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## BRANCH 10, COLUMBUS By Hilda Kautz

The Columbus Saxons would also like to thank Lori Roth (formerly of Salem) for alerting folks to the book "Transylvania" by Bronwen Riley. The many pictures in vibrant colors and the very interesting text in English made a big hit with us. After sharing our copy at the March meeting, another dozen copies were ordered for various members who wanted this book to share with their families. Especially enjoyable to me was a reference to the special Saxon delicacy "Hanklich" (it's still "Hunklich" to us), listing the ingredients. My mom always added cherries and Dick said his mom did too. Anyway, thank you so much for the enjoyment we got reading this wonderful volume and thanks to Sue Fritzman of Salem for giving me the necessary information to order the book.

Many good wishes to our shut-ins: Maria Allert, Sarah Alzner, Helen Farr, Mike Lassel and Katherina Scholtes. Hope some warm spring weather will help everyone feel a bit better.

Martin Hesch finally had his name drawn for the attendance prize. My name is bound to surface soon.

Happy April birthdays to Maria Allert (15), and Dorothea Hesch (22) and may you enjoy many more happy days.

Our next meeting will be Monday, April 20, at the Germania, so come and join us.

## BRANCH 4, CLEVELAND By Joan Miller-Malue

Our next monthly meeting will be held on Monday, April 20<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 pm. Collection of premiums and local dues will be taken at 7:30 pm. Since spring is in the air, we thought we would hold a Spring Hat contest that evening. We are asking our ladies to wear a spring hat that they created or a store bought hat. We will award prizes for the prettiest, the funniest, and the most original. We did this a few years ago and had some very interesting hats to judge.

Branch 4's bowling team (Stephanie Miller, Jenny Miller, Carlie Schmitz, Arline Suts and I) has ended in 2<sup>nd</sup> place for this TSBA season. We will be bowling in the TSBA Tournament the weekend of April 25 -26 in New Castle. We would like to thank Monica Gilles for substituting on our team several times during this season. It was luck that we came in second place, but we had a lot of fun bowling with other ATS members from the various cities. Wish us luck in the Tournament!

The Sachsenchor is holding their annual Spring Concert on Saturday, April 18<sup>th</sup>. A delicious schnitzel dinner will be served at 5:30 with the concert to follow. Maria Fischer is taking reservations. Please call her at (216) 741-1398. Hans Schobel and the Bergvagabunden will play for the dance. The Sachsenchor can be commended for the time it practices to perform at the various German concerts throughout the year. It is very important that we show our support to the choir by attending its Spring Concert and upcoming fundraiser on Sunday, May 17<sup>th</sup> to let them know we appreciate their efforts in displaying our Saxon and German culture.

Another cultural group that works at promoting our Saxon culture is the Cleveland Saxon Dance Group. They will be holding their annual Trachtenball on May 9<sup>th</sup>. Please look for the reservation form in the *Volksblatt* and send your prepaid reservations to Amanda Seiler-Botsch. The group is looking for new members. If you are interested in joining the group, juniors and adults, please call Amanda at (216) 235-5240.

Don't forget the Sachsenheim serves delicious fish dinners on Friday evenings from 5:00 - 9:30 pm.



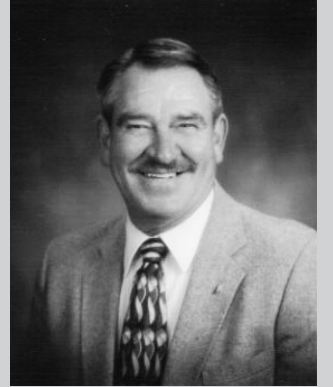
## BRANCH 8, ALLIANCE By Phyllis Biggs

At our last meeting we had a good turnout, the weather was like spring and everyone enjoyed a wonderful St. Patrick's Day theme lunch. We thank Barbara, Jan and June. June Bischel, Leslie Rud and Helen Kinser won the attendance awards. A thank you was read from Ryan Carpenter for the scholarship donation. Ryan is the grandson of Dave and Lena Kunkle.

The April dinner meeting will be at the Texas Road House on April 15<sup>th</sup> at 6:00. May hostesses will be Karen Kinser, Denise Crawford and Helen Kinser.

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Thomas J. Manning  
ATS Nat'l President



The ATS Board of Directors held our first meeting of the New Year on Saturday, March 1st at the Home Office in Cleveland, Ohio. It is a real pleasure to work with the Board members who are such a fine group of ladies and gentlemen who are so cooperative and well informed. We had a lengthy agenda to cover and had a very productive meeting. Numerous committee reports were given and discussed at length before decisions were made. One important decision that the Board passed was to drop our interest rate on Annuities to 4.25%. We did this as a precautionary measure. Be assured that this is still a very competitive interest rate in the current economy. Our financial advisors and the State of Ohio have assured us that the ATS remains financially sound. We are promoting an ATS Branch Stimulus Package. The ATS Board of Directors is requesting each Branch to recruit new members into our fraternal family. Your Branch will be awarded a \$200 bonus if they welcome five new members between the period of April 1 thru July 1, 2009. You can assist in meeting this goal by providing your Deputy with names of family members, friends, and associates who are interested in our Life Insurance and/or Annuity Programs. Sales promotions help your local Branch to increase their membership but also provide extra funds for your treasury.

The ATS Board accepted a bid submitted by Branch 2, Erie, PA, to host the Heimattag in Erie, PA, on June 26-27, 2010.

Quote of the Day: "How quickly we can get discouraged. We try something once, it doesn't work, and we give up. If Thomas Edison had acted this way, we might not have had the light bulb until many years later. If the Wright Brothers had given up after a crash or two, plane travel might have been delayed by years. Instead, Edison and the Wright Brothers and countless other innovators throughout history persisted through their failures until they finally succeeded."

My wife, Liz, and I wish everyone a Happy and Holy Easter Season. Don't eat too many chocolate eggs!

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

TIMELY - DO NOT DELAY  
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# ALLIANCE OF TRANSYLVANIAN SAXONS SCHOLARSHIP GRANTS – 2009

## FRESHMAN ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIP GRANTS

### FRESHMAN ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIP GRANTS

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

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

- \$1,000 Four Year Renewable Grant from the Victor Deptner Memorial Scholarship
- \$1,000 Past ATS Officers' Memorial Scholarship Award
- \$1,000 Henry Schindler Scholarship Award
- \$1,000 Michael W. Schassburger Memorial Scholarship Award
- \$1,000 Jon Weber Memorial Scholarship Award
- \$1,000 ATS Branch 33 National Scholarship Endowment Award
- \$1,000 Julia & Martin Konnerth Memorial Scholarship Award
- \$1,000 Julia & Martin Konnerth Memorial Scholarship Award
- \$1,000 Branch 10 - Columbus Scholarship Award
- \$1,000 Branch 14- Canton Scholarship Award
- \$1,000 Davidson-Schuller Appreciation Scholarship Award in honor of ATS and Branches 33 & 34
- \$1,000 Award in honor of Honey Wolff's 90th Birthday (2nd of four Annual Awards)
- \$1,000 Rev. & Mrs. John Foisel Memorial Scholarship Award
- \$ 750 Niles-Branch 20 National Scholarship Award
- \$ 750 New Castle Br. 27 Scholarship Award
- \$ 750 John and Mary Guip Memorial Scholarship Award
- \$ 500 ATS Scholarship Award
- \$ 500 Rosina Marx Memorial Scholarship
- \$ 400 Donzella Herman Scholarship Award

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

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



### Quotations: Tax Season

You know it's a bad day when your income tax refund check bounces.

I believe we should all pay our tax bill with a smile. I tried--but they wanted cash.

Why does a slight tax increase cost you two hundred dollars and a substantial tax cut save you thirty cents? -- Peg Bracken

Isn't it appropriate that the month of the tax begins with April Fools' Day and ends with cries of 'May Day!?' -- Rob Knauerhase

There is only one thing worse than the flu season--the tax season. You can recover from the flu.

Intoxication (n.): Euphoria at getting a tax refund, which lasts until you realize it was your money to start with.

Income tax returns are the most imaginative fiction being written today. -- Herman Wouk

Complete the Request Form below to receive your Application. Please note: Upon receipt of the request Form, an official **ATS Scholarship Application Form** will be mailed to you. The completed **Scholarship Application Form** must be returned to the ATS Home Office before April 15<sup>th</sup>.

### REQUEST FOR ATS HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR SCHOLARSHIP

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, Zip Code

Tele: \_\_\_\_\_

Br. No. \_\_\_\_\_ Cert. No. \_\_\_\_\_

### CONTINUING ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIP GRANTS

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

- \$1,000 Award in memory of Past-President David P. Bokesch
- \$1,000 Award in honor of Marie Stirner
- \$1,000 Award in honor of Marie Stirner
- \$1,000 Award in honor of Marie Stirner
- \$ 500 ATS Scholarship Award
- \$ 500 ATS Scholarship Award
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Applicants must be ATS members in good standing, with continuous membership for a minimum period of two (2) years. They must have a grade point average of at least 2.8. They may be any age; however, they cannot be a current year high school graduate or currently in their freshman year of college.

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

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

Completed applications for scholarship grants must be submitted to the ATS Home Office **before April 15<sup>th</sup>**. Academic Continuing Education Scholarship winners will be chosen in a random drawing conducted by the ATS Scholarship Committee.

### REQUEST FOR ATS ADULT SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, Zip Code

Tele: \_\_\_\_\_

Br. No. \_\_\_\_\_ Cert. No. \_\_\_\_\_



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**THE DEADLINE DATE FOR ARTICLES  
IS FRIDAY - 12 NOON.**

You may either

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

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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 10, 2009	Friday, April 17, 2009
Friday, April 24, 2009	Friday, May 1, 2009
Friday, May 8, 2009	Friday, May 15, 2009
Friday, May 22, 2009	Friday, May 29, 2009

**Please have your articles in by 12 Noon.**

Questions?? Contact Barb or Hanz Hermann at (440) 892-0436.


