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BRANCH 22, YOUNGSTOWN

By Rosemarie Kascher

Please renew your dues as soon as possible; it is that time of year. Please direct your \$24.00 per year to: Betty Garhammer, 969 Canfield Rd. Youngstown, OH 44511 or phone 330-788-4274.

I personally am proud of being a small part of this truly fine organization of our heritage with some great ladies, Branch 22, Youngstown. You might care to pay for dues a couple years at a time; that has worked for me in the past. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

We invite students to apply for scholarships to YSU for applicants in good standing in Br. 22 and Br. 30. Applications are available at Br. 22 meetings and with members of the Scholarship Committee: Hildegard Dunkerley, 4511 Warwick Lane, Canfield OH 44406 or Marge Whitacher, 17847 Mill Rd., Berlin Center, OH 44401. Also check the scholarship aid from the ATS.

Club Activities:

Retirees meet again in March

BINGO nights in the Ballroom, Sunday nights, play or help

Wednesday, March 4, Officers Meeting 6:00 p.m.

Sunday, March 8, Br. 22 Meeting, L.L. 2:00 p.m.

Sunday, March 8, Ladies Bocce Mtg. L.L.

4:00 p.m.

We welcome into membership, Theresa De Capula and wish her well as she becomes a member of our Br. 22 fellowship. Moms and grandmas, please encourage your daughters and granddaughters to participate in Br. 22 activities; they're a great group of women.

Thinking of you were sent to Gloria Hahn, Joan Kubik and Thelma Schuller. Sympathy to Rose Marie Zamary on the loss of her mother. Birthdays are Gloria Hahn, Janet Sharp, Shelly Sizer, Darlene Nischwitz, Shirley Hahn, Theresa De Capula; anniversaries this month are for Chrissie Nims and Shirley Hahn.

Keep your calendar open for the Presidents' Goulash Dinner, March 21.

Thank you, Carrie Sturgeon for the new blinds in the barroom. Bev Myers is our new representative to the Memorial/Celebration Committee and Julaine Gilmartin a fine addition to the Scholarship Committee.

Stay warm and safe in this weather, please.

BRANCH 11, LORAIN

By Monica Gilles

Our monthly meeting was held on Saturday, February 7 at Slovak Home with a nice turnout.

We would like to wish continued good health to all our members, especially those that have recently been under the weather. Remember, if you are under doctor's care for more than a week, you are entitled to sick benefits. To be placed on the sick list, please contact Jane Mowery at 440-246-3004.

We received information about the upcoming sausage sale at the Westside Sachsenheim. They will be making sausage, with or without garlic, on March 7. It is \$3.60 per pound. Please call Maria Fischer at 216-741-1398 to place your order. This is the last sale until December! Deadline for orders is February 28.

The Cleveland Saxon Dance Group will be hosting the 5th Annual Chili Cook-off on Saturday, March 14 at the Westside Sachsenheim. Tickets are \$10 in advance or \$12 at the door. Each ticket of admission will get you 3 samples of chili, accompaniments and desserts. Additional chili samples are available at \$1.00 each. If you are interested in entering a chili, the entry fee is \$20 and that includes your admission to the chili cook-off. Advance tickets are available through any dance group member, like myself. Just give me a call at 440-309-7894 and I will arrange to get tickets to you. If you are interested in entering your chili or have any questions, please contact Stephanie Miller at 440-356-5582.

Also going on right now is the ATS Bowl Where You Are tournament for our juvenile members ages 6-17. Each eligible member should have received their official bowling tally sheet in the mail. We will be hosting a Bowl Where You Are party for our juvenile members. The bowling party will be Sunday, March 22 at 1pm at Rebman's Recreation. Each child will get to bowl 3 games and enjoy some pizza and pop. Please arrive by 12:30 so you can get your shoes and find a bowling ball. Please call Monica Gilles at 440-309-7894 by March 13 if your child will be attending.

Don't forget to send your local dues for 2015 to Sharron Powell; 1704 N. Urban Circle; Lorain, OH 44053.

Happy Birthday to Sisters Jean Mc Kitrick and Sharron Powell.

Lesley Hochevar, who was not present at the meeting, was drawn for the attendance prize. Jane Mowery won the door prize.

The next meeting will be Saturday, March 7 starting at 8 pm. Hope to see you there.

