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BRANCH 30, YOUNGSTOWN By Rosemarie Kascher

Upcoming events:

Wednesdays: Dinner and Drawings Thursdays: Bar Bingo resumed 7 p.m. Fridays: Fish Dinner, open to the public Sundays: Breakfast and 2 p.m. meetings,

2nd Sundays

May 5 8 a.m. -2 p.m. Flea Market resumes, Vendors \$5.00

May 18 Branch meeting 2 p.m.

July 11, 12 Heimattag

July 13 Saxon Day Picnic

Spring cleaning will be scheduled. Please consider coming out Saturdays to help set us up.

We now have a Game Room Billiard Table, Dart Game and Slot Machine. Come and bring your friends and enjoy an evening.

It's that time of year again – Trash and Treasure Flea Market opens starting May 5, vendors only \$5 each. The public is welcome!

Please pay your dues to support your Saxon Club. It is only \$40 per year, honorary members \$20. Make your checks payable to Youngstown Saxon Club c/o Val Thomas, 5947 Tippecanoe Rd, Youngstown OH 44406 or to the office.

Scholarships from Branch 30 to YSU are possible for men or women at any age, for full time enrollment. You need to be a member for two years and have a 3.0 grade average. Speaking as a former YSU faculty member, this is a wonderful opportunity to help with tuition. Please contact Julaine Gilmartin (330) 799-5171, 4173 Timberlaine Trl, Canfield, OH 44406.

Hildegard Dunkerley, a past fifty-year member and the past president of our ladies' lodge is no longer with us. Our sympathies to her family.

It is a great pleasure to salute our Man and Woman of the Year Julaine Gilmartin and Ernest Roth. CONGRATULATIONS!

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ion Postmaster: Send all Changes of Address to: The Alliance of Transylvanian Saxons 5323 Pearl Road Cleveland OH 44129-1503 BRANCH 18, SALEM By Chris Phillis

Salem Saxon Club Branches, 18 & 19, would like to thank everyone that came out and volunteered to help with the fish frys and supported our fish frys. We are planning to have more Dinners, Breakfasts & Fish Frys throughout the year.

Watch in the Volksblatt, the Calendar of Events in the newspaper and on Facebook for more dates of events to be held by the club.

Dates are available to rent the Club House and Country Club! Phone number to call for available dates is (330) 222-1770.

Thank you,

Chris Phillis Branch 18 President.





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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Denise Aeling Crawford

ATS Nat'l President



On Sunday, May 11, we celebrate Mother's Day. To all the moms out there: Thank You! To those who still have their mother, please take the time to let her know how much she means to you. To those whose mother has passed on, take the time to reflect and remember the love and support she gave you. I hope we all have a wonderful weekend. Happy Mother's Day!

The Siebenbürgische Zeitung, the Saxon newspaper published in Germany, is celebrating its 75th Anniversary this year. We congratulate them on this exciting milestone! Their newspaper is much larger than our Volksblatt, being that it serves both Germany and Austria's Transylvanian Saxon population. You can see a digital copy of the paper on their website www.Siebenbuerger.de, along with other articles, pictures of events, and videos.

We congratulate the Past Chairman of the Federation of Transylvanian Saxons, Dr. Bernd Fabritius, on becoming the new Federal Government Commissioner for Ethnic German Resettlers and National Minorities again. In addition to the issues of repatriates and minorities, he will address the concerns of German expellees and German minorities abroad. Fabritius previously served in this position within the German government from 2018 to 2022.

The Board's Fraternal Activities Committee met on Saturday, April 26th for a very important meeting. One of the duties of this Committee, the one everyone gets excited about, is the selection of scholarship recipients. A total of 48 ATS members continuing their education will receive scholarships ranging from two \$1,000-per-year for four years, to \$3,000 and \$2,000 awards to \$1,000, \$750, and \$500 awards. This 48 is in addition to the three who will receive their renewal scholarship award. The recipients will be announced at the Branch Presidents Meeting on May 17th. Following that, the recipients will be notified individually of their awards.

