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## BRANCH 5, LORAIN

By Elmer Schneider

Members of Branch 5 met at the Chris Restaurant on Saturday, June 6<sup>th</sup> where they enjoyed a very nice dinner. We then traveled across town to the American Slovak Club for our regular meeting. Attendance was once again below our average.

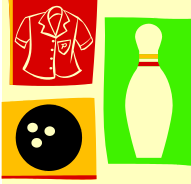
It was good to hear that we have no one on the sick list at this time. Brother Andy Schuffert read the financial statement for the year 2008 as prepared by our auditor and it was approved by the membership. DON'T FORGET that we will NOT be having a MEETING in JULY as it falls on a holiday, the Fourth of July.

The Ladies Branch 11 has invited Branch 5 members and their spouses or guests to a CARD PARTY to be held on Saturday, July 18<sup>th</sup> from 3:00 PM to 6:00 PM at St. John's United Church of Christ social hall located at 715 Reid Avenue. The ladies would like you to call if you plan to attend so they can plan on the refreshments they will serve. Please call Sister Jane Mowery at 440-246-3004 on or before Monday, July 13<sup>th</sup>. Branch 11 is trying to increase their attendance and are trying something different, so they would like to see a good turn out for this event.

Also keep in mind and mark your calendar for Branch 5 and 11's FAMILY PICNIC at Mill Hollow on SUNDAY, AUGUST 23<sup>rd</sup>. More on the picnic as the time approaches.

Two members celebrating birthdays in June were present at the meeting and members sang Happy Birthday greetings to Paul Kirschner and Elmer Schneider. Juvenile members celebrating birthdays are Cassandra Hyer, Castle Weber, Logan Davis and Kayla Ali. We wish all these members a very happy and healthy birthday with many more to come!

Attendance winner for the month of June was Brother Russell Gilles. Next regular meeting will be on Saturday, August 1<sup>st</sup> at 8pm and dinner at the Chris Restaurant at 6pm.



## Recap TSBA Convention

By Jenny Miller

The 52<sup>nd</sup> TSBA convention was held in Youngstown on June

13. All officers were present except Jake Spor. There were 23 delegates and 1 guest in attendance for the meeting. Team representatives were all present.

Elections were held for the vice president and secretary/ treasurer positions. Tom Simon was elected as vice president and Jenny Miller was elected for secretary/ treasurer.

There was one rule change that was passed during the meeting. A vacancy (no bowler) will receive a 200 average, with no handicap. A blind (absent bowler) will still receive 10 pins off their average plus their handicap.

The deadline for team entries is August 15<sup>th</sup>. Please send them to Jenny Miller 25321 Conover Dr. Bay Village, OH 44140.

The full minutes will be printed in the next issue of the *Volksblatt*.

## Bowling Schedule for 2009-2010

- October 4 - Erie
- November 15 - Canton
- December 6 - Cleveland East
- January 17 - Cleveland West
- January 31 - Alliance
- February 7 - New Castle
- March 7 - Youngstown
- April 17&18 - Salem Tournament

## BRANCH 19, SALEM

By Robert P. Vogt, Sr.

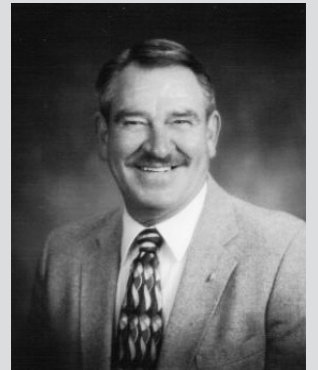
The Salem Saxon breakfasts continue to do well. The breakfast held on the third Saturday of each month, with a few exceptions, takes a lot of help to be a success. Men of Branch 19, our help would greatly be appreciated. Anyone who would like to volunteer, you may contact Br. 18 President Marilyn McNutt @ 330-337-8940.

Branch 19 has lost two members in recent months. Our thoughts and prayers go out to the families of Edward Falk, (50 year member) and Glenn Clayton, Sr.

Line dance lessons have come to an end at the Salem Saxon Club. The class was not just dance instruction but also some great exercise. Thanks to Richard and Teri Spack for their time and efforts.

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Thomas J. Manning  
ATS Nat'l President



After attending the Saxon Heimattag in Dinkelsbühl, Germany, the last weekend in May, Liz and I and many other Saxons from the United States attended the Heimattag in Kitchener, Canada the weekend of June 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup>. This was a great way to celebrate our Saxon heritage. The groups that performed in Germany and in North America work very hard to preserve our Saxon culture. I congratulate all of them for a doing a great job. I am sure that anyone who attended the Canadian Heimattag had an enjoyable time. Upon leaving Kitchener at the conclusion of the Sunday events, Liz and I traveled to Massachusetts to visit our daughter, Maureen, and her family. Maureen is doing well after her recent surgery. Thanks for all of your prayers.

On Saturday, June 13<sup>th</sup>, Liz and I attended the TSBA Convention, which was held in Youngstown, Ohio. President, Marie Benedict, conducted a well-organized meeting. Just before the election of officers, it was announced that Secretary/Treasurer, Jake Spor, was not seeking re-election. We thank Jake for his years of service. Also, Vice-President Hilda Gainer from Alliance, decided not to seek re-election. She was given a round of applause for the many years that she served. Many thanks go out to Hilda. The deadline to enter the TSBA as a team or as an individual is August 12<sup>th</sup>, 2009. Extra bowlers are always needed.

I wish everyone a happy and safe 4<sup>th</sup> of July holiday with their family and friends. This is certainly a good day to remember how our forefathers fought for our independence. It would also be a good time to fly your American flag. Be careful with those firecrackers.

Quote of the Day: "If there's a plan to things, why do we seem to be in such a mess? Wars, disease, famine, and environmental damage, poverty--the list goes on and on. Surely we can do better. If we think of ourselves, and all of humanity, as a work in progress, we might be more forgiving of others--and more hopeful of what will come in the future."

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

The next peanut night will be held June 27<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 p.m. to 10:00. The Vogts and Rothbrusts invite all to come out to the club for peanuts, drink and the friendly atmosphere. If you're not into peanuts, other snacks are available. Don't forget the social on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday of the month and the breakfast on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the month. Just a reminder, the club is open Thursday evenings from 8:00 p.m. until 10:00 p.m.

Bis zum nächstenmal.



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SATURDAY, AUGUST 15, 2009



CHICAGO BROOKFIELD ZOO

CLEVELAND METROPARK ZOO

DETROIT ZOO

PITTSBURGH ZOO

**BRANCH 10,  
COLUMBUS**  
By Hilda Kautz

Our president reported on the various items discussed at the Presidents' Meeting in New Castle on May 16 and, of course, everyone was pleased to hear of the financial stability of our organization. Keep up the good work!!

A note from the New Castle Ladies, Branch 27, was read thanking us for the gift on their 100th anniversary. It was our pleasure and thank you again for the enjoyable evening.

We are sorry to say that only two of our members, Martin and Dorothea Hesch, will be attending the Heimattag festivities this year, but we wish the Kitchener Saxons good weather and much success for this important event.

We are going to try a shorter trip to Nashville, Tennessee this year. We will leave September 8 and return September 11. In the meantime, let me encourage all of you to take good care of yourselves and avoid those doctors and hospitals seeing more of us each day it seems.

We continue to pray for good things to happen to our shut-ins: Hans Kellner, Karl Mueller, and Katherine Scholtes. We miss you.

Happy July birthdays to John Fleischer (7), Rose Inman (12), Evelyn Roth (15), Regina Kellner (20), Alfred Allert (21), and Mike Lassel (22), and happy 55th anniversary wishes to Sara and George Alzner on July 7.

No attendance prize was claimed again in June so the kitty is building up. You MUST try to come to the next meeting on July 20.

Our special thanks to Mary Lochner, Susie Karst, Sarah Kalwiener and Hedy Fleischer for providing so many delicious desserts for our enjoyment.

**BRANCH 37,  
DETROIT**  
By Janet Nelson

**News of Members:** Apostolos (Paul) A. Alexandraitis, grandson of Regina Weber, graduated from Oberlin College with a degree of Bachelor of Arts in Neuroscience on Monday, May 25, 2009. Paul plans to study medicine in Portland, Oregon.

Erica McCoy, daughter of Jerry and Julie (Fisher) McCoy, granddaughter of Kenneth and Val Fisher, and grandniece of Jean Fisher, graduated from Anchor Bay High School on May 31. Erica will study cosmetology.

**Saxon Picnic – July 11:** Save Saturday, July 11 for our popular, annual picnic held at the Club's property on Utica Rd., north of 16 Mile Rd. in Sterling Heights. Rain day will be Sunday, July 12. The grill will be hot and ready for your order at 1:00 p.m. The traditional meal of Speck und Zwiebel (bacon, bread, and beans) will be served along with Wurst (sausage).

**BRANCH 11, LORAIN**  
By Monica Gilles

The monthly meeting was held on Saturday, June 6. We had a decent turnout but really would like to see some new faces mingling with the familiar faces.

We did get to welcome a new member into our lodge, Sister Juliana Johnson, a transfer to the adult lodge. She was welcomed with open arms. Juliana has been chosen as one of the participants in the Jugendlager going to Austria. She is very excited about this opportunity. Juliana is the daughter of Brother Michael Johnson, granddaughter of Sister Elaine Johnson, and the great-granddaughter of Sister Katherine Thompson. We hope to see much more of Juliana in the future. Have a great time in Europe. Can't wait to hear all about it!

Well, the surveys have been read and the overwhelming response is that people are interested in a card party. And a card party you shall have. The ladies are hosting a card party on Saturday, July 18 from 3-6 pm at the St. John United Church of Christ Social Hall. The hall is located at 715 Reid Avenue in Lorain. The hall is handicap accessible. We are hoping to have several different card games going on. This is open to members and guests. All we ask is that you RSVP to Sister Jane Mowery at 440-246-3004 by Monday, July 13. There is no cost to attend; however, a goodwill basket will be there if you would like to donate. Proceeds will go as a donation to the church for use of the hall. Come join us for an afternoon of fun, fellowship, and refreshments.

The summer picnic will be held on August 23 at Mill Hollow, Shelter 2 starting at 1pm. As in the past years, the men's lodge will be providing the main entrée, tableware, and beverages. The women are asked to bring their delicious side dishes.

The Saxon Bowling Traveling League will be forming their new season soon. Wouldn't it be nice to have a team from Lorain? You get to travel to different branches, usually once a month on Sunday. Bowling starts at 11 and is usually done by 2. There are 7 sessions plus the tournament. It's a lot of fun! If anyone, men or women, are interested in forming a team, please give me a call at 440-989-8180 or 440-309-7894.

Congratulations to Sister Danielle Henes and Brother Brian Long who became husband and wife on June 6. May you be blessed with a long, happy life together filled with love and joy!

