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2026 Bowl Where You Are Tournament

The ATS Youth Activities Committee would like to thank everyone who participated in the Bowl Where You Are Tournament. Keep up the good work and we look forward to you bowling next year!



CONGRATULATIONS to the Winners!



Each Winner received a plaque with their name on it

Ages 6-7

Judah Stelle

Home Town: New Castle, PA
BR 25 - New Castle, PA

Ages 8-9

Henry Stelle

Home Town: New Castle, PA
BR 25 - New Castle, PA

Ages 10-11

Allie Shroll

Home Town: Greenville, MI
BR 4 - Cleveland West

Ages 12-13

Cooper Shroll

Home Town: Greenville, MI
BR 1 - Cleveland West

Ages 14-15

Alex Spack

Home Town: Hudson, OH
BR 19 - Salem, OH

Ages 16-17

Cathryn Best

Home Town: Leetonia, OH
BR 18- Salem, OH



Participants



Ray Appleby, BR 19
Home Town: Stow, OH
Lauren Badertscher, BR 27
Home Town: Tampa, FL
David Deaton, BR 33
Home Town: Willowick, OH
Lucy Deaton, BR 33
Home Town: Willowick, OH
Nash Foisel, BR 33
Home Town: Willowick, OH
Molly Hartstock, BR 04
Home Town: Greenville, MI
Haley Hess, BR 30
Home Town: Savannah, GA
Jordan Hess, BR 30
Home Town: Savannah, GA

Camden Jackson, BR 19
Home Town: North Benton, OH
Kylie Jackson, BR 18
Home Town: North Benton, OH
Matthew Krejsa, BR 01
Home Town: North Ridgeville, OH
Allison Phillips, BR 33
Home Town: Litchfield, OH
Caiden Phillips, BR 33
Home Town: Litchfield, OH
Alexander Poehler, BR 01
Home Town: Burke, VA
Holden Randolph, Home BR
Home Town: Yuma, AZ
Sophie Randolph, Home BR
Home Town: Yuma, AZ
Winston Randolph, Home BR
Home Town: Yuma, AZ

Matthew Rau, BR 01
Home Town: Chesapeake, VA
Joshua Rau, BR 01
Home Town: Chesapeake, VA
Olive Spack
Home Town: Salem, OH
Jacob Stelle, BR 25
Home Town: New Castle, PA
Nehemiah Stelle, BR 25
Home Town: New Castle, PA
Connor Tully, BR 33
Home Town: Brunswick, OH
Amelia Werner, BR 18
Home Town: New Philadelphia, OH
Mora Ziegler, BR 33
Home Town: Willowick, OH

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Denise Aeling Crawford
ATS Nat'l President



The 109th Convention of the Alliance of Transylvanian Saxons is now complete. As promised, scholarships were awarded to 47 young ATS members who are furthering their education (see back page). A total of \$50,000 will be sent off to various colleges and universities throughout the United States. In addition, ATS Branches received a total of \$9,448 from the ATS Branch Sharing Program. This program gives back to those Branches whose Branch Members pay insurance premiums and contribute to their annuity and IRA accounts. Also distributed was \$8,750 to our Cultural Groups.

I wish to thank Branches 1 and 4 for the wonderful hospitality given to the Delegates at the Convention. They did a great job of putting the weekend together. Thanks also go out to the Cleveland Saxon Dance Group for the wonderful Saturday evening program with their annual Trachtenball celebration. The Dance Group invited the Saxon Singers from Cleveland East to perform. This new group is looking for additional singers, so contact them if you would like to sing with them in the future. Also performing for the evening was the Youngstown Saxon Culture Group's Brass Band, who played for the enjoyment of everyone attending. All three groups did a wonderful job showcasing our Saxon traditions and culture. I'm glad the Convention Delegates were able to see the majority of our Cultural Groups in one setting.

I attended the New Castle Eintracht Männerchor's Spring Concert on Saturday, May 9th. What a great event! The Kinderchor, as usual, stole the show. They were followed by the Männerchor's first set of songs. The Bloomfield Liedertafel, the guest choir for the evening, sang beautifully. Then, the Männerchor followed up with a second set of songs. They finished with a stirring rendition of "Hallelujah". They sang it beautifully! What a great tradition that these singers have. This was their 132nd Spring Concert! If you've never heard them sing, please make an effort to hear them in the future. Just a reminder, videos from our last two Heimattag celebrations are on the ATS website (www.ATSaxons.com). You can watch all of our Cultural Groups perform there. The next issue of the Volksblatt will have pictures of all of our Cultural Groups in it.

