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BRANCH 18, SALEM By Barbara Spack

The branch meeting was held on July 14th and regular business was discussed. A July birthday was celebrated by Denise Aeling Crawford and she was present to receive her gift. Reports were given on the joint social, monthly breakfast, and weekly Bingo. A motion was passed to place a joint ad with Branch 19 in the program for the upcoming Salem High School football and basketball season.

Bingo is held every Wednesday at the club and is open to the public. Doors open at 4:30 and Bingo starts at 6:30 p.m. Branch 18 has the kitchen open during Bingo and offers dinners, snacks, and beverages, with food sales benefiting the branch. The public has been very supportive and all Bingo proceeds support the Salem Saxon Scholarship trust fund. We hope that anyone who has received the benefit of a scholarship will consider volunteering as a way to give continual support the scholarship fund. A special Sunday session of Bingo is scheduled for August 17. Doors will open at noon and the first game will be called at 2:00 p.m. Please come out to play or to help—it is a lot of fun and a good time for a good cause!

This year's Salem Saxon Scholarships were given out at the July joint social. Six scholarships for \$500 were presented. Please see picture and separate article in this edition.

Also benefitting the scholarship fund was the Reverse Raffle held on July 12. Congratulations to all the winners: Meg Goll, Darryl DePaul, Richard Spack, Barbara Spack, Tom Manning, Walt Ulrich, Anna Ostapiak, Walt Drotleff, (in memory of) Katherine Maroscher, Mitchell Maroscher, Tony Rothbrust, Dave and Ruth Herbert, Dave Ehrhart, Kate Oesch, and Yun Cao. Many thanks to everyone who purchased tickets, or came out to help.

The Bingo committee and Branches 18 and 19 also sponsored the annual 4th of July Pet Parade and Bike Parade in Salem. It appeared that this event was not going to take place when the former leadership stepped away and someone had to come forward to carry it on. Special thanks to Annette Howard, Bingo manager, for overseeing this and making sure the tradition continued this year. The participation and enthusiasm from the kids and pet owners in the community was proof that this is a worthy community event to be a part of.

Upcoming events include: Wednesday Bingo, All-You-Can-Eat Breakfast 3rd Saturday of the Month, Joint Social 2nd Friday of the Month, and the Saxon Club Bar open to the public every Friday evening. Please come out and support the Club!

The next meeting will be on Monday, August 11 at 7:30 pm.

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? Did a new son or daughter arrive recently? Congratulations! Don't forget to make him/her an ATS member by purchasing a Life Insurance or Annuity plan so the he/she can benefit from our fraternal programs.

Do you need more life insurance? Do you have enough life insurance protection for yourself and your family? Chances are you should have better coverage! Call you Local ATS Deputy.

How about an ATS Annuity or IRA Plan?

Are you saving for your retirement needs? ATS Annuity Plans offer you a safe way to increase and protect your savings while providing tax sheltered growth. Call you Local ATS Deputy and strengthen your financial future.

BRANCH 11, LORAIN By Monica Gilles

The Lorain summer picnic will be August 17th at Mill Hollow Bacon Woods Shelter #4 from 1pm- dusk. Branch 5 will be providing the main entrée and beverages. They are asking for the women to provide their delicious side dishes. The cost is FREE to local members of Branches 5 and 11. Non-members will be charged \$10.00. You must make your reservations to Brian Gilles at 440-315-5214 by August 10. PLEASE NOTE: North Ridge Road will be closed beginning June 30 for 2 to 3 months. The County will be moving North Ridge Road further away from the cliffs around the Vermilion River Reservation. Mill Hollow will be accessible from Vermilion Road at Route 2 or from the west at State Route 60 and North Ridge Road.

Get Well Wishes to Josephine and Elmer Schneider! Both are recovering from different ailments and had to spend some time in the hospital. Unfortunately, they had to be in separate rooms.

The next monthly meeting will be Saturday, September 6 at 8pm.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Thomas J. Manning
ATS Nat'l President



It seems that I was just storing all of the Winter equipment and here we are already beginning the month of August. Time certainly does fly by much too quickly. Many of the retail stores are now advertising the school supplies and parents will be shopping for new school clothes for the children. It is also a busy time for the incoming College Freshmen. I don't know who is more excited about starting school, the new Kindergarten children or the College Freshmen. We hope that all of them do very well.

