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BRANCH 34, CLEVELAND EAST By Arline Krestel-Suts

Though our calendars show that it is Spring, the weather hasn't improved much. Old man Winter just doesn't want to let go of his grip. But his days are numbered!

At our March meeting, we had a Speaker from the FBI. Very interesting to hear what this agency is working on... but kind of unnerving and downright scary too. The people who have chosen this career have an almost impossible job trying to anticipate the moves of criminals and terrorists BEFORE bad things happen; He certainly held our attention and was very informative.

We have many sisters on our sick/shut-in list. We mention you all at every meeting, and we send good wishes out to all including Dortha Jerse, Nancy Mahter, Ronnie Maurer, Hermine Prall, Marie Fekter, Evelyn Keefer; we hope to see many of you at future meetings.

The Bowling season will soon be over; and it looks like our Ladies Team with Ema Litschel, Barb and Diane

Hum, Ingeborg and Elizabeth Krestel will be finishing in second place. Congratulations on a pretty good season, ladies.

I want to 'talk' to the Junior members of our Branch. Please watch for your invitations to the annual Easter Party hosted by Cleveland West. Please try to attend. It is always a fun event, and we really appreciate our fraternal sisters asking our youth to participate. It's a great family event. To the high-schoolers and college students, remember to send in your scholarship applications that have been advertised in the *Volksblatt*.

Branch 34's 100th Anniversary celebration is fast approaching, Saturday May 14th. The Anniversary Banquet Committee has been very busy planning. All Branch 34 members and fellow fraternal Branches should be receiving in the mail a personal invitation to this event. In addition, the reservation form with map to the Croatian Party Center is being published in the *Volksblatt*. We are hoping for a great turn-out to this special event, and graciously ask that many ATS members from other branches try to attend as well.

In order to ensure all Branch 34 sisters will be able to attend this momentous occasion, the planning committee is putting together a list of people who would be able to provide transportation for those who cannot drive. Please call Ingeborg Krestel (440) 639-1775, and let her know if you need a ride to and from the Banquet.

A reminder to all ATS Officers and branch presidents that the Annual President's Meeting will be held at the Croatian Party Center earlier that day (Saturday, May 14). We look forward to hosting the meeting and seeing all of you. We really hope you will all be able to stay for the Anniversary Banquet in the evening as well.

Remember that Branch 33 and 34's next meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 13. The evening will start at 7pm. "Entertainment" is again planned before the business meeting; hopefully educating, interesting, as well as entertaining. A gentleman (can't find my schedule with his name, sorry) impersonates President Theodore Roosevelt and talks about "his" life. Biographies are always fascinating, maybe more so when presented by a speaker. The story of Teddy Roosevelt should be intriguing; he seems to have been quite the larger-than-life character, living a life of contradictions: a nature-lover and naturalist who was keen on hunting and an aggressive "rough-riding" soldier who also won the Nobel Peace Prize. I hope everyone is able to attend, and we have a good turn-out for this former President!

BRANCH 8, ALLIANCE By Phyllis Biggs

The St. Patrick's Day theme meeting was well attend and our lunch was delicious. The April meeting will be held at South Beach Restaurant on April 20th at 6:00 p.m. Birthday celebrated this month was by Phyllis Biggs. Thanks to Barbara, Jan and Shari for lunch. May hostesses will be Denise Crawford, Helen and Karen Kinser. Thanks to Leslie for taking notes in my absence.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Thomas J. Manning
ATS Nat'l President



It seemed that Spring was just around the corner. The grass was getting greener, the crocuses were blooming, the tulip leaves are popping out of the ground. Then, today I woke up to sleet, rain, and then a dusting of snow. Mother Nature is just teasing us with that bit of sunshine and warm air that we had, but it does make everyone feel better to know that Spring isn't far off.

This is also the time of year when all of the Snowbirds are welcomed back home, sporting wonderful tans.

April is now upon us with some special dates to remember. They are Palm Sunday, April 17th, Good Friday, April 22nd, and Easter Sunday, April 24th. I believe that everyone should observe these days in accordance with their own beliefs.

Easter is later than usual this year and I hope that it will be warm enough for the children's Spring outfits and Easter Egg Hunts.

On Sunday, March 13th, Liz and I traveled to visit Branch 37 in Detroit. We had a very nice visit and I thank Branch President, Susanna Fleischer and her officers and members for their great hospitality. One of the topics that was discussed at the meeting was how we can get our younger members to attend our Branch meetings and activities. I don't know where the answer lies, but we must keep trying. We must also encourage those young members that do attend. We all know that most of the young members are either attending college and/or job searching in these difficult economic times and that can be very time consuming. It was a pleasure to meet with all of the Branch members who attended the meeting.

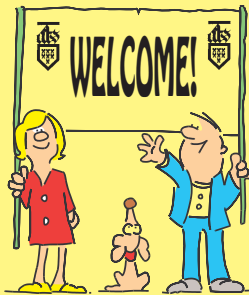
Prior to the Branch meeting I had the pleasure of talking with former ATS Trustee, George Schemmel. George says he is feeling much better since his second hip surgery. He had tripped and fallen on his new hip and had to be operated on again. It was good to see Joe Bender, a vey loyal Branch member, whom I had not seen in a long time. He told me that he is 93 years old and plans to live to be 100. I believe he will be able to accomplish that goal. If any of you see him, ask him to tell you the story about his whistle. It will surely make you smile.

Quote of the Day: "That is the best--to laugh with someone because you think the same things are funny." Friendships often are forged by laughter. Someone with the same sense of humor is likely to have other similarities we value. We look forward to getting together with long-time friends to enjoy a great roar of laughter. We know each other well enough, have spent enough time together, to understand each other's sense of humor. The funniest stories we share are those about ourselves and the things we've done together.

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

NEW MEMBERSHIP ROLL CALL

The Alliance of Transylvanian Saxons welcomes the following new members who recently joined our Fraternal Society.



Branch 1 – Cleveland
Matthew R. Leach
Jacob M. Schreiber

Branch 4 – Cleveland
Grace A. Leach
Hannah C. Leach
Jordan S. Zeal

Branch 7 – Farrell
Brayden A. Krafft

Branch 9 – Chicago
Joshua J. Louis

Branch 17 – Canton
Jaycie E. Westland

Branch 22 – Youngstown
Jewell Kuzmik
Ava N. Salinas
Alexie P. Weaver
Noelle C. Williams

Branch 25 – New Castle
William E. Hall

Branch 27 – New Castle
Janet E. Hall

Branch 30 – Youngstown
Garland P. Dunkel

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IS GROSSPOLD YOUR HOMETOWN?

Dr. Ulrich A. Wien from Germany and Martin Botesch from Hermanstadt are writing on book on Großpold and would like to obtain information from those that immigrated to North America. They would like to know where they are lived or are living, their professions, and information on their children and grandchildren.

Please send this information to the ATS Home Office, or email the Home Office at office@atsaxons.com by April 25, 2011. We will forward this information to Dr. Wien. They will be releasing their book sometime this summer.

A Hearty Offering

A pig and a chicken were walking by a church when they realized that there was a benefit potluck dinner going on. They listened to some of the speeches for a while and then felt moved to try to make a contribution themselves.

"We should donate something," said the pig.

"That is a great idea!" replied the chicken. "I know! How about ham and eggs?"

"Not so fast," the pig said testily. "For you, that's a contribution. For me, it's a total commitment."

YOUNGSTOWN RETIREES

By Teri Laret

The following are the minutes of the Youngstown Retirees meeting held on Thursday, March 10, 2011 at 710 S. Meridian Road, Youngstown, Ohio.

Our President, Pat Bokesch welcomed all telling us about this lady on the bus and her precious baby.

Jim Raymond and Cindy Blubaum prepared an afternoon full of Irish laughter and even an Irish menu through the magic hands of our Irish Italian cook, John. Whatever it is, John and his kitchen crew make the dinner top rate. After we filled our tummies, our committee for this month prepared some entertainment. We all played Irish bingo. It was something different and we all enjoyed it, it even came with prizes and was a neat idea.

The meeting did come to order with a prayer to God the son, remembering his suffering and sacrifice He endured for us. He was nailed to the cross to repent for our sins and short comings. She lead us in song, God Bless American and then in the pledge of our allegiance to the flag. The secretary read the minutes of the previous meeting. These minutes were approved by Eileen Anerino and Ro Dundon and accepted by the entire gathering. Our treasurer, Min Haner gave her report of the monies on hand and this included the months of January and February since there was not meeting in February. Kay Ring and Cindy Blubaum made a motion to accept the report as read, all agreed, the report was accepted.

We can take the names of

Betty Stevens and Warner Cole from the sick list as they are both here today. Yet we still have Eleanor Laise and Betty Deskin on the sick list. We are going to add Jerry Perrine to the list, as she just can't get rid of that cough.

Three March birthdays are Carolyn, Hildegard and me Teri. We certainly are not Irish but don't tell anyone Hildegard shared her birthday with us. There were no anniversaries.

It was brought to the attention of the officers and each member should know this that the chain on the supply cabinet for the retirees was found broken with some items missing.

It's nice to see Lucy Seeka and she is our guest for today, nice to see you come again.

The hostesses for the month of April are Lisa Scott (330) 539-6463 and Hermie Gentile (330) 79191-0456. Please call one of the above if there are any cancellations or additions to the standard reservation list on or before April 10th.

Raffle winners today were Lisa Scott, 2 time winner Warner Cole and Jim Dundon. Eileen Anerino won both Irish hats and yes we know that you are Irish through and through, 100% green.

Our president Patricia closed the meeting to the Irish and to all who are Irish on March 17th. About the Irish: They are utterly impractical and unpredictable. They are shy and full of pride, soft hearted; good and bad; a love of nature; they are victor and victim; happy and sad but mostly they are Irish in love with their God. But aren't we all? That's all folks.. so ein Tag!

adults and \$5.00 for children.

Kate Oesch reported that a Mother Daughter Brunch is being planned for May 1st at the club at 1:00 p.m. The theme is "High Heels and Hand Bags" so hold the date and plan to wear your heels (or carry them!) and bring your favorite handbag. More details will be coming.

Marilyn reported that a Salem area website is up and running and we can post our events, such as the fish fries. The address is www.SalemOhio.com if you want to check it out.

The Easter Egg hunt for the children will be held on April 23 at 1:00 p.m. sharp with treats and prizes to follow the egg hunt. Debbie Vogt is in charge of the event.

