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BRANCH 33, CLEVELAND EAST By Arline Krestel-Suts

Each officer of Branch 33 has various duties and responsibilities. Choosing to accept a nomination to become an officer can be a difficult decision, one more thing to do, more "added to one's full plate" as the saying goes. But what an honor to be elected!

Over the years, a few members have served as officers for many years, and we are grateful for all the time, energy, and dedication they have spent fulfilling their duties. Fred Krestel served as Treasurer for over 30 years. Maria Thellmann, a Trustee of the Branch. They are outgoing officers. We thank them for serving our Branch with such diligence and commitment.

To the officers who have been re-elected, and to our new officers, we thank you for choosing to serve. Each have jobs to perform; but remember as a 'fraternal' membership, we are all in this to help each other and to help you. The "work" becomes lighter, more agreeable, less of a burden.

The Officers for 2015 are: Ema Litschel – President, Margaret "Bette" Schmidt – Vice President, Jeff Krestel – Treasurer, Arline Suts – Secretary, Mike Bretz – Financial Secretary, Karyn Schmidt – ATS Secretary, Mike Thellman, Diane Hum, Barb Hum, Maria Phillips – Trustees, Cindy Schneider – Membership.

In January, POTUS stands before Congress and gives the State of the Union Address. So I was thinking I would write the article as a State of Branch 33 Address. So, "speaking" for our President, I am happy to report Branch 33 is strong! Branch 34 (women) joined with Branch 33 (men) in 2012; now "coed" and our Branch is stronger. We have several new members in the past year and not just the babies! Carol Krestel and Joe Prankas joined last month (Mr. Prankas married into a great Saxon family – the Foisels!) Debbie Lange joined us as well (sister of Donna Foisel), and we have an "honorary" member in George Foisel (who lives in Germany.)

Unfortunately, we lost several members this past year; all of them had been long – time members. We will miss Elizabeth Jazbec and her husband George; Richard Reuting, Bill Spaan, George Guist and Shirley Guist; Gertrude Konrad and Dortha Jerse. We mention and think of our ill and homebound members at each meeting, and our prayers and thoughts are always with Marie Fektor, Margaret Bratek, Marie Spann, Andy Friedman, John Leonhardt, Ruth Ungar and more lately Clara Weber and Ava Keifer. We think of our most senior members and those who live out of state like Katherine Graul. Actually, we have so many that do not live in Ohio, let alone Cleveland! But we thank you for your continued membership and love

hearing from you.

At each meeting officers report on their job. Of course one that holds interest is the Treasurer's report! And I am very happy to report that Branch 33 is doing very well and financially sound! And we have no members delinquent in dues. Now, you must remember that to be a Branch 33 member there are monthly dues to be paid. Only \$12 per year ... but remember to send it to Mike Bretz.

Branch 33 has a scholarship fund for our high school graduate members and in 2014, we awarded 6! Branch 33 has three bowling teams in the ATS league. And we have a blast with the bowlers from the other Branches. What a great way to get to KNOW Saxons from the other Branches! In 2014, we sent 7 members to the ATS National Convention. All reported that the ATS business was interesting to learn and they thoroughly enjoyed themselves! Lorain did a tremendous job hosting the Convention.

Every meeting we sing Happy Birthday to members that month ... and your name is mentioned whether you are there or not! Like I said, we really try to think of, to remember, in some way, all members.

We have a social time, usually before meetings. We eat, we visit, we share I-phone pics of our kids, grandkids, interests and travels we do some kind of entertainment each meeting. In 2014 we played Bingo, we had a speaker from the USO, we had a Halloween Party, a St. Patrick's Day Party; and we always eat. Sometimes just pastry, sometimes sandwiches. In November our own "Thanksgiving" with a Pot Luck of Saxon Foods (that was my personal favorite).

We have social gatherings besides the meetings. We went to a Lake County Captain's baseball game in July (unfortunately rained – out ☹). We have a great picnic in August; we have a wonderful Christmas Banquet – this year entertained by a Chorale that helped us sing carols as well as singing tours. We have a membership banquet, in 2014 held in May. And we would really love to see more members attend these events; it's especially great to see those who cannot make it to the monthly meetings! In December, we went back to an old tradition ... we made Saxon sausage; what a successful day! Not only because the sausage turned out so good (it really did!!) but because the old and young came together, "hung out", and learned something from each other: the "old" taught the "young" how the sausage making process happens. AND the old learned that the young are truly interested .. interested in learning the old traditions and keeping them going.

Oh yes, Branch 33 is doing just fine. But remember, we can always use your help ... even if it's just attending a few meetings or events! Officers want to see the members we are working for. And we always want new members too! We have a membership committee, and an officer at the chair; Cindy Schneider, working on ideas to keep members and recruit new. Any ideas drop her a call.

Ok, enough about 2014. We are now planning out the New Year: Budget meetings, event planning and oh, the Jugendlager is coming to America this summer. As secretary I took forward to keeping you informed on Branch 33, as secretary, that is my job. And I'm baaaaaaaaaack!

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Thomas J. Manning
ATS Nat'l President



I recently heard on the news that this winter season is half over and I hope that it will be all downhill from here. Personally, I prefer summer rather than our snowy winter. I will tell you why. When I was in my child-hood years and later as a young parent, I didn't mind going sled riding, having snowball fights, and enjoyed being out in the snow. It is no longer fun. It is just work and my age has caught up with me. The removal of snow is endless and it seems that the Erie snowplow operator knows to come on our street within a short time after the apron of our driveway has just been cleared. His timing is perfect. Liz keeps suggesting that we should move to a warmer climate. I think that she has the right idea.

Now is the time when our high school seniors who plan on attending college next fall can apply for an ATS Scholarship Award. Also, students who are already in college are eligible to apply for a Continuing Education Award. All Scholarship information can be found in the *Volksblatt*. Applications must be completed and received at the Home Office before April 15th. We wish good luck to all of those who apply.

Please take note of the following ATS National events that have been scheduled.

