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BRANCH 33, CLEVELAND EAST By Arline Krestel-Suts

I am saddened to write that our dear member Evelyn Keefer (nee Romisher) passed away at age 102 on February 26. She was a life-long member of the Cleveland Branch 33. Beloved wife of the late William G. and dearest mother of William "Bill" (wife Darla). Evelyn was a very active Branch member, attending most meetings and social events until the last few years. I remember that she especially loved our homemade Saxon sausage. These photos are from her 100th Birthday celebration that many of us attended; her family surprised her with a lovely party that Evelyn and everyone enjoyed. Ruhe sanft Sister Evelyn, we will miss you. Lenten season is upon us. Due to scheduling conflict with the Messiah Lutheran church services on Wednesdays, Branch meetings for March and April will be virtual via ZOOM at 7 p.m. Check your email for the invite from Maria Phillips.



Evelyn Keefer †



BRANCHES 14 AND 17, CANTON By Cheryl Schnebelen

The Canton Saxons were not able to have their meeting on Sunday, February 16, due to our ever changing weather, so we will be meeting instead on March 16, at 1:00. As always, if you know of any current, past, or direct descendants of the ladies lodge who are in need, please let us know. You can contact me by email at sherlee5@aol.com, text or call me at 330-312-5112, and I will forward your request on to others in the branch. We look forward to hearing from you and please join us at Meyers Landing on Sunday, March 16, at 1:00.



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Denise Aeling Crawford
ATS Nat'l President



Transylvanian Saxon Klaus Johannis has stepped down as the President of Romania. He was elected President in 2014 and re-elected in 2019 by overwhelming victories. His maximum two five-year terms were up in 2024. The Romanian presidential election was held in November 2024 and was, surprisingly, won by the right-wing extremist pro-Russian candidate. The Constitutional Court declared the election invalid due to massive Russian election interference. The new presidential election is scheduled to take place on May 4, 2025, with a possible run-off on May 18. Since the election didn't determine a winner, the Constitutional Court allowed Johannis to remain as President until the new election took place.

Johannis's second term showed his approval ratings declining and was marked by democratic backsliding (a process of regime changes toward autocracy). Many voters resented his forging a coalition between two political parties who were essentially arch enemies, but in doing so, stabilized the government majority. They also accused him of inadequate interaction with the people. Most Romanians believe that the president regulates everything. Since the president and government are generally from different political spectrums, the president does not always have the support of the government.

Johannis announced his resignation on February 10 in order to "not create a divided Romania". This followed a motion filed by opposition minority parties calling for his suspension. In doing so, he preempted impeachment proceedings that were to be initiated against him in parliament. He wanted to "protect Romania and its citizens from this crisis, from this unnecessary and negative development," according to the Siebenbürgische Zeitung.

Both Rainer Lehn, the Chairman of the Transylvanian Saxons in Germany and Dr. Bernd Fabritius, Past Chairman, praised Klaus Johannis's accomplishments from his two terms in office. According to Fabritius, Johannis's resignation was just one of his many honorable services. He averted a crisis at an absolutely inopportune time that had been carelessly brought about by the country's extreme currents. Fabritius believes Klaus Johannis will remain one of Romania's most important presidents.

Did you know that the very first Native American woman graduated from medical school on March 14, 1889? Dr. Susan La Flesche Picotte was valedictorian of her class at the Women's Medical College of Pennsylvania, finishing a year early, at the age of 24. She was eight years old and living on Nebraska's Omaha Reservation when an early experience changed her life. She was at the bedside of an elderly Omaha woman who was in agonizing pain, waiting

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all night for the white doctor to arrive. He had been summoned four times, promising to come each time. The woman died overnight, and the doctor had never arrived. La Flesche felt that the woman was only an Indian and that it hadn’t mattered to the doctor.