Lois Whitacre and Carol McKinney celebrated March birthdays and also provided lunch for the ladies following the meeting.

The next meeting will be on Monday April 11 at 7:30 p.m.

The value of achievement lies in the achieving.

Albert Einstein

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BRANCH 18, SALEM

By Barbara Brayn

Officers and members met for the meeting on March 14 at 7:30 p.m.

Correspondence included a card from Shirley Kataro saying hello and thanking the ladies for the Valentine's Day card. Financial Secretary Kate Oesch sent cards to 55 50-year members.

President Marilyn McNutt reported that Dorothy Weber was back in the hospital. Also, Anneliese Rothbrust is at Blossom after a recent fall. We send our love and thoughts for

recovery to Dorothy and Anneliese. We were saddened by news of the passing of 50-year member Mary Kekel, and of social member Gert Sebo. Our condolences go out to their family and friends. A moment of silence was observed in memory of Mary and Gert.

The Friday Fish Fries started on March 11 and the first one was well attended by 348 people. Baked fish, fried fish, or breaded pork chop dinners are served from 5:00 p.m. to 7:15 p.m. and the cost is \$10.00 for

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THE DEADLINE DATE FOR ARTICLES IS FRIDAY - 12 NOON.

You may either

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Westlake, OH 44145,

FAX: (440) 399-9339

E-MAIL: saxonvolksblatt@aol.com

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

Deadline Dates for articles:

DEADLINE	ISSUE
FRIDAY, APRIL 8, 2011	FRIDAY, APRIL 15, 2011
FRIDAY, APRIL 22, 2011	FRIDAY, APRIL 29, 2011
FRIDAY, MAY 6, 2011	FRIDAY, MAY 13, 2011

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.

ALLIANCE OF TRANSYLVANIAN SAXONS SCHOLARSHIP GRANTS – 2011

To be eligible for a Freshman Academic Scholarship Grant you must be a high school senior with an accumulated grade point average in high school of 2.8, or better.

Twenty Scholarship Grants will be awarded to freshmen in undergraduate study at an accredited college or university in the United States and three renewable grants to present recipients of the Victor Deptner Scholarship.

- \$1,000 Four Year Renewable Grant from the Victor Deptner Memorial Scholarship
- \$1,000 Past ATS Officers' Memorial Scholarship
- \$1,000 Henry Schindler Scholarship
- \$1,000 Michael W. Schassburger Memorial Scholarship
- \$1,000 Jon Weber Memorial Scholarship
- \$1,000 ATS Branch 33 National Scholarship Endowment Award
- \$1,000 Julia & Martin Konnerth Memorial Scholarship
- \$1,000 Julia & Martin Konnerth Memorial Scholarship
- \$1,000 Branch 10 – Columbus Scholarship
- \$1,000 Branch 14 – Canton Scholarship
- \$1,000 Davidson-Schuller Appreciation Scholarship Award in honor of ATS and Branches 33 & 34
- \$1,000 Rev. & Mrs. John Foisel Memorial Scholarship
- \$1,000 John F. Spack Memorial Scholarship
- \$1,000 John and Mary Guip Memorial Scholarship
- \$1,000 Branch 5 – Lorain Scholarship
- \$ 750 Niles-Branch 20 National Scholarship
- \$ 750 New Castle Branch 27 Scholarship
- \$ 650 Award in honor of Honey Wolff's 90th Birthday (4th of four Annual Awards)
- \$ 500 ATS Scholarship Award
- \$ 400 Donzella Herman Scholarship

Applicants for the Scholarships listed must be ATS Members in good standing with a minimum of two years continuous membership prior to the scholarship application deadline of April 15th. High School Seniors must have maintained a 2.8, or better, grade point average in high school.

Complete the Request Form below to receive your Application. Please note: upon our receipt of the Request Form, **an official ATS Scholarship Application Form** will be mailed to you. **The completed official ATS Scholarship Application Forms from the applicant and school must be received at the ATS Home Office before April 15th.**

REQUEST FOR ATS HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR SCHOLARSHIP

Name

Address

City, State, Zip Code

Tele: _____

Br. No. _____ Cert. No. _____

Request must be received by March 30th.

MAIL SCHOLARSHIP REQUEST FORM TO:

ATS Home Office
5393 Pearl Road
Cleveland, Ohio 44129-1597

Request Forms must be received
by March 30, 2011

*Please note: Only official ATS Scholarship
Application Forms will be accepted
for consideration.*

CONTINUING ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIP GRANTS

The ATS is offering ten Academic Continuing Education Scholarship Grants to our members who are not current year high school graduates and are not entering college in their freshman year of study.

- \$1,000 Award in memory of Past-President David P. Bokesch
- \$1,000 Award in memory of Marie Stirner
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- \$1,000 Award in memory of Gertie & Ernie Gottschling
- \$ 500 Award in memory of Karl & Charlotte Klamer
- \$ 500 ATS Scholarship Award
- \$ 500 ATS Scholarship Award
- \$ 500 ATS Scholarship Award

Applicants must be ATS members in good standing, with continuous membership for a minimum period of two (2) years. They must have a grade point average of at least 2.8. They may be any age; however, they cannot be a current year high school graduate or entering their freshman year of college.

Applicants must be enrolled as a **full-time student** at an accredited college or university in the United States.

Requests for **official ATS Academic Continuing Education Scholarship Applications** may be made by calling the ATS Home Office (440) 842-8442, or by completing the Form printed below by March 30, 2011.

Completed official ATS Applications for scholarship grants must be received at the ATS Home Office before April 15th. Academic Continuing Education Scholarship winners will be chosen in a random drawing conducted by the ATS Scholarship Committee.

REQUEST FOR ATS ADULT SCHOLARSHIP

Name

Address

City, State, Zip Code

Tele: _____

Br. No. _____ Cert. No. _____

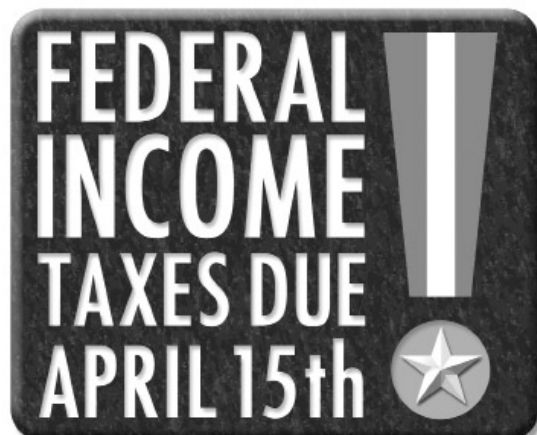
Request must be received by March 30th.

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TSBA STANDINGS

MENS STANDINGS AS OF FINAL

1. CLEVE. WEST	33	16	22182
2. SALEM	31	18	22171
3. LORAIN	28	21	22256
4. YOUNGSTOWN	24	25	22006
5. NEW CASTLE#1	23	26	22128
6. CLEVE. EAST	21	28	21902
7. ALLIANCE	19	30	21121
8. NEW CASTLE#2	17	32	21944

HI GAME		HI GAME W/HDCP	
1. TOM SIMON	300	1. DAVE SCHERTZER SR	289
2. BRENT HOICHEVAR	277	2. JOHN BENEDICT	285
3. BRADM SCHERTZER	266	3. MILT McCOY	284

HI SERIES		HI SERIES W/HDCP	
1. TOM SIMON	721	1. JOHN BENEDICT	761
2. BRENT HOICHEVAR	719	2. DOLF LITSCHER	741
3. TIM GALCHICK	686	3. RANDY THARP JR	727

WOMENS STANDINGS AS OF FINAL

1. CLEVE. WEST	33	16	21950
2. CLEVE. EAST	32	17	22147
3. LORAIN	30	19	22276
4. YOUNGSTOWN	27	22	22084
5. NEW CASTLE#2	26	23	21638
6. NEW CASTLE#1	25	24	22206
7. ALLIANCE	17	32	21825
8. SALEM	0	49	00000

HI GAME		HI GAME W/HDCP	
1. KAREN TOBIN	245	1. KAREN TOBIN	291
2. LESLEY HOICHEVAR	201	2. LESLEY HOICHEVAR	278
3. SHARI EDWARDS	200	3. ARLINE SUTS	267

HI SERIES		HI SERIES W/HDCP	
1. KAREN TOBIN	692	1. KAREN TOBIN	830
2. SHARI EDWARDS	551	2. BARB NOLL	749
3. STEPHANIE MILLER	537	3. I. KRESTEL	728



**THE CLEVELAND SAXON
DANCE GROUP'S
ANNUAL TRACHTENBALL**
Saturday, May 7, 2011
Westside Sachsenheim
7001 Denison Avenue
Cleveland, Ohio



Doors Open at 6:00 pm
Dinner Served at 6:30 pm
Prepaid Reservations Requested!!

Enjoy a **DELICIOUS** Schnitzel Dinner
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Program at 8:00 pm

**The Cleveland Saxon Dance Group
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Total Enclosed.....\$

Make Check or Money Order payable to: Cleveland Saxon Dance Group
Mail Check and Reservation Form to: Stephanie Miller
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Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Meal Tickets will be held at the Door
We will have assigned seating. Please indicate if you have a seating preference
FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL: Stephanie Miller at (440)356-5582

FRATERNAL CALENDAR

BRANCH 11, LORAIN By Monica Gilles

Just a reminder that our monthly meeting is this weekend, April 2. Before the next meeting, the trustees will be serving a meal starting at 7PM. The meeting will follow. So, plan on coming for dinner and attend the meeting. Do not forget your gift for the Easter themed gift exchange.

Unfortunately we may have to cancel our dinner planned for May and possibly the meeting also. We will discuss our options at the April meeting.

Also, if you haven't noticed yet, my phone number has changed. If you are trying to reach me, please call 440-309-7894. Sorry for any inconvenience.



CONCORDIA CHORUS YOUNGSTOWN Annual Spring Concert

Night in Vienna

April 16, 2011

Turkey Buffet dinner served at 6:30 pm

Saxon Culture Group Brass Band will play for your listening and dancing pleasure

Reservations with

Richard Bowden (330) 533-7192

Marie Bokesch (330) 799-4821

Claudia Bair (330) 799-9228

or with any singer from the chorus.