If anyone is interested in purchasing life insurance or an annuity, please give me a call or email me at gillemo76@hotmail.com. I would be happy to sit down with you and discuss the different products that are available. The ATS is currently paying 4.25% on annuities with a guarantee not to go below 3.0%. That is a great rate in today's economic situation. In addition, there are so many fraternal activities open to our members.

Happy Birthday to the following June babies.. Shirley Bohland, Michelle Cantrell, June Falk, Arleen Gilles, Lesley Hochevar, Bonnie Minier, Shirley Mitoff, Eleanor Norheim, and Patti Paggi. We sang to Sister Arleen Gilles since she was present at the meeting. I will be nice and not say how young she is.

We will not be having our regular monthly meetings in July and August. The meetings will resume in September. The next monthly meeting will be Saturday, September 5 at the Slovak Home Club on Broadway Avenue. Meetings start at 8pm. See everyone at the card party on July 18 and then the picnic on August 23.




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FRIDAY, AUGUST 14, 2009	FRIDAY, AUGUST 21, 2009

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

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

**SALEM SAXON RETIREES**  
By Sue Fritzman

The month of May has come and gone by so quickly, also gone are the beautiful blossoms of nature's display. June will also go by quickly with the many scheduled events of this busy summer month. Here we are coming into July with the biggest summer celebration and soon the summer season will be over with half of the year over already.

OUR RETIREES enjoyed their summer "Hot Dog Shoppe" treat June 3rd with Mike Stumperth manning the grill. Thanks Mike! There were 49 members in attendance with the following three guests: Connie Peters, granddaughter of Martha Lesch, Pastor Alan Smearsoll of Emmanuel Lutheran Church, guest of Trudy Ehrhart and Cao Li, guest of Art Spack.

I unfortunately had to perform my secretarial duties from Essex I the day of the meeting for rehab. I was weak from my stay at Salem hospital and then the pacemaker surgery at Northside Hospital. I thank Bob and Janet Kekel for making a trip to my house to retrieve the minutes book and also appreciate Janet taking over for me and all the others who covered for me. I wish I could have been there for hot dogs are my favorite. Bob promised to eat my share. Thanks again to both of you! I also want to thank all of my dear friends for signing the lovely get-well card (paper plate) with their wishes. Thanks to my dear uplifting friend Marian for her spiritual uplifting support!

My daughter Anne who does my typing for me would also like to thank Janet, Lois Whitacre and Marian for supplying the necessary information and being so helpful in my absence.

PRESIDENT Lois Whitacre opened the meeting with the regular order of business with Rev. Alan Smearsoll offering the prayer; Bill Hiltbrand who always faithfully presents our invocation was missed, as he also was ill. Janet Kekel read the minutes as Katherine Lederle gave the treasury report. Birthday, anniversary and sick list members were acknowledged.

SICKLIST changes and additions are: Sara Bodendorfer now at Blossom; Doc Whitacre fell while moving, is at Essex 3; Bill Hiltbrand has been hospitalized and was recently recognized at a banquet for his volunteer work and now it is his turn to be taken care of; Sue Fritzman is at Essex I. Hope everyone is feeling better along with the many others on our standing list and those shut-in. You are all in our thoughts and daily prayers!

CONGRATULATIONS to the following July birthday members! Tony Kataro-2, George Spack-5, Shirley Kataro-5, Gibby Bartha-6, Margaret Bartha-13, Dorothy Weber-13, Margaret Konnerth-13, Hilda Simpson-13, Nancy Stumperth-20, Pat Martin-23, Margaret Hall-24, Hazel Tibball-27, Elsie Gross-31st.

Our Ginny Pilch made the

locals newspaper as she was pictured sharing her 85th birthday celebration with a new friend. How nice, Ginny!

JULY ANNIVERSARY Couples to be congratulated are: Walt and Elaine Weber-10th, Clem and Marianne Vogt-14th, Nancy and Mike Stumperth-14th, Walt and Lois Ulrich-22nd, Kathy and Gibby Bartha-29th, Paul and Anneliese Rothbrust-30th.

VICE PRESIDENT Bob Kekel announced the committee members for the July 1st meeting as follows: Marianne and Clem Vogt and Lois and Walt Ulrich, with Marilyn McNutt taking reservations at 330-337-8940.

The meeting closed with *The Lord's Prayer* and a moment of silence for the loss of member Glenn Clayton and friend Pearl Koenreich.

We are saddened by the loss of dear member Glenn Clayton, 80, who passed away shortly after our last meeting. Betty and Glenn both loved helping people and worked to benefit other causes. We enjoyed their attending when possible. Glenn will be greatly missed. Our deepest sympathy is extended to his family. Prayers and friends may help in this time of sorrow, which all of us must experience in our lifetime.

Pearl Koenreich, 86, also passed away recently. Pearl was not a member, but a guest at many of our meetings and had many friends. She accomplished so much in her busy life and was instrumental in starting "Mobile Meals", which many of us so appreciate. May God help all those in need of His love during these times!

Since this recent change in my lifestyle my negative outlook on the much dreaded nursing home experience has changed. The assisted living section of Essex 1, however, turned out to be a very pleasant experience, especially when they found a private room for me. This wonderful room has a large window and to top it off even has a birdfeeder next to it. How perfect for me! So many cheerful caregivers who welcomed me and continue to brighten my days greeted me. I have so much respect for these dedicated caregivers during these uncertain times in our lives.

It was so strange to have my youngest daughter packing me up and marking my clothes as she remarked, she felt like she was sending me off to college or camp. This is close as I got to going to college at the age of 86. This started out as a dreaded but necessary trip. My caregiver daughter was constantly worried I would fall, since I could not use a walker with a sling on my arm and was unsteady. She was running back and forth to my home checking on me, which became very overwhelming after a few days. She has been a constant blessing along with the love and concern of the rest of my loved ones.

SAXON NEWS--I met so



**ATS FAMILY DAY AT THE ZOO**  
**SATURDAY, AUGUST 15, 2009**  
**"IT'S ALL HAPPENING AT THE ZOO"**

To make it more convenient for our members to participate in an ATS Family Day we are hosting a regional outing at four zoos. Pick the location nearest you and enjoy a fun day at the zoo with your family. DEADLINE FOR TICKET SALES IS JULY 30, 2009.

**CHICAGO - BROOKFIELD ZOO** (First Ave between Ogden Ave & 31st Street 14 miles west Chicago)

Ticket prices includes admission, catered lunch (noon - 2:00pm) and parking:

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**CLEVELAND METROPARK ZOO** (3900 Wildlife Way, Cleveland, Ohio)

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Tickets will be held and given out at the Zoo Gate by Ingrid.

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many acquaintances during my stay in the hospitals and you realize what a small world it really is. While at Salem hospital I met a young student nurse, Abby Schuster, daughter of Art Schuster. I recall memories of Art as a toddler sitting at the club with his father, Art Sr., and his mother, Frieda Melitschka Schuster, when his grandparents Matt and Elizabeth Melitschka ran the club. Dorothy Melitschka Hutmacher and her brother Walt (now deceased) were my best friends. What wonderful memories we shared of dancing and having fun in our younger days. Eddie Konnerth was always about in his little black car with the rumble seat, spotlights and horn. I remember clearly him riding around with his sidekicks Ham Girscht, Herm Linder, Wimp Miller and Gus Falk.

It was even a greater coincidence to find that one of my head nurses at Northside RN Rosemary Binder was the daughter-in-law of Sally Linder's brother Hank. She said she would watch for her name in my article in the *Volksblatt*. I hope I got the information right Rosemary. You never know where you will meet a fellow Saxon!

My chance meetings didn't end there for while I was taking therapy at Essex, another fellow Saxon and Emmanuel member, Fred Werner was also there. His brother Art has been stopping in and we reminisce about old times. Their family goes way back as Saxon members also. Leida Werner, their sister-in-law, also stopped in for a visit many knew her from Emmanuel. They moved to Mansfield several years ago and she used to work at Jo Ann's Fabric in Salem. She is a wonderful seamstress and we used to enjoy sharing our sewing ideas when I was still active at sewing.

I will try to end this with a positive outlook for some positives did come from this, as written above. I would not have met all of these lovely people and I am getting stronger every day. God Bless all of you and thank you for your cards and prayers! Today--tomorrow is so uncertain for all of us!

Sorry if I bored all of you with my experience. I couldn't very well execute my normal research. I hope my next article will be more interesting and I will be back in commission for the next meeting and can say "Auf Wiedersehen" with a smile!

**ANNUAL PICNIC BRANCH 2 ERIE**

Our Annual Picnic will be held Tuesday, July 14<sup>th</sup> from 1:00 to 6:00 p.m. at Skibinski Park. The menu will be ox roast, chicken, sausage and peppers, potato salad, baked beans, corn on the cob, melon balls, rolls and dessert cake. Coffee, beer and pop will be available at no charge. We will have our meal at 4:30 p.m. The cost for the meal is \$6.00 per member and \$12.00 per non-member. You may make your reservation with Val Pinczewski at 898-0494 and submit your payment to her at 4226 Dominion Drive, Erie, PA 16510. Deadline is July 8<sup>th</sup> and no refunds after July 8<sup>th</sup>.



# FRATERNAL CALENDAR

## BRANCH 30, YOUNGSTOWN By Tom Fizet

### NATIONAL EVENTS

#### 2009

- 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

- June 27, 2009  
Salem Peanut Night 8:00 p.m. - ?  
New Castle Br. 25 Bowler's Picnic 4pm @Grounds
- June 28, 2009  
Chicago Br. 9 Picnic Lynn Woods, Morton Grove  
New Castle Br. 25 9-Pin-No-Tap Bowling Tournament
- July 1, 2009  
Salem Retirees 11:30 a.m.
- July 2, 2009  
Salem Line Dance Lessons 7pm  
Salem Br. 19 Officer's Mtg 7:30 pm  
New Castle Br. 27- no branch meeting
- July 4, 2009  
Salem 4th of July Dance 2- 6pm  
New Castle Br. 25 picnic @Grounds  
Youngstown Br. 30 Saxon Club closed
- July 6, 2009  
Salem Br. 19 Meeting 7:30 pm
- July 9, 2009  
Salem Line Dance Lessons 7pm  
Youngstown Retirees meet
- July 10, 2009  
Salem Joint Social Dinner & Scholarship Awards 6:30pm
- July 12, 2009  
Merrillville Br. 26 Meeting 3pm  
Youngstown Branches 22 & 30 meet
- July 13, 2009  
Salem Br. 18 Trustees Audit 6pm  
Salem Br. 18 Meeting 7:30 pm
- July 16, 2009  
Salem Line Dance Lessons 7:00 pm
- July 18, 2009  
Salem Breakfast 7-10 am  
New Castle Br. 25 Singer's picnic @Grounds Noon-?  
Lorain Branch 11 & 5 Card Party 3-6pm  
St. John Social Hall
- July 23, 2009  
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- August 2, 2009  
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- August 3, 2009  
Salem Br. 19 Trustees Audit 6:30pm  
Salem Br. 19 Meeting 7:30pm
- August 5, 2009  
Salem Retirees 11:30am
- August 6, 2009  
Salem Line Dance Lessons 7:00 pm  
New Castle Br. 27 no branch meeting
- August 9, 2009  
New Castle Br. 25/27 Member's Picnic @Grounds
- August 10, 2009  
Salem Br. 18 Meeting 7:30 pm
- August 13, 2009  
Salem Line Dance Lessons 7pm
- August 14, 2009  
Salem Joint Social Dinner 6:30 pm
- August 15, 2009  
Salem Breakfast 7:00 - 10:00am

The outdoor Flea Market is held every Tuesday in our parking lot, open from 8:00 AM until 2:00 PM. We encourage you to participate as vendors or customers, make it a fun time.

