



THE SAXON NEWS

Volksblatt

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Count Down to North American Saxon Heimattag

Only 63 Days Left!

Don't miss out on Home Day Celebrations

Youngstown Saxon Club

June 24 - 26, 2016

BRANCH 4, CLEVELAND
By Joan Miller-Malue

BRANCH 22, YOUNGSTOWN
By Rosemarie Kascher

You know that Spring has arrived when that time has come for you to make your reservations for the Eintracht-Saxonia Sachsenchor's Annual Spring Concert that will be held on Saturday, April 30th. A chicken dinner will be served at 6 p.m. followed by the concert. Music for the evening dance will be by "Klang Gesang." To make reservations call Maria Fischer at (216) 741-1398 by April 25th.

The following weekend the Cleveland Saxon Dance Group will hold its Annual Trachtenball on Saturday, May 7th. A schnitzel dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m. Following the dinner, there will be an Aufmarsch and a performance by the Dance Group. The music for the evening dance will be by Ed Klimczak. Reservations are being taken by Amanda Donnellan and are to be made by May 2nd. There is a reservation form printed in this issue of the *Volksblatt*.

We want to send get well wishes to our President Monica Weber as she heals from surgery for a hip replacement. She is progressing well and is anxious for the next phase of her recovery that will allow normal activities such as driving. Also, get well wishes to our member, Carol Lindeman, who was hospitalized and is now on the mend.

We want to congratulate our junior members, Chloe and Dylan Schaef and Brady Roth for being winners in the ATS Easter Coloring Contest. Also, we want to commend our other junior members who submitted a picture. I understand they all did a great job and it was difficult for the teachers to choose the winners.

Next monthly meeting will be held on Monday, May 16th. Hope to see you there.

We welcome two lovely new members, Vicki Merrick and Sue Lyn Thomas. We wish them the best as they join us.

Birthdays are Regina Teutsch, Samantha Marucci and Betty Garhammer.

Get wells to Mary Ann Dahman; thinking of yous, Easter greetings to Alice Burquest, Mary Ann Uhran, Donna White, Tom and Dorothy Fizet, Rosemarie Yohman, Betty Deskin, Alice Wilds, Martha Konrad and Bill and Marge Artz. Sympathies to the families of Betty Deskin and Paula Krispli. Thank yous to Shirley Hahn.

We are deeply saddened by the passing of Roger Fotiuk, husband of our former president and current vice president. Over the years, Roger did much in Br. 30 and we shall miss him.

Mother/Daughter Banquet, April 24, 2016. Doors open at 12:30 p.m. and lunch is served at 1:00 p.m. Adults are \$14.00 and children between ages 3-12 and \$7.00. All reservations must be paid in advance, tickets received at the door. Reservations to Betty Garhammer at 330-788-4274 or at the Club office.

Upcoming events are:

Sunday, April 24 @ 12:30 p.m. Mother Daughter Banquet

Wednesday, April 27 @ 6:30 p.m. Officers Meeting

Sunday, May 1 @ 2:00 p.m., Branch Meeting

Sundays, Bingo in the Ballroom @ 6:45 p.m.

May the snow go away and the flowers bloom again for a beautiful Spring.

PROUD TO

BE SAXON



**Be
ACTIVE
TRUE
STOLZ!**

ATTN: ATS Local Branches
Filing of 990-N

The IRS is having difficulties with their program for the on-line filing of the 990-N form which is due May 15, 2016. They are working on correcting the problem, but has advised filers to keep trying each day to see if their programming has been corrected

TIMELY - DO NOT DELAY
MAILED WEDNESDAY, APRIL 20, 2016

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Thomas J. Manning
ATS Nat'l President



On April 9, 2016, the ATS Board of Directors held its first meeting of this year. We had a very productive day as many topics were discussed and decisions made. Numerous committees met prior to our Board meeting and reported their recommendations which were then voted upon. It is always a pleasure to work with a group of ladies and gentlemen who are so cooperative and well informed.

Two important future ATS events were discussed at great length. They are the bi-annual ATS National Convention which will be held on May 14th and 15th and hosted by Branch 19 in Salem, Ohio, in conjunction with their 125th Anniversary. The second important event is the 2016 North American Saxon Heimattag to be hosted by Branches 22 and 30 in Youngstown, Ohio, on June 24, 25, and 26th. Committees from these Branches have been working very hard in preparing for successful and enjoyable ATS events. Details for these events are published in the *Volksblatt*. Please plan on attending and be sure to make your reservations early.

I want to remind the treasurer of each ATS local branch to file your tax-exempt Form 990 for the year 2015. This form must be filed by May 15, 2016, and a copy of your form is to be forwarded to the ATS Home Office. The IRS requires this information.

I am sure you will enjoy this story. While driving in Pennsylvania, a family caught up to an Amish carriage. The owner of the carriage obviously had a sense of humor, because attached to the back of the carriage was a hand printed sign which read, "Energy Efficient Vehicle: runs on oats and grass. Caution: Do not step in the exhaust."

Take care until next time and may God bless the members of the ATS.

**TIME
FOR AN
UPDATE?**



If your family benefit status has changed during the last year please let us know:

ATS HOME OFFICE

(440) 842-8442

office@atsaxons.com

BRANCH 5, LORAIN
By Michael Johnson

Nothing like a little snow to greet the early days of spring. Saturday morning April 9th looked more like January, but by evening when the men of Branch 5 met for dinner and our monthly meeting for April, much of the white stuff had begun to melt away.

But enough about the weather. What you really want to know is if the vote for the merger between Branch 5 and 11 passed or not. I'm happy to report that both branches approved overwhelmingly to bring Branch 11 into Branch 5 to form one branch to represent The ATS of Lorain, Ohio. The merger committee is working on modifying the wording in the constitution of Branch 5 to reflect the merging of the women into our membership; realizing the full benefits offered to each of our current dues paying members. And though we can celebrate this new beginning, there is also a bittersweet side. For when 113 years ago men of Saxon heritage in this city, formed The First Transylvanian Saxon Sick Benefit Society of Lorain Ohio; Branch 5 of The Alliance of Transylvanian Saxons, it wasn't long after, that the spouses of these men, went on to charter their own branch by the same name, and being numbered, Branch 11, they availed themselves to attaining the same goals, but in a manner of sisterhood. The two branches would go on to assist each other in the promotion of their Saxon ancestry through many activities and traditions known to them from previous generations, yet still maintaining a sort of separation for what was viewed then as "male" activities such as picnics, and bowling and "female" activities which often meant hosting parties centered around the many holidays for the children of the families in the Saxon Club. Much has changed over the years, and we are grateful to the women of Branch 11 for their continued support even as they agree to surrender their branch to become equal in part with this historic change for the Lorain Saxon Club. With dedication, loyalty, and determination by all, we hope to continue to maintain this

legacy for years to come.

Members are encouraged to be a part of our first joint meeting to be held on Saturday June 4, 2016 at the American Slovak Club starting at 6 PM. We'll have a chicken paprikash dinner followed shortly after with our monthly business meeting. The importance of this meeting is among other things, the first reading of the new constitution which needs to be read at three consecutive meetings before it can be voted on and accepted as the new constitution. With there still being much administrative work to do pertaining to both Branches 5 and 11, it may be closer to September or October before the merger is fully recognized by the ATS.

During the last few months, our branch President Ned Jones has been ill, involving short stays at both University and Mercy Hospital. He currently is in rehabilitation therapy at Oak Hill Nursing Home. Be praying for his full recovery in that he may rejoin us soon.

Thank you to the readers of the *Volksblatt* that submit news of activities that our Junior members are participating in, especially those living out of or in other parts of the state that we may never have the opportunity to meet. Congratulations to Drew and Aidan Brown for their accomplishments in basketball featured in the April 8 issue. And for those young Branch 5 members who participated in the coloring contest such as Carsen and Cole Sergent of Delaware, Ohio and Jenna and Jenée' Peters of Clearwater, Florida, keep up the good work! Thank you parents for keeping your children involved, as they are the future of the ATS.

Celebrating Birthdays this month are Brother Ned Jones and Junior members Marisa Goss, Aidan Brown, Mackenzie Smith, and Sofia Ali. Happy Birthday!

The delegates to represent Branch 5 this year at the 2016 ATS Convention in Salem, Ohio are Brothers Bob Tomusko and Russ Gilles. Salem Branch 19 will also be celebrating its 125th anniversary during the convention and we would like to congratulate them on their

long standing commitment to the ATS. We also would like to wish the best to Sister Monica Gilles of Branch 11, who will be running for the position of Secretary in the 2016 election of ATS National Officers.

Continue to support your local branch and if possible, support by attending functions held at other branches to get to know and strengthen Saxon fraternalism.

And finally, congratulations to our Lorain Saxon Bowlers who finished the season well. The final standings are most likely in this edition of the *Volksblatt*. Thank you to all who participated.