Did you know that Winston Churchill became Prime Minister of England on May 10, 1940? Churchill was one of the best-known, and some say one of the greatest statesmen of the 20th century. According to History.com, he was born into a life of privilege but dedicated himself to public service. He was an idealist and a pragmatist; an orator and a soldier; an advocate of progressive social reforms and an unapologetic elitist; a defender of democracy as well as Britain's fading empire. He came from a long line of English aristocrat-politicians. His mother was an American heiress. Churchill was born on November 30, 1874. He was educated at the Harrow Prep School, where his grades were so bad he didn't even bother applying to Oxford or Cambridge. Instead, he went to the Royal Military Academy Sandhurst.

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Schloss Horneck needs OUR help!



Schloss Horneck located in Gundelsheim, Germany is the international location for our Siebenbürger Sachsen to house Sachsen artifacts, books and other historical documents and records. It is important to our worldwide Sachsen community to help in the maintenance expenses of this historical facility that will preserve our Sachsen culture and heritage.

The Federation of Transylvanian Saxons requests donations to help in the funding of the facility. If you are interested in giving a donation, please complete the form below and send to the ATS Home Office, 5323 Pearl Road, Cleveland, OH 44129.

Please make your check payable to the ATS.

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ATS SAXON RELIEF FUND

or honor of someone





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

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

Please send your contributions to our ATS office, 5323 Pearl Road, Cleveland, Ohio 44129. Write checks payable to the "ATS SAXON RELIEF FUND". Thank you for your help!



NOTE: Gift packages can be ordered for delivery to a specific relative or friend in Transylvania for a minimal cost of **\$50.00**. Send your check payable to the "ATS Saxon Relief Fund" and the **exact name and address** of the recipient to our ATS Office. Please print or type for clarity. The package contents include non-perishable items such as: Coffee, Milk, Cocoa, Sugar, Rice, Flour, Margarine, Soup, Chocolate, Cheese, Sausage, Yeast, etc.

What is a paraprosdokian?

A paraprosdokian is a figure of speech in which the latter part of a sentence or phrase is surprising or unexpected in a way that causes the reader or listener to reframe or reinterpret the first part. Examples:

- 1. Do not argue with an idiot. He will drag you down to his level and beat you with experience.
- 2. The last thing I want to do is hurt you. But it's still on my list.
- 3. Light travels faster than sound. This is why some people appear bright until you hear them speak.
- 4. Knowledge is knowing a tomato is a fruit. Wisdom is not putting it in a fruit salad.
- 5. To steal ideas from one person is plagiarism. To steal from many is research.
- 6. I didn't say it was your fault, I said I was blaming you.
- 7. I used to be indecisive. Now I'm not so sure.
- 8. Change is inevitable, except from a vending machine.
- 9. Going to church doesn't make you a Christian any more than standing in a garage makes you a car.

Nothing is foolproof to a talented fool.



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You may either

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Articles e-mailed will receive an e-mailed confirmation by Noon Thursday. If you did not receive a confirmation, please give us a call.

DEADLINE DATES FOR ARTICLES:

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FRIDAY, MAY 23, 2025 FRIDAY, JUNE 6, 2025 FRIDAY, JUNE 20, 2025

Please have your articles in by 12 Noon.

Did you miss the deadline?

Have you emailed your article past 12 Noon?
Please call Hanz Hermann at (440) 525-0020

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE Cont'd from Page 1

traveled around the British Empire as a soldier and journalist. In 1896 he traveled to India and published his first book on that experience. In 1899, he was assigned to cover the Boer War in South Africa but was captured by enemy soldiers upon his arrival. News of his daring escape through a bathroom window made him a minor celebrity back home. By the time he returned to England in 1900, at age 26, he had published five books. That same year, he joined the House of Commons. In 1911, Churchill turned his attention away from domestic politics when he became the First Lord of the Admiralty, which is like the Secretary of the Navy in the US. Noting the activities in Germany, he began to prepare Great Britain for war. He established the Royal Naval Air Service, modernized the British Fleet and helped to invent one of the earliest tanks. During the 1920s and 1930s, he bounced from government job to government job.

