

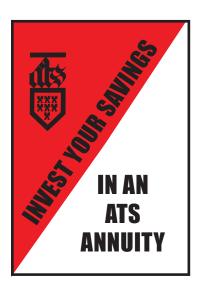
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Friday, August 21, 2009

YOUNGSTOWN SAXON CULTURE GROUP By Katy Huffman

It's hard to believe that fall is fast approaching us. Well, at least we home some good events to look forward to. Our Culture Group is so excited that our club is once again holding an Oktoberfest on August 21, 2009. In September we are having our Fall Sausage Sale. Pick up will be September 26th. Place your order with any Culture Group member. Don't forget when you pick it up to bring your appetite, as we will be selling sandwiches On November 7, for lunch. 2009, the Culture Group is celebrating its 40th Anniversary at our annual Trachtenball. The Pittsburgh Schuplattler, the Cleveland Dance Group, as well as our brass band will be performing.

Congratulations are in order for a few of our members. To Megan Gregory and Dana Bachinger for their graduation from Youngstown State University. Also, to Kristan and Tony Pechatsko on the birth of their first daughter, Katelynn Rose.



BRANCH 2, ERIE By Lee Wolfe

We didn't have a meeting in August. Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 8th at 2:30 p.m.

We extend our sympathy to our families and friends of deceased members Lee Carr, Roy Landis and Joseph Pochatko. Also, to Gert Loper on the loss of her daughter, Tracey.

Our next Luncheon/Business meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 13th at 2:30 p.m. Members will decide on a menu at the September meeting. The cost is \$3 per member and \$6 per non-member. Reservations can be made with Val Pinczewski at 898-0494 and remit your payment to her at 4226 Dominion Drive, Erie, PA16510. The deadline for reservations is October 5th and no refunds after October 9th.

The ATS Open Bowling Tournament will be held in Cleveland East on October 24th and 25th. If you are interested in participating in this event, please call Art Pincewski at 898-0494.

Congratulations to member Ronald DiSantis, Jr. upon his recent marriage to Katherine Isselmann. Ronald is the grandson of George and Mary Cook.

I owe an apology to Dot Bauer for reporting she brought a gift to our picnic's Chinese Auction and she won her own gift. It appears that yours truly bought a gift for the Chinese Auction at her Church Festival, which happened to be a Rubbermaid Stackable Storage Container set along with a 20 deviled egg keeper tray. After shopping I thought I would like that set too, but I was ready to check out and did not want to go back and get it. At the festival, I bought a slew of tickets and put them in

for items I really wanted, had two left and threw them in my donation. You guessed it, I won it. So Dot you are off the hook and everyone can tease me at the next meeting.

A very happy birthday to all of our September babies some of whom are: Joshua M. Griffith, Susan Kulik, Albert Webb, Brian Barthelmes, Robert J. Wingerter, Megan L. Goellner, Charles H. Pierce, Anthony J. DiSantis, Brian Kulik, George Elliot Cook, Eric Morschhauser, Kayla M. Goellner, Marjorie Gaber, Maureen Nicholson, Lucas E. Goellner, Gertrude Ann Loper, Edwin L. Maras, Irene Zimmerman, Frederick Wellman, Gail Webb and Geoffrey Schaaf.

A special happy birthday to Gert Loper, who will be 92, and to Irene Zimmerman, who will be 90. Many of us remember Irene and her husband Bill (deceased) from attending our meetings, tureen suppers, picnics and bowling tournaments. Irene now resides in Zelienople, PA and we hope she is doing well.

A very happy anniversary to all of our September couples some of whom are: Vincent and Hildegard Marshal 67 years, Charles and Phyllis Pierce 57 years, Ray and Frances Van Horn 59 years, George and Mary Cook 63 years and Robert and Dorothy Bauer 56 years.

Gee, when I look at some of the above names I remember when they were celebrating their Golden Anniversaries and now they are past that and beyond. Wow, to quote an old song, "Time waits for no one, it passes you by." And, that's so true!

Well, we could say, summer is almost over, but the response around here would be "what summer?" Maybe fall will treat us better with lots of sunshine. See you at the September meeting. Take care everyone.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Thomas J. Manning ATS Nat'l President



The end of summer is quickly approaching and families are back from their vacations and getting their children ready to return to school. It is an exciting time for the little ones that are just starting Kindergarten, as well as those who are entering high school or going away to college. It brings back memories of when our children were of school age. I am sure that you can remember shopping for new clothes and school supplies. But things have changed over time, now the book bag has been replaced by the backpack, and even the Kindergarten students have computers in their classrooms. We have come a long way with technology and all college students need laptop computers. I know of a few private high schools that also require laptops. I would imagine that textbooks would soon become a thing of the past. Many teenagers have an MP-3 players and cell phone. When I got my new cell phone, I was surprised to learn that it can take photos and even record short videos. Children adjust quickly to these new gadgets. My 10-year-old granddaughter knew how to change my ring tone for me. Some of us older folks are overwhelmed by all of this technology and it takes us a while to learn how to utilize some of these different functions. Thinking back to the "old days", do any of you still remember having a "two party telephone line"? Explain that to your grandchildren and watch for the look on their faces. By the way, have you begun to rely on your GPS system? Life was much less complicated just a few years ago. I wonder what is yet to come.

Another ATS event has come and gone. That was the Annual ATS Golf Tournament, which was hosted by Branch 2, Erie, PA, on Saturday, August 8, 2009. There were 40 guys and gals who enjoyed the golf, refreshments, and prizes, as well as the buffet, which were served at the Siebenbürger Club. Details of the tournament will be published at a later date.

If any of you see Mary Cook, you might want to ask her about the remark she made to her grandson as the Skill Prizes were being awarded. Don't forget to check the Volksblatt Fraternal Calendar for future ATS events. There are plenty of activities for members of all ages.

ATS Appointee, Liz Weber, was the ATS Group Leader for the Jugendlager, which was recently held in Austria. She has posted a Blog on the trip, for those of you who are interested. You can view it by logging onto <u>www.myneighborthenurse.blogspot.com</u> It sounds like everyone had a great trip. Quote of the Day: "Learning to handle problems is like lifting weights: the more we do, the stronger we become. None of us wish for problems, of course, but when they come along--and we must face problems in our lives--we can take solace in knowing that we are gaining coping skills that will help us in the future." Take care until next time and May God Bless the members of the ATS.

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SÄNGERFEST TIME IS COMING!

Before you know it, the Sängerfest will be here and will be held on Saturday, September 26, 2009 in Youngstown, Ohio. This will be a one day affair starting around noon with lunch being served.

There will be a lunch served, rehearsal, Kommers, dinner, concert and dance. If you come for dinner, you can call Marie Bokesch at (330) 799-4821 for reservations.

The committee is working hard to show you a good time on this day. There will be more information in the next articles. Till next time . . .

Mary Ann Guip

LORAIN **BRANCHES** 5 & 11 **SUMMER**

August 23, 2009 **Mill Hollow** Shelter #2

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EINTRACHT SAXONIA SACHSENCHOR By George Schneider

First of all, our congratulations go out to Adolf and Maria Fischer on the occasion of their 50th wedding anniversary that they celebrated with their family on August 15th. They were close to my parent's anniversary that was on August 12, 1952. The whole choir had a surprise anniversary party for them on our regular choir practice night, but one hour earlier at 7:00 p.m. They were really genuinely surprised and happy; they were really surprised that no one spilled the beans. They laughed when I told them how my father used to say you could tell that I was an American because I couldn't keep a secret very well. I told them, see I even kept my mouth shut. Hah, hah! We want to thank the master chefs Marie Seiler and Maria Tellmann and all their kitchen crew for the beautiful pork loin dinner with all the trimmings that they served us. The Torte from Michael's Bakery was also very delicious. Thanks go out to everyone that made this a nice affair. God bless Adolf and Maria and give them many more lovely years together.

Happy Birthday greetings go out to our tenor singer Michael Salmen. We want to thank his girlfriend, Marga, for baking such delicious pastry to share with us! We hope Mike can celebrate many more birthdays to come with Marga!

BRANCH 9, CHICAGO By Rose-Marie Hauer

The summer has gone by so incredibly fast I cannot believe it! This weekend many of our members will be attending family day at Brookfield Zoo. The weather looks to be quite promising and the day's events should be spectacular. Thanks to President Mueller for organizing this event.

The Stueben Parade will be held on September 12, 2009 on Lincoln Ave. A float will again be provided for the festivities. Please RSVP as soon as possible to President Mueller if you can attend.

On the Sick List we have Brother Horst Schmidts. Please continue to keep Brother Schmidts in your prayers with a card or a phone call.

Branch 9 would also like to express deepest sympathy to the family of George E. Gunnesch. He passed away July 8, 2009 and services were held at Cumberland Chapels on July 10. The Funeral service was held at St. Alphonsus Church in Prospect Height and burial at Memory Gardens Cemetery.

After They Are Gone

When someone we love passes away, We ache, but we go on; Our dear departed would want us to heal, After they are gone. Grief is a normal way to mend The anguish and pain in our hearts; We need time to remember and time to mourn, Before the recovery starts. Let's draw together to recuperate. As we go through this period of sorrow; Let's help each other, with tender care To find a brighter tomorrow.

