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Friday, May 1, 2009

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#### **BRANCH 17, CANTON** By Jeanne Kirsch

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Well, is spring here yet? I've been waiting for months!! Flowers are popping up and Easter is over, so it's about time.

We had our April meeting and the usual members attended it, but really, there is not much going on right now. Since Mother's Day falls on the second Sunday we will have our May meeting on the 3rd, same time, same place.

The birthday for May belongs to Irma Klemens and we wish her happiness, good health and good friends.

We extend our deepest sympathy to our president, Mary Rowinsky, on the passing of her father. Also to the family of one of our members, Elizabeth Botschner. We have not seen her in so many years, but we want them to know our caring thoughts are with the families.

Well you know Mother's Day is next week so here's to all mothers: Mothers love with all their strength, all their being and all their hearts. And with that love, they perform magic when called upon, move mountains when necessary, and give the moon whenever possible.

Be kind and love one another.

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

Our April meeting was full of laughter with the display of several very original spring hats. Maria Tellman is always proud of her Saxon heritage and she had it on display that evening with her hat creation. Hilda Henning must love butterflies because she had them buzzing around her hat. Sara Hermann had a flower garden growing on her hat. Susie Roppelt decorated her bread basket with netting and Maria Huppert was very creative with tissue paper. Good job ladies!

For our May meeting which will be held on Monday, May 20th we are asking everyone to bring an inexpensive item all wrapped up for our mystery auction. Please do not tell anyone what you are bringing. Make your wrapping unique to attract more bids. At the conclusion of our business meeting we will hold the mystery auction.

Everyone should have made their reservations by now for the Trachtenball that will be held on Saturday, May 9th. If you have not made them yet, please call Amanda Seiler-Botsch at (216)235-5240. The evening will start with a delicious schnitzel dinner followed by a program by the Cleveland Saxon Dance Group and dancing to the music of Hans Schobel und die Bergvagabunden.

The following weekend you don't want to miss out on the Sachsenchor's Krapfen Sale and Goulash Dinner. The dinner will be held on Sunday, May 17<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 pm. You can call Maria Fischer at (2160741-1398 to order your Krapfen and make your meal reservations.

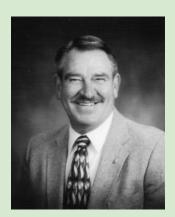
Both groups work diligently throughout the year practicing for their concerts or programs. The Sachsenchor had a successful Spring Concert and we sure want to hear that the Saxon Dance Group and the Sachsenchor had successful events this month. They really are grateful for your support.

Big event in June is the Saxon Heimattag that will be held in Kitchener, Ontario the weekend of June 19-21. We are happy to hear that the Cleveland Saxon Dance Group will be participating in this important cultural event.

Our manager, "Grumpy," has stopped

#### **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

By Thomas J. Manning **ATS Nat'l President** 



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Most of you know that my wife, Liz, had rotator cuff surgery a while ago and I became a house-husband, doing laundry, dishwashing, dusting, cleaning, cooking, and the rest of the household chores. Liz's recuperation has gone well but the best is yet to come with the start of physical therapy next week. As she got to feeling better we decided to fly her out to Massachusetts to visit our daughter, Maureen, who is also having some health issues. It was at that time that I went from being a househusband to being a bachelor. I found out that househusband and bachelor duties are much the same except that I get to watch whatever TV shows I choose. By the time that you read this she will be back home.

Another Easter has passed. I hope your Easter was spent with families and friends. By now the spring school breaks are over and students are preparing for their final exams. The grass is looking a little greener so you had better check over the lawn mower and make sure it is still in good working order. You never know how soon you will need it. You might also think about dusting off those golf clubs. I know that Liz and I are both getting anxious to golf again but I think that she will have to put that on hold for a while. She told me that she would be happy if she could even just chip and putt this year.

In the last issue I made a mistake in saying that the TSBA Convention is scheduled for May 13, 2009, in Youngstown, Ohio. The correct date is June 13, 2009. I hope to see you there.

As most of you know, the ATS is now in a Sales Campaign ending July 1st. Your Branch will receive a \$200 bonus if you sign up 5 new members. Assist your Deputy by providing names of new prospectives. Don't forget that the more members you have in your Branch, the stronger your Branch will become.

Quote of the Day: "We can't get into a college or find a new job if we don't try. Those that we think of as being lucky are often simply those who have been willing to take a chance, to put themselves on the line. We often talk ourselves out of exploring opportunities because we're convinced that there is little chance we would succeed. But if we aren't willing to put our hook in the pool, it's guaranteed that we will never catch a fish.

Issue 9

# MAILED WEDNESDAY, April 29, 2009 TIMELY - DO NOT DELAY

Attention Postmaster: Send all Changes of Address to: Road Cleveland, OH 44129-159 The Alliance of Transylvanian Saxons Pearl 5393 serving fish dinners on Friday evenings for the summer. He is grateful to our members and friends who came down to enjoy the seafood menu throughout the fall and winter and will start his seafood delights again in September.

Ladies, remember your "secret package for the May meeting."

Happy Mother's Day! "If I had a flower for each time I thought of My Mother, I could walk in my garden forever."

Unknown author

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



#### YOUNGSTOWN SAXON RETIREES By Teri Laret

The following are the minutes of the Saxon Club Retirees Meeting held on April 9, 2009 at 710 S. Meridian Road, Youngstown, Ohio at 12 noon.

There are a number of empty chairs today for many reasons. It's Holy Thursday, and many churches celebrate this Holy Day, and there was an error in the Saxon News regarding the date of the meeting; the third reason we will discuss later.

"Under the Weight of the Wood" was the thought our President Pat Bokesch presented in our few minutes of prayer. Our Savior suffered to save us from the fires of hell "Under the Weight of the Wood."

Next, our President's agenda is our song pledging loyalty to the flag of America. Many brave men and women suffered because of their allegiance to this flag of red, white and blue. We say a silent prayer to their dedication. We say thanks to the people in the kitchen who dedicate their talents to serve us today. They give us a signal - dinner is ready. Thank you – thirty-eight present. The meeting has now officially come to order.

The secretary Teri Laret read the minutes of the previous meeting. The Treasurer Min Haner gave her account of the monies on hand. Both reports were read, seconded and approved by Ruth Grier and Martha Conrad.

As in previous years the month of May has been set aside to 'pass the hat'. The monies collected are given to Branch 30 to be used for any project useful in the operation of the Saxon Club.

Kay Ring filled us in as to

the reason there are so many empty chairs. Maria Boehm and Martha Rosetta need a few days of summer sunshine. Mable Proverbs fell while walking her dogs; no Good Samaritan was around to help her to her feet. Gert Prest will be in the hospital for a few weeks. Alice Callahan was laid up over the holidays. She and Curt are spending a few weeks in Florida on a delayed vacation. Also on the sick list are Betty Deskin and Tony Morelli.

Two birthdays for April are Gail Harsange and Paul Beight. Stand up there Paul so we can sing to you, too. Happy Birthday to you two and many more to come. Maria Boehm and Gail Harsange celebrated with us.

Congratulations to Hermine Gentile who was named SAX-ON WOMAN of the YEAR. Our retirees are making ourselves noticeable in this here Saxon Retirees.

Please, anyone out there -- we are opening our membership. The dues are \$5.00 per year - if you are available on the second Thursday of the month, we welcome you with open arms.

The committee members for May are Marge Troll 330-799-3770 and Dorothy Bokesch 330-533-4532. New reservations should be called by Sunday, May the 10th. If you bring, or if you have a reservation and cannot attend, please call one of the above.

Monthly raffle winners were Hildergarde Dunkerly, Teri Laret, Kay Ring and Eileen Anerino.

The president closed the meeting with a silent prayer of what Good Friday means to each one of us.

That's all folks. So Ein Tag!

#### CLEVELAND SAXON SENIORS By Helen Korsgaard

Our April 23rd meeting was rather quiet; our president Erna Kloos had laryngitis. Hope you recover soon, Erna. We celebrated four birthdays: Ed Binder, Mildred Teutschlander, Jack Atkins, and Sara Ordosch. Two of them have hit their 90th birthday - Sara Ordosch and Jack Adkins. Congratulations for lives well lived. Janet Kloos attended the meeting with her best man (John) and we were all happy to see her again looking good after her latest illness. Can't keep a good woman down!

One of our long-time members died recently, Loretta Weiss who was a very active senior. We extend our condolences to her family.

Raffle winners were Millie Teutschlander, Jack Adkins and Sara Ordosch. I was unable to stay for bingo, so I don't know who the winners were.

Remember not to forget our spring banquet on Thursday, May 28th. Send your reservations to Louise Parge or call her on 440-385-7024. Cost is \$16 per person and the deadline is May 23rd. Lee Alflen will be there to entertain us with her banjo and there will be a singalong, which was very enjoyable last year.

Saying goodbye for now, see ALL of you at the banquet at Pipers Three on Broadview Road. Have a Happy May!

#### Treat Mom to Breakfast in Bed

This Mother's Day, take time to plan ahead for a wonderful breakfast in bed that is sure to bring a smile to Mom's face. It is simple to have a successful breakfast. Just keep these tips in mind.

- Plan ahead and have all the ingredients for your mom's breakfast favorites on hand. While you are shopping, be sure to pick up some fresh flowers and a card to include on the breakfast tray.

- Use a sturdy tray that will easily hold all of the items for her breakfast. - Turn off the telephone so that there are no interruptions. - Don't forget to bring the newspaper or one of Mom's favorite magazines. - Include some special touches likeher favorite jelly, fresh squeezed orange juice and champagne, fresh fruit, or a chocolate truffle. - To help make preparations easier, do some of the work the night before. Prepare the coffeemaker, set the tray with a plate, silverware, cup and saucer, a napkin, and salt and pepper.

