

## CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES 2024 SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

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### BRANCH 18, SALEM By Barbara Spack

The Salem Saxon Scholarship Fund trustees will award six scholarships to area students at the Branch 18 and 19 Joint Social on Friday, July 19 at 6:00 p.m. Chris Phillis is the chairperson for the social. Members are asked to bring a side dish. Table service will be provided by Branch 18. The scholarship fund will provide meat, soft drinks and cake. All members are invited to attend. The scholarship recipients and their families will be our guests for dinner and the awards will be presented following the meal.

At our June meeting, we learned about all the work that our new caretakers have undertaken and what the rental schedule looks like so far. A wish list of items was included, and the ladies passed a motion to purchase a new weed eater. The ladies also had professional cleaning done at both kitchens to get things ready for the season. A new freezer was purchased for the clubhouse kitchen.

Our 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Terri Spack sent a card to Amelia Falk, and a card to our president Marilyn McNutt who had surgery in June. Greetings to all our members recovering at home or in healthcare facilities. Memorial donations were made in memory of Lois Ulrich, Rudy Maroscher and George Spack. Condolences go out to the families and friends of these departed Branch 18 and 19 members.

The convention delegates gave a brief report at the meeting. Delegates' convention meal expenses were reimbursed. A reminder was given to get your tickets to the ATS Family Day at Waldameer Amusement Park and Water World in Erie on July 27. This is a fun event for the whole family as there is something for everyone to enjoy and you can bring in your own picnic basket and sit in the pavilion playing games (which does not require a ticket) or enjoy the rides and water park. At this time, action is on hold regarding the

merger of Branches 18 and 19. Our next meeting is on Monday July 8<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m. Note the time change as we now meet on the same evening and time as the men of Branch 19, so we can discuss issues as they come up.

### Update Your Personal Records and Family Protection

#### Address changes?

Have you notified the ATS Home Office of your new address? Have your adult children changed their addresses?

#### Beneficiary changes?

Was there a marriage, divorce, death, etc., in your family which would require you to make a change of beneficiary on your Life Insurance or Annuity Contracts? Take care of it right away! Senior citizens tend to neglect this, so remind them!

#### Did the stork visit you recently?

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Denise Aeling Crawford  
ATS Nat'l President



The ATS Fishing Charter was held on Saturday, June 15. What a beautiful day on Lake Erie. That old saying about even a bad day of fishing is better than a good day at work came to my mind. The heat and humidity were gone for the day, with an abundance of sunshine on the lake. Only one or two of us did not catch anything. Some good-sized walleye were taken home, some walleye were too small to keep and were thrown back in, and some very tiny fish were caught and used as bait. My daughter Courtney even reeled in a 3-foot stick! Captain Vitas said she broke the boat's record for the "longest catch!" Overall, a great day enjoyed by all.

Saxon Summer Camp started on Sunday, June 16. On Tuesday, Youth Activities Committee members Margie Ziegler and Barbara Spack and I went to the camp for our annual "Saxon night". We did not take the Saxon church coats this year, as it was pouring down rain when it was time to leave the ATS Home Office. In addition, it was in the 90's every day the young ones were at the camp. They didn't seem to mind the heat, since they were swimming, creek stumping, slip and sliding, and zip-lining while at camp. They learned the words to Siebenbürgen and the English translation. Then they did a really good job of singing the Saxon anthem. It sounded like all of them were enjoying their week of camp!

Happy Independence Day! Now, more than ever, we should take some time to be thankful for living in a free country. When you think about what the founding fathers accomplished when they created the foundation of this new country, it really is amazing. Our Transylvanian Saxon ancestors believed in this dream of a free country when they left Siebenbürgen and traveled to America to make a new start for themselves and their families.

The Federation of Transylvanian Saxons Jugendlager starts on Friday, July 5<sup>th</sup>. The USA participants are Andreas Schobel (Branch 1 - Cleveland), Vala Schobel (Branch 4 - Cleveland), and Catherine Lep-rich (Branch 37 - Detroit). Our group leader is Jonathan Barkett (Branch 30 - Youngstown). They will spend two weeks in Canada getting to know other young Saxons from Germany, Austria, Canada and Transylvania. They will travel from Kitchener and Waterloo to London, Aylmer, Port Stanley, Niagara Falls and back to Kitchener. Those of us attending the Heimattag in Kitchener on July 12 and 13 will have a chance to meet all of the participants of the 26<sup>th</sup> International Youth Rally.

Did you know the Liberty Bell was rung to announce the reading of the Declaration of Independence? The bell itself was constructed in 1751, to commemorate the 50-year anniversary of Pennsylvania's original constitution. It was cracked during a test and recast twice. The bell was hung in the Pennsylvania State House steeple in June 1753. This building was later renamed Independence Hall. The purpose of the bell was to call the Pennsylvania Assembly together

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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.

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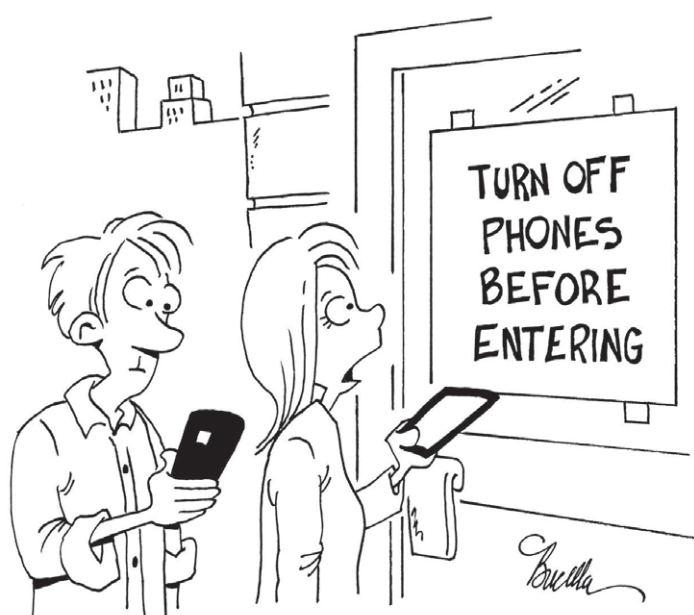
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"Really? They can be turned off?"



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and to summon people for special announcements and events. Some of these events were King George III's ascension to the British throne in 1761, discussion of Parliament's controversial Stamp Act in 1765, and with the outbreak of the American Revolution in April 1775, it was rung to announce the battles of Lexington and Concord. Its most famous ringing occurred on July 8, 1776 when it summoned Philadelphia citizens for the first reading of the Declaration of Independence. As the British headed towards Philadelphia in the fall of 1777, the bell was removed from the city and hidden in Allentown to save it from the British melting it down and being used for cannons. After the British defeat in 1781, the bell was returned to Philadelphia. This city was the new nation's capital from 1790 to 1800. The bell tolled annually on George Washington's birthday on February 22 and the 4<sup>th</sup> of July. The name "Liberty Bell" was first coined in a poem inside an abolitionist pamphlet in 1839.