By Joanna Fuchs poemsource.com/sympathy-poems

Soon the leaves will be starting to turn and fall will be upon us. Enjoy those summer days!



that got a chance to celebrate ATS Family Day at the Cleve- 9:00 on FM 90.3 and Sundays land Zoo on August 15, 2009 en- from 11:00 to 1:00 on 89.3. The joyed themselves immensely. We want to thank Joe Wendel for bringing such nice music on his two German Radio programs. He also brings up a lot of current and past events . What I like the most is his different historical facts and comments

We hope all the ATS members throughout the program. Joe is on Saturdays from 8:00 to Sunday program is hard for us to get in Lorain because the station has a very weak transmitter. The only way you can get the signal in Lorain is if you're right by the lake. We want to thank Joe for all the hard work that he puts into these two programs to keep our German culture alive and well. Well, we finally got the real summer weather we were waiting for even though it is a little late. We just have to run the air conditioner a little bit more and water our plants and sprinkle the lawns! Well, I hope all my readers are enjoying their summer. Boy, this summer sure has flown by. It's hard to believe. God bless you all! Lebe wohl!

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1. All bowlers must be Alliance of Transylvanian Saxon members in good standing as of July 1 in the year the tournament is held. Bowlers must own an ATS Life certificate with all payments current or paid in full or own an ATS Annuity.

2. Each bowler will receive 100% of the difference between his or her average and a two hundred ten (210) scratch with no limit on pins.

3. Averages to be used are:

A. The bowler's average from their previous five (5) years of tournament accumulative scores.

B. If the bowler has no tournament average than the bowler will establish his or her average after the first three games rolled in the tournament, which will then remain the bowler's average for the remainder of the tournament.

4. A bowler may bowl only once in each event in this tournament.

5. The tournament management will have the right to return for correction any entry, which does not comply with the above rules. 6. Prizes will be awarded at the ratio of at least one (1) prize for each ten entries. One hundred percent of the prize fee must be returned.

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7. It shall be the duty of the tournament manager to keep a running record of all bowlers' averages participating in each event.

8. Any additional rules shall comply with the USBC. 9. Rule 319-A-2 USBC will not apply.

10. Tournament starts October 24th and ends on October 25th, 2009.

11. Closing date for entries is October 5th.

12. There will be no refunds after October 17".

13. All Event Winners will be determined by actual scores bowled. There is no handicap event given in this optional event.

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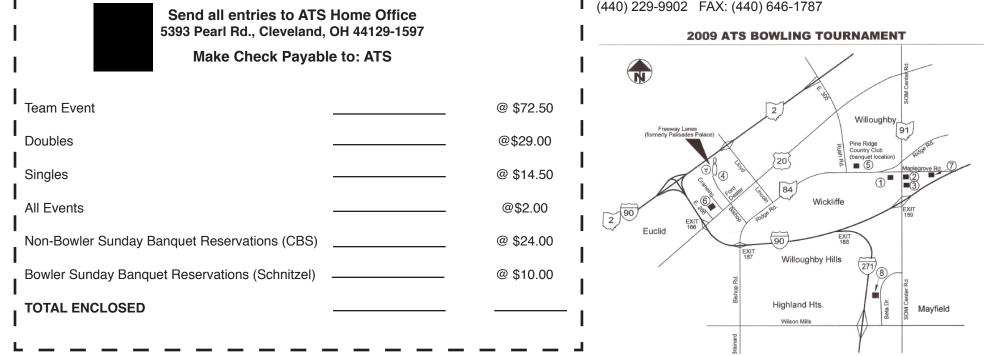
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NATIONAL EVENTS

<u>2009</u>

September-October 2009 Bowl Where You Are Tournament, Ages 6-17 September 25-27, 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

August 22, 2009 Youngstown Couples Bocce Banquet August 23, 2009 Lorain Branch 11 & 5 Summer Picnic 1-???? Mill Hollow, Shelter 2 August 27, 2009 Salem Line Dance Lessons 7pm August 28, 2009 New Castle Br. 25 Night at the Races @Grounds August 29, 2009 Salem Peanut Night 8pm-? September 2, 2009 Salem Retirees11:30 a.m. September 3, 2009 Salem Line Dance Lessons 7:00 p.m. September 5, 2009 New Castle Br. 25 Bocce Tournament 1pm @ Grounds September 7, 2009 New Castle Br. 25 Monday Night Drawing @ Grounds **September 10, 2009** Salem Line Dance Lessons 7:00 p.m. Salem Br. 19 Officer's Mtg 7:30 p.m. Youngstown Retirees meet **September 11, 2009** Salem Joint Social Dinner 6:30 p.m **September 12, 2009** Youngstown 300 Club Dinner **September 13, 2009** Merrillville Br. 26 Meeting @Anderson's Orchard & Winery Youngstown Branches 22 & 30 meet **September 14, 2009** Salem Br. 18 /19 Joint Meeting7:30 p.m. **September 17, 2009** Salem Line Dance Lessons 7:00 p.m. New Castle Br. 25 Thursday Night Dinners begin **September 19, 2009** Salem Breakfast 7:00 - 10:00 a.m. Youngstown Golf League Banquet September 20, 2009 Youngstown Speck Fry Youngstown Branch 22 Chinese Auction September 24, 2009 Salem Line Dance Lessons 7:00 p.m.

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Eine Delegation parlamentarischer Berater aus Bukarest besuchte am 22. Juli die Bundesgeschäftsstelle des Verbandes in München. In Begleitung einer Vertreterin der Hanns-Seidel-Stiftung wollten die meist jungen politischen Berater mehrerer Fraktionen und Mandatsträger des Bukarester Parlamentes den Verband der Siebenbürger Sachsen in Deutschland und die Sorgen und Nöte seiner Mitglieder kennen lernen.



Bundesvorsitzender Dr. Bernd Fabritius (3. von links) und Bundesgeschäftsführer Erhard Graeff (2. von links) im Gespräch mit den parlamentarischen Beratern aus Rumänien im Sitzungssaal der Bundesgeschäftsstelle. Foto: Siegbert Bruss

Als allgemeines Problem in Rumänien thematisierten die Gesprächsteilnehmer zuerst die Korruption, die sowohl auf höchster Ebene als auch in den örtlichen Verwaltungen nicht genügend bekämpft werde. Das größte Problem, das die Mitglieder des Verbandes in ihren Beziehungen zu Rumänien beschäftige, sei die Rückgabe des enteigneten Vermögens, erklärte der Bundes- und Föderationsvorsitzende Dr. Bernd Fabritius. Dem Verband bereite die aktuelle rechtliche Entwicklung auf diesem Gebiet und die Anwendung bestehender Gesetze Sorge. Die Behördenpraxis auf kommunaler Ebene sei mangelhaft und gebe Anlass zu vielerlei Ärgernissen, betonte der Bundesvorsitzende.

Als weiteres Problem sprach er das kulturelle Erbe der Siebenbürger Sachsen an, das in Rumänien nicht ausreichend geschützt werde. So werde z. B. in einer von der nationalen Tourismusagentur Rumäniens herausgegeben Publikation die Geschichte der Siebenbürder Sachsen und deren Existenz in Siebenbürgen einfach verschwiegen. Auch weitere Beispiele ähnlicher Leugnung und Geschichtsklitterung wurden erörtert. Nach Ansicht von Fabritius sollte ein gesundes Nationalbewusstsein die Existenz anderer Ethnien ertragen. Das harmonische Miteinander in Rumänien sei ein Schatz. auf den man aufbauen könne. Er appellierte an die Verantwortungsträger in Rumänien, die Existenz der Siebenbürger Sachsen in Rumänien nicht totzuschweigen, sondern als Teil der Landesgeschichte zu verstehen.

siebenbürgisch-sächsischen Kirchenburgen, die das Departement für Internethnische Beziehungen in Bukarest herausgegeben habe oder plane, gerade um auf das deutsche Kulturerbe aufmerksam zu machen. Auch würden die weitaus meisten ihrer Landsleute die Auswanderung der Siebenbürger Sachsen zutiefst bedauern. Sie bot an, derartigen bedauerlichen Entwicklungen entgegenzuwirken, wenn solche ihrem Departement gemeldet würden.

Rückkehr nach Siebenbürgen unwahrscheinlich

Auf die von einem Teilnehmer geäußerte Frage, ob die Siebenbürger Sachsen wieder nach Rumänien zurückkehren würden, äußerte Dr. Bernd Fabritius einige Bedenken. Zwar werde es in Einzelfällen zu Rückwanderungen kommen, eine allgemeine Rückkehr sei jedoch nicht wahrscheinlich. Die Siebenbürger Sachsen seien in ihrer neuen Heimat gut integriert, hier hätten sie im Laufe vergangener Jahrzehnte Wurzeln geschlagen. Das Rad der Geschichte ließe sich wohl leider nicht zurückdrehen. Zudem würde eine massenweise Rückwanderung zu erheblichen wirtschaftlichen und sozialen Problemen in den Städten und Dörfern führen, die früher von Siebenbürger Sachsen, heute jedoch mehrheitlich oder nur noch von Rumänen bewohnt würden. Der gangbare Weg sei vielmehr ein anderer: "In einem vereinten Europa verlieren die Grenzen und der jeweilige Wohnort an Bedeutung. Deshalb wollen wir die grenzüberschreitende Identität der Siebenbürger



Robert Schuster Der Kiëlch

Än der Wiërkesch sätzt der Miester und mät Virsicht, Konst, Geduuld schmidt und hämmert hië um Beecher, spuert det Sälwer net, noch Guuld. Dänn zem Preïs des Allerhöchsten äs diër Beecher jo gestålt, und des Gottesmängschen würdich wärd seng eïßerlich Gestålt.

Äm de Kiëlch ous rienem Sälwer schlängt sich Guuld wä Blommeflor, und dä gäldä Blommen däden: "Hålt um Gluwen iwich wohr!"

"Hålt um Gluwen, hålt um Vuulkstum, un der Väter Sitt uch Sproch, hålt, me Vuulk, wat ta errangen, striëw no virwärts, lå net broch!"