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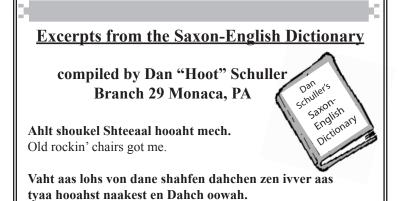
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The trouble with being retire is you never have a day off.

**Von dane Shaff kit net eraan, shvehm ehwss kane et.** If your ship doesn't come in, swim out to it.

**Et aas naakest ivver baas et aas ivver.** It's never over 'til it's over.

**Lauvent found a dahch.** Soup of the day.

**Dyaa oun en glacklich Gezicht.** Put on a happy face.

**Vaht ass faartich aas faartich.** What's done is done.

**Et aas vaht et ass.** It is what it is.

**Nem tsvay, daa zen klintzich.** Take two, they're small. Vahser = water Kuhfee = coffee Tay = tea Melch = milk Melch Vikkel = milkshake Pauley = whiskey Vane = wine Baar = beer

Vourtsel Baar = root beer Dokter Fayfur = Dr. Pepper Ahpel Vane = cider Gech = cabbage juice 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:**

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Please have your articles in by 12 Noon.

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



#### 2009 HEIMATTAG RESERVATION FORM JUNE 19 – 21, 2009 Kitchener, Ontario



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#### HEIMATTAG PROGRAM 2009

#### FRIDAY, JUNE 19TH Kameradschaftsabend

7:30 p.m. A casual evening of fun with old and new friends Saxon Barbecue with all the trimmings – Cash bar Music by the Saxons, games, Door Prizes and Draws \$10.00 at the door – RSVP by June 1st by calling 519-744-1191

#### SATURDAY, JUNE 20th

6:00 p.m. Official opening of the Heimattag 2009 Presentation of Flags and Honored Guests Canadian and American National Anthems Brief address by the first Vice-president of the Alliance and the President of the Transylvania Club Kitchener

#### 6:30 p.m. Banquet

- 8:30 p.m. Introduction of Dignitaries Greeting and brief addresses
- 9:00 p.m. Dance Transylvania Hofbräu Band Performances by various Cultural Groups

#### SUNDAY, JUNE 21st

- 9:15 a.m. Assembly for the Parade at the Transylvania Club
- 9:30 a.m. Church Parade to K.C.I. Collegiate
- 10:00 a.m. Church Service
- 11:00 a.m. **Rally** Speeches by the various leaders of our Saxon Organizations Cultural Program – Children and Youth Groups, Choirs, Hofbräu Band
- 12:30 p.m. Lunch at the Transylvania Club
- 2:00 p.m. Fellowship Hour with intermittent program by various groups
- 4:00 p.m. Official closing of Heimattag 2009
  - Note: A guest dance group from Bayern, Germany will be attending the Heimattag.



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\* Depending on the number of rooms booked, there may be a discount Krapfen Sale And Goulash Dinner!!

Sunday, May 17, 2009 Sachseheim 7001 Denison Ave, Cleveland, Ohio

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Krapfen orders can be picked up either on Friday afternoon or at the Goulash Dinner.

#### FRATERNAL CALENDAR

#### **NATIONAL EVENTS**

#### <u>2009</u>

May 16, 2009 **Branch Presidents' Meeting** Hosted by Branch 27 New Castle **100th Anniversary** June 13, 2009 **TSBA** Convention, Youngstown Saxon Club June 20-21, 2009 Saxon Heimattag, Kitchener, Ontario Canada July 19-24, 2009 Saxon Summer Camp at Joseph Badger Meadows for ages 8-13 August 8, 2009 ATS Golf Outing, Erie, PA September-October 2009 Bowl Where You Are Tournament, Ages 6-17 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

#### 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 Youngstown Br. 22 and 30 meeting May 4, 2009 Salem Br. 19 Trustees Audit 6:30pm Salem Br. 19 Meeting 7:30 p.m. May 5, 2009 Youngstown Flea Market in parking lot May 6, 2009 Salem Retirees 11:30am May 7, 2009 Salem Line Dance Lessons 7pm May 8, 2009 Salem 30 Week Drawing 6pm May 9, 2009 **Cleveland Saxon Dance Group's Trachtenball** Br. 25 N. Castle 2nd Clean-Up Day @Grounds May 11, 2009 Br. 18 Meeting 7:30 pm May 13, 2009 Br. 25 N. Castle 66 Card Tournament Dinner May 14, 2009 Salem Line Dance Lessons 7pm Youngstown Retirees meet May 16, 2009 Salem Breakfast 7-10:00am Br. 25 N. Castle 100th Anniversary May 17, 2009 Eintracht-Saxonia Sachsenchor's Annual Fund **Raising Dinner Branch 30 Pork Dinner Open to the Public!** May 21, 2009 Salem Line Dance Lessons 7pm May 23, 2009

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

The meeting was held on April 6, in the DANK Haus and the weather actually cooperated so many members attended! On the Sick list this month we have Sister Elisabeth Krestal and Sister Kathy Wagner. Three other past members are also ill and we remember Millie Krestal, Elise Lingner and Sara Branch. Please remember all these members with a prayer and drop a card or make a phone call if you get the chance.

We wish to send our deepest sympathies to Richard and Irma Linzing, Ruth Brusie and Robert (Naomi) Linzing on the loss of their mother Sister Elizabeth Drechsler. Sister Drechsler passed away suddenly on March 21, 2009 just shy of 101 years old. She was very active in Branch 46 and held various leadership roles in the organization. After moving to Michigan many years ago she still remained a member. Sister Drechsler was laid to rest March 27, 2009 at Acacia Park Cemetery. The membership held a moment of silence at tonight's meeting in honor of Sister Drechsler's memory.

#### Home

I am home in heaven, dear ones, oh so happy and so bright!

There is perfect joy and beauty in this everlasting light. All the pain and grief is over, every restless tossing passed, I am now at peace forever, safely home in heaven at last. Did you wonder I so calmly trod the valley of the shade? Oh! But Jesus' love illuminated every dark and fearful glade. And he came himself to meet me in that way so hard to tread; And with Jesus' arm to lean on could I have one doubt or dread?

Then you must not grieve so sorely, for I love you dearly still, Try to look beyond earth's shadows, pray to trust our Father's will.

There is still work waiting for you, so you must not idly stand. Do it now, while life remaineth. You should rest in Jesus' land. When that work is all completed, He will gently call you home.

Oh, the rapture of that meeting, Oh the joy to see you come! Anonymous

#### EINTRACHT SAXONIA SACHSENCHOR By George Schneider

Well, another fabulous spring concert is now history. We want to thank everyone that made it a huge success. We want to especially thank Hans Schobel and his Bergvagabunden for the wonderful music that a lot of people danced to. I want to once again thank Hans and his crew for playing "Bubi, Bubi Noch Einmal" for me in memory of my wonderful father. They are the best band around. God bless them!

Congratulations go out to Mr. and Mrs. Miess on the occasion of their wedding anniversary. We wish them many, many more to enjoy. I want to personally thank Mr. Miess for his nice comments about my articles.

Happy Birthday greetings go out to our favorite bass singer Josef Rhode. We wish him many more birthdays to come. God bless you Joe!

Get well greetings go out to our choir director Andrea Ball who has been under the weather lately. We had to cancel our last practice because of her illness. God bless you Andrea! Our next function is a bus trip to New Castle, Pennsylvania

on May 3<sup>rd</sup> 2009 for their spring concert. We would like to thank them for their invitation. I always enjoy our excursions to visit our Pennsylvania Saxons. In a couple of weeks I will be in New Castle again for the President's meeting. Wow, two doses of New Castle in one month!

Well, it looks like spring is finally here for good! Well, we probably shouldn't say so, but it is the first of May, so I think we will be O.K.! Thanks go out to all my loyal readers and God bless you all until you hear from me again! Lebe woh!!

#### May Day around the world

As a day of celebration, May Day is an ancient festival with several customs surviving into modern times. In some parts of the United States, it is still celebrated.

Minneapolis has a parade each year that attracts tens of thousands. In some parks, the celebration includes the May Pole Dance. Girls in pink and white dresses begin in a circle holding streamers attached to the May Pole. They dance up and down as they circle and weave the streamers into a pattern on the pole, then reverse the dance and unweave them again. Sister Frieda and Brother Michael Kraus are honored to announce the marriage of their granddaughter Erika who married Marc Cobb in March. Also congratulations go Ingrid Kraus who will be graduating from Medical School in May and will be doing a residency in Pediatrics.

Sister Kathy Wagner thanked everyone for all the good wishes while she was recovering from her illness. It was nice to see her back and in good health.

Anniversary wishes expressed to Brother and Sister Roth and Brother and Sister Thut for 50 golden years. God's blessings and many more years too come.

Reservations are still being taken for the Stiftensfest on May 3, at the Lone Tree. Please call Rose Hauer at 847-685-9821. Any members that cannot attend a fine of \$12 will be charged.

Thank goodness spring is on the way! Since this edition may be arriving close to Mother's Day I wish all the Mom's and Oma's Happy Mother's Day. Our next meeting is May 4th.

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traditional holiday song. It has become the Hawaiian

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May 28, 2009

Salem Line Dance Lessons 7pm Salem Br. 19 Officer's Mtg 7:30pm

May 30, 2009

Salem Peanut Night 8:00pm - ?

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Salem Br. 19 Meeting 7:30pm

June 3, 2009

Salem Retirees11:30am

June 4, 2009

Salem Line Dance Lessons 7pm

June 7, 2009

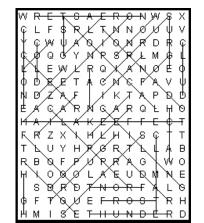
Br. 30 Youngstown Father/Son Banquet

June 8, 2009

Salem Br. 18 Meeting 7pm

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Answer for Weather Word Search



In Hawaii, May Day is also known as Lei Day, a celebration of Native Hawaiian culture. The first Lei Day was proposed in 1927 when Leonard "Red" and Ruth Hawk composed "May Day is Lei Day in Hawai'i," the hula song performed today.