  
 Eintracht Saxonia  
 Sachsenchor  
**Spring Concert**  
 April 18, 2009  
 Westside Sachsenheim 7001 Denison  
 Schnitzel dinner Cost \$18  
 Time 5:30-7:00pm  
 Music provided by Hans Schobel and  
 the Bergvagabunden  
 Reservations please call:  
 Maria Fischer  
 216-741-1398

**The Lighter Side  
... of golf**

*Some say it's a series of tragedies and the occasional miracle, followed by a cold bottle of beer.*

*Golf is harder than baseball because you have to play your foul balls.*

*If you want everything perfect before the shot, you won't get a perfect shot.*

*Golf is the only game where the most feared opponent is you.*

*It's like marriage. If you take yourself too seriously, it won't work and, like marriage, it's expensive.*

*A "gimme" is an agreement between two golfers who don't putt very well.*

*The best wood in most amateurs' bags is the pencil!*

**YOUNGSTOWN  
SAXON RETIREES**  
By Teri Laret


The following are the minutes of the Saxon Retirees meeting held on Thursday March 12, 2009 at 710 S Meridian Road, Youngstown Ohio 44509. There were 49 in attendance. Our President Pat Bokesch opened the meeting with a prayer of thanksgiving for all the good things we are given from God. We thank Him for our families, our friends and the cooks in the kitchen. We pledged our allegiance to the flag of our country in word and we sing *God Bless America*.

Gert Prest engaged a speaker for today and she is Peggy Flynn who is from Mahoning County Recycling Center. Green, Green, and Green. The first green is for St. Patrick, the second green is for the new green grass starting to poke thru the dirt, the third green is for Reduce, Reuse, and Recycle. Peggy's program was complete as to all aspects of the Center and its particular functions, which include curbside recycling. This phase is broken down to seven categories and locations for their pickup. They will be accepting large appliances starting the end of April. For more information concerning Reduce, Reuse and Recycle please call Youngstown Litter Control and Recycling at 330-744-7526. Everyone present received a small but unique picture frame made from recycled denim scraps from blue jeans. Thank you Peggy for coming.

Since there was no old or new business, we are drawing our monthly meeting to a close with the usual tribute to birthdays and anniversaries. We have two birthday girls, Hildegard Dunkerly and Teri Laret. There were no anniversaries, so the two girls received congratulations by song - Happy Birthday to You. They also added to the refreshment cupboard.

Dorothy Chlebus had been under the weather but she is here today and brought Marcie Broll, who is John's sister. Ladies come back again next month.

With all the commotion we neglected to thank Carol Orr, Bette Stevens and Rose Untch. Green was in full glory and they had a nice party.


  
**BRANCH 37 DETROIT**  
*96th Anniversary Celebration!*

It was a pleasure seeing so many members and friends attending Br. 37's 96th Anniversary celebration. The evening started out with a delicious dinner prepared by the Carpathia cooks. Pastor Jens Liedtke-Siems of St. Peter's Lutheran Church gave the blessing in German and in English before the dinner was served.

A short program followed beginning with the presentation, by George Schemmel, Sr., of a 50-year membership certificate and a 50-year pin to Michael Rehner, Jr. Susanna Fleischer was honored as a 25-year life member with a certificate.

President Susanna Fleischer greeted all the guests and members. Thanked all the officers for a job well done, as well as all the members who helped in making this celebration an enjoyable evening. President Fleischer presented a brief history of Br. 37's founding and honoring all the departed members that we lost during the past year. Singing "Siebenbuergen" closed the program.

The guests and members were entertained by "Ben and Jerry and the Motown Sweethearts" on their Kazoos under the direction of George Schemmel, Sr. with the Vagabonds providing the background music. The group consisted of Ben Mann, Jerry Pruitt, Katie Moody, Joan Horning and Betty Glanders. They played two songs, "Edelweiss" and "God



**George Schemmel, Sr. presenting 50-year award to Michael Rehner, Jr.**



**George Schemmel, Sr. presenting 25-year life member award to Susanna Fleischer.**

Bless America". Everyone enjoyed the performance and a job

well done goes to the group. Thanks to all the members who provided prizes for the raffle and everyone who won a prize went home happy. Sorry that not everyone could be a winner. A special prize was made and donated by Katie Moody for the raffle. A red and blue afghan with seven gold castles sewn on to the blanket on one side was won by Jerry Pruitt.

The evening ended on a happy note and I hope to see all of you at our next scheduled meeting, Sunday, April 5th at 3:00 p.m. at St. Peter's Lutheran Church.

God's blessings to all of you.

**Susi Fleischer**



**The Ben and Jerry and the Motown Sweethearts group performing.**

The hostesses for April are, Kay Ring - 330-759-8089 and her daughter Eileen Anerino - 330-718-7462. Reservations should be called in to one of the above by Sunday April the 5th. If you bring a friend, please call or if you have a standing reservation and cannot attend please call one of the above.

The committee supplied us with many raffle prizes. The winners are, Kay Ring, Gerry Perrine, Paul Beight, Jean Wilson, Irene Brown, June Schuller, Dorothy Chlebus and Bette Stevens.

That's all folks. So Ein Tag


  
**Happy Spring members!**  
**This is a reminder to please make your reservations for the Stiftensfest dinner on May 3, 2009.**


**Branch 9**  
**Stiftensfest 2009**  
 Lone Tree Manor  
 7730 N. Milwaukee,  
 Niles, IL  
**Date: May 3, 2009**  
**11:00am to 4:00pm**  
**Adults \$25 per person (entrance and dinner)**  
**Ladies please bring a dessert to share.**  
**Children: ages 6 to 14 \$12.50 per child**  
**Under age 5: free**

**Cash Bar**  
**DJ: Music Source**  
**Basket Raffle**

**Reservations must be made by April 25, 2009 and paid in advance to:**  
**Rose Hauer**  
**216 E. Sibley**  
**Park Ridge, IL 60068**  
**Phone: 847-685-9821**

**Checks made out to:**  
**Transylvanian Saxons**  
**Branch 9**

**BOOKS**




Memoirs of Maria Schneider, a Transylvanian Saxon from Weisskirch (near Bistritz) written by her daughter Monika Görig. Book describes the arduous and sometimes painful life from her childhood through adulthood. The story includes the family's hardships when they had to flee from their home in 1944 to start a new life in Austria.

The book is written in German and contains 232 pages. Can be purchased through the ATS Home Office for \$20. Please make your check payable to ATS.

Monika Görig/Maria Schneider

**Flucht aus Siebenbürgen**

Naggaas-Tagebuch  
Tagebuch des Elends



# FRATERNAL CALENDAR

## CLEVELAND EAST BRANCHES 33 & 34

By Arline Krestel-Suts

### NATIONAL EVENTS

#### 2009

- April 25th-26th, 2009  
2009 TSBA Tournament  
Host: New Castle
- May 16, 2009  
Branch Presidents' Meeting  
Hosted by Branch 27 New Castle  
100th Anniversary
- June 20-21, 2009  
Saxon Heimattag, Kitchener, Ontario Canada
- September 26-28, 2009  
ATS Teen Weekend Salem, Ohio
- September 26th, 2009  
Sängerbund Sängerfest  
Youngstown Concordia Chorus
- October 24th & 25th, 2009  
ATS Open Bowling Tournament  
Cleveland East, Ohio

### LOCAL EVENTS

#### 2009

- April 3, 2009  
Salem Fish Fry #6  
N. Castle Br. 25 Easter Ham Raffle
- April 4, 2009  
Salem Sausage Sale 9am-2:30pm  
Cleveland Br. 1, 4, 33, 34 Easter Party
- April 5, 2009  
Merrillville Br. 26 Meeting 3pm  
Youngstown Br. 22 & Br. 30 meet
- April 6, 2009  
Salem Br. 19 Meeting 7:30 p.m.  
Youngstown Br. 22 Flea Market set up
- April 7, 2009  
Youngstown Br. 22 Flea Market
- April 8, 2009  
Youngstown Wed. Fish Dinner open to public
- April 9, 2009  
Youngstown Retirees meet  
N. Castle Br. 25 NO Thurs. Dinner
- April 11, 2009  
Salem Easter Egg Hunt 1:00 pm. SHARP
- April 13, 2009  
Salem Br. 18 Trustees Audit 6pm  
Salem Br. 18 meeting 7:30 p.m.
- April 16, 2009  
Salem Line Dance Lessons 7:00 p.m.  
N. Castle Br. 25 Thurs. Dinner
- April 18, 2009  
Salem Breakfast 7-10 am  
Spring Clean Up (CH) 10:30-4pm  
Cleveland Eintracht Saxonia Sachsenchor Spring  
Concert Westside Sachsenheim  
Youngstown Concordia Chorus Night in Vienna  
Concert dinner/dance  
Br. 25 N. Castle 1st Day of Trout @Picnic Grounds
- April 19, 2009  
Youngstown Br. 30 Pork Dinner open to public
- April 23, 2009  
Salem Line Dance Lessons 7pm
- April 25, 2009  
Salem Spring Clean up (CC) 9-4pm  
Salem Peanut night 8:00 pm
- April 26, 2009  
Youngstown Mother/Daughter Banquet
- April 30, 2009  
Salem Line Dance Lessons 7pm  
Salem Br. 19 Officers Mtg. 7:30 pm
- May 2, 2009  
N. Castle Br. 25 1st Clean-Up Day @Grounds  
N. Castle Br. 25 Singer's Spring Concert 8pm
- May 3, 2009  
Merrillville Br. 26 Meeting & Picnic  
Chicago Br. 9 Stiftensfest 11am-4pm  
Lone Tree Manor
- May 4, 2009  
Salem Br. 19 Trustees Audit 6:30pm  
Salem Br. 19 Meeting 7:30 p.m.
- May 6, 2009  
Salem Retirees 11:30am
- May 7, 2009  
Salem Line Dance Lessons 7pm

Vita Sackville-West called April "the Angel of Months." Thinking of angels as messengers of God, April is a time of rebirth and resurrection; the time when God awakens Mother Nature to bring forth the abundance of our planet Earth. Grass turns green, flowers burst forth an array of colors, tiny new green leaves sprout from gray and brown branches. Resurrection is April's signature, not only in nature but also for our Lord, Jesus Christ. We can take comfort not only in knowing Mother Earth will return to its full glory of natural beauty, but that our souls have been given the most sacred gift of eternal springtime. . Resurrection. So as you look out of your window, drive through the countryside, or take a walk in spring's dazzling sunshine, remember to be thankful and take joy in the simple pleasures of life; and praise God for the gift he has given us - the rejuvenation of spring which pleases our senses right down to our very souls.