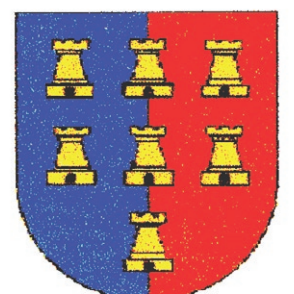
The TSBA Bowling Tournament will be hosted by the New Castle Bowlers on April 25th and 26th. The ATS Branch Presidents' Meeting will be held at the Youngstown Saxon Club on May 16th. The Federation of Transylvanian Saxons Jugendlager will be hosted by the USA from July 7th to the 20th. The Transylvanian Saxon Heimattag will be hosted by Aylmer ONT, Canada from July 10th to the 12th. The Saxon Summer Camp will be held at Camp Frederick in Rogers, Ohio, from July 19th to the 24th. The ATS Open Golf Tournament will be hosted by Salem Branch 19 on August 8th, 2015. Complete details for these events will be printed in the *Volksblatt* as they become available. We hope that you will attend as many ATS events as possible.

Quote of the Day: "If men could regard the events of their own lives with more open minds, they would frequently discover that they did not really desire the things they failed to obtain." We desire things we think will make us happy. Maybe it's something we want to own - a larger house, for example. Or maybe it's something we want to do - swim the English Channel. But often, fulfilling our desires is less satisfying than we'd imagined. Why is this so? Some of the things we think we want exist largely in our imagination. No reality could ever compete with the fantasy we've created about the objects of our desire. There's a good chance that we don't really want some things as much as we think we do.

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

"Be yourself. Above all, let who you are, what are, what you believe shine through every sentence you write, every piece you finish." (by John Jakes)

Meetings are the second Wednesday of the month, still held at St. John's Lutheran Church on Ford Road, Highland Heights. Next: February 11 at 7 p.m. – we start with social hour and Bingo!



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BRANCH 4, CLEVELAND
By Joan Miller-Malue

Those that attended the Winterball had an enjoyable evening. Our three amazing Marias prepared a delicious roast pork dinner. The Cleveland Saxon Dance Group performed beautifully and we all enjoyed the music by the "Klang Gesang." It was great to see some members there that we have not seen in a while. It was great to see Katie and Joey Simonis and their friends from Baldwin Wallace having a good time dancing and helping to entertain our very young children.

Our February Branch Meeting will be held on Monday, February 16th at 7:00 pm. If you have an item to donate to the Chinese Auction, you may bring it along to the meeting.

Speaking of our Annual Fundraiser, the Chinese Auction/Sausage Dinner which will be held on Sunday, February 22 at 1:00 pm, we have some great items and of course, the sausage dinner is the greatest! Hopefully you have made your reservations by February 13th, but if you have not made your reservations, please call Joan Miller-Malue (216)251-6036 to secure a reservation. All reservations are to be prepaid. Cost of admission is \$9 for adults and \$4.50 for children ages 10 & under. The Chinese Auction features nearly 100 items and you can make your "bids" by placing pre-purchased tickets into the receptacles in front of the items that you would like to win. This event is fun for the entire family. There are items of interest for children, men

and women. We thank all our members who have made an item(s) or monetary donation for this event. All members donating will be acknowledged in a printed program at the Chinese Auction. Profits from this event aids in the maintenance expenses of the Sachsenheim.

The following weekend will be the Sachsenheim's Annual Sausage Sale that will be held on Saturday, March 7th. Orders are being taking by Maria Fischer at (216)741-1398 (not after 9:30 pm) or you can make your order by email at Kranstuber@roadrunner.com. Sausage is available with garlic or without at \$3.60 per pound. Orders are to be picked up at 1:00 pm on Saturday, March 7th. You may preorder a sausage/sauerkraut with polenta dinner at \$8 and there also will be sausage sandwiches available for purchase the day of the sale. Deadline for sausage orders is February 28th. This is the last sale of the season so make sure your order enough to last you through the summer!

The next day, Sunday, March 8th we will hold a local bowling party which is in conjunction with the ATS Bowl Where You Are Tournament at the Freeway Lanes located at 12859 Brookpark Road at 12:30 pm. This party is for our members ages 6 - 17. There is no charge for the event which includes bowling, pizza and soft drink. Reservations must be made by calling Patty Cunningham at (216)398-7520 or email at prscunn@yahoo.com before February 27. Each participant

needs to bring along the ATS score sheet which was mailed out to those eligible for the tournament.

On to the next weekend, the Cleveland Saxon Dance Group will hold their 4th Annual Chili Cook-Off on Saturday, March 14 starting at 7:00 pm. They are looking for folks to enter their fabulous chili and compete in the competition. Judging is done by those attending and monetary prizes are awarded for the top vote getters. Cost for chili entry is \$20 which includes one admission ticket. Price for admission is \$10 in advance and \$12 at the door. You can purchase your tickets from any member of the Cleveland Saxon Dance Group. This is one of the group's fundraiser, so please come out to support them! The group always welcomes new members. They practice on Friday nights at 7:00 pm.

But we still are not done with our March activities at the Sachsenheim. The Eintracht-Saxonia Sachsenchor's Annual Goulash Dinner will be held on Sunday, March 22nd at 1:00 pm. Adult dinners are \$12 and children ages 12 and under are \$6. You may also make take-out orders! To make reservations to attend the dinner or order take-out, call Maria Fischer at (216)741-1398 by Tuesday, March 16th. Plan on attending the Sunday dinner, The Sachsenchor makes the best Goulash! For those you are interesting in joining the choir, the group now practices on Tuesday afternoon at 2:00 pm. They would love to have you join them.

So no one can say we are not busy at the Sachsenheim. Those who work together to prepare for these activities, do it with love for our membership and our Sachsen home. We truly appreciate the support of our membership and friends in helping us to keep our Sachsenheim going.

Sending a loved one to the hospital

Some of the most helpful items in the event hospitalization is necessary are pieces of home. Familiar items bring comfort, especially for someone with limited verbal skills. Consider packing his or her blanket or pillow, a photograph, a favorite stuffed animal, familiar music, or frequently-used scented lotion. They are reassuring.