Unfortunately, the giving of May baskets has declined in popularity in the United States. It is a custom where someone, usually a child, carries a May basket filled with flowers and goodies to a family neighbor or friend. The child rang the door bell or knocked, then ran away. Traditionally, if the recipient could catch him or her, the child would be kissed.

Unrelated to original May Day roots is the custom, in many countries, to observe May 1 as Labor Day or a day of parades demonstrating military might.

#### BRANCH 34 and 33 CLEVELAND EAST By Arline Krestel-Suts

Hope everyone had a wonderful Easter Sunday though I can't say the weather was warm, it was sunny which brightened many moods.

I want to start by saying hello to all of our Sisters and Brothers who have been ill, including Ronnie Maurer, Hermine Prall, Emma Perz and Ed Lautner. Please keep them in your prayers or send them a card or give a phone call. Other members we have not seen in a while include Marie Fekter, Vi Moravchek, Jean Schneider and Martha Bratek – we think of you all and mention you at every meeting.

We remembered Lillian Haessly and Helen Sparks-Schmidt with a prayer during our April meeting. Both of these Sisters passed away recently and our sympathies go out to their families.

Please remember two upcoming events. First is the Cleveland Saxon Dance Group's annual Trachtenball being held on May 9<sup>th</sup> at the Westside Sachsenheim. The evening will be filled with good food, dancing and the traditional Aufmarsch. Also, the ATS Heimattag will be in Canada in June this year. Remember you will need your passport at the border. Canada is close, just a few hours by bus and the Heimattag weekend would make a great get-away.

Several of our Branch members will have attended the ATS League Bowling Tournament April 25th and 26<sup>th</sup> hosted by New Castle and we wished good luck to all the bowlers!

Thank you to Cleveland West Branch 4 for hosting our Junior members at their annual Easter Children's Party. Nancy and Don Mahtar's granddaughter, Cassie and Ema and Dolf Litschel's niece Megan attended and had a great time. We hope more of our members can attend future parties.

Branch 33 and 34 are looking at prospects for future trips and day outings. George Schneider was able to secure tickets for Single A Lake Erie Captain games with 3 dates available June 26th, July 15th and August 16<sup>th</sup>. Tickets are available to members of Branch 33 and 34 on a first come-first served basis. You can call George Schneider or Fred Krestel (440) 639-1775 to sign up. The stadium is in Eastlake, Ohio and the games are always fun!

start at 7:00 p.m. Entertainment will be by a comedian who is sure to regale us with jokes and stories. A reminder to the bakers for May and they are Anna Schwenzer, Lisa Cate and Martha Bretz. Thank you to April's bakers and Maria Thellman who delighted everyone with an Easter gift of chocolate. Peg Maurer always does a great job of finding new entertainment to start our meetings. In April we had a delightful lady who sang, played the guitar and led us in a sing-along.

Vacationing has started up in earnest with Mary Ann Guip headed out to New Jersey to see her daughter Susie and family. Hope everyone else has a wonderful time vacationing and stays safe!

#### **Rising Postal Rates**

On May 11, 2009, the U.S. Postal Service will be increasing



the price of a first-class stamp to 44 cents. Before then, you may want to consider stocking up on what the Post Office calls its "Forever Stamp." This stamp has no price denomination printed on it, but it is good for any first-class letter weighing up to one ounce. No matter what the going rate is for first-class mail, you will only need this stamp to mail your letter. This not only saves you money in the future, but it keeps you from having to buy one- or two- cent stamps to keep around whenever there is a rate increase.

#### Trees are the new must-haves for American cities

Cities are stepping up tree plantings in hopes of improving air quality, reducing energy consumption and easing storm water flows.

A four-man team of scientists at the University of Vermont is helping urban planners and foresters to gauge the existing tree canopy in the cities and to set realistic goals for increasing it.

Generally speaking, the tree canopy refers to the part of a city that is shaded by trees. In the past, calculating it was an inexact and difficult task.

#### **ATS SAXON RELIEF FUND**



We petition our Saxon fraternal community - members, branches, affiliate organizations, and friends to continue to support our Saxon Relief Program.

The need is still great and we ask our members and friends to continue to support our Saxon Relief Fund program with generous contributions.

Please send your contributions to our ATS office, 5393 Pearl Road, Cleveland, Ohio 44129. Write checks payable to the "ATS SAXON RELIEF FUND". Thank you for your help!

**NOTE:** Gift packages can be ordered for delivery to a specific relative or friend in Transylvania for a minimal cost of **\$40.00**. Send your check payable to the "ATS Saxon Relief Fund" and the **exact name and address** of the recipient to our ATS Office. Please print or type for clarity. The package contents include non-perishable items such as: Coffee, Milk, Cocoa, Sugar, Rice, Flour, Margarine, Soup, Chocolate, Cheese, Sausage, Yeast, etc.

#### BRANCH 2, ERIE By Lee Wolfe

We held our business/supper meeting on Tuesday, April 14<sup>th</sup>. We all enjoyed a city chicken dinner before the meeting. We held a moment of silence for deceased members Helen Barthelmes and Janet Young. Included in our prayers were members on the sick list John Morschhauser and Mary Lou Slover. We extend our sympathy to our departed members families and friends.

It is sad to report the passing away of Helen Barthelmes who was a past president of our Branch. Helen, with her husband Hal, attended many of our Branch's activities. She was a delight to be around and we all enjoyed her company especially on the bowling trips. On a personal note, I will miss her kind words about our column. Rest in peace, Helen, you were a lovely lady.

Auditor George Cook reported that the books have been checked and all is in order and accurate.

Joe Jezerinac, chairman of the picnic committee, will call for a meeting with other picnic committee members to discuss various items. Joe has four quotes from vendors concerning catering the picnic and a decision will be made as to which one we will choose. I believe this meeting will take place after the regular May 12<sup>th</sup> meeting. President Manning reported that the new interest rate on annuities will be 4 1/4% effective in April. When the economy gets better the rate will go up accordingly.

one out in 2010. An ATS Erie Branch 2 member who graduates from high school in 2010, and intends to go to college, is eligible for the grant depending the rules established are met. Further details will be ironed out and more information will be forthcoming at a later date.

President Manning and his wife Liz will be going to Germany in the near future and we wish them a safe and wonderful trip.

Sal Frontino won the club's dinner gift certificate and Mary Ann Hess won the 50/50.

Gee, I feel really bad about the Cleveland Indians spoiling the debut of the Yankees in their new stadium and having an Indian hitting the first grand slam there. Kinda of a shame isn'tit? (If you believe that, then I am 29 years old and weigh 105 pounds).

A very happy birthday to all of our May babies some of whom are: Jeffrey Euston, Andrea M. Griffith, Freda Fairfield, Charles H. Wagner, Leta H. Griffith, Larry Kulik, Derek Sieber, Joseph D. Van De Merwe, Linda Wagner, Richard D. Wagner, Jr., Janet O'Lone, Marjorie Brogdon, Elizabeth Anne Hlawati and Phoebe Wood.



St. Peter's German and Saxon Lutheran Church 11423 Chicago Rd. Warren, Michigan 48093 (586) 979-3850 & 979-3903 email: St.Peters Church@msn.com Pastor Jens Liedtke-Siems Pastor in Residence

9:30 English Holy Communion Sunday School 11:00 Deutscher Gottesdienst Heiliges Abendmahl, 1. and 3. Sonntag

St. Thomas Evangelical Lutheran Church 9509 Lake Avenue Cleveland, OH (216) 961-4870 Rev. Dick Williams Pastor

9:43 am Confirmation Class 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

DeRosa, 54 years; Edward and Sue Goellner, 46 years; Andy and Flo Martin, 58 years; Raymond and Jacquiline Peterson, 50 years; Matt and Evie Woloszyn, 48 years; Sal and Helen Frontino, 11 years; Joseph and Loretta Marshall, 51 years; and Paul and Judith Sova, 18 years.

Well, here we are in late April and we are still waiting for spring. Here in Erie, it gets kind of hard to believe in global warming. Speaking of weather, I read this: "On cable TV they have a weather channel – 24 hours of weather. We had something like that where I grew up. We called it a window."

Congratulations to the big winners of the 250 Club including Karyn Schmidt, Susie Guip and Marie Spaan.

Areminder that Branch 33 and 34 are always ready to welcome new members. If you have any friends or relatives interested in joining please call Ema Litschel or George Schneider. Beside fraternal benefits, insurance and annuities we offer entertainment, dinners, picnics, outings (like the Captain's games) and plenty of Gemütlichkeit!

Branch 33 and 34's next business meeting will be on Wednesday, May 13<sup>th</sup> and we

The UMV scientists, working with researchers from the U.S. Forest Service, now use computer programs and their expertise to combine satellite images with aerial photos and tax maps to determine tree canopy size and break it down by parcel.

The group consulted on Baltimore's ecosystem in 2002, and their work helped New York City establish the goal for a 1 million tree initiative that started last fall. They will plant that many trees over 23 years.

Trees cool things and remove particles from the air. They been linked with controlling storm water flows, which are a big problem for cities. The members voted to donate a monetary gift to the Ladies New Castle Branch who will be celebrating their 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

A discussion was held concerning our Scholarship Fund and President Manning said that we might be able to give A very happy anniversary to all of our May couples some of whom are: Alex and Joyce See you at the next meeting on Tuesday, May 12<sup>th</sup> at 2:30 p.m.