**It pays to clean
gutters in the
spring**

Usually you think about your gutters in fall. But plenty of debris can accumulate there in the six months since you last cleaned them.

It's easy to miss leaves from trees that don't go bare until late fall. They're probably still up there. Storm-blown sticks are aren't going anywhere by themselves. Many trees drop spring buds and flowers, and then there are the clouds of white cottony stuff blowing from the cottonwoods. By the middle of April, it's time to clean the gutters again. Here are a few safety tips.

- You'll be climbing a ladder, so don't wear loose clothes that could trip you up or catch on the ladder or the gutter. Wear shoes that easily grip each rung of the ladder.

- Wear safety glasses to protect your eyes and wear work gloves so you won't be cut by something sharp, which could also startle you and make you fall.

- Always work with a partner who can hold the ladder and help to move it to the next work spot, and who can call for help if you fall or are injured.

- Use a trowel instead of your hands, even if you are wearing gloves.

- Dump debris into a garbage can below. If you miss it, you can sweep up when you're finished. Never carry a trash bucket up the ladder.

You may not look forward to the project, but gutters are needed to carry water away the foundation and basement. And they can prevent wall damage on the inside of a home.

Put safety at the top of your list

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THE DEADLINE DATE FOR ARTICLES
IS WEDNESDAY - 12 NOON.

You may either

MAIL: PO BOX 45198,
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FAX: (440) 399-9339

E-MAIL: saxonvolksblatt@aol.com

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

DEADLINE DATES FOR ARTICLES:

DEADLINE	ISSUE
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 27, 2016	FRIDAY, MAY 6, 2016
WEDNESDAY, MAY 11, 2016	FRIDAY, MAY 20, 2016
WEDNESDAY, MAY 25, 2016	FRIDAY, JUNE 3, 2016

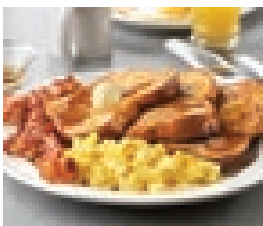
Please have your articles in by 12 Noon.

Did you miss the deadline?

Have you emailed your article past 12 noon?

Please call Hanz or Barb Hermann at (440) 892-0436.

Salem Saxon Club Breakfast Buffet is back!



The Salem Saxon Club, will be serving its next monthly Breakfast Buffet on Saturday, May 21st serving from 7.00 a.m - 10 a.m.

Adults/children \$7.00/under 5 yrs. Free. Menu includes bacon, sausage gravy and biscuits, fried potatoes, sausage, scrambled eggs, Belgian waffles, pancakes, tropical fruit, various baked goods, juice, coffee and tea.



SAXON HANDICRAFT EXHIBIT

A highlight of the ATS Convention is the Saxon Handicraft Exhibit. The Exhibit this year will be held at the Salem Saxon Club, where the ATS Convention will meet on May 14 – 15, 2016.

The Junior Category, which allows our junior members, ages 13 and under, to exhibit their handcrafted items in an open category will once again be a part of the Exhibit. All members competing in this category will receive a small token of appreciation.

The Handicraft Exhibit provides an opportunity to display articles which relate to our Transylvanian Saxon cultural background, but is not restricted to this category only. It is a showplace for the artistic talents and abilities of our people, present and past.

A prize competition is held for items made by present ATS Members only. The rules for this prize competition are as follows:

- 1. There will be prize competition in ten (10) categories.
- 2. There will be first and second prizes awarded in each category.
- 3. There will be one (1) President’s Award for “Best of Show” Entry.
- 4. No more than three (3) entries allowed per member.
- 5. Only items actually made by present ATS members, ages 14 and over, are eligible for entry in this prize competition.
- 6. Winning entries will be determined by ballot vote of the Convention Delegates.
- 7. There will be a separate Junior Category for ATS members, Ages 13 and under.

NOTE: An Entry Blank must be filled out for all items placed on display. Advance registration will be appreciated. The exhibit room will be opened Saturday morning (May14) for delivery and set-up of display items. All items must be picked up Sunday morning (May 15) prior to the start of the Sunday Convention Session.

Send your entry blank for the Saxon Handicraft Exhibit to:

Cody Lallo
Handicraft Exhibit Director
1240 Conser Drive
Salem, Ohio 44460
(330) 831-8998 C-Lallo@hotmail.com



SAXON HANDICRAFT EXHIBIT ENTRY BLANK

Name

Branch No.

Address

City, State, Zip

☐ I will bring the following items for exhibit only

☐ I will bring the following items to enter in prize competition

My ATS Certificate No. is

Adult Exhibit Categories: Describe your entry.

1. Ceramics

2. Crewel

3. Crocheting

4. Cross Stitch

5. Knitting

6. Needlepoint

7. Quilting

8. Paintings

9. Photography

10. Open Class

Junior Category (Ages 13 and Under) – Open Class

AGREEMENT

I agree to be responsible for the delivery, display and pickup of these items at my own risk, and hold the Alliance of Transylvanian Saxons and Branch 19 harmless against any and all loss, damage, cost and expense that may be incurred by reason of such display and exhibition. I hereby certify that any item(s) entered under my name for Prize Competition was (were) made by me personally.

Signature

Date

ATS 2016 CONVENTION
Salem Branch 19 Celebrating 125th Anniversary
MEAL MENU & ORDER FORM

Saturday, May 14, 2016

Lunch - \$10.00	#of Lunches _____	\$Amount _____
Ham and Roast Beef Sandwiches with chees Soup, Salad, Chips and condiments		
Evening Dinner - \$15.00	#of Dinners _____	\$Amount _____
Traditional German Dinner: Chicken Paprikash, Schnitzel, Rouladen, Spaetzel, Red Cabbage, German Potato Salad, Salad and Dessert		

Saturday Evening’s Dinner is open to others than delegates that want to join the celebration of Branch 19’s 125th Anniversary!

Sunday, May 15, 2016

Lunch - \$12.00	#of Lunches _____	\$Amount _____
Roast Beef and Potatoes, Vegetables, Salad and Dessert		

Reservations made by (tickets will be held in your name)

Name _____ Br. No. _____

Address _____

Telephone _____ Email _____

Meal Reservation Deadline: Thursday, May 5, 2016

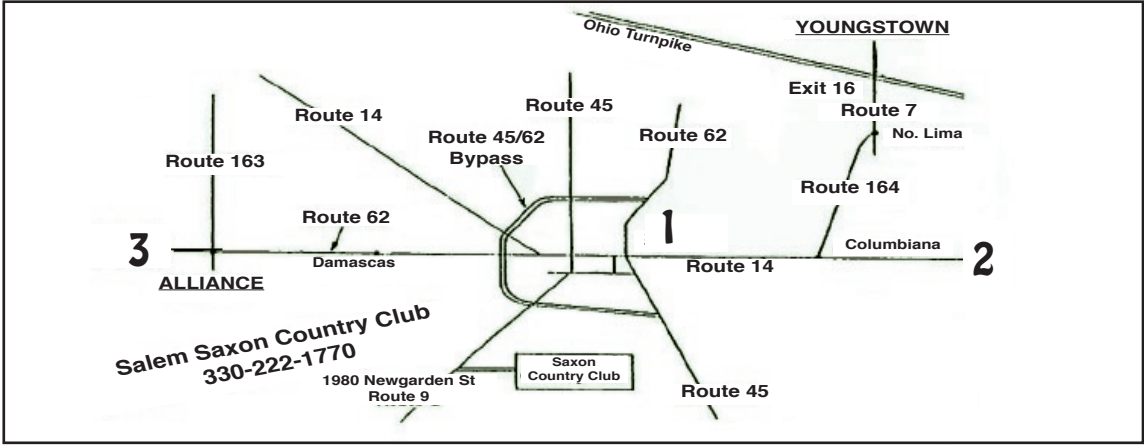
Please make checks payable to: FTSS Branch 19
Meals tickets can be picked up at the Registration Desk Saturday morning, May 14

Mail Reservation Form and Payment to:
Glenn Spack
943 Stewart Road
Salem, Ohio 44460
Email: sspack2@neo.rr.com Tele: (330)332-8174



105th ATS NATIONAL CONVENTION
May 14—15, 2016
Salem OH
Hosted by ATS Branch 19
Convention Hotel Listing

- 1. Holiday Inn Express Salem—5 miles to Salem Saxon Club – 10 Min
240 North Cunningham Road Salem OH 44460
330-408-9119; Fax 330-337-8875
2 Queens/King @ Rate \$120.00 – 25 Rooms Blocked
Reserve by April 13, 2016 Use Group Code ATS
- 2. Das Dutch Village Inn—11.4 miles to Salem Saxon Club – 25 Min
150 East State Route 14 Columbiana OH 44408
866-482-5050
Rate \$106.00 to \$166.00 – 16 Rooms Blocked
Reserve by April 13, 2016 Use Group Code ATS
- 3. Comfort Inn Alliance—15.4 miles to Salem Saxon Club – 30 Min
2500 West State Street Alliance OH 44601
330-821-5555; Fax 330-821-4919
Rate \$89.00 – Rooms available till they are fully booked
Reserve by May 12, 2016 or booked Use Group Code ATS



FRATERNAL CALENDAR

NATIONAL EVENTS

May 14 - 15, 2016
ATS Convention
Hosted by Br. 19 Salem - Celebrating 125th Anniversry

June 24 - 26, 2016
North American Saxon Heimattag
Hosted by Br. 30 Youngstown

July 17 -22, 2016
Saxon Summer Camp at Camp Frederick Ages 8 - 17

July 30, 2016
ATS Family Day at Waldameer Amusement Park Erie PA

August 13, 2016
ATS Golf Outing
Hosted by Youngstown Br. 30

LOCAL EVENTS

April 23, 2016
CC Salem Clean-up Day (1) 1 p.m. - 5 p.m.