NATIONAL EVENTS

2011

April 9, 2011

TSBA Tournament
Host Cleveland West

May 14, 2011

Branch Presidents' Meeting
Host Cleveland East Br. 34 celebrating 100th Anniversary

June 11, 2011

TSBA Bowlers' Convention
Host Cleveland West at Sachsenheim

July 15 - 17, 2011

Saxon Heimattag
Saxonia Club, Aylmer Ontario Canada

July 30, 2011

ATS Golf Outing
Salem, OH hosted by Salem Branch 19

August 6, 2011

ATS Family at Waldameer Park

September 9 - 11, 2011

Teen Weekend Salem, Ohio

September - October

Bowl Where You Are Tournament, ages 6 - 17

October 22 - 23, 2011

ATS Open Bowling Tournament
Host Cleveland West

LOCAL EVENTS

April 1, 2011

Salem Fish Fry 5:00 - 7:15 p.m.
Cleveland 250 Club Dinner

April 3, 2011

Merrillville Br. 26 Meeting
Youngstown Br. 22 Mother Daughter Banquet

April 4, 2011

Salem Br. 19 Meeting 7:30 p.m.

April 6, 2011

Salem Saxon Retirees 11:30 a.m.
Youngstown Fish Dinner - Restaurant and Lounge

April 7, 2011

Salem Set-up for Fish Fry 7:00 p.m.

April 8, 2011

Salem Fish Fry 5:00 - 7:15 p.m.

April 9, 2011

Salem Sausage Sale 9:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

April 10, 2011

Cleveland Saxon Bowling Tournament Dinner
Youngstown Br. 22 and 30 meeting 2:30 pm
Youngstown Ladies Bocce gather after meeting

April 11, 2011

Salem Br. 18 Trustees Audit 6:00 p.m.
Salem Br. 18 Meeting 7:30 p.m.
Youngstown Flea Market setup

April 12, 2011

Youngstown Br. 22 Flea Market

April 13, 2011

Youngstown Fish Dinner - Restaurant and Lounge

April 14, 2011

Salem Set-up for Fish Fry 7:00 p.m.
Youngstown Retirees meet

April 15, 2011

New Castle Easter Ham Raffle
Salem Fish Fry 5:00 - 7:15 p.m.

April 16, 2011

Salem Spring Clean-up (CC) 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Cleveland Children's Easter Party
Youngstown Concordia Chorus Night in Vienna
Youngstown Beer and Wine tasting party

April 20, 2011

Youngstown Fish Dinner - Restaurant and Lounge

April 21, 2011

New Castle - No Thursday Night Dinner due to Easter

April 23, 2011

Salem Easter Egg Hunt 1:00 p.m.

April 28, 2011

Salem Br. 19 Officers Mtg 7:30 p.m.

April 30, 2011

Salem Peanut Night 8:00 p.m. - ?
Cleveland E. S. Sachsenchor Spring Concert
New Castle First Clean up Day at the Grounds

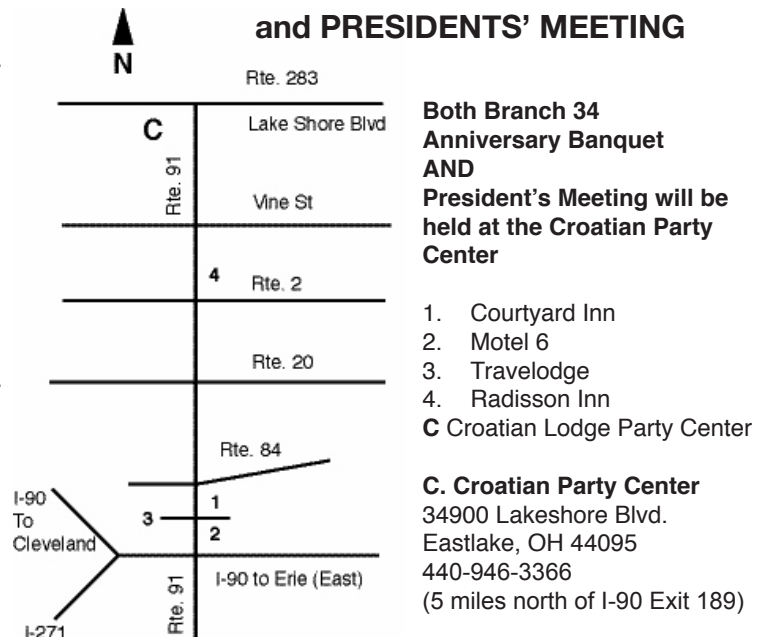
May 1, 2011

Merrillville Br. 26 Meeting
Youngstown Br. 22 and 30 meet 2:30 p.m.

May 2, 2011

Salem Br. 19 Trustees Audit 6:30 p.m.
Salem Br. 19 Meeting 7:30 p.m.

BRANCH 34 100th ANNIVERSARY and PRESIDENTS' MEETING



- 1. Courtyard Inn**
35103 Maple Grove Rd.
Willoughby, OH
440-530-1100
\$109-\$119
- 2. Motel 6**
35110 Maple Grove Rd.
Willoughby, OH
440-975-9922
\$50
- 3. Travelodge**
34600 Maple Grove Rd.
Willoughby, OH
440-585-1900
\$60
- 4. Radisson Hotel**
35000 Curtis Blvd.
Eastlake, OH
440-953-8000
\$136-\$141

**Both Branch 34
Anniversary Banquet
AND
President's Meeting will be
held at the Croatian Party
Center**

1. Courtyard Inn
2. Motel 6
3. Travelodge
4. Radisson Inn
- C Croatian Lodge Party Center

C. Croatian Party Center
34900 Lakeshore Blvd.
Eastlake, OH 44095
440-946-3366
(5 miles north of I-90 Exit 189)

Travel Tip

To reduce the amount of clothing you need to bring on a trip, try to coordinate your wardrobe around two or three complimentary colors. Even better, choose a couple of neutrals (black, white, gray, or beige) and one or two accent colors. This way, every piece matches every other piece and you can get the most out of a smaller selection of clothing and accessories.

BRANCH 17, CANTON By Jeanne Kirsch

Well, spring is supposed to be here according to the calendar but they are still predicting SNOW. Well, let's just hang in there.

Branch 17 would like to remind everyone that our next meeting is April 10th at the Executive Event Center (you all know where that is by now) at 12:00 noon for the brunch. The meeting will start at 1:00 p.m. please come and enjoy.

Birthday coming up in May is 8 - Irma Klemens and we wish you good health and lots of happiness.

Thought for the day: *Keep your words sweet; you might have to eat them.* Have a blessed and happy Easter to you till we meet again.



The Sisters of ATS Branch 34

Cordially invite you to celebrate the
100th Anniversary of ATS Branch 34
Saturday, May 14, 2011

At the Croatian Lodge Party Center
34900 Lakeshore Blvd., Eastlake, OH

5:00 p.m. Open Bar

5:30 p.m. Dinner

6:30 p.m. Program & Drawing
followed by Dancing
Music provided by Eric Noltkamper

Dinner is complimentary for Branch 34 Members
And \$35 for each guest

Kindly RSVP by April 30, 2011

Cancellations are due by May 8, 2011

By calling 440-639-1775 or 440-943-4543

___ Total number planning to attend the 100th anniversary of ATS Branch 34

Member Name _____	
Branch No./Title _____	\$0.00
Address _____	
Phone Number _____	
Guest Name _____	
Branch No./Title _____	\$35.00
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Branch No./Title _____	\$35.00
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Branch No./Title _____	\$35.00
Amount enclosed \$ _____	

Please make your checks payable to ATS Branch 34
Send your check and reservation to:
Ingeborg Krestel at 11655 Colburn Rd., Chardon, OH 44024

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 School
Coffee following service.
Bible Study, Senior Circle,
Sunday School, Church
Choir, Bell Choir

St. Thomas Evangelical Lutheran Church

9509 Lake Avenue
Cleveland, OH
(216) 961-4870

Rev. Dick Williams
Pastor

Cell (330) 524-1718

9:00 a.m. German Service
2nd Sunday of the month
Pastor Susanne Carter

10:00 a.m. Coffee Hour
Adult Bible Study

11:00 a.m. English Worship

Daily Devotion:
www.EarlyWord.org

St. John's Lutheran Church

1000 Ford Road
Highland Hts., Ohio
(440) 449-1334

Rev. Karen Ullestad
Pastor

9:00 Worship Service

BRANCH 22, YOUNGSTOWN

By Rosemarie Kascher

Greetings from Branch 22! Upcoming events are as follows: Mother/Daughter Banquet April 3, Officers Meeting April 6th, Branch 22 Meeting April 20th, Flea Market set up April 11th a.m., Flea Market April 12th 9 a.m. until 3:00 p.m.

If you are late with your dues, ASAP please forward them with your book and a self addressed envelope to: Carmella Markel, 12075 Sandy Lane, North Jackson, Ohio 44451.

If you are as forgetful as I am, the absent minded professor type, do as I do and pay several years at a time; it's convenient and our dues in comparison with others, are not high. Thank you!

Your contributions to the Memorial Celebration Fund make major improvements in our club important; these contributions are so very much appreciated. Our next needs are the driveway entrance and exit areas; this will cost about \$18,000. The concrete in front of the pavilion is dangerous. These two spaces have suffered terribly from the harsh winter. Also consideration for need are a furnace for the bar room and recovering chairs in

the pavilion. If you can make a contribution to any of these projects, indicate where you choose to designate your concern. You play an important part in maintaining our club and its heritage.

Reminder: the deadline for scholarship applications is April 15, 2011. You may contact Hildegard Dunkerly, chairperson, at 330-799-9533 or Min Haner at 330-792-6442 or Rosemarie Kascher for information.

We welcome Cailen Kline into Branch 22 as a transfer from the Juvenile division. Birthdays are Rosemary Zamrey, Lisa Maruchi, Alexis Maruchi, Heidi Weber and Maria Clark. Anniversaries are Gloria Hahn, Bev Myers and Maria Bachinger.

Get your tickets to the Mother/Daughter Banquet from Min Haner 330-792-6442?, please include a self addressed envelope price \$10.

Get wells were sent to Gail Harsanye, Donna Leone, Eleanor Laise, Kay Tarr and Betty Bokesch.

Congratulations to Sofia B. Froom on her 49 years of service to Branch 22 and the ATS, officer and deputy on her retirement.