After graduating, she returned home to Nebraska. She became the sole physician for more than 1,200 people in the Omaha and nearby Winnebago Tribes, encompassing more than 1,350 square miles of territory. She married in 1894 and had two sons. She became a widow in 1905, losing her husband to tuberculosis. She continued to serve her patients throughout the reservation, sometimes taking her children with her on house calls. House calls were difficult. She spent many hours wrapped in a buffalo robe driving her buggy through blankets of snow and subzero winds. When she returned home, she often found a line of patients waiting for her return.

According to History.com, in 1913, La Flesche opened up the first privately funded (meaning no support from the federal government) hospital on a reservation. She helped anyone who needed it, white or Native American. La Flesche died of bone cancer in 1915, at the age of 50. March is Women’s History Month, and this story of her graduation during this month fits perfectly.

Until next time...

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Try Dublin Coddle for a traditional St. Patrick’s Day dish

Dublin Coddle has a rich history deeply embedded in the culture of Dublin, Ireland, dating back to at least the 18th century, with some sources suggesting origins during the first Irish famine in the late 1700s.

The name “Coddle” is believed to derive from the French term “caudle,” which means to boil gently or to stew. This reflects the method of cooking where ingredients are slowly simmered together.

Known as a dish for the working class, Coddle was particularly popular among Dubliners for its simplicity, affordability, and the ability to cook it over a long period without much attention. It’s a comforting, hearty dish.

- Ingredients:**
- 1 lb pork sausages (Irish bangers if you can find them, otherwise any good quality sausage will do)
 - 1 lb bacon, preferably thick-cut or Irish bacon, cut into pieces
 - 4 large potatoes, peeled and thickly sliced
 - 2 large onions, sliced
 - 1 3/4 cups chicken or beef stock (or water)
 - 2-3 cloves of garlic, minced (optional, traditionalists might skip this)
 - Salt and freshly ground black pepper, to taste
 - Optional: 1-2 carrots, sliced (less traditional but adds color and sweetness)
- Instructions:**
- Preheat your oven to 350 degrees.
 - Prepare the bacon and sausages, cooking over medium heat until



they start to brown and release some fat. Brown the sausages, but don’t cook through, in the same pan.

Layer the Ingredients in a large ovenproof casserole dish or Dutch oven. At the bottom, place potatoes followed by layers of onions, then half of the bacon, then sausages. Continue layering until the ingredients are gone. Add the optional carrots on top. Season each layer.

Pour the stock (or water) over everything. It should come up to about three-quarters of the height of the

layers. You want to ensure everything is moist but not swimming in liquid.

Cover with a lid or foil and bake in the oven for about 1 hour.

After an hour, check the potatoes; they should be nearly tender.

Once the potatoes are tender and the top has a nice color, remove from the oven.

Serve this hearty dish with a pint of Guinness or a glass of Irish whiskey for an authentic St. Patrick’s Day.



Pass the muskrat

One little known Lenten meal tradition dates back to the 19th century when Catholics in Michigan were given special dispensation to eat Muskrat during Lent, when meat (except fish) is forbidden on Fridays.

Possibly because of the scarcity of food during the winter and spring seasons during which Lent falls, this practice has continued in Southeast Michigan until recent years.

Sadly, the semi-aquatic rodent is disappearing in the U.S. and its populations have declined by half in 34 states and by 90 percent in others. In Europe the creature is considered invasive.

Gambling

When I go to casinos, the most ridiculous sign I see is the one that says..."If you have a gambling problem, call 1-800-GAMBLER."