Churchill replaced Neville Chamberlain after Chamberlain resigned after losing a confidence vote. In 1938, Chamberlain signed the Munich Agreement with Nazi leader Adolf Hitler, giving the Sudentenland region of Czechoslovakia over to German conquest, to bring "peace in our time". According to History.com, this peace lasted until September 1939, when Hitler invaded Poland. Britain and France declared war against Germany. The next eight months proved he was ill-equipped for the daunting task of saving Europe from the Nazis. After British forces failed to prevent the German occupation of Norway in April 1940, Chamberlain lost the support of many members of his Conservative Party. Hitler invaded the Low Countries (Belgium, Luxembourg, and the Netherlands) and France on May 10. That same day, Chamberlain formally lost the confidence of the House of Commons.

Winston Churchill, known for his military leadership abilities, was appointed British prime minister that same day. He formed an all-party coalition and quickly won the popular support of Britons. On May 13, in his first speech before the House of Commons, Churchill de-

Following Sandhurst, he clared that "I have nothing to offer but blood, toil, tears, and sweat" and offered an outline of his bold plans for British resistance. In the first year of his administration, Britain stood alone against Nazi Germany, but Churchill promised his country and the world that the British people would "never surrender". They never did. He was out of the office in 1945.

> He spent the next several years warning the British and Americans about the dangers of Soviet expansionism. During a speech in Fulton, Missouri in 1946, Churchill declared that an anti-democratic "Iron Curtain", a growing challenge and peril to Christian civilization had descended across Europe. This speech was the first time anyone used that now-common phrase to describe the Communist threat. He became Prime Minister again in 1951 at age 77. He retired from the post four years later. Sir Winston Churchill (after having been knighted by Queen Elizabeth) won the Nobel Prize for Literature in 1953 for his six-volume history of World War II. He died in 1965 at the age of

Until next time...

Other Heimattag **Hotels/Motels available:**

Quality Inn

870 N. Canfield Niles Rd. Youngstown, Ohio 44515 (330) 544-2378

Hampton Inn

880 N. Canfield Road Youngstown, Ohio 44515 (330) 544-0660

Home 2 Suites by Hilton

5580 Patriot Blvd Youngstown, Ohio 44515 (330) 505-9935

Days Inn

5425 Clarkins Drive Youngstown, Ohio 44515 (330) 553-9200

Holiday Inn Express

5575 Cerni Place Youngstown, Ohio 44515 (330) 349-9900

Call for price and availability

All Hotels are located near the I-80 and Canfield Niles Road (Rt 46) interchange

2025 SAXON HEIMATTAG RESERVATION FORM

July 11 – 13, 2025

Host: ATS Branch 30 - Youngstown Saxon Club 710 S. Meridian Rd

Youngstown, Ohio 44509 Zusammen Seite an Seite / Together Side by Side



	ENING (Food served 6:00 – 8:00 BQ Buffet (Pulled pork, etc) option	Ticket Price) p.m.) Adults \$20 Vegetarian \$20 Free for Children Ages 12 & Under	Number Tickets x x	**Total
Sandwich, S	LUNCH (12:00 – 1:00 p.m.) Soup & Salad Bar vice, then Cultural performanc	Adults \$20 Free for Children Ages 12 & Under es all afternoon	x	\$
SATURDAY Saxon Buffe Vegetarian	DINNER (6:00 p.m.) et (Schnitzel, Sausage, etc)	Adults \$40 Vegetarian \$40 Free for Children Ages 12 & Under	x x	\$ \$
OPTIONAL: Sunday Breakfast at Youngstown Saxon Club (9:30 – 2:00) # Branch 30 Membership Picnic (noon to ??) non-members \$10 x GRAND TOTAL				
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Prepaid Reservations Only				
Deadline for Reservations: June 20, 2025				