PORK-KRAUT DINNER SUNDAY, May 17th

#### YOUNGSTOWN SAXON CLUB

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC 11:30 to 3:00 P.M. \$8.50 includes coffee & pop & dessert

TAKE-OUTS - AVAILABLE



**BRANCH 4'S AWARD WINNING SPRING HATS!** 

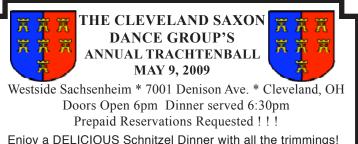


Easter Bunny welcomed the children to Cleveland's Easter Party

#### BRANCH 1, CLEVELAND By Robert Cunningham

On April 20, 2009 the regularly scheduled monthly meeting for the members of Branch 1 was held. We had a good number with the men in attendance for this meeting with good discussions on various topics. We would like to start working on a spring cleanup of the garden area and parking lot area and also areas throughout the building. We would like to do some paint up of some of the rooms. Work has already been started on the main bar. Please give Adolf Fisher a call at 216-741-1398 if you can lend a hand or maybe two. Following the meeting we held the first drawing of the 2009-2010 season

for our 250 Club. Our lucky winners for April are Week 1 4/4/2009 Gerard Slusny; Week 2 4/11/2009 Gerhard Bahm; Week 3 4/18/2009 William Spaan and Week 4 4/25/2009 William Stuehler. We congratulate each of our winners. We have space available for those who would like to join in the fundraiser for our Sachsenheim. We have had quite a few new members joining in recent weeks and we will look forward to seeing them at the final drawing next year. If anyone is interested in joining our 250 Club for the 2009-2010 session, your total cost will be \$50.00 for the year (\$1.00 per week). It's not too late to join. The





Is that Maria Tellman hiding under that hat?

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



Sachsenheim's 2009 Egg Hunt hunts were done by age groups



dinner and entertainment at the final drawing is also included in the price of your membership. Membership into our 250 Club is open to anyone interested in supporting this fundraiser for our Sachsenheim. The Saxon 250 Club is a perfect opportunity for you to help in supporting our Sachsenheim. The 250 Club has openings to all supporters, young and those no so young. Questions should be directed to Rob Cunningham, phone 216-398-7520 or email rbcunningham@roadrunner. com. If you would like to join, please mail your payment to Robert Cunningham at 9005 Memphis Villas Blvd., Brooklyn OH 44144. Our next meeting will be held May 18,2009 starting at 8:00 p.m. Those who need to make ATS premium payments or local dues payment; please mail your payment directly to Robert Cunningham, 9005 Memphis Villas Blvd., Brooklyn OH 44144-2426. Please make your check payable to ATS Branch 1. The Cleveland Saxon Dance Group will be hosting their annual Trachtenball on Saturday, May 9, 2009. Doors will open at 6:00 p.m. At 6:30 p.m., the group will be serving a Schnitzel dinner for the event. The program will begin at 8:00 p.m. with perfor-

mances by the adult dancers. All are encouraged to wear your Tracht, and join in the Traditional Aufmarsch. Following the program, you can dance to the music of Hans Schobel und die Bergvagabunden. Amanda Seiler-Botsch will be taking your prepaid reservations. Admission for adults will be \$18.00 per person and for children ages 4 -10 the admission price is \$9.00. Your check for reservations should be made payable to the Cleveland Saxon Dance Group and should be mailed to Amanda Seiler-Botsch at 18920 Laurell Circle, Strongsville OH 44137. There will be assigned seating for the event so please indicate if you would like to sit with specific individuals. If you would like any additional information for this event, please call Amanda Seiler-Botsch at 216-235-5240. Please see the ad in this issue of the paper. The Eintracht Saxonia Sachsenchor's annual Goulash dinner and fundraiser will be held on Sunday, May 17, 2009. Why not come on over to the Sachsenheim after church and support the members of the choir. The Singers will also have a Krapfen sale on Friday, May 15th Please call Maria Fischer at 216-741-1398 to make reservations for and to order your Krapfen.

Did You Know: *Astronomy* 

May 2nd is Astronomy Day.



There are only two planets in our solar system without moons: Mercury and Venus.

Stephen Hawking was born on the 300th anniversary of Galileo's death.

The hottest planet is Venus at 457 degrees F (236 degrees C), due to the large greenhouse effect on the surface and its thicker atmosphere.

If there are two full moons in the same calendar month, the second one is called a "blue moon." This happens on average every 3 years.

If our entire solar system could fit into a coffee cup, the Milky Way (our galaxy) would be as big as the North American continent.

The core of the Sun is at a temperature of 24.5 million degrees F (13.6 million degrees C).

The Hubble Telescope has provided evidence that there are about 175 billion galaxies in the observable universe.

Approximately 60 percent of the light on a moonless night comes from sunlight reflecting off of the particles that make up the interplanetary dust cloud.

Jupiter is so big that twice the mass of the rest of our solar

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system's planets combined would still not be enough to equal its mass.

While the average thickness of each of Saturn's seven giant rings only ranges from about 200 to 3000 meters, each ring is made up of billions of pieces of ice.

The planet Venus does not tilt as it goes around the Sun, so consequently, it has no seasons.

A day on the planet Mercury is twice as long as its year. Mercury rotates very slowly but revolves around the Sun in slightly less than 88 days.

Thanks, Cari and Hannah for your colored picture of Earth Day Robot.



Cari is a member of Branch 34 Cleveland-East and Hannah is a member of Branch 30 Youngstown.



#### BRANCH 27, NEW CASTLE By Marie Benedict

Spring has finally arrived, but every once in a while we're reminded of winter in the air. A lot has been happening around the club; dinners are still going on Thursdays. Our last dinner will be May 7th, with Schnitzel. Anyone wishing to come, make your reservations by calling Carole Lang at 724-654-7373 or the club after 3:00 pm daily, except Wednesdays when the club is closed at 724-652-7221.

Our upcoming 100th Anniversary is upon us May 16th at the Eintracht Singing Society. Dinner will be served at 5:30pm and a short program will follow. The Eintracht Maennerchor, under the direction of Danual Forseberg, will perform a fine selection of songs for us and we will also recognize our honor members. We are looking forward to this event along with the Presidents' Meeting earlier in the day. Our own Edith Hartfelder will be the emcee. Helen Burick has been calling all members of Branch 27 with ATS insurance or annuity policies in good standings. If you have not received a phone call contact Helen Burick at 724 658-7467 or Edith Hartfelder at 724-652-5106. If you need to send a check make the check payable to Branch 27 in care of Helen Burick at 2511 Ridgewood Ct. New Castle, PA 16101.

Our next meeting will be on May 7, at 8:00 pm at the Eintracht Singing Hall. Please try to attend. Please make sure to pay your local dues to Gertrude Tizak on or before the meeting. If paying before the meeting please pay by check as no cash will be accepted and also please remember to have your books with you. If your dues are not up to date you will not be eligible for the Monday night drawings.

Hope all you mothers have a

It's a proud mother who can wear a red carnation herself, The Federation of Transylvanian Saxons'



#### 20th International Jugendlager July 31 – August 15, 2009 Host Country: Austria

Five of our ATS Members will have the chance to attend the 2009 Jugendlager, which will be held in Austria starting Friday, July 31 and ending on Saturday, August 15. Announcements and applications have been sent to our ATS members ages 17 - 21.

Participants from Austria, Canada, Germany, Romania and the USA will enjoy two weeks of learning about our Saxon history and culture as well as sightseeing in the beautiful country of Austria. The Jugendlager will start in Vienna and end in Salzburg. Housing will be in youth hostels and in private homes. The group will possibly do some camping in Upper Austria.

Participation in this Jugendlager will be limited to five young people from each country. The

USA Group Leader will be Elisabeth Weber, a member of our ATS Youth Activities Committee. USA participants must be ATS members in good standing between the ages of 17 - 21. Participants are to bear the cost of their airfare and personal daily incidental expenses. The Landsmannschaft of Austria will provide the housing, meals and transportation during the Jugendlager. The ATS will pay the Participation Fee of 150 EU for each of the USA participants.

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

This is a two-week program that offers an individual a chance to share their family history with others, to learn about our Saxon heritage, to make friends that will last a lifetime.

If you wish to be considered, please return the application that was sent to you by no later than May 11, 2009. Applications are to be mailed to the ATS Home Office, 5393 Pearl Road, Cleveland, Ohio 44129.



#### SIEBENBÜRGER SACHSEN SÄNGERBUND

The time is going fast – here we are at the end of April already and I hope by now all the Sections have received their music. Now first things first. Has your Section sent in their head tax for the year yet? It is \$1.50 per singer and should be sent to our Treasurer Carole Simione, 347 Pennsylvania Avenue, Mc-Donald, OH 4437-1939. Please send it in as soon as possible thank you.

The Sängerfest this year will be held in Youngstown, Ohio on September 26<sup>th</sup>, 2009. Once the Officers have their meeting with the Concordia Chorus Committee we can give you more details about what will be going on that day.

Due to unforeseen circumstances and not having rehearsed with the Eintracht Saxonia Sachsenchor I did not sing with the Sachsenchor at their spring concert but did attend. They had a very nice concert and all the groups that participated sang very well. You could see some of the groups are either getting smaller or they did not have all their singers with them. It is too bad that there wasn't more attendance there, but then there are too many activities going on the same night.

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to this article. Till next time. . . *Mary Ann Guip* 

So, support your Singers in your city or area around you.



The TSBL season has come to an end and it has gone by very quickly.

and pin a nice red one on each of her children as they leave for church on Mother's Day.

Some mothers aren't quite that lucky. They wear white carnations to honor mothers who have passed on.

It's been said that everyone has a mother, and practically speaking, that can't be denied. Everyone has one or has had one. But they can't be grouped together into one big generalization.

Each one is specific and different, especially yours.

Stories abound of mothers who influenced great men, those

America's frontier, and those of our own time who work at their jobs while raising children

who raised many

children, moth-

ers who braved

at the same time.

Whatever your mother's story, she made it possible for you to walk the earth today, which is a significant favor. She was the one who made her way to the kitchen in the middle of the night to feed you and later saw you through the joys and trials of growing up.