BRANCH 1, CLEVELAND

By Robert Cunningham

This month, the members of ATS Branches 1 and 4 held the monthly meeting on Monday, March 21, 2011. We had a good number of members present for the meeting. We were glad to see that Dieter Herbert and Hans Botsch were able to join us again for the evening. We reviewed the events that have come and gone since the January meeting, for example our Annual Winterfest, Sausage Sale, Branch 4's Chinese Auction, and the Saxon Dance Group's Chili Cook-off. President Fischer thanked all those

who helped out in any way with any or all of these events.

The men held various discussions on what improvements that we would like to make in the coming months. Some improvements we will hold off until more funds are available. President Adolf Fischer moved the meeting right along and we were able to finish in good time to join our Sisters of Branch 4 for coffee and dessert.

After the meeting we also finalized and pulled the remaining winners of the Saxon 250 Club. We should have done this last month, but was not able to complete the drawing since the meeting had to be canceled due to a snow storm that arrived on meeting day. Congratulations are in order to our most recent Saxon 250 Club winners, Week 45, 02/06/2011, Dorothy Mc Lane; Week 46, 02/13/2011, Eric Litschel; Week 47, 2/20/2011, Julie Oldorff; Week 48, 02/27/2011, John Boehm; Week 49, 03/06/2011, Susanna Roppelt Family; Week 50, 03/13/2011, Scott Lindell. Information for the Final Drawing has been mailed to all club members and on Friday, April 1, 2011 we will be holding the Dinner and Final Drawing for the members of the Saxon 250 Club for the 2010-2011 season. We will be awarding the final prizes that night with prize awards totaling over \$3,600.00. If anyone of our readers is interested in joining the Saxon 250 Club for 2011-2012 season, please give Robert Cunningham a call at

BRANCH 33, CLEVELAND EAST

By Jeff Krestel

Our thoughts and prayers are with the people of Japan after the massive earthquake and subsequent tsunami that caused such devastation on March 11th. The pictures and videos of the destruction are staggering. Our deepest sympathy goes out to the people that lost their loved ones, and the people that lost everything they owned. May God lift them up, and help them in their recovery.

Turning our attention back home, we also send our thoughts and prayers to Brother Bill Spaan, and Brother Mike Foisel who are both in the hospital. Get well soon, we love you, and we miss you. We also send warm wishes to Brother Rudy Jerse and his wife Dortha, who have moved into assisted living.

Branch 34 will be celebrating its 100th anniversary in May. Members of Branch 33 have been sent invitations, and anyone that wishes to attend should make reservations with Ingeborg Krestel at 11655 Colburn Rd. Chardon, OH 44024. If there are any questions, call her at (440) 639-1775. Members of Branch 33 will be reimbursed \$35 for buying a dinner ticket to the anniversary celebration, but you must first purchase your own tickets.

Once again this year, we have bought tickets to see the Lake County Captains. The dates of the games are as follows: Wednesday, June 15th; Saturday, July 23rd; and Saturday, August 6th. All three games start at 7 pm, and the two Saturday games will have fireworks after the game.

With the warmer weather on the way, it's never too early to think about summer! This year, the annual picnic will be on Sunday, August 21st, at the Penitentiary Glen in Kirtland. Once again this year, dinner will be provided by Dino's Catering. There will be more information about the picnic in future articles.

Our next meeting will be on Wednesday, April 13th at St. John's Lutheran Church in Highland Heights. Prior to the meeting, Robert Hodder will be performing his impersonation of Theodore Roosevelt.

216-398-7520 or email him at rbcunningham@roadrunner.com for more information. Your support would be greatly appreciated. New members are always welcome.

Our next meeting will be April 18, 2011 at 7:00 PM at 6:30 PM we will start the collection of ATS premium payments and local dues payments. If you are unable to attend the meeting please mail your local dues payment to Robert Cunningham, 9005 Memphis Villas Blvd., Brooklyn OH 44144-2426.



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.

Bernice M. Moore

Age 83

Died: October 3, 2008
Branch 22 Youngstown

John G. Schulz

Age 89

Died: October 6, 2010
Branch 30, Youngstown OH

Virginia Krichbaum Schrum

Age 92

Died: November 2, 2010
Branch 22, Youngstown OH

Nikolaus Klemm

Age 85

Died: January 8, 2011
Home Branch, Cleveland OH

Mary T. Kekel

Age 83

Died: March 10, 2011
Branch 18, Salem OH

Suzanne Rayworth

Age 92

Died: March 14, 2011
Branch 18, Salem OH

Esther F. Mandich

Age 93

Died: March 21, 2011
Branch 40, Merrillville IN

Higher B6 intake lowers lung cancer odds

After decades of decline, the smoking rate in the United States has plateaued over the past five years. About one in five American adults is a smoker, according to a study released in September 2010 by the Centers for Disease Control.

Now, new research shows that higher levels of vitamin B6 and a common amino acid called methionine may reduce the risk of lung cancer, the world's most common cause of cancer death.

Reported by Tufts University, a European study of 400,000 participants showed that higher levels of B6 and methionine reduced rates of lung cancer by 56 percent, regardless of whether or not a person smoked.

Foods high in vitamin B6 include fortified breakfast cereal, potatoes, bananas, garbanzo beans, trout, and lean beef and pork.

Foods higher in the amino acid methionine include animal protein, seeds (especially sesame seeds), nuts (particularly Brazil nuts), and cereal grains.

Mother-Daughter Banquet

hosted by the
Saxon Ladies Branch 22
Sunday, April 3, 2011
Advanced Ticket Sales only

Deadline: March 28th

WE WILL HONOR
THE MOTHER OF THE YEAR.

Doors open at 1:00 p.m. - Dinner at 1:30 p.m.

Menu:

Stuffed Chicken Breast
with all the trimmings
and Dessert

Cost is \$ 10.00 for Adults

Children under 12yrs. \$ 4.00

Children under 4yrs. NO CHARGE

Please send a check and self-stamped envelope to Min Haner
6010 Callaway Drive, Youngstown, Oh 44515

Phone: 330-792-2628

BRANCH 37, DETROIT

By Susi Fleischer

It was a pleasure greeting ATS President Tom Manning and his wife Liz, at Br. 37's general meeting on March 13th. He updated us on what the ATS has to offer its members and also encouraged us to keep up the good work in keeping our club active. We also welcomed the new pastor, Waldemar Gies, for St. Peters Evangelical Lutheran Church.

George Schemmel, Sr., Janet Nelson and Mike Leprich attended our meeting and it was good to see them on their feet and on their way to recovery from their medical procedures.

The Bednarz family celebrated the birth of Jake Bednarz, who joined his big sister Brook, Dad David, Mother Janet, and Grandma Marion Shelton, February 14, 2011. We wish this family all the best and congratulations.

Pastor Waldemar Gies, lead us in prayer before enjoying the delicious meal prepared by the

Carpathia cooks for Br. 37's 98th Anniversary celebration, March 19, 2011. Everyone had a great time, listening and dancing to the Vagabonds, and taking part in the raffle and enjoying winning one of the prizes which were donated by the members of Br. 37. Thank you to our 2nd VP, Debbie Ferguson, for handling the event, and thank you to all the members who brought in prizes and the ones who helped out wherever it was needed. A job well done.

Two of our members were honored for attaining Life Membership, namely Janet Nelson and John Nelson, who were not able to attend. Thank you for being such faithful members.

This evening we also honored our present officers of Br. 37 for doing an outstanding job not only this past year, but for many years before. President Susi Fleischer, 1st VP/Finc. Secy. Sam Fleischer, 2nd VP Debbie Ferguson, 3rd VP Mary Ann

Fleischer, Secy. Janet Nelson, ATS Secy. George Schemmel, Sr., Treasurer Sam Klein, Trustees; Trudy Klein, George Breckner and Ingrid Weihs Ferguson.

A special thank you to Kätchen and George Breckner for putting together a beautiful display of various pictures and articles depicting the life and customs in Transylvania.

Also part of our celebrants were Joe Bender and his daughter, Bill Lutsch and his family, George Schemmel, Sr. and his family and Regina Weber who celebrated her 86th birthday with her family. It was a pleasure seeing all our families and friends.

Hope to see you again at our next general meeting April 3, 2011.

Have a great day.

EINTRACHT SAXONIA SACHSENCOR By George Schneider

Well it seems like the weather has a see-saw effect on us which is perfect flu weather but we can only hope we don't get affected by it.

We have after all these years of meeting on Tuesday nights decided to change our practice night to Thursday night because of the usual traffic jam on Tuesday nights because of Scott's Taco Tuesdays. Change of date, but meeting time will remain the same.

On behalf of the Eintracht Saxonia Sachsenchor I would like to thank all the people that made our Annual Goulash Dinner and Krapfen Sale fundraiser a huge success. We thank all the volunteers for all their help. Sadly I was unable to attend due to my commitment with the German Melody Favorites program.

We have our Spring Concert rapidly approaching on April 30th, 2011 at 6pm. I apologize for writing the wrong date in my last article.

Happy belated Namesday goes out to our beloved choir member Josef Rhode and all the Josephs!

If anyone would like to join our choir you may do so by calling Maria Fischer at 216-741-1398. Our choir is a fun bunch of people and we really have a good time.

I want to thank everyone for their support and may God bless all of you until you heard from me again. Lebe wohl!

Food Tip

Can vinegar go bad? While it doesn't necessarily spoil, it can become tasteless after some time. Once a bottle of vinegar is opened, the essential elements that give it its flavor begin to evaporate. After about six months, the taste is significantly affected and after a year, it is mostly tasteless. To keep the flavor as long as possible, keep vinegar in a cool dark place or in a refrigerator.

You are cordially invited to our

70th Stiftungsfest Siebenbürger Sachsen Br. 9 Saturday, April 9, 2011



At the Home of the Society of Danube Swabians
625 Seegers Rd Des Plaines IL



Doors open: 6:30 pm
Dinner: 7:00 pm
Music: "Paloma"



Note: Anyone who has a Tracht from Home or Dance or Singing group, please show your Saxon Pride and wear it tonight!!