April 24, 2016
Youngstown Br. 22 Mother Daughter Banquet

April 28, 2016
Salem Bar Open/Peanut Night 8 p.m. - 10 p.m.

April 30, 2016
Salem CC Clean-up Day (2) 1 p.m. - 5 p .m.
Cleveland ES Sachsenchor Spring Concert

May 1, 2016
Youngstown Branch 22/30 meeting, 2:00 p.m.

May 2, 2016
Salem Br. 19 Meeting 7:30 p.m.

May 4, 2016
Salem Saxon Retirees 11:30 a.m.

May 5, 2016
Salem Bar Open 8 p.m.-10 p.m.

May 7, 2016
Salem Reverse Raffle (CH) 4:00 p.m.
Cleveland Saxon Dance Group Trachtenball

May 9, 2016
Salem Br. 18 Meeting 7:30 p.m.

May 12, 2016
Salem Bar Open 8 p.m. - 10 p.m.
Youngstown Retirees meet

May 19, 2016
Salem Bar Open 8 p.m. - 10 p.m.

May 21, 2016
Chicago Br. 9 75th Anniversary
Salem Breakfast Buffet 7 a.m. - 10 a.m.

May 22, 2016
Cleveland East Br. 33 Membership Dinner

May 26, 2016
Salem Bar Open/ Peanut Night 8 p.m. - 10 p.m.

May 30, 2016
Youngstown Club closed, Memorial Day

June 1, 2016
Salem Saxon Retirees 11:30 a.m.

June 2, 2016
Salem Bar Open 8 p.m. p.m. - 10 p.m.

June 6, 2016
Salem Br. 19 Meeting 7:30 p.m.

June 9, 2016
Salem Bar Open 8 p.m. - 10 p.m.
Youngstown Retirees meet

June 10, 2016
Salem Joint Social Dinner 6:00 p.m

June 13, 2016
Youngstown Men’s mid season Bocce Bash
Salem Br. 18 Meeting 7:30 p.m.

June 16, 2016
Salem Bar Open 8 p.m. - 10 p.m.

June 18, 2016
Salem Breakfast Buffet 7 a.m. - 10 a.m.

June 23, 2016
Salem Bar Open 8 p.m. - 10 p.m.

June 24, 25, 26, 2016
Youngstown Hosting the North American Saxon Heimattag for all Saxons

It’s never too early to start
saving for your retirement years

SALEM SAXON RETIREES
By Nancy Stumperth

The April meeting was held at the club on a blustery, cold and sunny day. There were 21 members present who enjoyed the great snacks provided by the committee. We had quite a selection to choose from. Thanks to the committee and also to Tony Rothbrust, who always brings the cookies that everyone loves. Tony gave the invocation before our lunch. We also had a moment of silence for Mike Stumperth who passed away in March. We lost another active member who enjoyed the meetings every month until his illness prevented him from attending. My family would like to thank everyone for their thoughts and prayers during his illness. We all enjoyed our catered lunch. Beverly Duran, our caterer always seems to come up with something different each month. In April we enjoyed meatballs and pasta, salad and cake.

Lois Whitacre led the meeting, with the nomination and election of officers for installation next month. We thank all of the officers for agreeing to serve again next year. They do a great job of taking care of the business for the club. Flo Spack thanked all who helped make the fish fries a success again this year. They are going to have their monthly breakfasts again, starting in April. This is the year that Branch 19 will celebrate its 125th anniversary with the National ATS convention being held in Salem on May 13th, 14th and 15th. The details of the convention and meal reservations and activities are in this *Volksblatt*. It would be nice to have a nice attendance of Salem members for this event. I’m sure that they

House calls over the Internet

Hundreds of employers are contracting through their health insurers with telehealth programs. The programs give workers 24-hour access to doctors and nurse practitioners, and they cut costs.

WellPoint connects patients to doctors via video calls. A patient and doctor can see each other within minutes, says Bloomberg business-week.

WellPoint teamed up with Boston based American Well to offer telemed services to 3.5 million of its health-plan subscribers last year.

Telemedicine has increased, in part, because of the Affordable Care Act, which has funneled many patients into a system plagued by physician shortages, and those shortages are increasing.

The use of camera-equipped devices has made remote medical connections easier, and high definition video shows enough detail for diagnoses.

can use a lot of help. If you can help in any way, please call Jill Drotleff and let her know what you would like to do. As luck would have it, I won the 50/50 again this month. I have never won one before and then I won two months in a row. Guess I should have gone out and bought a lottery ticket.

Our next meeting will be held on May 4th. This will be our Birthday Dinner (35 years) and installation of officers. We will be having Swiss Steak for the dinner. It is extremely important to have reservations for this dinner. We have been having trouble with people not making reservations. If you come without reservations, you may not get a full meal. It is only right that those who made reservations should get their meals first. The deadline is always the Thursday before the meeting. You can call Katy Lederle at 330-533-5154. The deadline is always in the Calendar of the Salem News on that Thursday. We also need for you to cancel if you cannot attend. We have to pay for the meals that we order. The officers will be on the committee for May.

The Birthdays for May are: 5th, Hilda Spack; 12th, Martha Lesch; 18th, Virginia Pilch; 23rd, Henry Spack; 24th, Helen Aeling; 25th, Siegfried Henriss. Happy Birthday to all.

Hopefully it will be warm and sunny for our next meeting on May 6th. Hope to see you all there.

Basic Toolkit for
Small Home Living

Every home, large or small, needs a good basic toolkit. You never know when you’ll need a wrench or a screwdriver. So what makes up a good collection of tools for someone who lives in a smaller home or apartment? This list should get you started.

- Screwdrivers with flat and Phillips heads
- Mini-screwdriver
- Adjustable wrench
- Hammer
- Contact cement or other good glue
- Small level
- Tape measure
- Pliers
- Wire snips
- Utility knife
- Assortment of screws, nails, washers, bolts, and nuts
- Duct tape
- Flashlight
- Toolbox to hold everything

If your budget can afford it, you might enjoy having cordless tools in your collection. You can’t beat having a cordless, battery-powered screwdriver when it comes time to put together that bookcase or bicycle.

SPRING CONCERT

EINTRACHT-SAXONIA SACHSENCHOR

Invites You to An Evening of Dinner, Song and Dance

**Saturday, April 30, 2016
Sachsenheim
7001 Denison Avenue**

**Chicken Dinner at 6:00 pm
\$18.00**

Concert following the Dinner with Performances:

**Banater Chor
Cleveland Mannerchor
Heights Damenchor
Eintracht-Saxonia Sachsenchor**

Music for Dancing by Klang Gesang

**Call Maria Fischer for Reservations
(216) 741-1398**

Deadline for Reservations is Monday, April 25th.

CHURCHES



St. Peter's German and Saxon Lutheran Church

11423 Chicago Rd.
Warren, Michigan 48093
(586) 979-3850
stpeters_church@sbcglobal.net
www.stpeterswarren.or

10:00 Bilingual Service

Nursery

Coffee following service

Senior Circle

Sunday School

Church Choir

Bell Choir

St. John's Lutheran Church

1000 Ford Road
Highland Hts., Ohio
(440) 449-1334
Rev. Roberta Davis-Newhouse
Pastor

9:00 Worship Service



**SALEM SAXON CLUB
BAR IS OPEN
EVERY THURSDAY.
PLEASE CHECK
CALENDAR OF EVENTS
FOR TIMES.**

Golf Preparedness

With spring just around the corner, many of us are gearing up for the golfing season. Before you head back out on the course, take time to review some basic preparation steps to ensure that you have a day free of injuries or strains.

Remember to warm up before teeing off. Walk for several minutes, swinging your arms to warm up those muscles. After your muscles are beginning to warm up, do some stretches, concentrating on the muscles that you will use most during your game. Stretch your arms and back, as well as your shoulders and legs. To protect your feet from injury and fatigue, make sure that your golf shoes are properly fitted and are comfortable at all times during your walk on the course.