BRANCHES 14 & 17, CANTON

By Cheryl Schnebelen

Over the holidays, Canton Branches 14 and 17 had a very nice time at their luncheons where they made and bottled wine at Vino Fabbrianti. We would like to thank all involved in arranging the get togethers. Our next meeting will be held at La Pizzeria on Dressler road on March 8, at 11:00 AM. This includes a Sunday dinner followed by each branches meeting. All are welcome, so if you would like to attend please call Mary Rowinsky at 330-478-9333. Have a great month and see you there!

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Thomas J. Manning
ATS Nat'l President



With the month of March approaching, I think that many of us in the snow and cold weather regions will certainly be glad when this winter is over. The past two months have been brutal with so much snow and extremely low temperatures. I am wondering how long it will take for our five-foot high snow piles to melt. We must also feel sorry for those who live around Boston and the surrounding areas. They received more than their fair share of snow this season. This has been a long winter but keep your snow shovel handy and keep in mind that Spring will come eventually.

Some important dates to remember in March are as follows. On Sunday, March 1st, the TSBA will complete another successful regular bowling season. We thank their President, Glenn Spack, and his fellow officers for their leadership and dedication governing the league. Their end-of-season tournament will be hosted by the New Castle bowlers on April 25th and 26th. We hope they enjoyed the bowling and turn in great scores. Sunday, March 8th, is when Daylight Savings Time begins. Remember to spring ahead in the Spring. March 17th is St. Patrick's Day when everyone drinks green beer and enjoys corned beef and cabbage. Friday, March 20th, is when Spring begins. I hope Mother Nature cooperates. On Saturday, March 21st, the ATS Board of Directors will have their first meeting of 2015. Sunday, March 29th, is Palm Sunday which is the start of holy week for Christians everywhere.

Quote of the Day: "You can tell whether a man is clever by his answers. You can tell whether a man is wise by his questions." We aren't crazy about know-it-alls. We may be impressed by the depth or breadth of their knowledge. We may have to concede that they are well educated. We may grudgingly acknowledge that they are clever. But those who through their questions show their minds are open to new ideas--often impress us more. They may hold strong opinions, but they listen to ours. They may talk about themselves, but they would rather ask us to speak about ourselves."

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

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**TIMELY - DO NOT DELAY
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SPRING FORWARD!



DAYLIGHT-SAVING TIME BEGINS MARCH 8

BRANCH 5, LORAIN
By Michael Johnson

When the ATS was founded way back in 1902, the paradigm by which the society was formed and operated was for some reason split between men's and women's branches. In July of 1903, some 30 men of Saxon descent living here in Lorain with their families, chartered the "First Transylvanian Saxon Sick Benefit Society of Lorain, Ohio," Branch 5 of the Central Verband der Siebenbuerger Sachsen of the United States. Shortly thereafter, the women, presumably the wives of these men, formed their own society known as Branch 11 of the same name. Working together but operating separately they actively took part in the common goal of preserving Transylvanian Saxon customs and traditions while also helping one another in times of need.

Within the first fifty years, the men of Branch 5 Lorain, built the Saxon Club which still stands today at 29th St. & Apple Ave. They were responsible for the maintenance and upkeep of the hall, bar, and bowling lanes, and later picnic grounds purchased by the branch. Branch 11 women hosted many of the functions within the club cooking, crafting, and serving in helping the men maintain the very purpose of this society in the first place. Again it was to aid its members in sickness and their dependents in case of deaths, to promote true brotherly love by the encouragement of traditional singing, bringing the young people together for different activities, and furthering the German and English language.

For another forty years things pretty much worked the same as it was originally planned; however, the generations of Saxons in the community were even then beginning to dwindle. The weight of responsibility and the expense of operating the Saxon Club was enough to cause the sale of it and the picnic grounds in 1995. Within the last twenty years with a decline in growth of membership as older members pass away, aging ailments, families moving, and lack of membership participation in branch activities, has lead many to be disheartened with no real meaning to exist any longer as a society.

This, of course is not an uncommon problem being faced by many ethnic groups across Lorain. Many struggling to keep their club houses open and their traditions alive as the next generation drifts from their "roots", change their membership policies and criteria for being accepted "in", just to keep their core group intact.

At our Branch 5 January 2015 meeting this very topic was discussed at length. It was decided to draft a letter to give to the ladies of Branch 11 during their February meeting, asking them to join us in a merger of our two branches. During our meeting that same evening, we were made aware of their agreeable position that to make such a move would be in the best interest for both of our branches as well as the future of the Lorain Alliance of Transylvanian Saxons.