The Kindergruppe and Jugendgruppe from the Society of Danube Swabians will perform

Entry fee- \$15 per person
\$7 for children 8 - 12 years old

Our Dinner menu includes:
Goulash or Schnitzel with potatoes or Spätzle
Vegetables or red cabbage and salad - \$10
Home made cakes with coffee - \$2

For reservations please call Rose Hauer (847) 685-9821
Please call for reservations no later than April 1, 2011



Members of Br.37 attending
98th Anniversary Celebration



Saxon Display by G. & K. Breckner



Officers of Br. 37 - Front: Mary Ann Fleischer, Susi Fleischer, Sam Fleischer, Trudy Klein, Georg Breckner, Back: George Schemmel, Sr., Debbie Ferguson, Sam Klein



Regina Weber (seated) with friends and family celebrating her 86th birthday



EINTRACHT-SAXONIA SACHSENCOR

SPRING CONCERT

April 30, 2011

Westside Sachsenheim
7001 Denison Ave

Roast Chicken Dinner Cost \$18

Dinner 5:30 p.m.
Program 7:30 p.m.

Music provided by Hans Schobel and the Bergvagabunden

Reservations please call:

Maria Fischer
(216)741-1398

Deadline for reservations April 26th



IT'S GREAT TO BELONG ...
AND TO PARTICIPATE!
BE AN ACTIVE MEMBER

Salem Saxon Club Sausage Sale

Pick Up Orders:
April 9, 2011
9:00am - 2:30pm

Last Day to Order:
April 5, 2011

Sold in 3 lbs & 5 lbs
Portions: \$3.00/lbs.

Plain
Garlic
Hot

Sorry
No Deliveries

Sausage Sandwiches, Donuts, & Refreshments Will Be Sold During Pick-Up Hours
Orders will be taken at the Saxon Club Fish Fry or call:
Sam/Carol McKinney 330-332-9810 or Marilyn McNutt 330-337-8940

Trutzige Kirchen und mächtige Türme, Teil 5

Friedrich Schuster, der diesen Winter im siebenbürgischen Kerz verbringt, hat sich aufgemacht, um noch einmal nachzusehen, wie unsere sächsischen Ortschaften aussehen. Mit Witzen aus den 1980er Jahren sowie Fotos aus BIRTHÄLM und EIBESDORF setzt er seine Reihe in der Siebenbürgischen Zeitung fort.

In den 1980er Jahren, als die Menschen in Rumänien mehr Zeit hatten, erzählten sie bei jeder Gelegenheit Witze und anekdotenhafte Geschichten. Sie spotteten über die kommunistischen Machthaber, nahmen die schlechte Versorgung aufs Korn oder machten sich einfach über Alltagsprobleme und liebe Mitmenschen lustig, die sie karikierten.

Wenn Sachsen zusammenkamen, erzählten sie mitunter sächsische Anekdoten und Schwänke. Wenn sie über das Auswandern lachen wollten, berichteten sie über die Erlebnisse einer schlagfertigen Sächsin aus einem abgelegenen Dorf. Bereits am Bahnhof in Wien, wo sie umgestiegen war, hatte die Frau mit den Vergleichen begonnen und alles gepriesen, was in Siebenbürgen besser war. Man horchte auf, wenn Geschichten über das Abkaufen der Sachsen zum Besten gegeben wurden. Die Zuhörer lachten aber selten darüber, wohl weil auch eine Portion Ironie mit-schwang. Mit dem Geheimnis und der Heuchelei, die diesem Thema innewohnten, konnten viele nicht umgehen. Man schmunzelte zum Beispiel über den Burzenländer, der das Geld für den Abkauf im Garten vergraben hielt, den Repser, der die Tausender einem unbekanntem Bukarester auf der Straße in die Tasche gesteckt hatte, man witzelte über den Hermannstädter, der sein Haus und sein Geld einem Bonzen schenken wollte, über den Harbachtaler, der sich mit der Wusch, der Schmal-spurbahn, in eine entlegene Ortschaft aufgemacht hatte, um sich auf die Vorzugsliste zu setzen. Solche Witze taten weh, vor allem dann, wenn man selbst Gegenstand des Spottes wurde. Da die sächsische Welt ins Wanken geraten war und fast jeder weg wollte, akzeptierte man Spötteleien und Anzüglichkeiten als Teil des Spiels, in das man sich eingelassen hatte.

Witzbolde stellten in jener Zeit auch Fragen wie etwa diese: „Weißt du, warum die Sachsen ihr Geld nicht mehr im Speck-turm aufbewahren?“ - „Nein, erzähle!“ - „Weil sie nicht wissen, wann sie es übergeben müssen!“

„Weißt du, warum sächsische Brüder nicht mehr miteinander

sprechen?“ - „Nein, erzähle!“ - „Weil der eine dem anderen das Geheimnis um den Abkauf nicht verraten wollte!“

Fragen und Antworten, deren Sinn oft nur Eingeweihte erkannten. Die sächsischen Dorfbewohner haben in der Neuzeit weder Geld noch Wertsachen in der Kirchenburg aufbewahrt, dafür aber Speckseiten, für den Bauern ein wichtiges Lebensmittel, das ihm auch den Spottnamen Specksachs (Böflšchsäckz) eingetragen hat. Zum Turm, wo der Speck hing, hatten die Leute aber nur einmal in der Woche Zugang. Das Schmiergeld für den Pass, der mit allen Fasern angestrebt wurde, musste aber für eine Übergabe stets bereitgehalten werden. Im zweiten Fall war der ausgewanderte Bruder nicht bereit gewesen, zu helfen. Er, dem geholfen worden war, wollte seinerseits für den Abkauf seines Bruders kein Geld aufbringen.

„Weißt du, warum die Sachsen so groß wachsen?“, fragt ein Rumäne den anderen. „Nein, erzähle!“ - „Damit sie den Speck im Speck-turm erreichen können!“

Sächsische Witze und Anekdoten über Sachsen wurden auch 1990 und danach erzählt. Wie sie sich nach Deutschland aufmachten, in Nürnberg ankamen und was sie dort erlebten und über sich ergehen lassen mussten. Die Ausgewanderten merkten bald, dass der Weihnachtsbaum mit den Geschenken nicht vorhanden war, dass die in Siebenbürgen für einen Pappentier veräußerten oder voreilig weggegebenen Güter für immer verloren waren. Ihren Humor, der manchmal sehr trocken ist, haben sie trotzdem nicht verloren. Ihre Probleme in Ost und West, ihre Art zu denken und zu handeln, bringen sie auch heute in Witzen, manchmal sehr pointiert, unter. Wenn aber ihre siebenbürgischen Nachbarn sich über sie lustig machen, kann ihnen die Galle schwellen. Die Sachsen sind halt wie die Kartoffeln, sagen sie selbst über sich, das Gute liegt verborgen in der Erde, das Ungenießbare und Giftige draußen.

„Kennst du den?“ - „Nein, erzähle!“ - „Ein unbemittelter Mann machte sich eines Tages zu unserem Herrgott auf. Er

klopfte an die Himmelspforte und wurde von Petrus eingelassen, der ihn auch gleich vor den Allmächtigen führte. ‚Lieber Herrgott‘, begann der Mann, ‚wie du weißt, bin ich arm und mittellos, meine zehn Kinder leiden oft Hunger, weil ich ihnen nichts vorsetzen kann. Aber höre, der Sachs hat ein schönes Haus, hat Pferde, Kühe, Schweine. Ich aber habe nichts!‘ - ‚Gehe nach Hause, lieber Mann, dir wird auch gegeben!‘, tröstete ihn Gott. Schon am Ortsrand kamen ihm seine Kinder entgegengelaufen und jubelten. Die Agrarreform hatte ihm ein sächsisches Haus und eine sächsische Wirtschaft zugesprochen, mit allem, was dazugehörte. Darüber waren sie alle glücklich. Nach einem Jahr stand der Mann wieder vor Gott. ‚Lieber Herrgott‘, begann er, ‚ich danke dir für das sächsische Haus, für alles, was ich erhalten habe. Aber auf etwas hast du vergessen, den sächsischen Fleiß hast du mir nicht gegeben!‘“

Als die Sachsen in den Dörfern nach zehn Jahren ihre Häuser zurückerhielten, befanden sich diese in einem erbärmlichen Zustand. Nach weiteren zehn oder zwanzig Jahren, als sie ihre Wirtschaften aufgebaut hatten, waren dieselben Sachsen aber bereit, sie zu „verschenken“, um auswandern zu können. Ihre Nachbarn, Rumänen, Roma und Ungarn, kamen so in den Besitz von Häusern, die mit fließendem Wasser und Bad ausgestattet waren, keine Selbstverständlichkeit im damaligen Rumänien. Ein Roma, der eine große Familie hatte, schrieb daher jedes Mal, wenn ein Sachs aus seiner Ortschaft auswanderte, an die Regierung in Bukarest und bat um ein „sächsisches Haus mit Komfort“. Eine Wohnung im Block, die man ihm anbot, schlug er beharrlich aus. Das gewünschte Haus hat er, da sein Einfluss nicht weit reichte, nicht bekommen, seine Formulierung „casă de sas cu confort“ ist im Alt- und Zibinstal aber zum geflügelten Wort geworden.

Zum Schluss einen Witz, über den man zurzeit in Siebenbürgen lacht: „Wusstest du, dass es heute nur noch zweierlei Arten von Sachsen gibt?“ - „Nein, erzähle!“ - „Zurückgebliebene und Heruntergekommene!“

Zwei Kirchenburgen mit besonderem Reiz

Diesmal zeigen wir Fotos aus BIRTHÄLM und EIBESDORF, zwei Ortschaften aus dem Weinland, deren Kirchenburgen für Maler und Fotografen einen besonderen Reiz ausüben. BIRTHÄLM, das in einem Seitental der Großen



BIRTHÄLM. Dreischiffige gotische Hallenkirche aus dem 16. Jahrhundert mit wertvoller Innenausstattung: spätgotischer Flügelaltar, Chorgestühl, Kanzel, Epitaph, Sakristeitüre. Die Wehranlage mit drei Ringmauern, sieben Türmen und einer Bastei wurde 1468 zum ersten Mal erwähnt. Eine Holz-treppe führt zum Innenhof auf dem Burghügel. Foto: Friedrich Schuster



EIBESDORF. Gotische Saalkirche mit bewehrtem Chor und sechsgeschos-sigem Glockenturm aus dem 15. Jahrhundert. Westportal und Chor enthalten schöne Steinmetzarbeiten. Die Ringmauer wurde im 16. Jahrhundert errichtet und durch einen Zwinger, einen Torturm, einen Rundturm, eine Bastei und ein Fruchthaus verstärkt. Foto: Friedrich Schuster

Kokel liegt, wurde 1283 erstmals erwähnt. Dreihundert Jahre lang, von 1572 bis 1867, war der Ort Sitz des evangelischen Bischofs und hat daher für die Siebenbürger Sachsen eine symbolische Bedeutung erhalten. Folglich wurden nach der Wende 1990 die Sachsen-treffen in Siebenbürgen hier veranstaltet. Die Kirchenburg kam 1993, einige Jahre später auch der Ortskern, auf die Welt-kulturerbeliste der UNESCO. Vor dem Zweiten Weltkrieg lebten in dem Weinbauort 1 300 Sachsen, ihre Anzahl ist, bedingt durch Krieg, Deportation und Auswanderung, stark zusammengeschrumpft. Heute hat die Kirchengemeinde, die von Pfarrer Ulf Ziegler seel-sorgerisch betreut wird, 86 Mitglieder. Die Gottesdienste werden abwechselnd in der Ortschaft und im benachbarten Reichesdorf abgehalten.