At this time, the ATS Deputies are working on a new Membership Sales Campaign to sell Life Insurance Policies or Annuity Certificates. The campaign will run from July 1st to October 1st, 2014. You can help your Deputy by providing them with the names of non-members who are interested. You can purchase an Annuity for a child from birth to the age of 15 years for a minimum amount of \$150. Grandparents often purchase these as gifts for their grandchildren. Also, your Deputy can help you with additional Life Insurance coverage, Annuity Certificates, or additional deposits to your Annuity. The ATS is paying a 2.25% interest rate with a guarantee of no lower than 1.5%. This is a very competitive rate. Contact your local Deputy for detailed information.

This story will make you smile. Little Barbara was wearing one of those Medical Alert bracelets. Someone asked her why she was wearing it. She replied, "I'm allergic to nuts and eggs". Then they asked, "Are you allergic to cats?". Barbara answered, "I don't know, I don't eat cats."

Quote of the Day: "To become different from what we are, we must have some awareness of what we are." We don't set out to lose weight without first knowing what we weigh to begin with. We can't know that we want to make a change until we first know we have a problem. Even when we've identified a problem, we need to know where we're starting from to understand the job ahead of us. To make any change in our lives, we need to know where we are right now.

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

TIMELY - DO NOT DELAY
MAILED WEDNESDAY, July 30, 2014

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BRANCH 22, YOUNGSTOWN By Rosemarie Kascher

Please consider the following events for your calendar:

Wednesday, August 6

Officers Meeting 5 p.m. Audit committee, Lower Lounge

Sunday, August 10

Branch meeting 2 p.m Lower Lounge

Thursday, August 14

Retirees 12 Noon

We welcome into membership from the Juvenile division, Kelly Dahman and Chelsea Raymer.

Birthdays are: Chrissy Nims, Sue Vuletech, Michelle Eberth, Tammy Hahn, June Helsel, Barb Wertz, Corene Kamperman and Helen Bendel. Anniversaries are: Betty Kamperman, Regina Teutsch and Lisa Marucci.

Get wells were sent to Rose Marie Zmary, Joan Kubik and Judy Rizzo. Thinking of You to Tom Fizet, Rick Reeder, Dorothy Fizet and Pat Bokesch.

When you have a building as old as the Youngstown Saxon Club, things built at the same time seem to wear out at the same time. We are in need of immediate attention to the water system for the Ballroom pinpricks in pipes simply worn out. Replacement will cost \$7,000. Please consider making a designated contribution to the Memorial/Celebration Fund for help with this enormous repair bill. Any contribution would be very much appreciated. Thank you for your consideration.

Enjoy this beautiful summer!

Quotes

The highest reward for a man's toil is not what he gets for it but what he becomes by it.

John Ruskin, famous author and art critic born in London.

I am determined to be cheerful and happy in whatever situation I may find myself. For I have learned that the greater part of our misery or unhappiness is determined not by our circumstance but by our disposition.

Martha Washington, wife of George Washington, first U.S. president

Success is almost totally dependent upon drive and persistence. The extra energy required to make another effort or try another approach is the secret of winning.

Denis Waitley, motivational speaker, consultant, and best-selling author

He who has health, has hope. And he who has hope, has everything.

Benjamin Franklin, founding Father of the United States

You are never too old to set another goal or to dream a new dream.

C.S. Lewis, novelist, poet, essayist, lay theologian, and educator

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THE DEADLINE DATE FOR ARTICLES IS WEDNESDAY - 12 NOON.

You may either

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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, AUGUST 6, 2014	FRIDAY, AUGUST 15, 2014
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 20, 2014	FRIDAY, AUGUST 29, 2014
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2014	FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2014

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.

Coast Guard Day, August 4

Life Aboard a Coast Guard Cutter

This is the rarely-advertised and seldom-celebrated life of the men and women who work on the Coast Guard's more than 31 medium-and high-endurance cutters. A Coast Guard cutter is a fusion of young and old sailors, those with years of sea time, those with days, those who have traveled the world and those who have never left home.

These men and women

spend more than 185 days on average away from their family and friends, and aside from the occasional grumble or homesick remark, the men and women are happy on the 270 feet they call home.

On the average day, the Coast Guard Conducts 109 Search and Rescue Cases. It saves 10 lives, assists 192 people in distress and protects \$2,791,841 in property.