May 10th of 2009 is her daya day to receive a phone call, a card, a gift or a trip to brunch. Do whatever you can to make her know that she is appreciated.

## MAY 4, 2009

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Sunday, May 10, 2009

Mother's Day

Happy Mother's Day

## DIE DEUTSCHE SEITE

#### Vor 430 Jahren starb der bedeutende Raketenpionier und Humanist Conrad Haas

2009 ist das Jahr, in dem die Raumfahrt zahlreiche Jubiläen zu verzeichnen hat. Allen voran natürlich die 40 Jahre seit der ersten Mondlandung im Juli 1969; aber auch einige nicht unbedeutende Ereignisse, die nach Siebenbürgen führen: Zu Conrad Haas, der vor 430 Jahren verstorben ist, vor 480 Jahren die Mehrstufenrakete baute und vermutlich vor 500 Jahren das Licht der Welt erblickte.

Und auch bei Hermann Oberth, dem "wirklichen Vater der Raumfahrt", gibt es ebenfalls drei begründete Anlässe, an seine großen Leistungen zu erinnern: 115 Jahre seit der Geburt, 80 Jahre seit der Veröffentlichung seines Hauptwerkes "Wege zur Raumschiffahrt" (die "Bibel der wissenschaftlichen Astronautik") sowie 80 Jahre seit der Premiere des ersten Raumfahrtfilms "Die Frau im Mond", bei dessen Realisierung Oberth entscheidend mitgewirkt hatte. Darauf werden wir zur gegebenen Zeit eingehen. Die folgenden Zeilen sind Oberths rund 400 Jahre älterem Vorgänger, Conrad Haas, gewidmet.

## Ohne Stufenrakete keine Raumfahrt

Nicht allein die unzähligen neuen Forschungsergebnisse, die in der Raumfahrt Jahr für Jahr erzielt werden, sind von unschätzbarem Wert - auch der Nutzen für die Menschen, den die Weltraumtechnik erbringt, ist mittlerweile unumstritten. Nimmt denn doch schon jeder Europäer und jeder zweite Erdenbürger tagtäglich Leistungen in Anspruch, die ohne die Hilfe aus dem All unmöglich wären. Beispiele: ohne Raumfahrt keine weltweiten TV-Sendungen und Internetdienste, ohne Raumfahrt keine Navigationssysteme in Autos, Flugzeugen und Schiffen, die einen zielgenauen Verkehr ermöglichen, ohne Raumfahrt keine verbesserten Wetterprognosen und globale Umweltüberwachung usw. usf. All diese weltumspannenden Dienste für die Menschen sind mittlerweile so alltäglich und so selbstverständlich geworden, dass wir kaum noch wahrnehmen, wem wir das zu verdanken haben-allen voran den großen Pionieren der Raketentechnik und Weltraumfahrt. Die unabdingbare Voraussetzung dieser Erfolge waren weltraumtüchtige Stufenraketen, die fähig sind, die Anziehungskraft der Erde zu überwinden. Mit der Entwicklung dieser Trägerraketen aufs Engste verbunden sind die Namen zweier Forscher und Erfinder, die wiederum mit dem siebenbürgischen Hermannstadt untrennbar verbunden sind: Conrad Haas und Hermann Oberth. Während der am 25. Juni 1894 in Hermannstadt geborene siebenbürgendeutsche Raketen- und Raumfahrtpionier Hermann Oberth von Beginn an als unumstrittene Größe auf diesen Feldern der Wissenschaft und Technik galt, so musste Conrad Haas über 400 Jahre lang auf seine Entdeckung warten. Erst 1962, kurz nachdem die ersten Menschen des Planeten Erde in den Weltraum aufgestiegen waren, erregte eine im siebenbürgischen Hermannstadt verfasste und aufbewahrte Handschrift die gebührende Aufmerksamkeit, die diesen bis dahin der Öffentlichkeit und Fachwelt unbekannten Namen ins Gespräch brachte – und das gleich weltweit.

#### Die konstruktionstechnischen Neuheiten

Die Handschrift des Conrad Haas, sie wurde in den Jahren 1529-1569 verfasst, weist ihn als den ältesten bislang bekannten Vorläufer der modernen Stufenrakete aus - ohne die es keine Raumfahrt gäbe -, als einen Raketenpionier, der durch seine Beschreibungen und Zeichnungen, Erfindungen und Lösungen vieles seiner Zeit vorwegnahm, was mehr als vier Jahrhunderte später in der raketentechnischen Literatur und Praxis auf wissenschaftlicher Basis weiterentwickelt werden sollte.

In seiner Schrift entwirft Haas die wohl älteste "Theorie" der Stufenrakete. Es sind konstruktions-und fertigungstechnische Beschreibungen und Zeichnungen, die ihn als den ältesten (bisher bekannten) Vorläufer der Mehrfachrakete ausweisen. Zudem werden Bumerangraketen, Stabraketen, Bündelraketen, Raketenbatterien und andere kombinierte Raketen in Wort und Bild dargestellt. Als absolute raketentechnische Erstleistungen, die man Conrad Haas aufgrund einer vergleichenden Analyse der bekannten Literatur zuerkennen kann, erweisen sich folgende entwicklungstechnische Lösungen, Prinzipien und Erfindungen:

Prinzip der Stufenrakete

 Deltaförmige Stabilisierungsflossen
Glockenförmige Ausström-

düsen

 Erzeugung von Drehbewegungen mittels Raketen ("Feuerrad" und "Feuerringe")

– Das "fliegende Häuschen", eine naive Vorwegnahme der späteren Raumschiffe

In der Geschichte der Raketentechnik wird die herausragende erfinderische und experimentelle Leistung des Conrad Haas ein wichtiger Beziehungspunkt bleiben, die ihn für immer als einen bedeutenden Frühpionier dieser so vielschichtigen und äußerst komplexen Technologie ausweist. Und das vor allem deswegen, weil er als Erster die Mehrstufenrakete beschrieben und gebaut hat. Nach diesem antriebstechnischen Prinzip werden heute alle weltraumtüchtigen Großraketen ausgelegt. Conrad Haas ist und bleibt damit ein verdienstvoller Vorläufer der Weltraumrakete, ohne die der lang ersehnte Flug des Menschen zu den Sternen ein Wunschtraum geblieben wäre!

#### Siebenbürgen als Wahlheimat

Leider sind die Lebensdaten. die uns von Haas überliefert werden, äußerst spärlich. Denn mehr als die in seinem "Kunstbuch" eingestreuten autobiografischen Details vermitteln eigentlich auch die übrigen 34 einschlägigen Handschriften nicht, die im Hermannstädter Staatsarchiv aufliegen. In der Handschrift "Varia III 374" heißt es auf Blatt 111: "Diese Kunst der Büchsenmeisterei vnnd was zum Geschoß gehört seind geschrieben, gerissen vnnd gebraucht, auch probiert worden bei Zeiten des hochlöblichen Kaysers Caroli Quinti vnnd des allerdurchleuchtigsten, großmächtigsten Kaysers vnnd Königs Ferdinandi, König zu Ungarn vnnd Böhmen, Erzherzog zu Österreich vnnd bei Zeiten des durchleuchtigen Fürsten vnnd Herrn Johannes des andern erwählten [Königs] in Ungarn. Durch einen ehrsam gelehrten Büchsengießer vnnd Meister Namens Connrad Haas von Dornbach bei Wien in Österreich, gewesen der Röm. vnnd Ungarisch köngl. Mst. Zeugwart vnnd Zeugmeister in



Das Titelbild zu "Conrad Haas. Raketenpionier und Humanist" von Hans Barth (Johannis Reeg Verlag, Heilbronn 2005, ISBN 3-937320-55-5, Preis: 9,95 Euro) zeigt den Erfinder der Mehrfachrakete mit dem Entwurf einer dreistufigen Feuerwerksrakete von 1529.

der römisch-kaiserlichen vnnd königlichen Majestät auch der Krone Ungarn Büchsengießer, Zeugwart vnnd Zeugmeister".

Damit ist belegt, dass Conrad Haas aus Dornbach bei Wien nach Siebenbürgen kam, dass er und seine Vorfahren ...aus dem Haasenhofbei Landshut" stammten. Die Landshuter Wurzeln werden auch in einem anderen Zusammenhang bestätigt: Das "Kunstbuch" beginnt nämlich mit einer älteren wehrtechnischen Arbeit von Hanns Haasenwein. ebenfalls ...vom Haasenhof bei Landshut", offensichtlich ein enger Anverwandter, in dessen Fußstapfen zwei Generationen später Conrad Haas treten sollte.

Alle Anzeichen und schriftlichen Dokumente sprechen dafür, dass Haas im Gefolge der Befreiungstruppen Kaiser Ferdinands unter General Castaldo im Jahre 1551 nach Siebenbürgen kam und in Hermannstadt die Leitung des Kriegsarsenals (Zeughauses) übernahm. Zudem lässt sich belegen, dass Conrad Haas auch nach dem Rückzug der österreichischen Truppen aus Siebenbürgen (1556) in Hermannstadt blieb. Und dass er seine Wahlheimat bis an sein Lebensende nicht mehr verlassen hat, ist nicht bloß eine Vermutung, die darauf beruht, dass der Name Haas bis heute bei den Siebenbürger Sachsen vorkommt. Ein gewisser Christian Haas, 1635 in Hermannstadt geboren, sollte es im Jahr 1682 sogar bis zum hohen Amt des Sachsenbischofs bringen. Im Haas'schen Nachlass werden u. a. auch alle seine Dienstreisen vermerkt: wir erfahren daraus beispielsweise, dass er 1557 von der Königin Isabella nach Klausenburg gerufen wurde, dass er 1571 in Bistritz war, 1572 Weißenburg besuchte, dass er die 15 "Büchsenmeister vnnd Arthillerey Persons" aus anderen Städten Siebenbürgens als seine Untergeordneten zählte, die er regelmäßig inspizierte. Der rumänische Raketen- und Raumfahrthistoriker Florin Zăgănescu will sogar das

genaue Geburts- und Todesjahr ausgemacht haben: Conrad Haas wurde danach 1509 (?) geboren und starb 1579 in seiner Wahlheimat Siebenbürgen, was soviel bedeutet, dass Haas ganze 28 Jahre lang in Hermannstadt gelebt und gewirkt hat.

