benefit Society

INVITE

your relatives and friends to
join the crowd at ATS.

YOUNGSTOWN SAXON CLUB
710 S. Meridian Rd
PORK & KRAUT DINNER
SEPTEMBER 17, 2023
11:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
\$12.00
TAKE OUT AND EAT-IN
PUBLIC WELCOME



UNIT 2



“You shouldn’t be in your room because of your illness...you should be in your room because you have your gown on backwards.”

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10:00 Service
Nursery
Coffee following service
Senior Circle

BRANCH 10, COLUMBUS

By Donald Blum

MONTHLY MEETING HICKORY HOUSE

550 Officenter Place
Gahanna, Ohio 43230
September 18, 2023
Time 12:00 noon

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

Remember to bring a canned good item, household product or other food item.

"The generous will themselves be blessed, for they share their food with the poor."

PRAYERS

Please keep long time ATS member, Paul Schaible, in your prayers. Paul is facing physical challenges. We wish him the best. Paul's fam-

ily was founding members of Martin Luther Church in Columbus.

Please keep long time Saxon Club member, Susie Karst, in your prayers. Susie has been a loyal Saxon her entire life. She can use your support at this time. I know she would welcome a card letting her know you are thinking about her and how special she is to all of us.

SAXON MEMOIRS

Get your copy of the **Saxon Memoirs!** Written by your fellow Saxons- Copies are \$ 25 each-Send checks payable to ATS-5323 Pearl Road-Cleveland, Ohio 44129-Call ATS Home Office at (440) 842-8442 for more information. Must have, Must read Book!

CELEBRATIONS

Please join me in wishing Christine and Todd Oehlman (September 5) and Jill and Don Blum (September 9) very Happy Wedding Anniversaries. Alles Gute zum Hochzeitstag!

COLUMBUS BRANCH 10, COOKOUT AUGUST 21st.

Olga Hesch was our gracious host at her home. Everything was set up wonderfully. We had brats, hamburgers and a great assortment of dishes and desserts prepared by our members. We welcomed a number of guests and were extremely happy to see John Gellner in attendance. John graced us with his usual humor, which we had truly missed. We had pop, water, beer and were treated to George Lassel blending two of his home made wines, which everyone enjoyed. We had several guests, which we hope to see at future events.

We sang Happy Birthday to Sophie Untch and Happy 50th Anniversary to Mike Roth. Our singing was accompanied by George Lassel and his harmonica, which is always fun to hear.

We want to thank Mike Roth and Sara Alzner-Brown for the food preparation, all the members for bringing

such delicious food and for Sara in coordinating the event.

It was a hot day but everyone totally enjoyed the time we spent together as a Saxon family. We had German music in the background to keep our minds off of the heat. This has become a regular event and we hope to continue the friendship and gathering of fellow Saxons in the future.

HUMOR

A boss and an employee were having a conversation.

Boss: Do you believe in life after death?

Employee: Certainly not! There's no proof of it!

Boss: Well there is now! After you left early to go to your uncle's funeral, he came here looking for you!

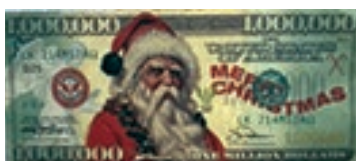
FACEBOOK PAGE

Alliance of Transylvanian Saxons, Columbus Branch 10 (Facebook Group)

Please invite people to join our Facebook Group, that is open to all people interested in sharing or reading about our Saxon Heritage. We will continue to modify and improve the Facebook page as needed. While we welcome you to join the Columbus Branch 10, you do not need to be a member to join the Facebook Group. You are invited to join our Facebook group and share your Saxon history or just enjoy what others post. If you are interested in becoming part of the Facebook group you can request an invitation or send me your email address (donaldcblum@prodigy.net), and we will set you up.

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

CHRISTMAS PARTY NOTICE



YOU'RE INVITED



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.

Mary E. Komar

Age 88

Died: June 4, 2023

Home Branch

Charles R. Jones

Age 86

Died: July 21, 2023

Branch 19, Salem, OH

James W. Bartell

Age 59

Died: July 31, 2023

Branch 30, Youngstown, OH

Russell G. Boaeuf

Age 82

Died: August 8, 2023

Branch 33, Cleveland, OH

Ann M. Pirrung

Age 82

Died: August 13, 2023

Branch 30, Youngstown, OH

NO IT'S NOT A MILLION DOLLARS, BUT IT IS A REAL FUN TIME COLUMBUS SAXON CLUB

Something is **NEW!** Our attendance at the Christmas Party has increased over the years. We are moving the festivities to the **Berwick Party House** to accommodate everyone that wants a Saxon Christmas.

