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Issue 10

ATS 102nd CONVENTION MAY 15 – MAY 16, 2010

HOST: BRANCH 33 CLEVELAND EAST
CELEBRATING THEIR 100TH ANNIVERSARY

THE CONVENTION DELEGATES

BR. 1 CLEVELAND WEST

Adolf Fischer
Hanz Hermann
Jakob Zimmer
Andreas Gross
Michael Salmen
Hans Botsch

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Thomas J. Manning
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Charlene Manning
George J. Cook
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Richard J. Wolfe, Sr.
Leona K. Wolfe

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BR. 4 CLEVELAND WEST

Rosemarie Zimmer
Donna Jankow
Stephanie Miller-Hanek
Patty Cunningham
Maria Fischer
Erika Botsch
Christa Herbert
Alt. Marie Seiler

BR. 5 LORAIN

George H. Schneider
Brian Gilles
Alt. Jerome M. Powell

BR. 7 FARRELL

Bertha Chec
Elizabeth Holmes
Betty J. Krafft
Alt. Dorothy Schmidt

BR. 8 ALLIANCE

Helen Aeling
Denise Aeling Crawford

BR. 9 CHICAGO

Georg Thut, Jr.
Diethild Thut
Andreas Mueller
Hilde PZR Mueller

THE CONVENTION SCHEDULE HILTON GARDEN INN

700 Beta Drive Mayfield Village, Ohio 44143

Friday, May 14

2:00 PM Board of Directors Meeting
Hilton Garden Inn

Saturday, May 15

9:00 AM Delegate Registration
10:00 AM Convention Opens
12:00 Noon Lunch
1:30 PM Convention Resumes
3:30 PM Recess for the Day
6:00 PM Cocktails (Cash Bar)
6:30 PM Dinner
7:30 PM Anniversary Program – Dance

Sunday, May 16

9:30 AM Convention
Reconvenes
12:00 Noon Lunch
1:30 PM Convention
Resumes
(if necessary)

Music by: Hans Schobel & the Bervagabunden

BR. 10 COLUMBUS

Richard Kautz
Hilda Kautz

BR. 11 LORAIN

Monica F. Gilles
Sharron Powell
Alt. Nancy Kranstuber

BR. 14 CANTON

BR. 17 CANTON

BR. 18 SALEM

Marilyn McNutt
Walburga Spack
Barbara Brayn
Florence Spack
Catherine Sanor
Darlene Sanor

BR. 19 SALEM

George R. Spack, Sr.
Henry A. Spack
Glenn Spack

BR. 22 YOUNGSTOWN

Bonnie Baker
Marianne Sawicki
Teresa Stryffeler
Sofia Froom
Helen Fotiuk
Fran Hinerman
Virginia Williams
Eileen Mauch
Eva Karsti
Maria Bachinger
Rosemarie Kascher
Sara Deutschlander
Alt. Martha Konrad

BR. 25 NEW CASTLE

Daniel Both
Tom Wellman
Alt. Steve Kaplin

BR. 26 MERRILLVILLE

Robert P. Guip
Randall B. Floyd
Alt. Jimm W. Smith

BR. 27 NEW CASTLE

Edith B. Hartfelder
Marie A. Benedict
Patricia Both
Alt. Dolores LeComte

BR. 29 MONACA

BR. 30 YOUNGSTOWN

Walter Benesch
John Bachinger
James Mauch
Bill Karako
Ernie Roth
Martin Eberth, III
Roger Fotiuk
David Stryffeler
Richard Maurer

BR. 32 ELLWOOD CITY

BR. 33 CLEVELAND EAST

George T. Schneider
Fred Krestel
Dolf Litschel
Jeff Krestel
Alt. Michael Thellmann

BR. 34 CLEVELAND EAST

Margaret Schmidt
Barbara Hum
Ingeborg Krestel
Ema Litschel
Alt. Karyn Schmidt

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Thomas J. Manning
ATS Nat'l President

I look forward to our ATS Convention which will be held on May 15th and 16th and hosted by Cleveland East, Branch 33. I know that the Branch members and our Home Office staff are working very diligently to assure that the convention is most informative and enjoyable for all of the delegates and guests. Many issues will be discussed and voted upon. Scholarship grants will be awarded and Branch Sharing awards will be distributed. Of course, we will have the election of officers. Results of the Convention will be published in a future issue of the *Volksblatt*.

There is still a short time before the May 26 deadline for the 2010 Heimattag reservations. It will be hosted by Branch 2, Erie, PA. I hope you have already planned on spending that weekend with us. It is always a pleasure to see our Saxon culture groups perform. This year we have groups from the United States, Canada, and Munderfing, Austria. The Heimattag events will be held on June 25, 26, and 27th.

We are happy for the pleasantly warm temperatures, the spring flowers that are blooming, the green, green grass that is growing very quickly, and the fact that summer will soon be coming. Many of the local Branches will be having their annual picnics and social events. Also, our ATS Committee has scheduled a number of events for this summer and fall. All of them are published in the Fraternal Calendar in the *Volksblatt*. Please check them out and mark your calendar for the event. Why not join in the Saxon pride and Gemuetlichkeit!

This little story is amusing. I hope you enjoy it as much as I did. One Sunday morning, the Pastor noticed little Alex standing in the foyer of the church staring up at a large plaque. It was covered with names and small American flags mounted on either side of it. The six-year old had been staring at the plaque for some time, so the Pastor walked up, stood beside the little boy, and said quietly, "Good Morning, Alex." "Good Morning, Pastor," he replied, still focused on the plaque. "Pastor, what is this?" The Pastor said, "Well, son, it's a memorial to all the young men and women who died in the service." Soberly, they just stood together, staring at the large plaque. Finally, little Alex's voice barely audible and trembling with fear asked, "Which service, the 8:30 or the 10:30?"

Quote of the day: "Opportunity is missed by most people because it is dressed in overalls and looks like work." Other people get all the breaks, don't they? Or so we tell ourselves. While it is true that sometimes others really do get a break, we could do a lot more to create our own breaks if we really wanted to. Did we skip an opportunity to get some training because it was scheduled after work hours? Did we pass up a chance to try something new because we were nervous about whether we could do it? Maybe it is time to roll up our sleeves and work harder or longer. How can I create my own opportunity--at work or in my personal life? What steps do I need to take?

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

BR. 37 DETROIT

Susanna Fleischer
George Schemmel, Sr.
Samuel Klein
Alt. Trudy Klein

BR. 40 MERRILLVILLE

Brigitte Floyd
Alt. Linda Smith

BR. 45 ELLWOOD CITY

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

Representing Branch 19 at the 2010ATS Convention is our President, George Spack, our 1st Vice President, Henry Spack and our 2nd Vice President, Glenn Spack. Congratulations and thank you.

The spring Sausage Sale was held April 10th. Thanks to Brother Sam McKinney and those who helped with the event.

Spring clean-up at the club was held April 17th and 24th. Thanks to the small group that showed up to help. Thanks also to Carol McKinney for treating the workers to a nice lunch.

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 Br. 19 Trustee Rudy Maroscher. Help is needed for this event.

Help is also needed for the breakfast on the 15th of May. With some of the workers going as delegates to the convention this weekend, additional help is needed.

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

May

15 Breakfast 7 – 10 a.m.

19-20 Saxon Club Garage

Sale 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

29 Peanut Night 8 p.m. - ?

June

2 Saxon Retirees 11:30 a.m.

3 Br. 19 Officer's Mtg.

7:30 p.m.

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

11 Joint Social Dinner

6:30 p.m.

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

19 Breakfast 7– 10 a.m.

Peanut Night 8:00 p.m. - ?

Bis zum nächstenmal.

News From Home

New:Very slow cookers

If you aren't in a hurry for dinner and consider yourself to be something of a gourmet, you might try sous vide (pronounced soo-veed) cooking. It provides the steady heat of poaching with an airtight seal. Experts say sous vide is moving from avant-garde to the countertop.

The middle-price Sous-Vide Supreme (by Poly-Science) machine costs \$450. It's the size of a small microwave oven and was shown at the 2010 International Home and Housewares Show in Chicago.

In sous vide cooking, the food literally stews in its own juices and with no air, no water, no evaporation.

Typical cooking times are eight hours for chicken breast, 24 hours for steak that comes out pink, juicy and rare, and 36 hours for short ribs.



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MARILYN MCNUTT

**SALEM SCHOLARSHIP
GARAGE SALE UNDERWAY**

Our Ladies (Branch 18) will be offering food and soft beverages for sale. We plan to keep informing and updating the Sale's progress til May 19th.

Several items have already been brought in, plus many other items promised. These items are computers, monitors, printers, a computer desk, and hardware for computers. Additional items include an outside garage and house light set, rototiller, electric grass edger, and a chain saw. From our very own club attic are such

items as amber water glasses, oil burning candles, six coffee crafts, an old cash box, food juicer, and an old bingo set. These items will be sold from the inside tables.

The Alliance Saxons have rented five tables and we appreciate their helping us to make this sale a success.

A reminder, that what you donate to the Scholarship Sale is 100% tax deductible at fair market value.

Any questions? Call the numbers listed in our ad.

Rudy Maroscher



BRANCH 11, LORAIN
By Monica Gilles

Our monthly meeting was on Saturday, May 1st and I would like to thank Sister Barbara Wood for filling in and taking the minutes. My parents, grandparents, and I were in Wisconsin for my nephew's First Communion. Congratulations Braedon, it was a very nice weekend.

The Mother/Daughter Tea appears to be a success as we had about 50 people in attendance. I will have more info in my next article. The committee really worked hard to make this a nice afternoon and is still working on a card party for later this summer.

The summer family picnic will be Sunday, August 22 from 1-8pm at French Creek Shelter #1. I will have more details as they are available to me.

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.

Congratulations to Branch 10 in Columbus on your 100th Anniversary!