Our Branch 5 President Broth-

er Ned Jones with soon be in touch with the home office with the news of our intention and will be looking to them to help guide us through this endeavor. We are hoping that in the near future, we too can say as the reporter for Cleveland East whose Branch 34 ladies joined the men of Branch 33 in 2012 that "we are stronger!"

We want to encourage our Junior members who received a Bowl Where You Are entry form to take part in this unique competition. If you live locally, be watching for an invitation to a bowling party at Rebman's hosted by Branch 11. This will take place on March 22, 2015 at 1 PM.

Having already celebrated or about to celebrate a Birthday this month are Brothers John A Binder, William Kirschner, Andy Schuffert, and Brian Long. Happy Birthday to our Junior members, Conner Hochevar, Jenna Peters, Michael Simon, and Piper Simon!

Our next meeting will be on Sat. March 7, 2015, at the Slovak Club starting at 8 PM.

What's new in electronics?

The consumer electronics show in February suggested new directions in technology.

The wearable market is exploding. Wearable devices can be worn anywhere, like on your fingers and wrists or on your dog.

Smartwatches and trackers for your wrists were hot items. One high tech ring allows wearers to turn on and off lights with a magical wave of the hand.

Automakers are adding more technology.

GM's OnStar now tells when a car needs service.

Nvidia's Drive PX will actually allow a car to find its own parking spot in a garage. The car can be automatically recalled to the front of the garage through a smartphone.

Hate cords? Dish Network's Sling TV IS a streaming service for \$20 a month that will include a dozen live channels including ESPN.

Chromecast is not just for TVs. Google's Chromecast with HDMI input already streams Web video to TVs. Now it also has audio and includes Pandora.

A diplomat is a person who thinks twice before saying nothing.

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You may either

MAIL: PO BOX 45198, Westlake, OH 44145

FAX: (440) 399-9339

E-MAIL: saxonvolksblatt@aol.com

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, MARCH 4, 2015	FRIDAY, MARCH 13, 2015
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 18, 2015	FRIDAY, MARCH 27, 2015
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1, 2015	FRIDAY, APRIL 10, 2015

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.

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Name _____

Address _____

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Tele: _____

E-mail: _____

Br. No. _____ Cert. No. _____

UNDERGRADUATE CONTINUING ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIP GRANTS

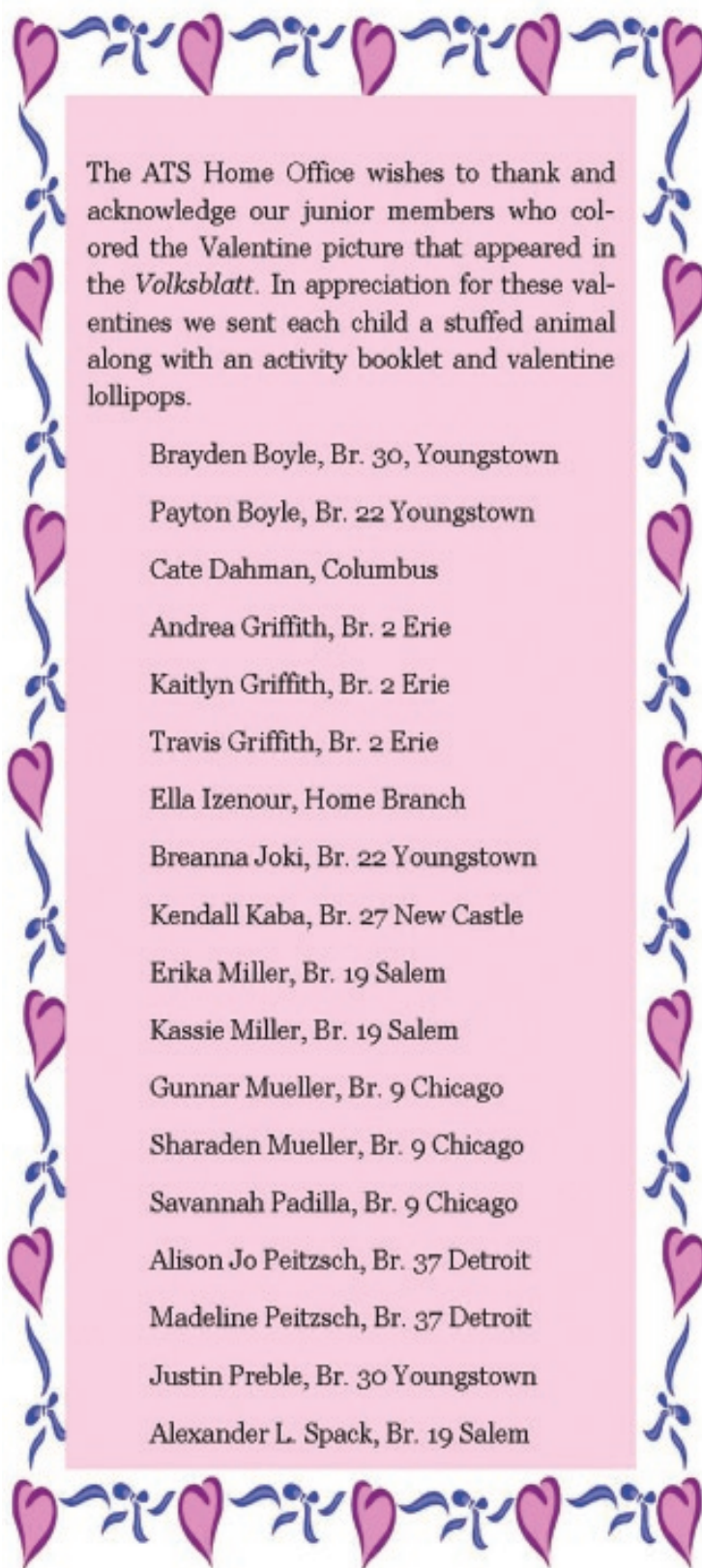
The ATS is offering thirteen Academic Undergraduate Continuing Education Scholarship Grants to our members who are not current year high school graduates and are not entering college in their freshman year of study but are in an **undergraduate program**.