Und dä galdä Blomme biëden: "Härr, diës Blat båld än ås rännt, Härr, bescherm, erhålt ås Vilkchen, dåt norr dech als Häder kännt!"

Alsi zärt de Kiëlch der Guuldschmidt, und ä senges Dinkens Gång less hië all dä Blommen edmen glechsem gäldäne Gesång.

Und noch hekt, wo ta um lëlter Trist säckst än des Härre Blat, sängt und klängt et än dië Blommen: "Fercht norr Gott, bewohr de Mat!"

Hih und stuulz stohn noch ås Kirchen: forchtlis, meer der Gejner drängt!-Ta behålt äm tråen Härzen, wat der Kiëlch erzilt und sängt!

"Gemeinsam leben, im Dialog handeln", so lautete das Motto des dies jährigen Pfingsttreffens der Siebenbürger Sachsen in Dinkelsbühl. Grund dieses Gemeinsinnes war über achteinhalb Jahrhunderte lang der gemeinsame Glaube mit seiner würdigsten Feier, dem heiligen Abendmahl. Aus kostbarsten Metallen schufen kunstfertige Goldschmiede dafür die "vasa sacra", die heiligen Gefaße, wie es Robert Schuster in seinem Gedicht "Der Kiëlch" beschrieben hat. Und wenn es dort in der letzten Strophe heißt: "Hih und stuulz stohn noch ås Kirchen: forchtlis, meer der Gejner drängt!", so wäre heute der einzige Gegner, der sie noch bedrängen konnte, unser Vergessen! Auch davor wollen uns die Veranstaltungen und die gemeinsam erlebten Tage in Dinkelsbühl bewahren. Entnommen wurde das Gedicht "Der Kiëlch" dem 1913 bei W. Krafft in Hermannstadt verlegten Band "Wat wor. Gedichte in siebenbürgisch-sächsischer Mundart" von Robert Schuster. Hanni Markel und Bernddieter Schobel Siebenbürgische Zeitung 20. Juni 2009

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Kultur nicht totschweigen Fortsetzung von Seite 4

Sachsen fördern. Es kommt heute nicht mehr darauf an, ob wir Siebenbürger Sachsen in Hermannstadt, in Kronstadt, in München, in Gummersbach oder gar in Kitchener, in Youngstown wohnen. Wichtig ist, dass wir gemeinsam die Probleme angehen, die uns betreffen", erklärte Dr. Fabritius.

Dr. Bernd Fabritius und Bundesgeschäftsführer Erhard Graeff stellten den Verband und die weltweite Föderation der Siebenbürger Sachsen vor. Der Verband pflege traditionell einen konstruktiven Dialog mit dem Herkunftsland und nehme eine aktive Brückenfunktion in den deutsch-rumänischen Beziehungen wahr, in welcher auch kritische Fragen einer Lösung im Konsens zugeführt werden könnten. Es wurde vereinbart, einen engen Kontakt zu pflegen, wenn Problemlösung dieses erforderlich mache.

Die Delegation parlamentarischer Berater aus Bukarest knüpfte vom 20. bis 23. Juli erste Kontakte zum Bayerischen Landtag und der Staatskanzlei in München. Ziel des Besuches war auch ein Informationsaustausch, um die Arbeit und Aufgaben bayerischer Parlamentarier kennenzulernen. Die Delegationsreise wurde von Luise Schifter-Popescu, stellvertretende Projektleiterin der Hanns-Seidel-Stiftung in Bukarest, betreut. Die Delegationsteilnehmer sind hauptsächlich in den Bereichen Außenbeziehungen und Minderheitenpolitik tätig.

> S. B SBZ Online 5. August 2009.

Abschied

Zu lieblich ist's, ein Wort zu brechen, Zu schwer die wohlerkannte Pflicht, Und leider kann man nichts versprechen, Was unserm Herzen widerspricht.

Du übst die alten Zauberlieder, Du lockst ihn, der kaum ruhig war, Zum Schaukelkahn der süßen Torheit wieder, Erneust verdemedtet

14. Carl-Filtsch-Wettbewerb-Festival in Hermannstadt auf hohem Niveau

Das Carl-Filtsch-Wettbewerb-Festival wurde zum 14. Mal in der Stadt am Zibin ausgetragen. 57 Teilnehmer aus neun Ländern stellten sich zwischen dem 9. und 15. Juli einer internationalen Jury unter dem Vorsitz von Peter Szaunig. Der Jury gehörten noch an: Walter Krafft, Leiter des Münchener Musikseminars, Tatiana Levitina aus Russland, Daniela Andonova aus Bulgarien sowie Boldizsár Csiky, Smaranda Ilea und Valentin Gheorghiu aus Rumänien. Es wurden Preisgelder im Höhe von 7 800 Euro vergeben.

Bei der Eröffnung am 9. Juli verwies Walter Krafft auf das hohe Niveau des Wettbewerbs, das durch die Interpretation eines Pflichtstückes von Carl Filtsch gesichert wird. Ioan Bojin, der Leiter der Hermannstädter Philharmonie, betonte die Besonderheit dieser Veranstaltung und brachte seine Hoffnung zum Ausdruck, dass das Festival auch in den kommenden Jahren fortbestehen werde. Gedankt wurde den Sponsoren, dem Haus des Deutschen Ostens München, der Siebenbürgisch-Sächsischen Stiftung München, der Heimatgemeinschaft der Deutschen aus Hermannstadt, dem Verband der Siebenbürger Sachsen in Deutschland, dem Demokratischen Forum der Deutschen in Rumänien sowie dem deutschen Generalkonsulat in Hermannstadt, die das Zustandekommen des Wettbewerb-Festivals ermöglichten. Peter Szaunig betonte in seiner Begrüßungsrede die Bedeutung der vom Amerikaner Ferdinand Gajewski neu entdeckten Filtsch-Werke. Letzterer veröffentlichte auf seiner Homepage zwölf Kompositionen aus dem Londoner Nachlass Carl Filtschs, wodurch nun eine Opuszahl von 25 Werken erreicht wurde, wovon 22 der Klavier-Solo-Literatur angehören.

Die Jury war vor keine leichte Aufgabe gestellt. Vor allem das hohe Niveau der 12- bis 16-Jährigen machte die Bewertung nicht einfach. Als Siegerin ging Maria Cătălina Grecu (Rumänien) hervor, die trotz ihrer 12 Jahre einen reifen Bach vortrug, Haydn stilistisch vollends gerecht wurde, mit ausgereifter Technik und hoher Musikalität Chopin interpretierte und mit der Mazurka von Filtsch überzeugte. Den zweiten Platz teilten sich in dieser Kategorie Vassil Ivanov (Bulgarien), der mit brillanter Technik die Jury überzeugen konnte und beim Preisträgerkonzert mit Liszts Ungarischer Rhapsodie Nr. 6 für lang anhaltenden Applaus sorgte, sowie Botond Csaba Szöcs (Rumänien). Der dritte Preis ging an Marius Deneş, Daniel Ropotă (beide Rumänien) sowie die Hermannstädterin Miriam Draşoveanu, die auch einen Chopin-Preis erhielt für die Interpretation des kürzlich entdeckten Rondos Nr. 9 von Chopin, das sie in Erstaufführung spielte. Von den von Ferdinand Gajewski neu entdeckten Filtsch-Stücken erspielte sich die Hermannstädterin Teodora Oprişor mit der "Nocturne" Op. 1 Nr. 1 eine lobende Anerkennung seitens der Jury sowie den Sonderpreis des Johannis Reeg Verlags.

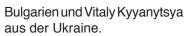


Die Preisträger und Preisträgerinnen der drei Kategorien des Filtsch-Wettbewerbs auf der Bühne des Thalia-Theaters in Hermannstadt. Foto: Sebastian Marcovici

Jahre) den 1. Preis, nachdem er im Jahr 2007 als jüngster Teilnehmer ausgezeichnet worden war. Beim Preisträgerkonzert trug er souverän die typisch impressionistische Arabesque Nr. 2 von Debussy vor.

Adela Liculescu (Rumänien) stellte sich in diesem Jahr dem Wettbewerb in der 3. Gruppe und stahl ihren Mitstreitern die Show. Mit schlafwandlerischer Sicherheit und höchster Sensibilität überzeugte die 15-Jährige die Jury und das Publikum und belegte somit den ersten Platz. Sie bestach durch ihr hohes technisches Können, ihr verinnerlichtes Spiel und hohe Musikalität. Beim Preisträgerkonzert brillierte sie mit der äußerst schwierigen Sonate Nr. 1 von Skriabin. Adela Liculescu - den Namen muss man sich merken. Der zweite Preis wurde in dieser Kategorie nicht vergeben. Den dritten Rang teilten sich Andrey Fomin (Ukraine), Paul Buruiana (Rumänien) und Svetlin Hristov (Bulgarien).

Sehr zur Freude von Jury-Präsident Peter Szaunig waren beim diesjährigen Wettbewerb die jungen Komponisten auf dem Vormarsch (dies ist weltweit der einzige Wettbewerb, wo auch eigene Kompositionen vorgetragen werden). Fast alle Preisträger für Kompositionen spielten ihre Werke beim Galakonzert. In der Gruppe Aspielte die jüngste Komponistin Andra Teodora Mustia (Rumänien, sie errang den 2. Preis) ihre Komposition "Erster Schultag", eine kleine erzählende Miniatur, die in aufrichtiger Weise die Freuden und Eindrücke des ersten Schultages schildert. In der Kategorie C gewann Andrej Fomin (Ukraine) den 1. Preis für Komposition mit seinem "Intermezzo in Memoriam Carl Filtsch". Interessant war der Einbau von Elementen aus Filtsch-Stücken in Verbindung mit leicht polyphonisch klingenden Klangstrukturen. Den zweiten Preis teilten sich Tatiana Pakhomenka (Weißrussland) mit einer Polka und die blinde Pianistin Saida Kalykova aus Kasachstan. Den dritten Platz belegten Svetlin Hristov aus



Die Preisverleihung wurde in der Kategorie A von der russischen Pianistin und Musikpädagogin Tatjana Levitina, in der Kategorie B von Peter Szaunig und in der Kategorie C von Rainer Hus, Kulturattachée des deutschen Generalkonsulats in Hermannstadt, vorgenommen. Vertreter der Stadt waren leider nicht anwesend. - Es wäre übrigens wünschenswert, wenn dem Publikum beim Preisträgerkonzert Programme zur Verfügung stünden.