Happy May Birthday to Sisters Olga Theiss, Barbara Tillman, Anne Conley, and Rose Gross.

Please plan to attend the next meeting. We will have a recap of the convention. This is also the last meeting before our summer break. We will not have meetings in July and August. The next meeting will be on Saturday, June 5 at the Slovak Club on Broadway Avenue. Meetings start at 8pm.

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DEADLINE	ISSUE
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FRIDAY, JUNE 4, 2010	FRIDAY, JUNE 11, 2010
FRIDAY, JUNE 18, 2010	FRIDAY, JUNE 25, 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.

**BRANCH 9,
CHICAGO**
By Rose-Marie Hauer

The meeting was held on May 5, 2010 on a beautiful warm spring evening. President Mueller began the meeting by having the membership stand and sing a song for the month of May. She hoped this song would put everyone in the mood for spring and enjoy the beginning of May.

I would like to begin my article with a report on the Stiftungsfest that was held on April 17, 2010. Brother John Huprich and his committee worked hard on Friday to prepare the Wurst which was a delicious treat the next evening. The evening on Saturday began with beautiful weather and lots of Saxons families and friends attending the Fest. The aroma of Schnitzel and homemade

Wurst was apparent upon entry. The dessert table was spectacular with all kinds of bakery items, one too many to taste. Then of course was the raffle table containing 25 baskets along with a grand prize liquor basket donated by a friend of Brother Walter Drechsler. The evening's program began with introductions by President Mueller and the National Anthem sung by Elizabeth Hauer and the Saxon Hymn sung by Victoria Mronga. The Donauschwaben Kindergruppe directed by Eva Rill performed three dances. Three Saxon children performing in this group are Amanda Schmidt, Stephanie Schmidt and Karina Thut. The Donauschwaben Jugendgruppe directed by Rose Hauer and Assistants Maria Toth and Heidi Fuentes also performed three dances and surprised the group with the Bändel Dance. The Jugend did a phenomenal job weaving the ribbons!

Saxon members of the Jugendgruppe are Elizabeth Hauer, Erica Hauer, Victoria Mronga, Christian Mueller, and Markus Thut. To follow came the Egerlander dancers directed by Karl-Heinz Bauer. They performed three beautiful dances. Saxon members include Georg and Dede Thut. Thank you to everyone that donated items for the raffle. As mentioned we had a basket bonanza! Sister Sara Hartig won the grand prize liquor basket! In between everything that was going on the Hirsch Band played German music and keep the night perfect! Thank you to everyone for a successful event!

Sister Hartig brought a bottle of liquor to share with the members at the meeting and some appetizers. Thank you Sister Hartig for sharing with the members your winnings.

This month the Sick List has many ailing members. Please remember Brother George Bell, Brother Adolf Fandl, Sister Irene Gunnesch, Brother John Huprich, Sister Anni Mueller, and Brother William Salmen in your prayers.

Deepest sympathy to Brother Carl Waxman on the loss of his mother.

On May 15-16 our Branch will send the following Delegates for the convention; Brother Andy Mueller, Sister Dede and Brother Georg Thut.

Thank you to Brother John and Anni Salmen who will represent our Branch on Memorial



Kindergruppe



Egerlander



Jugendgruppe (partial)



Hartig grand raffle

Day in Lake Villa to lay the memorial wreath.

The Picnic this year will be June 20, at Lynn Woods in Morton Grove.

Family Day at Deep River Water Park in Merrillville, IN will be July 31 with details to follow.

As I write this, Mother's Day is on Sunday and I am wishing everyone the best! Next meeting is June 7, at the DANK Haus.

Easy-to-grow herbs will enhance your favorite dishes



Basil: This annual is the perfect companion for dishes that include tomatoes. Trim the stems, leaves and flowers to make the plant more productive.

Chives: A perennial, it adds flavor to soups, fish and pota-

toes. Snip the entire stem if you remove a flower bud.

Parsley: It grows for two years and adds flavor and color to fish and other dishes. Clip flower buds when they appear in the second year. Likes a sunny location, says Patricia Lanza, author of *Lasagna Gardening with Herbs*.

Rosemary: A perennial, but it doesn't like cold climates and may not appear there after the

CLEVELAND SAXON DANCE GROUP
By Kristan Pechatsko

We would like to thank everyone who attended our annual Trachtenball last weekend. The support shown by your presence means more than we can say. Each of us that attend and participate in these functions is continuing to preserve a history and heritage we are proud of. All of us need to remember how important it is to participate and support our group as well as others like ours in order to keep traditions and customs from being lost. Dance group membership is always open and encouraged. We practice on Friday nights at 7:30 at the Sachsenheim. Our events are advertised in the *Volksblatt* and also on our Face book page. The Face book page under "Saxon Dance Group Cleveland" now has over 100 friends! Have you joined yet?

If anyone is interested in selling or donating any Tracht apparel please contact Stephanie Miller Hanek at (440) 356-5582. Many of us are in need of different pieces and do not have the skill set to even attempt to make a Tracht. I am in awe every time I see a beautiful and detailed Tracht because I know it was handmade with care. If you are able to part with any piece, I am sure that someone else will be grateful to have it.

Branch 33 is hosting a dinner dance at the ATS National Convention and celebrating their 100th anniversary. We were honored and accepted an invitation to perform at the convention May 15th and are prepared to put on a good show. Speaking of a good show, a group from Munderfing will be touring the states beginning Heimattag weekend. I have been lucky enough to see this band in action on two separate occasions and have to say they will not disappoint for sure. Mark your

calendars for July 1st to attend a concert featuring their group at the Sachsenheim. Details will come later, but we want to give everyone a heads up to ensure a great turnout to help make this groups stay here in Cleveland a memorable one.

Dancers celebrating birthdays since my last article include: Myself-April 25th, Horst Botsch-May 2nd and Amanda Seiler-Botsch-May 6th. Upcoming birthdays include Stephanie Miller-Hanek May 17th and Tom Hospodar May 27th. **HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!!!**

We want to extend our heartfelt condolences to Jim Kloos and his family for the loss of his mother, Janet Kloos in March. Jim and Jan have taken some time away from the group for mourning. Until their return we will keep them in our prayers.

Spring has "sprung" so get out and enjoy the weather before it is gone!

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

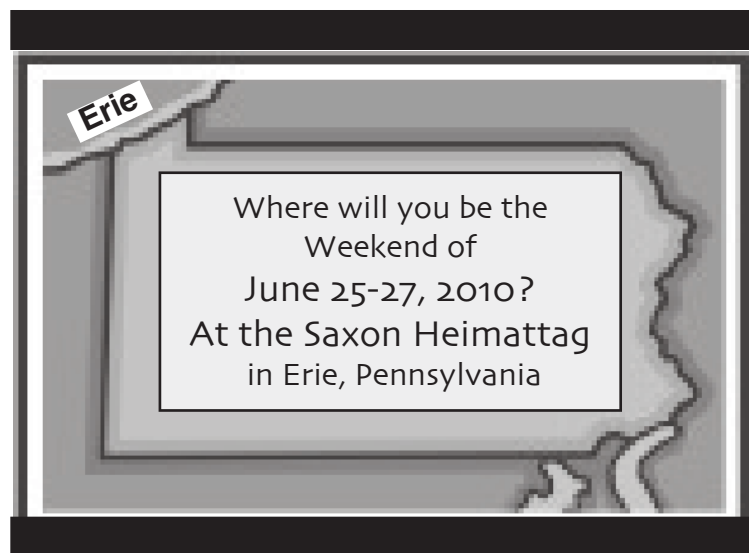
We are going to take a break in May and not hold our regularly scheduled meeting. Our next monthly meeting will be held on Monday, June 21st at 7:00 pm.

We congratulate the Cleveland Saxon Dance Group on their Trachtenball. Everyone enjoyed the delicious meal; the dance group's program and dancing to the music played Hans Schobel and the Bergvagabunden. The group meets on Friday evenings and welcomes any new members.

The Brass Band and Dance Group from Munderfing, Austria will be visiting Cleveland June 30 - July 1, 2010. We will hold a Luau for the group and their host families on Wednesday, June 30. The group will hold a concert at the Sachsenheim on Thursday evening, July 1st. If you are interested in housing a few members from the Munderfing Blaskapelle, please contact Hanz Hermann at (440) 892-0436.

The Saxon Heimattag will be held in Erie, Pa the weekend of June 25 -27 and we hope that our Cleveland Saxons will be there to help celebrate our Transylvanian Saxon heritage. Reservations must be in by May 26th. So send in your reservations today!

Saxon Summer Camp will be held the week of July 18 -24 for our children ages 8-13. Please consider sending your children or grandchildren this year. The campground is a lovely facility and they have great activities to keep your children busy for the week. It is a nice opportunity for them to spend outdoors and also meet other members from other Branch cities. Talk to your children now. The ATS will send information to them towards the end of this month.



FRATERNAL CALENDAR

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

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

June 14, 2010

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

June 19, 2010

Salem Br. 18/19 Breakfast 7:00 - 10:00 a.m.

June 20, 2010

Chicago Br. 9 Annual Picnic Lynne Woods,
Morton Grove

June 26, 2010

Salem Br. 18/19 Peanut Night 8:00 p.m. - ?

June 27, 2010

New Castle Br. 25 Pin No-Tap Bowling Tournament

June 28, 2010

Youngstown Munderfing Band and Dance Group

July 1, 2010

Salem Br. 19 Officers Mtg. 7:30 p.m.
Cleveland Munderfing Band and Dance Group

July 3, 2010

Salem Br. 18/19 4th of July Dance (CH) 2:00-6:00 p.m.