Great Grilled Fish Recipes



Citrus Grilled Mahi Mahi

- 1/4 cup orange juice
- 1/4 cup lime juice
- 1/2 cup olive oil
- 3 tablespoons chopped cilantro
- 2 tablespoons chopped garlic
- 2 teaspoons salt
- 1 teaspoon cayenne pepper
- 5 8-ounce mahi mahi fillets

Make the marinade by combining all the ingredients except the fish and mixing well. Place the fish in a large glass baking dish and cover with the marinade. Cover and refrigerate for at least one hour. Grill the fish on a preheated grill about four minutes each side or until cooked through. Serve immediately.

Herb Marinated Grilled Tuna

- 2 tablespoons chopped fresh rosemary
- 4 sprigs fresh thyme
- 4 sage leaves
- 2 bay leaves
- 1/2 cup olive oil
- 2 tablespoons chopped garlic
- Grated zest of one orange
- Grated zest of one lemon
- Salt and pepper to taste
- 5 8-ounce tuna fillets

To infuse the herbs into the oil, place the herbs and oil into a small saucepan. Bring to a simmer and cook for about five minutes. Remove from heat and allow to cool. Add the garlic, citrus zests, and salt and pepper. Place the fish in a large glass baking dish and cover with the marinade. Cover and refrigerate for at least one hour. Grill the fish on a preheated grill about four minutes each side or until cooked through. Serve immediately.



"Your drug test results show you aren't taking any performance enhancing drugs. Your performance review results shows that maybe you should."

YOUNGSTOWN SAXON RETIREES

By Teri Laret

Greetings from the Saxon Retirees of Youngstown, Ohio on July 10th. The "meeting" is taking a vacation. Jim and Lucy have opened their hearts and picnic grounds for a wonderful treat. It is a glorious day, the pavilion, the ducks on the lake, the freshly cut grass with no bugs, it was just perfect. No one had to bring a covered dish, as John took care of us from the Saxon kitchen. The Dundon family made sure of that. I'll get back to the dessert, I'll get back to that later in the article.

We thanked God for this wonderful day. Can we come back next year? Thank you!

Marge Ludt brought her husband Chris as a guest; we hope we made him feel welcome.

Joan Giba and Kay Ring are celebrating birthdays in July. Joan is sharing her birthday with a toast to her from the liquid table and Kay is sharing her birthday with cupcakes for all. Happy Birthday to you ladies and many more.

Today we have a guest speaker, Tami Hahn who is a proud member of many years along with her parents. Tami is a spokeswoman for the Senior Circle Association, an affiliate of Valley Care Health System of Ohio. This organization has many activities for all of the seniors of this valley. For anyone who did not hear Tami at the picnic and are interested in this organization and what it offers, please call 330-884-5667 for further information in reference to the presentation of Tami Hahn.

The committee for the August meeting are Joan Giba (330-782-5806) and Cindy Blubaugh (330-793-9189) as usual, please call one of the above if there is a change in your reservation on or before Sunday, August 10th. Oh yes, meeting Thursday is August 14th.

That's all folks, So-Ein Tag!

Healthy Living Tip

Studies show that the average time a doctor spends with a patient listening to his or her concerns is only three minutes. To maximize this time, skip the pleasantries. A simple hello allows you to get right into the nature of your visit. If you have one concern more pressing than others, be sure to state that in the first minute. Bringing up a difficult issue at the start of the visit allows you and your doctor to focus on what is important without becoming distracted.

For every action there is an equal and opposite criticism.

ATS ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

LET'S PLAY GOLF

Elk Valley Golf Course
7085 Van Camp Rd.
Fairview, PA
(814) 474-2356

Saturday, August 9, 2014
8:00 AM - Shotgun Start

Cost is \$31.00 for golf with cart, refreshments, hot dogs, banquet and prizes.