Paula Scott Spencer of caring.com says these items are required or recommended:

A list of medications, including name, purpose, dosage, and timing of doses

Personal essentials such as dentures (and cleaning solution) and glasses

Toiletries (toothbrush, hairbrush, razor)

Pajamas and robe
Slippers with good, secure treads

Socks (feet get cold in bed)

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WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2015	FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2015
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Please have your articles in by 12 Noon.

Did you miss the deadline?

Have you emailed your article past 12 noon?

Please call Hanz or Barb Hermann at (440) 892-0436.

ALLIANCE OF TRANSYLVANIAN SAXONS SCHOLARSHIP GRANTS – 2015

FRESHMAN ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIP GRANTS

To be eligible for a Freshman Academic Scholarship Grant you must be a high school senior with an accumulated grade point average in high school of 2.8, or better.

Twenty Scholarship Grants will be awarded to freshmen in undergraduate study at an accredited college or university in the United States and three renewable grants to present recipients of the Victor Deptner Scholarship.

- \$1,000 Four Year Renewable Grant from the Victor Deptner Memorial Scholarship
- \$1,000 Past ATS Officers' Memorial Scholarship
- \$1,000 Henry Schindler Scholarship
- \$1,000 Michael W. Schassburger Memorial Scholarship
- \$1,000 Jon Weber Memorial
- \$1,000 ATS Branch 33 National Scholarship Endowment Award
- \$1,000 Julia & Martin Konnerth Memorial Scholarship
- \$1,000 Julia & Martin Konnerth Memorial Scholarship
- \$1,000 Branch 10 – Columbus Scholarship
- \$1,000 Branch 14 – Canton Scholarship
- \$1,000 Davidson-Schuller Appreciation Scholarship Award in honor of ATS and Branches 33 & 34
- \$1,000 Rev. & Mrs. John Foisel Memorial Scholarship
- \$1,000 John F. Spack Memorial Scholarship
- \$1,000 John and Mary Guip Memorial Scholarship
- \$1,000 Branch 5 – Lorain Scholarship
- \$ 750 Niles-Branch 20 National Scholarship
- \$ 750 New Castle Branch 27 Scholarship
- \$ 625 Elizabeth J. Snively Memorial Scholarship
- \$ 500 ATS Scholarship Award
- \$ 400 Donzella Herman Scholarship

Applicants for the Scholarships listed must be ATS members in good standing with a minimum of two years continuous membership prior to the scholarship application deadline of April 15th. High School seniors must have maintained a 2.8, or better, grade point average in high school.

Complete the Request Form below to receive your Application. Please note: upon our receipt of the Request Form, an **official ATS Scholarship Application Form** will be mailed to you. **The completed official ATS Scholarship Application Forms from the applicant and school must be received at the ATS Home Office before April 15th.**

REQUEST FOR ATS HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR SCHOLARSHIP

Name _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip Code _____

Tele: _____

E-mail: _____

Br. No. _____ Cert. No. _____

Request must be received by March 15th

MAIL SCHOLARSHIP REQUEST FORM TO:

ATS Home Office 5393 Pearl Road
Cleveland, Ohio 44129-1597

Request Forms must be received by March 15, 2015

Please note: Only official ATS Scholarship Application Forms will be accepted for consideration.

REQUEST FOR ATS UNDERGRADUATE CONTINUING EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP

Name _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip Code _____

Tele: _____

E-mail: _____

Br. No. _____ Cert. No. _____

UNDERGRADUATE CONTINUING ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIP GRANTS

The ATS is offering thirteen Academic Undergraduate Continuing Education Scholarship Grants to our members who are not current year high school graduates and are not entering college in their freshman year of study but are in an **undergraduate program**.

- \$1,000 Award in memory of Past-President David P. Bokesch
- \$1,000 Award in memory of Marie Stirner
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- \$1,000 Award in memory of Gertie & Ernie Gottschling
- \$ 600 Albert Schuster Memorial Scholarship
- \$ 500 ATS Branch 34 Cleveland East Scholarship
- \$ 500 Award in memory of Karl & Charlotte Klamer
- \$ 500 Farrell-Branch 7 Scholarship
- \$ 500 ATS Scholarship Award
- \$ 500 ATS Scholarship Award
- \$ 500 ATS Scholarship Award

Applicants must be ATS members in good standing, with continuous membership for a minimum period of two (2) years. They must have a grade point average of at least 2.8. They may be any age; however, they cannot be a current year high school graduate or entering their freshman year of college.

Applicants must be enrolled in an **undergraduate program** as a **full-time student** at an accredited college or university in the United States.

Requests for **official ATS Undergraduate Continuing Academic Scholarship Applications** may be made by calling the ATS Home Office (440) 842-8442, or by completing the Form printed below by March 15, 2015



For Valentine's Day

Oh, if it be to choose and call thee mine, love, thou art every day my Valentine!

Thomas Hood, 19th Century British writer

All you need is love. But a little chocolate now and then doesn't hurt.

Charles M. Schulz, cartoonist known for Peanuts, Snoopy, Charlie Brown

I claim there ain't Another Saint As great as Valentine.

Ogden Nash, best-known producer of humorous poetry in America

I don't understand why Cupid was chosen to represent Valentine's Day. When I think about romance, the last thing on my mind is a short, chubby toddler coming at me with a weapon.

Attributed to various writers

Pains of love be sweeter far Than all other pleasures are.

John Dryden, named English Poet Laureate in 1668

Love is our true destiny. We do not find the meaning of life by ourselves.

Thomas Merton, Trappist monk of the Abbey of Gethsemani in Kentucky

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Sehr geehrte Damen und Herren,

Das Alten- und Pflegeheim „Dr. Carl Wolff“ in Hermannstadt möchte Ihnen auf diesem Wege ganz herzlich danken, für die Spende von EUR 100,00 die wir über das Sozialwerk der Siebenbürger Sachsen erhalten haben..

Im Altenheim „Dr. Carl Wolff“ leben 106 Bewohner und Bewohnerinnen. Sie kommen aus sehr unterschiedlichen Gemeinden Siebenbürgens, sie haben ein bewegtes Leben hinter sich: Deportation, Enteignung, Auswanderung vieler lieben Menschen, aber sie sind bemüht so viel wie möglich, von ihrem Alltag von zu Hause mit all seinen Traditionen in das Altenheim.