There has been a good deal of historical debate as to when the famous fracture occurred. The most commonly accepted account is the crack came while tolling for the funeral of the John Marshall, chief justice of the United States in 1835 and then expanded in 1846 on Washington's Birthday. After this, the bell was no longer rung but was tapped on occasions. On June 6, 1944 when the Allied forces invaded France, the bell's dulled ring was broadcast by radio across the United States. Did you catch that the bell was rung on July 8, and not the 4<sup>th</sup> of July for the reading of the Declaration of Independence? Although the document was adopted on the 4<sup>th</sup>, they were waiting until it was returned from the printer to be able to read it to the citizens of Philadelphia. That occurred on the 8<sup>th</sup> of July.

Until next time....

*The more things change,  
 the more they stay insane.*

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Did you miss the deadline?

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

Branch 33's most recent business meeting was held on Wednesday, June 12. Members shared a party tray supper, and played bocce ball and cornhole before the meeting.

Upcoming Branch events were discussed. On Saturday, July 6, members will be attending a Lake County Captains game. Barb Hum is taking reservations if anyone is still interested.

July 12 and 13th, the North American Saxon Heimattag in Kitchener, Ontario will see many of our members.

July 27 is ATS Family Day at Waldameer Park in Erie, PA. Br 33 will reimburse members' admission fee. ATS has a pavilion reserved and there is so much more fun planned than just the waterpark and rides!

We are planning another Clambake this year, to be held Saturday, September 28 at Messiah Lutheran Church. Details will be coming soon.

Our annual Summer Picnic will be Sunday, August 18 at Penitentiary Glen in Kirtland, OH. Plenty of food, games and Gemütlichkeit! Cost is \$5 for members, \$10 for guests. Remember to bring your own place setting, dish and utensils. We ask those with last name starting with M thru Z bring a dessert to share. Arline Suts is taking reservations for the picnic (440) 867-6103.

We were saddened to hear our Saxon Brother Michael Svajhart passed away, a Branch member for over 70 years. Our condolences to his sons and loved ones; a prayer was offered in his honor, and a memorial donation was made to Cleveland Clinic Hospice.

Branch 33 members volunteered in a "workday" at our meeting place, Messiah Lutheran Church. Much appreciation for our help with the Church yard and garden. We also made a

monetary donation to the Wounded Warriors and City Mission charities.

The business meeting included discussion on the ATS National Convention held May 18-19. "Events are this really special magical thing that can create bonds between people, brands, and community" (Mark Kilens), and this is certainly true of our Convention. Delegates shared their thoughts, comments, and reports from the convention and expressed appreciation for the opportunity to attend and represent Branch 33. Hosting a successful event requires careful planning, attention to detail, and effective execution... and Youngstown did just that; an outstanding job in creating a memorable and enjoyable experience for all attendees. Details and Convention Minutes were published in the previous Volksblatt. During the Convention, the committee highlights, financial reports, and discussions presented were insightful and promoted a positive outlook for the ATS. Again, congratulations to Br. 33 academic scholarship winners: Lucy Kuhn, Jayme O'Neill, Williams Krew, Abigail Haydu, and Hudson Schneider. Handicraft exhibit winners from Br. 33 were Maria Phillips – quilting, and Henry Hum – photography and open class (handmade wooden jewelry box). Br. 33 presented a monetary donation to the Saxon Relief Fund. And certainly, many thanks go to the Board of Directors/National Officers who do a wonderful job; their dedication to the ATS is impressive and inspiring. (See Page 11 for photo highlights of Br. 33 delegates at the convention. Ed.)

Reminder: Br 33 will have no meeting in July or August. Our next business meeting will be Wednesday, September 11. But hope to see many of you at the summer events!

**Hot dog etiquette: Keeping it real**



Nothing is more casual than a hot dog in the summer, and the National Hot Dog and Sausage Council has eight tips to keep it that way:

1. Always put condiments on the hot dog -- not the bun.
2. Eat hot dogs in buns with your hands, never with utensils.
3. Take more than five bites to eat a hot dog.
4. Lick your fingers if you get a drip. Never wash.
5. Tomato and basil buns are all wrong for hot dogs.
6. Paper napkins are best.
7. If you are over age 18, do not apply ketchup. Mustard is key.
8. Apply condiments in this order: mustard and chili, and then relish, onions or sauerkraut. Top with cheese.



**TSBA WANTS YOU!**

Are you looking to get more involved with the ATS? Would you like to meet fellow Saxons from other branches? If so, WE WANT YOU IN THE TSBA! The TSBA is a Saxon bowling league that meets once a month, September – March. It's a handicapped, non-sanctioned league that allows bowlers, of all skill levels, to enjoy some Saxon Gemütlichkeit.

For more information or to join a team, please contact your Local Branch representative or call the ATS Home Office

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**SALEM SAXON RETIREES**  
By Norma Byers

On June 5, 2024, 22 Salem Saxon Retirees met at the club.

Our wonderful president, Lois Whitacre, brought the group to order so Tony gave the invocation and we followed with the Pledge of Allegiance.

And before we go any further, you need to know we had installation of officers and Helen Aeling welcomed each officer. All were there except Norma Byers (reporter) as she was visiting her sons in Dayton. Officers are: President Lois Whitacre, Secretary Dianne Kuttler, Financial Secretary, Katie Lederle, Vice President, Dora Lee Sandoe and our Jack of all trades, Tony Rothbrust, and Norma Byers, reporter.

At this point I want to thank Katie for taking notes of highlights from this meeting since I couldn't be there. Thank you, Katie; good job!

Lunch was served and was delicious, I was told! Sloppy Joes, etc, and ended with strawberry shortcake! Yum!

Next was "Humor by Helen" which everyone enjoys! (Helen Aeling)

Dianne and Katie gave their reports and Dora Lee conducted the 50-50 drawing.

I'm so sorry to report, we lost one of our wonderful members, George Spack. He has always been very faithful and his girl and caretaker, Mary Lou Weingart, has been so good to him. She had everyone sing the song that is to be sung in this situation. Thank you, Mary Lou, for all you have done for George. We give sympathy and blessings to your two children, and may you rest in peace. George, we all will miss you!!

We then, all stood and said The Lords Prayer!

Here comes Tony with the Bingo box!

Our next meeting is July 3rd. Hope to see all of you!

Please take care of yourselves, eat healthy, live, laugh, love, stay well and we'll see you in July!

TOODLE-OO.

**YOUNGSTOWN SAXON RETIREES**  
By Ro Dundon

Hi—We are back. We had no meeting in May. There was no report in April as I was having a wonderful time in Florida.

Sorry to report that Diana, our president, had a fall and has been incapacitated since. She is back in the hospital. Sending prayers to her.

Lucy and Marge also missed the meeting which was held on June 13th at Denny's in Austintown. Here's hoping you can make the July meeting.

We all enjoyed our choice from the menu. Our conversation went back and forth and was quite informative. It's great to know the Club is doing very well. Bo's pictures on the computer of the kitchen specials are mouthwatering and the upcoming projects are very helpful.

Our next meeting will be on Thursday, July 11th at 11:30. It will be again at Denny's Restaurant on Mahoning Ave. in Austintown. If anything changes you can expect a phone call. Please take care, stay safe and stay inside and out of the HOT weather.

Diana, please get better...you are missed.

Until we meet again...As usual, it's Ro.