Deadline for entries is August 2, 2014

Send checks and entry forms to:
THOMAS J. MANNING
1027 WEST 30TH ST., ERIE, PA 16508
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MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE to Thomas J. Manning

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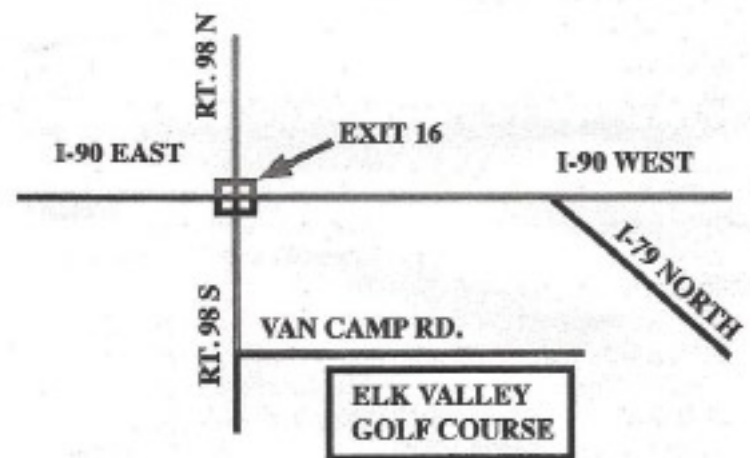
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INVITE your relatives and friends to join the crowd at ATS.
Tell them about our fraternal society!

FRATERNAL CALENDAR

NATIONAL EVENTS

2014

August 9, 2014

ATS Golf Outing
Host Branch 2, Erie

October 18-19, 2014

ATS Annual Open Bowling Tournament
Host: Branch 9, Chicago

LOCAL EVENTS

August 2, 2014

Cleveland Br 1 Sommerfest

August 10, 2014

New Castle Members' Family Day at the Grounds
Youngstown Branch 22 & Branch 30 Meet

August 14, 2014

Youngstown Retirees Meet

August 21, 2014

Youngstown Ladies Bocce Banquet

August 22, 2014

New Castle Night at the Races at the Grounds

August 23, 2014

Youngstown Kubik Benefit Golf Outing

August 25, 2014

Youngstown Men's Bocce Banquet

September 1, 2014

New Castle Monday Night Drawing at the Grounds
Youngstown Labor Day Saxon Club Closed

September 7, 2014

Youngstown Branch 22 Chinese Auction
Youngstown Speck Fry

September 11, 2014

Youngstown Retirees Meet

September 13, 2014

Youngstown 300 Club Dinner
Youngstown Culture Group Sausage Sale

September 14, 2014

Youngstown Branch 22 & Branch 30 Meet

September 20, 2014

Youngstown Saxon Club Golf League Banquet

September 21, 2014

Youngstown Octoberfest

September 27, 2014

New Castle Oktoberfest

September 28, 2014

New Castle - Last Day Grounds is open
Youngstown Pork Dinner

October 5, 2014

Youngstown Spaghetti Dinner, open to the Public?
Youngstown Saxon Club Octoberoberfest

October 9, 2014

Youngstown Retirees meet

October 11, 2014

Cleveland Saxon Dance Group Traubenfest

October 12, 2014

Youngstown Branch 22 & 30 meet, 2 PM

October 16, 2014

Youngstown Calendar Dinner, Lower Lounge

October 18, 2014

Youngstown Sweetest Day

October 19, 2014

Youngstown Pork Dinner, open to Public, in Ballroom

October 24, 2014

Cleveland Br 1 and 4 Children's Halloween Party
Youngstown Children's Halloween Party - Ball room

October 25, 2014

New Castle Kids' Halloween Party at the Club 3 p.m.
New Castle Fall Festival Party at the Club 7 p.m.

November 1, 2014

Youngstown Trachenball, open to the public

November 2, 2014

New Castle Fall Sauerkraut Dinner Noon - 3 p.m.
Youngstown Spaghetti Dinner, open to the Public

November 7, 2014

Youngstown Setup for Craft Show

November 8, 2014

Youngstown Branch 22 Craft Show, open to the Public

November 9, 2014

Cleveland Br 1 and 4 Veterans' Day Dinner
Youngstown Branch 22 & 30 meet, 2 PM

November 13, 2014

Youngstown Retirees meet

November 16, 2014

Youngstown Fall Bocce Banquet, Men
Youngstown Pork Dinner, open to the Public, in Ballroom

SALEM SAXON SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS ANNOUNCED

The Salem Saxon Scholarship fund announced the recipients of the 2014 scholarships at their joint social on July 12th at the Salem Saxon Club. This is the 29th year that the fund has presented scholarships to area high school graduates and over \$130,000 has been awarded to students in recognition of academic achievement and community service. This year's recipients are Allison Cosma, Frederick Schlueter, Jeremy Truex, Emma Wilson, Joshua Townsend, and William Opsitnik.