April is usually the month when our monthly meeting attendance goes up. Members "shut-in" by the harsh winter are able to safely venture out. Please remember our meetings are on the second Wednesday of the month, April 8<sup>th</sup> we will be meeting as usual at the Lyndhurst Community Center at 7 pm. We start the evening with entertainment; and I do believe we have planned Lee Aflin who sings, plays the guitar and yodels!

We all want to say hello to members who have been ill or hospitalized or who haven't been able to attend meetings;

Marie Fektes, Hermine Prall, Vi Moravcheck, Ronnie Maurer and Susannah Beer. Mrs. Beer broke her hip, had surgery to repair it and I saw her in the hospital and am happy to report she is up and walking quite well. Ed Lautner is in a Nursing Home, so we send him good wishes and prayers that he will be able to recover.

Unfortunately we have recently lost members. Branch 33 members John Ludwig, Jr. passed away; and Branch 34 member Lillian Haisley died. Branch 34 members will remember Sister Haisley as she recently sent us a lovely letter of memoriam regarding her sister, Clara Seitz, who had passed away in December.

Branch 34 has continued to make charitable donations to various organizations throughout the year. In March, we donated \$100 to the Collinwood Church Council, which runs a Food Bank, and in February we donated \$100 to the American Red Cross. In these hard economic times, we know every cent counts and helps.

As part of our Branch budget cuts, Branch 34 closed out our safety deposit box. A Branch Officer will keep the papers/material that were in the box. Thank to Vice President Bette Schmidt for handling this matter.

We want to remind all the Junior members of Branches 33 and 34 that the annual Easter party at the Westside Sachsenheim invitation is there for you. We hope you attend and have a great time; we thank the Westsiders for including our Juniors!

A reminder to Ema Litschel,



### CONCORDIA CHORUS YOUNGSTOWN

Annual Spring Concert

Night in Vienna

April 18, 2009

Gala Schnitzel dinner

John Gabriele will play  
for your dancing pleasure

Reservations with

Marie Bokesch (330) 799-4821

Claudia Bair (330) 799-9228

or with any singer from the chorus.

**Westside Sachsenheim**  
7001 Denison Avenue  
Cleveland OH  
216-651-0888

**Friday Fish Fry**  
5:00 p.m. ~ 9:30 p.m.

Breaded Perch - \$8.95   Baked Salmon - \$8.95  
Beer Battered Pollock - \$6.95  
Baked or Beer Battered Scrod - \$8.95  
All dinners served with your choice of  
potato and coleslaw or salad  
Also serving Burgers and Bar Bites

A variety of domestic and imported beers available

Barb Hum and Karyn Schmidt that you have "volunteered" to bake for the coffee hour at April's meeting.

Finally, as I'm sure you've noticed my articles are now written for both Branches 33 and 34. To explain, this is temporary, Branch 33 has a new Secretary, Jeff Krestel, and we are giving him some time to ease in to this new position and the responsibilities it carries. As he becomes more familiar with the workings of the Branch, he will be contributing his own articles for Branch 33. I am happy to help as needed - so gentlemen let me know any issues or material you would like published!

Remember, our meeting is April 8<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm; we all hope many members attend! Stay safe and healthy!

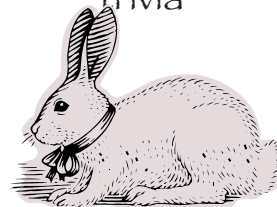
### Quotations: Spring Cleaning

Love is the thing that enables a woman to sing while she mops up the floor after her husband has walked across it in his barn boots. -- Hoosier Farmer

Cleaning your house while your kids are still growing is like shoveling the walk before it stops snowing. -- Phyllis Diller

I hate housework. You make the beds, you wash the dishes, and six months later you have to start all over again. -- Joan Rivers

### Easter rabbit trivia



The saying "mad as a March hare" refers to the wild antics of male hares as they compete with other males in the spring. Mating behavior with females often looks like a crazy dance.

The saying "they multiply like rabbits" probably refers to the ability of hares and rabbits to conceive a second litter while still pregnant with the first. It's not surprising that rabbits became fertility symbols. Rabbits, however, do not lay eggs, in case you wondered.

The idea of the egg-laying bunny came to America in the 18th century with German immigrants in the Pennsylvania Dutch area. They said that on Easter morning, good children found bunny eggs in their hats.

In Australia, there is a long-running campaign to replace the Easter bunny with the Easter bilby. The bilby, an endangered species, is a little smaller than a rabbit. It has a long nose and ears almost as big. A portion of the profit from selling chocolate bilbies goes to protection and research.

**LADIES  
BRANCH 22  
SPRING  
FLEA MARKET  
APRIL 7, 2009**

Now's the time to gather your unwanted "stuff" from the house and workshop household goods workshop tools anything (usable and clean!) Cluttering up your life and cupboards – even collectibles and antiques we'll take it all!!

Bring these to the club ballroom on Monday, April 6 after 9 a.m.

For sorting and sale on Tuesday, April 7<sup>th</sup>.

If you can't get to us call the number below and we'll make arrangements to pick up at your home Monday, April 6<sup>th</sup>.

Please leave your phone number where you can be reached.

Bonnie (330) 793-8691

**More young grandmothers, grandfathers want to be called something else**

If you are 45 or 50 and look and feel 10 or 15 years younger, it can be shocking to be called Grandmother Jones, especially in public.

You know who Grandmother Jones is, she's your husband's mother, not you. For you and other forever-young baby boomers, Granny and Gramps just won't do. Your whole generation is reinventing old age, according to the experts at AARP.

Men are as sensitive to age-related names as women are. "Papaw" will do for some. One writer for Saturday Night Live wanted to be called "Sheriff."

Some children of baby boomers are puzzled that their parents are so concerned. But new grandparents often negotiate with them and come up with a name they want to be called. "Nanna" is a popular choice. One grandmother chose "Coco," and another chose "Glamma." YiaYia (YaYa) is chosen by some young grandmas even if they aren't Greek.

Today's boomers say, it's not just about trying to stay young. It's about recognizing their individuality.

Then again, one grandmother says she doesn't care what her granddaughter calls her, just so she calls her.



**Help to Restore the  
Evangelical Church in Bistritz**

There was a disastrous fire that hit the Evangelical Church in Bistritz, a church that has been a part of the Transylvanian Saxon community for nearly 700 years.

A restoration project was recently completed to preserve this beautiful church. Then, this misfortune happened that destroyed the church tower and part of the roof. *This church is a part of our history and we must help to rebuild it!*

Please make your contribution to the Saxon Relief Fund and send it to the ATS Home Office, 5393 Pearl Road, Cleveland, OH 44129-1597. Please complete the following form:

**My Contribution to the Rebuilding of the  
Evangelical Church in Bistritz**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Amount of donation \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**BRANCH 30,  
YOUNGSTOWN  
By Tom Fizet**

The officers of the Golf League are extending an invitation to members of Branch 30 to golf in the Saxon Golf League. If you are new and interested in joining the league call Jerry 330-799-0846, Rick 330-799-8695 or Joe 330-509-2103. Present and former members chart your calendars with this information: Golf will be at Mahoning CC on Tuesday s at 4:30. Two rounds for practice and to set Handicaps will be April 21 and 28. Play begins on May 5 at 4:30. Save July 18, for the annual play between the Maennerchor and the Saxon Club, starting time and Golf Course to be announced later. Pete Karsti and Friends will be back to entertain our dinner guests on Saturday, April 4th. You can enjoy your dinner and listen to some Saxon and American entertainment.

John Davidson, Jr., 85, passed away on March 22, 2009. Visitation and Memorial services were on March 27, at Grace Lutheran Church, in Austintown. John was an Attorney and partner of Davidson and Smith retiring in 1997. He was a past President of the Austintown Optimist Club, the Grace Church and a 51-year member of the Saxon Club and a past member of the Saxon Golfers. John pronounced for the Spelling Bee in the 60's, and an Army Veteran of WW II. Surviving are his wife Regina (Jean), a son John III, two daughters Amy Constas Davidson and Jody Evans, three grandchildren and two brothers; our deepest sympathy to his family.

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ATS has excellent ONE – PAYMENT life Insurance and Policies for your children and grandchildren. Also, they have ANNUITIES that are currently paying 4.5%. These are good investments for any age. The Minimum Annuity amount is \$ 300.00, for those under 15 yrs. of age it is \$150.00. Your Branch 30 representatives are Jim Mauch, 330-792-8484 and Roger Fotiuk, 330-792-0034.

A work party is held on the Third Saturday of each month. For April it will be Saturday the 18th... If you cannot make it call Ralph Scheetz at 330-533-3424. If you don't do a work party at least one time in the year it will cost you \$20.00.

In the last issue I stated the V.F.W. is in charge of the Memorial Day Parade. I should have known better. I have attended this Parade for as long as I can remember and it is sponsored and led by the American Legion Post 301 of Austintown. The Parade is on Memorial Day Monday, May 25. Immediately after the Parade and Memorial service the VFW will continue to the Parking Lot of the Saxon Club at 701 Meridian Road for a Car Show from 12 Noon to 6: PM. If you have a Bike, Antique, Pro Street or Show Car enter to have it on display. Cost of entry is \$ 5.00 per entry. Contact the VFW Post 4237 of Austintown. The Saxon Club will be selling lunches, pop, beer, coffee, and hot dogs in the Pavilion. If you can help or want to enter contact Marty Eberth at 330-533-4618 or Walter Benesch at 330-792-9357. It should be a fun time.