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NATIONAL EVENTS

April 5 & 6, 2025
TSBA Season-end Tournament Host: Lorain
May 17, 2025
Branch Presidents Meeting
Host: Columbus Saxons, Br. 10
June 14, 2025
TSBA Convention Host: New Castle
June 15 - 20, 2025
Saxon Summer Camp at Camp Frederick
July 11 - 13, 2025
North American Saxon Heimattag
Host: Youngstown Saxon Club
July 26, 2025
ATS Family Day at Waldameer
October 18 - 19, 2025
ATS Open Bowling Tournament
Host: Merrillville, IN

LOCAL EVENTS

March 15, 2025
Cleveland Saxon Dance Group Chili Cook-Off
March 16, 2025
Youngstown Saxon Club Pork and Kraut Dinner
March 17, 2025
Cleveland Sachsenheim St. Patrick's Day
Corned Beef Special
March 29, 2025
Youngstown Br. 30 Goulash Dinner
April 11, 2025
Cleveland 250 Club Banquet
April 12, 2025
Cleveland Breakfast with the Easter Bunny
April 24, 2025
Cleveland Sachsenheim Clean Up Day
April 26, 2025
Cleveland Sachsenheim Clean Up Day
May 3, 2025
Cleveland Saxon Dance Group Trachtenball
May 5, 2025
Cleveland Sachsenheim Cinco de Mayo
May 9 -10, 2025
Cleveland Sachsenheim Sausage Making / Sale
May 11, 2025
Cleveland Sachsenheim Mothers' Day Brunch
June 1, 2025
Cleveland Saxon Dance Group
European Tour Dance Program Performance
June 15, 2025
Cleveland Sachsenheim Fathers' Day Dinner
June 18, 2025
Cleveland Sachsenheim / Gemütlichkeit Musikanten
Pilsner Patio Party
June 29, 2025
Chicago Br. 9 Annual Summer Picnic
July 19, 2025
Cleveland Sachsenheim / Gemütlichkeit Musikanten
Krampus in July
August 16, 2025
Cleveland Sachsenheim
Sommer Oktoberfest
September 14, 2025
Chicago Br. 9 Banquet at Lone Tree Manor



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Start small to save for emergencies

With higher costs for most basics, it might be hard to imagine how you can save money for an emergency fund.

Indeed, 27 percent of all U.S. adults have no emergency savings at all, according to a Bankrate 2024 report. About 29 percent could not cover three months of expenses with their savings.

Financial experts recommend savings that could take care of six months of expenses to cover things like health emergencies, car repairs, or job loss. While six months of savings may seem like a dream, even a small amount of savings can keep you from going into credit card debt at double-digit interest rates, the kind of debt that is very difficult to escape.

So how do you do it if you are starting from scratch? The answer is start small. Make your goal one month of savings, in itself an achievement.

Figure out how much you need for fixed expenses like housing, transportation, food, daycare, utilities, and communications. Next set up a separate bank account for your emergency fund and make automatic transfers to it just as if you are paying a bill. If you can save enough that you could accumulate one month of expenses in a year, start doing that immediately.

At the same time, work on clearing high interest debt, while still building your emergency fund, according to Anthony Martin, CEO of Choice Mutual writing for Kiplinger. Some advisors think slightly differently. Financial guru Dave Ramsey recommends starting first with a \$1,000 emergency fund before aggressively starting to pay off debt.

When you successfully save one-month of expenses, start aiming at three months of expenses. When you achieve this, you will be protected from unexpected expensive bills or even unemployment. Pay attention to cutting your spending on things like eating out so you can save your money.



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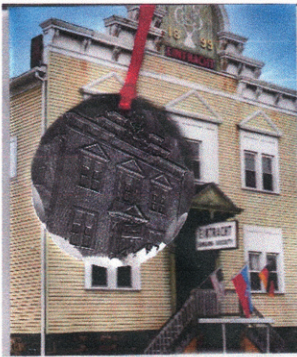
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New drug offers new hope for pain relief

The first new pain relief drug to be approved in decades will soon be on the market.

The drug, suzetrigine, is a prescription pill that is said to be as effective as opioids, but it is believed to carry little risk of addiction. Unlike opioids, suzetrigine does not create a sense of euphoria as do opioids.

The new drug works differently than opioids, too. Opioid-type medications, like Vicodin, dull the sense of pain in the brain, according to CNN. But this new drug works by preventing nerves from signaling pain.