Memorial Day is coming up. Please think about the real reason for this holiday. It's not just the "unofficial start to summer" or a "day off of work". This is the day set aside to honor and mourn those men and women who died while serving in the United States Armed Forces. Take the time to attend a ceremony near you. And always, thank a veteran or active service member for their part in keeping America the free country that it is.

Did you know that Martha Washington, the nation's first First Lady, died on May 22, 1802? According to

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Attention TBSA Bowlers

69th TSBA Convention

Sachsenheim Hall

7001 Denison Ave

Cleveland, OH 44102

June 12, 2026

10:30 am

Lunch \$10

Reminder: Each Branch may

send 3 delegates

RSVP: CJ Schmitz

(440) 799-1940 by June 5th

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.

DONATION FOR SCHLOSS HORNECK

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Address _____

City _____ State _____

Zipcode _____

Amount Donated \$ _____

Please indicate if donation is in memory
or honor of someone

ATS SAXON RELIEF FUND



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

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

Please send your contributions to our ATS office, 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.



A raccoon's excellent adventure

It started innocuously enough. A raccoon in Ashland, Virginia found a gap in the ceiling of a state liquor store, squeezed through, and helped himself to the inventory. By the time store employees arrived the next morning, he had smashed 14 bottles, sampled liberally from the wreckage, and passed out cold on the bathroom floor.

Wildlife officials removed him safely. He sobered up. He was released back into the wild, presumably with a headache.

Then came the twist: investigators determined it wasn't his first offense. The same raccoon is suspected in break-in at a nearby Department of Motor Vehicles office, a caper manifestly less satisfying than the liquor store. He is also implicated in the break-in at a martial arts studio.

Hanover County Animal Protection launched a "Trashed Panda" T-shirt fundraiser that raised \$78,000. The raccoon remains at large and has not issued a statement, according to the Washington Post.

If everything is coming your way, then you're in the wrong lane.



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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:

DEADLINE	ISSUE
WEDNESDAY, MAY 27, 2026	FRIDAY, JUNE 5, 2026
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 10, 2026	FRIDAY, JUNE 19, 2026
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 24, 2026	FRIDAY, JULY 3, 2026

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



**ATS ANNUAL
FISHING CHARTER
SATURDAY, JUNE 20, 2026
LINDA MAE CHARTER
226 E. Island Dr.
Eastlake, OH**

**Just 20 miles East of Downtown Cleveland
\$40.00 for ATS members
\$80.00 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

Names: _____

Address: _____

Cell Phone Number: _____ Email: _____



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, 2026

**ATTENTION: Members Cleveland East Branch 33
2026-2027 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 2026-2027 academic year. IT IS THE MEMBER'S RESPONSIBILITY to call or write to REQUEST an application.

DEADLINE IS May 31, 2026.

In addition to the awards above, Branch 33 members will be considered for an additional \$2,000 from the Bill and Sue Foisel Scholarship Fund.

Deadline to respond is still May 31, 2026.

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

- 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.
- Scholarship applicants must be a member in good standing of ATS Branch 33 for the past two (2) years, having transferred

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

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____

Zip: _____

Phone: () _____

College/University: _____

Year: circle one Freshman Sophomore Junior Senior

Parent/Guardian/Grandparent Name: _____

DEADLINE IS May 31, 2026: Mail to: Karyn Schmidt

4979 Anderson Road, Lyndhurst OH 44124



HEIMATTAG 2026

der Siebenbürger Sachsen

WIR SIND HEIMAT | WE ARE HEIMAT



OFFICIAL PROGRAM

\$25 CAD - FRIDAY, JULY 10, 2026

included in Weekend Pass

5:00pm Doors open at the Saxonia Hall

Join us in our Bavarian Biergarten! Dirndls & Lederhose or your FIFA team's football jersey encouraged!

SATURDAY, JULY 11, 2026

\$20 CAD - not included in Weekend Pass

\$60 CAD - included in Weekend Pass

1:00 pm Paulaner & Hacker-Pschorr German

5:00pm Doors open at the Saxonia Hall

Beer Tasting - Saxonia Hall Lounge

6:00pm Dinner followed by cultural

Taste six beers paired with small bites of

performances

food, featuring expert explanation by a

Dance to follow

Paulaner representative. Learn their history

and how their beers are crafted.