# FRATERNAL CALENDAR

## NATIONAL EVENTS

July 5 - 19, 2024

Federation International Jugendlager Host: Canada

July 12 - 13, 2024

North American Saxon Heimattag  
Kitchener, ON Canada

July 27, 2024

ATS Family Day at Waldameer

October 19 - 20, 2024

ATS Open Bowling Tournament  
Host: New Castle Bowlers

## LOCAL EVENTS

July 13, 2024

Cleveland East Captains Baseball Game Outing

July 24, 2024

Cleveland Sachsenheim Krampus in July

July 28, 2024

Youngstown Br. 30 Saxon Day Picnic

August 18, 2024

Cleveland East Annual Summer Picnic  
Penitentiary Glen

Lorain Br. 5 Summer Picnic, Lakeview Park

August 24, 2024

Cleveland Sachsenheim / GCM

Summer Oktoberfest

September 15, 2024

Chicago Br. 9 Banquet, Lone Tree

September 28, 2024

Cleveland Sachsenheim Clambake

October 19, 2024

Cleveland Saxon Dance Group Traubenfest

October 25, 2024

Cleveland West Children's Halloween Party

December 7, 2024

Cleveland West Sausage Sale

December 14, 2024

Cleveland West Children's Christmas Party  
Cleveland Sachsenheim/GCM Krampus Fest

## BRANCH 5, LORAIN

By Michael Johnson

As we experience the hot summer days with temperatures soaring into the nineties now upon us, we can be thankful for the invention of the first modern air conditioning system by Willis Haviland Carrier on July 17, 1902. Most homes and businesses in America enjoy this luxury which we've come to expect wherever we go.

This last month's meeting was preceded with a member's dinner which we enjoyed at the BlueSky restaurant in Amherst with that "cool" amenity and then again at the American Slovak Club as we met to do the business of our Lorain Branch 5. One topic of discussion was about taking a summer break from our monthly meetings for July and August. It was voted upon and passed to meet next for business at the American Slovak Club on September 16, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. We then talked about this year's Branch 5 summer picnic being held on Sunday August 18, 2024 at Lakeview Park, 1800 W Erie Ave, Lorain, Ohio, at the number 1 pavilion at the west end of the park. Make your RSVP to attend by August 9, 2024 by call or text to sister Barbara Gilles at (440) 541-7224. Let her know how many people will be attending and the side dish for at least 6 people you plan to share. Branch 5 will provide the main dish of fried chicken, corn on the cob, dessert and beverages along with table settings. To our senior members if you would like to attend but need a ride, let that be known at the time

of your reservation as well. The picnic committee is also asking that you not bring your dog or any pet to the picnic, and that one guest per dues paying member be allowed to attend free of charge as we have honored in the past. Any additional guests of that member will be \$20. We'll begin eating at 1:00 p.m. and then enjoy the rest of the afternoon with bingo, water balloon toss, and corn hole. You could take a walk down to the lake, swim, or just hang out as long as you want since we have the pavilion all day.

At this time I'm not aware of anyone new receiving any sick benefits. Remember if you are currently under a doctor's care or soon to be, you need to contact sister Jane Mowery at (440) 246-3004 to begin the process of receiving benefits due through your membership in Branch 5.

Birthday celebrations this month of July are Sister Dana Brown, Brothers Scott Kranstuber, Kyle Cassidy and junior members Lauren Davis, Kailey Hochevar, Addison Long, and Kaden Windham. Happy Birthday and may you all celebrate in your own special way!

May you continue to enjoy your summer by staying hydrated, safe and cool in your travels. If you have any questions, concerns or comments about the content of this article, or member news you'd like to share in the next issue of the *Volksblatt*, contact me, Michael Johnson at (440) 324-2534 or by email [mikjo79@gmail.com](mailto:mikjo79@gmail.com).



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.

**Majorie Brogden**  
Age 98

Died: June 9, 2024  
Home Branch

**Joann Pollick**  
Age 93

Died: June 9, 2024  
Branch 30, Youngstown

**Barbara Vecchio**  
Age 68

Died: June 14, 2024  
Branch 30, Youngstown

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## CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES 2024 SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

Congratulations are extended to all the scholarship applicants for their scholastic records in their respective schools, and best wishes to all as they continue their education in the schools of their choice.

**Twenty-one recipients** were awarded **Freshman academic scholarships** this year. This is in addition to the three current recipients of the renewable scholarships from the Victor Deptner Memorial Scholarship Fund. They are as follows:

The recipient of the \$1,000 Four-Year Renewable Grant awarded from the Victor Deptner Memorial Scholarship Fund is **Andrea Griffith**, Home Branch. The recipient of the \$3,000 Rev. and Mrs. John Foisel Memorial Scholarship Award is **Emmy Jones**, Alliance, Ohio, Branch 8; the recipient of the \$2,000 New Castle Branch 27 Scholarship Award is **Alexander Temple**, Cleveland, Ohio, Branch 1; the recipient of the \$1,000 Past ATS Officers' Scholarship Award is **Olivia Showalter**, Youngstown, Ohio, Branch 30; the recipient of the \$1,000 Henry Schindler Scholarship Award is **Alec Schmidts**, Chicago, Illinois, Branch 9; the recipient of the \$1,000 Michael W. Schassburger Memorial Scholarship Award is **Mia Carder**, Youngstown, Ohio, Branch 30; the recipient of the \$1,000 Jon Weber Memorial Scholarship Award is **Sofia Terlesky**, Youngstown, Ohio, Branch 30; the recipient of the \$1,000 ATS Branch 33 National Scholarship Award is **Ava Bosnjak**, Youngstown, Ohio, Branch 30; the recipient of the first \$1,000 Julia and Martin Konnerth Memorial Scholarship Award is **Thalia Fabian**, Youngstown, Ohio, Branch 30; the recipient of the second \$1,000 Julia and Martin Konnerth Memorial Scholarship Award is **Esther Anderle**, Chicago, Illinois, Branch 9; the recipient of the \$1,000 Columbus Branch 10 Scholarship Award is **Breanna Joki**, Youngstown, Ohio, Branch 30; the recipient of the \$1,000 Branch 14 Canton Scholarship Award is **Kara Pasquale**, Ellwood City, Pennsylvania, Branch 32; the recipient of the \$1,000 Davidson-Schuller Appreciation Scholarship Award in honor of ATS and Branches 33 and 34 is **Lucille Kuhn**, Cleveland, Ohio, Branch 33; the winner of the \$1,000 John F. Spack Memorial Scholarship Award is **Sean Graaf**, Salem, Ohio, Branch 19, the winner of the \$1,000 John and Mary Guip Memorial Scholarship Award is **David Andrews**, Merrillville, Indiana, Branch 26; the winner of the \$1,000 Branch 5 Lorain Scholarship Award is **Jackson Hardy**, New Castle, Pennsylvania, Branch 25; the winner of the first \$1,000 Dale and Rose Segedi-Kaufman Memorial Scholarship Award is **Kassandra Miller**, Salem, Ohio, Branch 18; the winner of the second \$1,000 Dale and Rose Segedi-Kaufman Memorial Scholarship Award is **Owen Gavio**, Home Branch; the winner of the \$1,000 Dr. David E. Schuller Appreciation Scholarship in honor of his parents, Elsie & Daniel S. Schuller is **Abigail Kotalik**, Cleveland, Ohio, Branch 4; the recipient of the \$1,000 New Castle Br. 27 Scholarship Award is **Nicholas Gelsinger**, Alliance, Ohio, Branch 3; and the recipient of the \$1,000 Donzella Herman Scholarship Award is **Nicholas Kaufman**, Home Branch.