Branch 30 and Branch 22 will meet at 2:30 on April 5 and May 3. This is a change from the regular meeting times which are usually the second Sunday of the Month. Make a note of the

change.

The Club will be open only for the EASTER SUNDAY BUFFET, two settings, one at 11:00 AM and one at 1:00 PM by (RSVP reservations) only. Ham, chicken, sausage w/pepper and onion, pasta, vegetable and salad, rolls, butter and dessert \$12.95.

Men's Bocce will be open on Tuesday, April 14, for a practice night. Play begins on Monday April 20. To get on a team call Dave Stryffeler, at 330-792-5773. Get your Sponsor or Sponsor a team. Further information will be posted in the Bocce court and the bulletin board in the Club.

Afternoon Bocce will begin in May. Time will be Mondays at 11:00AM and at 1:00 PM. Play will be Monday only with 8 teams. Get your team together; or call Tom Varley at 330-799-5563, he will assist you. Tom is open to help with the operation of the league; give him a call.

For the Month of April, at 8:00 PM there will be Bar Bingo. Also in April every Thursday will be Karaoke and Stein Night. Try your talents and bring your Stein; there will be beer specials available. For more

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11:00 am English Worship  
German Worship  
9 am on 2nd Sunday  
Pastor Susanne Carter**

**St. John's Lutheran Church**  
1000 Ford Road  
Highland Hts., Ohio  
(440) 449-1334  
**Rev. Paul Stork**  
Pastor

**10:00 Worship Service  
10:00 Sunday School**

information ask the Bar Maids or Marty Eberth at 330-533-4618.

Don't forget Branch 22 Flea-Market on April 7. For information on the dates to bring in things talk to the officers of Branch 22 or call the office; lunch and soup will be available. The Concordia Chorus will present a Night in Vienna, Saturday April 18, 2009 in the Ballroom, at 6:30 PM. Enjoy the Schnitzel Dinner and Concert, music for dancing by John Gabriele. Contact Marie Bokesch, Darlene Nischwitz and other Chorus members for tickets or the Office for more informa-

**PORK-KRAUT DINNER  
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## Kronstädter Initiative zur Rettung der Altstadt

Am 11. März unterzeichneten der Bürgermeister von Kronstadt, George Scripcaru, als Vertreter des Bürgermeisteramtes, Stadtpfarrer Christian Plajer, als Vertreter der Evangelischen Kirche A.B. in Kronstadt, und der Rechtsanwalt Iuliu Coșulețu, als natürliche Person, die Gründungsakte des Vereins „Salvați centrul istoric al Brașovului“ (Rettet das historische Stadtzentrum Kronstadts). Nun will man möglichst rasch gemeinsame Schritte unternehmen, um der Innenstadt ihr von den zahlreichen mittelalterlichen Baudenkmalern und den Wehranlagen geprägtes Aussehen zu erhalten. Erste, allerdings allgemeine Informationen darüber, wie dieses so wichtige Vorhaben umgesetzt werden soll, gibt die Vereinssatzung.

Der Verein mit Sitz am Alten Marktplatz 18 definiert sich als selbstständige, regierungsunabhängige, apolitische und gemeinnützige Rechtsperson; die Gründungsmitglieder setzen sich durch materiellen Beitrag, durch ihre Kenntnisse und ihren Arbeitseinsatz für den Erhalt des historischen Stadtzentrums ein. Dies umfasst mehrere Ziele: ein schnelleres Eingreifen, um das historische Stadtbild zu retten, wobei Investoren und Organisationen herangezogen werden sollen, die die Kosten der Gebäudesanierung tragen können; die Förderung von Programmen für die Restaurierung und Pflege des historischen und kulturellen Erbes; die Gründung von Verbänden der Wohnungseigentümer in diesem Stadtteil als Partner der Restaurierungskampagne. Der allgemeine Lebensstandard im historischen Stadtteil soll verbessert werden. Das Kulturerbe und die geistige Identität der verschiedenen Gemeinden sollen bewahrt werden.

Die Satzung führt die hierfür notwendigen Maßnahmen an. Nach einer Bestandsaufnahme soll die Bausubstanz von historischem, baulichem und städtebaulichem Wert saniert werden zum Zweck einer entsprechenden touristischen Vermarktung. Es sollen nicht nur Gebäude gepflegt, sondern auch das spezifische Brauchtum wiederbelebt werden. Die Kronstädter sollen über die Geschichte und die Kulturwerte ihrer Stadt besser informiert werden, ebenso über die Bedeutung, die der Schutz und die Verwertung dieses Kulturerbes haben. So wird auch die kulturelle Identität der Kronstädter

gestärkt. Um das geschichtliche und kulturelle Erbe besser kennenzulernen, zu pflegen und zu nutzen, sollen Ingenieure und Architekten angesprochen werden, Handwerker und Facharbeiter für Restaurierungsarbeiten ausgebildet, alte traditionelle Handwerke wiederbelebt werden. Gegebenenfalls sollen neue Sanierungskonzepte umgesetzt werden. Unterstützung aus dem Ausland wird in Betracht gezogen.

Durch Tagungen, öffentliche Debatten, Studienreisen, Begegnungen mit Vertretern anderer Städte und Regionen, die erfolgreich Denkmalschutz betreiben, soll ein Informations- und Erfahrungsaustausch stattfinden, Öffentlichkeitsarbeit geleistet werden. Angestrebt wird die partnerschaftliche Zusammenarbeit mit anderen Organisationen des In- und Auslands mit ähnlicher Zielsetzung. Denkmalgeschützte Objekte können für eine neue Nutzung angepasst werden, sofern deren historische und bauliche Eigentümlichkeit keinen Schaden nimmt.

An der Spitze des Vereins, dessen Gründungskapital sich auf 8 400 Lei (rund 2 000 Euro) beläuft, stehen Bürgermeister Scripcaru als Vorsitzender und Stadtpfarrer Plajer als stellvertretender Vorsitzender. Vereinsmitglieder können all jene natürlichen und juristischen Personen werden, die sich mit den Zielen des Vereins einverstanden erklären und einen Antrag stellen.

Ralf Sudrigian  
SBZ Online  
28. März 2009



Kronstadt: Rossmarkt mit Schwarzer Kirche. Foto: Konrad Klein

## Gelungene Bälle in Kanada gefeiert

**Jubiläumsfeier:** Am 14. Februar feierte der Aylmer-Sachsen-Klub sein 38-jähriges Jubiläum in der Saxonia-Halle. Präsident Bill Ungar begrüßte die zahlreichen Mitglieder und Gäste und gab eine Übersicht der vergangenen 38 Jahre.

Es folgte die Krönung der neuen Miss Saxonia 2009, Alexandria Oswell. Sie ist 18 Jahre alt und will im Herbst auf der Universität im Westen Meeresbiologie studieren. Ihre Großmutter ist Rosina Fick (Schuster), Opa und Oma sind Michael und Helga Ungar. Der Bundesvorsitzende John Werner überbrachte zum Jubiläum die Grüße der Landsmannschaft der Siebenbürger Sachsen in Kanada. Er gratulierte und überreichte ein Geschenk an die neue Miss Saxonia. Ein schmackhaftes Festessen hatte die Frauengruppe unter der Leitung von Präsidentin Katlin Ungar zubereitet.

**Siebenbürger Trachtenball:** Viele Landsleute und Freunde fanden sich am 7. März zum alljährlichen Trachtenball im Transylvania-Klub in Kitchener ein. Präsident Alfred Löwrück hieß alle herzlich willkommen. Der Ball bot uns die Gelegenheit, unsere wunderschönen Trachten zu tragen. Überdies wurde unsere neue „Miss Transylvania“ gekrönt. Löwrück begrüßte viele Ehrengäste: Brenda Halloran, Bürgermeisterin der Stadt Waterloo, Kelly Galloway seitens der Stadt Kitchener, National-Präsident DKK Toni Bergmeier, Ontario DKK Ernst Friedl, den Vorsitzenden der Arbeitsgemeinschaft, Gerhard Griebenow, den Vorsitzenden der Grafschaft Waterloo, Ken Seiling, Vize-Präsident des Aylmer-Saxonia-Klub, Michael Ungar, Harry Drung, Präsident der German Business and

Professional Association, die Präsidenten der Deutschen Klubs von Kitchener, sowie die Alt-Präsidenten des Transylvania-Klubs. Löwrück erinnerte an unsere über 850-jährige Geschichte und an die unseres 1951 in Kitchener gegründeten Klubs, dessen Aufgabe es ist, unser angestammtes Kulturgut hier in unserer neuen Heimat zu pflegen und an unsere Kinder weiterzugeben. Wir haben zum geistigen Aufbau unseres Landes beigetragen und haben sogar internationale Verbindung. Einer aus unseren Reihen ist der Kanadische Botschafter in Berlin, Peter Boehm. Hier in der Umgebung sind wir wohl bekannt für unsere Gastfreundschaft, Kulturgruppen, die Blaskapelle, Chor, Jugendtanzgruppe, Kindergruppe, Frauenverein und Seniorengruppe.

Zur Eröffnung des Programms tanzte die Kindertanzgruppe unter Leitung von Hannelore Maierther und eroberte die Herzen der Anwesenden. Es folgte die Darbietung des Transylvania-Chores unter der Leitung von Ian Clark, begleitet von Alison Clark. Der Chor ertete großen Applaus. Zu den Klängen der in Siebenbürger Tracht aufspielenden Blaskapelle unter der Leitung von Jeremy Frim wurde „Miss Transylvania 2008“ Cheryl Emrich, begleitet von ihren beiden Opas Peter Orendi und Michael Emrich, nach vorne gebracht. Cheryl ließ das abgelaufene Jahr Revue passieren. Sie bedankte sich bei allen Mitgliedern, bei der Jugend, ihren Eltern und Großeltern, insbesondere bei Präsident Alfred Löwrück und Heidi Löwrück. Die Jugend stand Spalier, als Danielle Fritsch, begleitet von Robert Emrich, eintrat und von Cheryl zur „Miss Transylvania 2009“ gekrönt wurde. Präsident

Löwrück überreichte ihr einen Blumenstrauß nebst blau-roter Schleife.