- \$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



INVITE your relatives and friends to join the crowd at ATS.

**BRANCH 33,
CLEVELAND EAST
By Arline Krestel-Suts**

Short month, Short article. My fingers are too frozen to work the keys! What more can be said about this winter except frigid! But Spring is on the way. Out here in Geauga County, sap buckets are hanging on the maple trees; a sure sign of the coming of Spring, as much as seeing the first Robin.

First I want to address our junior members; BOWL WHERE YOU ARE event has started. You should have received a flyer in the Mail. Going bowling on a snowy weekend, or even one of the Snow Days you have off is a great idea! If you go, bowl three games, ask the manager to print out your score sheets and sign it. Then Call Cindy Schneider or another of the Branch officers and we will help you send it in to the ATS Branch. The contest runs till April 1st.

Branch 33 Spring Dinner-Dance is scheduled for May 3rd at Pine Ridge Country Club in Wickliffe. This hall is one of our favorite venues. Please mark the date on your calendars.

Our next meeting is Wednesday March 11th. We start at 7pm with a Chili-/Soup Cook-off. Please bring a pot (or crock pot) of your favorite soup or Chili to share with the group. Kind of like a Pot Luck supper. Or just come and eat and enjoy what others have made! Nothing like a hot meal to warm you up before the meeting. You know, most Saxons can make soup out of ANYTHING – a head of lettuce, or gooseberries, or a handful of beans. Our friends south of the border can do the same with chili, they put all kinds of things in it. So check out your pantry and fridge, add water, and bring your soup or chili! Or get out your Saxon recipe books. See you at the meeting!

And Spring --- Please hurry!

**BRANCH 10,
COLUMBUS
By Hilda Kautz**

It is with heavy hearts that we extend our deepest sympathy to Maria Allert and son Gary and family on the loss of their husband and father, Alfred Allert, on February 1 at age 87. He was a quiet man, but a hard worker, who would give help wherever needed and he will be missed by many friends.

We did manage to get a short business meeting in on Monday, February 16 with a diminished attendance, but the snow and bitter cold had cars and ground covered before we left.

The first day of Spring is March 20 and I, for one, am certainly looking forward to it. Our next meeting is scheduled for March 16 so please join us, if possible..