Sie versuchen ihre Kränzchen weiterzuführen, haben ihren eigenen Chor, der zu Geburtstagen und auch zu Beerdigungen singt und sie gehen in die Gottesdienste, wie schon immer zu Hause, sie haben ihre Kartennachmittage, kochen ab und zu Gerichte „wie zu Hause“ usw.

Einige von ihnen haben so kleine Rente, dass sie davon nicht leben können. Dank Spenden wie dieser können auch sie einen freundlichen Alltag erleben.

Dafür möchte ich Ihnen an dieser Stelle ganz besonders danken.

Mit freundlichen Grüßen aus Hermannstadt,

Heimleiterin
Ortrun Rhein

FRATERNAL CALENDAR

NATIONAL EVENTS

- April 25 - 26, 2015
 TSBA Bowling Tournament
 Host: New Castle Bowlers
- May 16, 2015
 Branch Presidents' Meeting
 Youngstown Saxon Club
- July 7 - 20, 2015
 Federation of Transylvanian Saxons Jugendlager
 Host: USA
- July 10-12, 2015
 Transylvanian Saxon Heimattag
 Host: Aylmer ONT, Canada
- July 19 - 24, 2015
 Saxon Summer Camp
 Camp Frederick, Rogers, Ohio
- August 8, 2015
 ATS Golf Outing
 Host: Salem Branch 19

LOCAL EVENTS

- February 13, 2015
 Salem Joint Social (weather permitting) 6:30 p.m.
- February 15, 2015
 Youngstown Pork Dinner
- February 19, 2015
 Salem Set-up for Fish Fry 6:30 p.m.
- February 19, 2015
 Salem Bar open 7 p.m. - 9 p.m.
- February 20, 2015
 Salem Fish Fry (1) 5:00 -7:00 p.m.
 New Castle Night at the Races at the Club
- February 21, 2015
 Salem NO BREAKFAST BUFFET
 New Castle Steve Vuich in the Rathskeller (8 -11 p.m.)
- February 22, 2015
 Cleveland Br. 4 Chinese Auction / Sausage Dinner
 Salem Br. 18 and 19 Bowl Where You Are
- February 26, 2015
 Salem Set-up for fish fry 6:30 p.m.
- February 26, 2015
 Salem Bar open/Peanut Night 7 p.m. - 9 p.m.
- February 27, 2015
 Salem Fish Fry (2) 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
- February 28, 2015
 New Castle Mike Leslie in the Rathskeller (8 - 11 p.m.)
- March 2, 2015
 Salem Br. 19 Meeting 7:30 p.m.
- March 4, 2015
 Salem Saxon Retirees 11:30 a.m.
- March 4, 2015
 Salem Bingo (doors open 4:30) Bingo 6:30 p.m.
- March 5, 2015
 Salem Set-up for fish fry 6:30 p.m.
- March 5, 2015
 Salem Bar open 7 p.m. - 9 p.m.
- March 6, 2015
 Salem Fish Fry (3) 5:00 -7:00 p.m.
 Cleveland Br. 1 Sausage Sale setup
- March 7, 2015
 Cleveland Br. 1 Sausage Sale
- March 8, 2015
 Youngstown Br. 22 and Br. 30 meet
 New Castle Sauerkraut Dinner
- March 9, 2015
 Salem Br. 18 Meeting 7:30 p.m.
- March 12, 2015
 Salem Set-up for Fish Fry 6:30 p.m.
- March 12, 2015
 Salem Bar open 7 p.m. - 9 p.m.
 New Castle Open membership meeting Saengerhalle 7 p.m.
- March 13, 2015
 Salem Fish Fry (4) 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.
- March 14, 2015
 Cleveland Saxon Dance Group Chili Cook-off
 New Castle Jim Frank Trio in the Rathskeller (8 - 11 p.m.)
- March 15, 2015
 Youngstown Pork Dinner
- March 19, 2015
 Salem Set-up for Fish Fry 6:30 p.m.
- March 19, 2015
 Salem Bar open 7p.m. - 9p.m.
- March 20, 2015
 Salem Fish Fry (5) 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.
- March 21, 2015
 Salem NO BREAKFAST BUFFET

BRANCH 27, NEW CASTLE By Dolores Both

The next Branch 27 meeting is Thursday, March 5, at 7:00 pm at the club.

Monkey in a bar

A man walks into a bar and orders a beer. He takes a sip and sets it down. While he is looking around, a monkey swings down and steals the beer.

He asks the barman, "who owns the monkey?" The barman says it's the piano player. The man walks over to the piano player.

He asks, "Do you know your monkey stole my beer?"

"No, but if you hum it, I'll fake it."

The Eintracht-Saxonia Sachsenchor



will host their
Annual Goulash Dinner
Sunday, March 22, 2015

Sachsenheim
7001 Denison Avenue
1:00 pm

Adults \$12.00
Children Age 12 & Under \$6.00

**To make Reservations or
 Place Take-Out Orders**

Call Maria Fischer
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Deadline is Tuesday, March 16th.

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 YOUNGSTOWN OH

ATS BRANCH 4 - 2015 FUND RAISER CHINESE AUCTION/SAUSAGE DINNER



Sunday, February 22, 2015

WESTSIDE SACHSENHEIM

7001 Denison Avenue
 Cleveland, Ohio

Sausage Dinner Starting At 1:00 P.M.

Serving until 2:00 P.M.



Admission by prepaid reservation only!

\$9.00 - Adults Children 10 & Under - \$4.50

Auction Tickets: \$7.00 (Sold day of Auction)

DEADLINE FOR RESERVATIONS: FEBRUARY 13, 2015

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

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CHINESE AUCTION/SAUSAGE DINNER

Sunday, February 22, 2015

By Prepaid Reservation Only (Tickets will be held at the Door)

_____ Adult Dinners @ \$9.00 each \$ _____

_____ Children's Dinners @ \$4.50 each (Ages 10 and Under) \$ _____

Total Amount Enclosed \$ _____

There will be assigned seating . . .