Biergarten open 1:00pm -4:00pm at no charge

\$45 CAD - SUNDAY, JULY 12, 2026

included in Weekend Pass ; ticket for lunch only (service & rally no fee)

10:30am Worship Service at St. John's Lutheran Church

11:00am Trachtenumzug Parade to Saxonia Hall

11:30am Kundgebung | Cultural Rally

12:30pm Lunch

WEEKEND PASS ONLY \$125 CAD

Tickets online at www.saxoniahall.com/heimattag

All prices include sales tax (HST)

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ACCOMODATIONS INFORMATION

Information also available on the Heimattag website: www.saxoniahall.com/heimattag

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2 Queen Beds | Breakfast included

13 minutes from the Saxonia Hall

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Heimattag

2026



Travel with the ATS to the
**NORTH AMERICAN TRANSYLVANIAN SAXON
HEIMATTAG**
in Aylmer, Canada
July 10-12, 2026



Accommodations are at the
Holiday Inn & Comfort Inn in St. Thomas
(see separate ads for Hotel info
and Meal reservations)

Bus leaves Friday morning July 10 from the
Youngstown Saxon Club with a stop at the
ATS Home Office in Cleveland.
We will be returning on Sunday, July 12.

Cost for round trip on bus is \$75

Reservation deadline for Bus is
June 1, 2026.
Seats are limited—sign up today!

RESERVATION FORM FOR BUS

NAME _____ Phone Number _____

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Number of Passengers _____ @ \$75 Total for Bus Remitted \$ _____

List Travelers _____

Make Check payable to ATS and send to ATS Home Office, 5323 Pearl Rd, Cleveland, OH 44129

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FRATERNAL CALENDAR

NATIONAL EVENTS

- June 13, 2026
TSBA Convention hosted by Cleveland West
- June 14 - 20, 2026
Saxon Summer Camp
- June 20, 2026
ATS Fishing Charter
Linda Mae Charter - Eastlake, Ohio
- July 10 - 12, 2026
North American Transylvanian Saxon Heimattag
Aylmer, Ontario Canada
- July 25, 2026
ATS Family Day at Waldameer, Erie, PA
- October 17 -18, 2026
ATS Open Bowling Tournament
Host: Salem

LOCAL EVENTS

- June 17, 2026
Cleveland Sachsenheim
Annual Patio Pilsner Party
- June 27, 2026
Alliance Br. 8 Summer Outing
1776 performance by Carnation Players
Chicago Br. 9 Annual Picnic 11 a.m.
- July 25, 2026
Cleveland Sachsenheim
Old World Music and Folk Festival
- August 9, 2026
Cleveland East Br. 33 Summer Picnic
Penitentiary Glen, Kirkland, OH
- August 15, 2026
Alliance Branches 3 and 8
Summer picnic @ John Aeling's
Cleveland Sachsenheim
Oktoberfest
- September 26, 2026
New Castle Br. 26 and 27 Oktoberfest
- December 13, 2026
Chicago Br. 9 Christmas Party



Virginia lit the fuse for Independence -- 250 years ago this month

July 4th gets the fireworks. But the fuse of independence was sparked on May 15, 1776 — 250 years ago this month — in Williamsburg, Virginia.

That was the day Virginia's colonial delegates voted unanimously to instruct their representatives in Philadelphia to propose independence from Britain. It was the first official government action by any colony calling for a break with the Crown, and it set everything else in motion. Three weeks later, on June 7, Virginia's Richard Henry Lee formally introduced the motion for independence in the Continental Congress. A committee was appointed. Thomas Jefferson was handed a quill.

Without Virginia's May 15th vote, the timeline of American independence might look quite different. The Declaration of Independence might carry a different date entirely.

July 4th still gets the party. But Virginia got there first, according to the Library of Virginia.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

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History.com, Martha Dan- dridge was born in the American colonies as a British subject in 1731. She married her first husband in 1750 at age 19. He was a Virginia planter named Daniel Parke Custis. They had two children. After Custis died in 1757, Martha ran the plantation. Two years later, at age 28, she met George Washington. At that time, George was a colonel in the British army, a veteran of the French and Indian War and a member of the Virginia House of Bur- gesses. They were married in 1759.

In 1761, after George inherited Mount Vernon, George and Martha moved there. They never had chil- dren, but George adopted Martha's children as his own. Martha helped run both households, Mount Vernon and the estate she inherited from her first hus- band. During the war, while George led the Continental Army, she frequently fol- lowed him to the military encampments to take care of him and urge the local women to help feed, clothe, and tend to the soldiers.