Current recipients of the Four-Year Renewable Grants are: **Aurora Estabrook**, Ellwood City, Pennsylvania, Branch 32 (4<sup>th</sup> year); **Samuel Richardson**, Cleveland, Ohio, Branch 1 (3<sup>rd</sup> year); and **Sofia Sattely**, Home Branch (2<sup>nd</sup> year).

**Twenty-two recipients** were awarded **Continuing Education scholarships** this year.

The recipient of the \$2,000 Branch 18 Salem Scholarship Award is **Duncan Dockstader**, New Castle, Pennsylvania, Branch 25; the recipient of the \$2,000 Branch 37 Detroit Scholarship Award is **William Krew**, Cleveland, Ohio, Branch 33; the recipient of the first \$1,000 Award in memory of Marie Stirner is **Jennifer Zayac**, Cleveland, Ohio, Branch 4; the winner of the second \$1,000 Award in memory of Marie Stirner is **Sadie Zeedrich**, Alliance, Ohio, Branch 8; the winner of the third \$1,000 Award in memory of Marie Stirner is **Alec Bosnjak**, Youngstown, Ohio, Branch 30; the winner of the fourth \$1,000 Award in memory of Marie Stirner is **Alexander Bungert**, Chicago, Illinois, Branch 9; the recipient of a \$1,000 Award in memory of Gertie & Ernie Gottschling is **Erika Schenker**, Farrell, Pennsylvania, Branch 7; the winner of the \$1,000 Lorain Saxon Ladies Branch 11 Scholarship Award is **Lukas Lang**, New Castle, Pennsylvania, Branch 25; the winner of the \$1,000 Scholarship Award in honor of Joan Miller-Malue is **Jayne O'Neill**, Cleveland, Ohio Branch 33; the recipient of the \$1,000 Award in memory of Donald G. Miller is **Heidi Partlow**, Youngstown, Ohio, Branch 30; the recipient of the \$1,000 George R. Spack, Sr. Scholarship Award is **Catherine Leprich**, Detroit, Michigan, Branch 37; the recipient of the \$750 Niles, Branch 20 Scholarship Award is **Ethan Clark**, Youngstown, Ohio, Branch 30; the winner of the first \$750 Erie Branch 2 Scholarship Award is **Hudson Schneider**, Cleveland, Ohio, Branch 33; the winner of the second \$750 Erie Branch 2 Scholarship Award is **Macy McConville**, Cleveland, Ohio, Branch 4; the winner of the \$750 Award in memory of George H. Schneider is **Addyson Jones**, Alliance, Ohio, Branch 8; the winner of a \$500 ATS Branch 34 Cleveland East Scholarship Award is **Andreas Angiolelli**, New Castle, Pennsylvania, Branch 25; the winner of a \$500 Award in memory of Karl & Charlotte Klamer is **Julia Weihs**, Detroit, Michigan, Branch 37; the winner of a \$500 Farrell Branch 7 Scholarship Award is **Samantha Penzone**, Canton, Ohio, Branch 17; the recipient of the first \$500 ATS Continuing Academic Scholarship Grant is **Samantha**



Mia Carder



Sofia Terlesky



Ava Bosnjak



Thalia Fabian



Esther Anderle

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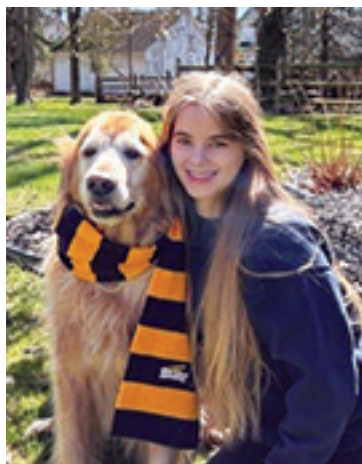
## ATS Scholarship Winners - Cont'd from Page 5



**Breanna Joki**



**Kara Pasquale**



**Lucille Kuhn (and Buddy)**



**Sean Graaf**



**David Andrews**

**Joki**, Youngstown, Ohio, Branch 30; the recipient of the second \$500 ATS Continuing Academic Scholarship Grant is **Grace Zgola**, Lorain, Ohio, Branch 5; the recipient of the third \$500 ATS Continuing Academic Scholarship Grant is **Abigail Haydu**, Cleveland, Ohio, Branch 33; and the recipient of the \$500 Scholarship Award in memory of Gerard Slusny is **Olivia Greger**, Cleveland, Ohio, Branch 4.

New this year, **two recipients** received **ATS Vocational and Trade School Scholarships**.

The recipient of the first ATS Vocational and Trade School Scholarship is **Zachary Both**, New Castle, Pennsylvania, Branch 25; the second recipient of the ATS Vocational and Trade School Scholarship is **Jessica Weihs**, Detroit, Michigan, Branch 37.

Following are the recipients' academic, athletic and community achievements:

**Andrea Griffith** recently graduated from Mauldin High School in Mauldin, South Carolina. Andrea loves sports and played varsity tennis in high school and on an outside league. She graduated 3<sup>rd</sup> out of 588 in her class. She was a member of the National Honor Society, the Spanish Honor Society, Stem Club, Key Club, and Future Health Professionals. Other hobbies include kayaking, hiking, reading, swimming and other sports. She will be attending Clemson University and majoring in Biological Sciences. She is interested in specializing in the field of sports, pediatrics or those with disabilities, such as amputees or those with birth defects.

**Emmy Jones** is a graduate of West Branch High School in Beloit, Ohio. Emmy was a member of the National Honor Society, Varsity Soccer, and her church youth group and is President of her 4-H Club. She enjoys spending time with her family and friends, as well as being very active in the community. She plans to attend Youngstown State University and major in Biochemistry on a Pre-Med track. She has been invited to join the BaccMed Track, which will allow her to earn an accelerated degree while achieving early assurance into the Northeast Ohio Medical University. She wants to become a Pediatric Oncologist.

**Alexander Temple** graduated from St. Edward High School in Lakewood, Ohio. While at St. Edward, he was a member of the National Honor Society, the robotics club, helped found the Computer Science Club and Cybersecurity Club, and played volleyball. Alex is an Eagle Scout and enjoys the outdoors and camping, hiking and kayaking. He will be attending The Ohio State University this fall to study Computer and Information Sciences with a minor in Business Management.

**Olivia Showalter** recently graduated from West Branch High School in Beloit, Ohio. She was a Scholar Athlete playing volleyball and basketball. She was in the National Honor Society, Student of the Month, and was a class officer. In her free time, Olivia enjoys working out, reading, and spending time with family and friends. She has been accepted into the honors program at Youngstown State University where she will study Exercise Science. She then plans to get her doctorate in Physical Therapy.

**Alec Schmidts** is a graduate of Barrington High School in Barrington, Illinois. Alec was Academic All-Conference in Football and Basketball and a member of the National Honor Society. He enjoys various sports and spending time with his friends. Alec will be attending Illinois Wesleyan University in the fall and playing basketball there. He is majoring in Education, planning to become a high school U.S. History teacher. He also hopes to be able to be a coach in the future.