Ein Novum der diesjährigen Veranstaltung war der ausgewogene Charakter zwischen Wettbewerb und Festival. Ein interessiertes Publikum konnte tagsüber die Darbietungen der Konkurrenten mitverfolgen (was nicht immer einfach war, da die Türen verschlossen waren und man sich durch die Hintertür an einem übereifrigen Pförtner vorbeischmuggeln musste). An fünf Abenden kamen die Musikliebhaber teilweise in den Genuss hochwertiger Klavierliteratur. Den Auftakt bildete der vierhändige Klaviervortrag von Valentin und Roxana Gheorghiu (Rumänien). Der Altmeister des Klaviers erwies sich als Zauberer der Tasten, dem es gemeinsam mit seiner Frau gelang, nuanciert Schuberts Fantasie in f-moll zu interpretieren. Das perlende Spiel wurde mit großem Applaus belohnt. Der Höhepunkt der Abendveranstaltungen war der Auftritt Peter Donohoes, einer der bekanntesten Pianisten Großbritanniens, der mit dem Hermannstädter Symphonieorchester unter Leitung von Horia Andreescu das 2. Klavierkonzert von Rachmaninow in c-moll interpretierte. "Der Bildhauer" des Klaviers, wie er genannt wird, spielte souverän und "meißelte" eindrucksvoll



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die wuchtigen Akkordfolgen. Teilweise hatte es das Orchester nicht leicht, der eigenwilligen Interpretation Donohoes zu folgen, doch Andreescu meisterte virtuos, mit großem Einfühlungsvermögen und spärlichen Gesten das organische Zusammenspiel zwischen Solist und Orchester. Erwähnt sei auch der Klavierabend von Daniela Andonova (Bulgarien), die Werke von Chopin zu Ge-

Erneust, verdoppeltst die Gefahr.

Was suchst du mir dich zu verstecken! Sei offen, flieh nicht meinem Blick! Früh oder spät mußt' ich's entdecken, Und hier hast du dein Wort zurück.

Was ich gesollt, hab' ich vollendet; Durch mich sei dir von nun an nichts verwehrt; Allein, verzeih dem Freund, der sich nun von dir wendet Und still in sich zurücke kehrt.

Johann Wolfgang von Goethe

Bei der Gruppe der Jüngsten (bis zu 12-Jährigen) erhielt Andrei Mihai Surdu (Rumänien, elf hör brachte und mit stehenden Ovationen belohnt wurde.

Das nächste Carl-Filtsch-Wettbewerb-Festival wird im Jahre 2010 ein Jubiläum erleben, da es zum 15. Mal ausgetragen wird. Die Veranstalter hoffen auf eine hohe Beteiligung sowie auf weitere Sponsoren und ein zahlreiches Publikum.

> Dagmar Dusil SBZ Online 14. August 2009

Ein frohes Herz zur rechten Zeit,

erwecket Lust und Heiterkeit.



THURSDAY, JULY 30, 2009 FIRST POST: The Flight is delayed

When I started this blog the other night I couldn't think of a clever way to start so I guit and went on to finish the thousand other tasks I had in order to leave the country for a month. Now the trip has begun and I already have a glitch and a story. I am chaperoning six teenagers to a youth rally ("Jugendlager") in Austria for the next two weeks. I attended the first Jugendlager in Germany in 1971 and also chaperoned a trip to Austria in 1982. Now I am older than everyone's parents, so being a chaperone isn't really the right word to use. But, I am very lucky because I get to be in lovely Austria for the next two weeks, and then when my family and friends arrive on August 14th we move on to Venice and Munich.

Here is the glitch:

My flight to NYC (Kennedy) is delayed! Something about weather in NYC. It leaves less than an hour to make the connection to Austrian Air in order to fly with the kids and be in Vienna on time. Delta could have re-routed me Chicago to Paris to Vienna, but when I told the agent I was meeting people in NYC, he said, if it is weather, alot will be delayed so I may make the connection. Reassuring? I think not.

I love traveling but I loathe the whole airport experience. And even though you have Wi-Fi at the airport they charge you \$6.95 to use it.

FRIDAY, JULY 31, 2009

l missed the flight to Vienna

(no thanks to Delta!)

Delay after delay on a beautiful day. I arrived at the Austrian Airlines desk at JFK exactly five minutes before departure. Needless to say, too late. There are six teens winging their way across the ocean without supervision. They probably wonder what happened too. It turns out there is a Lufthansa flight to Frankfurt leaving at 2130, with a change of planes that gets me into Vienna at 1422 on Friday. Only six hours later than expected. And I was lucky enough to see my luggage which was rechecked and is now traveling with me again. The only issue was the \$240.00 it cost ("taxes, ticket change"). I was a hostage and I got out for a fee. One last thing; in 1971 l clearly remember paying \$6.00 for a burger at JFK. Tonight I paid \$20.00 for a panini, a little serving of wine (that usually costs \$1.25 at the grocery store) and a



bottle of water. The burger was still more expensive I think.

FRIDAY, JULY 31, 2009 Made it to Frankfurt-still a ways to go

The flight to Frankfurt was fine on Lufthansa. Bulkhead seat, so able to stretch out and sleep. Despite airline financial troubles I love that the the liquor still flows freely on international flights, even in coach. Aperitif, wine with an airline dinner and then after dinner drinks. They like to get you in a weakened state so you don't complain I suspect.

So, I love the signage in this airport--so clear and easy for way-finding. It is also amazingly quiet for an airport. You see dogs in the airport and they have these plexiglas 'smoking cubes' sponsored by Camel. In a whirl of smoke, the smokers in there are getting both primary and secondary smoke inhalation. By the way, the flights to Toulousse and Budapest are overbooked. Free ticket plus

250 Euros! Everyone must be headed out of town for the weekend. I spoke to my cousin Irmgard who lives just outside of Frankfurt. All is well at their house.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 01, 2009

Made it to Vienna

Finally here, the kids have already given me tag line "Where is Liz Weber?" Wireless is in only one room of the hostel; too tired to walk over, so I went to bed. Slept 10 hours and feel much, much better. We are out to the country today--the Burgenland. Will post this evening after our trip.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 01, 2009

A day in the country; off to Eisenstadt

At 0900 we took a bus about an hour south east of Vienna to Eisenstadt which is in an area of Austria called the Burgenland. When I was here in 1982 we were in the Burgenland and had a picnic on the border of Hungary which was still under communist rule and we walked over to a chain link fence in a beautiful field. Today we were in the same area and there is no real way to tell where Austria ends and Hungary begins. Amazing changes since 1989 when the east opened to the west. The Austrian Saxons have prepared a lovely program with culture mixed with relaxation. Briefly, on Friday evening they hosted the eighteen kids and me at the 'Haus der Heimat' which is a beautifully renovated building in the center of Vienna that houses meeting and event space for all of the German ethnic groups in the area. The

Translyvanian Saxons have a large flexible space, a well equiped kitchen, a "Stube" room in the style of Translyvania, library and offices. They prepared a light dinner with so many tasty options including home made kuchen and pastries. There we did some introductory games and ran through the itinerary for the two weeks including the alcohol rules in Austria (no open bottles or drinks in public). The kids were polite, attentive and clearly jet lagged.

Eisenstadt:

The city of the Esterhazy palace and the Mausoleum and sarcophagus of Joseph Haydn who died 200 years ago. It is a Haydn festival with a display of classic art and video and performance art installations all revolving around Haydn. We had a very knowledgable tour guide who spoke perfect English with a pronounced Austrian/ German accent. Everytime she said the word opera it sounded like Oprah and when she was speaking about Haydn she said opera/oprah alot! Tried so hard not to laugh out loud or where she could see me since, with my imperfect german I should not be one to mock someone else. We walked around the Haydn Church and took many photos and videos of the stations of the cross with lifesized carved wooden figures.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 01, 2009

Eisenstadt to Illmitz and the Neusiedlersee

By lunchtime we were done with the tourist things and off we went in our bus about an hour away to the Neusiedlersee, the largest steppe lake in Europe according to Ushi (Ursula) one of our leaders. Lovely lake, with boats, water toys, sunbathers. It was a little murky near the shore but most of the kids went for a dip and the rest of the time was spent getting to know one another and playing games. Matt went flying over a

video guy and we were sorry that we didn't have his mishap on film--otherwise you would have been able to see it. I spent time with Ushi and Valentina. our other day leader talking about nursing in Austria and the US, since all three of us were nurses.

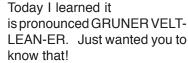
Ushi does pediatrics in Weiner Neustat and Valentina, who grew up in Brazil but is Saxon, does a version of case management for geriatrics here in Vienna.

I had my first Radler (and thought fondly about my Mother who just LOVED Radlers)

On the way home we stopped for dinner at the Pusztahof where we ate outside on the patio next to the grape arbor and I had my first Schnitzel. It was called a Puszta Schnitzel, without breading but with a rich tomato and red pepper sauce and crispy potatoes. Yum!

