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CLEVELAND SAXON SENIORS

By Helen Korsgaard

Isn't it wonderful--spring has arrived, the daffodils are blooming, and tulips are starting to bud. This seems like May weather (I am writing this on April 6) so maybe we will have some more cold and rain, but it will be short-lived. We hope you all had a great Easter! My family (25 of us) was able to eat outside, which was a first for us.

Our next meeting will be on Thursday, April 22nd, a regular meeting, so bring your lunch and enjoy.

On a sad note, we have lost four members since we last met in December and they are Karl Schmidt, Ron Blaha, Dorothy Szabo and Janet Kloos; our sincere condolences to their family members.

January and February birthdays were celebrated, and included Elsie Binder, Peg Maurer, Mitzi Fielker, Elsie Gross, Carl Aber, Millie Aber, Gertie Titsch and Helen Korsgaard. March anniversary: Walter and Helen Korsgaard, their 10th.

Millie Aber volunteered to be the dessert chairperson, replacing Mitzi Fielker, who has done a wonderful job. Thanks, Mitzi! Gertie and Helen will furnish April dessert in honor of their February birthdays.

Our Spring Banquet will be on Thursday, May 27 at Pipers Three at noon. Our great entertainer, Lee Aflen, passed away recently, so we will have to entertain ourselves. Bring along your best singing voice!

Our Jack Atkins, I understand, has been released from the nursing home. That is great news, Jack, and we hope to see you soon.

The raffle winners were Millie Teutschlander and Gretchen Binder.

See you on April 22 and May 27. Please mark those dates on your calendar now.

BRANCH 10, COLUMBUS

By Hilda Kautz

The Columbus Saxons will celebrate their 100th anniversary with a Sunday dinner on April 18th at the Germania Club, 543 South Front Street. The committee has worked hard to arrange a pleasant afternoon for members and guests, and we look forward to welcoming our ATS President Tom Manning and other ATS officers and their spouses as our guests. Dr. David E. Schuller is Chief Medical Examiner for the ATS and is also Director and Vice President of the Ohio State University Medical Center. He is also a member of Cleveland East, Branch 33, and will address the gathering. We very much appreciate the out-of-towners taking the time and making the effort to join us for this occasion.

Our delegates to the ATS Convention will be Richard and Hilda Kautz, and we will be happy to help celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Cleveland East branch.

A big thank you to Susie Karst for baking the special treat in honor of her and John's 59th wedding anniversary. Happy April birthdays to Maria Allert (15) and Dorothea Hesch (22), and a speedy get well wish to Mike Lochner who is scheduled for surgery on April 15. Mary Ludwig was the lucky winner of the attendance prize.

Our next meeting will be Monday, May 17, at the Germania and we should be able to give our members a report on the happenings at the ATS Convention on May 15-16. We hope everyone will be on hand.

CLEVELAND BRANCH 4

By Joan Miller-Malue

Our April monthly meeting will be held on Monday the 19th at 7:00 pm. Collection of local dues and premiums will be taken at 6:30 pm.

We had a great time at our annual Breakfast with the Easter Bunny. Sixty-two children enjoyed a tasty breakfast of French toast sticks, scrambled eggs, sausage links, hard-boiled eggs, peach slices, grapes, orange juice, and milk. They made a craft and loved the "Amazing Bubble Show." Of course, they were anxious to scramble for eggs and candy in the egg hunts. The Easter Bunny also handed each child a treat box and a bottle of bubbles. It was a fun time and we are so happy that many of our children love to come to the Sachsenheim for the holiday parties.

The Cleveland Saxon Dance Group has been preparing for the Annual Trachtenball that will be held on Saturday, May 1. A schnitzel dinner will be served at 6:30 followed by a program and dancing to "Hans Schobel und die Bergvagabunden." They are asking that you wear your Tracht and join in on the Traditional Aufmarsch. Prepaid reservation form is printed in the *Volksblatt*. Reservations are to be sent to Stephanie Miller Hanek, 22677 Peachtree Lane, Rocky River, OH 44116. Deadline for reservations is April 26th. For more information you can call Stephanie at (440)356-5582.

Don't forget to stop down at the Sachsenheim for Taco Tuesday, Thursday for Recession Hamburgers and Hot Dogs with all the toppings for only 75 cents each and Friday evening for delicious fish specialties.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Thomas J. Manning
ATS Nat'l President



I hope that everyone had a happy and blessed Easter and celebrated the day with family and friends. I have always enjoyed seeing the little children in church all dressed up in their Easter outfits. We all know that the polished look doesn't last very long after church services and soon the boys will have their shirt tails hanging out and the girls will put their jeans on and be in sneakers. No matter how many years pass, some things never change. Everyone just likes to be comfortable.

Two important events that are taking place in the next several months are the ATS Convention to be hosted by Branch 33 and Branch 34 of Cleveland East, Ohio on May 15th and 16th. This is Branch 33's 100th Anniversary. The 2010 Saxon Heimattag will be hosted by Branch 2, Erie, PA on June 25th, 26th, and 27th. Both of these events are to celebrate and support our Saxon heritage. I invite you to attend these special events. As you know, the Reservation Forms are published in the *Volksblatt* with hotel and meal information.

Also published in the *Volksblatt* are the considerations for the ATS Constitution Changes that were proposed by the Ohio Department of Insurance. All members and delegates should read and understand these proposals. I can assure you that the ATS Board of Directors has discussed these proposals at length. They will be voted upon at the Convention.

Quote of the Day:

"Never make a negative decision in the low time. Never make your most important decisions when you are in your worst moods. Wait. Be patient."

When things are going wrong, we want to change them right away. So we buy something that we don't really need. Or we throw away something that we really do need. Or we decline an opportunity because we are afraid that something else might go wrong. Or we make the same mistake again, thinking we will do better this time.

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

HAVE A NEW ADDRESS?

If you belong to a household receiving two or more *Volksblatts*, or if you have recently moved and have a new address, you can alleviate both situations simply by using the Change of Address Form printed in the *Volksblatt*. We ask that one *Volksblatt* per household be sufficient.

Also, the same form holds good for any of our members who would like to, but are not receiving the newspaper. If you are a member in good standing, you are entitled to receive our publication.

TIMELY - DO NOT DELAY
MAILED WEDNESDAY, April 14, 2010

Attention Postmaster: Send all Changes of Address to:
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5393 Pearl Road Cleveland, OH 44129-1597



ATS GOLF OUTING

July 24,
2010

8:00 AM
Shotgun Start

Host Branch 25 New Castle
Mohawk Trails Golf Course

Breakfast provided, lunch at the turn.
Dinner after golf at the picnic grounds
More details coming soon ... Prizes, Prizes, Prizes

BRANCH 11, LORAIN
By Monica Gilles

Our April monthly meeting was held on Saturday, April 3 with a nice turnout of members. It started with a meal before the meeting served by the trustees. We got many good responses about having the meal before, instead of after. I liked it because that meant I did not have to cook dinner that night.

Please keep in your prayers Sisters Betty Ralph and Joan Goohs. Betty Ralph will be having carpal tunnel surgery later this month. Joan Goohs had a small tumor removed from her colon. She is feeling good and her spirits remain positive. May you each have speedy recoveries.

The branch will be hosting a Mothers/Daughters/Others luncheon "Tea" on Saturday, May 8 from 1-4 pm. The luncheon will be at St. John UCC Social Hall located on the corner of Reid Avenue and 7th Street. This is open to others. So if you have a girlfriend, mother in law, daughter in law, sister in law, daughter, granddaughter, etc., bring them along. Any local member that is in good standing with the lodge will be free. To be a member in

good standing, your local dues need to be paid or you must be a 50-year member. Guests will be charged \$8.00. Deadline will be May 2. Please contact Sister Jane Mowery at 440-246-3004 for more information or to make reservations.

Please remember to pay your local dues. Dues are \$18.00 for the year. You may pay your dues at the next local meeting or by mailing them to Sharron Powell, 2308 Mark Drive, Lorain, OH 44053. Many events we are planning will be free or discounted for local members. So please send in your dues or if you are not a local member, contact Monica Gilles to become one.

The ATS Convention is just around the corner on May 15-16 hosted by Branch 33 Cleveland East. Sisters Monica Gilles and Sharron Powell will be representing our branch this year. Sister Nancy Kranstuber is the alternate. Please read the proposed constitution changes in the *Volksblatt*. We will be discussing these changes at the next meeting. If there is anything you would like brought up at the

convention, plan on attending the next meeting and letting the delegates know.

Also, if anyone would like to enter something in the handicraft exhibit submit the entry blank in the *Volksblatt* to the necessary person. Then, bring your item to the next meeting and one of the delegates can take it to the convention for you.

Wondering what you could do with the refund you got from the IRS or do you have a CD that is going to mature soon? How about investing it with the ATS? Our annuities are paying 3.75%, with a guarantee of 3.00%. This rate is still higher than what you would find at your local banks. Do not forget about our life insurance products also. More and more I am hearing about people that have passed away and did not have enough insurance. Do not let that happen to you. Please give me a call and I will be glad to discuss your options.

We sang Happy Birthday to Sisters Ginger Romes and Barbara Wood, who were in attendance and both celebrating monumental birthdays in April. Others celebrating birthdays in April are Dorothy Lachman, Joyce Ralph, and Debbie Tomusko.

Sister Betty Ralph, who was present at the meeting, won our attendance prize. Sister Nancy Kranstuber won the door prize.

The next meeting will be on Saturday, May 1 at the Slovak Club on Broadway Avenue. Meetings start at 8pm.

Your imagination is your preview of life's coming attractions.
Albert Einstein

PORK-KRAUT DINNER
SUNDAY, APRIL 18, 2010
YOUNGSTOWN SAXON CLUB

11:30 - 2:30 P.M.