**Mia Carder** graduated from Marysville High School in Marysville, Ohio. While at school, Mia was a member of the National Honor Society, Spanish Honor Society, played softball and was the cheerleading captain. Her hobbies include spending time with friends and family, working at the pool, reading, and traveling. Mia will be attending Ohio University in the fall and majoring in Pre-Dentistry.

**Sofia Terlesky** recently graduated from Olentangy Orange High School in Lewis Center, Ohio. Sofia was in the National Honor Society, Spanish Honor Society, and was a Scholar Athlete. She was a class officer, involved in various clubs and played softball. Sofia's interests include reading, outside exercising, hanging with family and friends and listening to music. She will be attending Miami University in the fall and studying Journalism with a minor in Political Science.

**Ava Bosnjak** is a graduate of Boardman High School in Youngstown, Ohio. While at school, Ava was Student Council president, a member of the Link Crew and the National Honor Society. She played volleyball and was part of the Spirit Squad and the Garden Club. She likes staying active with pickle ball and yoga. Ava also likes socializing with her friends, watching Netflix and listening to music and reading. She will be attending the University of Cincinnati and pursuing a degree in Marketing with a specialization in Sports Media. Ava will be in the school's honor program.

**Thalia Fabian** graduated from Kickapoo High School in Springfield, Missouri. Thalia was active in Choir and Theater while in school. She was in various productions in high school, on stage as well as behind stage. She was selected to the Missouri Choir (only 100 from the whole state per voice part). Hobbies include crafting, including crocheting and sewing. Thalia will be attending Evangel University with a major in Music Education and Theatre. She also hopes to merge her hobby and major together with costume designs.

**Esther Anderle** recently graduated from West High School in Appleton, Wisconsin. She was in the National Honor Society, was the Editor in Chief of the school newspaper, and team captain of Forensics Speech and Debate and received various art awards. In her free time, she works on some sort of art project, including knitting, painting or sketching, and hanging with her friends. Esther is enrolled at the Peck School for the Arts at the University of Wisconsin – Milwaukee where she will major in Art and Design.

**Breanna Joki** is a graduate of Austintown Fitch High School in Youngstown, Ohio. Bre



**Jackson Hardy**



**Kassandra Miller**



**Owen Gavio**



**Abigail Kotalik**



**Nicholas Kaufman**

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**Duncan Dockstader**



**William Krew**



**Jennifer Zayac  
with Chelsea**



**Sadie Zeedrich**



**Alec Bosnjak**

was active in soccer and track and a member of the Link Crew while in school. She enjoys writing and dealing with children. She baby-sits and dog sits, as well as spending time with her family and friends. Bre will be attending Youngstown State University this fall majoring in Early Childhood Education.

**Kara Pasquale** graduated from Seneca Valley High School in Harmony, Pennsylvania. While at school, she was in the National Honor Society, played volleyball and softball, and was a member of Key Club and the Leadership, Education and Development (L.E.A.D.) program. Kara was also the Lions Club Student of the Year. In her free time, Kara loves to volunteer in her church and community, including Mission Trips, leading the children's liturgy, helping with Meals on Wheels and volunteer coaching young girls in softball and volleyball. She will be attending Slippery Rock University in the fall and majoring in Early Childhood Education and Special Education.

**Lucille Kuhn** recently graduated from Ohio Virtual Academy in Maumee, Ohio. During school, she was a member of the National Honor Society, and played basketball. She loves to dance and teaches dance classes to young children at the local YMCA as well as helping the Y with fundraisers. Lucille will be attending the University of Toledo this fall and majoring in Business, with a minor in Dance.

**Sean Graaf** is a graduate of Mayflower High School in Mayflower, Arkansas. While in school, he was a member of the National Honor Society, Student Council, the Beta Club, as well as playing football, soccer, and baseball. Sean's hobbies are playing sports and hanging out with friends and family. He will attend Central Baptist College in Conway, Arkansas this fall, majoring in Business Management and Business Marketing, as well as playing soccer.

**David Andrews** graduated from William Henry Harrison High School in West Lafayette, Indiana. David was in the Robotics Club and a 4-H Club where his projects were rabbits and electrical projects. He is also an Eagle Scout. David works at a restaurant as well as volunteering at the local food bank. Hobbies include creating models in CAD software and printing them with his 3D printer. He will be attending Purdue University this fall, majoring in Mechanical Engineering.

**Jackson Hardy** recently graduated from Westside Christian High School in Tigard, Oregon. During school, he received an Academic Work Ethic award and an Outstanding Service Award, as well as being a Student Ambassador representing the school and giving tours. Jackson is a Cadet for the Portland Police Bureau and recently promoted to Sergeant. He was also the head lifeguard at the local swimming pool. In his spare time, Jackson enjoys bass fishing on the Willamette River and going off-roading in his jeep. This fall, he will be attending Western Oregon University to study Criminal Justice so that he can be a police officer in the future.

**Kassandra Miller** is a graduate of Pasco High School in Dade City, Florida. While at school, Kassie was a cheerleader and received an Academic Letter as well as a Varsity Letter. She teaches Vacation Bible School and is a Summer Camp leader for

the Pasco County Parks Nature Camp. She works part-time at a pool store. She enjoys spending time with family and friends. Kassie will be attending Pasco Hernando State College in the fall and studying Elementary Education.

**Owen Gavio** graduated from Fairview High School in Fairview, Pennsylvania. He was one of five students in his grade to be selected as a member of its STEM Academy. He works for a company at the Erie Airport. In his spare time, he likes to play video games, watch movies, hang out with his friends, and travel. He will be attending the Pittsburgh Institute of Aeronautics in Pittsburgh, PA to become an aircraft maintenance technician.

**Abigail Kotalik** recently graduated from North High School in Waukesha, Wisconsin. While in school, Abby was a member of the National Business Honor Society and Student Council. She was a member of the Ski Team, as well as volleyball and track. Her hobbies are track and field where she competed in pole vaulting and the 200-meter dash, as well as downhill skiing. She enjoys watching Formula 1 racing with her dad. Abby will be attending The University of Wisconsin – LaCrosse and majoring in Sports Marketing. Her dream job is to work for a Formula 1 team as their marketer.

**Nicholas Kaufman** is a graduate of Seneca Valley High School Harmony, Pennsylvania. Nicholas was a member of the school Golf Team and was the MVP. He says golf is his life. When not golfing, Nicholas enjoys spending time with family and friends, playing games and listening to 80's rock music. He also volunteers at church as much as he can and attends an annual youth trip to Appalachia where he spends a week doing home repairs. He will be attending PennWest University of California to pursue a degree in Exercise Science with a concentration in Professional Golf Management to earn his PGA card.

**Duncan Dockstader** is a rising second-year Electrical Engineering student at the University of Pittsburgh. In May, he attended a Plus3 study abroad program in the Netherlands learning about engineering and commerce on the international stage. Duncan's hobbies include creative writing, playing music, and games.

**William Krew** is a rising junior at Northwestern University studying Data Science and Mathematical Methods in the Social Sciences (an interdisciplinary program combining economics, math, and stats). His hobbies include hiking, biking, skiing and bouldering, trying new food and hanging out with friends. William is looking towards a career in either quantitative finance/trading or data science.