Military spouses have long been expected to make sacrifices for their country, and Martha helped set the tone. Like other upper-class white women of her day, she was expected to raise chil- dren, oversee the house- hold and plantation staff, and receive her husband's guests. She didn't know it at the time, but her husband would be gone for eight long years while fighting for America's independence. Luckily for her, George was deployed nearby, rather than today's overseas mili- tary assignments. Martha followed him to camp, and they spent about half of the war together. During the 18th century, war was sea- sonal. When fall arrived, both armies would hunker down in winter quarters. This gave Martha a chance to see George. As the war dragged on, she was a ma- jor comfort to the increas-

ingly unhappy general. She managed food and essen- tially ran his headquarters, organizing social events, soothed the tempers of officers and their wives, nursed sick soldiers, acted as a liaison, and cheered the troops. One woman who had visited Valley Forge in 1778 wrote "I nev- er in my life knew a woman so busy from early morn- ing until latest as was lady Washington". Martha was George's sounding board and closest confidant. She acted as his secretary and representative, copying let- ters and representing him at official functions. She had also organized a mas- sive donation campaign to collect funds and clothing for the troops.

In 1789, George was elected the first President of the new United States and 57-year-old Martha struggled to fill the role for which there was no model. She shunned the spotlight and resented having her every move restricted by advisors and documented by the press. Unallowed to dine in private homes with friends, the Washingtons held regular formal din- ner parties and receptions at the presidential homes, first in New York and then in Philadelphia. Martha didn't like either city and looked forward to return- ing to Mount Vernon upon George's retirement.

At the time, the term "First Lady" was not used. Martha was referred to affection- ately as "Lady Washington". Martha graciously gave up a private burial place for George and gave John Ad- ams permission to entomb him in Washington at the U.S. Capitol building when he died. However, he was never interred there. He was buried at his beloved Mount Vernon. Martha lived the rest of her days at Mount Vernon and was also buried there. She died on May 22, 1802, at the age of 70.

Until next time...

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your relatives and friends to join the crowd at ATS.

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Cannabis not effective against depression or anxiety

Two new research analyses have concluded that medical or recreational marijuana does not alleviate symptoms of anxiety, depression, or post-traumatic stress disorder. According to CNN, cannabis medica- tions in capsule, spray, and oil formulations showed little to no effect against mental health symptoms, and the ef- fect of smoking canna- bis was even more lim- ited. Major behavioral and mental health orga- nizations recommend proven treatment meth- ods, such as antidepres- sant medications and talk therapy.

ASK YOUR DEPUTY HOW A CERTIFICATE OF MEMBERSHIP IN THE ATS CAN HELP YOU TO SAVE!

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Nursery

Coffee following service

Senior Circle



Brain game may protect
against dementia
for 20 years or more

Speed Training game shown to reduce dementia risk

Brain training research shows a 25 percent reduction in dementia risk for one specific type of game.

It used a specific exercise called Double Decision, available through a platform called BrainHQ.

Here is how it works: a car or tractor flashes briefly in the center of the screen. Simultaneously, a Route 66 sign appears somewhere in the periphery, surrounded by distracting road signs. You must correctly identify both — the vehicle and the sign location — before they disappear. As your accuracy improves, the images flash faster and the distractions multiply.

It trains the brain to process multiple pieces of visual information quickly — a fundamentally different skill than memorizing word lists or solving logic puzzles. Researchers who study cognitive decline believe that processing speed, not memory alone, may be one of the earliest and most important markers of brain health.

BRANCH 27, NEW CASTLE

By Dolores Both

On April 25, Branch 27 held a bake-off at the Eintracht. There was a variety of yummy desserts and tasters had a tastefully good time. Congratulations to our three winners! Liese Kirr won first place for her Saxon pie and received a Copper Chef Perfect loaf pan; Lillian Blackford won second place for her Oreo hoho cheesecake and received a Phantom Chef rotating snackle box; and Dolores Both won third place for her cream cheese delight

and received a pair of Kitchen Aid utility shears.

On May 7, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. we met at the Four Restaurant to celebrate mothers. Congratulations to all our wonderful Branch 27 mothers for Mother's Day. Your positive input, joy and dedication to your families and to our branch has contributed to the prosperity we have experienced over the years.

President Judy Both opened our festivities by say-



Branch 27 Bake-Off winners. (L-R) Liese Kirr, Lillian Blackford and Dolores Both.

Summer heat and your heart: What you need to know

Summer is the season for outdoor activity, travel, and long sunny days — and for most people, that is entirely good news. For anyone with heart disease or high blood pressure, however, heat is a genuine health consideration that deserves attention.

Here is why: for every degree your body temperature rises, your heart must pump approximately ten extra beats per minute to help cool you down. In extreme heat, that is a significant added workload — one that healthy hearts handle easily but compromised ones may not. The American Heart Association warns that heat-induced dehydration compounds the problem, thickening the blood and making



the heart work even harder. A study published in the AHA's journal Circulation projects that cardiovascular deaths related to extreme heat could more than double over the next two decades.