All tickets will be held at the door

Mail or Fax reservation form and checks (US currency only) to: Alliance of Transylvanian Saxons 5323 Pearl Rd. Cleveland, OH 44129

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Group Block: Saxon Club

Deadline for discounted rate is June 20

2 Beds - \$149 + tax per night 1 King - \$159 + tax per night Smoke Free Hotel Breakfast included Indoor Pool

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Youngstown, OH 44515 (330) 544-0300

Group Block: Saxon Club

Deadline for discounted rate is June 20

2 Beds - \$121 + tax per night 1 King Bed - \$111 + tax per night Smoke Free Hotel Breakfast included Indoor Pool

Sleep Inn

5555 Patriot Blvd Youngstown, OH 44515 (330) 544-5555 Group Block: Saxon Club

Deadline for discounted rate is June 20 2 Beds - \$94.99 + tax per night 1 King Bed - \$94.99 + tax per night Smoke Free Hotel Breakfast included



FRATERNAL CALENDAR

NATIONAL EVENTS

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

June 21, 2025

ATS Annual Fishing Charter

Linda Mae Charter, Eastlake, OH

July 11 - 12, 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

May 10, 2025

Cleveland East Br. 33 Krapfen Sale

May 11, 2025

Cleveland Sachsenheim Mothers' Day Brunch

May 18, 2025

Cleveland East Br. 33 Membership Banquet

Saint Noel's Party Center, Willoiughby, OH

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 13, 2025

Youngstown Saxon Day Picnic

July 19, 2025

Cleveland Sachsenheim / Gemütlichkeit Musikanten

Krampus in July

August 16, 2025

Cleveland Sachsenheim Sommer Oktoberfest

August 17, 2025

Cleveland East Br. 33 Annual Picnic

Penitentiary Glen

September 14, 2025

Chicago Br. 9 Banquet at Lone Tree Manor

September 27, 2025

Cleveland Sachsenheim Clambake

October 15, 2025

Cleveland Sachsenheim Lagerfest

October 24, 2025

Cleveland Sachsenheim Children's Halloween Party

November 9, 2025

Cleveland Sachsenheim Veterans' Day Dinner November 19, 2025

Cleveland Sachsenheim Tree Trimming

December 5-6, 2025
Clevelaland Sachsenehim Sausage Making / Sale

December 13, 2025

Cleveland Sachsenheim

Children's Christmas Party



Alliance of Transylvanian Saxons





Understanding compound interest

Just out of college? The best thing you can do for your retirement is to save money every month and keep doing that for the next 40 years.

Time and consistency are the keys to taking advantage of a financial power that turns small investments into big ones.

The name of this secret power? Compound interest.

With compound interest, you earn interest on the money you invest initially and the accumulated interest from previous periods. The longer you keep your money in a compound interest account and the more consistently you add to it, the more money you'll make.

According to Kiplinger, if you invest \$1,000 at an annual interest rate of 8 percent, you'll earn \$80 interest after the first year. The next year the interest is calculated not on your original \$1,000 but on \$1,080, so your total becomes \$1,166.40. When you see the effect over decades, the small amount turns into a big amount.

If you invest \$500 per month beginning at age 25 at 8 percent, you end up with about \$1.7 million by age 65, but your contributions would be just \$240,000. On the other hand, if you wait until 35 to start saving the same amount, you'll end up with \$714,000, having contributed \$180,000.



ATTENTION:

Members Cleveland East Branch 33 2025-2026 Application for Scholarship/Reimbursement College Expenses

Branch 33 members who are newly entering or continuing college (undergraduate studies only) are invited to apply for a Freshman (\$1,000) or Sophomore/Junior/Senior (\$500) scholarship for the 2025-2026 academic year. IT IS THE MEMBER'S RESPONSIBILITY to call or write to REQUEST an application.