Ihren Speck hielten die Sachsen von BIRTHÄLM im Torturm des zweiten Mauergürtels (im Bild Turm mit Spitzhelm links), der den Namen Speck-turm bekommen hat.

In EIBESDORF, 1305 zum ersten Mal urkundlich genannt, hingen die Speckseiten im wehrhaften Fruchthaus (Speckkammer)

der Burg. Ende der 1980er Jahre lebten in der Ortschaft rund 700 Sachsen, heute hat die evangelische Gemeinde elf Mitglieder. Pfarrer Gerhard Servatius-Depner aus Mediasch hält alle vier Wochen einen Gottesdienst ab, an dem auch die Großprobstdorfer teilnehmen. Kurator der Gemeinde ist der 82-jährige Stefan Wagner. 1985 übernahm er das Amt. Er sei geblieben und nicht ausgewandert, sagt er, bei seiner Wahl habe er sich nämlich verpflichtet, auf die Kirche zu sorgen. In seiner Amtszeit ist der Kirchenbau ge-weißt und ringsum mit Dräna-gen versehen worden. Nun soll die Wehrburg einer Sanierung unterzogen werden.

Friedrich Schuster

Friedrich Schuster, der Autor dieses Beitrags, wird in diesem Jahr ein Band mit Märchen und Sagen herausbringen, die er in den sächsischen Ortschaften Siebenbürgens aufgezeichnet hat. Das Buch mit dem Titel „Hans, der Ziegenhirt“ kann über folgende E-Mail-Adresse vorbestellt werden: Friedrich.Schuster [ät] ymail.com.

**SBZ Online
16. März 2011**

Focus on texting takes attention away from much worse driving-safety dangers

Many states either have laws prohibiting texting while driving or they are working to pass such laws this year. This, even though federal and insurance industry-funded research as yet shows no link between texting and more crashes.

The Department of Transportation says distracted driving is such a focus today that it's taking public attention and resources from more important safety issues, including seatbelt usage, speed enforcement and safer vehicles.

If every state would allow police to stop people for not wearing a seatbelt, hundreds of lives would be saved each year, according to the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety.

Jeffrey Runge, former head of the Nation-

al Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), says resources should focus on the biggest causes of injuries. Speeding and drunken driving are each linked to twice as many deaths as distracted driving from all causes. About 18 percent of distracted driving deaths involve the use of a cellphone for any purpose.

Fifteen states require booster seats for children only until age 6. Research by the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia shows booster seats cut serious injury risk by 45 percent in kids to age nine.

In its proposed 2011 budget, the NHTSA wants to shift \$50 million from state incentives for stricter seatbelts laws to anti-texting laws.

BRANCH 4, CLEVELAND
by Joan Miller-Malue

Springtime is here and it is time for the Children's Easter Party at the Westside Sachsenheim. ATS junior members of Branches 1, 4, 5, 33 and 34 are invited to attend a Breakfast with the Easter Bunny will be held on Saturday, April 16th at 10:00 am. After breakfast, entertainment will be provided by "Magic Man Dan." There will be an Easter Egg Hunt following the entertainment. Children will be invited to make a craft. To make reservations please call Patty Cunningham at (216)398-7520 before April 11th. ATS junior members are free, adults \$4 and non-member children \$10. We are asking all that attend to bring a canned or non-perishable food item to be donated to the Community Corner's food bank. We want to be thankful for what we have and share with those that are not so fortunate.

We welcome the TSBA bowlers to Cleveland for their Annual Bowling Tournament which will be held the weekend of April 9 - 10th. We will be bowling at Freeway Lanes located on Brookpark Road, so stop by and say hello to your out of town friends. The Bowlers' Banquet

will be held at the Sachsenheim on Sunday afternoon.

The Sachsenchor will hold its Annual Spring Concert on Saturday, April 30th. A roast chicken dinner will be served at 5:30 pm and the concert to follow. Hans Schobel and the Bergvagabunden will play for your listening and dancing pleasure. To make reservations please call Maria Fischer at (216)741-1398 by April 20th.

The Cleveland Saxon Dance Group will host its Annual Trachtenball on Saturday, May 7th at the Westside Sachsenheim. Aschnitzel dinner will be served at 6:30 pm with a program to follow. They are asking everyone to wear the Trachts and join in their Aufmarsch. The reservation form is printed in *Volksblatt*. If you need further information please call Stephanie Miller at (440) 356-5582.

All of our cultural groups need your support and appreciate your attendance at their functions. They practice nearly every week to preserve our Saxon and German culture. All they ask is for you to come and enjoy their singing, music and dance.

EARTH DAY APRIL 22ND

Earth Day, which was established in 1970 in the US, is celebrated on 22nd April each year. It is a day to think about our planet and what we can do to keep it special; to think about saving water and energy, reducing pollution, recycling, protecting our animals, trees and plants. In general it is reminding us how important our environment is and how important it is for us to work at protecting our planet.

The ATS Youth Activities Committee wants our junior members to do their part in helping the Earth to stay beautiful and healthy. What can you do to help?

1. Reduce, or cut back, on the stuff that you use or throw away.
2. Reuse items instead of putting them in the garbage.
3. Recycle everything you can - glass, paper, cans, cardboard and plastic.
4. Buy products in packaging that can be recycled.
5. Buy products made from recycled materials.
6. Write or draw on both sides of a piece of paper before recycling it.
7. Don't leave the water running while you brush your teeth.
8. Make sure faucets are turned off all the way so they don't drip.
9. Turn off the television and computer when they are not in use.
10. Turn out the lights when you leave a room.
11. Never litter! Animals might choke

12. Keep trees healthy. Don't peel off the bark or break any branches.
 13. Celebrate National Arbor Day on April 30 by planting a tree.
 14. Take part in a community Earth-care event, such as a clean-up day at the park.
 15. Discover more about nature. Visit your library, go on the internet and watch TV shows about the natural world.
- These are just some things you can do to help keep our Earth healthy.

Color the following picture and mail it to the ATS Home Office, 5393 Pearl Road, Cleveland, Ohio 44111 and receive an Earth Day gift. Please include your name, address, your Branch Number and Certificate Number.

ASK ...

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

BRANCH 30, YOUNGSTOWN
By Tom Fizez

The Saxon Club will not have a Pork Dinner for the month of April, keep the date open on May 22, 2011 for the next dinner in the Ballroom. Serving from 11:30 AM until 2:30 PM. Take outs are available. Dinner is only \$ 8.50 for Adults and \$ 5.00 for Children under 12. Open to the public and friends are welcome. Fish Fry specials are available on every Wednesday in Lent. Our Dining Room is open from 4:30 to 9:00 PM. Restaurant is open to the public for dinners on Wednesday; bring your friends.

The Saxon Golf league will have practice rounds on Tuesday, April 19th and 26th, at the Mahoning Country Club. If you haven't signed up come out and see Joe Kubik Jr. Treasurer, Rich Spencer, Secretary or Jerry Kovachs, President. If you know someone interested, bring them with you.

Both Branches will meet on Sunday April 10th at 2:30 PM, keep the date open.

The Memorial and Celebration committee is thankful for your generous contributions. Your present and future contributions will help see much renewal. We can only say thanks.

The Concordia Chorus Youngstown Annual Spring Concert "Night in Vienna" is on Saturday, April 16, 2011, in the Ballroom at the Saxon

Club, reservations with Marie Bokesch, 792-4821 or Claudia Bair, 799-9228, or any singer from the Chorus.

There will be a May Fest in the Ballroom on Saturday May 7th. At this celebration the Youngstown Club will honor all Honor members, 40, 50, 60 yr members, more information later. The Heimattag will be on July 15 - 17, and the Culture Group is expecting to have a bus for those interested in going.

AUGUST 28, 2011, a special fund raiser, to benefit the Saxon Club Restoration committee projects will be held at the Mahoning Country Club. A Shotgun start at 12:30 PM. Keep the date open and invite your friends. Open to the first 144 who sign up. Watch this column and the *Volksblatt* for further information.

On Tuesday April 12, 2011 the Branch 22 ladies will have a Flea Market sale in the Ballroom from 9 AM until 3 PM. Lunch will be available after 11 AM.

If you get a work party card come down about 9 AM, meet other members, have some fun, help clean up a little, maybe repair something. A special thanks to those that do come down to get a head start on spring cleaning.

If you want something in the *Volksblatt* contact twifizez@zoominternet.net.

So goes the News



BRANCH 25, NEW CASTLE CONSTITUTION CHANGES

Article III, Section 3

Currently Reads:

Only active members are entitled to receive benefits, but all members have the right to join the Singing Section.

Changed to read:

Only active members are entitled to receive **sick and death** benefits, but all members have the right to join the Singing Section.

Article V, Section 1

Currently Reads:

The Song Section is under the leadership of a Director who shall be a member or must become one, and is elected by the Singers for a term of one (1) year with the consent of the Society. The Society pays the Director and stipulates his salary.

Remove:

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By-Laws changes

Article 1, Section 7

Duties of the Trustees

Currently Reads:

The Board of Trustees shall see to it that Society money be deposited as ordered by the Society and that the properties be in good condition.

All repairs costing not over one hundred dollars (\$100.00) can be made by the Board of Trustees without reporting same to the Society in advance.

The Board shall assist the Financial Secretary in taking in the monthly dues. At the end of each quarter year and annually, they shall audit the books of the Financial Secretary and Treasurer and report their findings to the Society at the next monthly meeting.

Changed to read:

The Board of Trustees shall see to it that Society money be deposited as ordered by the Society, and that all properties **be maintained and kept in good condition.**

All repairs costing not over two hundred dollars (\$200.00) can be made by the Board of Trustees without reporting same to the Society in advance.