Come join Sankt Nikolaus on Sunday, December 10th

In order to make this a fun and nice experience, we need to make sure we know how many people will be attending. We want to invite Club members, ATS members and guests.

Mark your calendar for **Sunday, December 10th, from 1 - 4 p.m.**

Join us for food, fellowship and Christmas Fun.

Please let us know your interest.

In order to get an idea of the number of attendees, we need to have you **RSVP**. Also, we would like to have an idea of children 12 and under. **Not a commitment...just need a general headcount of people that can join us.**

Respond to Sara Alzner-Brown by text or call: (614) 395-2646



**Branch 1 and 4
Annual Membership Banquet**

Sunday, September 24, 2023
Sachsenheim at 1:00 pm

Recognition
of 50 and 60 Year Members

Performance by:
Eintracht-Saxonia Sachsenchor

No charge for Local Members
Non-members - \$15.00

To make reservations call:
Monica Weber at (440) 356-5936
Or Email: monica_weber@sbcglobal.net

Deadline for reservations:
September 18, 2023

Join us for an afternoon of
Saxon Gemütlichkeit

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



**TIME TO GET READY FOR
SACHSENHEIM'S
ANNUAL CLAMBAKE!**

**Saturday, October 7, 2023
Advance Tickets Only
Purchase at Sachsenheim or
Call the Club at (216) 651-0888**

**Clambake with Chicken \$30
Clambake with Steak \$35
Extra Dozen Clams \$10**

All tickets must be purchased in advance.

HELP WANTED
Part Time Office Assistant

The ATS Home office is looking for a candidate with excellent customer service skills, general office knowledge, and experience in billing, mail distribution and data entry.

Candidate must be proficient in Microsoft Excel, Word, Outlook, and be detailed oriented and able to multi-task.

We can offer a competitive salary and flexible schedule. Please email inquiries to office@atsaxons.com

BRANCH 30, YOUNGSTOWN
By Rosemarie Kascher

Upcoming events at the Youngstown Saxon Club:
September 5, 2023 Officers Meeting @ 5:30 p.m.
September 9, 2023 300 Club @ 6:00 p.m.
September 10, 2023 Branch Meeting @ 2:00 p.m.
September 17, 2023 Pork/Kraut Dinner
11:30 - 2:00 p.m. \$12.00
September 23, 2023 Speck Fry
October 21, 2023 Craft Show
Oct. ? 2023 Calendar Dinnerto set next year's dates
December 10, 2023 Christmas Party

BRANCH 18, SALEM
By Barbara Spack

The next meeting on September 11 will be very important as we will be looking for all input regarding the invitation from Branch 19 to merge. This will be an opportunity for members to ask any remaining questions regarding the merger and to finalize discussion. The meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. and after the meeting concludes we will meet jointly with Branch 19. Please put this on your calendar and try to attend as everyone's questions are important on this issue and we want as much membership participation in the decision as possible.

At the joint social on July 14, the Salem Saxon Scholarships were awarded. The members and guests enjoyed grilled Saxon sausage and a variety of side dishes provided by the members. Art Maroscher grilled the meat which was donated by the Scholarship fund. We awarded nine \$1000 scholarships to a highly qualified group of high school graduates. The Carole Flick Memorial Scholarship was given to Johnathon Kidd of Salem High School. The Dr. Lorie Jean Roth Memorial Scholarships were given to Jackson Johnson of Salem, and Christian Martig of West

Branch High School. The other recipients were Ronin Gallo of Salem, Reese Miller of Salem, Allison Zion of West Branch, Anna Curry of West Branch, Emily Sprowl of West Branch, and Haley Hazelbaker of West Branch. Also recognized were ATS Scholarship winners Christian Martig who received a Freshman scholarship, and Erika Miller of Florida Gulf Coast University for a Continuing Education scholarship. Congratulations to these recipients and best wishes for their future success.

Greetings and well wishes are being sent to Flo Spack, Mary Ann Roth, Kathy Schumacher, and Pat Hall who are in care facilities, and to Katie Lederle who is recovering from surgery.