\$8.50 includes

coffee, pop and dessert

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

TAKE-OUTS AVAILABLE!

The lighter side ... of serious stuff

An elderly farmer went to the attorney's office and said he wanted to get a divorce. The attorney asked if he had any grounds.

"Yeah, I got about 240 acres," the farmer said. The attorney replied, "But, I mean do you have a case?"

"No, I have a John Deere."

"Well, do you have a grudge?"

The farmer said, "Yea, I got a grudge. That's where I park my John Deere."

"No, I mean do you have a suit?"

"Yes, sir, I got a suit. I wear it to church on Sundays."

Next, the exasperated lawyer asked, "Well, sir, does your wife beat you up or anything?"

"No, we both get up about 4:30."

The attorney finally asked, "OK, so why do you want a divorce?"

"Well," said the farmer, "I can't have a meaningful conversation with her!"



SAXON CLUB

As Saxons we are often loath to ask for donations for our organizations, but we live in a very realistic world. And so we do indeed ask...and guess what? Our members do respond. Again we ask for your kind donations, hoping to continue the Ladies' Lounge renovation as funds will allow. ...

As always, the committee thanks you.

Youngstown Saxon Club
710 S. Meridian Rd. • Youngstown, OH 44509

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Ballroom & Lounge Fund

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You may either

MAIL: PO BOX 45198, 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 23, 2010	FRIDAY, APRIL 30, 2010
FRIDAY, May 7, 2010	FRIDAY, MAY 14, 2010
FRIDAY, May 21, 2010	FRIDAY, MAY 28, 2010

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.



**2010 SAXON HEIMATTAG
JUNE 25 – 27**



**AMBASSADOR BANQUET HALL
ERIE, PENNSYLVANIA**

HEIMATTAG EVENTS BY RESERVATION ONLY!

**FRIDAY EVENING – JUNE 25
KAMERADSCHAFTSABEND**

7:30 – 11:00 PM – SIEBENBUERGER CLUB BALLROOM
2114 French Street, Erie, PA.
Informal social with cultural groups
from USA, Canada and Austria, DJ
\$10 Admission includes warm sandwiches,
salads, and desserts.
Reservations are required.

**SATURDAY EVENING – JUNE 26
HEIMATTAG PROGRAM**

6:00 PM – Midnight – AMBASSADOR BANQUET HALL
7792 Peach Street, Erie, PA.

SUNDAY MORNING – JUNE 27

CHURCH SERVICE 9:00 AM
AMBASSADOR'S HEMINGWAY ROOM
10:00 AM KUNDGEBUNG –
DIGNITARIES, CULTURAL PROGRAM

**SUNDAY AFTERNOON – JUNE 27
AMBASSADOR BALLROOM**

NOON – LUNCH AND CULTURAL PERFORMANCES

**2010 HEIMATTAG
HOTEL INFORMATION**

June 25-27, 2010

DEADLINE FOR ROOM
RESERVATIONS IS
MAY 26, 2010

Hilton Garden Inn
8040 Peach St.
(Exit 24 on I-90)
Erie, PA 16509
Phone 814-866-2773
Double Room - \$129.00

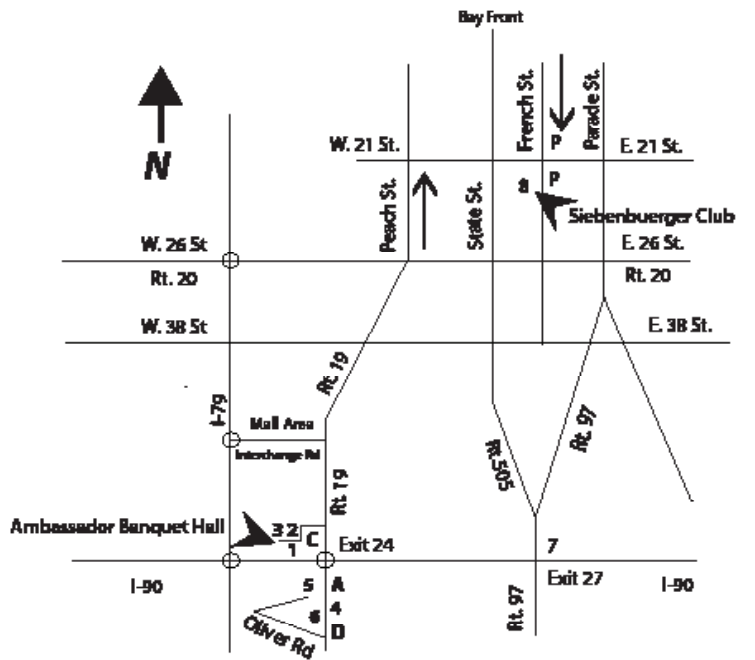
Econolodge
8050 Peach St.
(Exit 24 on I-90)
Erie, PA 16509
Phone 814-866-5544
Double Room \$109.00

Days Inn
7415 Schultz Rd.
(Exit 27 on I-90)
Erie, PA 16509
Phone 814-868-8521
Double Room \$99.00

Microtel
(Exit 24 on I-90)
8100 Peach St.
Erie, PA 16509
1 Queen Bed \$99.95

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1. Ambassador Banquet Hall
 2. Courtyard by Marriott
 3. Hilton Garden Inn
 4. Comfort Inn
 5. Econolodge
 6. Microtel
 7. Days Inn
 8. Siebenbuenger Club
- A Bob Evans
B. Eat 'N Park
C. Applebees
D. Splash Lagoon

**SUGGESTIONS FOR FRIDAY AND SATURDAY
DAYTIME ACTIVITIES:**

1. Presque Isle Downs & Casino (3 miles east of Ambassador)
2. Shopping at Millcreek Mall located just north of the Ambassador)
3. Presque Isle Aquabus water taxi at Dobbins Landing on the bayfront www.porterie.org
4. Presque Isle Boat Tours / Lady Kate at Perry Monument on Presque Isle. www.piboattours.com
5. Guided tours of wineries in North East, PA with free samples (15 miles east of Ambassador) www.catchwine.com/wineries/pennsylvania/heritage_wine_cellars/
6. Erie Maritime Museum on the bayfront
7. Splash Lagoon Indoor Water Park Resort -Special discount coupons can be used from 6:00-9:00 PM Friday, Saturday, and Sunday - \$15.95. (Call Liz Manning at 814-864-6072 for Discount Coupons)

MEAL RESERVATION FORM

	Ticket Price	# Tickets Requested	Total
FRIDAY EVENING KAMERADSCHAFTSABEND June 25, 2010 Siebenbuenger Club 7:30 – 11:00 pm			
	\$10.00	x _____	\$ _____
SATURDAY EVENING AMBASSADOR BALLROOM			
Sirloin Filet	\$33.00	x _____	\$ _____
Chicken Marsala	\$29.00	x _____	\$ _____
Children 12 & under	\$18.00	x _____	\$ _____
(chicken fingers; French fries)			
SUNDAY NOON AMBASSADOR BALLROOM			
Roast Pork Loin w/apple-walnut stuffing	\$23.00	x _____	\$ _____
Stuffed Chicken Breast	\$23.00	x _____	\$ _____
Children 12 & under	\$18.00	x _____	\$ _____
(hamburger; French fries)			
GRAND TOTAL (US Currency)			\$ _____

Check or Money Order is to be made payable to ATS.
DEADLINE FOR RESERVATIONS IS MAY 26, 2010.

Reservations made by: (Tickets will be held in your name)

Name _____

Address _____

Phone Number _____

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ALLIANCE OF TRANSYLVANIAN SAXONS
5393 PEARL ROAD
CLEVELAND, OH 44129-1597

NOTE: ONLY US CURRENCY WILL BE ACCEPTED AT THE
AMBASSADOR BANQUET HALL AND SIEBENBUERGER CLUB.

**WE
SUGGEST
MAKING
RESERVATIONS
AS SOON AS
POSSIBLE DUE
TO MANY
EVENTS
SCHEDULED IN
THIS AREA.**

**BRANCH 5, LORAIN
By Elmer Schneider**

Members of Branch 5 met at Chris Restaurant at 6:00 PM on Saturday, April 3rd for a very nice supper. We were even treated to a bottle of wine in honor of the owner's upcoming

birthday on the 12th. After the dinner we went to the American Slovak Club for our general meeting. Our turnout was a good one.

There is nothing new to report as to club business. We did learn that Brother Kyle Cassidy, who suffered a broken collar bone last month while skiing, is doing much better and is coming along fine so far.

Members celebrating birthdays in the month of April are: Brothers Donald Brenner and Ned Jones. Juveniles celebrating in April are: Marissa Goss and Aidan Brown. We wish these members a very "Happy Birthday" and hope they will have many happier, healthy ones to come.

Brother Ned Jones was present at our meeting and the members sang happy birthday greetings to him.

Our attendance prize for April was won by Brother Brian Gilles. That's two in a row now for Brian. Come and be present and signed up next month and you may be the next lucky person.