Please indicate if you wish to be seated with specific individuals.

Make Check or Money Order payable to: **ATS Branch 4**
 Mail Check and Reservation Form to:
 Donna Jankow
 7663 Ragall Pkwy.
 Middleburg Hts, OH 44130

CHURCHES



**St. Peter's
German and Saxon
Lutheran Church**
11423 Chicago Rd.
Warren, Michigan 48093
(586) 979-3850
stpeters_church@sbcglobal.net
www.stpeterswarren.or

**Rev. Waldemar Gies
Pastor**
pastorgies@sbcglobal.net

10:00 Bilingual Service

**Nursery School
Coffee following service.
Bible Study, Senior Circle,
Sunday School, Church
Choir, Bell Choir**

St. John's Lutheran Church
1000 Ford Road
Highland Hts., Ohio
(440) 449-1334
**Rev. Roberta Davis-Newhouse
Pastor**

9:00 Worship Service



WEDNESDAY NIGHT BINGO

SALEM SAXON CLUB

Benefitting the
Scholarship Fund
Homemade Dinners,
Sandwiches & Snacks
For Information call
330-222-1770



**SALEM SAXON
CLUB BAR
IS OPEN
EVERY THURSDAY.
PLEASE CHECK
CALENDAR OF
EVENTS
FOR TIMES.**

Chest pain, labored breathing, fatigue: Call 911 now!

This is the only era in history that heart attacks do not have to be fatal, but much depends on speed.

To survive a heart attack, you must know the symptoms and get yourself into the hands of a medical professional as quickly as possible.

Many people having a heart attack will know immediately that the problem is serious but some might delay getting help -- a dangerous move. Undue fatigue, rapid heart beat, difficulty breathing and chest pain are all symptoms that you might be having a heart crisis.

Call 911 immediately. This, in effect, brings a hospital to your door and, if you are having a heart attack, this increases your chances of survival dramatically.

According to the American Heart Association, someone suffers a heart attack every 34 seconds.

In fact, according to Johns Hopkins, about 84 million people in the U.S. have some form of cardiovascular disease. About 15 million U.S. adults have coronary heart disease. Every year about 600,000 people die heart diseases.

You are at risk for a heart attack if you have high blood pressure, high blood cholesterol, and obesity. Smoking increases your risk along with a low activity lifestyle and diabetes.

BRANCH 9, CHICAGO By Rose-Marie Hauer

Mother Nature has not been kind to the Chicagoland area. First we have lots of cold weather and now the 19 inch snowstorm! Thus our last two meeting have been canceled! Please mark on your calendars the following dates:

April 18th, 2015 Stiftungs-fest
July 12th, 2015 Picnic.

Ella Reif 1936-2015

It is with a very heavy heart that I must report my mother Sister Ella Reif passed away on January 27, 2015. As many of you know mom was a very courageous woman and battled cancer for many years. Her will to live and fight for life was one of her strongest battles. She could lighten up any room and make you happy on even the saddest day with her smile. If she was here today she would tell you not to be sad and her smile would certainly cheer you up. Ella taught us a lot over the years. More important she also taught me about how important family was. She also made sure I knew the value of family and friendship and that I never

YOUNGTOWN SAXON RETIREES By Teri Laret

Someone told me (your secretary) that winter is on its way out. I sure would like to believe that, but, I have my doubts. We even have not had our St. Patrick's Day Parade yet. So anyway, stay warm, healthy and give someone you love a big old Valentine's Day hug tomorrow. Oh yes, stay off the ice.

See you next month. Wear your green.

So Ein Tag! oxoxoxoxox

took it for granted. Her desire to always be there for our family and maintaining culture and the Saxon heritage was a top priority.

She was the last President of the former Ladies club Branch 46 until it merged with Branch 9 years ago. When she could she would do door admission, raffles, and bake delicious desserts. She also was very active in her church and loved to sew and bake.

Mom was raised in Canada on a farm by her parents along with her brother and sisters. She moved to Chicago in 1958, when she married my father Brother Henry Reif. They celebrated 56 years of marriage together.

My mother planted a seed for her grandchildren. Elizabeth, Erica and Allison also pursue the Saxon heritage. Two grandchildren are in a German dance group and all three love to bake. My brother Dan and I continue to be active with Branch 9 and other German organizations

It will be hard on us to let her go physically, but we will carry her with us each and every day in our hearts and our thoughts. The sun rising will remind us of the warmth of her love. Flowers blooming will remind us of her love for life. We will miss all her fabulous desserts. There's a part of her in each and every person and we can all be so honored that she was a part of our lives. We will always love you Ella; sister, mom, wife, grandmother. We will carry you with us each day in our hearts. We will mourn our loss but rejoice that you are in a better place.

The next meeting will be held on March 2, at the DANK Haus.



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.

Judith M. Zrinski
Age 75

Died: December 20, 2014
Branch 33, Cleveland OH

Anna J. Goda
Age 96

Died: December 23, 2014
Branch 7, Farrell PA

Louise I. Waddell
Age 93

Died: December 29, 2014
Home Branch, Cleveland OH

Louise F. Schuster
Age 93

Died: January 6, 2015
Home Branch, Cleveland OH

Evelyn Garofalo
Age 89

Died: January 26, 2015
Branch 2, Erie PA

Ella Reif
Age 78

Died: January 27, 2015
Branch 9, Chicago IL

Rose L. Whittier
Age 86

Died: January 14, 2015
Home Branch, Cleveland

Alfred Allert
Age 87

Died: February 1, 2015
Branch 10, Columbus OH

Youngstown Saxon Culture Group's

Spring Sausage Sale

We are now taking orders for hot, mild, and garlic sausage. All flavors come in 3lb and 5lb links or 5lb bulk packages (each with a little overage). The price is \$3.50 per pound

**Saturday,
March 7, 2015**

Pickup is from
9:00 to 3:00
in the pavilion.

You can call in orders to
Maria Bachinger 330-792-4005
Walter Benesch 330-398-5449
Andy Kuthy 330-792-4846
email: akuthy@ymail.com

All are welcome to join us for German music, beer and sausage sandwiches the day of the pickup, March 8.