SATURDAY, AUGUST 01, 2009 How do you pronounce

Gruner Veltliner? For years I have pronounced it GRUNER VELT-LINE-ER.



SUNDAY, AUGUST 02, 2009

Today our plans are a city tour of Vienna including the natural history museum and a canal tour based on "The Third Man". It might be like those gangster tours we have in Chicago, but I hope not. In preparation I bought the book but didn't finish it yet. It turns out the book was written after the movie came out so it's a book based on a screenplay. Juliana, smarter than me, rented the movie and is interested in seeing the ferris wheel at the Prater where a key scene took place.

One last thought this morning before we are off. The food at youth hostels has not changed in years. The coffee is strong, the rolls are soft on the inside, slightly crispy on the outside



Wiener Würstel at Hofburg Cafe in Vienna

> options are butter and jelly or lunchmeat. Unfortunately the salami was gone this morning, with only bologna left. I am not sure we had meat every day 20+ years ago but it's always an option here in Vienna. Yesterday Matt said something to the effect of "I haven't eaten this much lunchmeat ever in my life".

MONDAY, AUGUST 03, 2009

Extreme walking tour of Vienna.

AM:We left the Youth hostel at 10:00 for a ten hour tour of Vienna moderated and led by Stefan, an energetic 70 year old who worked for 40 years as a cab driver and tour bus driver here in the city. We toured the Hofburg, saw the Spanische Hofreitschule, walked past the Sacher Hotel but didn't stop for Sacher torte, had pictures taken with a golden Mozart who was standing out in the direct sun. It was pretty warm but the tall buildings make shade and the numerous courtyards allowed some rest time and breezes. We also saw the Museum Quarter.

Rebecca says all I have to write for Sunday was "walking & sewers"; she would like this quote attributed to Matt (and what happened to using nicknames she asked).

LUNCH: We sat outside in the Hofburg Cafe and had Wiener Wurtstel. It was hot.

AFTERNOON: We walked to the Naturhistoriches Museum Wien and had a tour of the museum from an excellent English speaking guide. Part of the tour included walking through the working sections of the museum headed for the roof. The roof had a panoramic view of Vienna.

LATE AFTERNOON: We went to the sewers for a tour. It was also the location for the filming of the Oscar winning "The Third Man". Orson Wells starred and only Julie and Jim had watched the film prior to to the trip so they brought us up to date on the sewer connection. We are off to Niederösterreich.

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but wasn't injured. Matt is our with five indentations. The



Neusiedlersee

MONDAY, AUGUST 03, 2009

We ended up at Wienerwald at the end of a long but interesting day. Wienerwald is a kind of European fast casual restaurant and the absolute favorite childhood eating establishment of my dear friends Jana and Lisa who lived in Augsburg for two years when their father Hugo was with General Motors. They

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would have loved it...not much has changed but the Pommes Frites aren't really crispy and the strudel isn't really flaky. Radler # 2. We arrived at our home away from home about 2030.



Wienerwald for Dinner

MONDAY, AUGUST 03, 2009

Another day in the country (the Wachau)

We left for Neiderösterreich at 0900 on the bus with our day guides Susanna and Valentina because we had a scheduled 1030 tour of Steft Gottweig (Gottweig Monastery) in the wine region of the Wachau. Built in 10xx? and renovated multiple times in the last 1000 years it is up in the hills formed by the Danube River, where it historically rushed through the region, making hills and valleys just perfect for grape growing. The monastery was a place of safety for surrounding villagers during the marauding hoards coming from the east. It has very ornate sections that were designed in the last 300 years especially for visiting emperors. That is really all I can remember from the tour.

It felt calm and peaceful and relaxing. It was really the first time I felt like I was on vacation. Following our tour, we had about 45 minutes to wander and I found the church to be quiet, and calm and the most ornate and beautiful and very unmonastic.

MONDAY, AUGUST 03, 2009

The Rathaus

The city of Vienna uses the plaza in front of city hall for open air films every evening in the summer. It

was still light so we didn't stay but we took a group



MONDAY, AUGUST 03, 2009 The Americans at Stift Gottweig



Jim, Julie, John, Matt, Karina, Elisabeth & Mike

MONDAY, AUGUST 03, 2009 An afternoon at Durstein and the Ruins

Following lunch we rode over to Durstein, a charming town on the Danube just below ruins from the time of Richard the Lion-hearted who is said to have been imprisoned there. Susanna and I stayed in town for coffee and Wachau Torte and Valentina (seen bottom right in red) took the kids straight up over 60 meters/20 minutes



to the ruins. Natalie (our resident photographer seen in pink right in the middle of the picture) was nice enough to take my camera along, so if I hadn't told you I

didn't go, you would have never known. Everyone, including Erik who works out regularly said it was quite a challenge. The arm in the bottom right of the picture is John.

Monday August 3rd comes to an end

The Saxons in Vienna hosted us for dinner at the "Haus der Heimat" again. This evening it was pasta. There was alot of good natured ribbing on the pronounciation of pasta. Is is PAAASTA (mid-west), PAST-A(Canadian) or some other derivation of the word that I cannot describe in written form. Thanks to Martina and her wonderful committee for our time in Vienna. Small Saxon story: Martina's aunt was Maria K, a Saxon I knew in Chicago. You can go halfway around the world and still find vour Landsleute. On Friday Martina broke the kids into three teams and told them she wanted them to make a poster on Monday with their impressions of the Jugendlager and of Vienna. The kids really got into it and several themes emerged--related to walking, beer, my late arrival, sewer tour.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 04, 2009 Mid-day at Schoenbrunn Palace

Julie, Mike, Natalie, John, Melanie, Radu, Karina, Jim & Matt



The rain kept us from an extensive tour of the gardens, so we did a mini tour and went to lunch.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 04, 2009

Vienna to Traun

We were picked up in Vienna by Simon and Phillip from the dance group in Traun. It was pouring rain the entire way but we were so happy to be greated by our host families with some Sekt and a toast!

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 05, 2009

Landsleute Update and Jugendlager connections

So, here we are in Traun, a town of 25,000 with hundreds of Saxons. The dance group was kind enough to host us, two per family. Karina, Juliana and I are staying at the home of Stefan and Jürgen R. (twins). They live with their Mother and Father and sister Hanna. We have a suite in the top of the house and it is very comfortable. On Tuesday, the dance group and the kids met at 'Old Cherries', a local pub. I stayed behind to get to know the R. family. We had some homemade Brombeer liquor and talked about our mutual friends. Turns out the Mrs. R's mother is a good friend of our tourguide in Vienna (the energetic Stefan). We shared pictures of our trip so far. The R. family is also related to Christa H. who I know from

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 05, 2009

Traun to Kletterwald

Simon, our leader in Traun, and his committee thought it might be fun to do a Parcours in the woods. We had to do a safety briefing before walking in the trees. Everyone (except the Sachsenheim in Cleveland, Ohio, USA. Our last connection is that one of the American kids, Mike, stayed here before. It is a small saxon world!

As for the Jugendlager connection, it turns out that the aunt of one of the host families (Gaby) attended the Jugendlager in Germany in 1980 with Michael, the father of Julie who is on the 2009 Jugendlager. Mike, Gaby says hallo!

The father of Erik and Kris from Canada is a good friend of the father of John from the USA. Neither Erik, Kris, nor John know what year they attended but they know it was a long time ago. (ha ha). Hanz' wife Barb commented that is was in 1973 in Germany. Thanks Barb, loyal reader!

me--we needed an emergency nurse, just in case) tried it and many finished.

When John was walking on the log he noted this could be an 'Austrian Sobriety Test' only 20 meters up in the air.



picture a n d уоu c a n seethe monstrous screen.



At Christmastime they have a Kristkindlmarkt and in winter an

ice skating rink. They also have a garden filled with numerous slight breezes. food and drink stands repre-

senting all nationalities and the people of Vienna and plenty of tourists were out enjoying the

John flying through the air!

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THERE'S NO TIME LIKE THE PRESENT TO INVEST YOUR SAVINGS IN AN ATS ANNUITY PLAN

Summertime is almost over as time flies! The beautiful annuals and perennials of hanging baskets, barrels and borders have added so much color to our yards. All too soon these colors will change.

OURAUGUST 5th "FRIEND-SHIP MEETING" was not up to our usual attendance of previous years with only 46 present. A good buffet luncheon was enjoyed with the tasty grilled bratwurst to accent the selection of dishes. We had eight Retiree members, who failed to cancel their reservations, which left bratwurst unpaid for. This should not have happened. Please make sure you cancel if unable to attend.

Charles "Chick" Vona of Winona was the welcomed guest of Tony Rothbrust. We were also happy to learn that he is also a prospective new member. We are always happy to accept new members and friends. Marie and Ralph Cook, who are some of our regular members, were missed, along with Michael and Regina Bruckner who we were told might be having some surgery. We miss you all who were unable to attend, hope you can come back soon!

President Lois Whitacre opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance with Bill Hiltbrand providing his always thought provoking theme as he presented the invocation "Begin the Day with Friendliness, Thoughts and Prayers", followed by officer reports given by Sue Fritzman, Secretary and Katherine Lederle, Treasurer.

Amoment of silence was held for departed member and dear friend, John Alesi, 90, of Springfield, OH, formerly of Salem. John had been living with his daughter Dixie and son-in-law Paul Schmid, and was married to 1940 Salem High graduate Betty Kirchgessner Alesi, who preceded him in death. John will be missed and remembered as being amongst the happy group attable#4 at our Retirees whose laughter filled the room.