July 4, 2010

New Castle Br 25 July 4th Picnic @ the Grounds

July 11, 2010

Merrillville Br. 26 Meeting

July 17, 2010

New Castle Br. 25 Singer's Picnic noon @ Grounds

August 1, 2010

Merrillville Br. 26 Meeting

August 7, 2010

New Castle Br. 25 Jimmy Buffet Night @ Grounds

August 15, 2010

New Castle Br. 25 Members Picnic @ Grounds

August 27, 2010

New Castle Br. 25 Night at the Races @ Grounds

September 5, 2010

Merrillville Br. 26 Meeting
New Castle Branch 25 Bocce Tournament @
Grounds (1 PM - ?, Steak dinner to follow)

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News From Home

Make a bedbug destroyer

Instructions from Rutgers University: You need a plastic cat-food dish, an insulated jug and dry ice.

Use a 1/3 gallon insulated jug as sold in camping stores and fill it with 1 1/2 lb. of frozen carbon dioxide, which costs about \$1 per pound (handle with gloves). As the dry ice melts, the open thermos produces CO2, which makes a bug think that a living target is nearby.

Set the jug on its side on top of the overturned cat food dish. Bugs climb the outer surface of the dish (scuff it with sandpaper for better traction) and get stuck in its moat, made slippery-smooth with a dusting of talcum powder.

It's a cheap way to determine whether you have (or still have) bedbugs, which are an increasing problem in large cities.

Living together doesn't increase chance of divorce

A new report by the National Center for Health Statistics shows that couples who live together before marriage have about the same divorce rates as those who did not. This reverses previous research.

Of those in their survey who were married 10 or more years, 61 percent of women and 63 percent of men had cohabitated only with the one they married.



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 17, CANTON By Jeanne Kirsch

Well, was Mother's Day a happy one for you? I do hope so! Next is Father's Day and I guess you know what to do.

Our next meeting on June 13th will start at 1:00 p.m. and our dinner celebrating Mother's Day will follow at 2:00 p.m. We will need reservations so do that by phoning me at 492-2856 and the deadline is June 7th. The dinner will be at the usual place the German American Club. (If I'm not in, please leave your mes-

sage.) Thank you!

Well, that is all for right now, hoping to see you on June 13th.

CLEVELAND SAXON SENIORS By Helen Korsgaard

Remember to send your check for our spring banquet to Lou Parge by May 20th. Price is \$16 each and the day is Friday, May 28th at 11:30 a.m. Location Piper's Three on Broadview Road.

Hope to see you all there!

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TIME FOR AN UPDATE?

Check the Beneficiary on your Insurance Policies and Annuities.

5/14/10

BRANCH 22, YOUNGSTOWN
By Rosemarie Kascher

We wish to thank all of you who made a contribution to remodeling the ladies restroom pictures will be appearing in the *Volksblatt* showing the before and after. We now need to do some serious updating in the Men's front lobby restroom, which is now to the point of being a health problem. Your designated contributions to the Memorial Celebration Fund would be truly needed and appreciated. Please pop your head in the door of that room and see for yourself what the need is.

We especially want to thank Darlene Nischwitz who chaired for us Branch 22's contribution towards our responsibility to do our part of the spring house-cleaning. Thanks, Darlene and the other three ladies who worked so hard.

Thinking of you's were sent to Anneliese Kimes and Lois Frank. Birthdays in May are Robin Fotiuk, Anna Keck and Theresa Stryffler with one May anniversary of Jim and Helen Mauch.

Marianne Sawicki and her daughter Maria again did us a stunning Mother/Daughter

banquet beautifully done as always; heaps of thanks to the men of Branch 30 who served us as well. There were nine honor members receiving awards and mother-of-the-year was our own special lady, Virginia Williams.

After having some updating done, now required, with Branch 22 scholarships, we are proud to announce four scholarships to four fine students and they are Patty E. Schuster, Samantha L. Tharp, Brandon M. Fotiuk and Thomas R. Hahn III. Congratulations to each of you!

Dates to remember! There will be NO Branch 22 meeting in June BUT officers meet June 9th. July 11th is our next meeting. Heimattag is June 25-27th in Erie, Pennsylvania. Beatlemania Magic is May 15, dinner and show 6:30 p.m. only \$30.00 admission, phone 330-792-7973. During May on the four Sunday evenings the Youngstown Saxon Club will have music and dance parties in the ballroom from 6-10 pm with a cash bar, snacks, food, continuous music and \$5 cover charge. All Saxon Club members and friends are welcome!

EINTRACHT SAXONIA SACHSENCHOR
By George Schneider

We are all enjoying the nice weather lately, but there is a little bit too much rain right now which is making the grass grow faster than we can cut it!

We want to thank the Cleveland Saxon Dance Group for putting on a nice Trachtenball. It was a shame it wasn't a little better attended; hopefully it will be better next year. I know everyone had a real good time and would like to also thank Hans Schobel and his Bervagabunden for the beautiful music for our dancing pleasure! Thanks, Hans and your crew, for playing my song for my birthday, in memory of my dear father. Thanks also go out to Reinhard and Elizabeth Buduleta for mentioning it to Hans. It was so nice to sit with Hans, Erika, Sally, Reinhard and Elizabeth and also Anni Alischer. Anni said she remembers how my dad used to enjoy Hans's music so much and how he would tap away to the beat with his cane.

We had a Tuesday off because Andrea had something to do that would conflict with our practice. Well, our next concert is only in September

so we should be looking good.

We received an invitation from the ATS to perform at the Heimattag to be held in Erie. Unfortunately we will not be able to participate.

We are all getting ready for the ATS Convention to be held on the eastside of Cleveland and we know Branches 33 and 34 will be doing a great job!

We hope all the Mothers enjoyed a happy Mother's Day with their family and friends. We hope everyone treated their mothers to a nice dinner or bouquet of flowers, or even just a visit if they live close by. If they are no longer living, we hope they enjoyed a nice visit to the cemetery with a bouquet of flowers if they are buried in this country. God bless all the mothers!

I would like to thank the Hans Botsch family for the nice birthday card they sent me. Also thanks go out to Anni Alischer for the nice phone call.

We want to thank Sara Ordosch for the donation she sent us in honor of her 92nd birthday. God bless all my readers.. Lebe wohl!

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10:00 Sunday School

BRANCH 30, YOUNGSTOWN
By Tom Fizet

Heimattag will be in Erie, Pa. June 25 – 27, 2010. You still have time to get in your reservations. The Munderfing Band and Dance Group from Munderfing, Austria will be there. They will travel to Youngstown for a concert on Monday June 28, and there will be food and drink available at the concert. Contact Walter Benesch for information

Branch 30 sick list, Bob Klein (he is playing Bocce again), Cotton Farragher in Mahoning Valley Hospital, Earl Aushenehmer at home. Offer your Prayers for all who may be sick or in need.

The Flea Market Sale in the parking lot got under way on Tuesday May 4th. Bring your things that you are trying to sell or barter down. See Marty Eberth III and he will help you locate a spot to set up. If you aren't selling, stop in to see what is there that you may like. There is always something to buy and people to talk to.

Retirees will meet on Thursday May 13, 2010 in the Ballroom for their monthly luncheon meeting. This is the correct date.

There are no Branch meetings in June, but mark your calendar for July 11th 2010 at 2:30 PM. Both Branches will meet then, don't forget.. Always check the bulletin board and elsewhere in the *Volksblatt* if you are in need of information.

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. Tom has called

me and said that we do not have enough for afternoon Bocce.

Lorie and Jeff Wellington, Co-chairmen for the Couples Bocce League, will be contacting you for a meeting to discuss the playing season for the league. We usually get under way on the Friday after Memorial Day. Mark your calendar and be ready to go. It would be helpful if you can invite couples to call Lorie or Jeff at 330-707-0010, or you can call them; we are in need of several couples to fill the regular team roster and also on the Substitute list.

Starting with May 2nd and

There will be NO PORK-KRAUT DINNER in May
The next Dinner will be September 26TH
YOUNGSTOWN SAXON CLUB

continuing through May, a dance group will be using the Ballroom on Sunday evenings from 6 to 10 PM. This is a national group, a \$5.00 cover charge, to offset their expenses, Security guard, music (Disc jockey or live musicians), and advertising, etc. Beverage and food will be available from the kitchen and bar in the Ballroom. See the bulletin board for their letter of introduction there you can

find all information and phone numbers to call. These dances are open to the public.

The Youngstown Saxon Club will be closed on Memorial Day May 31. The Saxon Day Picnic will be in the Pavilion on July 25. Come prepared for some, Gemutlichkeit, refreshments and good food. Call me at 330-792-7249 or email at twfizet@zoominternet.net

So goes the News.

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.

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
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Das Programm des Heimattages 2010

Eine Fülle an attraktiven Angeboten erwartet die Besucher des diesjährigen Heimattages, der vom 21. bis 24. Mai 2010 in Dinkelsbühl stattfindet unter dem Motto „Gemeinsam unterwegs“. Mitausrichter sind heuer die Landesgruppen Hamburg/Schleswig-Holstein, Niedersachsen/Bremen, Hessen, Rheinland-Pfalz/Saarland und Berlin/Neue Bundesländer. Informationen während des gesamten Pfingsttreffens bieten der Infostand vor der Schranne sowie das Festbüro im Rathaus, Seegringer Straße 30, samstags von 8.00-18.00 Uhr, sonntags von 7.00-18.00 Uhr und montags von 8.00-12.00 Uhr. Die Ausstellungen wie auch der „Siebenbürger Markt“ – wieder im Spitalhof – sind samstags und sonntags von 9.00-19.00 Uhr zu besuchen. Zusätzlich zu der nachfolgenden Gesamtübersicht des Heimattagsprogramms wird auf einzelne Programmpunkte, wie schon in den vorangegangenen Ausgaben, auch in dieser Folge der Siebenbürgischen Zeitung hingewiesen.