**Jennifer Zayac** will be a senior this fall at Ohio Northern University. She is majoring in Mechanical Engineering with an aerospace concentration and a Mathematics minor. Jennifer is involved in the AIAA Club where they design, build, and fly an airplane in competition. She also helps to train service dogs. Jennifer recently adopted a Newfoundland mix dog named Chelsea, who just turned one year old.

**Sadie Zeedrich** is a senior this fall at Miami University (Ohio) with a major in Games and



**Lukas Lang**



**Jayme O'Neill**



**Heidi Partlow**



**Catherine Leprich**



**Ethan Clark**

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**Hudson Schneider**

Simulation with an Art minor. Her hobbies include reading, drawing, hiking, and playing games with her friends. After graduation, Sadie hopes to become an artist and writer for an independent games studio.

**Alec Bosnjak** will be in his third year this fall at Youngstown State University. He is pursuing a degree in Mechanical Engineering Technology. Alongside his academic pursuits, Alec proudly serves as a member of the Ohio National Guard, stationed at the Ravenna Armory. When he is not studying or on military duty, he enjoys staying active, indulging in his passion for music and being with friends. He also works at a local restaurant.

**Lukas Lang** completed his first year at Youngstown State University. His major is Information Technology. He holds a 4.0. While studying, he also continues to pole vault for the YSU Track & Field Team. During the school year, he joined the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, of which he will be the President in the upcoming school year.

**Jayme O'Neill** will be a sophomore at Belmont Abbey College this fall. She is studying Biology, as well as playing on the soccer team. She has been involved in the Geauga Hunger Task Force who raises money as well as canned donations for the food bank.

**Heidi Partlow** is a senior at Youngstown State University in the Respiratory Care Program. She is doing clinicals this summer. In her spare time, she enjoys hanging out with friends and family. Heidi plans to continue her education to get her master's degree in Respiratory Care.

**Catherine Leprich** will be going into her junior year at Saginaw Valley State University this fall. She is working on her Bachelor of Science in Nursing with the goal of being an ER nurse. She took an Emergency Medical Technician course in high school, which helped her find her love of the medical field and emergency medicine. When she has free time, she enjoys spending time outside and traveling to new places. Catherine will be one of the ATS participants on the Jugendlager in Canada this summer.

**Ethan Clark** has finished his second year at The Ohio State University where he is studying Adolescent English Education. He wants to provide future students with a high-quality education and a reliable mentor. He enjoys working out and spending time with family and friends. He spends his summers volunteering as a middle school football team coach.

**Hudson Schneider** will be a junior at Purdue University this fall. He is studying Biological Engineering along with Bioinformatics. He's the vice president of Purdue's chapter of the American Society of Agricultural and Biological Engineers. This summer he is being a bioinformatics intern. In his free time, Hudson enjoys gymnastics, rock climbing and running.

**Addyson Jones** will be a junior at the University of Mount Union. She is majoring in Primary Education and Intervention Specialist, with a minor in Psychology. While at school, she is a member of the

Women's Soccer team and in the Aspiring Educators club. In her free time, she enjoys spending time with family and friends, doing outdoor activities such as pickle ball and playing games. Upon graduation, she plans to pursue a master's in Speech and Language Pathology.

**Andreas Angiolelli** is entering his junior year at Slippery Rock University. His major is Homeland Security, with a minor in Organizational Security, Fraud, and Leadership. In his free time, Andreas enjoys running, lifting weights at the gym, playing rugby, and practicing guitar.

**Julia Weihs** is going to be a junior at Alma College majoring in Integrated Physiology and Health Sciences (IPHS) with a focus on applying to a Physician's Associate program. In her free time, Julia likes to scrapbook, bake (from scratch), and swim.

**Samantha Penzone** has completed her first year of schooling at The George Washington University. She is studying Cognitive Neuroscience, which is a multidisciplinary degree including psychology, philosophy, biology, and anthropology. Sam likes fashion and music, and in her free time, likes to sew, alter and sell clothing online, as well as creating short electronic songs for fun.

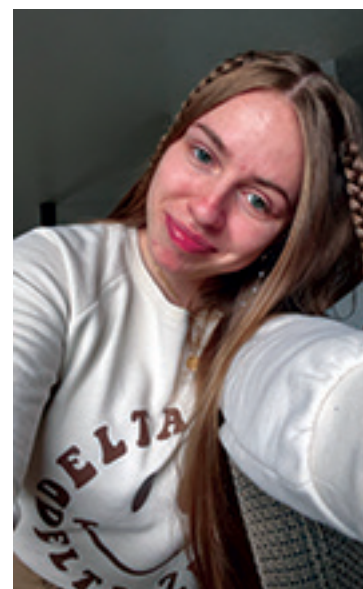
**Samantha Joki** is entering her junior year at Youngstown State University in the fall, majoring in Psychology. She is part of the Delta Zeta Sorority, which provides many opportunities for her. She loves to dance and is on the YSU Hip-hop team. Samantha's hobbies include spending time with family and friends, vacationing in various places, watching movies and working at a fast-food restaurant as a certified trainer.

**Grace Zgola** has completed her first year at The Ohio State University – Mansfield campus and said it was an amazing year. She is studying Zoology. She participated in plays and musicals while studying. This summer, she is working at the African Safari Wildlife Park in Port Clinton, and continuing her studies at Lorain County Community College. She will be back at OSU in Mansfield in the fall.

**Olivia Gregor** will be a junior this fall at Bowling Green State University. She is studying Nursing. Olivia is also a member of the Pi Beta Phi sorority.

**Zachary Both** recently graduated from the Lawrence County VoTech School in New Castle, Pennsylvania. While in high school, he was a member of the Varsity Track and Cross Country teams. He played soccer and was a member of the Conservation Club and the E-Sports Club. Zach also bowls with the TSBA league. He will be attending the New Castle School of Trades and studying Construction. After the program, he wants to work for a local landscape construction company and eventually start his own landscape construction company.

**Jessica Weihs** will be attending the Ascension Hospital/Macomb Community College and studying Radiology. She wanted to work in the medical field and likes that Radiology is a people-oriented job and she gets to help them. Following completion of this program and passing her certification test, she will be a licensed Radiology Technician.



**Samantha Joki**



**Addyson Jones**



**Andreas Angiolelli**



**Julia Weihs**



**Samantha Penzone**



**Grace Zgola**



**Olivia Gregor**



**Zachary Both**



**Jessica Weihs**



## BRANCH 10, COLUMBUS

By Donald Blum

### MONTHLY MEETING

#### HICKORY HOUSE

550 Offcenter Place  
Gahanna, Ohio 43230  
July 15, 2024

Time 12:00 Noon

Our meetings are the Third (3<sup>rd</sup>) Monday of the month.

**Remember to bring a canned good item, household product or other food item.**

"The generous will themselves be blessed, for they share their food with the poor."

### MEETING

We acknowledged the wonderful effort of Christine Oehlman and Olga Hesch in putting together the flyer, mailer and list of people for the Summer Saxon Club Picnic. We discussed details regarding the upcoming Heimattag and Transylvania Trips.

### CELEBRATION

We want to wish a Happy Birthday Regina Gellner (July 20). Alles Gute zum Geburtstag!

### GERMAN HISTORY COLUMBUS – RELIGION

This discussion is possible through reading 'The Columbus Germans' by La Vern J. Rippley, reading articles from the Columbus Dispatch, historical articles from the Columbus Public Library and the actual history in the church's directories, regarding religions in Central Ohio originating from German heritage.