OUR NEXT MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 2nd will be our first of our series of catered meals. All of our officers will serve on this committee. The dinner will be served and prepared by Lorrie Weingart's Catering Service and will include meat loaf, scalloped potatoes, baked beans, salad and dessert. The meal will be served at 12:30 with a charge of \$10.00, which includes the tip. Since this a catered meal reservations must be honored if not cancelled. We don't want a repeat of last month at this price and they will have to be honored if we want the new catering system to continue. Please make sure to call your reservations in to Bob and Janet Kekel at 330- 537-3411 by August 30th. This should be a pleasurable and relaxing afternoon with no casserole to prepare and good service will be appreciated. Janet Kekel is a truly talented quilt maker as she displayed one of the three Blue Ribbon winners at our meeting. This beautiful masterpiece was a brightly colorful array of color, which was accented on black velour. What an honor to be gifted with such artistic talent. Congratulations, Janet. We are

SALEM SAXON RETIREES **By Sue Fritzman**

proud of your accomplished talent and so glad you share it with us!

Nancy Stumperth announced the following members celebrating September birthdays and anniversaries. Congratulations September birthday members! 1-Mitzie Cushing, 9-Louise Theiss, 9-Jo Ann Reichenbach, 12-Sue Fritzman, 15-Bill Martin and 25-Lois Ulrich.

Congratulations to our September Anniversary Couples! Ralph and Marie Cook, 9/18 with 66 years; Joe and Dee Bush, 9/18 with 67 years; and Shirley and Tony Kataro, 9/20 with 51 years.

Bill Hiltbrand announced the following members on our current sick list, which is close to the number of Retirees in attendance. Leah Nemenz, probably our oldest member at 95, is in skilled nursing. Kaethe Klamer is also in skilled nursing at the hospital after breaking her shoulder from a fall and has been under the wonderful care of her daughter Trudy and son-in-law Dave Ehrhart, who have been helping her be as independent as possible in her home. Lena Ziegler of Findlay is also on the sick list and we surely miss this lovely lady. Mary Kay McConnor is home recuperating with help. We are also sad to hear that Louise Theiss has fallen and broken her hip during this printing. We send all of you our love and encouragement as you recover.

The following members currently in nursing homes are as follows: Elsie Gross, Doc Whitacre, Harry Simpson, Sara Bodendorfer, Margaret Hall and Sue Fritzman. We pray for all our dear friends to have better days!

I hope everyone is enjoying the first fresh vegetables from your gardens. Many of us enjoy our favorite Saxon soups with fresh green or yellow beans, which we wait all year for. We Saxons use a lot of vinegar for flavoring in so many of our dishes, as well as onions and parsley, but not so much garlic. The herb Tarragon is used in our Bertrum Soup and doesn't seem to be used by other ethnic groups as much, but like to can this different tasting spice. Many of us can't enjoy our favorites as much because of diets or other health problems but sometimes just a taste can cure our longbut she wanted me to see my beautiful hibiscus, lilies and potted plants she has been tending to during my stay at Essex. I enjoyed watching my birds at the feeders but was ready to get back and rest after going out to lunch.

They have bird feeders for the occupants there to enjoy from the windows and a patio, Mostly sparrows and chipmunks are frequent visitors at their feeders. I was thrilled to have one outside my window there until a very bold and determined raccoon kept raiding it, which I did not enjoy seeing, so now it sits idle. I haven't seen any squirrels or rabbits there yet, but I did get to see a family of deer run across the street as I was being wheeled outside for a walk. The deer live in few wooded sections to take cover in what are left from the old Bentley Woods for which the street is now named.

Canned pickles are also a yearly treat. Jack Gottschling is canning delicious small pickles just like his mother Minnie used to make, as he left me a sampling a while back. Minnie was another one of our good Saxon cooks.

Katie Lederle must have read my mind as I was just thinking of all of the Saxon ladies who once baked Krapfen for our holiday picnics and was craving one, when to my surprise in she walks with some Krapfen from our Saxon breakfasts. It was so good with my coffee and was even jelly filled for an added treat. I was just going to write about how some enjoy them with sugar, powdered sugar and jelly filled or just plain to dunk in coffee. Hilda Linder used to make hers with a creamy filling. Thanks so much Katie for making a bad day better!

These third Saturdays breakfasts are really doing great. Thanks to all who participate by either working or enjoying the good full course meal. They are serving over 280 people, which is great! Help is always needed,

so volunteer for your club!

We have a set of twins in our Retiree group, Anneliese Rothbrust and Marianne Vogt and their husbands, Paul and Clem, who had a busy month celebrating birthdays and anniversaries. Added to these special celebrations the Voqts had a special visit with their grandson Christopher Stone, son of Caroline Vogt Stone and Sheriff Ray Stone. Christopher is with the band and back for a two-week furlough before returning back for another tour of duty in Hawaii. Marianne does a wonderful job visiting all the sick and nursing home residents with our long list of members and is also a caregiver for good friend Hilda Thiess. Clem, our custodian at the age of 84, still bicycles around town and sometimes 100 miles a day alone. Marianne worries like any spouse, would but has gotten used to his hobby.

Our Marian Whipkey is a reader like me and loves any interesting information. Recently she found an old ad from the past advertising the opening of our remodeled Saxon Club Restaurant on Railroad Street from September of 1970. It was a very successful enterprise with our good ethnic food served and hard working Saxons. My mother, Susie Herman, was the hard working cook until she retired at 80 yrs. old, whom many Saxons remember. Sauerkraut and pig in the blankets were an example of meals served at \$1.85 for buffets or from the menu. Those were the good old days!

My granddaughter Hannah Fritzman Belsito of Cleveland was excited to meet and have her picture taken with President Obama when he was in Cleveland in July. She also got to ride in the president's motorcade to the Cleveland Clinic for a visit and to his Town Hall at Shaker Heights High School. Hannah is very active in civic matters and revitalizing downtown Cleveland and was fortunate to participate in this political event.

I had mentioned in my previous article that Fred Werner was

Editor's Note: If you would like to try Tarragon Soup we've included 2 variations. "Besten Appetit!"

Tarragon Soup Pfafferkrautsuppe or **Betram Kaechen**

1 lb cubed pork or ham 1 Tbs

Tarragon and Bean Soup Pfefferkraut und Bohnen Suppe

1 lb. pork or ham 1 cut white beans

also at Essex 1. He celebrated his birthday there and shared his luscious rich cake with us and has since returned back home. Hope you are doing well, Fred! Fred and I had talked about the Saxon bakery Hunklich and remembered how his sister, Shirley Kataro, made the best ever with lots of creamy filling with little crust. Sour cherries were the standard fruit topping, but plums and other fruits can be used. Mom always used crushed pineapple, which was my favorite.

I wrote in my last article about what a small world it is and how I have been meeting all these wonderful workers with Saxon backgrounds. Well, I met some more at Essex. A young woman came up to me one day when I was coming back from an outing and had recognized my youngest daughter. She informed me she was one of the Praundorfer (Betty) girls and I knew her mother and grandmother. The other day Susan Moore who stopped in my room to tell me her grandparents were the late Bill and Hilda Edling and she also reads the Volksblatt.

Tony and Shirley Kataro stopped in to visit me as they were home recently. They usually celebrate their birthday at our 4th of July picnic, but were late. They looked great and enjoy Florida, even when the bad weather approaches and they have to take necessary precautions.

September usually means the end of vacations and back to our regular schedule. Mary Kekel is fortunate to be planning another trip to England soon.

Dorothy and Bill Hinchliffe also stopped in. They keep busy with church and visiting friends. We miss seeing them at Retirees and hope their busy schedule will let them find time to come see us. Bill is well known for his small moving business and deliveries from days gone by.

I also received beautifully written note from Ruthie and Tom Zakel of Branch 1 who live in McArthur, Ohio. It was great to hear from them and brightened my day. Tom relates back to our wonderful Junior Saxon days of 1956, when our Saxon membership was in its prime with basketball, dances and dinners, when many new friendships were formed. He recalls some of our Saxons who at the time were Walt Spack, Art, Shirley and Bill Werner, Dorothy and Helen Spack Aeling, Marty Lutsch, Ruth Kekel, Frieda Herman and Nancy and Mike Stumperth. It is always nice to hear from the "Volksblatt" readers. Thank you, dear friends! I deeply appreciate cards I have received phone calls and those who have taken the time to visit etc. I thank you so much as I am sure all of the many other shut-ins also appreciate any act of caring and kindness during these difficult times we seniors face. As my dear friend "Mrs. Finklestein" says, "Every bowl of cherries is filled with pits." She has this strong positive power to conquer it all, which is an attitude we should all live by! "Old age is a privilege that many never see!" Enjoy what's left of the summer!

ings.

I haven't seen Walt and Elaine Weber's beautiful garden this year, but I'm sure it is just as beautiful and immaculate as ever. You don't see the large colorful gardens like these that were once so common in our Saxon homesteads. They also have a wonderful vegetable garden with fresh tomatoes, green, yellow and hot peppers. Last year Elaine was nice enough to share some of their dill so I could make my pickle and onion recipe. My daughter took me home for a visit to my back yard and I noticed I have a batch of dill next to my back porch. The birds must have planted the seeds. This visit was bittersweet because I knew I was unable to go inside because of the steps,

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4 potatoes	1 carrot
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1 onion	vinegar
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1 tsp pepper	1 egg
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tender. Add carrots, onion, pars-	finely cu
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been cut up in pieces. Cook until	inginas

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rragon ning: flour or milk eat and beans until tender in cover well. Salt to taste. Add ut onion, carrot and tarragon 110 minutes. Make thickensmall bowl, using flour, dash of pepper and enough cream or milk to thin. A beaten egg may be added. Add the thickening slowly to soup, stirring constantly to prevent lump-

ing. Add a little vinegar to taste and

stir to a boil. If soup is too thick, add

a little milk or cream.