We are progressing toward the work to be done in the Ladies Lounge, the Ballroom and the hand rails on the Stage. At the present we are putting together some estimates for the work. This should be a benefit to our Club when we offer it for weddings or other affairs in the Ballroom or Lounge. Thanks to those of you who have sent in Memorial or Celebration funds to the Club Office. If you are going to send a donation there is a Youngstown Saxon Club, Memorial and Celebration Committee remittance slip in the *Volksblatt*. Thanks for your donations to date.

The next Branch 30 meeting is July 12, at 2:30 PM. Mark your calendar. We will be glad to see you and enjoy your company, stay for fellowship after the meeting.

The Golf Outing between the Maennerchor and the Br. 30 Golfers is scheduled for July 18th. The secretary is getting the players to sign up now so as to be ready to present the list to the Maennerchor for parings. The Saxon Day Picnic for the Br. 22/30 will be on July 26, Mike Teutsch, Jr. and Pete Karsti will be co-chairman, more information later. The Speck Fry is scheduled for September

## BRANCH 22, YOUNGSTOWN By Rosemarie Kascher

Our next branch meeting will be on July 12, 2009 at 2:30 p.m. and we invite you ladies to come. Officers' meeting will be July 8, 2009.

Our next major upcoming event at the Youngstown Saxon Club is our annual Saxon Picnic on July 26<sup>th</sup> so prepare for some good food and Gemütlichkeit. Take advantage of the opportunities ATS members are provided like the Cleveland Metropolitan Zoo, 3900 Wildlife Way, Cleveland, Ohio, with good prices and a reserved pavilion for the ATS and you can bring your own picnic basket. For tickets contact the ATS Office (440) 842-8442. A chance to go to the Pittsburgh Zoo, 1 Wild Place, Pittsburgh, with special prices and also a reserved pavilion for ATS members. For tickets contact: Jacob Spor (724) 657-3773. Order forms will be printed in the *Volksblatt* BUT tickets must be purchased by July 30, 2009. So have a great day at our local zoos.

Our ATS scholarship winners are the Branch 14 scholarship to Megan L. Morrison, Branch 22, Youngstown; the Davidson-Schuller Award, ATS Br. 33 & 34 to Matthew W. Frankhouser, Branch 30 Youngstown; and an ATS scholarship to Thomas R. Hahn, III, Branch

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



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20, 2009.

We will miss the smiling face of Arthur Orr, 75, who passed away on June 6, 2009. Art and Carol were regular patrons of the Saxon Club and a 31 year member Art was a graduate of South High School and was in maintenance at Easco Aluminum. He liked gardening, fishing the outdoors and his grandchildren. We offer our condolences to his wife Carol, his children and his family.

We thank all who have worked on the Memorial Island to make it a show place for the Saxon Club.

We are reporting the following on our sick list; John Price, Mike Hedrich - back surgery, rehab, Dean Hahn-eye Doctor, Bob Nischwitz - knee surgery, rehab, Vince Scortino (Bocce)-recuperating at Austin Woods, Casey Sewicki home from rehab, Yo (catering) her husband is recovering from heart

surgery.

Look for information in the *Volksblatt* about the ATS Family day at the Zoo, Saturday August 15, 2009, Cleveland Metropark Zoo, or Pittsburgh Zoo, are the closest to our area. Deadline is July 30. Get friends and family together and have some fun. The ATS Golf Outing is Saturday, August 8, 2009 in Erie. Let's greet the Erie club and Tom Manning with an enthusiastic group from Youngstown. If you need a player, call Paul Klein; there are others also who would like to be in a foursome.

Pete Karsti and friends will be at the Saxon Club Lounge on July 11, 2009 playing for your enjoyment during dinner and relaxing with friends and neighbors, see you there!

So goes the News.

### Trivia Quiz: Fireworks

Test your Independence Day knowledge with this trivia quiz. Just remember, that fireworks can cause serious injury. Play it safe this year and watch a fireworks display instead of staging your own.

1. What year did Cherry Bombs and M-80s become illegal in the U.S.?
2. What color smoke balls are prohibited in California?
3. A huge fireworks display was given on July 4th, 1986. What was the special occasion?
4. Where is the world's largest fireworks display held every year?
5. Who invented fireworks?
6. Who is largest purchaser of American made fireworks?
7. What do you call a cluster of fireworks that revolve?
8. In Brazil, what holiday is celebrated with fireworks?
9. What Disney character always sets off the "Fantasy in the Sky" fireworks display at Disney's Magic Kingdom?
10. What type of fireworks cause the most injuries every year?

#### Answers:

1. 1966.
2. Red.
3. The centennial anniversary of the Statue of Liberty.
4. Kentucky at the opening of the Kentucky Derby.
5. The Chinese in the 9th century.
6. Taiwan.
7. A girandole.
8. Christmas.
9. Tinkerbells.

## ATS ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

**LET'S  
PLAY  
GOLF**

Elk Valley Golf Course  
7085 Van Camp Rd.  
Fairview, PA  
(814) 474-2356

Saturday, August 8, 2009  
8:00 AM - Shotgun Start

Cost is \$30.00 for golf with cart, refreshments,  
hot dogs, banquet and prizes.

**Deadline for entries is July 29, 2009**

Send checks and entry forms to:  
THOMAS J. MANNING  
1027 WEST 30<sup>TH</sup> ST., ERIE, PA 16508  
Telephone: (814) 864-6072



MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE to Thomas J. Manning

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

We enjoyed a delicious spaghetti dinner before the start of our June meeting and wish to thank our cooks for preparing our supper. We will not hold meetings during the months of July and August. Our next meeting will be held on Monday, September 21<sup>st</sup>. We will have a new starting time. Our meeting will start at 7:00 pm and the collection of premium and local dues payments will be taken at 6:30 pm.

Reminder to parents and grandparents to send their children, ages 8 - 13 to Saxon Summer Camp that will be held the weekend of July 19 - 24<sup>th</sup>. The ATS is subsidizing the cost for each ATS child. We are happy that several of our junior members will be attending this year's camp.

We encourage our families to attend ATS Family Day at the Cleveland Zoo on Saturday, August 15<sup>th</sup>. Bring along a picnic basket; there will be a reserved pavilion for the ATS. The cost for ATS members ages 12 & up is \$5 and children ages 11 and under is FREE. The discount price for non-members is \$9 and \$6 for children ages 11 and under. Other Branches will be

attending ATS Family Day at other zoos: Chicago - Brookfield Zoo, the Detroit Zoo and the Pittsburgh Zoo. So you do have your choice which zoo you would like to go to. Look inside the *Volksblatt* for the various details.

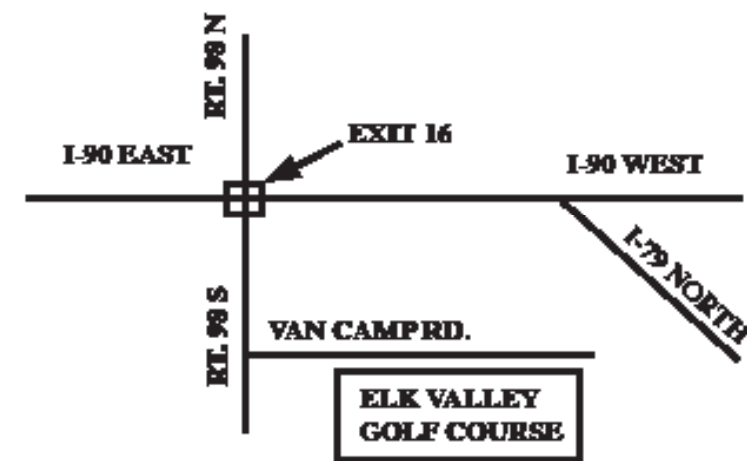
We congratulate all our graduating high school seniors and college graduates. We know that their biggest thoughts are no longer passing that last final or getting an A in their toughest course. Now their thoughts are focused on the next part of their life. We wish them the best and wait to hear about their future accomplishments.

The Sachsenheim's Annual Sommerfest (formerly known as the Bierfest) will be held on Saturday, August 22<sup>nd</sup>. Mark this date on your calendar and invite your friends to come along for some home cooked food, music by the Deutscher Musik Verein, performance by the Cleveland Saxon Dance Group and some Saxon Gemütlichkeit. Let's try to fill the Hall and the outside garden! Planned activities for children will include face painting and balloon twisting between 7 - 8:00pm.

## DIRECTIONS TO ELK VALLEY GOLF COURSE FAIRVIEW, PA

If coming from Ohio - follow I-90 East to Fairview, PA (Exit 16). Follow Route 98 South to Van Camp Road and turn left. Golf course will be on the right.

If coming from Pennsylvania - proceed to I-79/I-90 West Interchange. Follow I-90 to Fairview, PA (Exit 16). Follow Route 98 South to Van Camp Road and turn left. Golf course will be on the right.



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

This time of year is tremendously busy with beautiful weather, graduations and confirmations. This also brings time for vacations and barbecues and picnics. **Mark you calendars for the PICNIC on June 28, at Lynne Woods in Morton Grove, IL.** The day is sure to be filled with food and all the essentials to have a great Saxon picnic. A special thank you to Brother George and Sister Dithild Thut for chairing the picnic.

The meeting was held on June 1, and President Mueller had exciting news regarding Branch 9 recipients of scholarships. Out of 19 scholarships six were awarded to high school students in Branch 9. The proud recipients are: Karl Kraus, grandson of Brother Mike and Sister Frieda Kraus, received \$1000. Vince Schiller, grandson of Brother Andy and Sister Margaret Schiller, received \$1000. Lindsay Paz, granddaughter of Brother Mike and Sister Frieda Kraus, received \$750. Christian Mueller, son of Brother Andreas and Sister Hilde Mueller and grandson of Sister Pauline Zultner, received \$500. Victoria Mronga, daughter of Sister Margaret Mronga and granddaughter of Brother George and Sister Katharina Thut, \$500. Jennifer Salmen, granddaughter of Brother Hans and Sister Anni Salmen, received the highest award of \$1000 for four years. We congratulate these young men and women on these high honors and wish them all the

best continuing their education in the future. President Mueller plans to present these awards to the recipients at the picnic on June 28<sup>th</sup>.