As you would expect from your own German religious background, that the German places of worship were an important party of the German and the Columbus communities. It has been the very foundation of the German immigration. In some instances the religious organization originated from a various religious doctrines or from German organizations. Regardless, German's had the desire to make religion a main part of their lives, beliefs and in some cases as an extension or basis for education.

This article we will expand our discussions to include religions that may not have been part of our upbringing.

A large number of German immigrants came from the Rhine region in Bavaria, which was comprised of a large number of Catholics. There was no Catholic Diocese in Columbus so they first held their services in the home of Henry Nadenbusch. By 1833, the congregation had grown to twenty-one members. Their first actual services began in 1837 when Reverend Henry Damien Juncker arrived. Reverend Juncker was charged with the responsibility of building a stone church. Father William Schonat would replace him as the first permanent pastor. A structure was built on Rich and Fifth. Eventually, and after the arrival of Sisters, this structure of Holy Cross would be converted to a two-room schoolhouse. Holy Cross was the center of Catholic life in Columbus. The pastors of Holy Cross were

exclusively German until 1877. The second Catholic Church in Columbus was St. Patrick's, which began in 1852. St. Patrick's was a spin off of Holy Cross, and was predominantly an Irish sector. Subsequently, there was a spin off of St. Patrick's, St. Joseph's, which was also predominantly Irish.

The German Catholics of Holy Cross requested a more convenient location and the ability to build a school. In 1865, a one room building to hold services on Sunday and school during the week in southern part of Columbus. Upon the arrival of Father Francis Specht, an Osnabruck, German born assistant pastor, construction of a new church that would be independent of Holy Cross. They called the new Church St. Mary's was dedicated on November 29, 1868. St. Mary's became a large and prosperous church. Father Specht would deliver sermons in German and English.



St. Mary's Catholic Church

Jumping ahead, there was tremendous growth of the German Catholics and Catholics in Columbus. The church had started an orphanage name Josephinum. In 1888 Josephinum also became a college for the priestly education of German-Americans, who lacked money to attend other seminaries. Today the seminary is no longer limited to German heritage. In 1895 the name was changed to 'The Pontifical College, Josephinum.' This is the only college in North America and one of only three in the world. Eventually, the school would relocate from East Main Street to a spacious location in Worthington on North High Street (US 23).

German-Jewish population dates back to 1838, when a number of Jewish families would locate in Columbus. Unfortunately, no congregation was organized until 1851. In 1851, the orthodox society, B'nai Jeshuren began with Simon Lazarus serving as Rabbi. Simon Lazarus had immigrated to Columbus from near Nuremberg where he was born. In Bavaria, Simon had studied to become a Rabbi but later founded a clothing store instead. Upon arriving in Columbus Simon would start a clothing store on South High Street.

The Jewish services were held in humble beginnings above Twin Brothers-Gundersheim-Clothing

Store and in other rented halls. In 1870, the congregation would receive local contributions and large support from Eastern States. A temple was erected at Main and Third Streets. The early Jewish congregation was entirely German and the serving Rabbis continue to be of German descent. This location served as a primary location until a larger facility was constructed on Bryden Road.

Services were conducted in Hebrew but the 'Protokoll Buch' was kept in German until 1879 when English was begun to be used. For a long time the congregation continued to be German.

Another Jewish community synagogue was Beth Jacob. It was comprised mainly of Russian-German Jews that had immigrated from Germany and South Russia. This group came to America in 1890. Through out their existence this group continued to us German in their records. The community synagogue was located on Washington Avenue, in the heart of German Village in South Columbus.

This concludes the Germans in Columbus history of religious affiliations. The next topic will discuss is the German-Swiss fraternal organizations and clubs of Columbus.

### HUMOR

A man went to see his doctor. The doctor checked him over and then commented, "You look to be pretty active."

The man replied, "Oh yeah, in fact the other day I walked 5 miles over rugged terrain, as I climbed over rocks and trees. I also waded along the edge of a lake, pushing my way through tall thistles, even slid down sandy slopes getting sand in my eyes."

The doctor was extremely impressed, "Well you certainly are a real outdoor enthusiast"

The man replied, "Not really, I am just a really terrible golfer."

### FACEBOOK PAGE

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

We are happy to announce that the group has grown to over 200 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 (donaldblum@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.



### Keep your body in mind when tending the soil

Some surveys find that gardening is now the country's number one outdoor leisure activity. That's good, because it's a great way to engage in moderate and sustainable physical activity and reap all the health benefits.

Gardening can be therapy for worried minds. Being outdoors to work on a variety of garden activities boosts the mood and makes people feel good.

But all that digging and weeding can be hard on knees, hands, wrists, and shoulders. Digging with a garden trowel can cause ulnar deviation that leads to muscle strain and nerve pain in the wrist. Even so-called ergonomic tools don't help much, according to the Department of Occupational Therapy at the Medical University of Ohio. Through their studies, they have come up with this advice.

- Buy tools with thick handles. Single-handle tools like trowels should have handles that are 1-1/4 to 2 inches in diameter.

- Long handles are better. You can get a firmer grip on the tool if there is plenty of room for all your fingers.

- Look for tools that are both sturdy and lightweight. A flimsy tool makes for more work. But whatever the tool, the less it weighs, the easier it is on your body.

- Avoid transferring the stress. Some trowels include a frame around the hand keep the wrist straight. But a straight wrist can force the wrist and elbow into awkward, potentially physically stressful motions.

Experts say gardeners should also avoid getting into the "zone," where they lose track of time. According to the Harvard Health Letter, repetitive motions and staying in one position can cause muscle problems and aggravate arthritis. So make sure to stop, stretch, sit in a lawn chair, and have a drink of water.



**ATS Family Day**  
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Grill available by Pavilion

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**TICKET ORDER FORM**

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Mail your Ticket Order to: Alliance of Transylvanian Saxons, 5323 Pearl Road, Cleveland, OH 44129  
Deadline for Ticket Orders is July 12, 2024.



**The miracle activity that makes you stronger and happier**

Here's a way to make yourself a little stronger, improve your heart health, boost your mood and thinking power, and provide a little adventure: E-bikes.

That's right, electric bikes, or e-bikes. Those are pedal bikes fitted with a motor. There are also adult trikes that can be fitted with a motor.

According to a 2019 study from the UK, e-bikes might actually provide older adults with more physical and mental benefits than conventional bikes. A group of 100 older adults, ages 50 to 83, participated in the study. Half of the group rode conventional bikes, while the other half rode e-bikes. Each participant had to ride at least three times a week for thirty minutes. The e-bike riders showed similar or greater benefits than the pedal cyclists. Researchers concluded that the benefits come from both physical activity and engagement with the outdoor environment. E-bike riders could stay out longer and go more places, for one thing.

You might be wondering whether you can really work your muscles with an electric-powered bicycle. According to National Geographic, most riders use a low pedal assist power setting. Riders are pedaling, but not quite as hard -- which helps them cash in on a host of benefits. E-bike riders spend more time on their bikes and studies show they have reduced stress, improved sleep, are generally happier. E-bike clubs also provide companionship on bike paths and trails.