Interestingly, the drug was developed after researchers investigated a family of fire walkers in Pakistan. Members of this family lack a gene that allows pain signals to fire in their skin. They could walk over hot coals with no problem, even though they did sense heat and touch.

This is the first drug in what is expected to be a new class of pain relief drugs. It will initially be prescribed to people who have pain after surgery, but there is some hope that the drug could be used for chronic pain. The drug is expected to wholesale at just over \$15 per 50-mg pill (taken twice daily.)

March: National Women's History Month

Jane Addams: Reformer



In 1889, Chicago was leaving the Gilded Age and entering an era of rapid industrial growth.

Iron, steel, steam railroads, shipping, and telephones begot new tycoons who created millions of new jobs which lured a million immigrants a year to fill them. Into this rich industrial mix, immigrants joined working Americans in clamorous slums full of crime and disease. Privately funded reform movements emerged to improve these conditions.

Jane Addams (1860-1935) was such a reformer, who opened Hull House in 1889. Purchased with her inheritance, Addams immediately moved in and set up shop.

At first, Hull House was a

25-room house for women, but as the project grew it began to address problems in the poor neighborhoods. On the political scene, Addams pushed to have tenement housing regulated and factories inspected. She fought for the woman's right to vote and child labor laws. On the practical scene, Hull House offered adult night school, day care, kindergarten, a library, a forum for arts, clubs for children and adults, and recreational facilities. In its heyday, Hull House had 13 buildings and served 2,000 people each week.

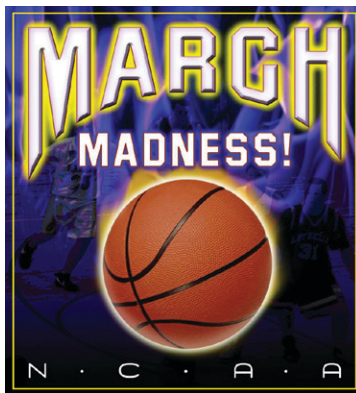
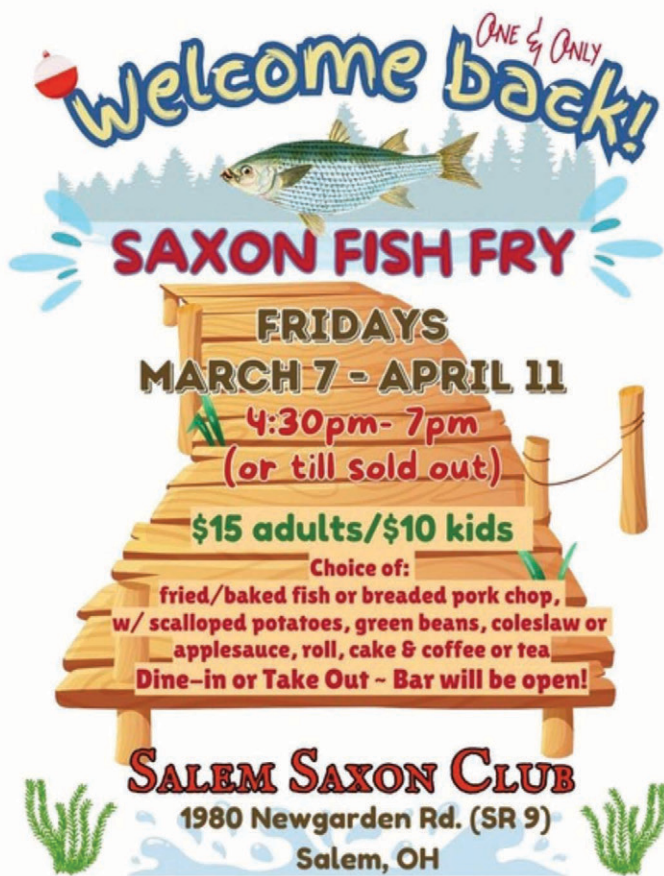
Addams denied she was a social worker. Instead, she said she was a pragmatist, looking for solutions for working people.