#### **Humanist und Pazifist**

Haas war ein vielseitig gebildeter Techniker. Seine Schrift verrät ein gediegenes mathematisches, chemisches und physikalisches Wissen, wie z. B. in dem "Buch" über die "löbliche Kunst der Geometrie". An anderer Stelle wieder berichtet Haas über Versuche zur magnetischen Prospektion von Eisenerzen, und erläutert eine Methode zur Destillation des Rohöls. Ebenso werden einschlägige Mess- und Prüfmethoden beschrieben; mehrere Bauarten von fahrbaren Kohlenöfen entworfen usw. Überhaupt bietet sein "Kunstbuch" ein ausgeglichenes Verhältnis von Theorie und experimenteller Untersuchung. Von diesem Standpunkt erweist sich uns Haas als typischer Vertreter der europäischen Renaissance seines Jahrhunderts.

Und noch etwas zeigt seine Biografie: Conrad Haas war (damals schon) ein ausgesprochener Europäer. Aus dem bayerischen Landshut, von wo seine Eltern und Vorfahren stammten, kam er nach Österreich, wo er es zu beachtenswerten Leistungen als Zeugwart und Büchsenmeister brachte; die ihn (1551) wiederum in das siebenbürgische Hermannstadt führten, wo er sein Werk vollendete. Aber auch seine tiefe humanistische Haltung, die in seiner Schrift dokumentiert wird, stützt diese Bewertung voll und ganz. Haas ist nämlich der erste uns bekannte Waffeningenieur und Raketenpionier seiner Zeit, der die kriegerische Verwendung seiner Entwicklungen verurteilt und sich für die friedliche Nutzung der Rakete einsetzte. Im letzten Absatz des Kapitels über militärische Raketen schreibt er: "Aber mein Rath mehr Fried und kein Krieg, die Büchsen do sein gelassen unter dem Dach, so wird die Kugel nit verschossen, das Pulver nit verbrannt oder nass, so behielt der Fürst sein Geld, der Büchsenmeister sein Leben: das ist der Rath so Conrad Haas tut geben.

(Mehrfachrakete)

 Bauweise von zwei- und dreistufiger, ineinander gefügter Raketen

Bündelraketen

– Raketenlanzen und andere kombinierte Raketen

 Prinzip der stufenweise angeordneten Zündkörper

– Anordnung der Treibsätze bei Stufenraketen

 Verwendung unterschiedlicher Treibstoffsätze je nach Raketentyp, Leistungsstärke, Anwendung und Formgestaltung

Verwendung flüssiger
Treibstoffkomponenten (Alkohol und Äthylazetat)

 Startturm (Startgestell) f
 ür Raketen Ungarn und Siebenbürgen. Hat dies Kunstbuch angefangen im Jahr 1529 vnnd vollendet im Jahr 1569."

Mit anderen Worten und etwas kürzer gefasst, wird dasselbe dann auch auf dem Titelblatt (112) des Haas'schen "Kunstbuches" wiederholt allerdings auch mit dem wichtigen Hinweis auf seine Herkunft aus dem bayerischen Landshut. "Dieses Kunstbuch ist gerissen vnnd zusammengetragen vnnd zum Teil erfunden durch Conrad Haas von Dornbach vom Geschlechte aus dem Haasenhof bei Landshut im Bayernlande. Angefangen im Jahre 1529 vnnd vollendet im Jahr der weniger Zahl im 70. Vnnd ist gewesen Dr. Ing. Hans Barth SBZ Online 25. April 2009



#### Jahreszeiten

Die schönste Zeit im Leben, Ist doch die Jugendzeit, Doch geht der holde Frühling, Im Leben schnell vorbei.

Dann kommt der Lebenssommer, Der ist auch noch sehr schön, Man hat nur noch mehr Kummer, Musst du durch's Leben gehn.

Es kommt der Herbst des Lebens, Die Haare werden grau, Der Mensch, er denkt vergebens, Muss nur auf Gott vertrau'n.

Zuletzt kommt dann der Winter, Das Haar ist dann schon weiss, Da ist nichts mehr dahinter, Man wird ein alter Greis.

Doch jeder soll Gott danken, Der all die Zeit erlebt Im Gebet sollst du nicht wanken, Dass dich Gott zum Himmel hebt.

#### Heimatträume!

Viele Jahre bin ich Fort, Lebe in der Ferne. Doch vergess' ich nie den Ort, Wo ich war als Kind so gerne; Den bunten Garten, die Bäume, Mein Daheim, mein Elternhaus! Ja, ich habe Heimatträume Und sie gehen niemals aus!

Aus meinem Trostbüchlein! 1956 angelegt

eingesandt von Dori Tischer Zweig 4 Cleveland

#### Soziale Arbeitsgemeinschaft in Hermannstadt gegründet

28 Vereine und Vertreter von Hilfsprojekten haben auf einer Tagung der bayerisch-rumänischen Stiftung Bavaria-Romania für Soziale Assistenz Anfang April in Hermannstadt die Gründung einer "Arbeitsgemeinschaft für soziale Assistenz" beschlossen. Diese Arbeitsgemeinschaft soll die Interessen sozialer Organisationen bündeln und bei dem Aufbau einer sozialpolitischen Diskussion helfen.

Zum Abschluss der Gründungskonferenz wurde eine "Hermannstädter Erklärung" verabschiedet. Darin äußern die Teilnehmer aus allen Teilen des Landes ihren Wunsch nach einer konstruktiven und fachlichen Zusammenarbeit auch mit staatlichen Stellen.

sitzende des Leitungsrates dieser Stiftung ist. Fabritius betonte, dass der Entwicklungsgrad einer Gesellschaft sich auch daran messen lasse, wie diese mit ihren benachteiligten Mitgliedern, also z.B. älteren und notleidenden Menschen umgehe. Hier habe Rumänien noch

#### **BRANCH 30, YOUNGSTOWN** By Tom Fizet

The May Fest May 9, 2009 in the ballroom, doors open at 5:30, dinner at 6:00 PM, reservation deadline May 4th. Entertainment will be our own Concordia Chorus, Saxon Dance Group and Brass Band and the Folk Dance Group of the Akron German Family Society "Tanz Gruppe". Dance and listen to the Pete Karsti Trio (Eintracht).

The Men's Bocce schedule is on the bulletin board or see your team Captain for times. If you are not on a team and would like to play call Dave Stryffeler, 330-792-7573.

The outdoor Flea Market will begin on Tuesday May 5th from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM in the parking lot of the Saxon Club; spots are available, see Marty Eberth. Saxon members are urged to be vendors, also come out to see what is offered for sale. Snacks and drinks will be available for purchase. Chris Ludt and Rich Eberth are helping Marty and he can use other help on occasion.

Bar Bingo and Stein night, is being held in the Bar and Lounge on Tuesday from 8 to 10 PM. On Thursday, from 8 to 10PM, will be Karaoke and Stein Night. Bring your own Stein or purchase one at the Bar. Try your luck or your skill for a little extra enjoyment.

A work party is held on the third Saturday of each month, for May it will be Saturday the 16th... If you cannot make it call Ralph Scheetz at 330-533-3424 or if you can come on another day of the week call Ralph.

The Austintown Memorial Day Car and Bike Show, Monday May 25, 2009, from 12 noon until 6:00 PM. at the Saxon Club 710 S. Meridian Road, Austintown. If you have a Bike, Antique, Pro Street or Show Car, enter to have it on display, cost of entry is \$ 5.00. The Saxon Club will be selling food and drinks. If you can help or want to enter, contact Marty Eberth, 330-533-4618 or Walter Benesch, 330-792-9357. Should be a fun time.

The Branch 30 Pork, Kraut Dinner in the Ballroom will be on May 17. Dinner will be served from 11:30 AM until 3:00 PM. Being served will be roast pork, Kraut, mashed potatoes and gravy, rolls butter, applesauce, cake, coffee and tea. Beer and soft drinks can be purchased. Take out dinners are available. This is the last dinner for the season. Dinners will resume in September. Volunteers are always welcome. The Afternoon Bocce will

have a meeting on May 5th at 7:00 PM, play will begin on Monday May 18th time will be 11:00AM and 1:00 PM. Play will be Monday only with 8 teams, if more teams sign up we will also play on Wednesday afternoon. Call Tom Varley at 330-799-5563 and he will assist you. Tom would like help with the operation of the league give him a call.

The Men's Golf league will start season play on May 5th at 4:30. Bring your clubs and have a good round, there has been some changes at the course and it looks in good shape. If you can't come out call and bring a friend.

So Goes the News.

#### **Two-handed bowlers** put a new spin on the game

By using both hands to bowl, a few young professionals can make the ball spin more than 600 revolutions per minute.

That's up to 17 percent more rotation than most champion one-armed bowlers can generate. Upon release, the ball moves to the edge of the lane before hooking sharply into the center and creating an explosion of pins.

A 22-year-old Australian, Jason Belmonte, is one of the current stars of pro bowling. He is one of only several top bowlers using the technique. You can watch his delivery on YouTube, as well as that of others on the Internet.

Cassidy Schaub of Polk, Ohio, another two-hander, was the champion of the recent 2009 U.S. Bowling Congress Team USA trials.

Both Belmonte and Schaub have been bowling with two hands since they were toddlers.

In 2006, Ohio's Chaz Dennis became the youngest bowler to roll a perfect 300 game. He was 10 years old and used the two-hand technique.

Some two-handers, such as Schaub, use a traditional heel-toe walking approach. Others, like Jason Belmonte and Finland's Osku Paler- never seen in bowling.