Die „Miss Transylvania 2009“ Danielle Fritsch (einigen besser bekannt als „det Fritsch Madche“) hielt ihre Ansprache. Die 20-jährige Studentin, Tochter von Michael und Margit Fritsch, Enkeltochter von Georg und Käthe Fritsch sowie von Ingo und Gitta Schoppel, hilft in der deutschen Sprachschule Concordia aus, arbeitet als Ski-Lehrerin im „Beaver Valley Ski Club“, spielt Tenor-Saxophon, singt im Chor und leitet die Transylvania-Kindergruppe, zusammen mit Sven Nyman und Stefanie Schmidt. Seit fünf Jahren gehört Danielle Fritsch der Transylvania-Jugendtanzgruppe an. Als neue „Miss Transylvania“, als Klub-Botschafterin freue sie sich darauf, „unsere begabte Tanzgruppe und unseren Klub mit unverwechselbarem sächsischen Stolz zu vertreten“. Sie dankte insbesondere ihren beiden Omas und ihrer Mutter für die vielen Arbeitsstunden, die sie in die schöne Tracht gesteckt hatten.

Der Kulturgruppenleiterin Erika Schmidt gebührt Dank für das Programm, durch das Veranstaltungsleiter Reiny Schmidt führte. Der Bundesvorsitzende John Werner überbrachte die Grüße der Landsmannschaft der Siebenbürger Sachsen in Kanada. Er gratulierte der neuen Miss, überreichte ihr ein Geschenk und wünschte ihr viel Spaß und eine gute Zusammenarbeit mit der Jugend.

Zu unserem **Heimattag**, der am **19. bis 21. Juni im Transylvania-Klub in Kitchener** stattfindet, lud Werner alle Landsleute und Freunde ein. Er wies darauf hin, dass der Heimattag in Dinkelsbühl vom 29. Mai bis 1. Juni stattfindet. Zur Festveranstaltung, die diesmal im Zeichen des 60-jährigen Jubiläums des Verbandes der Siebenbürger Sachsen in Deutschland steht, lädt der Bundesvorsitzende Dr. Bernd Fabritius alle Landsleute und Freunde herzlich ein. Das diesjährige **Föderations-Jugendlager** findet vom **31. Juli bis 15. August** in Österreich statt.

Eine Augenweide war der Trachtenaufmarsch mit 130 Trachtenträgern, der mit dem Absingen des Siebenbürgen-Liedes endete. Die Frauenvereins-Präsidentin Helgard Werner hatte für diesen Abend eine Ausstellung vorbereitet. Unsere große Jugendtanzgruppe unter Leitung von Erick Löwrück erhielt großen Applaus für ihren Auftritt. Abschließend konnte man noch das Tanzbein schwingen zu den heimatlichen Klängen der Blasmusik unter Leitung von Jeremy Frim. Der Tombola-Erlös des Abends, der zu schnell dahinging, kommt der Altenhilfe in Siebenbürgen zugute.

Käthe Paulini  
SBZ Online  
28. März 2009

## M. Schneider: Fräijohrsahnneng

*Mit Verspätung hält der Frühling in diesem Jahr Einzug. Die Verfasserin beschreibt in diesem Gedicht in siebenbürgisch-sächsischer Mundart, wie sie in einem vorhergegangenen Jahr schon Ende Februar einen richtigen Vorfrühlingstag mit all seinen Freuden und Verheißungen erlebt hat. Die Autorin, die ungenannt bleiben möchte, zeichnet mit einem Pseudonym.*

*Äm Februar äs no asem Kalender  
bä as normalerweis noch Wängter,  
doch sängt em vun der lërderwärmung hiert,  
äs't Klima äldiest, äls weer't verkiert.*

*Well't hegt esi hiesch äs dertaus,  
hält ient uch glätt näst mih äm Haus.  
De Sänn schengt uch de Laft äs laa,  
äf de Wise fainkeln de Perle vum Daa.*

*Em kå genesse Sänn uch Reah,  
de Gesång äldenes Vuegels derzea.  
Älles erschengt esi rien uch fräsch;  
än der Ferd hiëwt sich Niëwel iwer dem Bäsch.*

*Än de Gaarten häi uch do  
set em Bläimcher giël uch bloo.  
Un de Streche: Knerzker vum Vuerjohr ze sähn,  
derzwäsche schie Pälmitzker blähn.*

*De Forsizia uch Tärne lassen ärr Kniepcher schwällen,  
em kå se än de Krach glech ställen.  
Än der Bäch det Wässer kån zer Reah näckest kunn  
end nit meng Sihnsucht uch dervun.*

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21. März 2009

## Landler gedenken der Transmigration, die vor 275 Jahren im Salzkammergut begann

2009 jährt sich der Beginn der Transmigration zum 275. Mal. Vom 3. bis 5. Juli soll im Salzkammergut in Oberösterreich an dieses Ereignis erinnert werden.

In der Nacht vom 4. auf den 5. Juli 1734 mussten 47 Familien aus dem Salzkammergut, vorwiegend aus Bad Goisern, unfreiwillig die Reise von Steeg am Hallstätter See nach Siebenbürgen antreten. Diese Familien fanden in Neppendorf und Großau ein neues Zuhause. Spätere Transmigranten aus der österreichischen Monarchie wurden in Großpold und anderen sächsischen Orten angesiedelt. Gegenwärtig lebt nur noch ein kleiner Teil der Nachkommen der „Landler“ in Siebenbürgen. Die Mehrheit hat nach dem Jahre 1989 Rumänien verlassen und in Deutschland eine neue Heimat gefunden, einige wenige auch in Österreich.

Das Evangelische Bildungswerk von Oberösterreich und die Gemeinde Bad Goisern laden aus Anlass der 275. Jährung der Transmigration alle „Landler“, unsere sächsischen Mitbürger, sowie die Bewohner der einstigen Ortschaften, aus denen die evangelischen Glaubensbrüder ausgewiesen wurden, herzlich ein. Die Festveranstaltung findet in der Evangelischen Kirche von Bad Goisern statt und beginnt am Freitag, dem 3. Juli, um 16 Uhr.

Den Festvortrag hält Honorar-Prof. Dr. Michael Bünker, Bischof von Österreich. Das musikalische Programm wird von Goiserer Musikgruppen und dem Großpolder Chor gestaltet. Anschließend findet ein Festumzug unter dem Motto „Sichtbar machen“ statt. Dieses Projekt wurde von Dr. Michael Kurz, Historiker aus Bad Goisern, ins Leben gerufen, um „diese Menschen und ihr Schicksal sichtbar zu machen“.

610 von den heimischen Schulen gestaltete Köpfe, die mit einer Lebensdarstellung der Person versehen wurden, sollen das Los der Transmigranten verdeutlichen. Einerseits wird so die Anzahl der Betroffenen veranschaulicht, andererseits rückt dadurch in den Schulen und der gesamten Region die Problematik ins Bewusstsein der heutigen Generation. Der Freitagabend klingt in der Halle der Freiwilligen Feuerwehr Bad Goisern unter den Klängen der Großauer Blasmusik aus.

Am Samstag, dem 4. Juli, findet um 10.00 Uhr ein Festgottesdienst in Steeg am Hallstätter See statt. Dr. Gerold Lehner, Superintendent des Landes Oberösterreich, wird die Festpredigt halten. Anschließend folgt der gemütliche Teil der Festlichkeiten, ebenfalls in der Halle der Feuerwehr. Die Neppendorfer Blasmusikanten spielen zum Tanz auf.

Um die enge Gemeinschaft und Verbundenheit der Landler mit den sächsischen Mitbewohnern zu unterstreichen, werden diese mit einem besonderen „Augenschmaus“ dabei sein und den Höhepunkt des ge-

mütlichen Teils des Treffens bestreiten. Die Siebenbürgische Jugendtanzgruppe Heilbronn, die 2008 in Untergruppenbach den ersten Preis beim Volkstanzwettbewerb der Siebenbürgisch-Sächsischen Jugend gewonnen hat.

Am Sonntag, dem 5. Juli, werden folgende Aktionen angeboten: Wanderung auf dem „Weg des Buches“ oder „Toleranzweg“, Gottesdienst in Bad Goisern, Hallstatt oder Gosau und Besichtigung des Landler-

museums in Bad Goisern oder des Evangelischen Museums Oberösterreich in Rutzenmoos, in dem eine Ausstellung zum Thema „Landler“ präsentiert wird.

Die Organisatoren vom Evangelischen Bildungswerk Oberösterreich sowie die Gemeinde und Kirchengemeinde von Bad Goisern freuen sich auf zahlreiche Gäste und ein gutes Gelingen der Feierlichkeiten.

Eva Hoffmann  
SBZ Online  
23. März 2009

### ATS Junior Members!

#### EARTH DAY APRIL 22<sup>ND</sup>

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

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



1. Reduce, or cut back, on the stuff that you use or throw away.
2. Reuse items instead of putting them in the garbage.
3. Recycle everything you can –glass, paper, cans, cardboard and plastic.
4. Buy products in packaging that can be recycled.
5. Buy products made from recycled materials.
6. Write or draw on both sides of a piece of paper before recycling it.
7. Don't leave the water running while you brush your teeth.
8. Make sure faucets are turned off all the way so they don't drip.