**EINTRACHT MAENNERCHOR CONCERT
NEW CASTLE PA 108 TAYLOR ST.**

MAY 1, 2010

EINTRACHT MAENNERCHOR
AND
TEUTONIA CHORUSES OF PITTSBURGH
CONCERT 7 PM

MUSIC FOLLOWING THE CONCERT BY
THE FRANK PALOMBI GOOD TIMERS
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FOOD WILL BE AVAILABLE AS WELL AS BEVERAGES

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Erie

Where will you be the
Weekend of
June 25-27, 2010?
At the Saxon Heimattag
in Erie, Pennsylvania

NATIONAL EVENTS

2010

May 15 - 16, 2010

ATS Convention
Cleveland, Ohio - Host Branch 33
Celebrating their 100th Anniversary

June 25 - 27, 2010

Saxon Heimattag Celebration
Erie, Pennsylvania - Host: Branch 2

July 18 - 24, 2010

Saxon Summer Camp
Joseph Badger Meadow Camp Burhill, OH
Ages 8 - 13

July 24, 2010

ATS Golf Outing
Host Branch 25 New Castle
Mohawk Trail Golf Course

July 31, 2010

ATS Family Day
Waldameer Park/Water World Erie PA

September 10 - 12

Teen Weekend
Salem Saxon Club Grounds
Ages 13 - 19

September 25, 2010

Siebenbürger Sachsen Sängerbund Convention
Host Eintracht Saxonia Sachsenchor Cleveland

October 23-24, 2010

ATS Open Bowling Tournament
Stardust II Lanes - Merrillville, Indiana

LOCAL EVENTS

April 17, 2010

Chicago Br. 9 Stiftungsfest, Donauschwaben Hall
Des Plaines, IL
Salem Br. 18/19 Breakfast 7:00-10:00 a.m.
Salem Spring Clean-up (CH) 10:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m.
New Castle First Day of Trout at Picnic Grounds

April 18, 2010

Youngstown Br. 30 Pork Dinner

April 24, 2010

Salem Br. 18/19 Spring Clean up 9-4pm &
Peanut Night 8:00 pm

April 25, 2010

Youngstown Br. 22 Mother/Daughter Banquet

April 29, 2010

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

May 1, 2010

New Castle Br. 25 1st Clean-up Day @ the Grounds
New Castle Br. 25 Singer's Spring Concert 8pm
Youngstown May Dance
Cleveland Saxon Dance Group Trachtenball

May 2, 2010

Merrillville Br. 26 Meeting
Youngstown Br. 22 & 30 meeting

May 3, 2010

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

May 5, 2010

Salem Saxon Retirees 11:30 a.m.

May 7, 2010

Salem 30 Week Drawing 6:00 p.m.

May 10, 2010

Salem Br. 18 Meeting 7:30 p.m.

May 12, 2010

New Castle Br. 25 Card Tournament Dinner

May 15, 2010

Salem Br. 18/19 Breakfast 7:00 -10:00 a.m.
New Castle Br. 25 Clean-up Day @ the Grounds

May 19-20, 2010

Salem Br. 18/19 Garage Sale 9:00-3:00 p.m.

May 29, 2010

Salem Br. 18/19 Peanut Night 8:00 p.m. - ?
New Castle Br. 25 Opening Weekend @ the Grounds

May 31, 2010

New Castle Br. 25 Monday Night Drawing @ the Grounds

June 6, 2010

Merrillville Br. 26 NO MEETING: Railcats Baseball Game

June 2, 2010

Salem Saxon Retirees 11:30 a.m.

June 3, 2010

Salem Br. 19 Officer's Mtg. 7:30 p.m.

June 11, 2010

Salem Br. 18/19 Joint Social Dinner 6:30 p.m.

June 13, 2010

New Castle Br. 25 Bolwers Picnic * Grounds 4pm

Der Samtborten: Kopfputz der konfirmierten Mädchen

Es ist eine Augenweide, wenn die konfirmierten Mädchen in Siebenbürgen im Ostergottesdienst zum ersten Mal mit geschmückten Borten in Trachtenkleidung erscheinen.

Der „Samtborten“ gehört seit Jahrhunderten als Kopfputz zum Kirchen- und Ehrenkleid der siebenbürgisch-sächsischen Mädchen. Er symbolisiert Ehrbarkeit, Jungfräulichkeit. In vielen Orten wird er zum ersten Mal bei der Konfirmation oder zu Ostern getragen, dann verpflichtend zum Kirchgang. Bei der Konfirmation sagt die Mutter ihrer Tochter: „Du sollst deinen Borten in Ehren tragen“ („Tia sollt dengen Buirten än Ihren driun“, Schönberg).

Der Borten wird bereits in einer Aufzeichnung aus dem Jahre 1569 als „Jungfernborten“ erwähnt („da ich eine Jungfraw im borten gewesen“), oder „welche zum Heiraten bald gehörten, tanzten mit dem Jungfernborten“ („dä zem froindern bauld gehuirten, dunzten mät dem jangfrieburten“, 1860). In Bogeschdorf verbat man den Mädchen, ohne Borten an Sonn- und Festtagen zur Kirche zu gehen (1769, Statut, Bogeschdorf).

An anderer Stelle heißt es: „Nicht mehr setze deinen Jungfer Borten auff, denn du bist nicht werth, daß du ihn tragest“ (1748). Hat sich ein Mädchen „vergangen“ und wird schwanger, darf sie den Borten nicht mehr aufsetzen, auch nicht auf der Mädchenbank in der Kirche sitzen. Dieses über ein schwangeres Mädchen verhängte Urteil wird bis 1942 mancherorts noch wahrgenommen.

Laut Kleiderordnungen gab der zu hohe und zu aufwändig geschmückte Borten oft Anlass zu Strafen. So erlässt der Hermannstädter Magistrat am 18. Oktober 1676 den Befehl, vor der Kirchentüre den Mädchen die zu hohen und breiten Borten abzunehmen. 1679 lässt er Scheren an die Kirchentüren hängen, um „den Weibern und Mägden die Hoffart damit zu bestrafen“.

In den meisten Orten ist der Borten aus schwarzem Samt, röhrenförmig, über einem Karton geformt dem Kopf der Trägerin angepasst. Das Futter wird mit dünnem bestickten oder buntem gekauften Material, gelegentlich auch aus rotem Samt gewählt. Am oberen Rand des Bortens findet ein rotes gefälteltes Bändchen seinen Platz, darunter von Hand geklöppelte Brokatlitzten (Brenndorf) oder gehäkelte, gekaufte Silberspitzen. Hinten über der scheinbaren Öffnung des Bortens, welche unten und oben mit einem Gänsekiel verbunden wird (Schweischer), befestigt man ein oder mehrere bunte, bestickte oder gekaufte, gebülmte Trachtenbänder „Partir“. Der rückwärtige Bortenschmuck wird individuell angeordnet und besteht zumeist aus vielerlei Glasperlen, Bockelnadeln, Zelluloidröschen, Broschen und



Prachtvoller Perlenborten aus Streitfort. Foto: Werner Förderreuther

bunten Stecknadeln.

Ortsgebundene Schmuckformen finden wir in Hahnbach, Hammersdorf, Klosdorf und in der Bistritzer Gegend. Hier bestickt man den Borten oben, ringsum mit Blüten und Blumenkränzchen. In Stolzenburg umhüllt man am Tag der Konfirmation den Borten mit einem weißen, dünnen Tüllschleier, in Kirchberg mit dem dunkelblauen Schleiertuch der Frauen, dem „Faichel“. In Frauendorf schmückt man beim Blumenfest den Borten mit einem strahlenförmigen bunten Blumenstrauß.

Dieses sind einige herausgegriffene siebenbürgisch-sächsische Brauchformen. In Großpold legt man den Borten 1918 ab; nur die sächsische Braut trägt ihn noch zu ihrer Hochzeit (aus: „Landler, Vergessene altösterreichische Tracht in Siebenbürgen“).

Im Brautstand erhält der Borten des Mädchens als besondere Zierde den Myrtenkranz oder einen örtlichen Brautbortenaufputz. Eine hohe gebogene Brautkrone aus Kunstblumen schmückt den Borten der Braut in Deutsch-Weißkirch und Urwegen. Der Brautkranz aus Zendersch wird aus acht pastellfarbigen Kunstblumensträußchen (Rosenknospen, Maiglöckchen und Vergissmeinnicht) gebunden und strahlenförmig angeordnet, wobei an jedem Strahlende das kleine „Päschen“, Sträußchen mit Engelhaarschmuck angebracht wird. Den Kranz befestigt man an einem Reifen aus Holz am rückwärtigen Borten. In der Hochzeitsnacht wird er regelrecht „abgetanzt“. In Rode setzt man dem Brautborten einen hohen Blumenbogen auf, in Gergeschdorf ein buntes Blumenrad und in Zuckmantel einen üppigen Blumenstrauß u.a.m.

Schwere Bortenmasken aus dunklem Samt, mit buntem oder goldbesticktem Blütenschmuck hängen schwer am Borten der Trägerin bis zum Rocksäum. Oft werden diese Bänder von

Stickerinnen gefertigt.

Unzählige gestickte, gekaufte, buntgeblümete Bänder, die unten mit Quasten und Trachtenbandschmuck versehen sind, werden am Borten befestigt oder mit einem Bändchen am Kopf der Trägerin festgebunden. Auch in Nordsiebenbürgen wird der schmale, hohe Borten mit einem Bändchen am Haupt festgebunden. Im Burzenland wird der Borten niederer getragen als in anderen Gebieten Siebenbürgens. Hier werden die goldbestickten hellen Bortenbänder von Berufsstickerinnen gefertigt und an einem Bändchen am Kopf befestigt.

In der Repser Gegend bewahrt man den Borten gelegentlich in einem bemalten Bortenlädchen auf, in Hahnbach in einer Spansschachtel, „äm Kopper“.

Zum letzten Mal trägt das Mädchen den Borten bei ihrer Hochzeit. Auf dem Heimweg nach der Trauung bespritzt man die Braut mit Wasser oder wirft Weizenkörner in den Borten (Fruchtbarkeits-Zauber, Botsch, Schweischer u.a.m.). Sitte und Brauch begleiten das Tragen des Bortens bis zu der endgültigen Abnahme an ihrem Hochzeitstag. Das Bortenabnehmen, -abtanzen ist ein von Ort zu Ort unterschiedlicher Hochzeitsbrauch. In der Repser Gegend wird der jungen Frau der Borten um Mitternacht abgenommen, dabei singen ihre Jugendgespielinnen und die Hochzeitsgäste das Lied „Schön ist die Jugend in frohen Zeiten“ oder „Lebt wohl, geliebte Eltern“ u.a.m. Stirbt ein konfirmiertes Mädchen, wird sie als Braut mit geschmücktem Brautborten beerdigt. Die Bortenbänder lässt man beidseitig der Bahre hängen. Alle Mädchen tragen als Zeichen der Trauer am Borten oder um den Kopf geschlungene schwarze Patierbänder (Repser Gegend).