FRATERNAL CALENDAR

CLEVELAND SAXON DANCE GROUP By Monica Gilles

The Cleveland Saxon Dance Group will be hosting the 5th Annual Chili Cook-off on Saturday, March 14 at the Westside Sachsenheim. Tickets are \$10 in advance or \$12 at the door. Each ticket of admission will get you 3 samples of chili, accompaniments and desserts. Additional chili samples are available at \$1.00 each. If you are interested in entering a chili, the entry fee is \$20 and that includes your admission to the chili cook-off. Advance tickets are available through any dance group member, like myself. Just give me a call at 440-309-7894 and I will arrange to get tickets to you. If you are interested in entering your chili or have any questions, please contact Stephanie Miller at 440-356-5582.

Also, we would like to remind everyone that we also welcome new dancers to our group. Whether young or old, experienced dancer or someone born with two left feet, we would love to have you perform with us. If you are interested in joining the Cleveland Saxon Dance Group, please contact Monica Gilles at 440-309-7894 or join us for practice on Friday nights at 7:30 at the Westside Sachsenheim. Come early and enjoy a delicious dinner available in the bar.



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
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**Call Maria Fischer
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Deadline is Tuesday, March 16th.

The Best Goulash in Town
Don't miss out, make your reservations today

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 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
Youngstown Saxon Culture Group 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

March 22, 2015

Cleveland ES Sachsenchor Goulash Dinner

March 26, 2015

Salem Set-up for Fish Fry 6:30 p.m.

March 26, 2015

Salem Bar open/Peanut Night 7p.m.-9p.m.

March 27, 2015

Salem Fish Fry (6) 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.

March 28, 2015

Cleveland Brs 1 & 4
Children's Breakfast with Easter Bunny

April 1, 2015

Salem Retirees 11:30a.m.
Salem Bingo (doors 4:30) Bingo 6:30p.m.

April 2, 2015

Salem Bar open 8p.m.-10p.m.

April 4, 2015

Salem Easter Egg Hunt 1:00p.m.

April 5, 2015

New Castle Club closed (Easter Sunday)



*Congratulations to
Elmer and Josephine Schneider,
Branches 5 & 11, Lorain, on their
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APRIL 25, 2015
9:00am - 2:30pm

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APRIL 20, 2015

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CHURCHES



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Warren, Michigan 48093
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stpeters_church@sbcglobal.net
www.stpeterswarren.or

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

EINTRACHT SAXONIA SACHSENCHOR, CLEVELAND, By Edith Hebrank

On January 15, 2015 the members of the Sachsen-Chor met for practice in preparation for the Memorial Service of Branches 1 and 4 as well as for a regular business meeting.

During the Memorial Service, brothers and sisters who departed in 2014, were honored. They were mentioned by name; the Chor contributed two appropriate songs. We thank the Officers of the Branches for this remembrance; it would be easy to forget these loyal members.

Elections were held and everyone was re-elected to his or her previous position. Edith Hebrank is replacing George Schneider, reporting to the *Volksblatt*. George had died suddenly in September 2014. Thank you, everyone, for volunteering. It is always difficult to find willing helpers.

The singers decided to change Choir practice to Tuesday afternoon at 2:00 pm during the winter months. There are times, when it is difficult to drive on Cleveland roads, especially at night. As of February we will have regular rehearsals to prepare for the SPRING CONCERT on April 18, 2015.

We had the opportunity to celebrate August Botsch's birthday that evening; Bleib gesund, Gusti!

A wish for a speedy recovery goes to our members, who could not practice and celebrate with us: Anni Alischer, Willie Henning, and Marie Seiler. And our sympathies to the family of recently deceased Michael Salmen.

To all readers of the *Volksblatt* a Happy, Healthy 2015!

BRANCH 4, CLEVELAND By Joan Miller-Malue

Regretfully I must start on a sad note by reporting the death of our dear Brother Michael Salmen who passed away on Tuesday, February 17 after a brief illness. Mike was a dedicated member of Branch 1. He served as an officer of Branch 1 and the Eintracht for many years. He was a fixture at our club always willing to lend a hand and always there to support our various activities. He truly loved his Saxon community and we loved him. He and his wife, Agnetha, who died several years ago, had worked very hard on the Auxiliary Committee for many years serving up delicious meals at the Sachsenheim's events and catering to outside parties. We wish to extend our sincerest sympathy to his son, Michael and family; his daughter Rosina and family and his loving friend, Marga Schetterer. Mike was a loving Opa to Michael, Heidi, Kevin, and a great Opa to Lucas. I will miss seeing Mike at the Sachsenheim and his visits to the ATS Office. He will be truly missed by his family and friends.