DEADLINE IS May 30, 2025

Here are the eligibility requirements, i.e. the RULES.

- 1. At least one parent or guardian or grandparent of the applicant must be a member in good standing of ATS Branch 33 for the past two (2) years.
- 2. Scholarship applicants must be a member in good standing of ATS Branch 33 for the past two (2) years, having transferred from Junior/Juvenile status to Active/Adult i.e. local dues paying status.
- 3. Freshman: High School accumulative GPA minimum
- 4. Upperclassman: College accumulative GPA minimum 2.5

Branch 33 members attending college for undergraduate studies can request an application by mailing in the form below or via e-mail to Karyn Schmidt at mbks26@gmail. com.

Questions call Karyn at (216) 382-7397.

Application Request for Branch 33 College Scholarship/Reimbursement

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DEADLINE IS May 30, 2025: Mail to: Karyn Schmidt 4979 Anderson Road, Lyndhurst OH 44124

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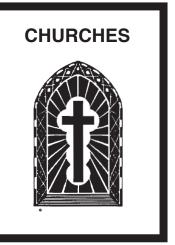
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10:00 Service Nursery Coffee following service **Senior Circle**

You see, it's never the environment; it's never the events of our lives, but the meaning we attach to the events, and how we interpret them that shapes who we are today and who we'll become tomorrow.

> Anthony Robbins, life strategist

Lady Luck generally woos those who earnestly, enthusiastically, unremittingly woo her.

B.C. Forbes,

BRANCH 4, CLEVELAND By Joan Miller-Malue

We want to thank everyone who helped on clean-up Saturday. The garden is looking good ready for patio season. Thank those who did various jobs inside the Club.

If you haven't yet joined the Saxon 250 Club for season 2025-2026, you still can. The cost to join will again be \$50.00 for annual membership. This is a great opportunity to support our Sachsenheim while taking a chance on some great prizes. Beginning in April 21, we will draw numbers for 50 consecutive weeks and each winner will be awarded \$25.00, with the exception of week 25 where a special prize of \$100.00 will be awarded. At the end of the club year, each member will be entitled to one ticket to our year end banquet and will be entered into a grand prize drawing where cash prizes ranging from \$50.00-\$1000.00 will be awarded (winner need not be present). It is not necessary to be a Branch 1 or 4 member to join – membership is open to all adults ages 18 and older. If you are interested in joining, please make checks payable to Saxon 250 Club and mail to: Stephanie Miller, 23500 Wingedfoot Dr Westlake, OH 44145. Should you have questions, please email us atsaxon250club@gmail.com_

Reminder if you made a sausage order, pick up is Saturday, May 10. Thanking ahead of time for the wonderful volunteers that prepare and work at the sausage sale. You are the best!

Treat your Mom to the Sachsenheim's Mother's Day Brunch on Sunday, May 11 at 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. The menu will include pancakes, biscuits and sausage gravy, eggs benedict, fresh fruit. Croissants, bacon, ham, sausage, etc. and a Bloody Mary Bar. Reservations are required by calling the Sachsenheim at (216) 651-0888.

What 'Mother' Means

"Mother" is such a simple word, But to me there's meaning seldom heard. For everything I am today, My mother's love showed me the way. I'll love my mother all my days, For enriching my life in so many ways. She set me straight and then set me free, And that's what the word "mother" means to me. ~ Karl Fuchs

Next monthly meeting will be Monday, May 19 at 7:00 p.m. Forbes magazine founder Happy Mother's Day!

Here's what kids can make for mom on Mother's Day, May 11

An easy and fun dish kids can make for their mom on Mother's Day is Mini Pancake Stacks with Fruit. It's simple, requires minimal cooking skills, and lets kids get creative with presentation—perfect for a special breakfast or brunch treat. Here's how they can do it:

Ingredients:

1 cup pancake mix (storebought like Bisquick or Aunt Jemima works great) 2/3 cup milk (or water, depending on the mix)

1 egg (optional, check the mix instructions)

Butter or oil for the pan Toppings: sliced strawberries, bananas, blueberries.