E-bikes are available with a wide range of configurations and price points. You can buy an e-trike, such as the Liberty Trike, for about \$2,000. This very small foldable adult trike holds riders up to 300 pounds and can be used in some public places as a mobility device. Other bikes and trikes can retail from \$2,000 to as much as \$13,000. Generally speaking, lighter bikes come with higher price tags.

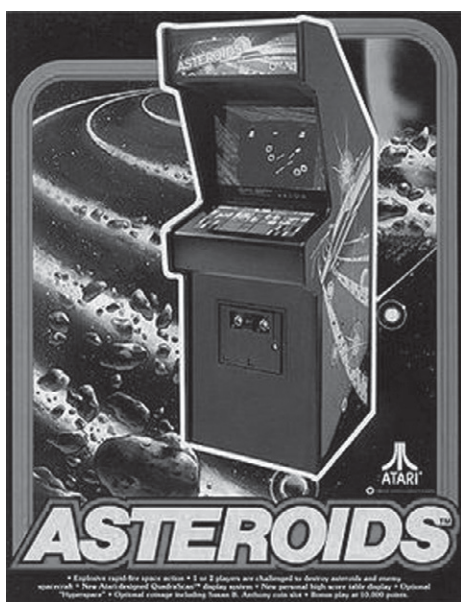
**At last, Atari gets honors**

About 45 years after its debut, Atari's Asteroids video game was one of five games to receive top honors in The World Video Game Hall of Fame in Rochester, New York.

The annual awards offer a glimpse into the business of gaming and its effect on culture.

Asteroids came out in 1979 as a coin-operated arcade game. At that time, 70,000 arcade units featured the space-themed rock-blasting game. In 1981, Atari released Asteroids for the Atari 2600 home video game console and it became one of the most influential video games of all time.

The Hall of Fame also recognized Ultima: The First Age of Darkness. Ultima wasn't quite as well-known as Asteroids, but the 1981 release is credited as an inspiration for role-



playing games like Dragon Quest and Final Fantasy. The original Ultima was followed by eight sequels.

Sim City, released in 1989, was inducted this year. The city building video game had several sequels and spin-offs. Players build and manage a city within a budget, complete with buildings and

infrastructure. The original game designer began in 1985 after he became enamored with creating maps and learning about urban design. Game companies initially rejected the game, since it could neither be won nor lost, but eventually it enjoyed enduring success and inspired a generation of urban planners.

Myst, the best selling game of the 1990s, was inducted for its imaginative adventures of the mysterious island of the same name. Players solved puzzles and travel to other worlds.

Finally, Resident Evil made the 2024 cut. The suspense game popularized the survival horror genre and inspired an action horror film series that has grossed more than \$1.2 billion.

**Cleveland Sachsenheim's Summerfest Patio Pilsener Party and Meat Raffle**



**Lulu's Button Box Review**



**Gemütlichkeit Cleveländer Musikanten**



**A beautiful (and warm) evening to enjoy the Sachsenheim's Biergarten Patio: Good food, music, and Bier!**



**Local Saxons enjoying a fun evening**



**Easy bruising could just be lifestyle**



Up to 55 percent of healthy people report they seem to bruise easily, but there is usually a simple explanation of why it happens.

Bruising occurs when blood vessels leak under the skin. The pool of blood forms a red, and eventually blue, mark on the skin. The body gradually reabsorbs the pooled blood and the mark fades.

The most obvious cause of bruising is an injury. You might get bruising from sports, exercise, or just your normal work when you run into things or other people.

Increased bruising is normal with age. Skin becomes thinner, and begins to lose elasticity. Older people may also lose the fat under the skin that cushions blood vessels, according to Health.com.

Medication can also increase bruising. Drugs like aspirin or ibuprofen can block the normal function of platelets, the part of the blood that binds to clotting factors. Blood-thinning medications like warfarin also cause bruising. Steroids taken for breathing problems, even if inhaled, can cause skin thinning, which is also associated with increased bruising.

Sun damage to the skin can weaken blood vessel walls, which can cause purple patches on the backs of hands and forearms.

Finally, there are some rare disorders that cause abnormal bleeding, including low blood platelet count, bleeding disorders, and blood cancers. Less rare is liver damage related to hepatitis C or alcohol use.



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**Branch 33 Delegates at ATS Convention**



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**ATS Board of Officers including Br. 33 President Margie Ziegler.**



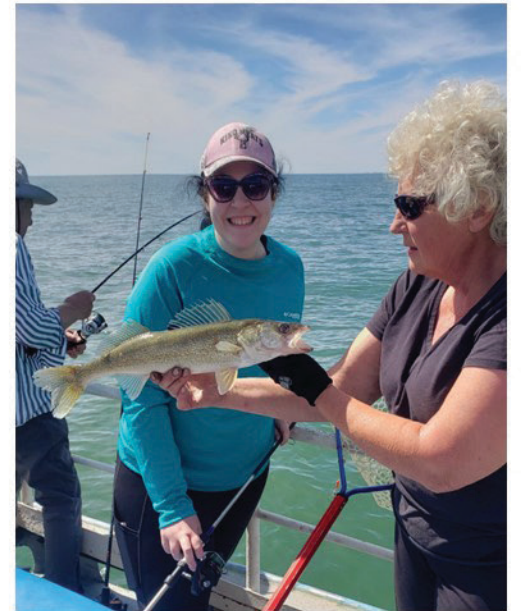
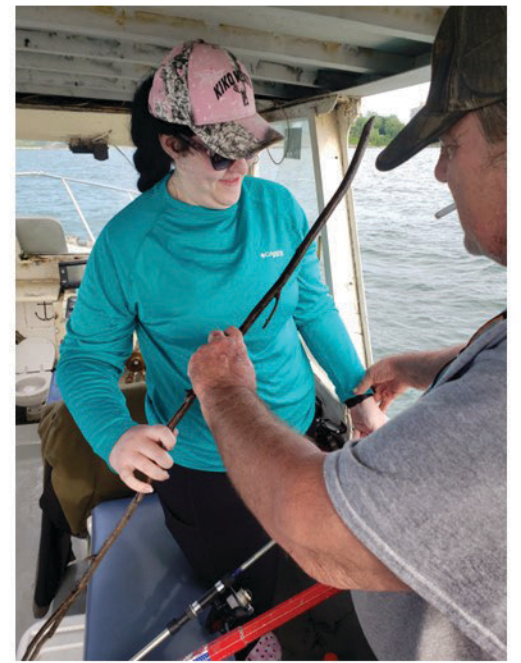
**Delegates enjoying Schnitzel dinner**



**Sampling Saxon Beer with our meal**



**President Crawford congratulating Br. 33 member Maria Phillips' Quilt Handicraft win.**



ATS Fishing Charter  
June 15, 2024



New Adventurers:  
**Henry Stelle**

Discoverers:  
**Claire Burick**  
**Jacob Stelle**

Journeyers:  
**Alex Burick**  
**Nickolas Hebrank**  
**Scarlett Jones**  
**Jemma Krestel**

Ultimate Challenge:  
**Jason Krestel**



**Saxon Summer  
Camp**  
**June 16—21, 2024**

Favorite things to  
do at camp:

- **GaGa Ball**
- **Swimming**
- **Canoeing**
- **Slip N Slide**
- **Zip Lining**
- **Sleeping in Air  
Conditioning!**