BRANCH 18, SALEM

By Barbara Spack

Plans for the ATS Convention on May 14 and 15 are in full swing and Branch 19 will be celebrating its 125th anniversary at the Saturday evening dinner. Please plan to attend the dinner even if you are not a delegate to the convention. See the ad in the *Volksblatt* to make your reservation. A German dinner will be served. We hope to see many of our local branch members in addition to the convention participants to help the men celebrate this momentous occasion. Another way to support the festivities even if you are not a delegate is to enter an item in the Handicraft Exhibit. The categories include ceramics, crewel, crocheting, cross stitch, knitting, needlepoint, quilting, paintings, photography, and open class. The exhibit gives everyone a chance to showcase cultural displays and samples of Saxon handicrafts, as well as artistic talents of our young and old. Please consider entering your artwork or craft. Entries may be designated as display only, or for competition. A separate junior category for ATS members ages 13 and under will be included.

The annual Lenten Friday Fish Fry dinners are over and they were successful once again. We thank everyone who volunteered, baked, cooked, served, or cleaned up. Thanks to all who supported us and came out to eat.

Our annual Easter Egg Hunt and Party was held on March 26. The winners of the egg hunt prizes were Kylie Jackson, Isabel Martig, and Haley Clark and they are pictured here with the Easter Bunny.

Our monthly breakfasts resumed in April and they are held on the third Saturday of each month from 7 a.m. to 10 a.m. and open to the public. The cost is \$7.00 and includes a selection of eggs, potatoes, biscuits and sausage gravy, pancakes, waffles, bacon, sausage, fruit, pastries, coffee and juice.

Our condolences are extended to Nancy Stumperth and family for the passing of Michael Stumperth, as well as the family of Ray Greenisen.

The Salem Saxon Scholarship Fund will hold its Reverse Raffle on May 7. Tickets are \$30.00 and every number will be drawn with a chance to win a cash prize of \$100 or \$50; and the last five numbers drawn have a chance to win up to \$1500. We will have snacks and a cash bar which opens at 5 p.m. and the raffle will start at 6 p.m. Please call Barbara Spack at 330-501-1491 to purchase a ticket. If you have been a recipient of one of these scholarships, please consider buying a ticket to support the fund.

The next ladies meeting will be held at the club on Monday May 9 at 7:30 p.m.



The winners of the Salem Easter Egg Hunt prizes were Kylie Jackson, Isabel Martig, and Haley Clark and they are pictured here with the Easter Bunny.

Aging gracefully. Is there such a thing?

Your fingers could fly over the adding machine keyboard. But now no one uses them. You had the most beautiful complexion, but now? Well, still pretty good but not like a 20-year-old.

One study concludes that with aging there is an inevitable loss of self-esteem, starting at age 60, according to livescience.com.

But is there a way to age gracefully and contentedly since, after all, aging begins at birth and continues throughout life.

According to the New Atlantis, some character traits

make aging more graceful.

Courage: The ability to keep fear in check, even as there are more things to be fearful about.

Simplicity: Traveling light through the journey.

Wisdom: Avoiding excessive nostalgia and remorse.

Wit: Since the restrictions of children, appearances, professions are removed, humor can and often does rise up as we age. Might as well laugh.

Caring and understanding: Understanding people at different points in the aging journey.

BRANCH 11, LORAIN

By Monica Gilles

We started our April off with a delicious dinner at Lenoci's before the meeting. After we travelled to Slovak Home for our meeting.

The ATS Convention is coming up next month. We are allowed 2 delegates to the convention. Monica Gilles and Ginger Romes were elected to represent the ladies of Branch 11. We will also be attending the 125th anniversary celebration/dinner for Salem Branch 19. If you are interested in attending the dinner that evening, please send in your reservations. You don't have to be a delegate to attend the dinner.

For our next meeting, the May meeting, we will not be having a meeting. We are switching the meeting to a cultural event. Instead of attending the monthly meeting, members are encouraged to attend the Trachtenball at the Sachsenheim hosted by the Cleveland Saxon Dance Group. Tickets are \$18.00. A delicious schnitzel dinner will be served. The Ed Klimczak Band will be playing for your listening and dancing pleasures. Please make your reservations with Amanda Donnellan by calling her at 216-235-5240. Look for the ad for more information.

Another TSBA season is in the books. Lorain had 3 teams again this season. We would like to congratulate all the winners and non-winners for a great season. Congrats to Cleveland East #2 for winning the season and to Lorain #1 for winning the tournament. Jeanne Petty took first place in the tournament for women's singles. The TSBA convention will be June 11 in Cleveland.

Mark your calendar for June 4. This will be the first merged meeting. We will be having dinner at Slovak starting at 6pm followed by the meeting.

Please make sure you have paid your dues for this year. You can mail them to Sharron Powell; 1704 Urban Circle, N; Lorain, OH 44052



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.

Barbara J. Scarney
Age 70

Died: February 28, 2016
Branch 22, Youngstown OH

Mathew E. Maras
Age 90

Died: March 14, 2016
Branch 2, Erie PA

Alyssa M. Pinkerton
Age 35

Died: March 23, 2016
Branch 33, Cleveland OH

Eleanor C. Vestal
Age 81

Died: March 30, 2016
Branch 22, Youngstown OH

Regis P. Geisler
Age 86

Died: April 6, 2016
Branch 30, Youngstown OH

Paul E. Hartfelder
Age 96

Died: April 8, 2016
Branch 25, New Castle PA

Roger G Fotiuk
Age .85

Died: April 10, 2016
Branch 30, Youngstown OH



Happy April Birthday to Ginger Romes, Debbie Tomusko and Barbara Gilles!

Monica Gilles, who was present at the meeting, won the attendance prize and Carolyn Mroski won the door prize.

Youngstown Saxon Club



In our Main Ballroom Sunday Evenings
DOORS OPEN @ 5PM ~ BINGO STARTS @ 6:45PM

\$10, \$15 & \$20 Special Packages • Tear Offs

Birthday Specials • Pig Number

We're wheelchair accessible!

Food Available! Security Inside & Outside!

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



Siebenbürger Sachsen Branch 9 Stiftungsfest

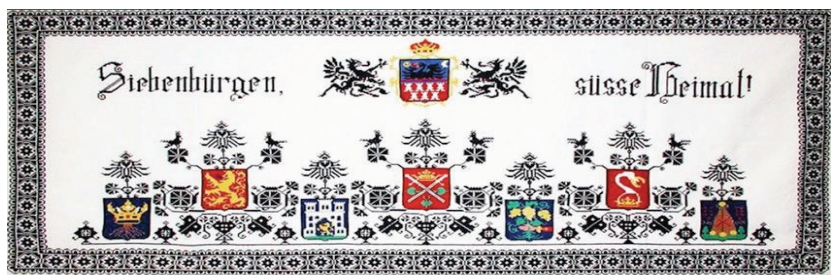


Cordially invites all members, friends, and guests
to participate in the celebration of our 75th Anniversary on:

Saturday, May 21, 2016
Cocktails at 6 p.m., Dinner 7 p.m.
Schwaben Center
301 Weiland Road
Buffalo Grove, IL
Admission and Dinner: \$35.00 with a Cash Bar
Music by: HIRSCH

Special performances by:
Chicago Donauschwaben Jugendgruppe
&
Egerlander Dance Group

Reservations must be received no later than May 11, 2016.
Make your check payable to Transylvanian Saxon Benefit Society
and mail to:
Rose Hauer 216 E. Sibley Park Ridge, IL 60068
For more information 847-685-9821.
No tickets available at the door. Sorry no refunds!



CLEVELAND SAXON DANCE GROUP'S ANNUAL TRACHTENBALL

Westside Sachsenheim
7001 Denison Avenue
Cleveland, OH
Saturday May 7, 2016



Doors open at 6pm Dinner served at 6:30pm
Enjoy a delicious Schnitzel dinner with all the trimmings!
Performance by the Cleveland Saxon Dance Group
Dress in Tracht and help us perform the Aufmarsch
Dance the night away to Ed Klimczak Music

Prepaid reservations are strongly recommended
Adults \$18.00 Children ages 4-10 \$9.00

Make checks payable to: The Cleveland Saxon Dance Group
Reservations are being taken by:
Amanda Donnellan
18920 Laurel Circle Strongsville, OH 44136
(216) 235-5240

Meal tickets will be held at the door.
Please indicate if you wish to sit with specific individuals.
Deadline for reservations is May 2, 2016.

Adult tickets @ \$18.00 per ticket _____

Child tickets at \$ 9.00 per ticket _____

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

I would like to sit with the following people.

ATTENTION: Members Cleveland East Branch 33

2016-17 Application for Scholarship/Reimbursement College Expenses

Branch 33 members who are newly entering or continuing college (undergraduate studies only) are invited to apply for a Freshman (\$1,000) or Sophomore/Junior/Senior (\$500) scholarship for the 2015-16 academic year. IT IS THE MEMBER'S RESPONSIBILITY to call or write to REQUEST an application. **DEADLINE IS May 31, 2016.**

Here are the eligibility requirements, i.e. the RULES.