Allison is the daughter of Robert and Amy Cosma and a graduate of Lisbon High School. She will attend Kent State University Salem Branch to pursue a Bachelor of Science Degree in Nursing. She plans to obtain her RN license with a career choice of becoming a neonatal nurse.

Frederick is the son of Fritz and Lori Schlueter and a graduate of West Branch High School. Frederick has many possible interests for his future career goals. He has already begun his course of study at the University of Dallas in Texas where he will initially be completing a liberal arts curriculum to guide his eventual career path.

Jeremy is the son of Mark and Darla Truex and graduated from West Branch High School. He will be attending the University of South Florida in St. Petersburg to obtain a degree in Entrepreneurship and Small Business Operations and plans to start his own business with a goal of providing work and contributing to his community. He also plans to participate in a study abroad program to further his understanding of languages



Pictured left to right: William Opsitnik, Joshua Townsend, Allison Cosma, and Jeremy Truex; not pictured are Emma Wilson and Frederick Schlueter.

and cultures.

Emma is the daughter of George and Deanna Wilson and graduated from Salem High School. She will attend the University of Mount Union and major in National Security and Foreign Intelligence Analysis, with a minor in legal studies. She plans to attend law school with an ultimate goal of working for state or federal government in national security legal affairs.

Joshua is the son of Charity Townsend and graduated from Salem High School. He will attend Kent State University Salem Branch to begin basic requirement courses and then plans to transfer to Cincinnati University to study Human Genetics Engineering. He would like to use his degree in the area of cancer research with a special interest in searching for a cure.

William is the son of Bill and Missy Opsitnik and is a graduate

of United Local High School. He will attend Kent State University pursuing a degree in education with a goal of becoming a high school math teacher in the local community.

Each recipient received a certificate of achievement and a check for \$500, presented by Henry Spack, Branch 19 president; Marilyn McNutt, Branch 18 president; and the scholarship fund trustees. Trustees of the scholarship fund are Sam McKinney, Hilda Spack, Art Maroscher, Barbara Spack, and legal counsel Geoff Goll. The fund is supported by proceeds from Bingo, which is held at the club every Wednesday, and from other charitable fund-raising events held throughout the year, as well as from memorial and honor donations. Anyone wishing to make a donation may send a check to the Salem Saxon Scholarship Trust Fund, 1980 State Route 9, Salem OH 44460.

LORAIN BRANCH 5 AND 11 SUMMER FAMILY PICNIC



WHEN: AUGUST 17, 2014

WHERE: MILL HOLLOW BACON WOODS

SHELTER #4

WHAT TIME: 1PM - DUSK

THE MEN WILL PROVIDE THE MAIN ENTRÉE,
TABLEWARE, AND BEVERAGES.
THE LADIES WILL PROVIDE DELICIOUS SIDE DISHES.

Dues Paying Members are FREE!!

Non Members are \$10.00

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by AUGUST 10

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WEDNESDAY NIGHT BINGO

SALEM SAXON CLUB

Benefitting the

Scholarship Fund

Homemade Dinners,

Sandwiches & Snacks

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10:00 Bilingual Service

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

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Rev. Paul Stork
Interim Pastor

9:00 Worship Service

You could get a colonoscopy while doing something else

PillCam is one of the new devices that make colon-cancer screening less invasive. Made by Covidien, a video camera is embedded in it. It's the size and shape of a vitamin pill.

Colonoscopies are one of the most-effective cancer-prevention tools, yet many people avoid them, either because the preparatory procedures are unpleasant or they fear the test will be painful (it isn't). About 51,000 deaths are attributed to colon cancer each year in the United States.

PillCam travels through the digestive system over the course of several hours, wirelessly transmitting images to an external data recorder. The maker, Covidien, is seeking broader approval. If approved, people who are not at high risk will be permitted to go about their normal days while the PillCam works its way through their bodies.

The risk spectrum goes from average to increased, to high risk.

BRANCH 5, LORAIN

By Michael Johnson

We had our meeting on July 15th at the Lorain Slovak Club. Our attendance was down this month with a few members on vacation, working, or sick. Speaking of which as of this writing, Brother Elmer Schneider is in Mercy Hospital being treated with recurring illnesses. We're hoping and praying for his strength and health to return to him soon. Other brothers in our membership still on the sick list are Tom Ralph, William Kirschner, Robert Ralph, and Richard Ralph Jr.