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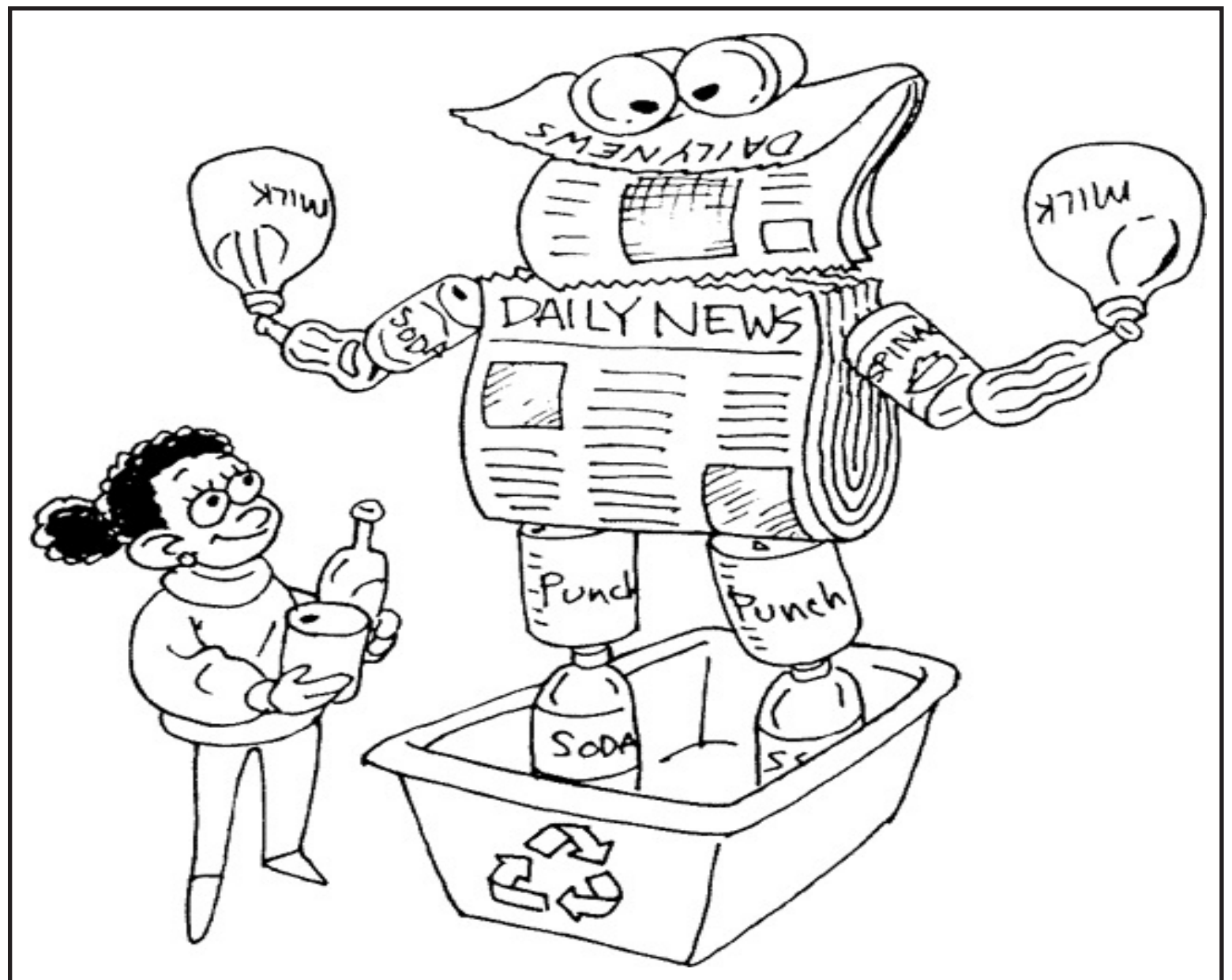
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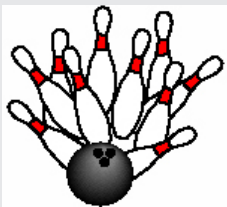
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to sit with specific individuals. For more information call  
Amanda Seiler-Botsch at 216-235-5240.**

9. Turn off the television and computer when they are not in use.
10. Turn out the lights when you leave a room.
11. Never litter! Animals might choke on trash that they find lying around.
12. Keep trees healthy. Don't peel off the bark or break any branches.
13. Celebrate National Arbor Day on April 30 by planting a tree.
14. Take part in a community Earth-care event, such as a clean-up day at the park.
15. Discover more about nature. Visit your library, go on the Internet and watch TV shows about the natural world.

These are just some things you can do to help keep our Earth healthy.

**Color the following picture and mail it to the ATS Home Office, 5393 Pearl Road, Cleveland, Ohio 44111 and receive a packet of Pine Forest Seeds and an Earth Care Silicone Bracelet. Please include your name, address, your Branch Number and Certificate Number.**





**2009 TSBA TOURNAMENT  
APRIL 25-26, 2009  
HOST: NEW CASTLE BOWLERS**

**SIMS LANES  
7245 Big Beaver Blvd., Beaver Falls, PA 15010**

**ATTENTION TSBA BOWLERS: Due to a fire at Parkstown Lanes, we are forced to move the tournament to Sims Lanes in Beaver Falls, PA.**

ENTRY FEE	TEAM	DOUBLES	SINGLES	ALL EVENTS
Prize	\$25.00	\$10.00	\$ 5.00	\$2.00
Bowling	\$33.75	\$13.50	\$ 6.75	
Expenses	\$ 1.25	\$ 0.50	\$ 0.25	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$60.00</b>	<b>\$24.00</b>	<b>\$12.00</b>	<b>\$2.00</b>

**NOTE: TOURNAMENT IS FOR TSBA BOWLERS ONLY.**

Team Name \_\_\_\_\_

Branch # \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

**TEAM EVENT SUNDAY, APRIL 26, 2009 10:00 AM**

Name	ATS Number
1. _____	_____
2. _____	_____
3. _____	_____
4. _____	_____
5. _____	_____

**SATURDAY, APRIL 25, 2009 11:00 AM**

SINGLES EVENT Name	DOUBLES following Singles Name
1. _____	1. _____
2. _____	2. _____
3. _____	3. _____
4. _____	4. _____
5. _____	5. _____
6. _____	6. _____

ALL EVENTS	ALL EVENTS
1. _____	1. _____
2. _____	2. _____
3. _____	3. _____

**DEADLINE FOR ENTRIES IS APRIL 18, 2009**

**All bowling fees and meal reservation money MUST accompany this form.**

Send all entries to Jacob Spor, 2940 Plank Rd., New Castle, PA 16105  
Spor2940@comcast.net Telephone (724) 657-3773

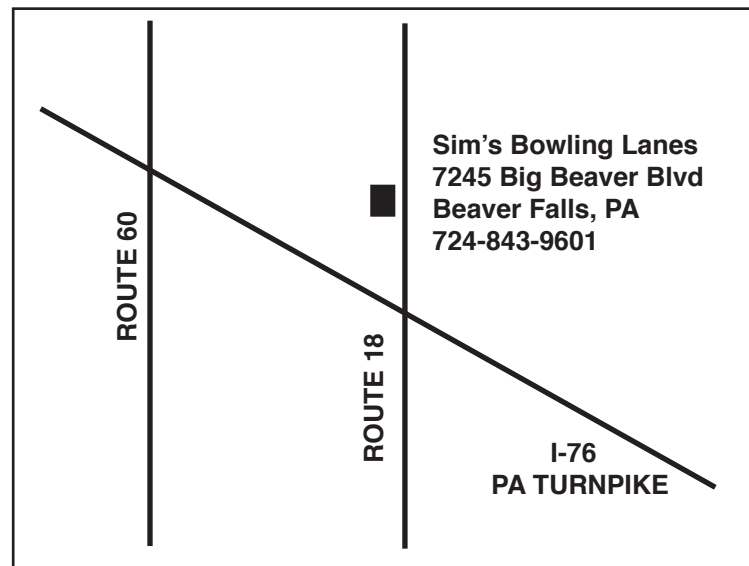
Make checks payable to TSBA

TEAM EVENT	# _____ @ \$60.00 \$ _____
DOUBLES	# _____ @ \$24.00 \$ _____
SINGLES	# _____ @ \$12.00 \$ _____
ALL EVENTS	# _____ @ \$ 2.00 \$ _____
MEALS	# _____ @ \$10.00 \$ _____
<b>TOTAL SUBMITTED</b>	<b>\$ _____</b>

**TOURNAMENT RULES**

- The annual tournament will be held on April 25-26, 2009 at Sims Lanes in Beaver Falls, Pa, and the host city will be New Castle.
- Entry fees are: \$6.75 bowling, \$5.00 prize, and \$.25 expenses totaling \$12.00 per person per event. All events fee will be \$2.00, banquet fee is \$10.00.
- Averages will be based on the FINAL AVERAGES after completion of the regular on March 22, 2009 as compiled by the Statistical secretary and verified by the Secretary/Treasurer.
- Any bowler having an established average in the league as of March 22, 2009 shall receive a handicap of 100 percent of the difference between their average and scratch of 210, with no limit on handicap.
- A bowler may bowl only once in each event.
- Entries close at midnight April 18, 2009. All fees MUST accompany the entry form.
- Each team captain or designated team representative should report the team in at least thirty minutes prior to the start of the event.
- To be eligible to bowl in the tournament, a bowler must have bowled in at least six games during the regular season.
- The tournament secretary shall have the right to return for correction any entry form that does not comply with the above rules.
- All event winners will be determined by ACTUAL SCORES PLUS HANDICAP.
- Tournament rules are covered by TSBA rules.
- Teams will consist of five men or five women from the eligible bowlers. Prizes awarded in mens and womens categories. A team can have a sub of either sex.
- The By-Laws of the TSBA will apply cases, and all averages will be as verified by the TSBA Statistical Secretary.

Jacob Spor  
TSBA Secretary/Treasurer



**Bowling alleys attract more recreational players**

While bowling alleys are not immune to the nation's economic crisis, the sport continually reinvents itself in ways that are attracting new people of all ages.

The number of bowlers age 6 or older who played at least once last season was 67 million, according to the U.S. Bowling Congress (USBC). Though league bowling declined dramatically since its peak in 1983, more families, young people and teenagers are taking up the sport.