The practical guidance is straightforward: avoid being outdoors during peak heat hours, typically between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. Stay well hydrated — and remember that by the time you feel thirsty, you are al-

ready mildly dehydrated. Wear lightweight, light-colored, breathable clothing. If you take heart medications, ask your doctor whether heat affects how they work, as some do.

None of this means staying inside all summer. It means paying attention to conditions, listening to your body, and knowing that your heart is working a little harder on the hot days than you might realize.

ing grace. While waiting for dinner, Judy had a "Match the Mother to the Child" game for us. We had two large tables of members and the tables played against each other. Thanks to the keen leadership of Sherri Fenski quickly figuring out the answers, her table won the game. Judy gave everyone at the winning table a scratch-off lottery ticket. We had two winners on the scratch offs (\$1 and \$2). Each person in attendance received a colorful pen and a lovely place card with a mother and child embossed on the front and Judy's lovely original poem "Memories of Mother" inside. The branch sharing check and three scholarship certificates from the ATS were given to Judy. She will mail the certificates to the three recipients from Branch 27 who will receive official notice from the ATS. Congratulations to Lauren Badertscher who received the \$1000 Four-Year Renewable Rev. and Mrs. John Foisel Memorial Scholarship Award, Olivia Lang who received the \$750 George H. Schneider Scholarship Award, and Lydia Parkonen who received the \$1000 Michael W. Schassburger Memorial Scholarship Award.

Judy thanked everyone for coming to the dinner and encouraged all to come to future events. Next meeting will be at Sonis on June 4 at 6:00 p.m.



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.

John Fishovitz

Age: 82

Died: April 24, 2026
Branch 25, New Castle

Walter Liebhart

Age: 96

Died: May 3, 2026
Branch 19, Salem

The real cost of dinner at your door

The food delivery apps make it look simple: tap a few buttons, and dinner appears. What they make considerably less visible is what that convenience actually costs.

Start with the menu price. Restaurants typically inflate their app listings 15 to 25 percent above what you would pay walking in — that markup exists to offset the hefty commissions apps charge them. Then comes the service fee, often 10 to 15 percent. Then the delivery fee. Then the tip. By the time a basic Chick-fil-A order that costs \$9.85 in person reaches your door via GrubHub, according to a FinanceBuzz analysis, you may have paid \$23 — an increase of 134 percent. A McDonald's order that runs \$37 at the counter averages \$58 when delivered through a third-party app.

Multiply that across a week, a month, a year — and the Washington Times, in a February 2026 report, put the average American's annual food delivery spending at \$1,850. For younger Americans who order several times a week, the figure climbs considerably higher.

The comparison to cooking at home is almost not fair. A home-cooked meal averages \$4 to \$6 per serving by most estimates. A delivered meal for one person, fees and tip included, routinely runs \$25 to \$35.

The apps are convenient. But convenience has always come at a premium.

BRANCH 10, COLUMBUS

By Donald Blum

MONTHLY MEETING LOCATION

**RUSTY BUCKET
RESTAURANT & TAVERN**
73 N. HAMILTON ROAD
GAHANNA, OHIO 43230
(614) 475-4435
May 18, 2026
12 Noon

MAILING/SURVEY

You will have received an important survey by now. We want to serve the interests of Columbus Area Saxon Community. Your responses will help guide our decisions and ensure that Columbus Branch 10 includes your interests and perspectives. For your convenience, we have included a self-addressed and stamped return envelope. This will enable you to return the survey and your responses by the date requested on the survey of June 1st. Thanks for your much appreciated cooperation.

Below is an invitation to attend our first annual event of the year. Please come and join in fellowship with Saxon Family and friends.

MEETING LOCATION AND DAY

In consideration for the future of **Your Columbus Saxon Club**, we are looking at alternative meeting locations and days. In an effort to continue to grow **Your Saxon Club** and make it more feasible for working members to be involved in meetings, both social and business, we will be looking at locations that are more centrally located and alternate days that make participation more inclusive for more members. We will keep you advised of these future plans.

CELEBRATIONS

Happy Birthday to Heinz Birtler (May 15), Jill Blum (May 24) and George Lassel (May 29). We wish them happy celebrations and many more. Alles Gute zum Geburtstag!

FACEBOOK PAGE

Alliance of Transylvanian Saxons, Columbus Branch 10 (Facebook Group).