Having gone over business for the previous month, the discussion of the picnic which will be at Mill Hollow Bacon Woods Shelter #4 on August 17 from 1 PM- dusk was discussed. You must get your reservation in by August 10 to Brother Brian Gilles at 440-315-5214. The picnic is FREE to members and \$10.00 for any non-member attending. The main entree will be a catered carry out of fried chicken, roasted corn on the cob and 3 large sides of pasta, macaroni, and cucumber salads. We're asking the ladies to choose which they would be providing, that being either a side dish (not similar to one of the large

sides being prepared) or a dessert when calling to make their reservations. Come join in the fun as we all eat, play games and visit with each other in Saxon fellowship. Keep in mind that access to Mill Hollow is limited at this time because of construction on North Ridge Road. Take Route 2 to the Vermilion Interchange Road Exit. Turn right on Jerusalem Road to Vermilion Road. Turn left heading south till you come to North Ridge Road and turn right to go down into Mill Hollow. Turn right into the Bacon Woods Reservation just before the bridge and continue going straight till you come to #4 shelter.

There are a whole lot of birthdays going on this month and we would like to say Happy Birthday to Brothers Nick Piller, Robert Brenner, Brent Sanders, Al Lachman, and Ron Stephanchick. We wish a Happy Birthday also to our Junior members Wendy Weber, Jacob Collins, David Goss, Victoria Goss, Jordyn Gibbs, and Jillian Peters. Enjoy your special day!

Still plenty of things to do as we continue into the last half of summer. Read your *Volksblatt* and take part in the many opportunities being offered.

Be sure to put on your list our next meeting which will be Saturday August 2, 2014 at the Slovak Club, at 8 PM. Until then, enjoy each day to the fullest!



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.

Dorothy H. Jones

Age 89

Died: January 26, 2013
Branch 22, Youngstown OH

Rosina Edelmayer

Age 89

Died: March 24, 2014
Home Branch, Cleveland OH

Frederick J. Hupp

Age 68

Died: June 10, 2014
Branch 30, Youngstown OH

Herta J. Anderson

Age 94

Died: June 19, 2014
Branch 02, Erie PA

Marjorie R. Keck

Age 66

Died: June 21, 2014
Branch 32, Ellwood City PA

Michael Haner

Age 90

Died: June 30, 2014
Branch 9, Chicago IL

Andreas Greger Sr.

Age 77

Died: July 23, 2014
Branch 1, Cleveland OH

BRANCH 26, MERRILLVILLE

By Helen Brooks

Saxon meeting was held on July 13, 2014. President Randall Floyd called the meeting to order.

We welcomed Erica Sumichrast who is visiting from Las Vegas. It was nice to see her.

The minutes were read from the last meeting and accepted. The constitution and by-laws were approved by the ATS Home Office.

Treasurer's report was read and accepted.

Brigitte and Randall reported on the Heimattag held in Cleve-

land – it sounds like they had a great time.

There was discussion on the upcoming ATS Bowling Tournament to be held in Chicago. Willard Schuffert asked for travel expenses of \$250.00. It was voted on and approved.

The raffle was won by Brigitte and the attendance prize by Jim Spence.

The meeting was adjourned and we enjoyed a delicious chicken dinner and fellowship.

Til we meet again...

I am looking for
Karl-Heinz Rackel .

All I have is
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He is a distant
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we are interested
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Thank you.

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Youngstown Saxon Culture Group's Fall Sausage Sale

Pickup is Saturday, September 13

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We are now taking orders for hot, mild, and garlic sausage

All flavors come in 3lb and 5lb links or 5lb bulk packages
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We will take your phone orders through Tuesday, September 9
and email orders through Wednesday September 10.

All are welcome to join us for German music, beer and sausage sandwiches
the day of the pickup, September 13.

Please mark this in your calendar.



SACHSENHEIM'S ANNUAL SOMMERFEST SATURDAY, AUGUST 2, 2014

An Evening in the Biergarten
**Good Food, Music,
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**Performance by
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**Music by
Fred Ziwich**

**Doors Open 5:00 pm
Music 6:00 - 10:00 pm**

**Homemade Sausage Sandwiches &
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Children age 12 & under Free**

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Your Horoscope

AUGUST

ARIES: An inner dialogue and concern about a domestic matter are dominating your thoughts. Schedule that dialogue for later. Then focus on one work project at a time.