1. At least one parent or guardian or grandparent of the applicant must be a member in good standing of ATS Branch 33 for the past two (2) years.
2. Scholarship applicants must be a member in good standing of ATS Branch 33 for the past two (2) years, having transferred from Junior/Juvenile status to Active/Adult i.e. local dues paying status.
3. Freshman: High School accumulative GPA minimum 2.0
4. Upperclassman: College accumulative GPA minimum 2.5

Branch 33 members attending college for undergraduate studies can request an application by mailing in the form below or via e-mail to Karyn Schmidt at mbks26@gmail.com or call Karyn at (216) 382-7397.

Application Request for Branch 33 College Scholarship/Reimbursement

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: () _____

College/University: _____

Year: circle one Freshman Sophomore Junior Senior

Parent/Guardian/Grandparent Name: _____

DEADLINE IS May 31, 2016:
Mail to: Karyn Schmidt
4979 Anderson Road, Lyndhurst OH 44124

Advisor gives important facts on widows' benefits

Social Security advisor Tom Margenau says when he explains Social Security rules to people, sometimes the information leads to higher benefits.

In one case, a woman was thinking of filing for Social Security at age 62. She didn't like taking reduced benefits, but she said she needed the

money. She wanted to ask him some general questions about applying for Social Security benefits.

Writing as an online advisor for "Acra Max Senior Living," here is some of his advice to her.

She said she was married many years ago, but that her husband died in the 1980s when they were both in their 20s. She had two later marriages, but each ended in divorce after a few years.

Margenau told her to check into possible widow's benefits on her first husband's account. She was skeptical because he died more than 30 years ago and had only paid into the Social Security system for about 10 years.

But he told her that Social Security

survivor rules could work in her favor. Past earnings are indexed for inflation. So the 1980s dollars would be turned into present value dollars for the purposes of figuring her benefit.

And they treat his basic Social Security rate as if he was due his full retirement age benefit.

The lady found she was

due a more-than-adequate amount in monthly widow's benefits from her deceased husband's Social Security record, even though he died 30 years ago.

She filed for reduced widow's benefits and will be getting 82.5 percent of his basic Social Security rate.

She will collect those benefits to age 66, when she will switch to 100 percent of her own retirement benefit rate.

But if she thinks she can live on those widow's benefits for another four years, she could wait until age 70, at which point she would get a 32 percent delayed retirement bonus added to her own monthly retirement checks.



**BRANCH 26,
MERRILLVILLE**
By Helen Brooks

The meeting of the Saxon Lodge Branch 26 was held on April 3.

President Randall Floyd called the meeting to order and we said the pledge to the flag.

Roll call of officers – two were absent. A sick slip for Walter Szostek was read and approved.

Secretary Sam Palyok read the minutes of the last meeting and they were approved.

Trustee Judy Andrews gave her report and it was also accepted.

Membership chairman Zita Palyok gave her report – no late fees.

Treasurer Pete Guip gave his report and it was accepted.

President Randall installed a new member Karie Bogrucki. We welcome her.

It was agreed to support the Merrillville softball team and pay the fee.

Randall asked for reimbursement; it was approved.

Randall and Brigitte's youngest son, Justin, got married to Bianca. The wedding was in Indianapolis. It was a beautiful wedding. Derek, brother to Justin, officiated at the wedding. Congratulations!

The raffle was won by Randall and the attendance prize by Pete Guip.

The meeting was the adjourned. We enjoyed a great chicken dinner and good baked desserts as well as fellowship.

Til we meet again.



2016 North American Saxon Heimattag
June 24, 25, 26, 2016
Youngstown OH Hosted by ATS Branches 22 & 30
Saturday and Sunday meals are by Prepaid Reservations only



	Ticket Price	Number of Tickets	Total
Friday Evening, Doors open at 7:00 PM			
An Evening in Siebenbürgen	Adults \$10	x _____	\$ _____
Sausage Sandwiches	Free for Children		
Casual evening, Music und Gemütlichkeit	Ages 12 & Under	x _____	
Saturday Evening, Doors open at 5:00 PM			
6:00 PM Official Opening Ceremony			
Schnitzel Dinner	Adults \$27	x _____	\$ _____
Roast Beef Dinner	Adults \$21	x _____	\$ _____
Vegetarian	Adults \$21	x _____	\$ _____
	Free for Children		
	Ages 12 & Under	x _____	
Sunday 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM			
Pork and Kraut Dinner	Adults \$18	x _____	\$ _____
With all the trimmings	Free for Children		
	Ages 12 & Under	x _____	
Grand Total (Please enclose check or money order in \$ USD)			\$ _____

Reservation made by: (Please note the tickets will be held in your name)

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

There will be assigned seating...Please indicate if you wish to sit with specific individuals:

All Festivities and Church Service will be held at:
Youngstown Saxon Club, 710 S. Meridian Rd, Youngstown, Ohio 44509

Make Checks payable to: Alliance of Transylvanian Saxons 5393 Pearl Road Cleveland, Ohio 44129-1547
Phone: (440) 842-8442 Fax: (440) 842-5442 Email: office@atsaxons.com

Please include the reservation slip with your payment. Deadline for Reservations will be June 3, 2016
Saturday and Sunday meals are by Prepaid Reservations Only

**By the Numbers:
Bottled Water**

- The average number of plastic bottles used per person annually in the United States is 167.

- Global sales revenue from bottled water tops \$65 billion per year.

- The largest consumer markets for bottled water are (in order) the United States, Mexico, China, and Brazil.

- There are 1,500 water bottles consumed in the United States every second.

- 40% of all bottled water is taken from municipal water sources, a.k.a. tap water.

Source: International Bottled Water Association

Hotel and Lodging information

Reserve your room under the “SAXON” block for discounted rates at all hotels below

Fairfield Inn and Suites
801 N. Canfield Nile Road
Youngstown, Ohio 44515
(330) 505-2173

Standard room with 2 Double beds \$139.00 +tax
Standard room with 1 King bed \$134.00 +tax
Double Suite \$154.00 +tax

All rooms are non-smoking
Breakfast is available until 10:00 AM

Country Inn and Suites
5570 Interstate Blvd.
Youngstown, Ohio 44515
(330)-544-0300
Standard room with 2 double beds
\$95.00 +tax
All rooms are non-smoking
Breakfast is available until 10:00 AM

**There are several more hotels in this same area that may be available
However they are NOT part of the “SAXON” block**

Holiday Inn Express
5555 Cerni Pl.
Youngstown Ohio 44515
(330) 505-5700
Candlewood Inn and Suites
5557 Cerni Pl.
Youngstown, Ohio 44515
(330) 349-9900

Sleep Inn
5555 Interstate Blvd.
Youngstown, Ohio 44515
(330) 544-5555

Standard Room with 2 Double beds \$115.00 +tax
Standard Room with 1 King bed \$115.00 +tax

All rooms are non-smoking
Breakfast is available until 10:00 AM

**Deadline to reserve
your room with the block
name of “SAXON”
will be May 24th, 2016**

Hampton Inn Youngstown
880 Canfield Niles Rd.
Youngstown, Ohio 44515
(330) 544-0660

California Palms Hotel
1051 Canfield Niles Rd.
Youngstown, Ohio 44515
(330) 935-2663

2016 ELECTION OF ATS NATIONAL OFFICERS

At the upcoming ATS Convention that will be held in Salem, Ohio May 14 – 15, 2016, we will hold the Election of Officers for the following offices: President, 2nd Vice President, Secretary, and 2 Trustees. Nomination forms for individuals wishing to run for office had to be submitted to the ATS Board of Directors by March 15, 2016. The following members have submitted nomination forms signed by their local branches that will constitute the Slate of Officers for Election at this convention:

ATS President
Joan Miller-Malue
Member of Branch 4
Cleveland, OH
(currently 2nd Vice President)

Served on the ATS Board of Directors since 1975. Has been employed at the ATS Home Office since 1972 and has been the office manager since 1983. She has held the national offices of Secretary, Trustee, 1st Vice President, 3rd Vice President and currently 2nd Vice President. She chairs the Youth Activities Committee and currently serves on the Investment/Insurance Sales, Strategic Planning, Cultural Promotion, IT Committee and Orphan Fund Committee. She is a member of the TSBA.

She has a Bachelor degree in Business Administration from Cleveland State University. She has an Ohio Insurance License and has had continued education classes.

She serves as a director on the Ohio Fraternal Alliance Board of Directors.

She has served as Recording Secretary of Branch 4 since 1976 and co-chairman of Branch 4's Junior Committee.

She has been the financial officer that reports quarterly to the Ohio Insurance Department by written reports and personal interviews. She had full knowledge of all aspects of the company's internal business.

2nd Vice President
Monica M. Weber
Member of Branch 4
Cleveland, OH
(currently ATS Secretary)

Served on the ATS Board of Directors since 1985 having held the office of Trustee and currently the Secretary. She had served as the chairperson for the Cultural Promotion Committee for many years and currently is the chairperson of the Strategic Planning Committee as well as serves on the Cultural and Youth Activities Committees.