Whipped cream or maple

(optional but kid-approved)

Steps:

Mix the Batter: In a bowl, combine the pancake mix,



milk, and egg (if needed) with a whisk or spoon. It's okay if it's a little lumpy.

Heat the Pan: An adult might need to help here. Put a small pat of butter or a drizzle of oil in a nonstick skillet over medium heat.

Make Mini Pancakes: Spoon small dollops of batter (about 1-2 tablespoons each) into the pan to make bitesized pancakes. Cook until bubbles form on top (about 1-2

minutes), then flip and cook another minute until golden.

Stack 'Em Up: Let the pancakes cool slightly, then stack 3-5 minis on a plate. Kids can layer fruit slices or pile fruit on top.

Decorate: Add a squirt of whipped cream or a drizzle of syrup. If they're feeling fancy, they can arrange the fruit into a heart shape or spell out "MOM"

BRANCH 5, LORAIN By Michael Johnson

Spring has sprung and we're off and running again into a summer of all things new and bright. Parents, if you have a graduating senior let me know so we can express our congratulations to them in the next issue. Any member who has something they would like to share here with our members just email me at mikjo79@gmail.com with a brief detail of the news you'd like to share.

We met on the fourth Monday April 28th for our monthly meeting only this one time to make sure we accomplished timely business matters before the start of summer. One of which was our yearly audit. Reports from the treasurer Sister Ginger Romes and the financial dues secretary Brother Michael Johnson were reviewed by our trustees Sisters Jeanne Petty, Barb Gilles and Brother Brian Gilles and found them to be in order. We thank these officers for their time and the fulfillments of their duties so we can again plan for an eventful year ahead. Dates for our summer picnic and Christmas dinner will be posted later as these events draw closer. In the meantime, there are many other events listed in your volksblatt to participate in.

Our next monthly meeting is scheduled for the third as usual Monday May 19, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. at the American Slovak Club 2915 Broadway Ave. Lorain, Ohio.

We have many members celebrating birthdays this month of May; Sisters Olga Theiss, Anne Conley, Barbara Tillman, Brother Brian Gilles and Junior members Logan Ralph, Blake Henderson, Wade Cox, and Carsen Sergent. May you all enjoy your day in your own special way. Happy Birthday!

Until next month, enjoy your time from spring to summer and stay healthy.



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.

Robert Schuster

Age: 89

Died: September 9, 2024 Branch 37, Detroit MI

William Altzner

Age: 90

Died: March 8, 2025 Branch 1, Cleveland (West), OH

Carol L McClain

Age: 87

Died: March 21, 2025 Branch 30, Youngstown, OH

James A Zimmer, Sr.