To attract casual bowlers, centers offer other entertainment such as billiards, air hockey, restaurants and bars. They add bumpers that keep balls from gutters for kids' birthday parties.

One big change is computerized scoring so no one has to calculate.

**Making it easier to score well**

Technology has made high scores a little easier to achieve because of the way lanes are oiled. And new bowling balls have a more porous surface, which is more sensitive to lane conditions.

In the 79-80 season, there were 5,373 perfect 300 games. In the 2007-2008 season, there were 52,229, although there were far fewer bowlers.

Lane operators program oiling machines to spread more oil in the center of the lanes, which makes it more likely that balls will stay in that area.

The USBC reports that bowling is the fastest-growing high school sport with 51,744 members last season. This year, 200 colleges are offering bowling as a varsity or club sport.

During the Great Depression, the number of bowlers grew from 148,000 in 1933 to 874,000 in 1941. During the recession years of the 1980s, bowling started to reshape itself to meet the needs of the population.

The price of a game is low compared to many other sports. The price depends on where you live. It's \$9.50 a game in New York City, about \$4.00 in the Midwest and \$2.75 in Gallup, New Mexico, according to one study by **The Wall Street Journal**.



# TSBL STANDINGS

## MENS STANDINGS FINAL 2009

1. CLEVELAND EAST	33	16	22300
2. YOUNGSTOWN #1	31	18	22286
3. NEW CASTLE #1	27	22	22035
4. ALLIANCE	24	25	21917
5. ERIE	23	26	18948
6. SALEM	22	27	21643
7. CLEVELAND WEST	21	28	22107
8. NEW CASTLE #2	19	30	21856
9. YOUNGSTOWN #2	18	31	12690
10. NEW CASTLE #3	16	33	19017

### HI GAME

1. Tom Simon	268
2. Milt Mccoy	263
3. Glenn Spack	258

### HI GAME W/HDCP

1. Andy Krestel	304
2. Vince Pisanello	300
3. Art Pinczewski	290

### HI SERIES

1. Brad Schertzer	747
2. Tom Simon	734
3. Milt Mccoy	678

### HI SERIES W/HDCP

1. Randy Tharp Sr	803
2. Carl Schmitz	764
3. Fred Krestel	763

## WOMENS STANDINGS FINAL 2009

1. NEW CASTLE#1	36	13	22261
2. CLEVELND WEST	28	21	21691
3. CLEVELND EAST	27	22	21987
4. ALLIANCE	26	23	22063
5. NEW CASTLE#2	21	28	18671
6. YOUNGSTOWN	20	29	21870
7. CANTON	19	30	21646
8. SALEM	12	37	18849

### HI GAME

1. Pat Hall	214
2. Sharon Edwards	207
3. Arline Suts	205

### HI GAME W/HDCP

1. Mary-Ann Guip	275
2. Arline Suts	273
3. Pat Hall	267

### HI SERIES

1. Sharon Edwards	567
2. Pat Hall	564
3. Kathy Roman	540

### HI SERIES W/HDCP

1. Kathy Roman	756
2. Mary-Ann Guip	752
3. Stephanie Miller	722

## Excerpts from the Saxon-English Dictionary

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

**Ferzoumel dane zivven Pelzen dot mer kennen goan.**  
Gather your seven plums (paraphernalia) so we can go.

**Von da Kahtz aas avaych da Mehwsen zahl shpillen.**  
When the cat's away the mice will play.

**Von Ech koon et dyann tyaa koost et dyaan.**  
If I can do it you can do it.

**Net beiss mee oowah va tyaa koost kooahn.**  
Don't bite off more than you can chew.

**Doa aas en nooah Praadicher aan Shtaht.**  
There's a new preacher in town.

**Een fooyr ahless ouch ahless fooyr een.**  
One for all and all for one.

**Kouss Mech, Ech baan en Sox. Um veffel Aas et?**  
Kiss me, I'm Saxon. What time is it? How many is it?

<b>Kihrch</b> = Church	<b>Booahtsimmer</b> = Bathroom
<b>Shooyl</b> = School	<b>Shpilltsimmer</b> = Playroom
<b>Baarch</b> = Castle	<b>Froentsimmer</b> = Living Room
<b>Shaynt</b> = Shed	<b>Shpeistsimmer</b> = Dining Room
<b>Hehwss</b> = House	<b>Kouchel</b> = Kitchen
<b>Ehwss Hehwss</b> = Out House	<b>Kuhler</b> = Cellar
<b>Shloaftsimmer</b> = Bedroom	<b>Traupen</b> = Stairs



## Mother / Daughter Banquet

Hosted by  
Saxon Ladies Society  
Branch 22



Sunday, April 26, 2009

Advance Ticket Sales Only Deadline: April 20, 2009

Dinner at 1:00 p.m.

MENU: Stuffed Chicken Breast, Mashed Potato/Gravy,  
Apple Sauce, Mixed Vegetables  
Dessert/Coffee, Rolls & Butter

Sister Min Haner has the tickets and you may call her at (330) 792-6442. If you call for tickets, you may make your check out to SAXON LADIES SOCIETY BRANCH 22 and send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to Min Haner, 3307 Cricket Dr. Youngstown, OH 44511 so she can send the tickets to you.

DINNER TICKETS ADULTS: \$10

CHILDREN UNDER 12 \$4

CHILDREN UNDER 4 yrs. OLD - NO CHARGE

Entertainment at 2:00 p.m. Irish Step Dancers

## EINTRACHT SAXONIA SACHSENCHOR

By George Schneider

Well, it looks like spring is trying to peak through if Mother Nature lets her. It is officially spring on the timetable so we are hoping for nice weather, good Lord willing.

It was decided finally to make our famous Krapfen after all on the 15<sup>th</sup>, that is Friday instead of Saturday because of the Tischler wedding being on Saturday. Any of our loyal supporters may pick up their Krapfen anytime on that Friday after 2 pm. We thank everyone for your loyal support in advance of our Goulash and Krapfen fundraiser.

We wish to congratulate Reverend Horst Hoyer of Immanuel Lutheran Church in Cleveland for winning Channel 8's *Pay it forward Award* of \$400 cash. It was awarded to him because of his good works with the Church's food bank for the poor. Every week a new person is chosen for Channel 8's *Pay it forward Award*. We want to wholeheartedly thank Pastor Hoyer for his humanitarian efforts to help the poor and needy in his neighborhood.

We want to wholeheartedly thank the Banater Chor for sponsoring such a nice spring concert last Sunday. The Gottscheer choir also participated. Everyone sang real well; the stuffed pork chop lunch was very delicious, the cooks outdid themselves. After the concert everyone enjoyed the tunes of Willi Pfaff for their dancing pleasure. Maybe the Banater Chor in their infinite wisdom will switch the concerts back to Saturday evenings. We want to thank the Banater Chor for inviting us to such a lovely concert, Bravo!

Happy birthday greetings go out to our own bass singer, Dieter Herbert. His lovely, Christa baked delicious goodies for us to

enjoy in celebration of his birthday. Many, many more years to enjoy Dieter! God bless you!

We welcomed back August and Maria Botsch to our singing practices after the period of mourning for Gus's mother. Maria baked some delicious pastry for us to enjoy in celebration of their return to our choir practices. We are glad to have them back.

We also welcomed back Anni Alischer with great joy to our choir practices after her period of mourning for her loving husband, Michael and her mother, Ana. Anni also baked some delicious cake for us to enjoy in celebration of her return to our choir practices. We are glad to have her back, God bless you Anni!

I would like to wholeheartedly thank Bishop Lennon of the Cleveland Catholic Diocese for keeping open the last remaining German Catholic Church in Cleveland, St. Stephen's. I know it is due to the efforts of Father Franz and all the loyal parishioners. It was with teary-eyed surprise that I read Sunday's *Plain Dealer* in great jubilation. St. Stephen's was supposed to be closed, but it was a miracle from God that it stayed open. See, miracles do happen occasionally! God bless St. Stephen's, Father Franz and all it's parishioners!

I wish all my readers a very happy Easter holiday with all of God's blessings! Please remember that Jesus Christ died for our sins so we could have a better life! I hope the Easter Bunny is good to all of my readers! Please don't forget to go to Sunday Easter worship! God bless all of my readers until you hear from me again! Thank you for all your support!

Lebe wohl!

HEAVEN IS FULL OF ANSWERS TO PRAYERS FOR WHICH NO ONE BOTHERED TO ASK. BILLY GRAHAM



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.

**Karl Henning**

Age 81

Died: March 6, 2009  
Branch 1 Cleveland, OH

**Jack L. Haldeman**

Age 75

Died: March 8, 2009  
Branch 19 Salem, OH

**Helen D. Bretz**

Age 98

Died: March 16, 2009  
Branch 22 Youngstown, OH

**Janet M. Young**

Age 73

Died: March 16, 2009  
Branch 2 Erie, PA

**Helen S. Barthelmes**

Age 83

Died: March 23, 2009  
Branch 2 Erie, PA

## Answer to Outdoor Fun

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

## April is National Volunteer Month

April has been designated National Volunteer Month. Volunteering is a great way to help others, gain new knowledge and skills, and meet other people. There are many places you can volunteer in your community.