Sick list report- Brother George Thut, Brother Horst Schmidts, Sister Kathy Wagner, Sister Emilie Schuller, Sister Ilse Lingner, Sister Ziri Brantsch, Brother Henry Reif. Please remember these members with a card, phone call and a prayer.

ATS Saxon Family Day in our region will be at Brookfield Zoo this year on August 15<sup>th</sup>. Admission for ATS policyholders is \$20 adults and \$10 for children under 11 years old. Non-member \$33.50 for adults and \$23.50 for children under 11 years old. This includes parking, admission into the zoo and lunch. Watch the *Volksblatt* for directions on how to participate or contact President Mueller. Happy Summer!

There will be NO JULY MEETING, so mark your calendars for the next meeting on August 3.

## CHURCHES



### 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

**SUMMER SCHEDULE**  
10:30 a.m. English Worship

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

### CHICAGO BR. 9 Picnic



June 28, 2009  
Lynn Woods,  
Morton Grove

## Salem Saxon Club



## ANNUAL DANCE

Fred Ziwich

Saturday  
July 4, 2009  
2:00 to 6:00 pm



Admission:  
\$7.00 per person

Plenty of Food and  
Beverages Available  
No BYOB

For information call (330) 332-1442  
Work days after 5:00pm

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Karl G. Kraus



Vince N. Schiller



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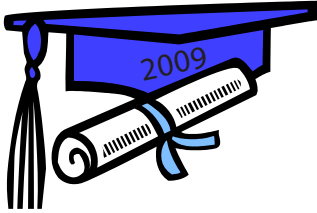
Megan G. Diehl



David J. Constas



Megan L. Morrison



## CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES 2009 SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

Congratulations are in order to all of the scholarship applicants for their fine scholastic records in their respective schools. Twenty seven new recipients were awarded scholastic scholarships this year. This is in addition to the three current recipients of the renewable scholarships from the Victor Deptner Memorial Fund.

The recipient of the \$1,000 Four-Year Renewable Grant awarded from the Victor Deptner Memorial Scholarship Fund is **Jennifer A. Zemola**, Chicago, Illinois, Br. 9. The recipient of the \$1,000 Past Officers' Memorial Scholarship Award is **Jacob J. Potz**, Cleveland, Ohio, Br. 1; the recipient of the \$1,000 Henry Schindler Scholarship Award is **Michelle L. Radeff**, Cleveland, Ohio, Br. 4; the recipient of the \$1,000 Michael W. Schassburger Memorial Scholarship Award is **Timothy R. Barthelmes**, Erie, Pennsylvania, Br. 2; the recipient of the \$1,000 Jon Weber Memorial Scholarship Fund Award is **Karl G. Kraus**, Chicago, Illinois, Br. 9; the recipient of the \$1,000 ATS Br. 33 National Scholarship Endowment Award is **Vince N. Schiller**, Chicago, Illinois, Br. 9; the recipient of the first \$1,000 Julia and Martin Konnerth Memorial Scholarship Award is **Robert A. Bellusci**, Cleveland, Ohio, Br. 1; the recipient of the second \$1,000 Julia and Martin Konnerth Memorial Scholarship Award is **Megan G. Diehl**, Salem, Ohio, Br. 19; the recipient of the \$1,000 Columbus, Br. 10 Scholarship Award is **David J. Constas**, Youngstown, Ohio, Br. 30, the recipient of the \$1,000 Branch 14 – Canton Scholarship Award is **Megan L. Morrison**, Youngstown, Ohio, Br. 22; the recipient of the \$1,000 Davidson-Schuller Appreciation Scholarship Award in honor of ATS and Branches 33 and 34 is **Matthew W. Frankhouser**, Youngstown, Ohio, Br. 30; the recipient of the second \$1,000 Award in honor of Honey Wolff's 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday is **Elisabeth A. Gutwein**, Cleveland, Ohio, Br. 4; and the winner of the \$1,000 Rev. and Mrs. John Foisel Memorial Scholarship is **Victoria S. Mronga**, Chicago, Illinois, Br. 9.

The recipient of the \$750 Niles, Br. 20 Scholarship is **Emmett K. Wild**, Farrell, Pennsylvania, Br. 7; the recipient of the \$750 New Castle Br. 27 Scholarship is **Lindsey N. Paz**, Chicago, Illinois, Br. 9; the recipient of the \$750 John and Mary Guip Memorial Scholarship Award is **Anna E. Neumann**, Cleveland, Ohio, Br. 4; the recipient of the \$500 ATS Scholarship Award is **Christian G. Mueller**, Chicago, Illinois, Br. 9; the winner of the Rosina Marx Memorial Scholarship is **Kyle R. Gregorich**, Farrell, Pennsylvania, Br. 7; and the recipient of the \$400 Donzella Herman Scholarship is **Kaitlin E. Mihu**, Cleveland, Ohio, Br. 4.

Current recipients of the Four-Year Renewable Grants are: **Mariei Cotton**, Cleveland, Ohio, Br. 34 (4<sup>th</sup> year); **Christopher Stryffeler**, Youngstown, Ohio, Br. 30 (3<sup>rd</sup> year); and **Jessica Iversen**, Chicago, Illinois, Br. 9 (2<sup>nd</sup> year).

Also, we are pleased to announce the

following winners of the Adult Continuing Education Scholarship Grants. The recipient of a \$1,000 Award in memory of Past-President David P. Bokesch is **Amanda B. Breckner**, Detroit, Michigan, Br. 37; the recipient of the first \$1,000 Award in honor of Marie Stirner is **Allyson E. Zeedrich**, Alliance, Ohio, Br. 8; the winner of the second \$1,000 Award in honor of Marie Stirner is **Andrew C. Finzel**, Farrell, Pennsylvania, Br. 7; the winner of the third \$1,000 Award in honor of Marie Stirner is **Megan A. Nicholson**, Erie, Pennsylvania, Br. 2; and the winner of the fourth \$1,000 Award in honor of Marie Stirner is **Richard H. Gross**, Cleveland, Ohio, Br. 1.

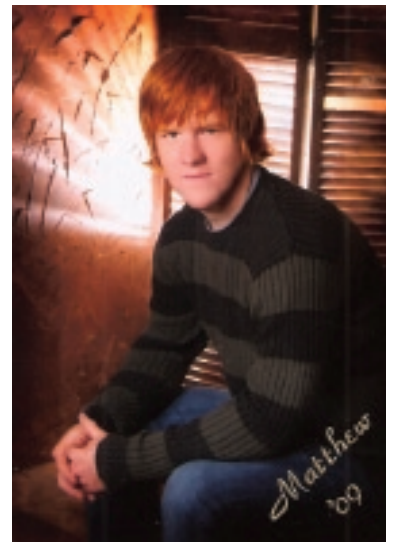
The winner of the first \$500 ATS Academic Continuing Education Scholarship Grant is **Johanna M. Shenker**, New Castle, Pennsylvania, Br. 27. The winner of the second \$500 ATS Academic Continuing Education Scholarship Award is **Thomas R. Hahn, III**, Youngstown, Ohio, Br. 30; and the final winner of a \$500 ATS Academic Continuing Education Scholarship Grant is **Nathan F. Diehl**, Salem, Ohio, Br. 19.

**Jennifer Zemola** graduated from Elk Grove High School in Elk Grove Village, Illinois where she received the IHSA Scholastic Achievement Award, the AD Scholar Award, and was on the Honor Roll. She was on the Varsity Soccer Team throughout her high-school years, ran Cross Country, was a member of W.A.C.O., played Viola in the school Orchestra and was on the class board. Jennifer will be attending Purdue University where her field of study will be in chemical engineering.

**Jacob Potz** is a graduate of Brecksville-Broadview Heights High School in Broadview Heights, Ohio where he made the Dean's list as a post-secondary student at the University of Akron, was on the Honor Roll throughout his high-school years and received an award for perfect attendance. Jacob was a member of the Math Club, played Badminton, participated in the HORDE Robotics competition, competitive card playing, and was a teacher's aid for AP Calculus. He will be attending Akron University where his field of study will be in electrical engineering.

**Michelle Radeff** (*photo not available*) is a graduate of Brookside High School in Sheffield, Ohio where she received Academic Awards in 2006, 2007, 2008 and 2009, was on the High Honor Roll throughout her high school years, was named Math Student of the Year (Adv. Geometry in 9<sup>th</sup> grade, Hon. Algebra II in 10<sup>th</sup> grade and Pre-calculus in 11<sup>th</sup> grade), received the Science Student of the Year Award in her

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Matthew W. Frankhouser



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★ Graduation is a promise of even brighter things to come!



Lindsey N. Paz



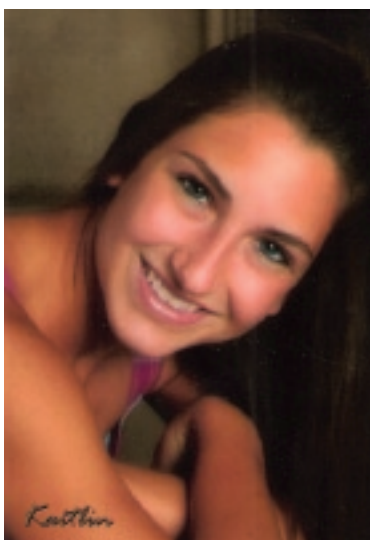
Anna E. Neumann



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freshman year, was named outstanding freshman girl in Band and was voted best female instrumentalist by the Senior Class. Michelle was a member of the National Honor Society, the Marching Band throughout her high-school years, played in the Wind Ensemble and the Pep Band for 4 years, played Basketball, was on Student Council and the after-prom committee. Michelle plans to attend The Ohio State University where she will pursue a degree in health professions exploration.

**Timothy Barthelmes** graduated from McDowell High School in Erie, Pennsylvania where he was a National Merit Commended Scholar, was named to Who's Who Among American High School Students, named Outstanding Student of the Year, received the Kiwanis Citizenship Award, special distinction in National Forensics League, a certificate of excellence for AP Chemistry, Honors Spanish 4, Honors Precalculus and AP English II. He was in the vocal ensemble, the PA Music Educators Association District, Region and All-State chorus for 3 years, Music Educators National Conference All Eastern Honors Choir, Center for Performing Arts, National Forensics League, National Honor Society, International Thespians Society, McDowell Honors College and a McDowell Student Ambassador. He has done volunteer work at the Erie Playhouse, Youth Theatre Summer Camp, and participated in a concert to benefit Youth AIDS in Africa. Timothy will be attending the University of Pittsburgh where he plans to major in mathematics.