The 50-year dinner plans are in the works and invitations will be sent out soon. We will be welcoming new 50-year members Norma Byers, Diane Kirchgessner, Kathryn Klein Vincent, Gaylene Kekel Englert, and Debbie Ulrich Emelo at the dinner on October 7.

Another reminder that the September meeting time is 7:30 p.m. on the 11th followed by the joint meeting with Branch 19.

We would like to congratulate Ivan Bosnik and Luke McGivern on receipt of the Br. 30 Scholarships this year. Good luck to these fine young men.

We wish Rosemarie Zarmy, second vice president, a speedy recovery and quick healing.

Other dates to remember: the Children's Christmas Party December 3 and the May ATS Convention in 2024, May 18, 19 2024.

If you are interested in joining a German language class, please contact the office instead of Rosemarie Zarmy at this time.

The Pork/Kraut will try a hybrid dinner this month, take-out and eat in via the Ballroom. The fee of \$12.00 is the same for both.

Since thirty of our members have passed away this year, too large an amount, why don't each one of us try to get one person, either new or social, to join the Youngstown Saxon Club to carry on their memories and be a part of a fine organization.

**BRANCHES 14 AND 17,
CANTON**
By Cheryl Schnebelen

Welcome to fall in Ohio. We hope everyone is doing well and survived the summer in good shape. The Canton Saxons will be having our next luncheon meeting on Sunday, September 17, at 1:00 p.m. at Meyers Landing Bar and Grill in Meyers Lake Plaza.

We still have available financial assistance to any current, past, or direct descendants of the ladies lodge, so if you know of those in need, please let us know. You can contact me by email at sherlee5@aol.com, text or phone at 330-312-5112, and I will forward your request on to others in the branch. We are looking forward to hearing from you and please join us for our next meeting at Meyers Landing on Sunday, September 17, at 1:00 p.m..

Home Tip

If you have a big cleaning project at home you've been avoiding, try breaking it down into chunks. Instead of trying to find a day to tackle the job, give yourself 15 minutes a day. Use a timer to keep yourself on track. Besides giving you a practical way to manage the job, using a timer also can motivate you. Knowing you only have 15 minutes can make you hustle through the work.



Left to right Reese Miller, Johnathon Kidd, Haley Hazelbaker, Christian Martig, Anna Curry, Emily Sprowl, Erika Miller.

Branch 33 Cleveland East annual picnic at Penitentiary Glen on August 20th.
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The intent of this program is to provide financial support in the form of a grant to qualifying ATS members who have graduated from college, have been out of school for at least two years, and still owe on their student loans.

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

Send in the attached Request Form to receive the Application. Requests must be received by September 8, 2023. The completed Application, along with the supporting documentation, must be returned to the ATS Home Office by October 1, 2023.

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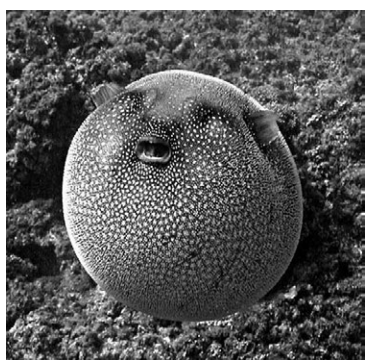
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Foods you won't find on the menu in the US

Adventurous diners will have to travel outside the U.S. to try any of these banned foods. If you do happen to find one on a restaurant menu stateside, it's probably not the real deal. But if it really is authentic, you may still want to pass -- there are no safety inspections or food handling standards for banned items.

• **Epoisse de Bourgogne cheese:** This earthy and pungent cheese, made from unpasteurized milk, pairs well with Belgian white ale, and is notorious for listeria contamination. Epoisse can be imported -- but only if it's less than 60 days old.

• **Horse meat:** Slightly sweet and similar to beef, goes well with garlic butter, and potentially full of medications that are toxic to humans. The federal government prohibits the commercial slaughter of horses for human consumption, though private slaughter is permitted in many states. But you still might want to skip it -- horses raised in the U.S. are broadly considered unsafe for human consumption because of the medica-



Puffer fish

tions they routinely receive.

• **Fresh ackee:** This pear-shaped pinkish-red fruit boasts a delicate and lightly sweet flavor, tastes lovely in savory preparations, and is highly toxic until it's ripe. Unripe ackee contains the toxin hypoglycin, which causes dangerous drops in blood sugar, vomiting, and sometimes death. The U.S. only permits the import and sale of canned or frozen varieties.