We are happy to announce that the group has grown to 253 members. Please invite people to join our Facebook Group, that is open to all people interested in sharing or reading about our Saxon Heritage. We will continue to modify and improve the Facebook page as needed. While we welcome you to join the Columbus Branch 10, you do not need to be a member to join the Facebook Group. You are invited to join our Facebook group and share your Saxon history or just enjoy what others post. If you are interested in becoming part of the Facebook group you can request an invitation or send me your email address (donaldcblum@prodigy.net), and we will set you up.

We are happy to say, we continue to add Saxon/German heritage individuals to the Facebook Group. Some of the new members include people from Europe and Canada. We encourage you to spread the word about our group.

Our Facebook Group is an excellent place to share pictures

that anyone would have of the Transylvanian Trip. It's a good reason to join and become a part of sharing Heritage information **HUMOR (Compliments from Sara Alzner-Brown)**

After 35 years of marriage, a husband and wife came for counseling.

When asked what the problem was, the wife went into a tirade listing every problem they had ever had in the years they had been married. On and on and on: neglect, lack of intimacy, emptiness, loneliness, feeling unloved, never listens to me, never answers when I am correcting him and I have to correct him from dawn to sundown.

After a long time listening and waiting for the wife to stop, the therapist got up, walked around the desk, and after asking the wife to stand up, he embraced and gave her a long and passionate kiss while her husband watched with a raised eyebrow.

The woman shut up and quietly sat down in a daze. The therapist turned to the husband and said, "That's what it takes to keep her quiet. Do this at least 3 times a week. Can you do that?"

The husband thinks for a minute, and finally replies, "Well, I think that will work, I can drop her off on Mondays and Wednesdays and you can do that again and kiss her to keep her quiet, but on Fridays, I fish, so I will just have to put up with it on Fridays, because I won't be able to bring her in here for you to kiss."

Who do you call? The emergency contact question nobody talks about

Every doctor's office asks it. Every hospital intake form includes it. Who is your emergency contact? For many older adults, that line sits blank for a long moment. The honest answer is complicated.

Spouses pass, so do siblings and friends. Birth families dwindle. Children, if there are any, may live across the country. And a growing number of Americans chose not to have children at all — a decision that can look quite different at 30 than it does at 75, when the people who were supposed to form your "chosen family" are themselves aging or gone.

This is a real and common situation, and it deserves a practical answer.

First, the good news: your emergency contact does not have to be a blood relative, and they do not have to live nearby. What a hospital or doctor actually needs from that person is straightforward — your medical history, current medications, any known allergies, and some understanding of your wishes. They need someone to call and

COLUMBUS SAXON CLUB SUMMER PICNIC

Columbus Saxons – Branch 10

Invite you and your family

To celebrate our Saxon Heritage at our **ANNUAL POTLUCK PICNIC.**

Sunday, June 28th at 11 a.m. – 3 p.m.



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RSVP (number of family members & side dish) by June 19th

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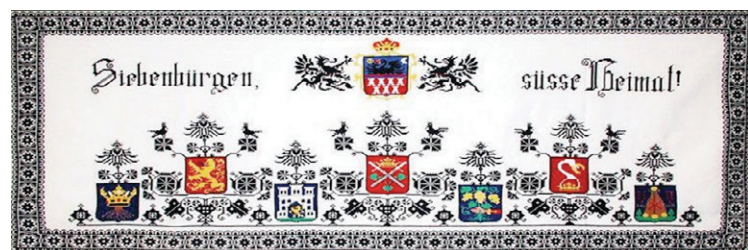
Looking forward to seeing you there!



someone who knows you. A trusted friend two states away who knows your health situation is more useful than a neighbor who has never been inside your house.

If you are building your emergency contact from scratch, give it some thought. Who actually knows your life? Who would you trust to speak for you? That person — friend, former colleague, fellow congregant — is your answer. Ask them directly and have the conver-

sation about your medical history and your wishes. Then take it a step further: get a healthcare proxy document drawn up so that person has legal standing to make decisions if needed. An emergency contact is a phone number. A healthcare proxy is real protection. A good attorney can prepare these documents simply and inexpensively. It is one of the most considerate things you can do — for yourself, and for whoever loves you enough to say yes.



**Memorial Day:
This year is different**

Memorial Day was born from grief.

After the Civil War left 600,000 Americans dead, communities across the country began setting aside days to decorate soldiers' graves. In 1868 it was formalized as Decoration Day, a national observance, then later Memorial Day. Over time it softened into long weekends and the unofficial start of summer. In quiet years it became, for many Americans, more of a great weekend than heartache.

But, the original observance was always meant for years like this one when, after a near five year hiatus, U.S. soldiers are once again in harm's way in Iran.