Freitag, 21. Mai 2010

19.00-0.45 Uhr: **Tanz und Stimmung** auf der Willkommensparty mit „Amazonas Express“ im Festzelt auf dem „Schießwasen“

Samstag, 22. Mai 2010

8.00-18.30 Uhr: **Fußballturnier** am TSV-Sportplatz, Alte Promenade

9.00-18.00 Uhr: **Tennisturnier** auf den TSV-Tennisplätzen, Alte Promenade

9.00-18.00 Uhr: **Volleyballturnier** in der Dreifachturnhalle, Ulmer Weg **Siegerehrung** im Anschluss an die Turniere

Die Akustik-Band spielt ab 14.00 Uhr auf dem Basketballplatz

9.00 Uhr: **Eröffnung der Ausstellungen und Verkaufsausstellungen** im Katholischen Pfarrheim, Kirchhöflein 1 neben Münster St. Georg

- „**Gesichter der Berge**“. Fotos von Hans Werner. Ausstellung des Deutschen Alpenvereins, Sektion Karpaten. Einführung: Hans Werner

- „**Fotos unbekannter Siebenbürger – wer erkennt sie?**“ Fotoausstellung von Jutta Fabritius, Bildarchiv des Siebenbürgen-Institutes Gundelsheim

- **Buchausstellung** des Arbeitskreises für Siebenbürgische Landeskunde und des Fördervereins der Siebenbürgischen Bibliothek Gundelsheim; Buchpräsentation von Neuerscheinungen durch Dr. Annemarie Weber, Geschäftsführerin des Siebenbürgen-Institutes

- Siebenbürgisch-Deutsches Heimatwerk

- Schiller-Verlag Hermannstadt

- Antiquariat Leonhardt und sonstige Bücher

- CDs und MCs von Hans-Günther Kasper und von der Band Memories2

- Kochbücher von Katharina Gabber und Gudrun Müller

9.30 Uhr: **Ausstellungseröffnungen** im Evangelischen Gemeindehaus St. Paul, Nördlinger Straße 2, Refektorium, 1. und 2. Stock

- „**Mehr als ein Hobby – Kunst**“. Aquarelle von Friedrich Eberle, Sigrid Jakob, Brunhilde Martin und Intarsien von Richard Gober. Einführung: Hans-Werner Schuster, Bundeskulturreferent des Verbandes

- **Fotoausstellung** mit Verkauf „Bilderdienst Siebenbürgen“

- **Buch- und Verkaufsausstellung** „Buchversand Südost“ und Edition „Wort und Welt & Bild“

- „**Kirchen und Kirchenburgen in Siebenbürgen**“. Aquarelle von Friedrich Eberle

10.15 Uhr: **Ausstellungseröffnung** Kunstgewölbe des Spitalhofs, Dr.-Martin-Luther-Straße 6

- „**25 Jahre Partnerschaft Dinkelsbühl – Verband der Siebenbürger Sachsen**“. Einführung: Prof. Dr. Jürgen Walchshöfer, Altbürgermeister von Dinkelsbühl

11.00 Uhr: **Eröffnung des Heimattages** im Schranken-Festsaal. Begrüßung: Helga Seeger, Vorsitzende der Landesgruppe Hamburg/Schleswig-Holstein; Ansprachen: Dr. Christoph Hammer, OB der Großen Kreisstadt Dinkelsbühl; Dr. Markus Söder, Bayerischer Minister für Umwelt und Gesundheit; Grußworte; Moderation: Ingwilde Juchum-Klamer, Vorsitzende der Landesgruppe Hessen; Umrahmung: „Dinkelsbühler Marketenderin“ mit Solotrompeter der „Dinkelsbühler Knabenkapelle“; „Geschwister Marc, Gero und Finn Trein“, Landesgruppe Berlin/Neue Bundesländer

13.30 Uhr: **Platzkonzert** vor der Schranne. „Siebenbürger Musikanten Pfungstadt“, Leitung: Hans-Dieter Wagner

14.00 Uhr: **Unser Nachwuchs präsentiert sich** im Schranken-Festsaal. Leitung: Ingwilde Juchum, SJD; Moderation: Stephanie Kepp, SJD

14.00 Uhr: **Lesung** des Dichters und Kulturpreisträgers Joachim Wittstock im Evangelischen Gemeindehaus St. Paul, Nördlinger Straße 2, 2. Stock. Statt einer Einführung: „Joachim Wittstock. Erlebend schreiben – schreibend erleben“. Filmporträt von Christel Ungar-Țopescu.

14.15 Uhr: „**Der Komponist Waldemar von Baußnern**“. Konzert

und Dokumentarausstellung des Siebenbürgischen Museums Gundelsheim, des Siebenbürgen-Institutes an der Universität Heidelberg und der Baußnern-Gesellschaft im Konzertsaal des Spitalhofs, Dr.-Martin-Luther-Straße 6. Einführung: Marius Joachim Tataru, Leiter des Siebenbürgischen Museums; Vortrag: „Waldemar von Baußnern als Siebenbürger und Komponist“ von Amardeo Sarma, Geschäftsführer der Baußnern Gesellschaft e.V. Musik: Yannick Holtkamp, Klavier, Christine Frey, Flöte, Harald Frey, Klavier

18.15 Uhr: „**Das Wunder von Bistritz: Aus Schutt und Asche zu neuen Höhen – Die Evangelische Stadtpfarrkirche Bistritz 2008-2010**“. Mit Bildern untermalter Vortrag von Horst Göbbel im Evangelischen Gemeindehaus St. Paul, Nördlinger Straße 2, 2. Stock

18.30 Uhr: „**Siebenbürgische Bräuche im Jahreszyklus**“ im Schranken-Festsaal. Mitwirkung: „Siebenbürger Singgruppe Berlin“, Leitung: Brigitte Schneider, Kulturreferentin; „Geschwister Marc, Gero und Finn Trein“, Lgr. Berlin/Neue Bundesländer; Urzeln der Landesgruppe Rheinland-Pfalz/Saarland. Leitung: Ortwin Gunne, Landesvorsitzender; „Karpentänzer, Wolfsburg“, Leitung: Gerhard Schunn, Vorsitzender der Kreisgruppe Wolfsburg; „Tanzgruppe Kokeltaler, Wolfsburg“, Leitung: Harald Hermann; „Siebenbürgische Kindertanzgruppe Pfungstadt“, Landesgruppe Hessen, Leitung: Hilde Zall; Gesamtleitung: Brigitte Schneider, Kulturreferentin Landesgruppe Berlin/Neue Bundesländer

18.00-0.45 Uhr: **Tanzveranstaltung** im Festzelt mit der „Franz-Schneider-Band“

20.30-1.00 Uhr: **Tanzveranstaltung** im Schranken-Festsaal mit den „Siebenbürger Musikanten Pfungstadt“, Leitung: Hans-Dieter Wagner

Sonntag, 23. Mai 2010

9.00 Uhr: **Pfingstgottesdienst** in der St.-Pauls-Kirche. Predigt: Bischofsvikar Reinhard Guib; Liturg: Dekan Hermann Schuller; Lesung: Dr. Bernd Fabritius, Bundesvorsitzender; Fürbitten: Inge Erika Roth, Stefan Roth (SJD); Mitgestaltung: „Chor Forchheim“, Leitung: Wilhelm Stirner; Orgel: Ilse Maria Reich

10.15 Uhr: **Aufstellung des Trachtenzuges** auf der Bleiche. Verantwortlich: Ines Wenzel, Rainer Lehni, Elmar Wolff, Michael Konnerth

10.30 Uhr: **Trachtenzug** über Bleiche, Wörnitzstraße, Altrathausplatz, Ledermarkt, Nördlinger Straße, Wethgasse, Lange Gasse, Turmgasse, Marktplatz, Dr.-Martin-Luther-Straße, Obere Schmiedgasse, Bauhofstraße, Koppengasse, Kapuzinerweg, Seegringer Straße, Marktplatz, Dr.-Martin-Luther-Straße; Moderation: Ines Wenzel

11.30 Uhr: **Kundgebung vor der Schranne**. Geistliches Wort: Bischofsvikar Reinhard Guib; Ansprachen: Dr. Bernd Fabritius, Bundesvorsitzender des Verbandes; Vasile Blaga, Innenminister von Rumänien; Dr. Christoph Bergner, Parlamentarischer Staatssekretär beim Bundesminister des Innern, Beauftragter der Bundesregierung für Aussiedlerfragen und nationale Minderheiten; „Siebenbürgische Blaskapelle Schorndorf“, Leitung: Bernhard Staffend

12.30 Uhr: **Musik zum Mittagstisch** im Schranken-Festsaal: „Siebenbürgische Blaskapelle Schorndorf“, Leitung: Bernhard Staffend

13.00-15.00 Uhr: **Musik zum Mittagstisch** im Festzelt: „Siebenbürger Musikanten Pfungstadt“, Leitung: Hans-Dieter Wagner

13.00 Uhr: „**Zaubershow für Klein und Groß**“ im Konzertsaal des Spitalhofs, Dr.-Martin-Luther-Straße 6 mit Astrid Rheiner. Einführung: Karin Nägler, SJD

14.00 Uhr: Aus Tradition und Liebe zum Tanz. **Volkstanzveranstaltung** der SJD (entfällt bei Regen). Leitung: Christine Göltsch

- Vorder Schranne. Moderation: Ute Schuller; Edwin Andreas Drotleff; Musik: „Petersberger Blaskapelle“, Leitung: Hans Martini

- Altrathausplatz. Moderation: Kerstin Arz, Hans-Christian Guist

15.00 Uhr: **Beratung der Bundesrechtsreferenten**, Nebenraum der Festkanzlei und Sitzungssaal im 2. Stock des Rathauses. – Rentenfragen: RA Ernst Bruckner; – Bundesvertriebenen- und Lastenausgleichsrecht: Dr. Johann Schmidt