**Karl Kraus** is a graduate of Wauconda High School in Wauconda, Illinois where he was on the Honor Roll and also a member of the National Honor Society. He was an Illinois State Scholar and earned the Illinois Principal's Association Award. In addition, he was named MVP in Football in his freshman and sophomore years, ran Track, was a member of the Drama Club and Math Team, and participated in Relay for Life as an honorary survivor. Karl plans to attend the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign where his field of study will be in engineering.

**Vince Schiller** recently graduated and is currently taking classes in the Ivy Tech Community College in his area. He received 1st place in the Music Scholarship Recital Award from the Concert Association of Valparaiso, received superior ratings in piano competitions, consistently scored at or greater than the 93 percentile in his 4 years of Stanford testing. Vince was also on a Bowling team and volunteered to referee an indoor soccer program for kids. He will be attending the Moody Bible Institute where his field of study will be in music composition.

**Robert Bellusci** is a graduate of Hinsdale Central High School in Hinsdale, Illinois where he was a finalist in the Jay Kyle Braid Foundation Recruitment for Students with Leadership Qualities, receive a 1st place prize in the school art show in digital imagery, was on the Varsity Baseball team and also a member of ACE (Athletes Committed to Excellence) Club. He also did volunteer work with Charlie's Gift, an association helping families with autism, and with state and national campaigns. Robert will

be attending John Carroll University and plans to major in journalism.

**Megan Diehl** recently graduated from West Branch High School in Beloit, Ohio where she was a member of the National Honor Society, was on the Honor Roll, a Girl's State Nominee, served as Class Officer during her Freshman and Junior years, was named to Who's Who Among All-American Scholars, was a member of the Marching, Concert and Pep Bands, and the Jazz Ensemble, was a part of the NBC Honors Choir, participated in Solo and Ensemble competitions, was in school Musical and Theater Productions where she received Best Actress and Best Supporting Actress Awards, played on the Soccer Team and was a 1st and 2nd Team All-Conference and State Finalist in Track. Megan was also on the Newspaper Staff, the Cheerleading Squad, a member of Danceline, Young & Alive (show choir), a Mount Union Junior Scholar, a member of Freshman Focus having served as the student leader, the Future Problem Solvers Club, Warriors for Christ Club, was a part of the Fall and Winter Homecoming Courts, received the National English Merit Award, the Elks Teenager of the Month Award and the Rotary Teenager Award. Her community activities are extensive and include serving community dinners, flag placement at a local cemetery, serving at church by teaching, working bible school, singing in choir and playing piano. Megan will be attending Ohio University and plans to pursue a career in nursing.

**David Constas** graduated from Canfield High School in Canfield, Ohio where he was on the Honor Roll and a member of the German Club, Drama Club, JETS and the Speech and Debate Team. He also devoted time to the Hope Center for Cancer Care. David plans to attend Mount Union College where his field of study will be Japanese.

**Megan Morrison** is a recent graduate of Ursuline High School in Youngstown, Ohio where she was on the National Honor Roll, a member of the National Honor Society, received the Jessica Moorehead Scholarship and the Confederation of Teachers Scholarship, the Irish Spirit Award and athletic letters in Varsity Volleyball, Track and Field, and an award for maintaining a steady 3.5 or better grade point average through high school. She is also the co-editor of the school yearbook, an executive board member of Student Council and Students of Stewardship, was team captain of the Volleyball Team, played on the Basketball team, was a part of the Liturgy Committee, Student Ambassador and is currently a Eucharistic Minister. Megan will be attending Walsh University and her field of study will be in education.

**Matthew Frankhouser** graduated from West Branch High School in Beloit, Ohio and was on the Honor Roll, having achieved all A's, received the Academic Excellence Award, was a member of the National Honor Society, Mount Union Junior Scholars, Ruriteens, Big Brothers/Big Sisters, ExCel, Future Problem Solvers, and Students Against Destructive Decisions. Matthew was a 3-year letter winner in Soccer and a 2-year letter winner in Tennis, and a participant in the Volunteer Service Projects. He



Amanda B. Breckner



Andrew C. Finzel

will be attending The Ohio State University and plans to major in aerospace engineering.

**Elisabeth Gutwein** recently graduated from Westlake High School in Westlake, Ohio and was on the High Honor Roll from 2005 to 2009, received the Kiwanis Salute to Excellence Award in 2007, 2008 and 2009, was a member of Delta Epsilon Phi (German Honor Society), the National Art Honor Society, and received a Certificate of Excellence from American Association of Teachers of German. She was on Student Council, having served as their President in her Senior year, a member of the German Club, having served as their President, was on the Basketball, Tennis, Softball (co-captain), and Powder Puff Football Teams, chairman of the Freshman Sports Carousel, Homecoming Dance, School Beautification and Froshfest, participated in numerous activities including the Bloodmobile, Relay for Life, Homecoming Parade and the May Dougan Food Drive. She was also a member of the Cleveland Donauschwaben Jugendgruppe. Elisabeth plans to attend The Ohio State University and pursue a career in market-

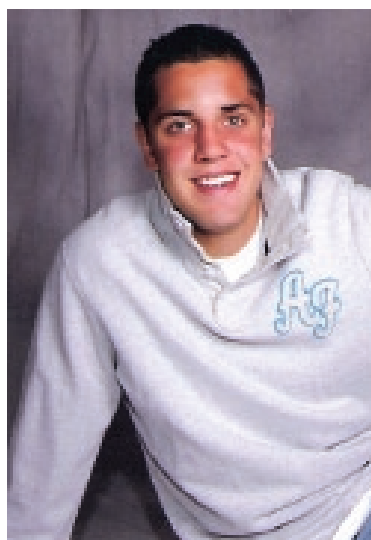
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Megan A. Nicholson



Richard H. Gross



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Nathan F. Diehl



## CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES . . . CARPE DIEM!

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**Victoria Mronga** is a recent graduate of Maine West High School in Des Plaines, Illinois. She was a member of the National Honor Society and received numerous awards including: 3 History Awards, 2 Science Awards, 3 German Awards, Best American History Scholar Award, Student of the Quarter – English 1 Accelerated, Warrior of the Quarter – Geometry, and Illinois State Scholar. Victoria was on the JV Swimming Team, JV Track and Field Team, a member of the Donauschwaben Tanzgruppe, Pi Sigma Pi, an English Tutor and a Junior and Senior PE Leader. She will be attending Loyola University Chicago and plans to major in forensic science.

**Emmett Wild** is a graduate of Lakewood High School in N Lakewood, Washington where he was in the top 10% of his class throughout his high-school years. He received numerous awards and scholarships including: the Washington State University Achievement Award, the Lake Goodwin Community Club Scholarship, the Florence Hansen Memorial Scholarship and the CAHNRS 4-H Leadership Scholarship as well as the Snohomish County Master Gardener Foundation Scholarship and the Van Bobbitt Scholarship. He was named as CTS Student of the Semester in Woodshop 1, in Greenhouse 1, in Office Tech and in Greenhouse II, was a member of the FFA, Blue Chips, Sky Pilots and Hope 4's 4-H Clubs, Seattle Audubon – bird watch teen group, Track & Field Team (in pole vaulting), the Cross-Country Team and the ORCA Bowl, serving as the co-captain. Emmett will be attending Washington State University where he plans to major in wildlife ecology, with a minor in sustainable agriculture.

**Lindsey Paz** graduated from Buffalo Grove High School in Buffalo Grove, Illinois where she received the Academic Athlete Award and the Senior Award. She was a Varsity Cheerleader for Football and Basketball and was involved in competitive cheering on the State and National levels. Lindsey plans to attend William Rainey Harper College where her field of study will be in business.

**Anna Neumann** graduated from Lexington High School in Lexington, Massachusetts where she was a member of the Peer Mediation Club, the Chorus and the Honors Concert Choir, participated in school musicals, was a member of a student sponsored a cappella group "Guacamole", a travelling vocal ensemble "Canta Mundi", was the recipient of the Showcase Honors Award, and was recognized three times for the National Piano-Playing Auditions at the state level. Anna will be attending Northeastern University and plans to major in neuroscience.

**Christian Mueller** is a graduate of Notre Dame High

School in Niles, Illinois where he received the "Don of the Month" Award, was an Illinois State Scholar, received the President's Award for Academic Excellence, was awarded the Musicianship Award for his skills as a percussionist in the Notre Dame/Resurrection Band, was in the marching band as lead snare for the drum line, head of percussion in the Concert Band, vice-president of Games Club, captain of Jumpers for Track, participated in Track and Football, was a member of the Letterman Club, Sci-fi Club and the Academic Team. Christian will be attending the Milwaukee School of Engineering and his field of study will be architectural engineering.

**Kyle Gregorich** graduated from West Middlesex Junior-Senior High School in West Middlesex, Pennsylvania where he was an Honors Student, was named to Who's Who in English, was on the Principal's List, a member of the National Honor Society, captain of the Golf Team, captain of the Basketball Team, captain of the Baseball Team, vice-president of Students for Charity, vice-president of NRG, 2-time FBLA State Qualifier, received the perfect attendance award, was a 3-year letterman in Golf and Baseball and a 2-year letterman in Basketball. He was invited to attend the 2008 Congressional Student Leadership Conference, was on the editorial staff of the School Newspaper and on the Yearbook Staff, a member of SADD, Drama Club, Spanish Club, Art Club, participated in High School Musicals, was a Guidance Aide and a NEAS Read Across America Volunteer. Kyle plans to attend Westminster College and pursue a degree in business administration.

**Kaitlin Mihu** is a recent graduate of Center Grove High School in Greenwood, Indiana and was a member of the National Honor Society and the Spanish Honor Society, was a member of the National Society of High School Scholars, received awards in the Scholastic Art Show, was in the Color Guard in Marching Band and the Winter Guard. She was in 4-H for many years, played Powder Puff Football and was a participant in Mission Trips in Auxier, Kentucky. Kaitlin will be attending Indiana University where her field of study will be pre-pharmacy.

**Amanda Breckner** is an active member of Branch 37 in Detroit Michigan, having danced for several years with the Children's Dance Group as well as having marched in many parades with Branch 37's Flag Bearers. Although her studies have taken up more of her time the last few years, she still tries to attend as many Branch functions as time allows. She is not quite sure where her studies will lead her since she has just completed her freshman year in college. She looks forward to the next few years of higher learning and the direction it may take her. Amanda is currently a full-time student at Macomb

Community College and has chosen fine arts as her major with either a dual major or minor in psychology.

**Allyson Zeedrich** (*photo not available*) is a member of Branch 8 in Alliance, Ohio. She is the daughter of Nathan and Carole Zeedrich and her grandparents are Matthew and Penelope Zeedrich, long-time members of the Alliance Branches. Allyson was a 2007 graduate of Minerva High School in Minerva, Ohio and is currently attending Case Western Reserve University and her field of study is in biology and anthropology.