On a happier note, the Cleveland Saxon Dance Group is hosting its Annual Chili-Cook Off on Saturday, March 14th at 7 pm. Tickets are \$10 in advance or \$12 at the door. Children under the age of 12 are half price. Contact a member of the Dance Group for your advance tickets. Admission includes three chili samples and dessert. Additional samples are \$1. If you think you make a great chili why not enter it and see if it is an awarding winning recipe. Those interesting in entering a Chili, please contact Stephanie Miller at 440-356-5582. Cost is \$20 per entry which includes

one admission ticket. Prizes will be awarded for the top entries. Judging is done by the attendees and is based on their cast ballots. This event is open to the public, so make sure you invite your friends a fun evening.

The culinary delights continue the following weekend with another delicious meal you can't miss, the Eintracht-Saxonia Sachsenchor's Annual Goulash Dinner which will be held on Sunday, March 22nd at 1:00 pm. Adult dinners are \$12 and children ages 12 and under are \$6. To make reservations to attend the dinner or order take-out, call Maria Fischer at (216) 741-1398 by Tuesday, March 16th. And if you like to sing, why not join the Sachsenchor? The choir practices on Tuesday afternoons at 2:00 pm. A reminder to our Junior Members, that the Bowling Party will be held at Freeway Lanes on Brookpark Road at 12:30 pm. If you have not made reservations, please call Patty Cunningham at (216) 398-7520.



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.

Mary T. Eichstetter
Age 82

Died: December 8, 2014
Branch 26, Merrillville IN

Florence E. Cook
Age 92

Died: December 29, 2014
Branch 22, Youngstown OH

Jeanette G. Stefane
Age 76

Died: January 6, 2015
Branch 18, Salem OH

Rosina I. Schieb
Age 89

Died: February 6, 2015
Branch 4, Cleveland OH

Michael Salmen
Age 83

Died: February 17, 2015
Branch 1, Cleveland OH



The Salem Saxon Club

will host its six annual Lenten public fish fries beginning on Friday, February 20, 2015, serving from 5-7 pm. Dinners include choice of baked or fried ocean cod, or breaded pork chops, escalloped potatoes, green beans, applesauce or coleslaw, homemade cake, coffee/tea, iced tea or punch. The cost is \$11.00 for adults and \$6.00 for children 6-12, under 6 free. Carry outs available by calling (330) 222-1770 after 4:30 pm. Cash bar open to the public.

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

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

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

Saturday,
March 7, 2015

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

All are welcome to join us for German music, beer and sausage sandwiches the day of the pickup, March 7.

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

Your Horoscope

March

ARIES: Your boss has to cope with and plan for many circumstances. Show your support in any way you can. Appreciate the boss's efforts. Some day it will be your turn.

TAURUS: Remember your willingness to participate in business camaraderie like Saint Patrick's Day events. You could enjoy wearin' the green or seeing a parade.

GEMINI: The twins have two sides to their personality. One is outgoing and ready for fun. The other is contemplative. Life is never boring when a Gemini is on the scene.

CANCER: You might think your current solution to a lingering problem is fair and sensible. But you could change your mind again before you settle on one single answer.

LEO: Your significant-other relationship is sincere and harmonious, but continue to talk and listen to one another. As a twosome, you create an aura of mutual protection.

VIRGO: One reason you are good at expressing forward-thinking ideas: you are willing to take a risk and not afraid to get stuck in a debate. Indecision can be a bummer.

LIBRA: Intense feelings about work and life keep cropping up. If the emotional energy is hard to deal with, realize that others struggle with it too. Try going to the gym.

SCORPIO: Co-workers enjoy your curiosity and how you are adaptive and kind. Take care not to scatter your energy in too many places at once. Relax and communicate.

SAGITTARIUS: If you have avoided a cold or the flu this year, that doesn't mean your health is perfect. A hidden problem you have now could bring you down later.

CAPRICORN: March is a primary month for planning, so start thinking about vacation, kids' camps, the household project you want to tackle and whether the mower works.

AQUARIUS: Have your new year's resolutions fallen to the wayside? Promises to lose a few pounds or save a few bucks often need to be restarted. It's worth the effort.

PISCES: March Madness is in full swing. Have fun comparing teams and betting a dollar or two. Smart basketball fans see to it that their work still comes first.