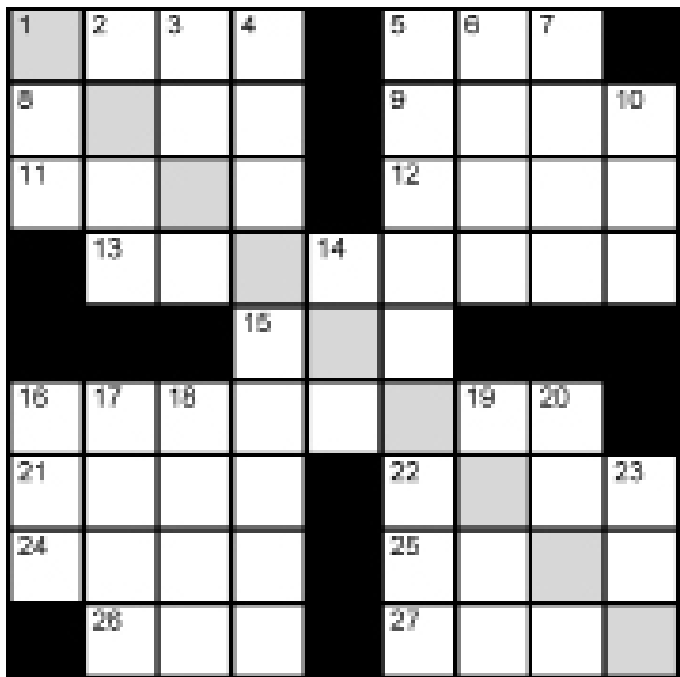
Homeless shelters and food banks often receive help around the holidays. It is harder for these facilities to find help other times of the year. If you enjoy working with children, consider volunteering at your local Ronald McDonald House or for the Special Olympics. Turn your love of books into a volunteering opportunity by working in a library or in an adult literacy program.

If you like to work outdoors, volunteer at a state park or with Habitat for Humanity, building homes for low-income families. Volunteers are also always needed in hospitals, senior citizens centers, and animal shelters. Turn your knowledge of business into a volunteering opportunity by working for a charity designing their Web site or campaigning for a political candidate or issue.

This list is just a starting point. Take a good look at your skills and interests and you will find many places that could use someone just like you.



## Outdoor Fun



### Across

1. Icky stuff
5. Use a Singer
8. Heroic tale
9. Mimicked
11. Affectations
12. “\_\_ Las Vegas”
13. Embarrassed
15. Dusk, to Donne
16. Sideboard
21. Lady Macbeth, e.g.
22. “\_\_\_ Misbehavin”
24. Popular fragrance
25. Fine-tune
26. Nth degree
27. Glitch

### Down

1. Govt. property org.
2. Animal shelter
3. Beast
4. A dance for two people
5. Port and river in Georgia
6. “Beowulf,” e.g.
7. “\_\_\_ Only Just Begun”
10. “Dear old” guy
14. Charge
16. Computer monitor, for short
17. Ramble
18. Exile isle
19. Utah national park
20. “\_\_\_ Karenina”
23. Two-year-old sheep

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## Color Easter eggs just for fun

There are some interesting Easter egg kits on the market that include color, stickers and holders. If you have children, they may want to be more involved in the egg-coloring process.

\*Easy projects include having kids use a light-colored crayon to make drawings, lettering, patterns or dots on hard-cooked eggs before coloring. The crayon marks will stay white. For an egg with stripes, wrap it tightly with a rubber band or two before dipping it into the dye.

\*Marbled eggs: You'll need 10 hard-boiled white eggs, 1/2 cup of white vinegar, and a package of vibrant food color such as McCormick Neon. Color the eggs two at a time in a colander. First, splash them with vinegar. Drip yellow food coloring on the eggs and gently agitate a few seconds so the color will spread. Let that color stand for 30 seconds. Do the same with two or three more colors. Let them stand a minute or two before moving them to air dry on a paper towel.



\*The one-step method: For a marbled effect, wrap raw eggs in white or purple onion skins (for brown), spinach (for green), and fresh saffron (for yellow), and tie with white string. Put them all together in a nylon stocking and cover with water. Add 1/2 tablespoon of vinegar and gently boil for about 18 minutes. Leave them in their wrappers for a while, and when you take them out, they will be all different colors.

Turn colored eggs into Easter bunnies: Cut oval-shaped ears from colored paper. Glue the ears and plastic eyes to the egg. Use markers to draw a triangle for a nose and some whiskers. Glue on a cotton ball

# Your Horoscope

## APRIL

**ARIES:** Easter brings more than colored eggs; it can bring joy as well. Forget your serious nature for a day and act like a kid again. It's a day for friends and family.

**TAURUS:** There's more to personal finance than paying bills and creating a budget. It's time to take a more active role in investments and insurance arrangements. Decide which are best for this time in your life.

**GEMINI:** The stars predict that a friend or relative will be paying back borrowed money. Don't blow it on an unnecessary luxury. At work, position yourself to take advantage of an opportunity.

**CANCER:** A solution to that long-standing problem will come to you soon. Wait for it to become apparent. Don't make a decision just to be making one.

**LEO:** A lucky break will soon come your way. Dark clouds in one area of your life will part at last if you have laid the groundwork. More good luck comes to those who have worked to achieve it.

**VIRGO:** An opportunity to improve your health is on the horizon. Take advantage of it now because you could keep a serious condition from developing. Take responsibility for your future.

**LIBRA:** You can maintain your well-balanced stance in life. Don't be thrown off course by a surprising circumstance, but continue to give each area of your life what it needs.

**SCORPIO:** Keep your possessive nature under control. Give your partner the freedom to be an individual rather than just your person. In the long run, it will be to your advantage.

**SAGITTARIUS:** An optimistic view is more important now than ever before. You have the capability of seeing a good outcome in the future of any situation. Keep on keeping on.

**CAPRICORN:** Your contributions at meetings and seminars can increase your prestige. Arrive early so you can visit and make connections. You could meet someone who will be important to you in the future.

**AQUARIUS:** Stamina and creativity are running high for you now. It's time to tackle a home-improvement project or to jump into a special situation at work where you can show your stuff.

**PISCES:** April can be an exciting month with holidays and good weather offering opportunities for great outdoor activities. Get into the mood. Plan an adventure with your friends or family.

## Word Games for Kids: Words in Words

- You can sometimes make words using the letters in a larger word. For example, from the word “tube” you can make “be,” “bet,” “but,” and “tub.” Now onto a harder one: how many words can you make from the words “cell phone”? (Hint: we found 46.)

## Egg-sellent Ways with Eggs

Along with the fun, time spent with family, and candy, Easter always brings eggs—lots of eggs! National Egg Salad Week is celebrated annually the week following Easter. To help you figure out what to do with all of those eggs, we are providing you with these simple and quick ideas. So start cracking!

### Basic Egg Salad

6 hard-boiled eggs, peeled and chopped  
1/4 to 1/2 cup mayonnaise  
Mix together the eggs, mayonnaise, and add seasonings.

### Seasonings

To the Basic Egg Salad recipe, add some or all of the following ingredients to liven it up. All are to taste.

Salt	Seasoning salt
Garlic salt	Celery salt
Dill weed	Paprika
Pepper	

### The Extras

To make your egg salad extra

special, choose from these great add-ins:

Cubed Cheddar cheese	
French dressing	
Chopped green onion	
Green olives	
Capers	Pimiento
Chopped celery	Parsley

### The Finishing Touch

Serve your egg salad on your choice of bread. Toasted sourdough, English muffins, bagels, or even pita bread are great choices. Top with sliced tomatoes, purple onions, sprouts, or a slice of cheese.

After making up a batch or two of egg salad, you may find yourself wishing you had found even more eggs in your Easter basket.

## Trivia Quiz: Thomas Jefferson



April 13th is Thomas Jefferson Day, set aside to recognize the third president of the United States. Test how much you know about one of the most influential Founding Fathers with this trivia quiz.

1. Thomas Jefferson wrote the Declaration of Independence, but he had originally asked someone else to draft it. Who was that?
2. Which college did Thomas Jefferson found?
3. True or false: Thomas Jefferson's wife, Martha, died from complications from childbirth.
4. Thomas Jefferson had two vice presidents. Who were they?
5. True or false: Thomas Jefferson died on July 4th.
6. There was only one state added to the Union during Jefferson's 8-year term. Which state was it?
7. In 1802, Jefferson authorized the first United States military academy. Where is the location of this academy?
8. How much did Jefferson pay for the Louisiana Purchase?
9. Thomas Jefferson grew his favorite vegetable in his garden at Monticello. What was this vegetable?
10. Thomas Jefferson's inauguration was the first to take place where?

### Answers

1. John Adams.
2. University of Virginia.
3. True.
4. Aaron Burr and George Clinton.
5. True.
6. Ohio.
7. West Point, New York.
8. \$15 million.
9. The English pea.
10. Washington, D.C.



"Are you going to stay up all night making YouTuba videos?"

## Word Games for Kids Answers:

Cell, cheep, chop, clone, clop, con, cone, cop, cope, echo, eel, elope, eon, epoch, he, heel, hell, hello, help, hen, hence, hoe, hole, hone, hop, hope, lee, leech, lone, lop, lope, no, nope, oh, on, once, one, open, pee, peel, pen, peon, phone, pole, poll, pollen.



# TAX TIME

It is our time to remind our members to make their 2008 contribution into their ATS IRA by April 15th. If you do not have an ATS IRA and have earned income, we recommend that you start one now!

## ANNUAL CONTRIBUTION LIMIT FOR TRADITIONAL AND ROTH IRAS:

Year	Under Age 50	Age 50 & over
2008	\$5,000	\$6,000
2009	\$5,000	\$6,000

An ATS IRA is a smart way to save, combining two incredibly powerful forces, compounded interest and tax savings. You now can take advantage of a higher contribution limit, allowing you to put more money aside for retirement each year.

Both the Traditional IRA and Roth IRA allow you to enjoy tax advantages while saving for your future.

With an ATS Traditional IRA, investment earnings are tax-deferred, so you pay tax only when you withdraw funds. Plus, contributions made to your Traditional IRA may be tax deductible. (Consult your tax advisor for details).

With ATS Roth IRAs, all withdrawals are tax free, including earnings, assuming you are over 59 1/2 years old and your account has been open for at least five years. Plus, you may also withdraw your principal contributions for qualified expenses like higher education, disability and first-time home purchases. Unlike, Traditional IRAs, contributions to Roth IRAs are never deductible, (Consult your tax advisor for details).

### CURRENT ANNUAL INTEREST YIELD

**4.25%**

On IRA contracts issued 7/1/96 to present  
Minimum guaranteed 3.00%

### CURRENT ANNUAL INTEREST YIELD

**4.50%**

On IRA contracts issued prior to 7/1/96  
Minimum guaranteed 4.50%

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