15.00 Uhr: „**Zum Schriftstellerlexikon der Siebenbürger Sachsen**“. Vortrag von Prof. Dr. Hermann A. Hienz, Kulturpreisträger 2010 im Evangelischen Gemeindehaus St. Paul, 2. Stock

17.00 Uhr: **Preisverleihungen** in der St.-Pauls-Kirche. Siebenbürgisch-Sächsischer Jugendpreis 2010 an: Anna und Harald Janesch; Laudatio: Rainer Lehni, Stellvertretender Bundesvorsitzender; Ernst-Habermann-Preis 2010 an: Mirja Harms; Laudatio: Dr. Irmgard Sedler, Vorsitzende des Trägervereins des Siebenbürgischen Museums Gundelsheim; Siebenbürgisch-Sächsischer Kulturpreis 2010 an: Prof. Dr. Hermann A. Hienz; Laudatio: Dr. Dr. h.c. Christoph Machat, Vorsitzender des Siebenbürgisch-Sächsischen Kulturrates; an: Joachim Wittstock; Laudatio: Prof. Dr. Horst Schuller; Musik: Cami Hotea-Schulz, Violine; Valeria Lo Giudice, Violoncello; Angela Gehann-Dernbach, Klavier

18.00-0.45 Uhr: Die **Band „Index“** heizt uns im Festzelt richtig ein

20.00-1.00 Uhr: **Tanz und Stimmung** mit der Band „TOP 40“ in dem Schranken-Festsaal

21.15 Uhr: **Aufstellung des Fackelzuges** vor der Schranne. Verantwortlich: Rainer Lehni, Elmar Wolff, SJD

22.00 Uhr: **Feierstunde an der Gedenkstätte** (bei Regen in der

St.-Pauls-Kirche). Ansprache: Hannes Schuster, Landesgruppe Niedersachsen/Bremen; Großer Zapfenstreich der Dinkelsbühler Knabenkapelle

Montag, 24. Mai 2010

9.30 Uhr: **Podiumsdiskussion** im Kleinen Schranrensaal. „60 Jahre Siebenbürgische Zeitung & 10 Jahre siebenbuenger.de – Öffentlichkeitsarbeit und Medienkompetenz“. Teilnehmer: Siegbert Bruss, Chefredakteur SbZ; Prof. Peter Miroschnikoff, Journalist; Hermann Schuller, Dekan, Vorsitzender des Hilfskomitees der Siebenbürger Sachsen und evangelischen Banater Schwaben und Betreuer von „Kirche und Heimat“; Robert Sonnleitner, Internetreferent; Rohtraut Wittstock, Chefredakteurin „Allgemeine deutsche Zeitung für Rumänien“; Moderation Hon. Prof. Dr. Konrad Gündisch, Leiter des Wissenschaftsbereichs Geschichte des Bundesinstituts für Kultur und Geschichte der Deutschen im östlichen Europa

Abschluss des Heimattages im Kleinen Schranrensaal durch Dr. Bernd Fabritius, Bundesvorsitzender

Holzfleisessen neben der Schranne

SBZ Online
1. Mai 2010

Neue Internetpräsenz: Demokratisches Forum der Deutschen in Rumänien

Das Demokratische Forum der Deutschen in Rumänien (DFDR) mit Sitz in Hermannstadt hat einen neuen, zweisprachig gestalteten Internetauftritt.

Unter www.fdgr.ro finden Besucher Allgemeines zum DFDR, Adressen der einzelnen Organisationen, Nachrichten, einen Veranstaltungskalender und den Programmwurf.

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5. Mai 2010

Brukenthalmuseum in Hermannstadt ausgezeichnet

Das Brukenthalmuseum in Hermannstadt hat, als eines von 29 europäischen Museen, den „Preis der Europäischen Union für Kulturelles Erbe“ erhalten. Die Preisverleihung findet am 10. Juni in Istanbul im Rahmen des Europäischen Kulturhauptstadtjahres 2010 statt.

Den mit jeweils 10 000 Euro dotierten Preis verleihen die Europäische Kommission und das „Europa Nostra“-Netzwerk. Das Hermannstädter Museum war das einzige rumänische Museum, das einen Preis erhalten hat, und zwar in der Kategorie „Erziehung, Training und Bewusstseinsförderung“.

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SBZ Online
29. April 2010

**Das Glück in Amerika gesucht:
Was uns der Brief eines siebenbürgischen
Auswanderers erzählt**

Vor rund 125 Jahren begann die große Auswanderungswelle der Siebenbürger Sachsen nach Amerika, bedingt durch die schlechten wirtschaftlichen Verhältnisse im Lande. Originalbriefe aus dieser Zeit findet man selten, demnach kann der folgende Brief aus dem Nachlass der Familie Bedeus aus Hermannstadt, den wir leicht gekürzt und in der Orthographie des Originals wiedergeben, als ein wichtiges Zeitdokument betrachtet werden.

Das Schreiben wurde am 15. Dezember 1887 aus Salem/Ohio von „Andreas Platz aus Waldhütten No. 37“ an die „Löbliche Verwaltung der Boden-Creditanstalt in Hermannstadt“ gerichtet und ist eine umfassend begründete Bitte um den Aufschub einer Darlehenstilgung bei der Bank in Siebenbürgen. Der Brief umfasst zwei Blätter (insgesamt acht schmale Seiten). Verwendet wurde ein liniertes Briefpapier, das in der oberen Ecke links mit einem Trockenstempel versehen ist, der ein Kleeblatt und darunter den Markennamen Clover Leaf zeigt.

Eingangs erwähnt der Schreiber die Gründe, die ihn zur Auswanderung bewogen haben:

Da bei uns in Waldhütten unsere Weinfachsung wiederum derart schwach ausgefallen, daß die Ausgaben die Einnahmen stark übersteigen; so auch die Kukurutzernte und Kornernte durch Hagelschlag heimgesucht, schwach ausgefallen ist, so sah ich mit bangem Herzen der Zukunft entgegen, denn eine alte 64 Jährige sehr gebrechliche Mutter – 5 Kinder – bei solchen Verhältnissen – ist an ein ge[n]ügendes Durchkommen nicht zu denken!- Jetz[t] noch die vielen Abgaben, dieses alles schwer fühlend, e[n]tschloß ich mich, auch wie manche andere nach Amerika zu wandern und da mein Glück zu versuchen etwas zu verdienen.– Freilich ein gewagter Entschluß, aber ich habe ihn mit Gottes Beistand durchgeführt.

Es folgt eine genaue Beschreibung der wirtschaftlichen Verhältnisse in Amerika:

Hier wird jede Arbeit besser gezahlt wie in Europa, denn hat man z. B. das Glück b[ei] einer Fabrik Arbeit zu bekommen, so hat man täglich auf 1 Dolar 30 bis 40 Cent zu hoffen. So auch bei einem Farmer 1 Dolar sammt aller Verpflegung per Tag. Dieses Alles aber nur vom Frühjahr bis spätherbst, dann steigt man über 1 Dolar 20 Cent nicht, ist aber schon genug mit 3 Fl. Östr. Währung nach unserm Geldwerth.- Auch kommt jeder Eingewanderte nicht gleich zu Arbeit, sondern gewöhnlich nur binnen 2 od. 3 Wochen, so ist es fast jedem meiner Siebenbürger Landsleute ergangen[...].

Mit dieser Erfahrung begründet der Briefeschreiber seine Hoffnung, selbst zu Geld zu kommen, um in der Heimat seine Schulden bezahlen zu können:

Mit Gotteshilfe nun hoffe auch ich etwas zu verdienen, zumal hier sehr viele Bahn- und Fabrikarbeit in Aussicht steht. Um dann meine rückständigen

An[n]uitätsraten nachholen zu können. Und somit wage ich an Eine Löbliche Verwaltung die ergebenste Bitte zu stellen: Hochwohldieselbe möge wie bisher Geduld mit mir armen haben und mir meine Zahlungen bis etwas später nachwarten zu wollen. Wo ich dann nicht versäumen werde alles sammt verzugsinsen zu begleichen.

Im zweiten Teil des Briefes wird ein Schiffsunglück erwähnt, das andere Auswanderer im Ärmelkanal erlitten haben und das viele Menschenopfer gefordert hat:

Am 24/11 trafen die Geretteten vom Dampfer „Scholten“ in Rotterdam ein unter denselben fanden wir Simon Binder aus Nimesch u. Kath. Fröhlich aus Reichesdorf. [Es handelt sich um den Passagierdampfer W. A. Scholten, der zwischen Rotterdam und New York verkehrte und am 19. November 1887 bei Dover mit einem Frachter kollidierte]. Dieselben erzählten uns von jenem Unglücksfalle folgendes: Etwa 7 Uhr aben[d]s fuhren wir von Rotterdam (am 19/11) in die See, dieselbe war sehr still und von 8 bis 9 Uhr neblig, dann aber (bis 10 Uhr) verschwand aller Nebel, und war ziemlich hell. Gegen 11 Uhr als schon alles sich schlafen gelegt wurden wir durch einen Krach u. Ruck wach denn wir hörten dann gleich Geschrei und Hülferrufe, liefen so schnell als möglich auf das Verdeck, denn schon drang sehr viel Wasser in den Schiffsraum ein, und erfuhren das ein Englischer Dampfer unser Schiff an der linken vorderseite zerstoßen u. sogleich verschwunden sei. Nun wurden Nothsignale gegeben [...], in aller Eile zur Befreiung der Rettungsbothe geschritten, aber bloß ein Both konnte befreit werden denn schon sank das Schiff zur Seite, schüttete gleich nachher uns alle über Borth und verschwand in der Tiefe. Klumpenweise hingen die Unglücklichen aneinander und zogen sich einer den andern in die Tiefe. Kinder hingen an ihren Müttern und jammerten herzerreißend und schauerhaft waren die Klagen der Mütter, welche ihre Kinder loßlassen mußten, um ihr eigenes Leben wenigstens zu retten, kein einziges Kind von den vielen ist gerettet, alle sind verlohren! Etwa 1 Stunde mögen wir auf dem Wasser geschwommen haben, als wir endlich ein Licht in weiter ferne erblickten, welches sehr schnell immer näher kalm, endlich langte es an und warf uns Seile zu welche wir dann faßten und hinaufgezogen wurden. Am ganzen Körper zitternd vor Frost und Angst, ohne Kopfbedeckung schafften uns die Ma-

**Johannis als Landesforumsvorsitzender
wiedergewählt**

Klaus Johannis steht weiterhin an der Spitze des Demokratischen Forums der Deutschen in Rumänien (DFDR). Der Hermannstädter Bürgermeister kandidierte am 17. April auf der Vertreterversammlung des DFDR für eine dritte Amtszeit. Johannis wurde mit 27 von 28 Stimmen in geheimer Wahl wiedergewählt, teilte das DFDR in einer Presseerklärung mit. Bestätigt worden ist auch der 21-köpfige Landesvorstand des DFDR.