She has BSN from Vanderbilt University and MSN from the University of Pennsylvania. She has an Ohio Insurance License.

She has served her local branch for the past 26 years and has held the offices of treasurer, financial secretary, vice-president and currently the Branch President.

She has worked for the Cleveland Clinic since 1992, as a clinical nurse specialist, infection control practitioner, patient safety officer, magnet program manager, and currently as the

director of professional practice. She has traveled extensively for the Cleveland Clinic instructing nurses in various countries and giving seminar presentations.

She is experienced in the structure of managerial policies & procedures and strategic planning.

Secretary
Monica F. Gilles
Member of Branch 11
Lorain, OH

She has been employed with the Alliance of Transylvanian Saxons Home Office since 2002 as an office assistant. She is knowledgeable on ATS procedures and handles general information concerning document procedures to our membership. She has an Ohio Insurance License.

She has an associate degree in medical administration from Ohio Business College and has completed various business courses at the University of Toledo.

Previous to your employment at the ATS, she worked for Key Bank and Lorain National Bank.

Monica is very active in the local and national level. She has served as the ATS Secretary in her local branch and is currently the recording secretary and Lorain Branches ATS Deputy. She serves as secretary to the Cleveland Saxon Dance Group and is a trustee for the TSBA. She volunteers to help at Branch 4 Cleveland's Junior Committee and currently serves on the merger committee for Branches 5 and 11.

She is a dedicated worker for the Alliance of Transylvanian Saxons and feels she is ready to serve our fraternal society on a higher level.

Trustee
Barbara Spack
Member of Branch 18
Salem, OH
(incumbent)

Served on the ATS Board of Directors as a Trustee since 2008. She serves on the auditing committee, future planning, national youth activities committee and the salary/pension committee.

She had attended Kent State University for two years. She has her Ohio insurance License.

She is currently employed as assistant office manager for Ohio Gymnastics Institute in Youngstown, Ohio.

Locally she is very active currently serving as the recording secretary and had served

as the ATS Secretary. She is a trustee on the Salem Saxon Scholarship Committee, Bingo committee, chairs the Bowl-Where-You Are parties for Branches 18 and 19 and volunteers for the Lenten fish fry dinners.

Barbara has been a dedicated officer on the national and local level. She is knowledgeable of our fraternal benefit society.

Trustee
Jacob F. Spor
Member of Branch 25
New Castle, PA
(incumbent)

He has served as a Trustee since 2008. He is chairman of the Auditing Committee, member of the Future Planning, Youth Activities, Strategic Planning and Salary/Pension Committees.

He attended Youngstown State University for 3 years and is a graduate of the Lawrence County Vocational Technical School.

He is currently a superintendent and estimator for Stevens Masonry.

Locally he served Branch 25 as a Trustee and Vice President. He is a current member of the TSBA. He was 1st Vice President of the Siebenbürgen Sachsen Sängerbund for four years, had served as a trustee and secretary/treasurer for the TSBA.

He has been very active in the ATS for the past 14 years and wants to see it continue for the next generation of our membership.

The above nominations were the only ones submitted to the ATS Board of Directors and therefore is the Slate of Officers that will be presented for Convention approval.

BRANCH 27, NEW CASTLE
By Dolores Both

New Castle Branch 27 Ladies met at the club on Thursday, April 7, at 3:00 p.m. President Marie Benedict called the meeting to order. Officers' reports were read and approved. Delegates elected to the convention are Marie Benedict, Jean Kaba and Helen Burick. Congratulations to the Salem Saxon Club on their 125th anniversary.

Our sincere get well wishes go out to Dee LeComte, Sara Augustine, Gudrun and Jim Jefferis. Our deepest sympathies to the friends and family in the passing of Paul Hartfelder.

Dues for 2016 are due by the May 5 meeting. Get in touch with Gertrude Tizak at 724 652-1867 or by mail at 241 Cambridge Street 401, New Castle, PA 16105. Dues must be paid up in order to participate in club drawings. It is very impor-

BRANCH 30, YOUNGSTOWN
By Tom Fizet

It has been a number of years since I was with the Restoration Committee and I remember some of those men that would show up whenever there was a project to be completed, I want to let you know of Stefan Kerr, Dick Hubner, Dave Stryffeler, with hammer in hand they are on the sick list at the present. We all owe these Brothers a get well soon, and good to see you guys. Tom Hahn can use some helpers like this for his Restoration jobs. Wish Tom and Gloria Happy April Birthdays and a Great 57th Anniversary. Thanks for all who have worked on any Restoration. An example of helpers and volunteers is the Goulash, those for the Trash and Treasure. They are both entertaining and good funding for the Club. Try to give a helping handsome day. There are things that don't take body and strength just a good mind.

Roger Fotiuk, 85, passed away Sunday, April 10, 2016. Roger was born in France and came to the U.S. in the 50's. He was a long time member of the Saxon Club and Juvenile Secretary for the ATS. Our thoughts and prayers to his wife Helen and to his children. Roger painted most of the Saxon pictures in the restaurant. When it was restored he did a new one for the Restoration. Myrna Strange 80, of Branch 22, passed away in April. Her husband Don, a member of Branch 30, passed away in 2010. Our condolences to the family.

Join us for some on going dinners and programs: Sunday Night Bingo, free early Dinner on the last Sunday of the month with a Master Pack pur-

chase. Queen of Hearts, we can always use more helpers and volunteers. Mother Daughter Banquet Sunday April 24, 2016. Call or see Betty Garhammer, if it is not too late. Saxon Club Golf league, second practice night April 26th. League starts on Tuesday May 3rd. New golfers are welcome, call Jerry Kovacs 330-501-1554 or Rick Spencer 330-207-8796. Entertainment Saturday April 23rd by Dave Walgreene. Patronize our ad sponsors in the Youngstown Saxon Club News. On Wednesdays in the Lounge and Restaurant stop in for a dinner and drink and take part in the Saxon Drawing. Tuesday night is Bar Bingo. Ernie will be glad to welcome you. The Retirees meet on the 2nd Thursday of each month, call Terri Laret 330-799-2789 and join the fun. Check the Saxon News for the Chef's Specials and his regular Menu, then make a promise to yourself to try a dinner and maybe a bBeer or glass of wine, then tell me if you are not satisfied, Tom 330-792-7249.

The DARE group will have a Dance Banquet on Sunday April 24, 2016.

Both Branches will meet on Sunday, May 1st at 2 p.m.

Our neighbor the Salem Branch 19 is hosting the 105th ATS National Convention, also the 125th Anniversary of the Branch 19. Meal reservation deadline is May 5th, registration Saturday May 14, 2016. The 2016 North American Saxon Heimattag is on June 24, 25, 26, 2016 hosted by the Branches 22 and 30 in Youngstown Ohio. Please read the *Volksblatt* for the full information on these special meetings and plan to attend. Any information of the ATS or the local clubs can be found in the *Volksblatt*.

Restoration takes time and money, the Restoration and Celebration Committees are so elated by your generosity to see the very much needed renewal projects supplemented for the good and future of Branch 22 and 30. We appreciate it and THANKS.

A note to Pete; we have a Banjo Band in Tacoma, they played the Banjo Polka then the Tennessee Polka, can you come up with these? Tom

If I have missed something now the next time I can say: Now for the rest of the Story!

So Goes the News .

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

Josef Haltrichs Volksmärchen neu aufgelegt

Auf der Leipziger Buchmesse ist unter dem Titel „Siebenbürgische Märchen“ eine Neuauflage der Volksmärchen von Josef Haltrich im Rahmen der vom Verlag Edition Hamouda herausgegebenen Reihe „Internationale Märchen“ präsentiert worden. Die 47 ausgewählten Märchen wurden der modernen Sprache sorgfältig angepasst, um sie einer größeren Leserschaft zugänglich zu machen.



Die vom aus Sächsisch Regen (Bistritz-Nassod) stammenden Volkskundler, Philologen und Pfarrer Josef Haltrich (1822-1886) gesammelten Volksmärchen standen früher in jedem siebenbürgischen Haushalt und gehörten zur bürgerlich-bäuerlichen Bildung wie die Märchen der Gebrüder Grimm, verriet Elmar Schenkel in seinem Nachwort.