Auf Weidersehen!

Youngstown Saxon Culture Group Sausage Sale

September 26, 2009 Pick up from 9am-3pm \$2.75 per pound

> Available in Hot, Mild and Garlic 3# or 5# Bulk available in 5# only

Please place orders by September 18, 2009 by calling Sarah 330-792-2634 Erna 330856-3842 Heidi 330-501-5564 Or any culture group member

Sandwiches will be available to purchase for lunch

BRANCH 30, YOUNGSTOWN By Tom Fizet

The outdoor Flea Market is held every Tuesday in our parking lot, open from 8:00 AM until 2:00 PM. Many are enjoying their visits to the Flea Market, come and join them. Your participation is welcome.

Thanks to those of you who have sent in Memorial or Celebration funds to the Club Office. If you are sending a donation, there is a Youngstown Saxon Club Memorial and Celebration Committee remittance slip in the Volksblatt. The Restoration Committee has three new members, we met on August 3rd, we're getting additional estimates for the work that we are considering, the new members from Branch 22 are; Carrie Sturgeon, Doreen Deutschlander, Rosemarie Kascher also on the Memorial and Celebration committee we have Rosemary Zamary. Regina Teutsch is putting together some new refinements for the Ballroom.

The next Branch 30 meeting is September 13, 2009 at 2:30 PM. You can continue to be informed by your attendance at the monthly meetings, stop by and renew old friendships and meet our new members.

The Golf Outing between the Maennerchor and the Br. 30 Golfers is rescheduled for Sunday August 23. My apologies to Jerry. The correct date is the 23rd of August. Don't forget and be there to support the Saxon Golf League and their match with the Maennerchor.

Branch 30 is planning an old fashioned Oktoberfest at the club on August 22, 2009, from 12noon to 12 midnight. Music, dancing, food and beer. See Walter Benesch and Ernie Roth or call the office. Walter says that he and Ernie can still use

were no others sick or in the hospital.

The Branch 30 Pork dinners will be starting on September 27, 2009 and continue thru May 23, 2010. The time is from 11:30 AM until 2:30 PM.

The trustees are looking for a good used electric washer and gas drier, if not available, maybe a new pair. The club does wash a lot of their linens, if you have never seen them, they are in the basement. An electric washer could be used. Call Ralph Sheetz or the Office or see Marty Eberth.

Ralph said to remind everyone of the work party on the 3rd Saturday of the month. August 22 is a good time to help set up for the Oktoberfest or come out on September 19th.

The 300 Club Dinner will be held on September 12, 2009 in the Saxon Club ballroom. Cocktails at 6:00, Dinner at 6:30, Drawing at 7:30. Send your reservation card for your meal and \$20 for any guest. Additional tickets are still available call Rick Lieb at 330-792-1350.

So goes the News:

BRANCH 4, CLEVELAND By Joan Miller-Malue

We extend sympathy to the family of Katherine (nee Lutsch) Brown, who died on June 30, 2009 at the age of 91. Her son said in her younger days she loved to come to the Sachsenheim and enjoy a few beers. She had many good memories of the Club.

We send our best wishes to Kathie Bernhardt who was in the hospital for several weeks in July and is recuperating in Greenbriar Nursing Home. Our thoughts and prayers are with you Kathie.

It is time to get together for our Annual Sommerfest at the Sachsenheim on Saturday, August 22nd. Good times start at 5:00 pm with delicious homemade goulasch, sausage sandwiches and Mitch; refreshing cool drinks, great music by the Deutscher Musik Verein and entertainment by the Cleveland Saxon Dance Group. For the kids we will have Curlz the Clown from 7 - 8:00 pm do face painting and balloon twisting. Admission is only \$3 and children under 12 year are free. Bring along your neighbor and friends!

And the good times continue at the Sachsenheim on Friday evening, September 11 with the

SUDOKO ANSWER

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YOUNGSTOWN SAXON CLUB	
SUNDAY PORK/KRAUT DINNERS	

11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

	SCHEDULE.			
<u>2009</u>	<u>2010</u>			
Sept. 27	Jan. 24	Apr. 18		
Oct. 18	Feb. 21	May 23		
Nov. 22	Mar. 21			

Deutscher Musik Verein hosting "Sausage at the Sac." Weather permitting it will be held in the Biergarten from 7 - 11:00 pm. There will be a variety of sausages, good music and drinks. The proceeds will benefit the DMV for their European tour next year.

September will bring us back to our regularly scheduled business meetings. Our meeting will be held on Monday, September 21 starting at a new time of 7:00 pm. Collection of premiums and local dues will be taken at 6:30 pm. Remember the date and new time...7:00 pm.

It was nice that we had several of our junior members attend Saxon Summer Camp. Now we hope several of our junior members will take part in Teen Weekend that will be held at the Salem Saxon Club the weekend of September 25 - 27th. This event is open to our members ages 13 - 19. They will be permitted to bring along one friend. If any teen is interested in going and needs a ride to Salem please call me at (216) 251-6036 or Rob Cunningham (216) 398-7520. The ATS will be mailing out an invitation to the teens, so keep a watch out for invite!

September will be a busy month. The Sängerbund's Sängerfest will be held at the Youngstown Saxon Club on Saturday, September 26th. The Cleveland Eintracht-Saxonia Sachsenchor have been busily preparing for this event.

Members of Branch 4 extend congratulations to Adolf and Maria Fischer on their 50th Wedding Anniversary. These lovely people are such hard workers for the Sachsenheim, Adolf serving as ATS Branch 1 president as well as president of the Sachsenchor and Maria serves as Branch 4's Sergeant of Arms and her husband's right hand in organizing and working



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.

> Lee D. Carr Age 88 Died: July 13, 2009 Branch 2, Erie PA

> **Roy Ferris Landis** Age 85 Died: July 29, 2009 Branch 2, Erie PA

Anna Grail

Age 84 Died: July 8, 2009 Home Branch, Cleveland OH

> Joseph T. Pochatko Age 81 Died: July 16, 2009 Branch 2, Erie PA

Wilhelmina Theis

Age 87 Died: July 26, 2009 Branch 22, Youngstown OH

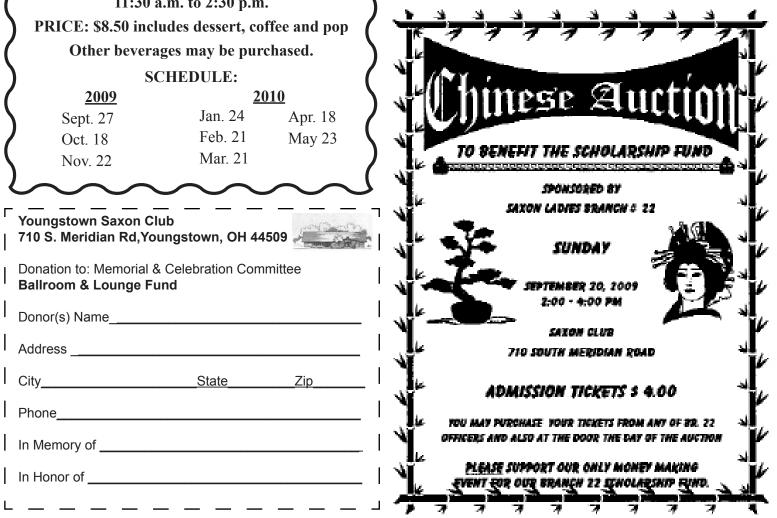
John Alesi

Age 90 Died: July 28, 2009 Branch 19. Salem OH

William J. Siersdorfer Age 83 Died: July 29, 2009 Branch 30, Youngstown OH

William F. Geib Age 86 Died: August 3, 2009 Branch 1, Cleveland OH

on various events or projects. We are so lucky to have them as members and leaders of our Sachsenheim!



help.

The Speck Fry is scheduled for September 20. 2009, at 1:00 PM, set up is set for 10:00 AM, Mike and Pete would like to see you there, to help set up or to enjoy the Day. With the passing of Art Orr they have lost their cook, for fried green tomatoes. If you can help, call Mike or Pete. Check the bulletin board, the local Saxon News, and the Volksblatt for some new and interesting things set to be happening at the Youngstown Saxon Club. Look for a Beef and Beer cook out, do your own steak on the outside grille and enjoy the other fixins in the Pavilion. Bar Bingo and Karaoke will return in September. We will keep you informed.

John Price is very ill. There

PotPourri

Trivia Teaser

Element-ary School

1. Which is the lightest of the chemical elements? a-Helium, b-Hydrogen, c-Neon, d-Oxygen.

2. Which element makes up the hardest natural substance on Earth? a-Lead, b-Carbon, c-Silicon, d-Platinum.

3. Which element is found in all acids? a-Carbon, b-Chlorine, c-Sodium, d-Hydrogen.

4. What yellow element is found in gunpowder and is used for vulcanizing rubber? a-Molybdenum, b-Sulfur, c-Iridium, d-Tungsten.

5. Eggshells, limestone and milk contain sizeable quantities of which element? a-Calcium, b-Carbon, c-Silicon, d-Arsenic.

6. Which chemical element is abbreviated Na? a-Nitrogen, b-Sodium, c-Dubnium, d-Tungsten.

7. Which element is added to steel to make it stainless? a-Zinc, b-Tin, c-Chromium, d-Boron.

8. Discovered in 1940, what was the first element found to be heavier than uranium? a-Platinum, b-Californium, c-Neptunium, d-Plutonium.

9. Which element must be present in a compound in order for the compound to be categorized as organic? a-Carbon, b-Oxygen, c-Silicon, d-Iron.

10. How many chemical elements are represented on the standard periodic table by a single-letter symbol? a-7, b-10, c-12, d-14.