An der Sitzung nahmen Vertreter der fünf Regionalforen, der Ehrenvorsitzende Dr. Paul Philippi, der Forums-Abgeordnete im rumänischen Parlament Ovidiu Ganț und Helge Fleischer, Unterstaatssekretär im Departement für interethnische Beziehungen, teil. Anwesend waren außerdem die Vertreter der Forumsstiftungen sowie der Generalkonsul der Bundesrepublik Deutschland in Hermannstadt, Thomas Gerlach.

In seinem Bericht ging Johannis auf die trotz finanzieller Schwierigkeiten durchgeführten Aktivitäten des Landesforums im Vorjahr ein. Es seien 84 Veranstaltungen, die Herausgabe von zehn Büchern, zwei Monatsschriften sowie der Allgemeinen Deutschen Zeitung für Rumänien und der Hermannstädter Zeitung gefördert wurden, heißt es in der Mitteilung. Dieses Jahr steht im Zeichen des 20-jährigen Forumsjubiläums und des 65. Jahrestages seit Beginn der Russlanddeportation. Der Ehrenvorsitzende Dr. Paul Philippi mahnte mehr Bodenhaftung von



trosen ins Schiff bei ein warmes Feuer, wo wir verblieben bis am Morgen [...]. Am Morgen 20/11 wurden wir in die Stadt Dover gebracht, wo uns die Leute sehr freundlich empfangen und uns alle mit Kleidungsstücken u. Geldbeträgen beschenkten, so daß die meisten ihren Verlust an Kleidern garnicht beklagen können. [N]ur 80 Personen die Schiffsmannschaft mit inbegriffen sind gerettet. – Nicht Nebel! nein, sondern unverzeihliche Unaufmerksamkeit der wachhabenden Schiffsoffiziere auf dem Englischen Dampfer soll die Ursache dieses großen Unglücks sein, so sagen unsere Geretteten! Die „Gesellschaft“ spendete dann bei Ankunft in Castle Garden, in Amerika jedem Verunglückten einen neuen Anzug und 10 Dollar!

Wie die Bodenkreditanstalt auf das Bittschreiben reagiert hat, ist unbekannt; aber vielleicht gibt es Nachkommen, die Angaben über das weitere Schicksal von Andreas Platz machen können. Oder auch mehr über das beschriebene Schiffsunglück und seine Opfer bzw. seine Überlebenden wissen. Anrufe oder Post richten Sie bitte an Christian Reinert, Siebenbürgen-Institut, Nachlassarchiv, Schloss Horneck, 74831 Gundelsheim, Telefon (0 62 69) 42 10 40, Dienstag 10–11, 12–15 Uhr, E-Mail: nachlaesse[at]siebenbuergen-institut.de.

Ch. Reinert, A. Weber
SBZ Online
10. April 2010

verband zu verlieren. Auf einer Sondersitzung in der zweiten Junihälfte sollen die Vorschläge diskutiert werden.

Lobend erwähnte Porr die zahlreichen Kulturveranstaltungen der Forumsgliederungen, darunter besonders den Bistriz-er Ostermarkt. Er rief die Ver-



Am 17. April tagten die Vertreter des Siebenbürgenforums: Dr. Paul-Jürgen Porr (stehend) berichtete über die Aktivitäten des Siebenbürgenforums, neben ihm Benjamin Józsa (links) und Ovidiu Ganț (rechts.). Foto: Holger Wermke

Seiten der Forumsleitung und demokratische Mitsprachemöglichkeiten der Forumsmitglieder an. Der DFDR-Abgeordnete Ovidiu Ganț ging in seinem Bericht insbesondere auf die aktuelle Debatte um das Schulgesetz ein. Vorgestellt wurde auf der Vertreterversammlung der Entwurf eines Programmes, das in einer nächsten Tagung angenommen werden soll.

Ebenfalls am 17. April tagten die Vertreter des Siebenbürgenforums. Die Sitzung wurde vom Vorsitzenden Dr. Paul-Jürgen Porr geleitet. Dieser legte den Entwurf eines neuen Statuts vor. Porr sagte, damit solle das Forum auch für EU-Bürger mit deutscher Muttersprache geöffnet werden. Im Blick hat er vor allem Rückkehrer und deutschsprachige Immigranten, denen eine Mitgliedschaft im Forum ermöglicht werden solle, ohne den Status als Minderheiten-

treter auf, einen Vorschlag von Helge Fleischer aufzugreifen. Dieser hatte angeregt, interethnische Projekte zu initiieren, um sich zusätzliche Finanzierungsquellen zu erschließen. Verbessert werden müssen nach Meinung des Vorsitzenden die – derzeit kaum vorhandenen – Beziehungen zum Mediascher Forum. Seit dem Weggang von vier Mitgliedern der Forumsführung in Mediasch, darunter der frühere, 2009 verstorbene Mediascher Bürgermeister Daniel Thellmann, in Richtung der Demokratisch-Liberalen Partei (PDL) gebe es kaum noch Kontakte zum Regional- und insbesondere zum Kreisforum in Hermannstadt. Die rund 600 Mediascher Forumsmitglieder seien praktisch isoliert, so Porr, sie dürften jedoch nicht im Stich gelassen werden.

Holger Wermke
SBZ Online
22. April 2010

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Näst zer - brö - chen, de grä - ne blei-we stön. ...

Siebenbürgisches Volkslied
Satz von Walter Scheiser



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

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(Exit 24 on I-90)
8100 Peach St.
Erie, PA 16509
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make a
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family recently?**



**Did a new Son (grandson)
or Daughter (granddaugh-
ter) arrive recently?**

Congratulations!

**Make sure you make him
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Life Plan is a great buy!
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How to find a treasure at a flea market or yard sale

It's unlikely that you will find a million-dollar painting at the flea market. But at Sotheby's, the famous auction house, appraisers say about 5 percent of letters they get contain photos of paintings or furniture worth \$10,000 or more.

What to look for in furniture

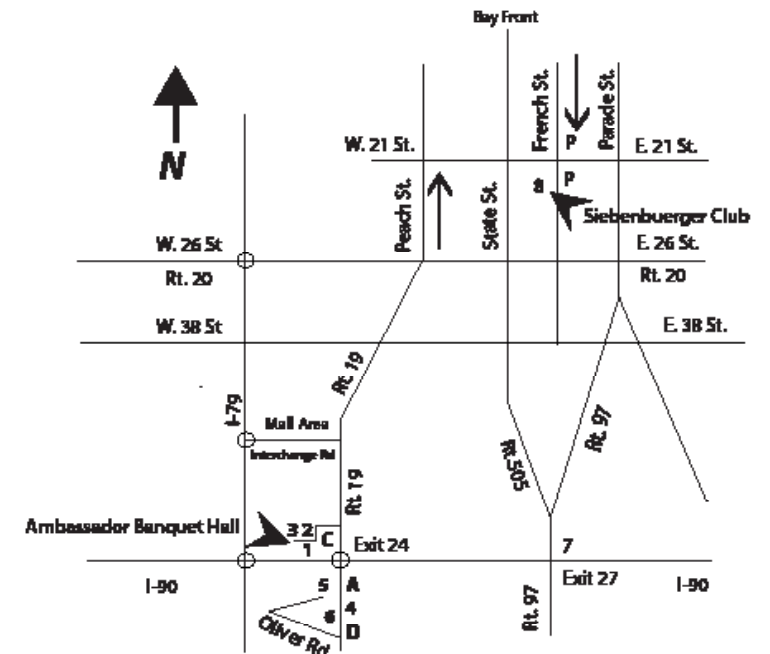
- The item should impress you and stand out from other items at the sale. Look for great workmanship on the legs, arms, handles and doors.

- Imperfections: Don't worry about chairs that are missing upholstery. Much of the value of great furniture is in the frame. The legs should be in good condition.

What to look for in paintings

- Small tears are OK unless they run through the face on a portrait.