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.

#### Eleanor E. Green Sawyer Age 86 Died: March 25, 2009 Branch 34 Cleveland, OH

Frank E. Vitikas Age 88 Died: April 1, 2009 Branch 30 Youngstown, OH

> **Daniel Bender** Age 89

Died: April 7, 2009 Branch 5 Lorain, OH

#### Eleanor R. Standohar

Age 83 Died: April 10, 2009 Branch 22 Youngstown, OH

#### Katharina Reschner

Age 77 Died: April 11, 2009 Branch 22 Youngstown, OH

#### Elsie L. Nelle

Age 81 Died: April 14, 2009 Branch 22 Youngstown, OH

Elizabeth H. Botschner Age 83 Died: April 16, 2009

Branch 17 Canton, OH

maa, use a short shuffle step late in the approach to create power and momentum.

The bowlers insert just their fingers or their fingers and thumb of one hand into the ball and support the ball's weight with the other. They swing the ball with both hands by one side of their body as they approach the foul line.

At the release point, the support hand comes away. They release and follow through with the gripping hand.

Many young athletes worldwide are using two hands to swing and deliver the ball, giving them striking power

Fabritius, Dr. Bernd Bundesvorsitzender des Verbandes der Siebenbürger Sachsen in Deutschland, begrüßte als Stellvertretender Vorsitzender dieser zwischenstaatlichen Stiftung rund 40 Vertreter privater Organisationen und überbrachte Grüße der Präsidentin des Landtags, Bayerischen Barbara Stamm, die Vor-

erheblichen Nachholbedarf, befinde sich aber auf einem guten Weg.

Finanziell unterstützt wird die Tätigkeit dieser Stiftung und die Durchführung der Vernetzungskonferenz durch die Robert-Bosch-Stiftung in Stuttgart.

> HW SBZ Online 24. April 2009



We act as though comfort and luxury were the chief requirements of life, when all that we need to make us really happy is something to be enthusiastic about. Charles Kingsley



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.



Flucht aus Siebenbürgen

Naggaas-Tagebuch Tagebuch des Elends





#### Make Grilling Easy with Dry Rubs

As the weather heats up, there is nothing better than grilling outdoors. Not only will

you get a great tasting meal, but you will keep your home cooler by not heating up the oven. To make mealtime preparation even faster, instead of marinating your meats, simply use a dry rub.

To make each seasoning mix, toss all ingredients together. Coat the surface of the meat with the rub, let sit for approximately ten minutes, and toss it on the grill. These rubs are great on all types of meats and seafood.

#### **Basic Barbeque Mix**

- 1 tablespoon salt
- 1 tablespoon black pepper 1/2 teaspoon cayenne pepper
- 1 tablespoon dark chili powder
- 2 tablespoons paprika
- 1 tablespoon cumin
- 2 tablespoons sugar

#### Sweeten your life with a taste of stevia

Soft drink and cookie makers are telling the world that some of their low-calorie products are sweetened with something new: stevia. It's 10 times sweeter than sucrose.

Did you know that the plant stevia rebaudinana can be grown in your own garden? Starter plants can be found at nurseries, many garden centers and for sale on the Internet. (Seeds can be tricky to germinate.)

Once started, it will grow in any yard or on any balcony in states from Florida to Canada. Just don't overwater it or plant it in a soggy area. It does have shallow roots, so a layer of mulch will help to keep it moist. Most organic ferilizers will work well. Grasshoppers and most other insects pass it by.

Harvesting should be delayed as long as possible. The coolness of autumn temperatures intensifies the herb's sweetness. When harvesting, strip the leaves off of the plant. You may also want to clip the ends of the stems to add to your collection.

To preserve the leaves, you need to go through a drying process. It is fairly easy. Put them on a screen or net and place it outside on a warm day for about 12 hours. You can also cut down the whole plant and hang it upside down in a warm dry place. Plants should dry in four to 10 days. Crush the dried leaves to release the sweetening power.

#### Cajun Seasoning Mix

- 3 tablespoons salt
- 1 tablespoon paprika
- 1 tablespoon onion powder
- 1 tablespoon cayenne pepper
- 1 teaspoon black pepper
- 1-1/2 teaspoons thyme
- 1/2 teaspoon oregano

#### Lemon Herb Rub

4-1/2 tablespoons basil

- 3-3/4 tablespoons oregano 1-1/2 tablespoons black
- pepper
- 1-1/2 tablespoons dried onion flakes
- 1-1/2 tablespoons whole celery seed
- 1/2 teaspoon garlic powder 1/2 teaspoon grated
- lemon rind

#### **Seafood Seasoning Mix**

- 1 teaspoon lemon pepper
- 2 teaspoons garlic powder
- 2 teaspoons parsley
- 2 teaspoons black pepper
- 2 teaspoons paprika
- 1 teaspoon basil
- 1 teaspoon rosemary
- 1 teaspoon oregano
- 1/2 teaspoon cayenne pepper



To use your leaves fresh. the flavor must be extracted by heat. Just drop one leaf into your tea or coffee and let it steep for five minutes. If you want to use the leaves to sweeten your baking or any other food, drop a leaf in hot water. Then condense that hot water to use in your cooking

## <u> Your Horòscope</u>

#### May

ARIES: Use your ability to generate new ideas when you are working on a project or being confronted with a problem. If you are momentarily stymied, stop. Let your idea develop.

TAURUS: More and more, it seems that others look to you for information and help in making decisions. Don't just blow them off. Though it can be an interruption, take their requests seriously.

**GEMINI:** A situation at home dominates your offduty hours. But come on, it's not that serious. Go ahead and paint it that color. And yes, you can afford that new chair. Stimulate the economy. The stars approve.

CANCER: You may not be a verbally talented person, but make conversation. Keep it going. It's not that difficult if you take an interest in who you are talking to and what the two of you are talking about.

LEO: You'll get the lion's share of attention if you can come up with new and pertinent information. At this point, somebody has to do it, and you know that it should be you.

VIRGO: If you forgot about Mothers Day, do something about it. Pick up your phone and call. If you did do something for your mom on her day, call anyway. You'll never know how important that call will be.

LIBRA: Your sign indicates that you should be having a balanced life with time for work and home. If either of these areas is being neglected, do something before problems develop.

SCORPIO: Use the clarity of the early morning as a time to determine what's important and what could be put on the back burner. Determine what your main goal will be and work toward that.

SAGITTARIUS: No one is skillful in every area of work or life. Accept that you might have limitations in one situation or another and let someone else carry it forward. There's no harm in that.

CAPRICORN: It's a beautiful thing when your creativity and energy come together at the same time. You'll know when it's happening. But even then, the key to prog-

#### Weather Word Search



Ceiling	Flood	Low
Cirrus	Fog	Noreaster
Clear	Front	Radar
Climate	Frost	Rain
Clipper	Gale	Ridge
Cloud	Gust	Snow
Cold	Hail	Stratus
Cyclone	Haze	Surge
Dew	Heat	Thunder
Doppler	High	Tornado
El Niño	La Nina	Tropical
Fair	Lake Effect	Trough
		Watch

#### **Baseball's Most Memorable Moments**

The credit card company, MasterCard, sponsored a campaign to name the most memorable moments in baseball. After compiling a list of over 30 great accomplishments, they were voted on by fans. Following are the top ten most memorable moments in baseball.

1. 1995 - Cal Ripken breaks Lou Gehrig's streak with his 2,131st consecutive game.

2. 1974 - Hank Aaron breaks Babe Ruth's all-time home run record. 3.1947 - Jackie Robinson becomes the first African-American Major Leaguer.

4.1998 - Mark McGwire & Sammy Sosa surpass Roger Maris' singleseason home run record.

5.1939 - Lou Gehrig retires with his "luckiest man" farewell speech.

6.1985 - Pete Rose passes Ty Cobb as the all-time hits leader.

8. 1941 - Joe DiMaggio hits in 56 straight games.

9. 1988 - Kirk Gibson's pinch-hit homer sends LA on its way to a World Series upset.

10. 1991 - Nolan Ryan pitches his seventh career no-hitter.

#### When to Buy Organic

Buying organic meats, fruits, and vegetables does not always fit into everyone's budget. You may find that you can afford to only buy some organic food. It is helpful to know which foods are more susceptible to pesticides and herbicides--these are the organic foods you should buy if you have the money. 1. Meat: beef, pork, and poultry 2. Dairy: milk, cheese, and butter 3. Strawberries 4. Apples 5. Tomatoes 6. Potatoes 7. Spinach, lettuce, and other leafy greens 8. Coffee 9. Peaches and nectarines 10. Grapes 11. Celery 12. Bell peppers



- 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 word "crossword"? (Hint: we found 39.)

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- Answers:
- smords, woo, wood, woods, word, words. ipiows 'sows' soor' sources' sources' sources' sows' sows' sword, sources' sources • crowds, crows, do, doc, docs, door, doors, odor, odors, or, rod, Cod, coo, coos, cord, cords, cow, cows, cross, crow, crowd, . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . .
- ress is to focus on one thing, then another.
- AQUARIUS: It's time to put
- yourself first. It has to happen
- now so don't put it off. Mainly,
- it's a matter of health. Take
- yourself in hand, get checked
- out by a doctor, schedule exercise, and try to eat healthier
- stuff.

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- **PISCES:** Nice weather and
- the call of the road are mak-
- ing you think about taking a
- trip. It's not spring fever but
- something more basic, the
- need to take time off. Rest •
  - your mind and body.

7. 1941 - Ted Williams is the last man to post a .400 average.



"You have it easy. When I was your age, I had to turn it over to make it work.

#### **Bumper Sticker Humor** Friends: People who know you well, but like you any-

way.