This spring, American military families are preparing for the original Memorial Day. At the date of this writing, 13 servicemen and women have been killed in the Iran conflict: six soldiers from Iowa's 103rd Sustainment Command, an Army Reserve unit that was hit in a drone attack, and one death of an Army sergeant from Kentucky who was killed on an air base in Saudi Arabia. Another six service members died when their KC-135 refueling tanker crashed in western Iraq, (not combat related).

The Memorial Day tradition is older than the country itself. But it is not abstract. It is a mother in Iowa setting a place at a table that will stay empty. It is a folded flag on a mantelpiece. It is a name that will be spoken carefully, for a long time.

Memorial Day asks us, once a year, to stop and acknowledge that freedom has a bill, and that some people pay it in full. Most years we manage that acknowledgment between the cookout and the ball game. Some years it is easier than others.



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Juvenile Members are encouraged to color and mail to the ATS Home Office for a special treat.

Please mail to the ATS Home Office; 5323 Pearl Road; Cleveland, OH 44129

Before May 29, 2026

Cool down: No-fuss frozen treats for the whole family

When the temperature climbs, the answer is usually twenty minutes away from the freezer. Frozen treats don't need a recipe card or a special trip to the store. Some of the best ones barely need any effort at all.

Watermelon slushies. Cube watermelon, freeze it, blend it. Add a squeeze of lime. Done.

Frozen yogurt bark. Spread plain or flavored yogurt on a parchment-lined sheet pan and scatter on whatever sounds good — berries, granola, honey, mini chocolate chips. Freeze until solid, then break into pieces. Adults love this as much as kids do.

Fruit bars. Blend any ripe fruit mango, strawberry, peach, mixed berry — pour into popsicle molds or paper cups with a stick, and freeze overnight. Four ingredi-



ents maximum.

Frozen grapes. Wash, dry, freeze on a sheet pan, transfer to a bag. Somehow better than you'd expect — sweet, cold, and actually refreshing on a hot afternoon.

Smoothie popsicles. Any smoothie you'd normally drink

works in a mold. Spinach popsicles (blended fresh spinach, milk, yogurt and/or a frozen banana) turn a satisfying shade of green that kids find either alarming or completely wonderful.

The best cooling treats share one quality: the freezer does most of the work.



Is AI a magic wand that creates good -- or evil?

With AI surging through the business world, the question of how the technology will affect work, and the people who do the work, is unknown. But the questions appear to be taking some shape: Do humans have a magic wand that makes everything better -- or everything worse?

The World Economic Forum projects that AI and automation could displace 92 million jobs globally by 2030, while simultaneously creating 170 million new ones. Goldman Sachs estimates roughly 6 to 7 percent of workers will face displacement during the transition.

One idea gaining traction among researchers is on the side of the good magic wand. The MIT Sloan School of Management has suggested that the new advantage is agency: the ability to arrive with the right question, the right instinct, or the original idea, and then put it to work using AI tools.

For the enormous scientific and financial research projects, the magic wand is defined, and limited, by the sheer volume of dollars required to accomplish goals. CEOs say they are spending millions to create the promised magic. And skilled humans still have to guide this tool.

For small businesses, AI has brought great hope. For a modest \$100 subscription fee, the small business person with a problem has new powers. That person may have no money to hire experts, but they can use the AI to solve a myriad of problems. On the other hand, so can their competitors -- and customers.

Human knowledge is still required. AI can propose a database but unless the human knows how a database works -- and what they need from it -- the results will not be optimal.

The skilled trades, meanwhile, are stubbornly irreplaceable — because their work demands bodies that can crawl under a house or hands to wire a panel. According to CNBC, demand for skilled trade workers is now at an all-time high, driven partly by the AI data centers.



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Mail tickets to: _____

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Deadline for Ticket Orders is July 06, 2026.
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From the Archives

By Eric Litschel ATS Home Office

I was fortunate for the opportunity to speak at this year's national convention. I received great feedback and questions from the delegates including a request to share my presentation with the membership. I do not have a recorded transcript of the talk, but what follows is a re-drafted version of it based on my notes and memory. Thank you again to the convention delegates. It was an honor and a pleasure to be with you all at the Sachsenheim.