Heute wird der siebenbürgisch-sächsische Borten in Siebenbürgen auch von anderen Ethnien stillschweigend getragen, etwa bei kulturellen Veranstaltungen oder um in evangelischen Kirchen konfirmiert zu werden. Hier, in der neuen Heimat, legt man den Borten als Vorzeigestück bei verschiedenen Trachtenveranstaltungen an, seltener bei der Konfirmation oder dem Kirchgang.

Rose Schmidt
SBZ Online
2. April 2010



Bortenlädchen aus Arke-den, 26 x 26 x 29 cm. Foto: Werner Förderreuther

† **Rev. Andreas Nagelbach**
1913-2010

Andrew Nagelbach was born on September 28, 1913, in the German speaking, Lutheran, Danube Swabian village of Liebling, Banat.

The Rev. Andreas Nagelbach studied Theology at universities in Riga, Latvia, Königsberg, East Prussia, then in Tübingen, Germany, and finally Berlin during the 1936 Olympics. He took his first position as a teacher at the Bishop Teutsch Gymnasium in Schässburg (Sigisoara), Transylvania. (Since the Reformation the Transylvanian Saxon Church has required everyone seeking a pastoral position to spend some years teaching.) He then served a vicarage in Timisoara, Banat, under the tutelage of Hungarian and Slovak pastors.

In 1939 he married Rose Schwenk with whom he had three children: Fred 1943, Michael 1950 and Veronika 1952.

His first congregation was back in Transylvania among the German speaking Saxons in the village of Wurmloch (now Valea Viilor, Romania) at an 800 year old fortress church that is now a UNESCO world heritage site. In 1941 at some risk he began underground work with a small group of Lutheran pastors attempting to prevent a Nazi takeover of the church schools.

As World War II gained momentum he took a call to the village of his birth, Liebling. Here he conducted 100 funerals



Rev. Andreas and Mrs. Nagelbach

during his first year.

After fleeing the advancing Red Army, he served refugees for the Austrian Lutheran church first in Lower Austria at Fürstenfeldbrück and then in Upper Austria in the Salzburg region. He came to the United States in 1946 and began his ministry in the Pittsburgh Synod serving parishes in Elwood City, PA, Tarentum, PA, and New Kensington, PA. Moving to the Chicago area to be closer to family, he served Honterus, Gary, Indiana (a Transylvanian Saxon congregation), and Tabor, Chicago, both in the Wartburg Synod. For one year in the late 60's he was chaplain at Pinecrest School in Ft. Lauderdale, Florida. Then in the LCA and ELCA he served Trinity, Warrenville, IL and St. Paul's, Chicago. He conducted German services at most of these congregations. At his death on Feb. 3, 2010, he was a member of Grace, Evanston, Illinois.

Submitted by Andy Schiller, Br. 9, Chicago



2010 Easter Coloring Contest
Honorable Mention:

Ages 3-4

Ryan Arkwright, Br. 30
Karley Gerst, Br. 22
Andrew Greger, Br. 1
Andrea Griffith, Br. 2
Ava Kolch, Br. 45
Olivia Lang, Br. 27
Andrew Lemanski, Br. 1
Payton Leunis, Br. 7
Jacob Malue, Br. 1
Kassandra Miller, Br. 19
Wyatt Modic, Br. 30
Charlotte Paal, Br. 27
Jack Pallo, Br. 30
Tyler Pecorella, Br. 2
Andrea Schuster, Br. 4
Danny Schuster, Br. 1
Olivia Showalter, Br. 22
Drew Sloan, Br. 30
Mara Smoot, Br. 4
Ian Stanton, Br. 19
Richard Turk, Br. 1

Ages 5-6

Tatum Albert, Br. 10
Brooke Bednarz, Br. 37
Ava Berry, Br. 45
Hannah Both, Br. 27
Grace Botsch, Br. 4
Spencer Brooks, Br. 26
Ethan Clark, Br. 30
Daniel Conklin, Br. 30
Haven Estabrook, Br. 45
Joelle Fabian, Br. 22
Katherine Fleming, Br. 22
Brooke Gerst, Br. 22
Olivia Greger, Br. 04
Ben Heindrichs, Br. 14
Thomas Henrich, Br. 7
Jackson Karlinchak, Br. 2
Maddie Malue, Br. 4
Savannah Spack, Br. 19
Casey Mauch, Br. 30
Macy Mc Conville, Br. 4
Erika Miller, Br. 19
Shane Modic, Br. 30
Zachary Pecorella, Br. 2
Lauren Reesman, Br. 22
Sam Richardson, Br. 1
Raven Scutella, Br. 2
Billy Sloan, Br. 30
George Turk, Br. 1
Emma Ulrich, Br. 19
Zoe Wynn, Br. 22
Grace Zgola, Br. 5

Ages 7-8

Megan Arkwright, Br. 22
Audrey Berry, Br. 45
Emely Best, Br. 19
Abigail Case, Br. 5
Grant Davis, Br. 30
Aurora Estabrook, Br. 45
Braedon Gilles, Br. 5
George Gillespie, Br. 1
Olivia Gillespie, Br. 4
Ava Izenour, Br. 00
Cassie Jordan, Br. 34
Tiffany Kaiser, Br. 2
Colin Klein, Br. 30
Tarquin Kolch, Br. 45
Emma Lemanski, Br. 4
Sarah Lohse, Br. 2
Thomas Malue, Br. 1
Logan Modic, Br. 30
Jillian Mott, Br. 22
Delaney Pallo, Br. 22
Heidi Partlow, Br. 22
David Oesch, Br. 19
Amanda Schmidt, Br. 9
Megan Schuster, Br. 4
Mario Scutella, III, Br. 2
Madison Showalter, Br. 22
Morgen Smoot, Br. 4
Brianna Tetzloff, Br. 40
Kiya Windham, Br. 5
Xander Wynn, Br. 30
Jennifer Zayac, Br. 4
Chloe Zgola, Br. 5

Ages 9-10

Trey Albert, Br. 10
Madisyn Best, Br. 19
Logan Clark, Br. 30
Jacob Collins, Br. 5
Corrin Erskine, Br. 22
Billie Fernengel, Br. 00
Adam Gottschick, Br. 1
Dakota Hrabowy, Br. 30
Johnah Hrabowy, Br. 22
Michael Izenour, Br. 00
Joseph Johaneck, Br. 9
Nathan Leunis, Br. 7
Paige Mauch, Br. 22
Adia Muntean, Br. 22
Maddie Nagy, Br. 34
Abby Partlow, Br. 22
Julie Radca, Br. 4
Abigail Richardson, Br. 4
Kathleen Schuster, Br. 4
Zachary Sine, Br. 30
Derek Sletvold, Br. 30

CHURCHES



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Warren, Michigan 48093
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www.stpeterswarren.or

10:00 Bilingual Service
Nursery School
Coffee following service.
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Pastor

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10:00 Sunday School

CONCORDIA CHORUS
YOUNGSTOWN
By Flora Pamer

Due to unforeseen circumstances, we had to cancel our April 17, 2010 "Night in Vienna" dinner concert. The extremely long and cold winter prevented us from attending regular rehearsals. In addition, recent sickness among our members prevented us from making the necessary pre-concert arrangements. We hope to keep our planned schedule later in the year and we look forward to again meet and greet our dear friends and patrons. We wish all our friends and patrons a happy and healthy spring and summer.

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80th Anniversary



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10:00 AM bilingual Church Service with
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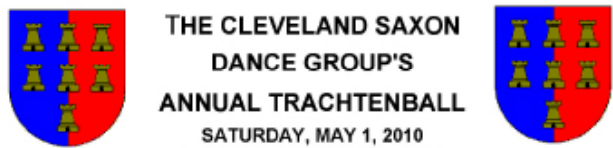
Carpathia Club at 1:00 PM

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❖ Cost: \$25.00 / adult \$10.00 / child,
under 3 years – free

❖ Reservation and payment due: Tuesday April 20th

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THE CLEVELAND SAXON DANCE GROUP'S ANNUAL TRACHTENBALL

SATURDAY, MAY 1, 2010
WESTSIDE SACHSENHEIM
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We will have assigned seating. Please indicate if you have a seating preference:

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Deadline for Reservation is Monday, April 26, 2010

Youngstown Saxon Club Honors Members

The Youngstown Saxon Club honored its Lady and Man of the Year at its 34th Annual Benefit Goulash Dinner held on March 27th. Kay Donna King was chosen by the Ladies' Society Branch 22 and Thomas W. Fizet, Sr. was chosen by the Mens' Lodge Branch 30. Presidents Bonnie J. Baker and Walter Benesch made the presentations.

Chosen "Mother of the Year"

in 2008, Katharine Madonna Holland Ring has served Branch 22 for the past ten years on numerous committees, the annual flea market and is a member of the Saxon Club Retirees. The gifted seamstress and avid reader along with her husband of 56 years, Tom, enjoy traveling as well as their seven children, twelve grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. The former assistant manager of the local



Honor Pin recipients: ATS President Manning, Darlene Nischwitz, Robert Nischwitz, Eileen Mauch and James Mauch



Lady and Man of the Year: Kay Ring, Branch 22 President Bonnie Baker, Branch 30 President Walter Benesch and Tom Fizet

BRANCH 30, YOUNGSTOWN By Tom Fizet

The next Branch 30 Pork Dinner will be on Sunday, April 18, 2010. Serving time will be 11:30 AM until 2:30 PM. Volunteer help is always welcome; talk to Jim Mauch.