Age: 91

Died: March 25, 2025 Branch 30, Youngstown, OH

Hildegard Dunkerley

Age: 98

Died: April 8, 2025 Branch 30, Youngstown, OH

Catherine W Tarr

Age: 97

Died: April 17, 2025 Branch 30, Youngstown, OH

Howard Youngheim

Age: 93

Died: April 17, 2025 Branch 26, Merrillville, IN

David E. Kunkle

Age: 95

Died: April 27, 2025 Branch 3, Alliance, OH

Linda A Schuster

Age: 82

Died: April 29, 2025 Branch 18, Salem, OH



Salem Saxon Club Fish Fry









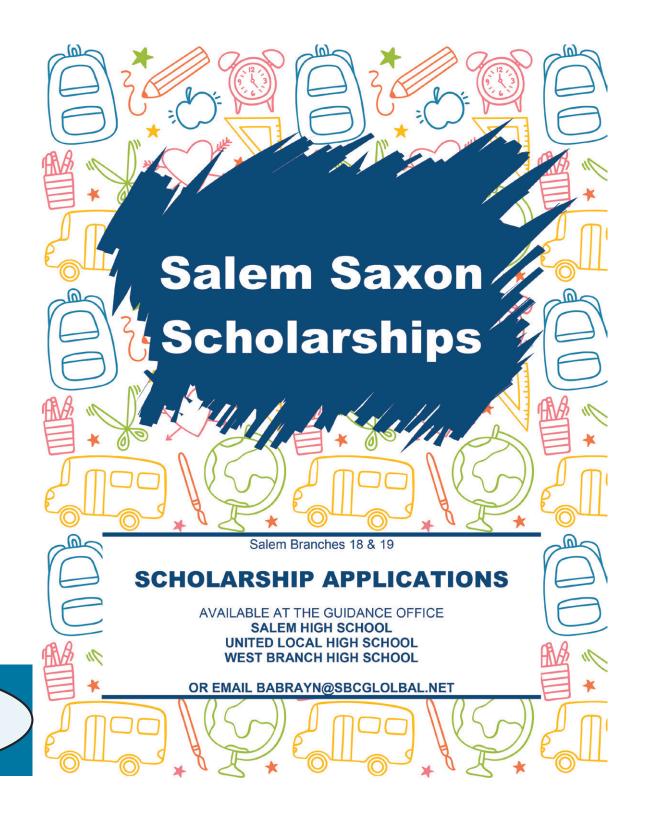






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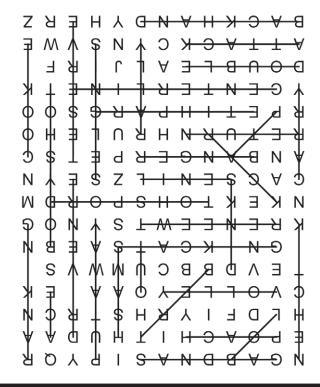
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your relatives and friends to join the crowd at ATS. Tell them about our fraternal society!

FISHIN' ATS ANNUAL

FISHING CHARTER SATURDAY, JUNE 21, 2025 LINDA MAE CHARTER 226 E. Island Dr. Eastlake, OH

Just 20 miles East of Downtown Cleveland \$35.00 for ATS members \$75.00 for non-members Pre-paid reservations only Including fishing and bait Charter departs at 2 p.m Please arrive by 1:30

This is a great opportunity to enjoy what nature has to offer. What better way to spend the day having a great time, relaxing and fishing on Lake Erie. And the great thing about it is it's fun for everybody, from the person who never had a rod in their hand to the professional angler.

Space is limited. First Come, First Serve!

Additional fees, as needed, are: Ohio one-day Fishing License \$14.00 Fishing Pole Rental \$15.00 (lost lures are \$5) No License required for anyone under the age of 16

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Please make checks payable to ATS

Mail reservation and check to ATS Home Office 5323 Pearl Road Cleveland, OH 44129

DEADLINE FOR RESERVATIONS: May 31, 2025

Grow a bumper crop of tomatoes

It's a common tragedy among home gardeners: rows of tomato plants that only produce a few usable fruits between them. If your tomatoes consistently rot on the vine, fall victim to pests, or just never really develop at all, use these guidelines to reap the tomato harvest of your dreams.

- Choose the right growing conditions. Tomato plants grow best in full sun with well-draining soil (preferably slightly acidic) that's rich in organic matter, like compost. If you can't provide those conditions with an in-ground garden, raised beds and containers may be a better option.
- Select plants for your conditions. The University of New Hampshire recommends that gardeners look for varieties that have been grown successfully in your area. Garden centers or gardening groups are great places to look for guidance.
- Don't neglect watering. Tomatoes are thirsty plants that don't appreciate underwatering. Water about



once a day after transplanting. Once plants are established, in-ground tomatoes will need deep watering at least twice a week, while raised beds and containers will need to be fully saturated more often, depending on size. Increase watering frequency with higher temperatures -- daily, if necessary.