The Board shall assist the Financial Secretary in taking in the monthly dues. At the end of each quarter year and annually, they shall audit the books of the Financial Secretary and Treasurer and report their findings to the Society at the next monthly meeting.

Article 1, Section 8

Duties of the Sergeant at Arms

Currently Reads:

The Sergeant-at-Arms shall before the opening of the meeting, make certain that only members in good standing are permitted to enter. During the meeting no will be admitted without the permission of the President.

Changed to read:

The Sergeant-at-Arms shall before the opening of the meeting, make certain that only members in good standing are permitted to enter. **Once the meeting has commenced, no one shall be admitted without the permission of the President.**

Article 1, Section 8

Duties of the House Steward

Currently Reads:

The House Steward will be elected for one (1) year by current officers from the members' applications. Applications for House Steward shall be posted by the Recording and Corresponding Secretary two (2) months before the August meeting and shall be in his possession one (1) month before the August meeting, for the election of same.

The Society shall set his monthly salary. He must serve all members impartially, keep premises clean and comply with the resolutions of the Society and orders of the President.

He shall be cautious in permitting only members in good standing and their families or their real house guests to the bar room. Only members are permitted to buy alcoholic beverages. The Society reserves the right to dismiss the Steward for unfaithfulness or neglect of duty at once and he must vacate his place of abode on the premises of the Society within thirty (30) days. If the House Steward desires to quit his position, he must give to the Society one (1) month's notice. He must turn over all monies of the Society to the Financial Secretary at the monthly meeting and receive his receipt therefore. The Society shall bond him to the amount of five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00).

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Article V, Section 1

Currently Reads:

Everyone wishing to join the Society as an Active Member must have himself proposed by two (2) Active Members in good standing must fill out application printed by the Society for such purposes and present application and the amount of ten dollars (\$10.00) with the Society in advance of his initiation.

Changed to read:

Everyone wishing to join the Society as an Active Member **must fill out an application printed by the Society for such purposes and present such along with a valid driver's license or state ID and the amount appropriate initiation fee set by the Society in advance of his initiation,** and must have himself proposed by two (2) Active Members in good standing.

Article V, Section 3 – Will be deleted

Currently Reads:

In case a member is in arrears with his dues, he may not receive any benefits.

The initiation fee may at the discretion of the Society be raised or lowered for the good and welfare of the Society at a regular monthly meeting.

Article V, Section 4 –

Renamed to Article V, Section 3

Should it be revealed that a member has made false statements in his application for membership to the Society, charges should be brought against him and if found guilty of same shall be dropped from the Society and loses all payments made into the Society.

Article V, Section 5 –

Renamed to Article V, Section 4

If a member leaves the city and still wishes to remain a member, he must within fourteen (14) days report his exact address to the Financial Secretary and see to it that his dues are paid six (6) months in advance. Non-residential members must in case of sickness send in a doctor's certificate stating nature of sickness, when it started and ended. The Society may retain six (6) months' dues from any possible sick benefit monies.

Article V, Section 6 –

Moved to Article V, Section 8

Article V, Section 7 –

Renamed to Article V, Section 6

Members who are in arrears three (3) months with their dues are suspended from the Society, and if they wish to again become members they must again pay the initiation fee and make a new application for acceptance.

Article V, Section 8

Currently Reads:

It is the duty of every member to be present at all meetings. Should a member discuss Society business or talk about the Society in a descending way with a non-member upon the first offense he may be punished and fined five (\$5.00) dollars if found guilty. In case of repetition he may be expelled from the Society.

Changed to read:

If a member leaves the city or United States and is at the time of leaving a member in good standing, he must continue paying dues in order to be entitled to sick and death benefits. If a member becomes three (3) months in arrears with his dues while out of the city or United States, he must again rejoin as a new member and meet the requirements as to age and health.

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and fined five (\$5.00) dollars if found guilty. In case of repetition he may be expelled from the Society.

Article V, Section 9

Currently Reads:

Candidates for Passive membership must be proposed by two (2) Active members. The initiation fee and one (1) year's dues must accompany each application for memberships.

Passive members are not eligible for sick or death benefits.

Changed to read:

Candidates for Passive membership must be proposed by two (2) Active members. **To be considered, the Candidate must fill out an application form printed by the society and present it along with a valid driver's license or state ID and the initiation fee set by the Society** and one (1) year's dues.

Passive members are not eligible for sick or death benefits.

Article VII, Section 1

Currently Reads:

The meetings may be conducted in German or English language and shall be held every first Saturday of the month in the Society meeting hall. Special meetings may be called at any time at the request of the President and Recording Secretary. Nine (9) members constitute a quorum; they can hold a regular meeting and can legally pass resolutions. If the officers consider it necessary they may postpone the regular monthly meeting to a suitable date.

Changed to read:

The meetings may be conducted in German or English language and shall be held every first Friday of the month in the Society meeting hall. Special meetings may be called at any time at the request of the President and Recording Secretary. Nine (9) members constitute a quorum; they can hold a regular meeting and can legally pass resolutions. If the officers consider it necessary they may postpone the regular monthly meeting to a suitable date.

Article VII, Section 5

Currently Reads:

In case of a general disorder and offensive manner of speech whereby the regular continuance of transactions are disturbed the President shall adjourn the meeting remainder fifteen (15) minutes or, if he finds it necessary, for the remainder of the day.

Changed to read:

In case of a general disorder and offensive manner of speech whereby the regular continuance of transactions are disturbed the President shall adjourn the meeting for **a period of fifteen (15) minutes or, if he finds it necessary re-adjourn for another day.**

Article VII, Section 6

Currently Reads:

A member who misconducts himself in the Society hall may be suspended and summoned before the officers, and if found guilty shall pay a fine from five (\$5.00) dollars to twenty (\$20.00) dollars or be suspended for three (3) months or both depending upon opinion of the officers. Upon second such offense he may be permanently suspended from the Society and shall not be accepted any more as a member.

If the first offense is of a serious matter, the member could be suspended permanently; it should be presented to the body it the

Excerpts from the Saxon-English Dictionary



compiled by
Dan "Hoot" Schuller
Branch 29 Monaca, PA

Hyaa vee lahcht laytst lahcht bayst.
He who laughs last laughs best.

Tyaa koost net bekoun dooahr foun haa.
You can't get there from here.

Nem daangen vau daa koun. Take things as they come.

Zoa et maat Bleeaamen. Say it with flowers.

Tyaa koost et net nyaan maat dir. You can't take it with you.

Aast aas bayser vau naast. Something is better than nothing.

Mane tsayt aas dane tsayt. My time is your time.

Mane bloh Hemmel. My blue heaven.

Buy	= Keefen	Beware	= Pozz ahf
Bottle	= Flaash	Beard	= Grounen
Burned	= Ferbraat	Bury	= Begraaven
Blood	= Bleeaat	Board	= Breeaat
Blue	= Bluh	Baby	= Kaynt
Break	= Tsebraych	Butter	= Bahter
Ball	= Peela	Beautiful	= Shane
Bird	= Maash	Broom	= Baysen
Bake	= Bahchen	Broken	= Kaupout
Behave	= Beyhaaf	Birthday	= Gebourtzdach
Bone	= Knohch	Brother	= Bryaader
Brick	= Tsaagel	Brother-in-law	= Shvohgher

INVITE

your relatives and friends
to join the crowd at ATS.

Tell them about our fraternal society!

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If the first offense is of a serious matter, the member could be suspended permanently; it should be presented to the body it the next meeting and the body should vote on the decision.

Article VIII, Section 1

Currently Reads:

These statutes were accepted by resolution of the Society in the meeting held January 5th, 1985 and will Go into effect as of this date.

All previous laws or motions, rules and regulations conflicting with this Constitution are null and void.

Changed to read:

These statutes were accepted by resolution of the Society in the meeting **held February 4th, 2011** and will go into effect as of this date.

All previous laws or motions, rules and regulations conflicting with this Constitution are null and void.

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Ladies Branch 22

Spring Flea Market

April 12, 2011

**Now's the time to gather your unwanted "Stuff" from the house and workshop
Household goods, workshop tools ... anything (usable and clean)
cluttering up your life and cupboards, even collectibles and antiques ...
We'll Take It All!!!**

**Bring these to the Club Ballroom on Monday, April 11th
after 9:00 A.M. for sorting and set-up for Tuesday, April 12th.**

**If you can't get to us, call the number below and we will make arrangements to
pick up at your home, the first week in April. Please leave your phone number
where you can be reached.**

BONNIE 330-793-8691

PotPourri

Your Horoscope

April, 2011

ARIES: It seems that all of your life people have had high expectations for you: your parents, teachers, and now your boss. If you're tired of trying to achieve, consider what your life would be like if you didn't.

TAURUS: Your friends and co-workers share many ideas with you. Some are good and some aren't. Before adopting someone else's thoughts and suggestions, examine them from your own point of view.

GEMINI: You have an active imagination and in some cases that works to your advantage. But you need to rein it in when your activity requires concentration, whether that's on the golf course or in the office.

CANCER: When you feel like you have given your all but it won't be enough, consider how close you are to succeeding or completing a big project. Take a break, take a deep breath and move on.

LEO: If you're wondering what's up with your partner, consider his or her desired level of inclusion. Some partners want to be part of everything in your life. Some don't. Study the situation and create a balance.

VIRGO: Many Virgos have a need to be in charge of everything in their lives, but that's not always the best course. In some cases, it's not only better to defer to someone else, it can be easier on you.

LIBRA: Decide how much you should say and tell. Verbalize more in situations where saying nothing will seriously affect a relationship or work situation, but avoid comments that are meaningless or destructive.

SCORPIO: It's time to make your health a top priority. Have you had the checkup you need? If so, have you taken the tests your doctor ordered and have you considered the doctor's lifestyle suggestions?

SAGITTARIUS: You are gradually gaining control of your finances, but temptations are all around you. Never mind that others seem to be taking big vacations this year. Stay to the course and you'll be glad you did.

CAPRICORN: It's important to focus on the basics of your life, family, domestic life and close friends. When you build a strong foundation in these areas, your life will move forward in other areas.

AQUARIUS: Sweat the details. Before making any big decisions, do plenty of research. It can be helpful to brainstorm with trusted friends and family members. In the end, however, the risk is yours.