One of her most lasting contributions was her founding of the Juvenile Protective Association in Chicago in 1901, a forerunner of the juvenile justice system. Today the group still exists, offering psychological treatment to children and families in abusive situations.

She won the Nobel Peace Prize in 1931 for her efforts to preserve peace and freedom.

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March 16 - April 7, 2025

A traditional March event

NCAA Men's Basketball tournament draws many fans

It's becoming one of the best-known rites of spring. The 86th annual NCAA Basketball Championship begins March 16, at the University of Dayton's UD Arena in Ohio.

The tournament takes place over three weeks at sites across the United States. The national semifinals, the Final Four, have become one of the nation's most prominent sporting events.

It is a single-elimination tournament featuring 68 college basketball teams. The tournament bracket is made up of conference tournament champions from each conference, which receive automatic bids. The remaining slots are at-large berths. Teams are chosen by an NCAA selection committee. The selection process and tournament seedings are based on several factors, including team ranking, win-loss records, and other data.

Since first held in 1939, the tournament has built a legacy that includes dynasty teams and dramatic underdog stories.

Beginning with rounds one and two, all games are featured on national television.

In recent years, friendly wagering on the event has become something of a national pastime, including countless workplace pools that attract expert fans and novices alike.

The term "March Madness" was coined by Henry V. Porter of the Illinois High School Association in 1939. Most historians agree that the name was popularized by Brent Musburger, a CBS sportscaster who worked in Chicago for many years.



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.

Mildred Krulik

Age: 93

Died: January 24, 2025
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Judith Mitchell

Age: 82

Died: January 28, 2025
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Evelyn Keefer

Age: 102

Died: February 8, 2025
Branch 33, Cleveland, OH

Sallirae Absalom

Age: 92

Died: February 23, 2025
Branch 30, Youngstown, OH

Raymond Albrecht

Age: 72

Died: February 27, 2025
Branch 30, Youngstown, OH

It's been my observation that most people get ahead during the time that others waste.

Henry Ford

Whatever course you decide upon, there is always someone to tell you that you are wrong. There are always difficulties arising which tempt you to believe that your critics are right. To map out a course of action and follow it to an end requires courage.

Ralph Waldo Emerson

In order to be irreplaceable, one must always be different.

Coco Chanel

Our personal consumer choices have ecological, social and spiritual consequences. It is time to re-examine some of the deeply held notions that underlie our lifestyles.

David Suzuki

People often say that motivation doesn't last. Well, neither does bathing. That's why we recommend it daily.

Zig Ziglar

**Branch 33 Cleveland East BOWL WHERE YOU ARE Party
on February 22.**

Thank you North Woods Lanes in Macedonia Ohio for accommodating all of us. We ate pizza and veggies and brownies. Thanks to all the adults who came to help and cheer on the Juniors! And we were all in awe of Fred Krestel who at age 91 humbled us all by bowling a 190 and 194! It was a great event for seniors and juniors to share Gemütlichkeit.



**Find your true self in your
own expectations**

Be true to yourself and don't live a lie. These are the aphorisms we often hear repeated in our travel through life's challenges. But, what is true of you? What is authentic? Social psychologist Roy Baumeister has a theory that our feelings of authenticity come from acting in line with the social image we want. In other words, the reputation we want. When we see that people see us the way we want to be seen, we have a deep feeling of authenticity. That is really who we are. Similarly, if we live a life that does not reflect what we want our reputation to be, we feel we are living a lie. In fact, some social observers say what we want our reputation to be is also tied up with our values of being a good person. In fact, Baumeister says we have an ideal self, our own idea of our best self. The closer we act in line with that, the more authentic we feel. The more we depart from that vision, the less authentic we feel. So, if you want to be authentic, imagine what you would like other people to think of you. Now behave in such a way that they might think it.