Haltrich hatte sich bereits während seines Studienaufenthaltes in Leipzig eingehend mit dem Werk der Gebrüder Grimm befasst und stand mit diesen in engem Kontakt. Die Grimms vertraten wie auch andere Volkskundler die These, Märchen aus Siebenbürgen könnten einen reinen Kern deutsch-germanischer Kultur enthalten, „eingeschlossen in ein achthundertjähriges Einmachglas“, schreibt Schenkel. Es stellte sich jedoch heraus, dass es Einflüsse aus dem deutschen Mutterland, dem rumänischen und multiethnischen Umfeld in Siebenbürgen und sogar aus dem Orient gegeben hat, Letzteres möglicherweise über Händler in Kronstadt. Jacob Grimm entdeckte sogar Parallelen zu Märchen aus Litauen, Estland und Finnland. ...Es gibt jedoch auch einzigartige Elemente, etwa die

bislang unbekannten Teufelsmärchen, in denen der dumme Teufel als leicht zu übertölpeln verhöhnt wird. Spezifisch für Siebenbürgen scheinen auch die Tiermärchen zu sein. Haltrich hatte in seiner Zeit als Lehrer und später als Rektor in dem heute nach ihm benannten Gymnasium in Schäßburg auch seine Schüler in das Sammeln von Märchen eingebunden. Auch in seiner späteren Tätigkeit als Pfarrer im nahen Schaaß widmete er sich bis zu seinem Tode volkskundlichen Studien. „Nach eigenen Angaben wollte Haltrich mit den Märchen ein Zeichen setzen gegen einen möglicherweise bevorstehenden Untergang der siebenbürgischen Kultur, wie er im Vorwort der ersten Auflage schreibt“, so Schenkel. In einer Zeit der „Zersetzung und Zersplitterung“, wie Haltrich sie empfand, galt es, das bedrohte Erbe in einer Art Märchen-Arche in Sicherheit zu bringen.

Nina May
SBZ Online
4. April 2016

Josef Haltrich: „Siebenbürgische Märchen“, Edition Hamouda, Leipzig, 2016, 280 Seiten, 12,90 Euro, ISBN 978-3-95817-023-0

Maßnahmen in Radeln und Rothbach

Kronstadt – Nach dem teilweisen Einsturz des Kirchturms in Radeln und dem Kollaps des Turms in Rothbach wurden erste Maßnahmen getroffen, um die Unglücksorte zu sichern und Kirchengüter zu retten (siehe Bericht „Notmaßnahmen für die Kirchen in Radeln und Rothbach“). In einem Gespräch mit der Kronstädter Karpatenrundschau gab nun Bezirkskirchenkurator Ortwin Hellmann vermutliche Gründe für die Vorfälle bekannt. In beiden Fällen handele es sich unter anderem um unfachmännische bauliche Eingriffe: in Radeln sei der ursprüngliche Turm noch vor Jahrhunderten mit einer Ummantelung versehen worden, die sich im Laufe der Zeit gelockert habe; in Rothbach habe man nach dem Erdbeben von 1977 Verstärkungen aus Stahlbeton eingebaut, die das Mauerwerk geschwächt hätten.

Radeln steht zwar auf der Liste der Kirchenburgen, für deren Restaurierung die Evangelische Kirche A.B. in Rumänien (EKR) ein EU-Projekt eingereicht hat. Doch zurzeit müsse die Lage in Radeln neu bewertet und mit den ursprünglichen Sanierungsplänen abgeglichen werden, so Hellmann. Höchstwahrscheinlich müsse ein Teil des Turms abgetragen und wieder aufgebaut werden, doch bereits das Bergen der Glocken stelle die Fachleute vor eine Herausforderung, der Kran gefährde mit seinem Gewicht die Radelner Brücken und bedürfe einer Sondergenehmigung. In Hermannstadt wurde ein Sonderstab mit Fachleuten aus dem Bauwesen gebildet, der im Auftrag der EKR die Maßnahmen koordinieren soll. Auch in Rothbach wird es einige Monate in Anspruch nehmen, bevor die Gutachten und Genehmigungen vorliegen.

Derweil hat der rumänische Kulturminister Vlad Alexan-

drescu die Bereitstellung von Mitteln für Dringlichkeitsmaßnahmen bestätigt. Es soll ein Fonds für Noteingriffe an Baudenkmalern eröffnet werden, noch davor kann die EKR mit einer Unterstützung von rund 500000 Lei (111000 Euro) aus dem Staatsbudget rechnen. Am 25. März besichtigte Vizepremier Vasile Dăncu im Auftrag des Ministerpräsidenten Dacian Cioloş die Kirchen von Rothbach und Radeln, vor Ort waren zudem der Abgeordnete der deutschen Minderheit, Ovidiu Ganţ, der Abgeordnete Mihai Donţu, Bischof Reinhart Guib, Hauptanwalt Friedrich Gunesch, Pfarrer Dr. Stefan Cosoroabă, der Unternehmer Michael Schmidt sowie in Radeln Rockstar Peter Maffay, der Repser Stadtrat Karl Hellwig und die Leiterin des „Mihai Eminescu Trust“, Caroline Fernolend.

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Deutsches Forum tagte in Hermannstadt

Hermannstadt – Die Kommunalwahlen am 5. Juni standen auf der Agenda der ersten Vorstandssitzung und Vertreterversammlung des Demokratischen Forums der Deutschen in Rumänien in diesem Jahr. Die Sitzung wurde von dem DFDR-Vorsitzenden Dr. Paul-Jürgen Porr geleitet, zugegen waren Vertreter der fünf Regionalforen, die interimistische Bürgermeisterin von Hermannstadt, Astrid Fodor, der Abgeordnete der deutschen Minderheit, Ovidiu Ganţ sowie der Ehrenvorsitzende des Landesforums, Dr. Paul Philippi.

Nachdem die gesetzlichen Bestimmungen zur Finanzierung von Wahlkampagnen verschärft wurden, erörterte das Forum dessen Folgen. Auch muss in diesem Jahr neben der Kandidatenliste eine Unterschriftenliste von Unterstützern dieser Kandidaten eingereicht werden, damit die Kandidaturen als gültig registriert werden können. In Bezug auf die Kommunalwahlen beschloss der Vorstand des DFDR keine Wahlabsprachen und -bündnisse einzugehen.

Dr. Paul-Jürgen Porr berichtete zudem über die Anfang des Jahres stattgefundenen Beratungen mit Vertretern des Bundesinnenministeriums (BMI) und der Mittlerorganisationen für die aus dem Bundeshaushalt geförderten Projekte deutscher Minderheiten in Mittel- und Südosteuropa. Ferner gab er bekannt, dass die gemischte deutsch-rumänische Regierungskommission vom 20. bis 22. April in Goslar u.a. zu Themen wie Eigentumsrückgabe und Schulfragen tagen werde.

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Your Horoscope

May 2016

Aries: Pay a little extra attention to your mom. On Mothers Day try to be with your family or make a phone call. Relatives are less aggravating than they are at Thanksgiving.

Taurus: If you’ve been fantasizing about a romance with someone at work, be cautious. The situation could be fraught with difficulties, but some workplace romances work out.

Gemini: Decide what you’ll do if you get a put-down by a fairly important person. Avoid being defensive and skip your tendency to be provocative. Ask for a meeting.

Cancer: One of your talents lies in the area of organization. You can see what to do, when it should be done, and who should do it. The talent extends to material management.

Leo: Come on Leo, you know very well that a coming decision has several implications, some good, some not so good. But it’s not too late to turn the situation your way.

Virgo: People often think that creativity is the province of artists and dancers. You don’t because you know you have it. Don’t cloak your talent and your thoughts. Be open.

Libra: You may not have scheduled a vacation, but you still have summer and fall to take one. At work, they’ll find ways to hold on. You’ll come back healthy and energetic.

Scorpio: Scorpions, including you, are generally logical and open, “what-you-see-is-what-you-get.” Until now. Whatever the problem is, let it go. Say little and learn a lot.

Sagittarius: At gatherings, listen carefully to conversations to determine what’s being left out. You’re the one who could identify it, which could be a determining factor.

Capricorn: External influences have moved you away from your true purpose in life. To get back on your core path, reflect your life and your true goals.

Aquarius: Sometimes your world brings you confusion. Get back to reality and give the situation a breather. Your intuitive abilities will take over and push confusion away. Pisces: The full moon on May 22nd reminds you to be your own best friend. Plan more private time and less running around to promote what may not be in your best interests.