The Saxon Club Golf League will have practice rounds on April 20 and 27, at Mahoning, 4:30 PM. Game play will be on May 4. New members are always welcome. This is a good time to meet and greet fellow golfers.

Follow the Fraternal Calendar and Branch 30 and 22 articles to keep posted. Try our special German food, and as usual, the "Best in Town" Prime Rib, at the Saxon Club on Saturday night.

The Branch 22 ladies have a fine afternoon set aside for mothers and daughters on Sunday April 25, 2010. If you don't have a mother or daughter, bring a relative or friend. For more information and a contact person call the office at 330-

792-7973.

Now with nice weather, the trustees will be tackling the job of Pot - Hole - Fixer. If you can offer some assistance on some repairs contact one of the trustees.

Pete Karsti is the chairman of the May Fest, with dinner and entertainment, dancers and band, Culture Group. Sponsored by Branch 30, this will be occurring on May 1, 2010. See Pete or check the Bulletin Boards for updated information.

Delegates have been appointed to the ATS Convention, on May 15 - 16, 2010 in Cleveland, Ohio. The host Branch 33 will be celebrating its 100th Anniversary. Congratulations for the diligent efforts to achieve this plateau, with your desire to do well in the future.

Sit back relax and pretend the Ed Sullivan show is here. Enjoy the evening with the Beatles here at the Saxon Club



40-year members L to R : David Stryffeler, James Huffman, Roger Fotiuk, William Hegedusich and Ed Vitikas

Minnesota Fabrics store is actively involved in TOPS--Take Off Pounds Sensibly", the Red Hat Society and the Altar Guild at St. Edward's.

Tom Fizet has been a Branch 30 member since 1977, having served as its corresponding secretary, chairman of the Restoration Committee, president and treasurer of the men's golf league and along with wife Dorothy are members of the Couples and Winter Bocce League. The 55-year Carpenters Local 171 member is also active in Grace Lutheran Church on its Property Committee and Men's Study Group. He is a former member of the Honerus Lutheran Church. Later this fall, the Fizets will celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary. They are the proud parents of three children, eleven grandchildren and 7 great-grandchildren. Last year, the Alliance of Transylvanian Saxons bestowed on Tom its highest honor, the Saxon Honor Pin for meritorious service to the club as well as the local community.

Branch 30 also recognized its 40-year members David Stryffeler, Roger Fotiuk, William Hegedusich, James Huffman, Ed Vitikas, George Briel,

Myron Probst, Alfred Klein, George Klein, Ronald Pentz, Ed Schuller, Friedrich Schuster, (Don Strange+) and John Winkle; 50-year members John Boehm, Jr., Martin Eberth III,



50-year members: Martin Eberth III, John Boehm, Jr., John Markel and Michael Markel

VIEL GLÜCK ZUM 90. GEBURTSTAG !



Maria Boehm as a young bride in Oberneudorf, Transylvania!

Friendships are one of the few things that improve with age. And when you're 90, your friendship circle has indeed widened, though some may be missing. On April 15th Maria Boehm turned 90 years young. A church social, to which she baked everything and a reception at the Youngstown Saxon Club will mark and honor this blessed occasion. Whenever one leaves her home she'll always say "Der Herr bahat Dich!", May the Lord go with you on your journey. So today, we simply say, "Der Herr bahat Dich, Marichi."

Submitted by
Dr. John Boehm, Jr.

COMMIT * PARTICIPATE

on May 15, 2010. The "Beatle Mania Magic" a tribute to the Beatles will be in the Ballroom. A buffet dinner will be served at 6:30, show time at 8:00 PM. A cash bar will be available. Mike Teutsch, Jr. has told me to keep you posted. Dinner and show will be \$30.00 per person or \$60.00 per couple. Call 330-792-7973. See Mike Teutsch, Sr. for tickets.

Rich Maurer and John Boehm Jr. are doing better since knee surgery. Others on Branch 30 sick list are Jim Buchman, Chris Ludt, Bob Klein. Get well soon guys.

Heimattag takes place in Erie, June 25 - 27, 2010. A band from Austria will be there. They will be with us in Youngstown for a concert on Monday June 28, and there will be food and drink available at the concert. Always check the bulletin board and elsewhere in the *Volksblatt*. Contact Walter Benesch for information.

Donald Strange, 77, died

on March 31, 2010. Don was an Honor member of Branch 30. He was a self employed truck driver for more than 50 years and lived in Austintown. He leaves his wife of 53 years, Myrna, and two sons.

The afternoon Bocce will kick off (roll-off) on Monday May 10, 2010 at noon. (All games will be on Monday at 12:00 noon). Tom has posted a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board. Call or see Tom Varley 330-799-5563 or 330-565-0745.

Call me at 330-792-7249 or email at twfizet@zoominternet.net So goes the News.

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Dr. Thomas Arnold Bennett

Whoever I am, or whatever I am doing, some kind of excellence is within my reach.

John Gardner

BRANCH 19, SALEM
By Robert P. Vogt, Sr.

The Easter Egg Hunt was held April 3. Thanks to Br. 18 for again putting on this event for the children. Thirty-six children were in attendance.

The Salem Saxon Club is looking to build an additional storage area on to the main club house. Br. 19 is asking for donations so that we may complete this project in the near future. No donation is too large or too small. Questions and or donations may be directed towards our president, George Spack, or our trustees Sam McKinney

or Rudy Maroscher.

The Salem Saxon Club is planning to hold a "Garage" Sale May 19 and 20. Anyone interested in renting table space or donating items to be sold may contact the trustees of Branches 18 or 19 for information.

Help is needed for the breakfast on the 17th of April and for Spring Clean-up on April 17th and April 24th.

Here's a reminder of upcoming events for the Salem Saxon Club.

April

17	Breakfast	7:00 – 10:00 a.m.
	Spring Clean-up (CH)	10:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
24	Spring Clean-up (CC)	9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
	Peanut Night	8:00 p.m. -
29	Br. 19 Officer's Mtg	7:30 p.m.

May

3	Br. 19 Trustees Audit	6:30 p.m.
	Br. 19 Meeting	7:30 p.m.
5	Saxon Retirees	11:30 a.m.
7	30 Week Drawing	6:00 p.m.
10	Br. 18 Meeting	7:30 p.m.
15	Breakfast	7:00 – 10:00 a.m.
19-20	Saxon Club Garage Sale	9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
29	Peanut Night	8:00 p.m. - ?

Bis zum nächstenmal!



Br 18/19 Easter Egg Hunt Prize winners pictured with the Easter Bunny Arden Bartholow with Mr. Bartholow, Vanessa Reilly, and Maverik Spack with Grandpa Spack.

Staying Well

Part-time smokers need a new strategy to quit

Because smoking isn't allowed in many workplaces, bars and restaurants, and often people don't allow it in their homes, many smokers have quit, or almost quit. The high price of cigarettes is another factor.

But some quitters still light up on occasion. They do it for emotional reasons, anger management or because they are feeling depressed or anxious. A Harvard Medical School study shows that 44 percent of smokers suffer from symptoms including depression, anxiety or both.

Some quitters smoke only in social situations where others are smoking, or they reward themselves when they want to unwind. Others smoke instead of snacking so they can be thin. And still others claim to have quit, but hide their smoking from family and friends.

The health risks are still huge. Just three cigarettes a day can increase the likelihood of a heart attack or stroke.

There are plenty of tips on how to quit, but learning to live without cigarettes can be harder than quitting itself, say the experts.

That's why the more you can understand your own behavior and find other means of coping, the more successful you'll be in the long run.

Low-calorie sweeteners for cooking

Some sweeteners work fine for popping into your coffee or sweetening cold cereal, but they lose their sweetening power when exposed to the heat of cooking. These include Equal and Nutrasweet, which are made with aspartame and, to a certain extent, Sweet'N Low made with saccharin.

Sweeteners made with sucralose hold their sweetening power when used in cookies, cakes and the like. They include Splenda, Nevella and Natrataste Gold, according to Environmental Nutrition.

Those made with stevia also work for cooking and include Purevia, Stevia in the Raw, Sweet-leaf and Truvia.



Branch 37 President Susi Fleischer presenting 25 Year Life Certificate to Jean Fisher

BRANCH 37, DETROIT
By Susi Fleischer

It was a pleasure to see so many friends and members participating in Br. 37's 97th Anniversary Celebration. George Schemmel, Sr. said grace before everyone enjoyed a delicious meal prepared by the Carpathia cooks.

A short program followed beginning with Pres. Fleischer greeting all the guests and members. Thanked the officers for a job well done, especially Debbie Ferguson our new 1st

Vice President, as well as all the members who helped in making this celebration an enjoyable evening. Susi Fleischer presented a brief history of Br. 37's founding on February 23, 1913 and honoring all the departed members that we lost during the past year.

Pres. Susi Fleischer presented a 25 Year Life Certificate to Jean Fisher. The second member who attained the 25 Year Life status was Anita Weiss but was not able to attend the function. Congratulations to these two members for being faithful to Branch 37 for all these years and hope to continue seeing you at our functions.

The program was closed by singing "Siebenbuergen".

The Vagabonds provided the music for our entertainment and dancing.

Thank you to all the members who provided prizes for the raffle, that is always a fun part of the evening, especially for those who go home with a prize.

The evening ended on a happy note and I hope to see all of you at our next scheduled meeting, Sunday, April 25, 2010 at 3:00 p.m. at St. Peter's Lutheran Church.

God's blessings to all of you.