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Mtg. 1st Mon. 7:30 p.m. Saxon Club 1980 New Garden Ave Salem, 44460 (330) 222-1770 PRES. George Spack, Sr. 1372 W. State St. Salem, 44460 (330) 332-1442 SEC'Y. Robert P. Vogt, Sr. 973 Sunset Blvd. Salem, 44460 (330) 337-6357 rpv27@neo.rr.com ATS SEC'Y. Fred Werner 1726 St. Rt. 9 Salem, 44460 (330) 337-6498 SICK NOTICES to Glenn T. Spack 943 Stewart Rd. Salem, 44460 (330) 332-8174 LOCAL DUES to Salem Saxon Club c/o Richard Vogt, Sr. 1980 Newgarden Rd Salem, 44460 (330) 332-9996

#### Youngstown, OH Br. 22

Mtg. 2nd Sun. 2:30 p.m. Saxon Club Pavilion 710 S. Meridian 44509 (330) 792-7973 PRES. Bonnie J. Baker 4535 Mellinger Rd. Canfield, 44406 (330) 793-8691 SEC'Y. Marianne Sawicki 145 E. Ravenwood Youngstown, 44507 (330) 783-1292 msaw1292@aol.com ATS SEC'Y. Mary T. Stryffeler 52 S Dehoff Rd Youngstown, 44515 (330) 792-5773 SICK NOTICES to Marianne Sawicki LOCAL DUES to Nora Campbell 3056 Rosemont Rd. N. Jackson, 44451 (330) 538-0558

#### New Castle, PA Br. 25

Mtg. 1st Fri. 8:00 p.m. Eintracht Hall 108 Taylor St., 16101 (724) 652-7221 PRES. Steve Kaplin 308 Edgewood St, N.Castle, 16105 (724) 658-5228 SmKaplin@yahoo.com SEC'Y. Daniel A. Both 1882 LaClair Dr., N. Castle 16101 (724) 658-9557 bothdan@msn.com ATS SEC'Y. Johann Paal 3201 State Rd. N. Castle, 16105 (724) 654-1776 SICK NOTICES to Daniel A. Both

#### Merrillville, IN Br. 26

Mtg. 1st Sun. 3:00 p.m.

#### SICK NOTICES & LOCAL DUES to Gertrude Tizak 241 Cambridge St. #406 N.Castle, 16105 (724) 652-1867

#### Monaca, PA Br. 29

Mtg. 1st. Sun.12 noon Saxon Club 410 6th St. (724) 774-7737 PRES. Lawrence H. Crudden 1927 Hill Rd. Monaca, 15061 (724) 775-0260 SEC'Y.Sharon Donovan ATS SEC'Y. Terri L. Munroe 1255 Chestnut St. Monaca, 15061 (724) 774-7094 SICK NOTICES to Patricia Backus 923 Indiana Ave. Monaca, 15061

#### Youngstown, OH Br. 30

Mtg. 2nd. Sun. 2:30 p.m. Saxon Club 710 S. Meridian 44509 (330) 792-7973 PRES. Walter Benesch 1268 Bexley Youngstown, 44515 (330) 792-9357 SEC'Y. George Klein 190 S Forest Hill Youngstown, 44515 (330) 792-5959 ATS ADULT & JUV. SEC'Y. Roger Fotiuk 3849 Frederick Youngstown, 44515 (330) 792-0034 LOCAL DUES to Mike Markel 2075 Sandy Ln. N Jackson, 44451 (330) 538-2639

Ellwood City, PA Br. 32 Mtg. 2nd. Wed. 7:30 p.m. Saxon Club 901 Millview St. (724) 758-3268 PRES. Docia Jacobs 130 Belton Rd. Ellwood City, 16117 (724) 758-8486 djeannej@yahoo.com ATS Sec'y. Sara Mullin 600 Dover Ln. Ellwood City, 16117 (724) 758-4764

#### Cleveland, OH Br. 33

Mtg. 2nd. Weds. 7:30 p.m. Lyndhurst Community Center 1341 Parkview Drive, Lyndhurst OH 440-449-5011 PRES. George T. Schneider 1035 Pennfield Rd. Cleve Hts., 44121 (216) 382-8657 SEC'Y. Jeffrey S. Krestel 5130 Kneale Dr. Lyndhurst, 44124 (440) 460-1745 ATS SEC'Y. Dolf Litschel 8050 Conestoga Trail Concord, 44060 (440) 358-1184 SICK NOTICES to Jeffrey S. Krestel LOCAL DUES to Michael N. Bretz 388 East 317th St. Willowick, 44095 440-943-4543

Mtg. 2nd. Weds. 7:30 p.m. Lyndhurst Community Center 1341 Parkview Drive, Lyndhurst PRES. Ema Litschel 8050 Conestoga Trl. Concord, 44060 (440) 358-1184 SEC'Y. Arline Suts 413 Downing Dr. Chardon, 44024 (440) 285-9498 asuts@alltel.net ATS SEC'Y. Martha Bretz 388 E 317th St. Willowick, 44095 (440) 943-4543 SICK NOTICES to Arline Suts LOCAL DUES to Mary Ann Guip 791 E. 236th St. Euclid, 44123 (216) 731-5043

#### Detroit, MI Br. 37

Mtg. 1st. Sun. 3:00 p.m. St. Peters Lutheran Church 11423 Chicago Rd. Warren, MI (586) 979-3850 PRES. Susanna Fleischer 11060 Furbush Rd. Holly, 48442 (810) 694-1860 beetlebugsue7@peoplepc.com SEC'Y. Janet Nelson 650 Trinway Dr. Troy, 48085 (248) 879-3213 janetreadnelson@juno.com ATS SEC'Y. George Schemmel, Sr. 20843 Coventry Clinton Twp., 48035 (586) 791-8135 SICK NOTICES AND LOCAL DUES to Samuel Fleischer 11060 Furbush Rd. Holly, 48442 (810) 694-1860 beetlebugsue7@peoplepc.com

#### Merrillville, IN Br. 40

Mtg. 1st. Sun. 3:00 p.m. Slovak Club 6920 Broadway PRES. Betty Mucha 6705 Harrison Ct. Merrillville, 46410 (219) 769-5539 SEC'Y. Brigitte Floyd 1806 E. 73rd Ave. Merrillville, 46410 (219) 942-3494 brigittefloyd@msn.com ATS SEC'Y. Randall Floyd 1806 E 73rd Ave. Merrilville, 46410 (219) 942-3494 rfloyd1066@msn.com SICK NOTICES to Brigitte Floyd LOCAL DUES to Zita Palyok 724 E. 25th Pl. Lake Station, 46405 (219) 962-7345 zands6@msn.com

Ellwood City, PA Br. 45

(440) 282-2796 LOCAL DUES to Andrew H. Schuffert 1704 N. Urban Circle, Lorain, 44053 (440) 282-2385

#### Farrell, PA Br. 7

Mtg. 3rd. Mon. 7:00 p.m. Farrell Lions Den 810 Lions Club Lane (724) 342-3218 PRES. Bertha Chec 941 Sharon-New Castle Rd., #121 Farrell, 16121 (724) 342-3139 SEC'Y. Betty Holmes 409 Patt Dr. Farrell, 16121 (724) 981-7130 ATS SEC'Y. Betty J. Krafft 774 McClure Ave. Sharon, 16146 (724) 347-7935 SICK NOTICES to Betha Chec

#### Alliance, OH Br. 8

Mgt. 3rd Wed. 6:30 p.m. William Penn 1361 Webb PRES. Helen E. Aeling 15354 Georgetown St. NE Minerva ,44657 (330) 862-2563 HHA658@aol.com

#### Salem, OH Br. 18

Mtg. 2nd Mon. 7:30 p.m. Saxon Club 1980 St. Rt. 9 Salem, 44460 (330) 222-1770 PRES. Marilyn McNutt 1721 State Route 9 Salem, 44460 330) 337-8940 MMc4571877@aol.com SEC'Y. Barbara Brayn 1389 Brookview Dr Salem, 44460 (330) 337-7487 babrayn@sbcglobal.net ATS SEC'Y. Marcia Spack 1278 Stewart Rd. Salem, 44460 (330) 337-0250 marcia@sky-access.com SICK NOTICES to Marianne Vogt 867 Sunset Blvd. Salem. 44460 (330) 332-0276 LOCAL DUES to Katherine Oesch 669 E. Seventh St. Salem, 44460 (330) 332-8195 oesklo@sbcglobal.net

Slovak Club - 6920 Broadway (219) 756-5101 PRES. Jeff Szostek 1652 W. 97th Ave., Crown Pt., 46307 (219) 661-0233 REC. SEC'Y. Raymond (Sam) Palyok 724 E. 25th. PI Lake Station, 46405 (219) 962-7345 Zands6@msn.com ATS SEC'Y. Randall Floyd 1806 E. 73rd Ave. Merrillville, 46410 (219) 942-3494 SICK NOTICES to Raymond (Sam) Palyok

#### New Castle, PA Br. 27

Mtg. 1st Thurs. 8:00 p.m. Eintracht Hall 108 Taylor St., 16101 (724) 652-7221 PRES. Edith Hartfelder 128 Decker Dr., N. Castle, 16105 (724) 652-5106 gac3h@comcast.net SEC'Y. Marie Benedict PO Box 25 Edinburg, 16116 (724) 667-7395 bckskinbnny@verizon.net ATS SEC'Y. Dolores J. LeComte 125 W North St Apt. 331 N. Castle, 16101 (724) 658-4110 deej65@yahoo.com

Mtg. 2nd. Sun. 7:30 p.m. Saxon Club 901 Millview Ave. (724) 758-3268 SEC'Y. Robert Smorada 123 Golf Ave. Ellwood City, 16117 (724) 752-5553 BSmorada@Prodigy.net ATS SEC'Y. Sam Mullin 600 Dover Lane Ellwood City, 16117 (724) 758-4764 SICK NOTICES to Sam Mullin



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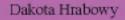


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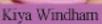


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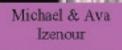
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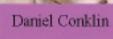
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