We will take your phone orders through Tuesday, March 3 and email orders through Wednesday, March 4

Please mark this in your calendar.



SAUSAGE SALE

**CLEVELAND SACHSENHEIM'S
WURSTMARKT/SAUSAGE SALE
SATURDAY, MARCH 7, 2015**

Westside Sachsenheim
7001 Denison Avenue
Cleveland, OH 44102

LAST SALE FOR THIS SEASON!!

**Pork Sausage with or without garlic
\$3.60 per pound**

Deadline for Sausage Orders: February 28

**Sausage/Sauerkraut with Polenta Dinner
\$8.00 per meal (must preorder meal)**

Sausage Sandwiches will be available for purchase

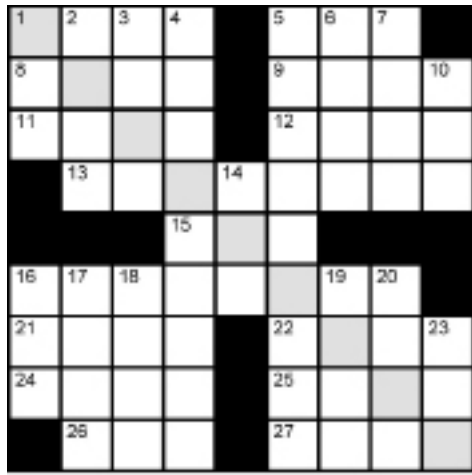
**Orders can be placed by calling:
Maria Fischer (216)741-1398
(Do not call after 9:30 pm)**

**or
Email: Kranstuber@roadrunner.com
(Email orders will receive a return order confirmation)**

**ORDERS CAN BE PICKED UP AT THE SACHSENHEIM
AFTER 1:00 pm (Not Before) on Sat., March 7, 2015**

PotPourri

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Across

1. Algonquian Indian
5. French vineyard
8. Oil source
9. Do damage to
11. Convex shape
12. ___-European
13. Element used in photoelectric cells
15. Grassy area
16. Gird
21. Christmas season
22. Slothful
24. 1950's British P.M.
25. Land measure
26. Newt, once
27. Nay opposers

Down

1. PC "brain"
2. Butts
3. Dresden's river
4. Skin softener
5. Porcelain ingredient
6. Hindu princess
7. Language of Pakistan
10. Soccer ___
14. Always, in verse
16. Cataract site
17. Classic art subject
18. Musical sign
19. Shoestring
20. Book before Nehemiah
23. "Of course"

Presidents Day:

Is it Washington's or Lincoln's?

Most of our calendars state that the third Monday of February is Presidents Day. It is a federal holiday. Government offices close. Schools close. No mail is delivered. Supposedly, this annual event is meant to celebrate the combined birthdays of George Washington and Abraham Lincoln. But their birth dates are on the 22nd and 12th respectively and the 22nd can never be on a Monday.

Confused? There's more. By combining these once separate events that honored two important presidents, a 1968 Uniform Holiday Bill gave federal employees another 3-day weekend along with Memorial Day and Columbus Day.

But state governments don't have to observe federal holidays. So some don't. Most do because their employees want those long weekends too. But businesses stay open and hold big sales, so their retail employees still work.

Some states continue to call the holiday Washington's Birthday to this day. After all, he is the Father of Our Country, the general who led the Continental Army to victory in the Revolutionary War and then became our very first president. That's why our 1888 Congress created the very first national holiday that honored an important individual.

What about Lincoln? His birthday has never been designated a federal holiday, but some states observed it as such. Some never did, but most were willing to lump it into a Presidents Day recognition. Not all.



Dokumentation der Ereignisse von 1945

Vor 70 Jahren, am Ende des Zweiten Weltkriegs, begann der Leidensweg von Millionen deutscher Heimatvertriebener; die 1945 und in den Jahren danach Opfer von Flucht, Vertreibung und Deportation wurden. Sie mussten Gewalt und grausame Willkürakte erleiden und haben nicht zuletzt auch ihre Heimat verloren. Viele von ihnen fanden auf der Flucht und bei der Vertreibung den Tod.

Dazu erklärt die Bayerische Staatsministerin für Arbeit und Soziales, Familie und Integration, Emilia Müller: „Wir gedenken der Opfer. Wir erinnern an ihr schweres Schicksal und ihr Leid. Diese schrecklichen Geschehnisse sind für uns auch Auftrag und Mahnung, Vertreibung zu ächten – Vertreibung war, ist und bleibt Unrecht. Geschichte und Schicksal der deutschen Heimatvertriebenen müssen lebendig im Bewusstsein bleiben – gerade auch bei der jüngeren Generation.“

Die Erinnerungen und Materialien zu Flucht, Vertreibung und Deportation 1945/1946 werden im Arbeitskreis „Kultur, Geschichte, Schicksal und Leistung deutscher Heimatvertriebener, Flüchtlinge und Spätaussiedler“ gesammelt. Der Arbeitskreis wurde 2012 gegründet, Vertreter der Landsmannschaften stellen dabei Materialien zusammen, um die Lehrkräfte sowie Schülerinnen und Schüler über diese Thematik zu informieren und die Behandlung von Flucht, Vertreibung und Deportation am Ende des 2. Weltkriegs im Unterricht aller Schularten anzuregen. Die Ergebnisse werden durch das Staatsinstitut für Schulqualität und Bildungsforschung im Internet veröffentlicht (www.historisches-forum-bayern.de; Rubrik: „Historisch-politische Themen – Flucht, Vertreibung, Spätaussiedler: Materialien für den Unterricht“). Die Materialsammlung wird laufend erweitert. Sozialministerin Müller: „Ich danke den Heimatvertriebenen und Spätaussiedlern für das große Engagement, mit dem sie im Arbeitskreis mitwirken und ihr Schicksal darstellen.“

SBZ Online
3. Februar 2015

Join us for the Cleveland Saxon Dance Group's 5th Annual Chili Cook-off Fundraiser

Westside Sachsenheim
7001 Denison Avenue Cleveland, OH



Saturday
March 14, 2015
Doors open
at 7pm

Tickets \$10 in advance
from any Dance Group member
or \$12 at the door.
Children under 12 half price.