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PRES. Diethild Thut
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Palatine IL 60074
(847) 414-2660
dedethut11@yahoo.com
SEC'Y. Elfi Sanderson
1425 London Lane
Glenview IL 60025
(847) 998-0939
elfisanderson@gmail.com
ATS SEC'Y: Claudia Schmidt
8550 Niles Center Rd Skokie IL 60077
(847) 899-8663
SchmidtC274@gmail.com
LOCAL DUES AND SICK NOTICES TO:
Claudia Schmidt
Address as shown above

Columbus, OH Br. 10
Mtg. 3rd Monday at Noon
Hickory House,
550 Officecenter Place Gahanna OH
PRES.Olga Hesch
7260 Refugee Rd
Pickerington OH 43147
H (614) 837-4038 C (614)432-3666
Olga.hesch@gmail.com
SEC'Y. Elizabeth Lassel
300 Glade Run Rd
West Jefferson OH 43162
H (740) 845-0564 C (614) 769-3986
ATS SEC'Y. P. Michael Roth
8063 Ivory Gull Cir Pickerington OH 43147
(614) 216-0008
LOCAL DUES and SICK NOTICES to
Donald Blum
6436 Lakeview Cir
Canal Winchester OH 43110
H (614) 837-1915 C (614) 580-8616
donaldcblum@prodigy.net

Canton, OH Br. 14
Mtg. 2nd Sunday
Location varies
PRES. Thomas J. Rowinsky
1656 Dunkeith Dr NW, Canton, 44708
(330) 478-9333
ATS SECRETARY: Helen Aeling
15354 Georgetown St NE
Minerva OH 44657
(330) 862-2563 HHA658@aol.com
SICK NOTICES to Thomas Rowinsky
Address as shown above

Canton, OH Br. 17
Mtg. 2nd Sunday Location varies
PRES. Mary Rowinsky
1656 Dunkeith Dr NW
Canton OH 44708
(330) 478-9333
mkrowinsky@neo.rr.com
SEC'Y. Mary Rowinsky
1656 Dunkeith Dr NW
Canton OH 44708
(330) 478-9333
ATS SECRETARY: Helen Aeling
15354 Georgetown St NE
Minerva OH 44657
(330) 862-2563 HHA658@aol.com
SICK NOTICES to Mary Rowinsky
NO LOCAL DUES

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Mail to: Alliance of Transylvanian Saxons, 5323 Pearl Road, Cleveland, Ohio 44129-1503

Salem, OH Br. 18
Mtg. 2nd Mon. 7:00 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 Cell (216) 410-7291
SEC'Y. / ATS SECRETARY
Barbara Spack
1389 Brookview Dr Salem, 44460
(330) 501-1491 babrayn@sbcglobal.net
SICK NOTICES to Theresa Spack
384 W Pershing
Salem OH 44460 (330) 831-4119
LOCAL DUES TO: Helen Aeling
15354 Georgetown St. NE Minerva
44657
(330) 862-2563 HHA658@aol.com

Salem, OH Br. 19
Mtg. 1st Mon. 7:30 p.m.
Saxon Club 1980 Newgarden Rd
Salem OH 44460 (330) 222-1770
PRES. Glenn Spack
943 Stewart Rd Salem OH 44460
(234) 320-4132
SEC'Y. Robert P. Vogt, Sr.
973 Sunset Blvd. Salem, 44460
(330) 881-3346 mvcobra27@gmail.com
ATS SEC'Y Glenn Spack
Address and phone as above
SICK NOTICES to Glenn T. Spack
address above
LOCAL DUES to Richard Vogt, Sr.
c/o Salem Saxon Club
1980 Newgarden Rd, Salem, 44460
(330) 222-1770