• **Casu martzu:** This traditional Sardinian sheep's milk cheese boasts a strong flavor and spicy aftertaste, marries perfectly with a bold red wine, and contains thousands of live maggots. Casu martzu sales are illegal in all of Italy, the whole European Union,

and the U.S., but some scientists (and many Sardinian locals) argue that the cheese is safe when eaten correctly. Even if it doesn't tempt you, casu martzu represents a fascinating look into how the common people of the Roman Empire lived and used unexpected ingredients to create extraordinary things.

• **Puffer fish:** With mild-tasting white flesh that can be eaten raw or cooked, puffer fish (also called fugu) pairs well with a variety of accompaniments and contains a poison 1200 times more powerful than cyanide, has no antidote, and kills around 100 unlucky diners each year. The U.S. doesn't ban all fugu outright, but any legal meat must be processed by licensed chefs in Japan before importation, inspected and approved upon arrival in the U.S., and prepared again by one of only about a dozen specially certified U.S. chefs before diners can dig in. Is fugu worth the risk and the hassle? Maybe, maybe not -- one diner described it as "bland" to the New York Times.



Labor Day: Summer's last fling has a serious past

Nap in the hammock, have a barbecue, or dive into the city swimming pool. Whatever you do, you are celebrating the last weekend of summer, though the calendar might disagree.

This year marks the 115th celebration of Labor Day. After much ado for many years, President Grover Cleveland signed the Labor Day proclamation in 1894. It is the only holiday in the year that does not focus on an individual or a national event.

The path to this proclamation was not a simple one. Rather, it was marked with hard work and risks from labor leaders and many thousands of workers.

While the work toward a Labor Day began years before, a celebration by the Knights of Labor in 1882

brought the cause to the public's attention.

More than 20,000 demonstrators paraded in New York City. Many carried signs that said "8 hours for work, 8 hours for rest, 8 hours for recreation."

In addition to a day of rest for workers, they marched for better working conditions.

The Labor Day movement spread from east to west over the following years. In 1887, Colorado was the first state to declare Labor Day a state holiday. By 1893, more than half of the states had an official Labor Day.

Then, a bill for a national Labor Day was introduced in Congress. When President Cleveland signed it on June 28, 1894, he thought it was a good political move. But he was not reelected.

Student loan debt varies widely

Here's a number that seems huge. Americans collectively have more than \$1.7 trillion in federal and private student loans.

While 54 percent of Americans do not have student loan debt, according to a GoBankingRates survey, if you are between the ages of 18 to 23, you probably do. Just 39 percent of this age group do not have any debt.

However, 31 percent young people with student loans owe less than \$10,000. About 16 percent owe more than \$10,000 and less than \$20,000.

Here is what the GoBankingRates survey found:

- 31% owe less than \$10,000
- 16% owe \$10,001 to \$20,000
- 11% owe \$20,001 to \$30,000
- 9% owe \$30,001 to \$40,000
- 4% owe \$40,001 to \$50,000
- 4% owe \$50,001 to \$60,000
- 3% owe \$60,001 to \$70,000
- 4% owe \$70,001 to \$80,000
- 6% owe \$80,001 to \$90,000
- 6% owe \$90,001 to \$100,000
- 6% owe more than \$100,000

One surprising finding: Student loan borrowers over the age of 65 are likely to have the highest student loan debt, with 72 percent owing between \$20,000 and \$40,000 and 17 percent owing up to \$100,000.

Older people have student loan debt for a number of reasons: They are sending their children and grandchildren to college; they are taking advanced degrees; and they are attending college themselves.



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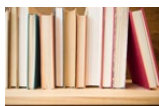
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The small tower-less late Gothic church in Dunesdorf was built in 1506. The tower was much later erected in 1927, as well as its defence levels, probably as a sign of self-assertion towards the 1918 new Romanian state and as a symbol for the 800 years of Saxon history in Transylvania. From the original defence wall only a few remains on the south side and a gate tower with a small watchtower are still preserved. The inner furniture dates back to different time periods: the baptismal font and the pulpit are Baroque, the altar is from 1878 and the organ from 1920. The vault covering the church’s hall was built in 1868.