- Check the back for labels



- Ambassador Banquet Hall
 - Courtyard by Marriott
 - Hilton Garden Inn
 - Comfort Inn
 - Econolodge
 - Microtel
 - Days Inn
 - Siebenbuerger Club
- A Bob Evans
B. Eat 'N Park
C. Applebees
D. Splash Lagoon

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

- Presque Isle Downs & Casino (3 miles east of Ambassador)
- Shopping at Millcreek Mall located just north of the Ambassador)
- Presque Isle Aquabus water taxi at Dobbins Landing on the bayfront www.porterie.org
- Presque Isle Boat Tours / Lady Kate at Perry Monument on Presque Isle. www.piboattours.com
- Guided tours of wineries in North East, PA with free samples (15 miles east of Ambassador) www.catchwine.com/wineries/pennsylvania/heritage_wine_cellars/
- Erie Maritime Museum on the bayfront
- 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)

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

MEAL RESERVATION FORM

Ticket Price	# Tickets Requested	Total
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FRIDAY EVENING

KAMERADSCHAFTSABEND

June 25, 2010

Siebenbuerger Club

7:30 – 11:00 pm

\$10.00	x _____	\$ _____
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SATURDAY EVENING

AMBASSADOR BALLROOM

Sirloin Filet

\$33.00	x _____	\$ _____
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Chicken Marsala

\$29.00	x _____	\$ _____
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Children 12 & under

\$18.00	x _____	\$ _____
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(chicken fingers; French fries)

SUNDAY NOON

AMBASSADOR BALLROOM

Roast Pork Loin w/apple-

walnut stuffing

\$23.00	x _____	\$ _____
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Stuffed Chicken Breast

\$23.00	x _____	\$ _____
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Children 12 & under

\$18.00	x _____	\$ _____
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(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.

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City, State, Zip _____

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5393 PEARL ROAD
CLEVELAND, OH 44129-1597

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

THERE WILL BE ASSIGNED SEATING.
PLEASE INDICATE YOUR SEATING PREFERENCE

Answer to Famous Names

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G O R R I G A N N A N O O
M W I L S O N S E L B O R
O P L L E G N A L T N I O
T V X N O S R E D N E H N
T R U P A S S Y T B S U C
G H A M B E R L A I N M E
G H M I K E D A I A E C
N A W R Y I I J N J
T O L E O S A D A T Y L
T E J S L A G T A S K M D
N N O S S I E T Z K Y E E
A O D S U N U Y B R X D E
R M E B C T S T D R T N B
B R T C U E T A F A R A G
G U H A S E L A W G O R E

and stamps from a museum or gallery.

- Don't believe the signature. All forgeries have a famous signature.

- Content. Paintings of women and still lifes of fruit or flowers, that have an intrinsic decorative value, recoup the purchase price better than hobbyist paintings of

hunters, for example. Collectables

- Ask why the item is being sold, and where it came from. Any information about its history could help to establish authenticity.

- Smaller pieces are more valuable. Whether they are models of trains or antique furniture, collectors have a limited space to display them.

Always arrive early, because the best pieces at a yard or garage sale are sold first. The best pieces may not be offered at all. Never have antique furniture refinished without checking with an apprais-

You cannot teach a man anything. You can only help him discover it within himself.

Galileo Galilei 1584-1642

May is by far the most beautiful month of the year for many with all of the beautiful pastel blossoms and the variety of the flowering bushes and bulbs that have burst with an adorning array of colors. This most beautiful month of the year is the ideal month to honor all mothers for Mothers Day, which President Woodrow Wilson made an official national holiday with the second Sunday in May designated to express love, respect and gratitude to mothers everywhere. As President Barack Obama proclaimed on May 10th 2009, President Abraham Lincoln also honored his mother in a popular speech. "All that I am, or hope to be, I owe to my angel mother." I hope every mother and grandmother had a beautiful day spent with loved ones. Every mother deserves this recognition!

THE MAY 5th MEETING was an enjoyed catered dinner for the Salem Retirees with forty-five members and one guest, Edna Malmsberry, guest of Hazel Tibball. A snack and social hour preceded the stuffed pork chop dinner catered by "The Catered Affair." The meeting was opened by President Lois Whitacre, followed by the invocation given by Bill Hiltbrand and the Pledge of Allegiance. A letter of resignation from Secretary Dee Bush was read, with Nancy Stumperth taking over the duties, assisted by Helen Aeling for the coming year. Katy Lederle made the motion, seconded by Bob Kekel, motion passed. George Spack installed the following officers: President- Lois Whitacre, Vice President- Tony Rothbrust, Treasurer- Katherine Lederle, Secretary- Nancy Stumperth, Helen Aeling, Reporter- Sue Fritzman, Chaplain- Bill Hiltbrand, Birthday and Anniversary Chairperson- Nancy Stumperth and Custodian - Clem Vogt. The minutes were read and approved. Correspondence was read with a note from Sue Fritzman making a donation in memory of member Elsie

SALEM SAXON RETIREES

By Sue Fritzman

Gross and a thank you note from Gary and Nancy Diehl for the Retirees' donation to The Brethren Church for help with their programs in India. Katy Lederle gave her treasury report and Bill Hiltbrand read the list of members on the long sick list. An auditing committee was appointed with Hilda Spack and Dee Bush auditing the books before the next meeting. Marilyn McNutt gave a report of the many Branch 18 and 19 activities for May. The April breakfast was well attended with help needed for these upcoming breakfasts. Call Marilyn if you are able to help with these.

Vice President Tony Rothbrust announced the June 2nd meeting will be a "Hot Dog Shoppe" event provided by the committee. Members are required to bring a covered dish. The following will serve on this committee: Mike and Regina Bruckner, Bob and Janet Kekel, Seigfried and Hermine Henriss and Kaethe Schneider. Mike and Nancy Stumperth will take reservations at 330-337-9639.

Bill Hiltbrand read the words to the song "Mother" and sang the verse "M- O- T- H- E- R." Helen Aeling and George Spack also contributed readings. Al Linder donated the petunia centerpieces in honor of Mothers Day, these were awarded to Dorothy Hutmacher, Herta Drotleff, Tony Rothbrust, Butch Roth, Marilyn McNutt, Barb Gorman, Regina Bruckner, Marian Whipkey and Nancy Stumperth. *The Lord's Prayer* followed a moment of silence in memory of recently departed members Elsie Gross and Mary Kay McConnor. A game of Bingo was enjoyed after the meeting.

JUNE BIRTHDAY MEMBERS Celebrating are: Beth Theiss - 2nd, Dee Bush - 6th, Kathleen Bartha - 7th, Elaine Weber - 7th, Kaethe Klamer - 8th, Joe Bush - 12th, Florence Juhn - 14th, Bill Lewis - 16th, Trudy Ehrhart -

23rd.

CONGRATULATIONS to our lone anniversary couple, Barbara and Rudy Maroscher, who will be celebrating their 52nd anniversary June 14th.

I am going to do something different this time as I have thought of some questions to put your minds at work. See how good your memory is as you think of the following topics!

1. What is wooden and looks like a maraca, but doesn't make noise and was owned by many families in the 1940?

2. What card game was the favorite of our parents and is hardly played now due to lack of players?

3. What year was the "Saengerfest" held at the Salem Saxon Club when the women all wore duplicate white formals from the Jean Frock's downtown 'store'?

4. Who was the director of this choir group?

5. Who were the important chairmen of this choir?

Please take the time to think before you look at the following answers. I hope you enjoyed stimulating your minds as you thought about the past! Just think of it as a quiz in school, that should make you feel young again!

ANSWERS

1. Many women used these wooden tools during the war to place inside their beloved and sometimes single pair of stockings to help with mending. They were also later handy to mend socks. (My youngest daughter found mine and was very puzzled and people her age could not figure out what it was used for.) I remembered right away as she described it and had forgotten what happened to it. It was found in my mother's sewing basket, which was really puzzling to her.

2. Pinochle (I am sure you remember our parents enjoying this popular game as they gathered with their many Saxon friends).

3. This was held in 1937. We found a picture of my mother with a flowing white dress with a corsage.

4. The director was Jacob Faust.

5. Albert Fischer and John Bahmiller

This question and answering session came about as my children were cleaning out my house and have been coming across old pictures and asking questions about items of the past that they have found. They also have been intrigued as they learn about our lives of the past during war times and have come to appreciate the family "treasures". All of these heirlooms have somehow become forgotten as they were stored away for so long and now seem to have come to life again as they are found with anticipation and excitement from the younger generations. It has been an overwhelming experience for them as they picked thru every-

thing (for I saved everything), and I mean "everything" from cards when my children were born, and just about every card thereafter, even their (some dreaded) report cards school papers, letters, etc. They have each chosen some things they can cherish, but can only take so much. My family had to laugh when my only grandson from Warren pulled away from the house on clean-up day with his truck loaded, beeping the horn loudly as he left with a large trunk strapped to the roof of his truck. It reminded them of something my husband Mike would have done and also looked like Jed Clampett (of *The Beverly Hillbillies* show). I was also touched when he told me he retrieved his grandpa Mike's old tin lunchbox from the junk pile and said he would use it for work. My youngest daughter also remembers waiting anxiously for her dad to get home from his shift at Mullins, for this special lunchbox held the penny reward or cookie treat that her dad would give her for being a good girl all day. It's a good thing I wasn't there, for I would have retrieved every treasure if I could!

I am deeply saddened that we must accept the loss of another true Saxon and dear friend of mine, and all who knew her. Elsie Schuster Gross, 87, passed away on April 11th at Essex III, previously of New Garden Avenue. She was a 1940 classmate and devoted Saxon from childhood with all of her family. She was a member of our Saxon Retirees, and a 50 year plus member of the Salem Ladies Branch 18 who never missed a function if possible. We, who knew her well, know she loved to bake and cook our favorite Saxon recipes. We also will recall her daily expressions of "Tell me about it!" and "You better believe it!" We send out deepest sympathy to her beloved family, daughters Joyce (Charles) Hazelbaker and Phyllis (Thomas) Lesek, and four grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. She also leaves her sister, Betty Wagner. Elsie's husband, Joe, passed away in 1984, and the following siblings preceded her in death: Gustav and Rudy Schuster and Mary Gang, Freda Moul, and Minnie Schuster.