"Thank you to the ATS Board of Directors and all of the convention delegates for having me today. I'd like to start with just a little background on how this project began. I am a second generation Transylvanian Saxon American. Both my parents emigrated from Transylvania. Many of you know them. My mother Ema is from Martinsberg, and my father Dolf, is from Wassid, both villages in the Hermannstadt region. Our Saxon heritage was an essential part of my early life. As I got older I sought more information, more books, more history about the Transylvanian Saxons. It was challenging to find resources, and my curiosity was never satisfied. Finally, in the summer of 2025, I decided to visit the ATS home office to look through the collection there. When I was shown it, it felt like finally winning the lottery. I kicked myself for not deciding to come earlier. Boxes upon boxes, shelves and shelves of history about my culture. After months of research, poring over countless historic gems, it occurred to me that others could share in this experience if only the collection were to be more accessible. In November, I

drafted a proposal for the creation of a library and archive and presented it to Denise Crawford. The mission was to be the development of a rich and accessible information resource for ATS members to connect with their cultural heritage. Denise brought my proposal to the ATS Board, and it was approved!

A brief overview of our holdings. We have approximately 1,200 books. Many are in German with the remainder in English, Saxon dialect, and Romanian. They range from novels and poetry to history, photography, and art. Many are rare books which cannot be found anywhere else on this continent. We also have approximately 200 German language periodicals. There are several boxes of historical Volksblatt issues dating back to the 1930s. Most of these are well-preserved in near perfect condition. There are several hundreds of event brochures and booklets, dating back as early as 1908. These contain a treasure trove of historically interesting detail. There are thousands of photographs ranging back to the turn of the 20th century up to the current day. These will eventually be digitized and made available online. We have numerous leather-bound ledgers which mostly contain branch minutes and financials. In addition to our print and photographic materials, we have Saxon handicrafts, artwork, traditional clothing, and many other physical objects.

My current focus is cataloging our many books with the goal of launching a circulating library in the coming months. Look for-

ward to a user-friendly online library catalog, much like the one you'll find for your local public library. As an ATS member, you'll be able to visit the library's online catalog, search for a book, and place hold. There will also be a way to contact the library directly with any information questions you may have.

The second part of the overall project is the creation of an archive. Our extensive archival holdings include historical documents pertinent to the history of the Transylvanian Saxons in the U.S. Examples are event brochures, ledgers, manuscripts, original musical works, etc. These items will be available for research purposes, upon request only. This is an enormous undertaking, involving preservation efforts, organization, digitizing, and cataloging a large volume of materials. As mentioned in the previous Volksblatt issue, we do have some exciting news. The ATS was awarded grant funding by the Ohio Historical Records Advisory Board for the purpose of historic preservation. This project is now underway, and has given a significant boost to our archival goals.

In closing, I relate a story of how this project has had a meaningful impact for an ATS member. In March, I published an article about the Transylvanian Saxon Juniors Association basketball league, formed in 1927. I received an email from ATS member Kathryn Auner Schmidt, who lives in Delaware. She enjoyed the article and wished to convey this. Her father and uncle were both very involved in the basketball league through the 30s and 40s. She was gracious enough to send me a photo, found among her father's things, of the Cleveland West basketball team from 1934 (shown here). I wrote back my sincerest thanks and included some information about her father and uncle I had come across in our collection. The documents I sent were several typed pages, written by Mrs. Schmidt's father, containing information about the league and about her uncle. Mrs. Schmidt wrote back to me to say she was moved by the documents I'd sent, recognizing her father's typewriter print. I was overjoyed to have this exchange and to have made a connection with a fellow Transylvanian Saxon through our shared cultural history. It is our hope at the ATS to foster such an environment among our membership and to create many more such meaningful connections. Thank you!"



Cleveland West Basketball Team 1934

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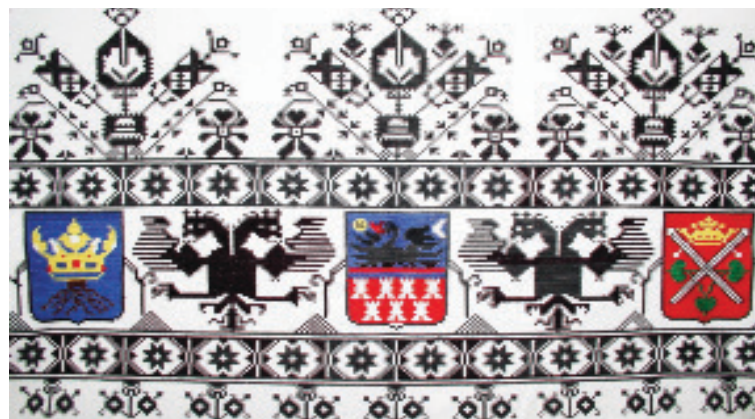
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Painting winner Georg Thut, Chicago



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Open Class winner (necklace) Margie Ziegler



New Branch Presidents receiving pin. Tom Hospodar, Br. 1 and Christine Oehlman, Br. 10



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