Place and surroundings

The village of Dunesdorf, located few miles west from Sighișoara (Schässburg) was documented for the first time mid-14th Century. The reports from the following years describe many difficulties and misery. Due to the great poverty of the place, between 1503 and 1507 a tax rebate was documented. Around 1507 the village burned down completely. Less than 50 years later, the unfortunate happening occurred again in 1555. At the beginning of the 17th Century the place got broke as result of civil wars and the number of the local farmers fell in just 15 years from 90 to 7. Because of the slow development of the village, tax exemption and other benefits were offered starting with 1656 to any colonist willing to settle here, but the success was only moderate. In 1658 the Ottoman troops attacked and destroyed the village once more. Only from 1665 colonists coming from Sighișoara were able to revive the place. Despite all the problems, the fortified church wrote its own history, as regular worship services are still regularly held today, as it has always been starting with the 16th Century.



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- 1. "My man!"
 - 4. Sorcerer
 - 9. Bard's nightfall
 - 10. Corpulent plus
 - 11. Place to be pampered
 - 12. Unit of light
 - 13. Instants
 - 15. Poor losers
 - 19. Shakespearean term of address
 - 20. Danger
 - 23. Hurricane center
 - 24. Cancel
 - 25. Street material
 - 26. Lots and lots
 - 27. Terminate

- Down
- 1. Conquers
 - 2. Copy
 - 3. Broadcasting
 - 4. Problems that may get overblown
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 - 6. Beauty
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- 14. Element in atomic clocks
- 16. Mountain ridge
- 17. Moshe of Israel
- 18. Pottery fragment: Var.
- 20. Golf goal
- 21. Charlotte-to-Raleigh dir.
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The headline is a clue to the answer in the diagonal.

Paninis have come a long way

The panini sandwich has evolved from the simple Italian ‘toast’ sandwich, filled with meat, usually prosciutto, and cheese.

Like its predecessors, you’ll find today’s paninis bear the distinctive toast lines of the Italian sandwich press. Similarly, they are concocted with the rich cheeses and meats.

But fillings and flavorings have changed. Local custom and favorites sometimes govern what goes into the panini. In central Italy, for example, the panini boasts succulent roasted pork.

Whether you have a panini press, a sandwich grill or just want to make one in a skillet, here’s a recipe for the Hot Sicilian that offers the tastes of Italy, enhanced by spices.

Hot Sicilian paninis

- Ingredients
- 1 loaf Italian bread cut in eight half-inch slices (OK to trim crusts)
 - 1 half-pound of deli shaved ham



- 1 package each hard salami and sandwich pepperoni
- 8 slices provolone cheese
- 1 medium tomato, sliced thin
- 1 medium red onion, sliced thin
- Dashes of parmesan cheese, salt, pepper, red wine vinegar, olive oil
- Optional: slices of pickled or fresh banana peppers.

Lay the eight slices of bread on a dish towel. On each bread slice, add one slice of provolone cheese. On four of the sandwich halves, add two pieces each of salami, a generous amount of shaved ham, and two pieces of sandwich pepperoni.

On the other four sandwich halves, add two slices of tomato, two slices of onion and a few pepper rings. Shake parmesan cheese, oil, vinegar, salt, and pepper sparingly to all eight sandwich halves. Combine the halves into four sandwiches. Preheat your press following the manufacturer’s instructions, or in a large skillet lightly coated with butter or canola oil, place the sandwiches two at a time. Apply pressure with the sandwich maker or a spatula. Open the sandwich maker every two minutes, or turn skillet sandwiches every two minutes until they are golden brown.

It's Back to School time. No matter how old you are, it's important to keep learning!

Today's lesson: The ABCs of Annuities



What is an Annuity? 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. It is intended to be a retirement asset.

Are there different types of Annuities? Yes. 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 usually tied to the stock market. Fixed Annuities pay a guaranteed amount and come in two different types: Immediate and Deferred. The Immediate type annuity, as its name implies, pays out immediately. The Deferred type annuity pays you later. The ATS only sells this Fixed guaranteed type of Annuity.

Is the interest that the Annuity earns tax deferred? What does that mean? Yes, the interest that you earn on your annuity is tax deferred. This means you will not have to pay income taxes on the earnings each year while the account is growing. Instead, you will pay income tax in the year that you withdraw the interest, probably after you have retired.

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Am I required to withdraw the funds from my ATS annuity? No. You are not required to withdraw the funds from a Tax Deferred Annuity (unlike a Traditional IRA account). You could leave the entire account to your beneficiaries. You could make periodic withdrawals from your account. You could receive an interest check each month. Or you could annuitize your account and receive either a set dollar amount, a set number of payments, or a check for the rest of your lifetime. An Annuity is the only product that can guarantee a stream of income that you cannot outlive.

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