Group picture of Detroit members in Tracht: Samuel Fleischer, George Breckner, Kurt Fleischer, John Fleischer, Susanna Fleischer, Katharina Breckner, in front: Kurt Fleischer, Hannah Fleischer and Sammy Fleischer

**SALEM BRANCHES
18 & 19
May Garage Sale**

The Salem Saxon Clubs are hosting a two-day garage sale. The sale dates are the 19th & 20th of May.

It will be a fundraiser for our scholarship fund awards. The members are asked to donate the items they never threw away. We all have a garage, attic, or basement with good items that didn't get thrown away. For each item donated the individual will receive a signed receipt with a fair market value stated. The donor has a receipt to use as 100% tax deductible.

Rental tables can be purchased and will be located in the dance hall. All other items will be located outside or on the picnic table area inside, whichever works best. Certain items at this time not wanted are clothing, shoes, bedding and couches. When in doubt, call and ask.

All items donated for the sale should be on location a couple of days before the sale. Each item will be numbered and tagged with a suggested sale price.

We look to have fun with the first Salem Saxon Garage Sale. We will need help so as this develops we'll keep in touch. If you wish to work on the committee as an early bird, please call the club. You will be appreciated. Any questions, again call the club or others listed, and we will get back to you. Salem Saxon Club 330-222-1770, Club Caretaker 330-222-1604 or Marilyn McNutt 330-337-8940.



Picture of the members and guests at the Detroit 97th Anniversary Celebration

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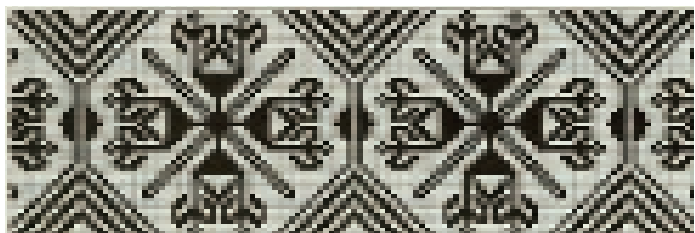
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SAXON HANDICRAFT EXHIBIT

A highlight of the ATS Convention is the Annual Saxon Handicraft Exhibit. The Exhibit this year will be held at the Hilton Garden Inn, where the ATS Convention will meet on May 15 - 16, 2010.

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 open Saturday morning (May 15th) for delivery and set up of display items. All items must be picked up Sunday morning (May 16th) prior to the start of the Sunday Convention session.

Send your entry blank for the Saxon Handicraft Exhibit to:
Kathy Schneider
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 Mantua, OH 44255
 (330) 562-6448

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.

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|-----------------|----------------|
| 1. Ceramics | 6. Needlepoint |
| 2. Crewel | 7. Quilting |
| 3. Crocheting | 8. Paintings |
| 4. Cross Stitch | 9. Photography |
| 5. Knitting | 10. Open Class |

Junior Category (Ages 13 & under) – Open Class

AGREEMENT

I agree to be responsible for the delivery, display and pick up of these items at my own risk, and hold the Alliance of Transylvanian Saxons and Branch 33 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 _____

102nd ATS NATIONAL CONVENTION May 15 & 16, 2010

at the Hilton Garden Inn 700 Beta Drive Mayfield Village, OH 44143

Hosted by ATS Branch 33



Celebrating its 100th Anniversary

Convention Schedule

Saturday		Sunday	
Registration	9:00-10:00 AM	Convention Resumes	9:30 AM
Convention Opens	10:00 AM	Lunch Recess or Close	Noon – 1:15 PM
Lunch Recess	Noon-1:15 PM	Convention Resumes (if necessary)	1:30 PM
Convention Resumes	1:30 PM	Contacts:	
Convention Recess	3:30 PM	George T. Schneider	1035 Pennfield Road
		Cleveland Hts., OH 44121-1410	Home: (216) 382-8657 Email: dpsgts@ameritech.net
Saturday Evening		Fred Krestel	11655 Colburn Road
Cocktails (Cash Bar)	6:00-6:30 PM	Chardon, OH 44024-8722	Home: (440) 639-1775 Cell: (440) 666-6761
Dinner	6:30-7:30 PM		Email: fkrestel@roadrunner.com
Program & Dance	7:30 – 11:00 PM		
		Music by:	
		Hans Schobel & The Bervagabunden	

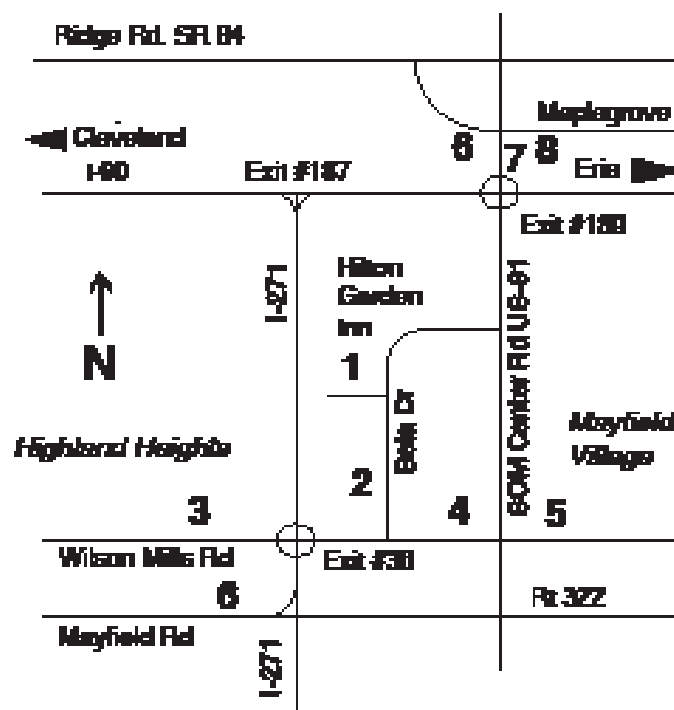
Reservations Deadline by May 1, 2010

1. Hilton Garden Inn
 700 Beta Drive, Mayfield Village, OH 44143
 (440) 646-1777 Fax: (440) 646-1787
 Website: www.mayfieldvillage.hgi.com
 \$80.00 + 15% tax
 (mention ATS Convention)

2. Holiday Inn
 780 Beta Drive, Mayfield Village, OH 44143
 (440) 461-9200 Fax: (440) 461-7564
 Website: www.himayfield.com
 \$129 + 15% tax or
 \$117 tax included non-refundable

3. Denny's Restaurant
4. Austin's Steak House
5. Yours Truly Restaurant
6. Bob Evans
7. Cracker Barrel

8. Motel 6
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 440-975-9922
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 \$45.99 + 13% tax
 (Five miles to convention hall on the Freeway)



FOR CONVENTION CONSIDERATION

RECOMMENDED CHANGES TO THE ATS CONSTITUTION

The Alliance of Transylvanian Saxons' Board of Directors proposes the following changes to the ATS Constitution for convention consideration. The proposed changes are based on recommendations from the Ohio Department of Insurance. The proposed change to Article VIII, Section 5 concerning the nominations for officers would be effective starting with 2012 election.

PROPOSED CHANGES:

Article VII—Officers, Section 3

Currently reads: The Board of Directors shall appoint or hire a Legal Advisor, a Chief Medical Examiner, and staff personnel.

Proposed change: The Board of Directors shall appoint or hire a Legal Advisor, a Chief Medical Examiner, and staff personnel as needed.

Convention Menu at Hilton Garden Inn

Continental Breakfast – Complimentary of Branch 33
 Coffee – Tea – Orange Juice – Breakfast Bakeries

Saturday Name _____

Lunch – Buffet # of Lunches _____
 Mixed Green Salad
 Tortellini Salad, Sliced Fresh Fruit
 Sliced Roast Beef, Turkey, Ham & Salami
 Assorted Cheeses, Breads and condiments
 Chef's Choice Dessert
\$24 Tip & Tax Included

Saturday Banquet # of Dinners _____
 Plated Dinner
 Boneless chicken breast herb crusted
 sautéed with garlic butter sauce
 Choice of house or Caesar salad
 Fresh seasonal vegetables and starch
 Warm rolls and butter
\$31.00 Tip & Tax included
 or
 Broiled Filet of Salmon
 served in a lemon cream sauce
 (vegetables & salad same)
\$39.60 Tip & Tax included

Sunday
Lunch Buffet # of Lunches _____
 Sliced Roast Beef in Mushroom Sauce
 Roasted Herb Chicken Breast
 Pasta Primavera with Garden Vegetables
 Chef's Choice Season Vegetables
 Chef's Choice Dessert
\$25.00

Reservation Deadline by May 1, 2010
 Please make checks payable to ATS Br. 33

Mail to: Michael Thellmann, 604 Pendley Rd.,
 Willowick, OH 44095-4227
 Guests: Please indicate your seating preference
 at the Saturday Banquet.
 Tickets will be picked up at the door.



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**PROPOSED CONSTITUTION CHANGES
FOR CONVENTION CONSIDERATION**

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Article VIII-Election of Officers, Section 5

Currently reads: A nominee for election to Office must be of Transylvanian Saxon or German birth or a descendant thereof, must be an ATS member in good standing for the past three years; must be an American citizen and must be present as a Delegate at the Convention in which he/she is being nominated. Incumbent ATS Officers are eligible for re-election and, if not present at the Convention, must send in writing a "consent to be nominated."