New Castle, PA Br. 25
Mtg. 2nd Thursday 8:00 p.m.
Eintracht Hall 108 Taylor St.,
New Castle PA 16101
(724) 652-7221
PRES. Karl E. Hermann
1650 Union Valley Rd
Wampum PA 16157
(724) 732-3426
karlhermann@comcast.net
SEC'Y. Jacob Holzhauser
764 Rose Point Rd New Castle 16101
(724) 971-1260
newcastleeintracht@gmail.com
ATS SEC'Y: Danual Forsberg
385 Trihaven Ln
New Wilmington, PA 16142
(724) 971-3448
danualforsberg@gmail.com
Local Dues: Joshua Stelle
10 Ludwig Rd New Castle, PA 16105
(724) 699-3039 Stellejw1@comcast.net

Merrillville, IN Br. 26
Meeting first Sunday at 2 p.m.
Slovak Club - 6920 Broadway
(219) 756-5101
PRES. Randall Floyd
1806 E 73rd Ave, Merrillville IN 46410
(219) 798-6908
Rfloyd1066@msn.com
SEC'Y.Brigitte Floyd
1806 E 73rd Ave, Merrillville IN 46410
(219) 688-6561
gittifyfloyd@gmail.com
ATS SEC'Y. Jeff Szostek
625 Lake Shore Dr
Hobart IN 46342-5017
(219) 313-7854 219szos@gmail.com
LOCAL DUES to Zita Palyok
724 E. 25th Pl, Lake Station IN 46405
(219) 962-7345 randz724@comcast.net
Sick Notices to Brigitte Floyd
Listed above

New Castle, PA Br. 27
Mtg. 1st Thurs. 6:00 p.m.
Soni's Restaurant
3209 Wilmington Rd, New Castle
PRES. Judith Both
1512 Drespling Ln
New Castle PA 16101
(724) 654-0573
jboth1512@comcast.net
SEC'Y. Dolores Both
3512 Hunters Woods Blvd #1
New Castle PA 16105
(724) 658-7407 doloresboth@verizon.net
ATS SEC'Y. Judy Both
1512 Drespling Ln New Castle 16101
(724) 654-0573
LOCAL DUES to Katy Hudak
4097 County Line Rd
New Castle PA 16101
(724) 924-9286 katyb26@hotmail.com
SICK NOTICES to Judith Both

Monaca / Rochester PA Br. 29
Mtg. 2nd Monday 7 p.m.
Saxon Club 112 Simes Ave
Rochester, PA 15074
PRES. Cristy Roberts (724) 601-2047
SEC'Y Tiffiane Smilek (724) 709-1891
ATS SEC'Y Donald Ash (724) 777-9059
All correspondences should be
mailed to Saxon Club address above

Youngstown, OH Br. 30
Mtg. 2nd. Sun. 2:00 p.m.
Saxon Club 710 S. Meridian
Youngstown OH 44509
(330) 792-7973
PRES. Ernie Roth Sr.
6280 Morningside Rd
Hubbard OH 44425
(330) 501-1110 djera@netzero.net
SEC'Y Fran Hinerman
4535 Mellinger Rd
Canfield OH 44406
(330) 507-1340
ATS SEC'Y Julaine Gilmartin
4173 Timberland Trail
Canfield, OH 44406
(330) 799-5171
LOCAL DUES Val Thomas
5947 Tippecanoe Rd
Canfield OH 44406 (234) 201-3993
SICK NOTICES to
Rosemary Zamary
3202 Starwick Ct
Canfield OH 44406
(330) 792-0388
rzamary@yahoo.com

Ellwood City, PA Br. 32
Mtg. 2nd. Wed. 7:30 p.m.
Saxon Club 901 Millview St.
(724) 758-3268
PRES. Laura Goehring
113 Mahony Ave Ellwood City PA 16117
(724) 971-2040
SEC'Y Johanna Jenkins
909 Old Zelenople Rd.
Ellwood City PA 16117
ATS SEC'Y Lori Berendt
2260 Cherry Hill Rd
Ellwood City 16117(724) 714-1217
SICK NOTICES to: Joan Evans
197 Portersville Rd Apt 3
Ellwood City PA 16117
(724) 752-1109