There is so much to share about Elsie, for as I said, she was known for her baking and when it was Krapfen baking time her family and friends (Helen and Rudy Schuster) who were also neighbors would form an assembly line like "Lucy and Ethel" as they topped them with powder sugar. They made plenty to hopefully last for a while and would then sit and enjoy them with coffee afterwards. When she made everyone's favorite soups, the gang would line up with their bowls ready to fill or take home. Elsie also recently shared a cute story with me from years ago, which shows her ornery side about a trick she and her friend pulled on an older neighbor lady. The old lady had told them how much she loved apples and they whispered to each other as they spotted a



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.

Dorothy E. Bauer

Age 81

Died: March 23, 2010
Branch 2, Erie PA

Earl W. Yost

Age 90

Died: April 22 2010
Branch 30, Youngstown OH

Anna M. Bender

Age 94

Died: April 28, 2010
Branch 27, New Castle PA

tree far in her backyard and got an idea. They got a large bag and loaded it with apples as they giggled on the way to her door. When they got to the door, the lady was so surprised and thrilled with the apples she gave them some money. The poor old lady didn't realize she had paid them for her own apples! That was our Elsie! This must have been a fun day, for she remembered it all these years! Schlaf in Himmmlische Ruhe (Sleep in Heavenly Peace) dear Friend!

We also send out belated regards to the family of member and friend, Mary Kay McConnor. Our deepest sympathy to all who mourn this great loss, she also will be missed! Please accept my apologies for omitting this from the last article.

I must also mention an article on Vince Domincetti from Salem who was honored recently with a 100th birthday party by the Salem Area Retired Workers. Vince is a well known Senior citizen volunteer who is quite active and spends his days visiting nursing homes, dancing and gardening. When asked about his longevity he answered simply, "Don't die!" I thought that was a unique response.

We have been fortunate to have spring come so early this year, as everything seemed to bloom earlier rather than around Mothers Day as usual. Nothing is predictable with our weather anymore. The birds are scurrying to prepare their nests, but don't get too excited to watch if they are near a window for the babies will wake you in the wee hours of morning. Also some birds get confused with the reflection and peck at your glass window, which can be annoying. They say if you hang a picture of people or a CD disc they will not come back. So try to get out and soak up some of that sunshine that we waited for throughout the long gloomy winter months! Enjoy the beauty of nature!

Auf Wiedersehen!

† How to comfort a bereaved person

When you have a friend or co-worker who has lost a loved one, you might be at a loss about what you should do. Here is some advice from grief counselors.

- The classic "I'm sorry for your loss" works in all cases and may provide an opening for the bereaved to tell you how they feel.

- Allow them to talk about their grief. Listen without interrupting.

- Don't say you understand their pain or give examples in your own life. Don't tell them they are lucky for some reason or that they will soon feel better. Don't give advice on how they should proceed with their lives.

- Understand the five

stages of grief: denial (this can't be happening), anger (how could he leave me), bargaining (trying to cope with the loss), depression (this stage lasts the longest and must be dealt with carefully) and acceptance.

It's not unusual for a person who is grieving to be moody. Understand that it's probably not your fault.

- Don't ask what you can do. If you can do something, such as make food, do it. If you want to do something such as help clean or organize, ask what time you can help. If you see something that needs done, offer to do it.

- Be natural, but do not joke as you might under other circumstances.

- Include them.

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Motor trouble or Fender bender? Stay in your car until help arrives

Standing on the highway by a disabled car can be a fatal mistake.

In one case, two Indiana women were surveying the damage caused by a fender bender. A tow-truck driver didn't notice them, and one of them was struck and killed. The other was seriously injured.

A few days earlier, a woman was killed as she hastily crossed a highway on foot after her car broke down.

At about the same time, in Virginia, a father and son were killed by a truck after they stopped to offer help to a stranded motorist.

State police and the American Automobile Association give this advice:

- Pull the vehicle off the road, activate emergency flashers and call for help. Stay in the car.

If you have to get out, get away from the vehicle as quickly as you can.

- If you are on a middle lane of an Interstate, the AAA recommends activating emergency flashers. Georgia State



Police recommend staying inside the car where you at least have some protection. AAA recommends getting out of the car to the side of the road, if it can be done safely.

- Never stand directly in front of or behind a vehicle in case it is struck by another car or truck.

Each year, 16 percent of pedestrian fatalities occur on freeways, according to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. They don't track how many of those victims got out of stranded vehicles.

In any case, the worst thing you can do is to stand around outside the vehicle while waiting for help. Drivers approaching in a line of cars and trucks will not see you until it's too late.

Blame it on Marco Polo!

The delightful, well-traveled pasta salad

Though thick noodles and spaghetti are thought to be solely Italian, the Greeks and Chinese lay claim to some form of pasta or noodles dating to ancient times. Some say Marco Polo brought pasta to Italy from the Court of Kublai Khan in 1295 A.D. So pasta has a long history.

Giuseppe Garibaldi, on liber-

ating Naples in 1860, claimed, "It will be maccheroni, I swear to you, that will unite Italy!"

With his love for good food, it is said that Thomas Jefferson, served macaroni in his home in 1789. Before that, in song, Yankee Doodle had "stuck a feather

in his hat and called it macaroni."

Grocery shelves now abound with endless forms of macaroni, spaghetti, and other pasta. Through the years, meats, seafood, vegetables and a myriad of sauces have been used to make pasta dishes.

The recipe below is perfect for everything from a carry-in to a spring party.

Spring pasta salad

2 cups cooked rotini
2boiled eggs, diced
1/4 cup feta cheese crumbles
1/4cupdiced celery
1/4 cup diced onions
1/4 cup light mayonnaise
1/4 cupsour cream
2 teaspoonugar
2 teaspoonvinegar
1 teaspooncapers
1 teaspoonpimentos
salt and pepper to taste

Boil rotini until soft but firm (about 20 minutes). Drain and cool. Add the onion, celery, cheese, pimentos, and capers. In a bowl, whisk eggs, mix with the sour cream, mayonnaise, vinegar, sugar, salt and pepper. Stir until well blended. Add this dressing to the ingredients of the larger bowl and toss thoroughly. Chill until served. Makes eight servings.



THANK A NURSE

*I was like you, so young and healthy,
I laughed; I played;
I once was wealthy!
And I remember ...
it went so fast!
My Dad, my home, my son,
all passed.
But as I doze here in my chair,
I'm there again,
so young and fair.*

*So talk to me
when you are near;
I'll hear your voice
and know less fear.
Come! See the true me
and behold
Not a just a patient,
sick and old.
But a real person
who had a life,
A house, a job, a child, a wife.*

*Thank you, nurse,
you did your part.
You said my name; you
touched my heart.*

Olympic carryover Canada-USA hockey creates new fans

About 27.6 million people watched the gold-medal hockey game on television. Some had never watched a hockey game before. That means the biggest marketing winner of the 2010 Vancouver Olympics could be the National Hockey League.

Canada's 3-2 win against the USA has given hockey the publicity that other sports will envy for years to come.

The new fans may not yet fully understand the intricacies of the game, but many will be tuning in to NHL games to follow the stars who played in Vancouver.

The Sunday night thriller was TV's most-watched hockey game since the American team's gold medal win against Finland in the 1980 Lake Placid Olympics.

The 27.6 million viewer number was also higher than that of the most-watched games of the 2009 World Series (22.8 million) and the NBA Finals (16 million).

Athlete endorsements

Sidney Crosby, who scored the winning hockey goal, received several endorsement offers. They were from prospective automotive and financial services sponsors.

Gold medal skier Lindsey Vonn could double her present endorsement earnings of \$4 million per year by adding sponsors that include Under Armour, Red Bull and Procter and Gamble.

Gold-medal snowboarder Shaun White will likely increase his annual endorsement earnings to more than \$10 million.

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I believe life is a series of near misses. A lot of what we ascribe to luck is not luck at all. It's seizing the day and accepting responsibility for your future. It's seeing what their people don't see and pursuing that vision.

Howard Schultz, CEO of Starbucks

Millard Fillmore silver dollar first of four in 2010

The 13th president of the United States is the first of four presidents to be featured on a new U.S. silver dollar in 2010.

The Millard Fillmore silver dollar came out in late February, the first of the group of four. The front features his portrait, the years of his term, (1850 to 1853) and "13th President."

The reverse side shows the Statue of Liberty, United States of America in type, and a large \$1.

The edge of the coin has the motto "E Pluribus Unum," the date and mint mark of the coin, and 13 stars.

According to the United



States Mint, three other Presidential Dollars will be issued during 2010. They will honor Franklin Pierce, James Buchanan and Abraham Lincoln.

The Mint's Deputy Director, Andrew Brunhart, officially introduced the coin in New York, saying, "Each new Presidential \$1 coin is an opportunity to learn the stories of men like Millard Fillmore, who served in our nation's highest office."

Though a 2008 Harris Poll determined that 76 percent of respondents preferred dollar bills to dollar coins, the silver dollars are highly prized by coin collectors and individuals.

The lighter side

Camping with Holmes and Watson

Sherlock Holmes and Doctor Watson were on a camping trip. They had gone to bed and were lying awake looking up at the sky. Holmes said: "Watson, look up. What do you see?"

"I see thousands of stars," he said.

"And what does that mean to you?" Holmes continued.

"I suppose it means we will have another nice day tomorrow. What does it mean to you, Holmes?"

"To me, Watson, it means someone has stolen our tent."

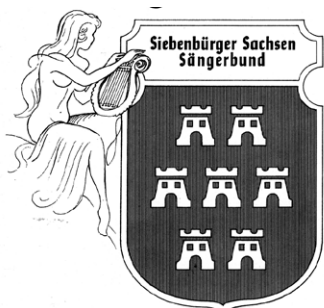
Laugh, laugh

Women shouldn't have children after 35. Really, 35 children are enough.

I put this sign on my son's room door: "Check out time is 18!"

I married my wife for her looks, but not the ones she's been giving me lately.

Home is where you can say anything you like. Nobody listens to you anyway.



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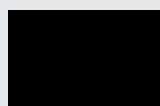
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