TAURUS: A group of associates is pointing the way, which may or may not be the right way. Don't overthink it. Just stay positive and decide which course is best.

GEMINI: Skip the stress and stay sure of yourself. Understanding what's being said among your co-workers, and what's not being said, can make a difference.

CANCER: An old song says "A smile can be your umbrella on a rainy day." Let it remind you to be pleasant and cooperative to colleagues and bosses, in spite of the "rain."

LEO: You know that the impact you have on others is significant. Choose an individual who could use more support and find creative ways to help him or her.

VIRGO: Think of your life as a series of doors to unlock. Winston Churchill said, "Continuous effort, not strength or intelligence, is the key to unlocking your potential."

LIBRA: Start talking and thinking through a decision that has to be made. Don't push: let a natural process occur. Get feedback and do your research. There are no shortcuts.

SCORPIO: At home, it's easy to over-promise and under-deliver. Skip the promises and just over deliver. You'll make that someone happy by giving more than expected.

SAGITTARIUS: Vacations and summer are almost over, and the damage to your finances is apparent. It's time to make a plan to get even ... before Christmas spending!

CAPRICORN: You may have a health problem you think you can live with, but that's not a good idea. See a doctor for treatment of a smaller problem that could get bigger.

AQUARIUS: It happens at family picnics or dinners. You hear or tell stories that make you laugh. Listen closely, because they will bring you a sense of belonging and pride.

PISCES: As the water sign, you might feel like you're drowning in emotions now. But after mid-month, harmony and happiness sign up to be your shipmates, and all will be smooth sailing in your world.



Want dinner in 10 hours? Smoker cooking comes back to make tastier meat and vegetables

Grilling enthusiasts are recalling their favorite tastes from a decade ago. They're bringing back smoker cooking in a big way.

If you don't have one, your home improvement store stocks them at \$100 to \$300 each. BBQ masters can spend as much as \$10,000 on one that's custom made.

Smoker cooking is done by indirect heat from a source separated from the food. Cooking temperatures are between 225 and 275 degrees. The slow cooking results in juicier food with the extra dimension of smoky flavors.

How to use a smoker

- Fill the charcoal pan half full of regular or flavored briquettes. Cherry or mesquite are popular. Or you can use small pieces of wood, like pecan, cherry or hickory. Woods should be moistened and wrapped in foil.

- Let the charcoal burn a few minutes and slowly add more. Make sure all briquettes catch fire before replacing the pan into the smoker. Replace it slowly so you don't redistribute the briquettes or put out the fire.

- Fill the water pan 3/4 full and put it in the smoker. It helps to regulate the distribution of heat.

- Place food on the grates. If it has two grates, put the meat on the bottom and the vegetables on the top grate.

- Close the lid and open the vents. One vent is for ventilation of the smoke. The other is to help provide ventilation and fresh oxygen for your fire. If the fire is waning, open the fire vent more. If the meat seems to be cooking faster than you want, open the other vent more to provide increased ventilation.

- Check the meat periodically, but don't open the lid every few minutes.

- Remember that it will take much longer to cook than when the food is being grilled. Be patient.

The Transylvanian Museum in Gundelsheim is the only museum outside of Romania that deals with the culture and history of the Transylvanian Saxons in the context of their multi-ethnic and multi-religious environment.

A selection of its extremely huge collection (more than 18,000 objects) is shown in a permanent exhibition over 500 m² on the first floor of the building. Seven themes serve as examples of Transylvania's colourful history and multi-faceted culture, from the Middle Ages to the present. Special emphasis is placed on explaining Transylvania's cultural history in a European context and the very specific identity processes and social orders in a multi-ethnic environment. By demonstrating the traditional social order in Transylvania that was characterised by collaboration, the museum may be the inspiration for a culture of democratic cooperation and tolerance in a united Europe.

Special exhibitions are held on the museum's upper floor several times a year. This upper floor covers a space of approximately 100 m². It is also home to a Graphic Cabinet and a study collection that deals with Transylvanian textiles, pottery and important gold and silver-smithing works from the region.

During the fifty years of its existence, more than 500,000 visitors have visited the museum. Just as many people have been to see the special exhibitions organised by the Transylvanian Museum in Transylvania, in other European countries (France, Austria, Hungary) and in cooperation projects with other museums in Germany that are also sponsored by the federal government. For decades there have been science collaborations with museums in Transylvania, for example the ASTRA National Museum and the Brukenthal Museum in Sibiu, and the art museum in Braşov. These cooperations have continued and been extended and have resulted in numerous scientific publications.