PISCES: Examine situations to see whether a misunderstanding is involved. If so, you could be building your opinion on a false premise. Talk again with a co-worker, family member or friend to check it out.

April birthdays

- 1, Samuel Alito, Assoc. Justice of the U.S., Trenton, NJ, 1950.
- 2, Linda Hunt, actress, CSI Los Angeles, Morristown, NJ, 1945.
- 3, Alec Baldwin, TV and movie actor, Massapequa, NY, 1958.
- 4, Robert Downey, Jr., actor in Iron Man, New York, NY, 1965.
- 5, Mitch Pileggi, actor in The X-Files, Portland, OR, 1952.
- 6, Merle Haggard, singer, songwriter, Bakersfield, CA, 1937.
- 7, Russell Crowe, actor in many movies, New Zealand, 1964.
- 8, Patricia Arquette, actress in The Medium, Chicago, IL, 1968.
- 9, Hugh Hefner, founder of Playboy, Chicago, IL, 1926.
- 10, Steven Segal, actor in many movies, Lansing, MI, 1951.
- 11, Joel Grey, actor, Oscar for Cabaret, Cleveland, OH, 1932.
- 12, David Letterman, talk show host, Indianapolis, IN, 1947.
- 13, Davis Love, professional golfer, Charlotte, NC, 1964.
- 14, Abigail Breslin, Little Miss Sunshine, New York, NY, 1996.
- 15, Emma Watson, actress in Harry Potter films, England, 1990.
- 16, Jon Cryer, actor, Two and a Half Men, New York, NY, 1965.
- 17, Jennifer Garner, TV and movie actress, West Islip, NY, 1972.
- 18, America Ferrera, actress, Ugly Betty, Los Angeles, CA, 1984.
- 19, Ashley Judd, actress in Fool's Gold, Los Angeles, CA, 1968.
- 20, Shemar Moore, actor, Criminal Minds, Oakland, CA, 1970.
- 21, Tony Romo, football player, San Diego, CA, 1980.
- 22, Francis Capra, movie actor, New York, NY, 1983.
- 23, George Lopez, comedian, actor, Mission Hills, CA, 1963.
- 24, Barbra Streisand, singer, director, Brooklyn, NY, 1942.
- 25, Meadowlark Lemon, basketball player, Lexington, SC, 1932.
- 26, Jet Li, movie actor, martial arts champion, China, 1963.
- 27, Jack Klugman, actor in Quincy, M.E., Philadelphia, PA, 1922.
- 28, Jay Leno, TV talk show host, New York, NY, 1950.
- 29, Daniel Day-Lewis, movie actor, two Oscars, England, 1957.
- 30, Dianna Agron, TV actress in Glee, Savannah, GA, 1986.

History does not repeat itself. Historians merely repeat each other.

It's not hard to meet expenses...they are everywhere!

I just got lost in thought. It was unfamiliar territory.

A day without sunshine is like, you know, night.

On the other hand, you have different fingers

Tropical Fruit Crossword

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Across

1. "Harper Valley"
4. Bleat
7. Clue
9. Unload, as stock
10. Animal shelters
11. Cord fiber
12. Fiends
14. Make lace
15. Worrywart
19. It may be struck
20. Stratford - ___ - Avon
22. Regrets
23. Raconteur's offering
24. "To ___ is human"
25. Author Harper

Down

1. High degree
2. 20-20, e.g.
3. "___ and the King of Siam"
4. "___ there, done that"
5. Charity
6. Matterhorn, e.g.
8. African pests
9. Olympic field event
13. More, in Madrid
15. Quartet
16. Computer operator
17. Birthstone after sapphire
18. Lacquered metalware
19. Season opener?
21. Born

Note: The title is a clue

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Broken CFLs can release mercury vapor: They need to be disposed of properly

Compact fluorescent lights are more than twice as energy efficient as traditional light bulbs.

They are gaining market share as the congressionally mandated phase-out of incandescents begins in January

2012. California began the phase-out this January.

The curly-shaped CFLs are known to pose some risks when they break. Now the Environmental Protection Agency has issued new guidelines for their safe disposal.

They contain a small amount of mercury, which can be released as vapor. It poses potential health risks if the bulb is broken, warns the EPA.

Mercury exposure peaks in the first five minutes of breakage.

Here's what to do when a CFL breaks:

- Before cleanup
- Have people and pets leave the room.
- Air out the room for five to 10 minutes by opening a window or door to the outside environment.
- Shut off the central forced air heating or air conditioning system.

conditioning system.

- Collect materials needed to clean up broken bulbs.

During the cleanup

- Be thorough in collecting broken glass and visible powder.

- Place cleanup materials in a sealable container. After the cleanup

- Promptly place all bulb debris and cleanup materials outdoors in a trash container or in a protected area until they can be disposed of properly.

- For several hours, continue to air out the room where the bulb was broken and leave the heating or air conditioning system shut off.

Adults are unlikely to be harmed by the 4 milligrams of mercury in a CFL, but it's best to be on the safe side.

About 72 percent of U.S. households use at least one CFL. Some 27 percent use at least one light-emitting diode. LEDs do not contain mercury, are dimmable and last much longer than CFLs, but they cost much more.

For hard-to-reach light fixtures, an LED is a good choice, though more expensive. You won't have to climb a ladder as often to remove the light globe, and you can dim the light.

Healthy Living Tip

According to studies, people who are able to enjoy green spaces outdoors show lower levels of stress than those who are stuck inside each day. In fact, in one study, 71 percent of people who took a walk outdoors reported a lower level of stress after the walk, while 72 percent of those who stayed indoors said they had a higher level of stress. So, if you are having a stressful day the best thing you can do is take some time to get outside and take a walk.



An Easter tradition: Hot cross buns

Easter is a time of rebirth and rejoicing, a time to feast on symbolic and traditional food fare. What better than to accent a breakfast buffet or light Easter meal than a plate of steaming hot cross buns?

Hot cross buns with dried fruit

- Dough**
- 1/2 cup warmed milk
 - 1 package yeast (7 gram)
 - 1/4 cup granulated sugar
 - 2 cups all-purpose flour
 - 1 teaspoon ground allspice
 - 1/4 teaspoon cinnamon
 - 1/2 teaspoon salt
 - 1/2 teaspoon granulated sugar
 - 1 egg
 - 5 tablespoons soft unsalted butter, cut into small pieces
 - 2 to 4 tablespoons dried cherry bits, citron, or raisins
 - 2 tablespoons lemon or orange zest



- Wash**
- 1 egg white beaten
 - 3 tablespoons granulated sugar
- Icing**
- 1 cup confectioners' sugar
 - 2 tablespoons soft unsalted butter
 - 1 tablespoon heavy cream
 - 1 teaspoon vanilla extract

For the dough, stir together the milk, yeast and half teaspoon of granulated

sugar. Set aside until foamy. In another large bowl, mix 2 cups of flour, remaining sugar and spices. Add half of this flour mixture to the milk mixture. Beat until combined.

Add the butter and egg and stir until smooth. Add the remainder of the flour and mix until the dough forms. Knead the dough for 10 minutes. Cover the dough with plastic wrap and let stand in a warm place for 1 1/2 hours.

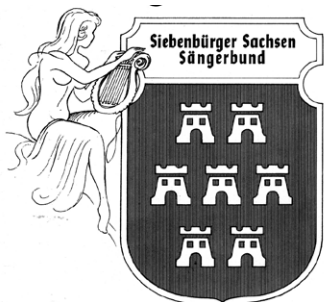
Preheat oven to 400 degrees. Line a baking sheet with parchment paper.

On a floured bread board, knead in the zest and fruit bits. Roll the dough into a 12-inch log and cut into one-inch slices. Cover with plastic wrap and allow to stand 10 minutes.

For the wash: In a small bowl, thoroughly beat the egg white and add 3 tablespoons of sugar. Brush on buns.

Place buns on the greased baking pan 1 1/2 inches apart. Allow to rise until double in size, about 45 minutes. Bake at 400 degrees for about 12 minutes. Remove and cool for 10 minutes.

For the icing: Beat the confectioners sugar, 2 tablespoons butter, cream and vanilla until thick. Place in a pastry bag and using a tip about an eighth inch apply the cross design to the tops.



Siebenbürger Sachsen Sängerbund

Sections

CLEVELAND, SECTION 1 EINTRACHT SAXONIA SACHSENCHOR

Rehearsal: Tuesday, 7:30 p.m.

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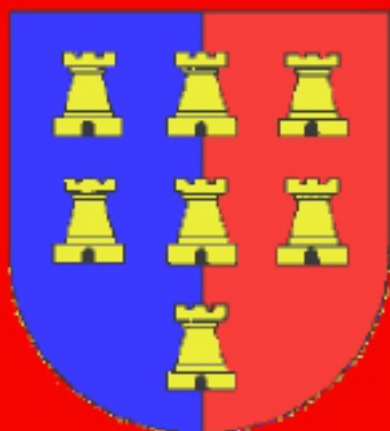
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Attention ATS Members Ages 16-20 Good Times this Summer in Ontario, Canada at the International Saxon Jugendlager



Landsmannschaft of Canada will host the 2011 International Saxon Youth Rally July 10 - July 23

Invitations have been sent to our ATS members, ages 16 -20 to apply to become a participant in the 2011 Saxon Youth Rally. Participation will be limited to five individuals from each country--Austria, Canada, Germany, Transylvania and the United States.

This is an opportunity for our young folks to get together and learn more about the Saxon culture and history as well as enjoy hours of fun and good times. The first week the group will be housed at a Waterloo University Campus and the second week will be housed by Saxon families. There will be sightseeing excursions and the group will travel to Aylmer, Ontario to attend the weekend festivities of the Saxon Heimattag. *It is an Experience of a Lifetime!*

All applicants should be interested in learning about the Saxon culture and traditions and be somewhat familiar about our Saxon background and knowledgeable about the activities of the national Alliance of Transylvanian Saxons and their local branch.

The ATS will pay the \$330 participation fee for the USA participants. Individuals must have medical insurance coverage and are responsible for their transportation to and from Canada. Individuals must have a current passport.

If you are interested, your completed application must be received at the ATS Home Office by April 28, 2011. Please contact the ATS Home Office if you need a copy of the application. (Email office@atsaxons.com or 440-842-8442) The ATS Youth Activities Committee will review and make the final selection of participants.

**As a past Participant Said:
What Happens at the Jugendlager
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