Includes admission, three chili samples,
accompaniments and desserts
Additional chili samples \$1 each
A cash bar will be available

Contact Stephanie Miller at 440-356-5582
with any questions or if you would like to enter
a chili for judging in the contest. Cost is \$20 per entry
(includes admission ticket for entrant)
and prizes will be awarded for the top two entries
based on ballots cast by attendees.

Eintracht Singing Society



108 Taylor St., New Castle, PA

Date: Sunday, March 8, 2015

Time: Noon til 3:00PM

Adults: \$8.00

Children: \$4.00
(12 and Under)

Take-Outs Available

Questions Call: 1-724-652-7221



"Hey, we have the same ringtone!"

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rb Cunningham@roadrunner.com
ATS SEC'Y. R. Cunningham
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Erie, PA Br. 2

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Alliance, OH Br. 3

Mtg. 3rd. Wed. - 6:30 p.m.
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dcrawfordcpa@yahoo.com
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Lorain, OH Br. 5

Mtg. 1st Sat. 8:00 p.m.
American Slovak Club
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2817 Utica Ave. Lorain OH 44052
(440) 282-2796
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(440) 244-7625
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(440) 288-8668
LOCAL DUES to Michael W. Johnson
41868 Earlene Ct, Elyria OH 44035
(440) 324-2534 mikjo79@gmail.com

Farrell, PA Br. 7

Mtg. 3rd. Mon. 7:00 p.m.
Farrell Lions Den 810 Lions Club Lane
(724) 981-7130
PRES. Bertha Chec
941 Sharon-New Castle Rd., #121
Farrell, 16121 (724) 342-3139
SEC'Y. Betty Holmes
409 Patt Dr. Farrell, 16121
(724) 981-7130
ATS SEC'Y. Bonnie Gregorich
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(724) 528-0309
SICK NOTICES to Betha Chec
LOCAL DUES to
Kathy Schuller
PO Box 834 Andover OH 44003
(440) 293-6973

Alliance, OH Br. 8

Mgt. 3rd Wed. 6:30 p.m.
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(330) 862-2563 HHA658@aol.com
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1415 Broad Ave NW Canton OH 44708
(330) 453-0362
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Chicago, IL Br. 9

Mtg. 1st Mon. 8:00 p.m.
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923 E Slayton Dr Palatine IL, 60074
(847) 934-6308 dede21@yahoo.com
SEC'Y. Elfi Sanderson
1425 London Lane
Glenview IL 60026 (847) 732-0939
ATS SEC'Y:
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(847) 818-3884 hschmidts@sbcglobal.net

Columbus, OH Br. 10

Mtg. 3rd Mon. 1:00 p.m. all months
Berwick Party House
PRES. Richard Kautz
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SEC'Y. Susanna Mueller
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(614) 837-2221 opimi@aol.com
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LOCAL DUES to
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(614) 834-1060

Lorain, OH Br. 11

Mtg. 1st Sat. 8:00 p.m.
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SEC'Y. Monica Gilles
3520 Beavercrest Dr. #107 Lorain, 44053
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ATS SEC'Y. Monica Gilles
SICK NOTICES to Jane Mowery
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(440) 246-3004
LOCAL DUES to Sharron Powell
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(440) 282-4725

Canton, OH Br. 14

Mtg. 2nd Sun. - 12:00 p.m.
La Pizzeria 3656 Dressler Rd NW
Canton, Ohio
PRES. Thomas J. Rowinsky
1656 Dunkeith Dr NW, Canton, 44708
(330) 478-9333
SICK NOTICES to
Thomas Rowinsky
Address as shown above

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All information in the form
to the right and below must
be correctly typed, or legibly
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- CHANGE
 CANCELLATION
 NEW to receive paper

HOME OFFICE RECORDS & VOLKSBLATT VOLKSBLATT ONLY
Date: _____ Signature of Person Making Change _____

Mail to: Alliance of Transylvanian Saxons, 5393 Pearl Road, Cleveland, Ohio 44129-1597

CHANGE OF ADDRESS FORM

Branch No. _____ Certificate No. _____

SS# _____ Date of Birth _____

Name _____

Old Street Address was _____

City/State/Zip _____

New Street _____

City/State/Zip _____

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Canton, OH Br. 17

Mtg. 2nd Sun. 12:00 p.m.
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(330) 478-9333
SEC'Y. Jeanne Kirsch
2222 42nd St. NW, Canton 44709
(330) 492-2856
ATS SECRETARY: Rosanne Miller
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Canton OH 44718
330-933-4584 rchoochoo64@aol.com
SICK NOTICES to Mary Rowinsky
LOCAL DUES to: Rosanne Miller
5186 Everhard Rd NW Apt 7
Canton OH 44718
(330) 933-4584

Salem, OH Br. 18

Mtg. 2nd Mon. 7:30 p.m.
Saxon Club 1980 St. Rt. 9 Salem, 44460
(330) 222-1770
PRES. Florence Spack
1500 Depot Rd Salem OH 44460
(330) 337-3652
SEC'Y. / ATS SECRETARY
Barbara Spack
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(330) 337-7487 babrayn@sbcglobal.net
SICK NOTICES
to Theresa Spack
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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. Henry A. Spack, Sr.
1500 Depot Rd. Salem, 44460
(330) 337-3652
SEC'Y. Robert P. Vogt, Sr.
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(330) 881-3346
mvcobra27@gmail.com
SICK NOTICES to Glenn T. Spack
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(330) 337-7575
LOCAL DUES to Richard Vogt, Sr.
c/o Salem Saxon Club
1980 Newgarden Rd, Salem, 44460
(330) 332-9996