• Fertilize appropriately. A good general guideline for tomatoes is to use a balanced fertilizer (like a 10-10-10 or 20-20-20) during the early vegetative phase, then switch to a fertilizer with lower nitrogen and higher phosphorus during the flowering phase, like 5-10-10. As the fruit develops, continue feeding plants with either a balanced formula or one that is low in nitrogen and high

- in potassium (like 5-10-20). Potassium promotes more sugar (and flavor) in the fruit, while too much nitrogen can make the fruit puffy and tasteless. Always fertilize according to package instructions and take care not to over-fertilize.
- Don't neglect calcium and magnesium. Calcium deficiency in tomatoes can cause blossom end rot -- the leathery-looking rot that develops near the bottom of tomatoes while they're still on the vine. Insufficient magnesium can cause yellowing, stunted growth, and lower fruit production. Many organic granular fertilizers already contain calcium and magnesium, but water-soluble fertilizers might not. You can supplement your fertilizer with a liquid calcium and magnesium supplement (generally called CalMag) or add natural sources to your soil if necessary. Bone meal provides a slow-release organic source of calcium, while Epsom salts provide magnesium.

Discover the Difference

We are the Alliance of Transylvanian Saxons, a Fraternal Benefit Society, owned by and operated for the benefit of our members and their beneficiaries. The ATS is a tax-exempt organization. Our members share in our surplus earnings.

We were founded in 1902 and have shown our financial strength since that time. We are, however, well aware that neither age nor size measures real strength. Just as the height or square footage of a building is no indication of the quality of its construction, the age of an organization does not measure its strength. It is the financial strength that measures the quality of an organization as is the quality of materials and workmanship that measures the strength of a building. We keep our Alliance exceedingly strong financially for our members' safety. Discover the difference for yourself.

The following ratios were prepared by Standard Analytical Service, Inc. of St. Louis, MO. The financial comparisons are based on the December 31, 2024 statutory financial statements filed with the state insurance departments and the NAIC.

SOLVENCY— A high ratio of assets over liabilities is a significant safety factor. This indicates that a company has enough assets to cover its liabilities and to meet all obligations as they become due. Our assets for each \$100 of liabilities:

Alliance of Transylvanian	Saxons	\$118.07
	77.0	

Average of 25 of the leading life companies.....\$107.02

SURPLUS FUNDS— A high ratio indicates a greater proportion of surplus to provide for the policy reserve liabilities and the ability to take financial emergencies in stride. Our surplus funds for each \$100 of policy reserves:

Alliance of Transylvanian Saxons	\$20.80
Average of 25 of the leading life companies	\$15.86

LIQUID INVESTED ASSETS— This ratio measures a company's ability to meet its anticipated obligations to policyholders. A high ratio indicates a more liquid investment position with which an insurer can meet unforeseen emergency cash requirements that may arise. Our assets in bonds, stocks, cash and short-term investments for each \$100 of liabilities:

Alliance of Transylvanian Saxons\$	
Average of 25 of the leading life companies\$	48.11

INVESTMENT YIELD — This is the net percentage yield on invested assets. A high rate shows greater earning ability of the invested assets. Our ratio of Net Investment Income to Mean Invested Assets:

Alliance of Transylvanian Saxons4	67%
Average of 25 of the leading life companies4	.55%

In addition to these financial facts, the Alliance of Transylvanian Saxons provide extra benefits to its membership that commercial companies do not provide. The Alliance offers fellowship on the national and local levels. We have fraternal benefits such as scholarships, orphan benefits, fraternal activities that provide entertainment by dance groups, brass bands, choral groups, sporting events, youth activities, member to member contact through the Saxon News Volksblatt, and more.

We value your trust and confidence. We value your membership.

Help us further our growth by inviting your friends and relatives to join our Fraternal Benefit Society.