Proposed change: A Branch nominating committee must make nominations in writing to the Alliance Board of Directors 60 days prior to the date of the National Convention. The nomination must include a short description of the candidate's background and qualifications, and written permission from the candidate to let his or her name stand for election. The candidate must be elected as a delegate and must attend the Convention. When the nomination date has passed, the Board of Directors will provide the Alliance Branches with the list of nominees and their qualifications. Incumbent Officers of the Alliance are eligible for re-election and, if not present at the Convention, must send in writing a "consent to be nominated"

A nominee for election to Office must meet the following:

- 1) Be of Transylvanian Saxon or German birth, or a descendant thereof
- 2) Be an American citizen
- 3) Be a member of the Alliance in good standing for the past 3 years
- 4) Possess general knowledge of the fraternal benefit system and the fraternal workings of the Alliance.
- 5) Have served as a Delegate to at least one previous National Convention
- 6) Be willing to complete continuing education as designated by the Board of Directors of the Alliance
- 7) Have the willingness and commitment to devote the necessary time to fulfill the duties of office
- 8) Not be a current Officer in another fraternal benefit society

Article IX – Duties of Officers, Section 1 (e)

Currently reads: The President, in addition to the Secretary and the Treasurer, shall sign all minutes, documents, money orders, and other legal instruments or documents as required.

Proposed change: The President may sign contracts, other legal instruments or documents, which the Board of Directors has authorized to be executed and which require the signature of the National President to

authenticate. The President, Treasurer and Office Manager shall affix their signature to all Alliance disbursement checks. The President shall approve disbursements of the funds of the Society or designate the officer or officers who may approve such disbursements.

Article IX – Duties of Officers, Section 1 (f)

Currently reads: The President shall have full knowledge of all matters pertaining to the operation and activities of the Alliance Office. He shall supervise the activities of all members of the Board of Directors as may be necessary to maintain the proper conduct of the Alliance business.

Proposed change: The President shall have full knowledge of all matters pertaining to the operation and activities of the Alliance Office. He shall supervise the activities of all members of the Board of Directors as may be necessary to maintain the proper conduct of the Alliance business and review monthly financial documents as appropriate.

Article IX – Duties of Officers, Section 4

Currently reads: The Secretary shall record all the minutes of all Conventions and Board of Directors' Meetings. The Secretary shall be responsible for reporting all membership statistics to the Board of Directors and the Convention.

Proposed change: The Secretary shall record and sign all the minutes of all Conventions and Board of Directors' Meetings. The Secretary may sign contracts, other legal documents or documents which require the signature of the Secretary to authenticate. The Secretary shall be responsible for reporting all membership statistics to the Board of Directors and the Convention.

Article IX – Duties of Officers Section 5

Currently reads: The Treasurer shall be responsible for reporting all financial statistics to the Board of Directors and the Convention.

Proposed change: The Treasurer shall be responsible for reporting all financial statistics to the Board of Directors and the Convention. The Treasurer shall serve as the chairperson to the annual audit of the Board of Directors and shall recommend to the Board of Directors the appointment of the independent auditor. The Treasurer shall review the monthly cash receipts and cash disbursements records of the Alliance.

Article X – Board of Directors, Section 10 (e)

Currently reads: Maintain accurate financial records covering all receipts and expenditures

A CORDIAL INVITATION



**Celebration Dinner Dance
Hilton Garden Inn
700 Beta Drive Mayfield Village, OH 44143**

Saturday, May 15, 2010

Cocktails (Cash Bar) 6:00-6:30 p.m.

Dinner 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Program & Dance 7:30-11:00 p.m.

Music by Hans Schobel & the Bergvagabunden

Saturday Banquet Plated Dinner

Boneless chicken breast # of Dinners _____
herb crusted sautéed Amount _____
with garlic butter sauce

Choice of house or Caesar salad
Fresh seasonal vegetables and starch
Warm rolls and butter
\$31.00 Tip & Tax included

or
Broiled Filet of Salmon # of Dinners _____
served in a lemon cream sauce Amount _____
(vegetables & salad same)
\$39.60 Tip & Tax included

Reservation Deadline by May 1, 2010

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604 Pendley Rd., Willowick, OH 44095-4227

including a monthly account of all bank deposits and balances.

Proposed change: Maintain accurate financial records covering all receipts and expenditures that have been reviewed by the Treasurer and a monthly reconciliation of bank accounts that have been reviewed by the President.

Article X – Section 10 (h)

Proposed addition: The Alliance Office Manager will be the Financial Officer authorized to purchase and sell securities as approved by the Alliance Board of Directors; to sign all checks, money orders, to open new broker or bank accounts as approved by the President, and Treasurer.

Trivia Quiz: Diamond's are a Girl's Best Friend

April's birthstone, the diamond, has been beloved for centuries around the world. You see them everywhere; but how much do you really know about these sparkly stones? Test your gem knowledge with this trivia quiz.

1. Although diamonds have been around for millions of years, it is believed they were first discovered by man over 5000 years ago. Where were they first found?
2. Diamonds are found on most engagement rings. What is the stone supposed to symbolize?
3. A diamond can only be cut by what?
4. How much is a carat?
5. The largest uncut diamond on display today is at the Smithsonian. How many carats is it?
6. How old are most diamonds?
7. Diamonds with very strong colors are rare and are called this.
8. What is the largest cut diamond?
9. What are diamonds made from?
10. How much ore must be mined to produce a single one-carat polished, gem quality diamond?

Answers



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.

Arthur G. Hopkins
Age 82
Died: April 1, 2010
Branch 2, Erie PA

Catherine Dyer
Age 92
Died: April 1, 2010
Branch 22, Youngstown OH

Elsie Konrad Dey

The loving memory of longtime Saxon family member, Elsie Konrad Dey, will be forever implanted in our hearts. Elsie was the sole remaining and youngest child of Michael and Rosina Konrad of the Cleveland Saxon East Branches, sister of Helen Konrad Sherwood and brother, Herman Michael Konrad, both deceased.

Elsie passed away on March 18th at age 91 at the Carrington Care Center, a nursing home in Ashtabula, Ohio, where she had resided for the past seven years. She is survived by her only child, Carol Lynn Dey of Endicott, New York; her nieces Susan G. Sherwood of Long Island, New York, and Dorothy J. Konrad of Columbus, Ohio; and nephew Michael L. Konrad of Dallas, Texas. Her nephew, Rober E. Konrad of Columbus, preceded her in death in 2007.

A beautiful memorial service for Elsie was held at Messiah Lutheran Church in Ashtabula on Monday, March 22nd, where so many old and dear friends gathered to bid her farewell and to share years of many "happy Elsie memories." Following the service, family and friends drove to Lakeview Cemetery in Cleveland where she was laid to rest; it was her heart's desire to rest near her parents and sister for eternity.

We will never forget her smiles, her joking sense of humor, her innate sense of joy, and her great depth of kindness that touched everyone who crossed her path.

Submitted by Susan Sherwood

**The lighter side ...
of serious stuff**

Inner Strength

If you wake up without caffeine,
If you are always cheerful, ignoring aches and pains,
If you can resist complaining and boring people with your troubles,
If you understand when your loved ones don't have time for you,
If you can take criticism and blame without resentment,
If you can resist treating a rich friend better than a poor friend,
If you can conquer tension without medical help,
If you can go to sleep without a pill,
Then you are the family dog.

PotPourri

Your Horoscope

April 2010

ARIES: Take a walk! The stars are not asking you to leave, they really do want you to take a walk in order to improve your health. April is a great month for walking and outdoor sports. Attack your health challenge.

TAURUS: You're the go-to guy at work. Sometimes it feels great. At other times, it feels like a bother or burden. But leadership comes in many forms. This one is yours.

GEMINI: Your financial plans are progressing. As you save, big temptations come your way. Don't blow it now. Stand back when the temptation to spend more descends upon you. Ask "Do I really need this?"

CANCER: Travel bargains seem to be everywhere and your urge to go is strong. The problem is finding someone who can afford to go along. Keep looking for someone with similar interests and some cash.

LEO: Keep in touch with people who are important to you, because they're part of who you are. At the same time, don't turn your back on someone who could be an interesting addition to your circle.

VIRGO: You could be called upon this month to practice your role as a peacemaker and healer. It's OK to step in and help others settle their differences, be it in your workplace or extended family. Your charm helps.

LIBRA: Be wary of the full moon on April 28. Whether they realize it or not, some people go a little crazy with the full moon. So if your partner, co-workers or waitresses do it, give them a little slack.

SCORPIO: You don't have to wear brass knuckles to prove you are tough. Holding strong to your principles is a better way. It shows you can't

be led astray by people who might be slightly lacking in ethics.

SAGITTARIUS: No one can tell what the future holds, and that future could be right around the corner. This is a good time to tell yourself that you will be able to handle any surprise that comes your way. You can.

CAPRICORN: Your good communication skills will come into play before long. They will be vital in gaining support for

your plan at home or at work. People will support you if they know why they should.

AQUARIUS: Hold it, Aquarian! Are you sure that your way is the best way, or are you making a mountain out of a mole hill? Remember that in any situation, you have to decide whether the issue is worth the fight.

PISCES: There's someone who is in need of the best you can give right now. It's your boss. Think about what you can do to provide support, which could mean backing an idea or coming up with a creative new one.

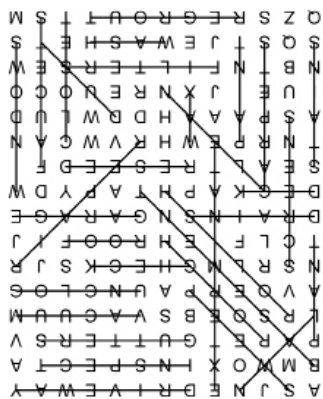
Spring Cleaning

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Easy Ways to LOSE WEIGHT Without Even Trying

The key to losing weight is to either cut calorie intake or increase calorie burning exercise. It can be a challenge to do either, but there are some simple things you can do each day that will help. These tips are easy and let you drop the pounds without a lot of effort.