Cleveland, OH Br. 33
Mtg. 2nd. Weds. 7:00 p.m.
Messiah Lutheran Church
5200 Mayfield Rd, Lyndhurst OH 44124
PRES. Margarete Ziegler
38047 Parkway Blvd.
Willoughby OH 44094
(440) 488-6421
margarez@aol.com
SEC'Y. Arline Suts
413 Downing Dr Chardon OH 44024
(440) 867-6103
asuts@windstream.net
ATS SEC'Y. Karyn Schmidt
4979 Anderson Rd
Lyndhurst OH 44124
(216) 382-7397
SICK NOTICES to Arline Suts
Address and phone as above
LOCAL DUES to Michael Bretz
388 East 317th St.
Willowick OH 44095
(216) 392-6241 meb3172@att.net

Detroit, MI Br. 37
Mtg. 1st. Sun. 12:00 p.m.
St. Peters Lutheran Church
11423 Chicago Rd. Warren, MI
(586) 978-3850
PRES. Susanna Fleischer
11060 Furbush Rd. Holly MI 48442
(810) 694-1860
beetlebugsue7@peoplepc.com
SEC'Y. Trudy Kalvin
2448 Orpington Troy MI 48083
(248) 925-9995
ACTING ATS SEC'Y.
Susanna Fleischer
Address as above
LOCAL DUES to Ingrid Weihs-Ferguson
11711 Lancer Dr Sterling Hts MI 48313
iwferguson@aol.com

Ellwood City, PA Br. 45
Mtg. 3rd Tuesday 7:30 p.m.
Saxon Club 901 Millview St.
(724) 758-3268
PRES. John Dengel
305 Stamm Hollow Rd.
Ellwood City, PA 16117
(724) 622-1593
SEC'Y Dawn Dengel
Same as President
(724) 622-0152
ATS SEC'Y Cathie Bender
801 Park Ave.
Ellwood City, PA 16117
(724) 544-7232
LOCAL DUES to Kathy Carsele
318 Golf Ave.
Ellwood City, PA 16117
(724) 758-3002
Sick Notices to
Cathie Bender
Same as ATS Secretary

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It's that time of year again!

The ATS wants to remind our members that it is not too late to make a contribution to either your Roth IRA or your Traditional IRA for the 2024 tax year. You have until the tax filing deadline of April 15th to make a contribution for last year. If you do not have an ATS Traditional or Roth IRA and you have earned income (generally wages or self-employed income), we recommend that you start one now.

An ATS Individual Retirement Arrangement (IRA) is a smart way to save, combining two incredibly powerful forces: compounded interest and tax savings. Both the Traditional and Roth versions allow you to enjoy tax advantages while saving for your future.

With an ATS Traditional IRA, investment earnings are tax-deferred, so you pay tax only when you withdraw funds after retirement. Contributions to the Traditional IRA may be deductible on your income tax return. (Please consult your tax advisor.)

With an ATS Roth IRA, all withdrawals are tax free, including the earnings, for withdrawals after five years and attaining age 59 1/2. Contributions are not deductible on your tax return, but the tax free withdrawals in the future will usually make up for that. (Please consult your tax advisor.)

The ATS has no administrative charges on your accounts. No annual fee, no statement fee, no service fee. (There could be a small surrender charge if you withdraw funds in the first five years of the account being opened.) Contact your local ATS Sales Deputy or the ATS Home Office if you are interested in opening a tax-advantaged IRA.

For those of you with existing ATS Traditional or Roth IRA's, you can always contribute as little or as much as allowed (see contribution limits below) into your IRA account for each tax year. Even a contribution of a few hundred dollars a year will make a difference in your retirement years.

For those who have an IRA account elsewhere, check out your earnings rate and your fees that you pay for that account. You may want to consider transferring your IRA to the ATS. Current APR is 4.0%.

Annual Contribution Limit for Traditional and Roth IRAs:

Tax Year:	Under Age 50	Age 50 and Over
2024	\$7,000	\$8,000
2025	\$7,000	\$8,000



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