**Andrew Finzel** a member of Branch 7 in Farrell, Pennsylvania, recalls that the Saxon Club was a very memorable part of his youth and hopes to someday teach his children about their proud heritage and the traditions of their ancestors, just as his family (parents, Nancy and Gary Finzel – grandparents, Rudolph and Betty Krafft) taught him. Andy enjoys outdoor activities, such as hunting, fishing and camping. He also enjoys watching, attending and participating in sporting events. In his free time he likes to spend time with his family and friends. Andy will be entering his final semester this fall, a semester which consists of student teaching, as he works toward a degree in education at the University of Pittsburgh at Bradford.

**Megan Nicholson** is a member of Branch 2 in Erie, Pennsylvania. She is an active volunteer at the Center for the Environment on campus and has worked for the Mount Holyoke Alumnae Association for the past year. After college Megan plans to attend graduate school and hopes to find work in Washington, DC, incorporating her interest in alternative economic systems and the human impact on the environment to affect governmental policy decisions. Megan will be entering her junior year at Mount Holyoke College this fall, majoring in economics with a minor in environmental studies.

**Richard Gross** is a member of Branch 1 in Cleveland, Ohio and is the son of Andreas and Katherine Gross, husband of Monika and proud father of Karina and Peter. Some years ago he had the feeling that the economy was taking a downturn. This, along with the fact that the company he worked for paid for higher education, was enough to encourage him to pursue a college diploma, something that he was not able to afford after completing high school. Unfortunately, the economy caught up with the company that he worked for and the company stopped funding higher education, just a year short of his degree. In multiple ways, this endeavor is turning out to be one of the hardest things that Richard ever attempted. He has three classes to go and, God willing is planning on finishing Summa Cum Laude with a BA in business leadership in the spring of 2010. His family's support has been invaluable – his biggest side benefit from his college career has been identifying better with his children and being able to keep at their grade level, to avoid a ribbing from them. Both of the children are very good students. Karina attends the University of Cincinnati majoring in biology (pre-med) and minoring in business, and Peter is an honor student at Highland High School. Richard gives credit and thanks to his wife, who is the rock behind her three students. His list of interest consists of being a good husband and the best father to his children, considering that they did not come with instruction books. His hobbies include working around the house and garden, woodworking and fishing. He also enjoys camping and taking vacations to the beach where he enjoys snorkeling and throwing bait nets. Richard is currently attending Baker College.

**New Castle  
Eintracht  
Männerchor  
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Hello!

I just wanted to update you on how my first year of college went. This year, I was a freshman at Milwaukee School of Engineering, where I am majoring in architectural engineering. I have made many great new friends at school, and I have gotten involved on campus. I am currently the treasurer of Alpha Omega Epsilon, which is an engineering sorority. Also, I was the starting pitcher on the varsity softball team. As a freshman, I was named Best Offensive Player on my team as well as MVP for our school. Also, I was named to the All-Freshman Conference Team.

Academically, I am doing very well in my courses, and I am enjoying the classes I am taking. I have had some wonderful professors thus far, and I know that they will help to ensure my success here at MSOE. I would again like to thank the Transylvanian-Saxon community for the scholarship that I was awarded, as it is helping me toward my goal of receiving my degree in architectural engineering. I look forward to my sophomore year at MSOE and to continuing my education at a wonderful school.

Sincerely,  
Jessica Iversen

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**Johanna Shenker** (*photo not available*) is a member of Branch 27 in New Castle, Pennsylvania. She is currently attending Ferris State University and majoring in pre-pharmacy.

**Thomas Hahn, III** a member of Branch 30 in Youngstown, Ohio, is currently a junior at Youngstown State University and majoring in early childhood education. Most of his time is occupied by working in the hardware department at the Austintown Home Depot, playing basketball, or watch-

ing movies. This past year he was a practice player for the Youngstown State University basketball team and he also coached 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade basketball at St. Joseph's School in Austintown. He attributes all of his success and good fortune to a very caring and supportive family and considers himself very lucky to have been raised surrounded by such a loving family. He is looking forward to graduation and to becoming an elementary school teacher and basketball coach.

**Nathan Diehl** is a member of Branch 19 in Salem, Ohio and is currently completing his 3<sup>rd</sup> year as a Construction Management student. He is involved in many extracurricular organizations including the Alpha Tau Omega Social Fraternity, National Society of Collegiate Scholars, Golden Key National Honour Society, and the Sigma Lambda Chi Construction Honorary. He also participates in intramural sports year-round including soccer, football and basketball. In addition, Nathan participates in the cooperative education program which allows him to gain experience through temporary employment within the construction field. He recently worked for a general contractor in San Jose, California. Following his graduation in 2011 from the College of Applied Science at the University of Cincinnati, he plans to attend law school and pursue a degree in con-



# NOTES OF THANKS

The following excerpts are taken from letters written to the ATS from this year's recipients of ATS Scholarships:

... I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for the "Victor Deptner Memorial Scholarship" that I have received.

... This scholarship will help me finance my education and accomplish my goals ...

Sincerely,  
Jennifer Zemola

... Thank you so much for reviewing my application and the award of \$750. This money helps pave the way for my future, and I cannot tell you how grateful I am for this award.

Anna Neumann

... Thank you so much for choosing to sponsor me with the Niles Branch 20 National Scholarship Award. This scholarship is a big step towards my goal of graduating from university debt-free. Your sponsorship of me has and will continue to encourage me to be a stellar student and maintain strong grades and a strong commitment to my community.

... I appreciate you selecting me to win this award, especially in light of the fact that I could not participate in very many of the club's activities due to my location. I feel that I am still connected with the ATS, as I am kept informed through the Volksblatt.

... Thank you again for your support.

Sincerely,  
Emmett Wild

... Thank you for the scholarship award. It is greatly appreciated by my family and me. I am looking forward to continuing my education this year and putting my time and effort to good use. Thank you again.

Sincerely,  
Thomas R. Hahn, III

... I would like to thank you for choosing me to be the recipient of this generous scholarship. It instills great confidence in myself to be recognized by this foundation.

... Thank you so much once again.

Sincerely,  
Megan Morrison

... I hereby would like to thank the ATS for giving me a helping hand with this scholarship.

Richard Gross

... Thank you so much for awarding me a \$1,000 Michael W. Schasburger Memorial Scholarship. It will help me to achieve my goal of receiving a good education with minimal debt.

... Thanks again!

Sincerely,  
Tim Barthelmes

... Thank you very much for the recent \$500 Rosina Marx Scholarship Award. This award will be helpful to me as I continue my education. I am very grateful for this award, as it will lessen the financial burden on my family. I greatly appreciate your support.

Sincerely,  
Kyle Gregorich

... Thank you so much for choosing me for the Honey Wolff's 90th Birthday Scholarship. I really appreciate this award, as it will help me fulfill my dreams of attending the Ohio State University.

Sincerely,  
Elisabeth Gutwein

... I would first like to say how thankful I am for being chosen to receive this award and scholarship. It shows that my hard work and dedication over these past four years have really paid off.

... Once again I would like to thank you all for giving me this scholarship and shall put the money to good use in furthering my education ...

Your fellow Saxon,  
Christian G. Mueller

... I would like to give my gratitude for receiving this much-appreciated Julia and Martin Konnerth Memorial Scholarship Award. It will be put to very good use...

... I am honored to be awarded such a prestigious gift and am very grateful. Thank you so much.

Sincerely,  
Robbie Bellucci

... Thank you for awarding me this scholarship.

Victoria Mronga

... I would like to extend my thanks to the ATS and the Awards Committee for considering my application and awarding this scholarship to me. Being a full-time student and only working part time, this scholarship will certainly help with the ever-rising cost of tuition.

... Thank you again.

Sincerely,  
Amanda B. Breckner

... Thank you so much for choosing me for the Jon Weber Memorial Scholarship. I'm glad to know that my hard work for the past four years is recognized.

Karl Kraus

... Thank you very much for selecting me as the recipient of the \$400.00 Donzella Herman Scholarship Award! This award is much appreciated and will be very needed help towards my college education. Many thanks again for your consideration and generosity!

Kaitlin Mihi

... I would like to thank the ATS for this generous scholarship award... and assure you that it will be put to good use.

Sincerely,  
Andy Finzel

... I would like to express my gratitude to the ATS Scholarship Committee for awarding me with a Continuing Education Scholarship Grant. I'm very grateful for the opportunity I have been given to study at Mount Holyoke College and I am appreciative of the aid the scholarship will give me during this upcoming school year.

... Thank you again for presenting me with this honor.

Sincerely,  
Megan Nicholson

... Thank you very much for the scholarship, which was awarded to me.

... Once again, I am very grateful for your contribution to my future!

Sincerely,  
Vince Schiller



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.

**Ida M. Rebold**

Age 81

Died: December 2, 2008  
Branch 22, Youngstown OH

**Glenn L. Clayton, Sr.**

Age 80

Died: May 15, 2009  
Branch 19, Salem OH

**Robert Wiltrout**

Age 85

Died: June 1, 2009  
Branch 45, Ellwood City PA

**Dominic J. Boano**

Age 56

Died: June 2, 2009  
Branch 30, Youngstown OH

## CORRECTION

Correction to the June 12, 2009 issue of the *Volksblatt* under **Saxon Relief**, Branch Contributions should read:

ATS Branch 27,  
New Castle, PA

\*\* In Honor of President  
Edith Hartfelder

## BRANCH 2, ERIE By Lee Wolfe

Our regular meeting was held Tuesday, June 9, 2008. We held a moment of silence for deceased member Virginia S. Benkart and we send out our condolences to her family and friends. Included in our prayers were our members on our sick list Marge Pinczewski, Mary Lou Slover and Pat Batts and we send all of them are best wishes for good health. We welcomed new member Carol S. McGarrey.

We received a Thank You Note from New Castle Branch 27 for our monetary gift in honor of their 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary. We also received a note from Ella Keim who informed us that she's sorry that she and Irma VanTassel have not been able to attend our meetings due to health problems. Ella and Irma have been attending various activities of our Branch and we enjoyed their company, appreciate their past participation and send them our best wishes.

Joe Jezerinac reported that all systems are go for the picnic, which will be held Tuesday, July 14<sup>th</sup> from 1 to 6pm at Skibinski Park. The cost per member is \$6 and \$12 for a non-member. You can make your reservation with Val Pinczewski at 898-0494 and your payment to her at 4226 Dominion Drive, Erie, PA 16510. Deadline is July 8<sup>th</sup> and no refunds after July 8<sup>th</sup>.

If you are going to donate an item for the Chinese Auction

## An intellectual is a person whose mind watches itself.

Albert Camus

held at the picnic, please call met at 456-9982. You can drop it off at my house, 198 East 30<sup>th</sup> or bring it to the picnic before 1pm if possible. I like to know what the item is so I can get the containers ready.

At the picnic there will be a sign up sheet for the ATS Open Bowling Tournament to be held October 24-25 at Cleveland East. We don't know the fees yet but further information will be in a future issue of the *Volksblatt*.