1. Increase the intensity of your everyday movements. Whether you are walking the dog, doing housework, or just walking around your office, you can make each movement count. Walk a bit quicker than you normally do, take the stairs, or turn on some music while you move. Increasing the number of steps you take and the amount of upper body movement you do will increase your body's ability to burn calories.
2. Eat more, but smaller, meals. There have been many studies that show that eating meals around 400 to 500 calories spaced throughout the day is healthier for you. This strategy has been linked to greater calorie burning after meals, a better response to insulin, and lower fasting blood cholesterol levels. It also maintains your hunger levels and keeps you from binge eating because you are very hungry.
3. Increase your small movements. Researchers have found that people who fidget, tap their feet, prefer standing to sitting, and generally move around more burn up to 350 more

- calories a day than those who sit still. These small movements over the course of a day help to increase your body's metabolic rate, thus burning more calories.
4. Everyone knows that you should drink eight glasses of water a day. It is good for your body. But did you know that it can also increase your metabolism? Researchers have found that drinking two 8-ounce glasses of cold water increases your metabolic rate by 30 percent. This comes from the body warming the water and then working to absorb it. The best time to drink water is before meals and snacks and during exercise.
5. Increasing fiber at each meal can help you feel fuller. People who eat 13 grams or less of fiber are five times as likely to be overweight as those who take in more fiber. Fiber rich foods require more chewing, speed the passage of food through the digestive tract, and boost the hormones that control appetite. Fruits, vegetables, beans, and whole grains are great sources of fiber.

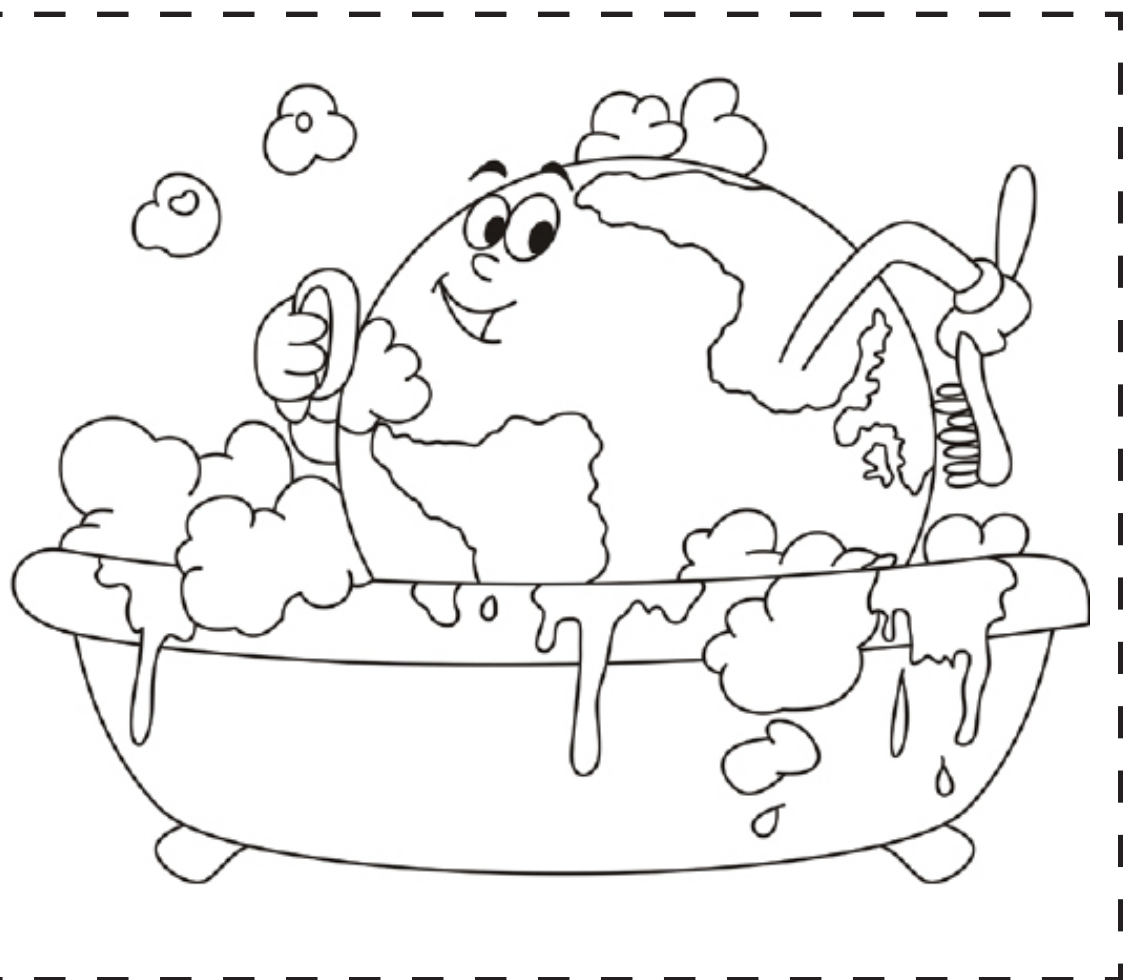
CELEBRATE EARTH DAY - APRIL 22

Earth Day reminds us we all share the same planet. Sharing Earth means taking responsibility for what we use and how we use it. Protecting our Earth is every's person's and every country's responsibility. There are many different things each of us can do to help protect animals, plants, keep Earth clean and fix damage that has been done.

RETHINK, REDUCE, REUSE, RECYCLE

The best thing any of us can do for the environment is to rethink the way we use things and to use less. The fewer resources and products we use, the less stuff there is to throw away and recycle. Did you know that recycled aluminum cans can be back on the shelf as new cans in as little as six weeks. The energy saved from recycling one aluminum can will run a television or a computer for three hours!

The ATS Youth Activities Committee want our Junior Members to know that their actions are important and can make a difference in protecting our Earth. We are asking our Junior Members to color the following picture to show their support of *Earth Day Every Day* and mail it to the ATS Home Office, 5393 Pearl Road, Cleveland, OH 44129 to receive an Earth Day gift. Please include name, address, Branch Number, Certificate Number.





**Siebenbürger Sachsen
Sängerbund**

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\$14.00 per copy (postpaid)

Flucht aus Siebenbürgen by Monika Görig/Maria Schneider
Memoirs of Maria Schneider written in German describing her
family's hardships when they had to flee from their home in
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Saxons Through Seventeen Centuries, author Rev. John Foisel
A paperback which provides a romantic account of the customs
and phases of intellectual development of the Transylvanian
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DVD - "Leaving Transylvania" producer/director Dieter Auner
A documentary on an elderly Saxon couple from Arbegen that
had chosen to stay in Transylvania during the massive exodus of
Saxons in the 1990's and now after a decade of loneliness and
disorientation is faced with abandoning their home and emigrat-
ing to Germany to be with family.
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**Note: All books have English Text. Proceeds from book
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SS# _____ Date of Birth _____

Name _____

Old Street Address was _____

City/State/Zip _____

New Street _____

City/State/Zip _____

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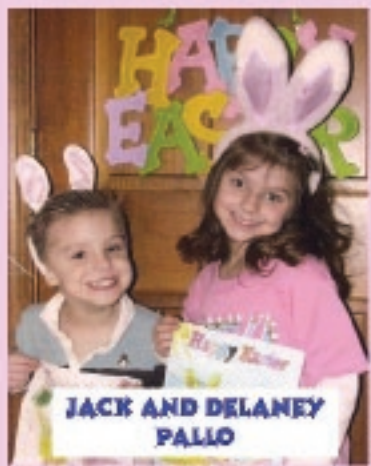
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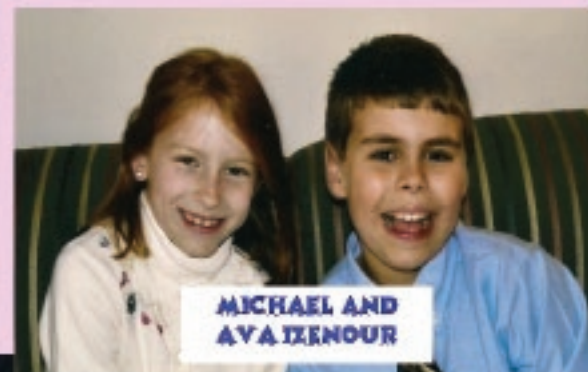
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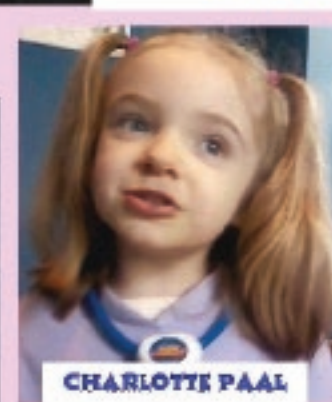
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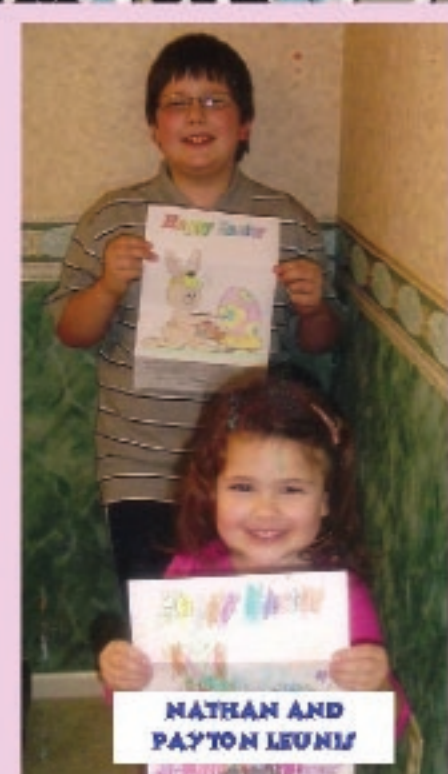
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