Siebenbürgisches Museum Gundelsheim startet neue Homepage

Das Siebenbürgische Museum Gundelsheim hat seine neue Internetseite gestartet. Auf www.siebenbuergisches-museum.de können sich Interessierte in Deutsch, Englisch und Rumänisch über das Museum, seine Ausstellungen, Veranstaltungen und Forschungsprojekte informieren.

Weiterhin enthält die Seite Hintergrundinformationen zu Geografie, Geschichte und Kultur der Region im heutigen Rumänien sowie zur Sammlung und zur Museums-geschichte. Aktuelle Termine können hier ebenso eingesehen werden wie im ebenfalls neuen Facebook-Auftritt des Museums. Die Seite ist optimiert für Touchscreens. Außerdem steht eine mobile Version für Smartphones zur Verfügung. Für Journalistinnen und Journalisten ist ein Pressezugang vorhanden, über den nach Registrierung Pressefotos und Informationen abgerufen werden können. Gestaltet wurde die Seite vom Heilbronner Designbürogruppe sepia. Das Projekt wurde finanziert aus Mitteln des Vereins zur Förderung des Siebenbürgischen Museums Gundelsheim e.V. und der Beauftragten der Bundesregierung für Kultur und Medien.

SBZ Online 23. Juli 2014



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You can make a contribution by way of donations, gifts or bequests too, which are tax-deductible in the same way as the contribution is. Each donation – irrespective of its amount – helps to sustainably support the work of the Transylvanian Museum, to preserve and showcase Transylvanian culture, and to realise various projects.

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August birthdays

- 1, Tempestt Bledsoe, actress, talk show host, Chicago, IL 1973.
- 2, Sam Worthington, actor in Avatar, England, 1976.
- 3, Tom Brady, football quarterback, San Mateo, CA, 1977.
- 4, Billy Bob Thornton, Oscar winner, Hot Springs AR, 1955.
- 5, Jesse Williams, Grey's Anatomy actor, Chicago, IL, 1981.
- 6, David Robinson, basketball Hall of Fame, Key West, FL, 1965.
- 7, Michael Shannon, in Boardwalk Empire, Lexington, KY, 1974.
- 8, Garrison Keillor, humorist, TV host, Anoka, MN, 1942.
- 9, Dustin Hoffman, movie star, two Oscars, Los Angeles, CA, 1937.
- 10, Antonio Banderas, Desperado, Zorro actor, Spain, 1960.
- 11, Stephen Wozniak, Apple cofounder, Sunnyvale, CA, 1950.
- 12, Casey Affleck, movie actor, Falmouth, MA, 1975.
- 13, Shani Davis, Olympic speed skater, Chicago, IL, 1982.
- 14, Halle Berry, actress, Oscar winner, Cleveland, OH, 1966.
- 15, Ben Affleck, star of Argo, Berkeley, CA, 1972.
- 16, Madonna, singer and movie actress, Bay City, MI, 1958.
- 17, Robert De Niro, winner of four Oscars, New York, NY, 1943.
- 18, Robert Redford, star of many movies, Oscar winner, Santa Monica, CA, 1936.
- 19, Kyra Sedgwick, actress in The Closer, New York, NY, 1965.
- 20, Ron Paul, politician, Congressman, Pittsburgh, PA, 1948.
- 21, Usain Bolt, Olympic track star, Jamaica, 1986.
- 22, Giada De Laurentiis, TV chef, cookbook author, Italy, 1970.
- 23, Kobe Bryant, basketball star, Philadelphia, PA, 1978.
- 24, Rupert Grint, actor in Harry Potter movies, England, 1988.
- 25, Sean Connery actor in James Bond movies, Scotland, 1930.
- 26, Melissa McCarthy, actress in TV's Mike & Molly show, Plainfield, IL, 1970.
- 27, Aaron Paul, Emmy for Breaking Bad, Emmett, ID, 1979.
- 28, LeAnn Rimes, singer, songwriter, Jackson, MS, 1982.
- 29, Richard Gere, star of many movies, Philadelphia, PA, 1949.
- 30, Michael Chiklis, Emmy, Golden Globe, Lowell, MA, 1963.
- 31, Itzhak Perlman, famous violinist, Israel, 1945.



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