The ATS Golf Tournament will be held on August 8<sup>th</sup>, 8AM in Erie at the Elk Valley Golf Course. Dinner after the tournament will be at the Siebenbürger Club.

Congratulations to Megan Nicholson who received an ATS Grant for continuing education.

Char Manning reported she saw Tim Barthelmes, son of Rob and Barb Barthelmes in the play "Altar Boys" which is now playing at the Playhouse. Char tells us that Tim is absolutely wonderful in it and the play itself is really great and highly recommends it. Gee, I remember years back when I was bowling on Friday nights, Ron brought Tim down when he was just a little tyke and here he is 18 years old. Congratulations, Tim, we wish you the very best!

Tom and Liz Manning reported

that their trip to Germany was fantastic and all the people they met treated them most graciously. Members stayed after the meeting to hear all about it but I had to leave to attend our granddaughter's graduation. I imagine Tom will have a lot to say about it in his next President's Message in the *Volksblatt*.

Mary Ann Hess won the Club's dinner gift certificate.

A very Happy Birthday to all of our July babies some of whom are: Gilda Carr, Mary Nemenz, Ella Keim, Grace Goellner, Anthony J. Comi, Rebecca Burbules, Phyllis Pierce, Denise Kulik, Karli M. Goellner, Danny Gorzynski, Florence Martin, Liz Manning, Barbara Barthelmes, Raymond Borgia, Mark Malanowski and Art Pinczewski.

Congratulations to all of our July anniversary couples some of whom are: Robert and Val Quinn, 25 years; John and Mary Ann Hess, 53 years; Scott and Ann McLaughlin, 22 years; Mr. and Mrs. James Schuller, 50 years; Merle and Phoebe Wood, 50 years; and Art and Val Pinczewski, 48 years. We wish all of the above a happy and wonderful day!

Please note there will be NO MEETING in AUGUST.

See you at the July picnic, take care everyone!

## YOUNGSTOWN SAXON RETIREES

By Teri Laret

The following are the minutes of the Saxon Retirees meeting held at 710 South Meridian Rd., Youngstown, Ohio on June 11, 2009 a little past noon.

Oops went the fuse in the kitchen. Like a first class restaurant, salad, bread or rolls come first, then the main entrée. This was not planned but everyone seemed to enjoy the comedy of errors. We just might do this as a regular routine. The dinner was so good. The committee of Ruth Grice, Jean Wilson, Alice Callahan and her side-kick Curt selected the dinner for today. Good job. Thank you.

Our president Pat Bokesch opened the meeting with a story about Pat and Mike for some reason she likes these two characters. They always give you a chuckle or two; today was a true star.

A prayer followed. A summer day is filled with God's wonders. In the early morning we see the deer on the grass and listen to the robin's song. At noon we hear the siren from the local fire station announcing mid-day. The sun shines forth into full glory in the early afternoon. All flowers open to their fullest blooms. In the evening the earth settles down to rest.

God bless this land of ours and God bless America.

The secretary Teri Laret read the minutes of the previous meeting and Min Haner gave her report of the monies on

hand. A motion was made by Eileen Anerino. Paul Bright, Ruth Grice and Tillie Stefanick to accept both reports as read.

Please keep the names on the sick list this month. They are Marie Olies, Helen Bendel, Marge Broell and Yolanda Hardy. Get well soon. Lets not forget Jerry Perrine also a moment of silence as we remember Toni Morelli and Art Orr who have gone to God since our last meeting.

The information concerning curb-side recycling can be found at the president's table.

Here are the June birthday babies: Jim Dundon, 4<sup>th</sup>; Hermie Gentile, 7<sup>th</sup>; Gert Prest, 23<sup>rd</sup>; Jesse Ausnehmer, 24<sup>th</sup>; Alice Callahan, 26<sup>th</sup>; and Helen Slagle, 28<sup>th</sup>. Kay Ring and all of the above brought their goodies to share with us.

The new chair-person, Eileen Anerino and her co-chair Alice Callahan have resumed the duties of Tony Morelli and Art Orr since they have moved on to the big bar in the sky.

Raffle time winners today are Mabel Pranerlis, Carolyn Rauschenberg, Hermine Gentile, Gert Galish, Maria Boehm, Marge Troll, Irene Brown, Dorothy Chlehus, Mary Murphy and Henry Stinner.

Committee for July are Pat Bokesch (330) 799-3121, Teri Laret (330) 799-2789, and Jerry Perrine. Please call either Pat or Teri by Sunday July 5<sup>th</sup> to bring a friend or cancel reservation.

That's all folks. So-Ein-Tag!

**BRANCH 34, CLEVELAND EAST**  
By Arline Krestel-Suts

June, I have to tell you, is my favorite month. I love summer; as my family knows, because I can get outside and dig in the yard, go for a walk (without the heavy jacket), and I love to fish, camp, hike, swim, grill a burger, watch the Indians (though not too much to cheer about so far), and just sit on my deck with an icy Coke and a crossword puzzle. Ahhhh, summer. No "dog days" yet, so much to do and see. June also brings many weddings, anniversaries, graduations, and picnics, plenty to celebrate. I know Branch 34 and 33 have some junior members that are graduating this year, from various academic institutions. And to those graduates I have to say, this is only the beginning. You got that diploma, but there's plenty out there still to learn. We never stop learning. Though these economic downturns of late may be discouraging, all of us at Branch 33 and 34 want to encourage your "stick-to-it" quality. Our Saxon forefathers faced a great deal of adversity through which they proudly and glowingly thrived; its in our genes, we are survivors! So I give you all, young and old alike, this adage: God created us with two ends, one is to think with and one is to sit with. Our success depends upon which one you use the most; Heads, you win; Tails, you lose.

And since I mentioned celebrations, we all want to wish Happy Anniversary to members, whose marriages have stood the test of time, including Don and Lillian Weber, and Myron and Florence Davidson. We all enjoyed helping them celebrate at our past two meetings.

Now, I want to invite Branch 34 Junior members, ages 8 to 13, to think about attending the Saxon Summer Camp this year. Don't stay at home this summer doing the same-old same-old; go to Camp! It's a great opportunity to meet other kids in the ATS, enjoy the outdoors, and learn about your Saxon heritage as well. This is not tent camping; the cabins are downright nice (how about the language of today.... downright Phat!) Branch 34 will be helping defray the cost of camp by subsidizing half the cost. Camp is July 19th through the 24th. Call Ema Litschel if you're interested. This year the ATS Family Fun day will be at the Cleveland Zoo...with a pavilion reserved for Picnic. Details are in the *Volksblatt*, but I'm pretty sure the price is only \$5 for members and children up to age 11 FREE!! Great way to spend a summer day, go to the Zoo!

Branch 33 and 34 members have been quite busy. The gentlemen of Branch 33 are very busy planning and developing ideas for the May 2010 National ATS Convention which they will be hosting. I hope many of you in the area will try to attend; it's quite interesting to see how our ATS "government" works. Also please remember the

ATS Heimattag is this June in Kitchener, Canada; remember you will need your passports at the border!

George Hum is taking reservations for the Lake Erie Captain's baseball games, held at a great stadium in Eastlake, Ohio. Tickets are available, and these are FREE tickets, graciously paid for by our brothers of Branch 33. The evening game dates are June 27th, July 15th, and August 16th. Call George at (440) 942-5827. The Captains are the Indians' single A team, and the games really are quite fun! AND the seats George reserved are right next to and behind the dugout! GREAT SEATS!!

Remember our annual picnic will be at Penitentiary Glen in Kirtland, Ohio the first Sunday in August 3, 2009, from 12noon to 8pm. Please come out and enjoy good food, games, and Gemütlichkeit! Fred Krestel is taking reservations (440-639-1775); \$5 for members, \$10 for guests, and FREE for children 12 and under. All the money is used for game prizes. Food is catered by Dinos, and includes chicken & ribs; Branch 34 provides the soda. All you have to bring is a table setting (plate and utensils). Also this year, it is the Members whose last names begin with letter M through Z are asked to bring a dessert to share. Please come out to Penitentiary Glen for the picnic!

The next Branch event after the Picnic will be our annual Dinner/Dance on Sunday, September 13th from 1pm to 5pm (Dinner served at 2pm) at Tizano's in Euclid, Ohio. The menu includes London Broil this year, and music for dancing; beer and wine provided by Branch 33. Reservations are \$20; members will have their reservation fee returned at the dinner. Make your reservation with Fred Krestel for this event also; it is best to make a check out to BRANCH 33. If you attend the Picnic in August, it is the perfect time to make your reservations!

ATS bowling season came to an end; and I have to say that Cleveland East men and women did very well. Congratulations to all our winning bowlers. Branch 33's team: Dolf Litschel, Andy Krestel, Jeff Krestel, Fred Krestel, Wayne Suts, and Dan Suts, came in first place in the men's division for the season! The Ladies team, Diane Hum, Ema Litschel, Frida Halemba, Ingeborg Krestel, and Mary Ann Guip, came in third place. And we had a new Sub-bowler this year, Barb Hum, hope she had as good a time bowling as we did bowling with her! Now I also have to say congratulations to the Cleveland West Ladies Team: you see, I bowl with the Westsiders (which I absolutely enjoy): Stephanie Miller, Jenny Miller, Carly Schmidt, and Joan Miller-Malue. Us Westsiders just beat out Cleveland East for second place! We all really had a good time this year and would like to see more teams. An early reminder and invite here: The

**July**

**ARIES:** It's time to let your hair down, relax, and be your sociable self. You will find interesting people at Fourth of July and other summer parties. This is your chance to be seen in a way you never were seen before.

**TAURUS:** At work, things might be going at a slower pace this month, but it's an ideal time to show that you are willing to compete for a new project. If you go for it now, others will be less likely to cut in.

ATS Open Bowling Tournament will be October 24th & 25th this year, and Cleveland East is hosting this event; again, we're busy planning, and more details will be coming. I will remind all bowlers that Saturday is Singles and Doubles, Sunday for Teams and the Banquet. We would like to invite EVERYONE to come and bowl! Watch the *Volksblatt* for sign-up and details.

We want to say hello to all Branch 33 and 34 members who have been ill at home, or in a medical facility; you are thought of and mentioned at every meeting; Hermine Prall and Ronnie Maurer and all our other sisters and brothers. Please keep Karen Bretz and Martha Perz in your prayers; both are scheduled to have surgery soon.

I also want to say we were so glad to see several members back at the May and June meetings: Marie Fekter, Thelma Toth, and Jean & Kathleen Schneider. Kay Graul out in California sent a lovely note for me to share at the meeting. She does keep in contact with several members, like Clara Weber, who often shares her news. She sent pictures of her 90th Birthday celebration, including her West coast family and her brother, Martin Stamp. You both look happy and fabulous!