Answers to 'Element-ary School'

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- 9-a, Carbon
- muinungev, Neptunium
- muimordD, 2-7
- muibo2, d-ð
- aniola, Calcium
- Tuffus, d-4
- 3-d, Hydrogen
- 2-b, Carbon
- 1-b, Hydrogen

The Wonders of Watermelon



Wondering how to choose the best watermelon you can find? Look for a firm, symmetrical melon, free from bruises, cuts, and dents. Thumping a watermelon won't tell you as much as simply picking one up. A good watermelon will be heavy for its size. The underside should have an ivory or yellow spot, indicating that it sat on the ground and ripened in the sun.

Watermelons are great tasting treats for hot summer days. Try putting a few cups of watermelon without any seeds into a blender. Pour the puree into an ice cube tray and freeze. You can then use your watermelon cubes to flavor lemonade and punch. Or pour the puree into small paper cups, place a Popsicle stick in each one, and freeze. Kids will love these watermelon Popsicles.

For a special watermelon drink, freeze chunks of watermelon on a cookie sheet until firm. Once they are frozen, run them through a blender, add frozen strawberries, raspberries, or blueberries, and blend until smooth. Add sparkling mineral water and blend again for a moment or two. You will have a refreshing watermelon slush.

Racing has dedicated fans

Football draws more TV viewers than any other sport. But Indy car fans have their Indianapolis 500, the largest outdoor sporting event in the nation.

And then there's NASCAR! It draws more spectators, by far, than any other sport. It sanctions about 1,500 races each year.

Auto racing has many categories. Besides Indy and NASCAR, there are regular stock car races, midget car races, sprint cars and others.

Crazy 3s build a sudoku

To solve a sudoku, you only need logic and patience. No math is required.

Simply make sure that each 3x3 square region has a number 1 through 9 with only one occurrence of each number.

Each column and row of the large grid must have only one instance of the numbers 1 through 9.

Here's a tip for playing. We call the 3x3 squares" regions." With a highlighter, color in all the rows and columns in the large grid that have a 3 in them.

We chose 3 because there are several of them in the puzzle.

Now observe. In the middle upper region, what

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is the only possible location for the 3?

This technique is called scanning. You usually do it with your eyes. The difficulty rating on this puzzle is easy. Answer on page 9

Did You Know: Hurricanes

- Hurricanes were first named by people living in the West Indies. The name chosen was
- based on which saint's day it was when the storm hit.



Around the end of the 19th century, an Australian meteorologist began giving women's names to tropical storms and hurricanes.

It wasn't until 1953 that the U.S. National Weather Service started using women's names for storms. In 1979, men's names were added.

Each year, a list of names is put together that includes names beginning with every letter of the alphabet except Q, U, X, Y, and Z.

Today, the World Meteorological Organization uses six lists in rotation, reusing the same list every six years. If a hurricane is particularly deadly or costly, the name is retired and a new name is chosen.

If, in a given year, there are more than 21 named Atlantic hurricanes, any additional storms will take names from the Greek alphabet: Alpha, Beta, Gamma, Delta, and so on.

driving is important in any vehicle, but important in a small car

· Be visible. Keep your lights on during the day. If you don't have automatic running lights, turn your headlights on and use the low beam.

· Take extra care when entering an intersection to assure in a small car, including: Always wear a seat belt; don't drink and drive; watch for speed limit signs and don't exceed the posted numbers.

It's about time



ciation's new rule book has been received by members.

USGA 2011:

rules, definitions

The United States Golf Asso-

It includes 13 new definitions and

rules, including:

The new definition of advice: It is amended to allow the exchange of distance information, which will not be considered as advice.

Rule 12-2: A player can lift a ball to identify it, even if the ball is in a bunker or water hazard. The position of the ball must be marked before it is lifted and the player must tell his opponent, fellow competitor or marker of his intention before lifting the ball.

The ball must not be cleaned beyond what is necessary to identify it.



Smaller cars are popular right now, and they will be the wave of the future as the government increases mandatory gas mileage to 39 miles per gallon.

That's the average for cars made by any individual company. For specific cars, the mandatory mileage is 35.5. It won't happen until 2016.



Car makers already have or will soon have cars that meet or exceed the standard.

The Ford Fusion hybrid gets more than 40 mpg. The Chevy Cruise, due out in April 2010, will get 40 mpg, and the Chevy Volt, due out in November of this year, runs on batteries for the first 40 miles. Chrysler plans the Fiat SpA, which will be available by 2015 at 40 mpg or more.

Fuel costs are lower for a small car, but if you crash, your chances of getting hurt are greater. Here are a few driving tips to consider:

that all vehicles from the other directions are cleared.

· Avoid getting sandwiched between two trucks, two larger cars or two SUVs, especially when driving on the Interstate or a state highway.

· On any roadway, it's more important for drivers of a smaller cars to use turn signals well ahead of where they will change lanes or turn.

· Regardless of the size of your vehicle, practice thinking about how you could escape a dangerous situation. It could be a move to the shoulder, going off the road and avoiding trees, or maneuvering to another lane.

Rules of safe driving are more important when you are

Time is the coin of life. It is the only coin you have, and only you can determine how it will be spent. Be careful lest you let other people spend it for you.

Carl Sandburg

We only go around once. There's really no time to be afraid. So stop. Try something you've never tried before. Teach it. Do it. Risk it. Jon Blais

The moment of enlightenment is when a person's dreams of possibilities become images of probabilities.

Vic Braden

ATS BRANCH DIRECTORY

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Mtg. 3rd Mon. 8:00 p.m. Sachsenheim 7001 Denison Ave. (216) 651-0888 PRES. Adolf Fischer 4567 Williamston Ave. Brooklyn, 44144 (216) 741-1398 SEC'Y. Robert Cunningham III 9005 Memphis Villas, Brooklyn, 44144 (216) 398-7520 rbcunningham@roadrunner.com ATS SEC'Y. R.Cunningham LOCAL DUES to R. Cunningham

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Alliance, OH Br. 8 cont. SEC'Y. Phyllis Biggs 1690 S Freedom Alliance, 44601 (330) 823-0681 ATS SEC'Y. Denise Aeling Crawford 15970 Cenfield St, Alliance, 44601 (330) 821-5125 dcrawfordcpa@yahoo.com SICK NOTICES to Phyllis Biggs

Chicago, IL Br. 9

Mtg. 1st Mon. 8:00 p.m. DANK Haus 4740 N. Western (2nd floor) PRES. Hilde Mueller 1205 W. Sherwin Ave., Apt. 308 Chicago, 60626 (773) 973-0923 saxonprez@att.net SEC'Y. Elfi Sanderson 1425 London Ln. Glenview, 60025 (847) 998-0939 elfiks@aol.com ATS SEC'Y. Margarete Schiller 1249 W, Cornelia Chicago, 60657 (773) 281-6306 ÀTS DEPUTY Katherina Toecker 6521 N. Francisco Chicago, 60645 (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 (614) 235-7661 rkautz@wideopenwest.com

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

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Mtg. 2nd Sun. 2:30 p.m. Saxon Club Pavilion 710 S. Meridian 44509 (330) 792-7973 PRES. Bonnie J. Baker 4535 Mellinger Rd. Canfield, 44406 (330) 793-8691 SEC'Y. Marianne Sawicki 145 E. Ravenwood Youngstown, 44507 (330) 783-1292 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

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

Merrillville, IN Br. 26

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

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

Monaca, PA Br. 29

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

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Cleveland, OH Br. 33

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

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Detroit, MI Br. 37

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

Merrillville, IN Br. 40

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

Ellwood City, PA Br. 45

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

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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

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Salem, OH Br. 18

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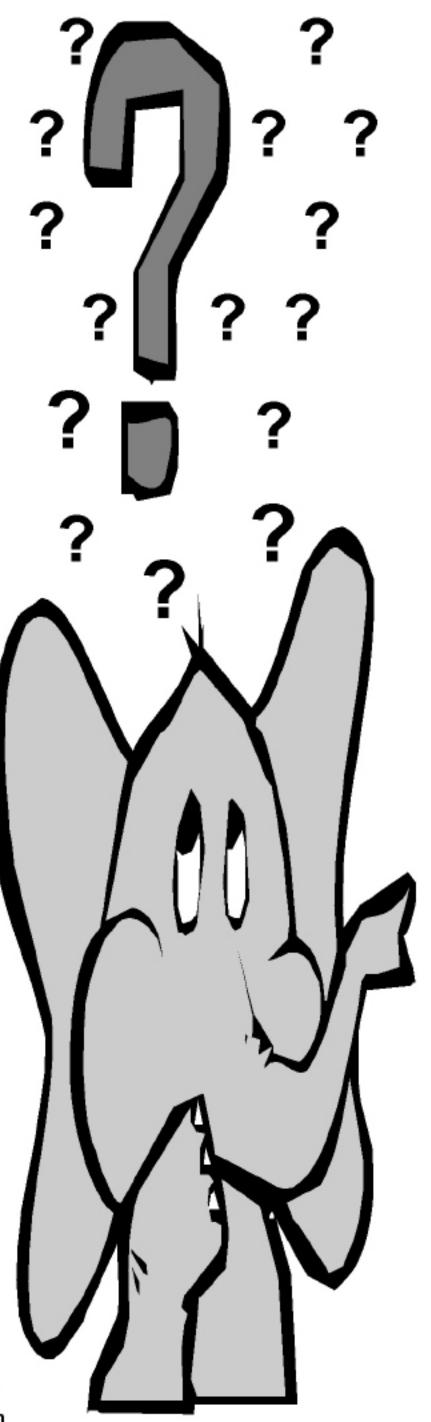
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