Youngstown, OH Br. 22

Mtg. 2nd Sun. 2:00 p.m.
Saxon Club Lower Lounge Restaurant
710 S. Meridian 44509 (330) 792-7973
PRES. Bonnie J. Baker
4535 Mellinger Rd. Canfield, 44406
(330) 793-8691
SEC'Y. June Hoelzel
695 E Western Reserve Rd Unit 2601
Poland OH 44514 (330) 953-2856
ATS SEC'Y. Julaine Gilmartin
4173 Timberland Trail Canfield 44406
(330) 799-5171
SICK NOTICES to June Hoelzel
Address listed above
LOCAL DUES to Betty Garhammer
969 Canfield Rd. Youngstown 44511
(330) 788-4274

New Castle, PA Br. 25

Mtg. 1st Thursday 8:00 p.m.
Eintracht Hall 108 Taylor St.,
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(724) 652-7221
PRES. John McCormick
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(724) 944-2657
johnmichaelmccormick@hotmail.com
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3223 Frew Mill Rd New Castle PA 16101
(724) 924-2203 holzhauserj@hotmail.com
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LOCAL DUES to: Doug Schaffer
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(724) 652-3038

Merrillville, IN Br. 26

Mtg. 1st Sun. 2 p.m. Nov, Dec, Jan & Feb
3 p.m. all other months
Slovak Club - 6920 Broadway
(219) 756-5101
PRES. Randall Floyd
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(219) 962-7345 randz724@comcast.net
ATS SEC'Y. Randall Floyd
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724 E. 25th Pl, Lake Station IN 46405
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New Castle, PA Br. 27

Mtg. 1st Thurs. 7:00 p.m.
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(724) 651-4111 deej65@yahoo.com
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N.Castle, 16105 (724) 652-1867

Monaca, PA Br. 29

Mtg. 1st. Monday 7 p.m.
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(724) 601-4707 lstiteler@yahoo.com
ATS SEC'Y. Terri L. Munroe
1255 Chestnut St. Monaca, 15061
(724) 544-0457 enchantra220@yahoo.com

Youngstown, OH Br. 30

Mtg. 2nd. Sun. 2:00 p.m.
Saxon Club 710 S. Meridian 44509
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PRES. Ernie Roth
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(330) 534-4960 djer1@netzero.net
SEC'Y. Robert Bachinger
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(330) 507-5361 ygstc@zoominternet.net

Youngstown, OH Br. 30 cont'd

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LOCAL DUES to Donald Hoelzel
695 E Western Reserve Unit 2601
Poland OH 44514 (330) 953-2856
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Robert Bachinger c/o 710 S Meridian Rd
Youngstown OH 44509
(330) 792-5177 ygstc@zoominternet.net

Ellwood City, PA Br. 32

Mtg. 2nd. Wed. 7:30 p.m.
Saxon Club 901 Millview St.
(724) 758-3268
PRES. Sara Dudash
619 Meadowridge Dr Ellwood City PA 16117
(724) 758-4890
ATS Sec'y. Sara Mullin
600 Dover Ln. Ellwood City, 16117
(724) 758-4764
SICK NOTICES to: Joan Evans
197 Portersville Rd Apt 3
Ellwood City PA 16117 (724) 752-1109

Cleveland, OH Br. 33

Mtg. 2nd. Weds. 7:30 p.m.
St. John's Lutheran Church
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PRES. Ema Litschel
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SEC'Y. Arline Suts
413 Downing Dr Chardon OH 44024
(440) 285-9498 asuts@windstream.net
ATS SEC'Y. Karyn Schmidt
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(216) 382-7397
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Address and phone as above
LOCAL DUES to Michael Bretz
388 East 317th St. Willowick, 44095
440-943-4543 meb3172@att.net

Detroit, MI Br. 37

Mtg. 1st. Sun. 12:30 p.m.
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SEC'Y. Janet Nelson
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***There is Still Time
to Make
Your 2014 Contribution
Into Your ATS IRA Account***

Traditional vs. Roth

There are two main kinds of IRAs -- traditional and Roth. With a traditional IRA, you contribute pre-tax money, reducing your taxable income for the year, and thereby reducing your taxes, too. (Taxable income of \$60,000 and a \$5,000 contribution? Presto -- \$55,000 in taxable income for the year.) The money grows in your account and is taxed at your ordinary income tax rate when you withdraw it in retirement.

The money invested in a Roth IRA has already been taxed, so any return you earn on your Roth IRA investments won't be taxed, as long as you wait until you're at least age 59 ½ to withdraw your profits. On the other hand, contributions to a traditional IRA are taxed as income upon withdrawal. Just remember, a traditional IRA is tax deductible, but a Roth IRA isn't.

IRA contribution limits

The IRA contribution limits are the same for both the 2014 and 2015 tax years: \$5,500 -- plus an extra \$1,000 "catch-up" contribution for those age 50 or older.

Roth IRA contributions must be made with earned money. There's no minimum age for opening a Roth, but whoever funds one, whether child or adult, must do so with earned income. For kids, allowance or birthday money doesn't qualify, but cash earned through babysitting or odd jobs can. For adults, qualified earnings include wages, commissions, and even alimony payments, but not inheritances, pension or disability income, or Social Security benefits.

Eligibility limits

The IRS has specific rules regarding who can contribute to an IRA. Traditional IRAs and Roth IRAs base certain eligibility guidelines on the taxpayer's Modified Adjusted Gross Income (MAGI), which is calculated when you file your taxes.

Roth IRA limits for 2014 and beyond include income limits, too, as the ability to contribute to a Roth IRA is reduced or eliminated for high earners. Single filers with modified adjusted gross income (AGI) of less than \$114,000, and married couples who file jointly and have AGIs of less than \$181,000, are safe.

With traditional IRAs, people earning any level of income can contribute to them, but there are income-based limits on how much one can *deduct* for contributions to a traditional IRA. Thus, the overall effect is similar to Roth IRA income limits, reducing the usefulness of these tax-advantaged retirement accounts for wealthier folks.

If you're thinking that it's January 2015 and it is too late to make a contribution to your IRA for 2014, you're in luck: The deadline for IRA contributions is actually the same as your tax-filing deadline, April 15. Thus, if you didn't make a contribution in 2014, you can make two in 2015, as long as you specify that one is for 2014 and you make it by April 15.



***If you do not own an ATS Traditional or Roth IRA,
Contact your Local Branch Deputy of the ATS Home Office today.***

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