March birthdays

- 1, Ron Howard, director, one Oscar, Duncan, OK, 1954.
- 2, Jon Bon Jovi, singer, songwriter, Sayreville, NJ, 1962.
- 3, Jessica Biel, movie actress (7th Heaven), Ely, MN, 1982.
- 4, Rick Perry, Governor of Texas (R), Haskell, TX, 1950.
- 5, Penn Jillette, magician, Greenfield, MA, 1955.
- 6, Tom Arnold, actor in many movies, Ottumwa, IA, 1959.
- 7, Jenna Fischer, actress in "The Office," Fort Wayne, IN, 1974.
- 8, Aiden Quinn, actor in "Elementary," Chicago, IL, 1959.
- 9, Juliette Binoche, Oscar for The English Patient, France, 1964.
- 10, Jon Hamm, TV actor in "Mad Men," St. Louis, MO, 1971.
- 11, Rupert Murdoch, media executive born in Australia, 1931.
- 12, Liza Minnelli, Oscar for Cabaret, Los Angeles, CA, 1946.
- 13, Neil Sedaka, singer, songwriter, Brooklyn, NY, 1939.
- 14, Billy Crystal, actor, movie star, Long Beach, NY, 1947.
- 15, Ruth Bader Ginsburg, Associate Justice of the U.S., Brooklyn, NY, 1933.
- 16, Bernardo Bertolucci, filmmaker, Oscar winner, Italy, 1941.
- 17, Gary Sinise, movie star, director, Chicago, IL, 1955.
- 18, Queen Latifah, singer, TV host, East Orange, NJ, 1970.
- 19, Bruce Willis, star of many movies, West Germany, 1955.
- 20, Holly Hunter, Oscar for The Piano, Conyers, GA, 1958.
- 21, Matthew Broderick, movie star, actor, New York, NY, 1962.
- 22, Robert (Bob) Costas, sportscaster, New York, NY, 1952.
- 23, Moses Eugene Malone, Hall of Fame basketball, Petersburg, VA, 1954.
- 24, Jim Parsons, star of "Big Bang Theory," Houston, TX, 1973.
- 25, Danica Patrick, race car driver, Beloit, WI, 1982.
- 26, Nancy Pelosi, Congresswoman (D. California), Baltimore, MD, 1940.
- 27, Quentin Tarantino, director, one Oscar, Knoxville, TN, 1963.
- 28, Lady Gaga, musician, actress, Yonkers, NY, 1986.
- 29, Christopher Lambert, Tarzan movies, New York, NY, 1957.
- 30, Eric Clapton, singer, songwriter, guitarist, England, 1945.
- 31, "Gordie" Howe, Hall of Fame hockey, Canada, 1928.



Are you ready for March Madness?

Americans are enthusiastic supporters of big sporting events. But in March, they go from fans to fanatics over basketball.

Get your brackets ready, the NCAA Basketball tournament begins March 17.

Some say March Madness was originally isolated in Illinois from 1908 to 1939. But the madness has since spread as teams throughout the country enter the tournament.

The first three rounds begin on March 17. The championship will be played April 6 at Lucas Oil Stadium in Indianapolis, Ind.

There are 64 teams this year that have a shot at the national title. In this one-loss-and-out format, if the hottest team gets cold, the entire tournament is upside down -- not to mention millions of brackets. But that is one of the tournament's charming and alarming qualities.

What is Bracketology?

To heighten viewers' interest, contests ensue called NCAA Bracketology: contestants pick the winners in each geographic bracket. Bracketology could bring the most popular betting frenzy in sports, generating a lot of interest for a small investment.

Bracket contests are held in many companies. The results are so unpredictable that even the novice can compete with the so-called experts, making it fun for all.

Long-term care deductions

- Long-term care. You can deduct more of your long-term-care premiums as a medical expense in 2015. Taxpayers 71 and older can claim up to \$4,750. Seniors 61 to 70 can claim up to \$3,800, while people 51 to 60 can deduct \$1,430, according to the Kiplinger Retirement report.
- Hospital charges. Nerd Wallet has a consumer-friendly tool to search hospital charges. At nerdwallet.com/health/hospitals, choose a hospital service and location and the tool will pull up each local hospital's average charge for that service.

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

Westside Sachsenheim
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Saturday
March 14, 2015
Doors open
at 7pm

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



"Can you help me, Doc? My nose is running."



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