May birthdays

- 1, Jamie Dornan, Fifty Shades of Gray actor, Ireland, 1982.
- 2, Christine Baranski, actress, Tony awards, Buffalo, NY, 1952.
- 3, Joseph Addai, football player, Houston, TX, 1983.
- 4, Rory McIlroy, professional golfer, Ireland, 1989.
- 5, Richard E. Grant, TV and movie actor, Swaziland, 1957.
- 6, George Clooney, big movie star, Oscar, Lexington, KY, 1961.
- 7, Amy Heckerling, filmmaker, New York, NY, 1954.
- 8, Bill de Blasio Mayor of New York City, New York, NY, 1961.
- 9, Rosario Dawson, movie actress, New York, NY, 1979.
- 10, Missy Franklin, Olympic swimmer, Pasadena, CA, 1995.
- 11, Cam Newton, football quarterback, Atlanta GA, 1989.
- 12, Tony Hawk, skateboarder, Carlsbad, CA, 1968.
- 13, Stephen Colbert, TV host, author, Washington, DC, 1964.
- 14, Cate Blanchett, movie star, two Oscars, Australia, 1969.
- 15, Hanz Hermann, Editor, Saxon News Volksblatt, 1956
- 16, Pierce Brosnan, star of many movies, TV, Ireland, 1953.
- 17, Craig Ferguson, TV host, comedian, Scotland, 1962.
- 18, Tina Fey, TV and movie actress, Upper Darby, PA, 1970.
- 19, Eric Lloyd, movie and TV actor, Glendale, CA, 1986.
- 20, Cher, actress, Oscar winner, singer, El Centro, CA, 1946.
- 21, Al Franken, U.S. Senator, (D) Minnesota, actor, writer, New York, NY, 1951.
- 22, Ginnifer Goodwin, “Big Love” actress, Memphis, TN, 1978.
- 23, Drew Carey, TV actor and host, Cleveland, OH, 1958.
- 24, Bob Dylan, composer and singer, Duluth, MN, 1941.
- 25, Anne Heche, movie and TV star, Aurora, OH, 1969.
- 26, Helena Bonham Carter, Harry Potter films, London, 1966.
- 27, Louis Gossett, Jr., Emmy for Roots, Oscar for An Officer and a Gentleman, Brooklyn, 1936.
- 28, Sandra Locke, star of many movies, Shelbyville, TN, 1944.
- 29, Laverne Cox, “Orange is the New Black”, Mobile, AL, 1984.
- 30, Clint Walker, “Cheyenne,” movie star, Hartford, IL, 1927.
- 31, Clint Eastwood, as director, two Oscars, San Francisco, CA, 1930.

Help your teen have a safe, memorable prom night

High school graduation is an exciting time for seniors including proms and after-parties to attend, with prom safety rarely crossing their minds.

Proms can be expensive events often creating an tab reaching \$1,000 or more for the two people. Some feel that for the expense involved, they want to get their money’s worth of fun.

But prom night always seems to include reports of drunk-driving accidents, and events where teens display poor judgment and make dangerous choices.

These tips can help keep your teen safe, and make this special occasion something for both you and your son or daughter to enjoy and to create fond memories.

- Who will be doing the driving? Will they drive themselves or rent a limo? If driving themselves, they should keep a list of rider names and phone numbers. It should include parents’ phone numbers to be used in case of an emergency.

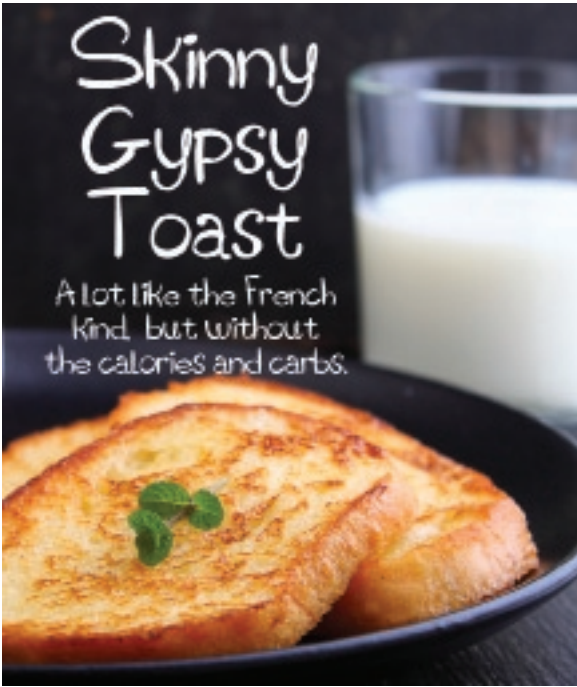
- Parents should have a complete itinerary, including who your teen will be partying with, addresses and phone numbers for the prom location, after-parties, and the names of restaurants they plan to visit.

- Ask your teen to show how he or she would handle being offered a ride by an intoxicated driver, being offered alcohol or drugs, or pressure to have sex.

- Parents should consider volunteering to assist in supervising the prom or after-parties, which will ensure there are enough adults watching over the party goers.

Most teens killed on prom weekends are not wearing seat belts, according to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration [NHTSA]

Skinny Gypsy Toast, yum, yum!



French toast has its humble beginnings in 4th century Rome, even before the Middle Ages (5th to 15th century) in Medieval Europe.

The Romans took their day-old bread, soaked it in an egg and milk mixture and fried it. They called it pain perdu ‘lost bread,’ and it is even mentioned in the ancient recipe book, Apicius.

Today the dish is known by many names including Eggy bread, Gypsy toast, and Span-ish toast.

Two slices of French toast, made with everyday white sandwich bread dunked in an egg-milk-cinnamon mixture and fried, racks up about 300 calories and 32 carbs without syrup or powdered sugar. That tally goes up with fancier breads like brioche and sugary toppings like jam, whipped cream or syrup.

But the dish can be made with far fewer carbs and calories and it makes a tasty, filling, no-guilt breakfast.

Skinny Gypsy Toast (makes 4 servings)

- 8 slices of low-carb bread
- 1/2 cup cream
- (Half the carbs of milk)

- 4 large eggs
- 1/8 teaspoon salt
- 1/8 teaspoon cinnamon or to taste
- 1/2 teaspoon vanilla
- 4 teaspoon butter for frying
- 1 teaspoon sugar substitute

In a medium bowl, whisk the egg yolks, milk, salt, cinnamon and vanilla. Pour into a square cake pan to make dipping easier. Place bread slices in egg mixture, flip once, after fully coated and soaked through.

Melt 1 to 2 teaspoons of butter in the pan over medium-high heat. Fry bread slices until golden brown on both sides. Add butter between batches.

For your trouble, your Skinny Gypsy Toast is delicious as is or with sugar-free syrup or jam (but topping will bring up the carb and calorie count.)

Estimated nutritional cost for one slice:

- 5 grams carbohydrates (net carb count: 5 g)
- 6 grams protein
- 3 grams fat
- 75 calories

April Sudoku

How to solve sudoku puzzles

To solve a Sudoku, you only need logic and patience. No math is required.

Simply make sure that each 3x3 square region has a number 1 through 9 with only one occurrence of each number.

Each column and row of the

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large grid must have only one instance of the numbers 1 through 9.

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2015-2016 TSBA Season and Tournament Results

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SEASON RESULTS

Team Champs - Cleveland East #2

Arline Suts, Dan Suts, Pamela Bonnett, Austin Bonnett

High Game Actual - Women: Shari Edwards Men: Bob Tomusko

High Game with Handicap - Women: Stephanie Miller Men: Andy Krestel

High Series Actual - Women: Kathy Roman Men: Tom Simon

High Series with Handicap - Women: Erica Zgola Men: Art Maroscher

High Average -Women: Kathy Roman Men: Tom Simon

Most Improved -Women: Barbara Noll Men: Bob Covington



TSBA Season #1 Team - Cleveland East #2
Arline Suts, Daniel Suts, not pictured Pamela Bonnett,
Austin Bonnett

TOURNAMENT RESULTS

First Place Team - Lorain #1

Jeanne Petty, Brian Gilles, Arlene Gilles, Ginger Romes

Singles Event -Women: Jeanne Petty Men: Michael Bretz

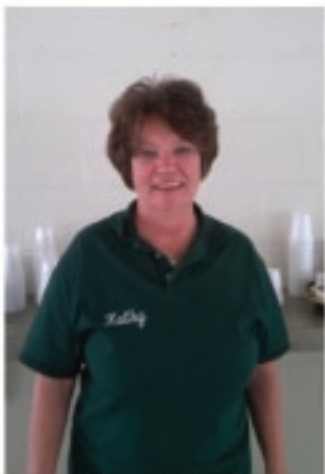
Doubles Event - Diana and Rich Baker

All Events Actual - Women: Monica Simon Men: Tom Simon

All Events with Handicap - Women: Cody Lallo Men: Michael Bretz



Tournament First Place Team - Lorain #1
Arleen Gilles, Brian Gilles, Jeanne Petty, Ginger Romes



Kathy Roman
High Series
High Average



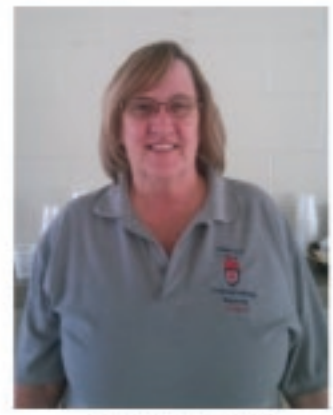
Tom Simon
High Series, High Average
Men's All Event



Michael Bretz
Men Singles Winner
All Events w. Handicap



Art Maroscher
High Series w. Handicap



Jeanne Petty
Women Singles Winner



Stephanie Miller
High Game with Handicap



Erica Zgola
High Series with Handicap



Bob Tomusko
High Game



Shari Edwards
High Game



Andy Krestel
High Game with Handicap



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Women Most Improved



Monica Simon
Women All Events



Cody Lallo
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