One more congratulations go out from all of us at Branch 33 and 34 to New Castle Branch 27. The Ladies are celebrating their 100th anniversary! Our Presidents, Ema Litschel and George Schneider gave Branch 27 our personal congrats at the ATS Presidents' Meeting, held in New Castle in May.

Finally, we want to send our condolences to the families of two Branch 34 members that recently passed away: Eleanor Sawyer Greene and Norma Schieb. Our thoughts and prayers are with our sisters and May you find comfort in knowing they are in God's loving arms.

Please remember to attend Branch Meetings and pay your dues. Our next meeting will not be until September; meetings are on hiatus for July and August. We will start with a Party Tray Supper at 7pm and we always have plenty, so come join us for supper; remember, as a member, it's free! Any member who has a friend that would like to join our organization, bring them along; the perfect time to check out all the ATS and Branch 33 & 34 has to offer.

Until we see each other again at the June meeting, stay happy and healthy.

*Your Horoscope*

**GEMINI:** Be thankful for those everyday experiences. The way you interact with loved ones can bring joy to both you and them and especially to your partner. Work together in the yard or on a decorating plan.

**CANCER:** Lucky for you, it's summer time and conditions are ideal for outdoor sports and exercise. Don't wait to focus on your health. When you get in shape, your whole world will move forward.

**LEO:** The stars are predicting travel in your not-too-distant future. The opportunity for fun and relaxation will soon present itself. Whether the trip is to the next county or another state, it will do you good.

**VIRGO:** You might be feeling clueless about how to get ahead at work, but that feeling will pass. Stay positive, draw on your creativity and opportunities will come.

**LIBRA:** Money, money, money. It's on your mind too often. Remember that you can't do everything, though you may want to. Separate emotion from your financial plan. Then think about it only once a week.

**SCORPIO:** Your life has more to do with the way you handle moment-to-moment activities than anything else. Pay attention to your to-do list, do it now, and the future will take care of itself.

**SAGITTARIUS:** You will soon have an educational opportunity that could send you to the next level. If you aren't totally committed to take the opportunity at this time, think it over and you'll see the benefits.

**CAPRICORN:** Attraction to an unavailable person may come your way.

Don't be open to this dangerous situation and the feeling will pass. Focus on the good things in your life and how to preserve them.

**AQUARIUS:** The facilitator, the peace maker, the visionary. These are the roles you are called upon to fill. Though you don't ask for it, you are the one who can bring people and projects together.

**PISCES:** If you're a person who dreams of riches from playing the lottery or an unexpected windfall, over time you will discover that riches are the happy result of your own work. Dream less and do more.

**EINTRACHT SAXONIA SACHSENCOR**  
By George Schneider

Well, the real hot weather is finally here but it is still relatively cool in the evenings, which is nice and comfortable. We are getting way too much rain but there is nothing that we can do about it, so it makes no sense to complain about it.

Happy Birthday greetings go out to Julie Buchfellner. We thank her for the delicious cookies that she brought for us to enjoy in honor of her birthday. We also wish to thank Joan Miller Malue for donating the delicious cake that was left over from the Branch 1 and 4 branch meeting. That was a very delicious cake and really enjoyed by our choir.

We wish to thank our President Adolf Fischer for giving us two Tuesdays off as a summer-sun vacation. He said he couldn't give us a whole month off, as usual, because we have a number of concerts coming up that we have to practice for. Other days off will be June 30<sup>th</sup> and July 7<sup>th</sup>, 2009. Thanks again Adolf!

We hope that everyone that attended the Canadian Heimattag and the Germanfest hosted by the Deutscher Stadtverband had a real good time, which I am sure they did.

We hope all the fathers enjoyed a real nice Father's Day with all their children, if they are in this country. We hope all the fathers enjoyed a nice visit from the children, or at least a phone call if they are far away. We hope the fathers that are no longer living got a visit at the cemetery and a bouquet of flowers, if the cemetery is not too far away from the children. Maybe a prayer at least if it is too far away.

We welcomed back Marie

Seiler into our midst. It was so nice to see her again.

We also welcomed back Mike Salmen from his one month long trip to Germany and Romania. It was also nice to see him again. He said he enjoyed his visit and everything was in good order. He also got a chance to visit the Dinkelsbühl Treffen. We wish to thank the Landsmanschaft for putting on such a nice Treffen and for all the greetings that they bestowed on us via Mike Salmen. I also got a little surprise from Mike Salmen when he met someone from my mother's village, Katzendorf. This person said he enjoyed any articles and he was going to start subscribing to the *Volksblatt*. Mike gave him the information to do so. A special Hello goes out to my Landsmann! He lives on the outskirts of Stuttgart. He and his son both retired from the Mercedes factory there. Boy, when something like this happens, it makes you realize this really is a small world! I want to thank him for mentioning my article. Hopefully he ends up calling me at (440) 346-3199.

A special Hello goes out to my good friend and Landsmann from Sun City, Arizona, Martin Reschner. I want to wholeheartedly thank him for the kind letter that he wrote and I know he is going through a hard period of time with the loss of his lovely wife, Katherina. I wish him all of God's Blessings during this hard period of time for him.

I hope the choir members enjoy their summer vacation. Stay safe with all of God's Blessings.

I ask the good Lord to keep on blessing all my readers, and thanks again for all your support. Farewell!

# ATS BRANCH DIRECTORY

## **Cleveland, OH Br. 1**

Mtg. 3rd Mon. 8:00 p.m.  
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(216) 398-7520  
rb Cunningham@roadrunner.com  
ATS SEC'Y. R. Cunningham  
LOCAL DUES to R. Cunningham

## **Erie, PA Br. 2**

Mtg. 2nd Tues. 2:30 p.m.  
(6:30 p.m. in Jan., Apr., & Oct.)  
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LOCAL DUES to Mary Ann Hess  
6050 Hummingbird Ct. Erie, 16509  
(814) 860-7918

## **Alliance, OH Br. 3**

Mtg. 3rd. Wed. - 6:30 p.m.  
William Penn Club 1361 S. Webb Ave.  
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SICK NOTICES & LOCAL DUES to  
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## **Cleveland, OH Br. 4**

Mtg. 3rd. Mon. 8:00 p.m.  
Sachsenheim 7001 Denison Ave.  
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ATS SEC'Y. Rosemarie Zimmer  
9996 Lynn Dr. N. Royalton, OH 44133  
(440) 237-7549  
SICK NOTICES to Joan A. Miller-Malue  
LOCAL DUES to Rosemarie Zimmer

## **Lorain, OH Br. 5**

Mtg. 1st Sat. 8:00 p.m.  
American Slovak Club  
2915 Broadway, Lorain  
PRES. George H. Schneider  
1214 W. 26th St. Lorain, 44052  
(440) 346-3199 (cell) (440) 282-5750  
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2308 Mark Dr. Lorain, 44052  
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ATS SEC'Y. Elmer Schneider  
226 Iowa Ave. Lorain, 44052  
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SICK NOTICES to Ned A. Jones  
2817 Utica Ave. Lorain, 44052  
(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  
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## **Alliance, OH Br. 8 cont.**

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SICK NOTICES to Phyllis Biggs

## **Chicago, IL Br. 9**

Mtg. 1st Mon. 8:00 p.m.  
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(773) 973-0923 saxonprez@att.net  
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1249 W. Cornelia Chicago, 60657  
(773) 281-6306  
ATS DEPUTY  
Katherina Toecker  
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(773) 274-8310  
SICK NOTICES & LOCAL DUES to  
Hildegard Schmidts  
1824 N Dover Arlington Heights, 60004  
(847) 818-3884

## **Columbus, OH Br. 10**

Mtg. 3rd Mon. 1:00 p.m. all months  
Germania Club 543 South Front St.  
PRES. Richard Kautz  
1259 Medford Rd. Columbus, 43209  
(614) 235-7661 rkautz@wideopenwest.com  
SEC'Y. Susanna Mueller  
6600 Mueller Ln. Rt 1 Pickerington, 43147  
ATS SEC'Y. Hilda F. Kautz  
1259 Medford Rd. Columbus, 43209  
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## **Lorain, OH Br. 11**

Mtg. 1st Sat. 8:00 p.m.  
American Slovak Club  
2915 Broadway Ave.  
PRES. Jeanne Petty  
3728 Ivanhoe Dr. Lorain, 44053  
(440) 960-1696  
SEC'Y. Monica Gilles  
3520 Beavercrest Dr. #107 Lorain, 44053  
(440) 989-8180  
ATS SEC'Y. Monica Gilles  
SICK NOTICES to Jane Mowery  
1024 Highland Park Blvd. Lorain 44052  
(440) 246-3004  
LOCAL DUES to Sharron Powell  
2308 Mark Dr, Lorain 44052  
(440) 282-4725

## **Canton, OH Br. 14**

Mtg. 2nd Sun. 2:00 p.m.  
German American Club 330-875-5100  
7921 Georgetown St., Louisville  
PRES. Thomas J. Rowinsky  
1656 Dunkeith Dr NW, Canton, 44708  
(330) 478-9333 rowinsky@neo.rr.com  
SICK NOTICES & LOCAL DUES to  
John Krach  
1131 31st St. NE, Canton 44714  
(330) 455-6024

## **Canton, OH Br. 17**

Mtg. 2nd Sun. 2:00 p.m.  
German American Club 330-875-5100  
7921 Georgetown St., Louisville  
PRES. Mary Rowinsky  
1656 Dunkeith Dr. NW, Canton 44708  
(330) 478-9333  
SEC'Y. Jeanne Kirsch  
2222 42nd St. NW, Canton 44709  
(330) 492-2856  
ATS SEC'Y. Helen Aeling  
15354 Georgetown St. NE Minerva, 44657  
(330) 862-2563 HHA658@aol.com  
SICK NOTICES to Mary Rowinsky

## **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  
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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  
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## **Salem, OH Br. 19**

Mtg. 1st Mon. 7:30 p.m.  
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PRES. George Spack, Sr.  
1372 W. State St. Salem, 44460  
(330) 332-1442  
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(330) 337-6357 rp27@neo.rr.com  
ATS SEC'Y. Fred Werner  
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(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  
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(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.  
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. Pl 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 bckskinbny@verizon.net  
ATS SEC'Y. Dolores J. LeComte  
125 W North St Apt. 331  
N. Castle, 16101  
(724) 658-4110 deej65@yahoo.com

## **New Castle, PA Br. 27 cont.**

SICK NOTICES & LOCAL DUES to  
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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  
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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

## **Cleveland, OH Br. 34**

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@windstream.net  
ATS SEC'Y. Martha Bretz  
388 E 317th St. Willowick, 44095  
(440) 943-4543  
SICK NOTICES to Arline Suts  
LOCAL DUES to Ingeborg Krestel  
11655 Colburn Rd. Chardon, 44024  
(440) 639-1775 fkrestel@roadrunner.net

## **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. Merrillville, 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**

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  
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**Master Sergeant Percy Webb, USMC**

