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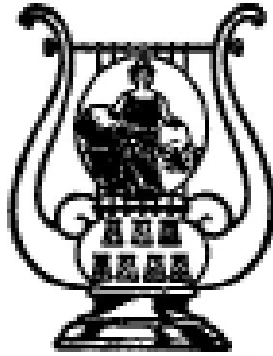
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Issue 21

The Sangerbund dissolves after 92 Years

Founded in 1922, the remaining three Sections of the Siebenburger Sachsen Sangerbund met at the Sachsenheim in Cleveland, OH on Saturday, September 27th. While the day was a perfect sunny, balmy autumn day, our hearts were heavy as the delegates from New Castle, Erie and Cleveland Sections gathered for the final Sanger Konvention. We had seen this coming over the past ten years and there was nothing more we could do to avoid it. Three years ago, the Erie Siebenburger Singers and the Youngstown Concordia withdrew their Sections. Then, in a vote of acceptance by the remaining delegates, the Erie Mannerchor Gesangverein stepped up to keep the Bund going, even hosting what was later to be the final (41st) Sangerfest. Then in January this year, word came down that the Cleveland Eintracht Saxonia Sachsenchor was withdrawing from the Bund due to their aging membership, as well as the inability to attract new, younger members...the same malady that is affecting ethnic choral groups across the country. Reluctantly, Bund President Beverly Pochatko directed the dissolution of the Bund to take place at the September 2014 Sanger Konvention scheduled to be held at the Cleveland Sachsenheim.

The delegates listened to the final reports of the Sangerbund and comments from each of the Sections. Our guest Thomas Manning, President of the ATS addressed the group and thanked them for their many years of commitment. Decisions were made regarding the assets of the Bund and a donation will be made to the ATS Orphans Fund. All records of the Sangerbund will be transferred to the ATS Office in the near future.

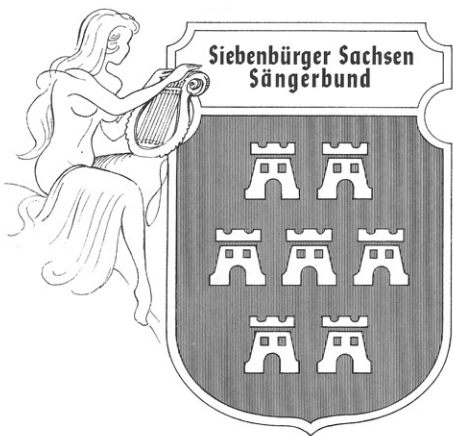


While we no longer will operate as an official Bund, the remaining Sections will continue to meet, sing and perform as before, embracing and preserving the German music.

Members of the Bund, will attend the Spring Concert of the New Castle Eintracht Mannerchor, where the Sangerbund Flag will be ceremonially passed, for the last time, to the Cleveland Eintracht Saxonia Sachsenchor; the Flag will then be returned to the Sachsenheim Club where it will be displayed. The future of the flag, in the event of the demise of the Sachsenheim Club, will be transferred to the Alliance of Transylvanian Saxons (ATS).

With all the business concluded, President Pochatko asked the delegates to join in singing the Siebenburgen National Anthem one last time as a group, and sing they did! They lifted their voices in a strong heartfelt emotion with tears in their eyes, followed by hugs and handshakes all around.

The officers of the Sangerbund wish to thank the Eintracht Saxonia Sachsenchor for their hospitality and the ladies who prepared a delicious lunch for us. To the New Castle Eintracht Mannerchor, the Erie Mannerchor Gesangverein, and the Cleveland Eintracht Saxonia Sachsenchor officers and members, your dedication to the preservation of the music of our homeland will not be forgotten. May God Bless You All and may you always have a song in your heart.



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Thomas J. Manning
ATS Nat'l President



Recently, the ATS Home Office Staff and ATS Officers received a notice that George H. Schneider passed away unexpectedly on September 18th, 2014. George was the President of Branch 5 in Lorain, Ohio, for many years. He was very proud of his Saxon heritage and was a member of the Cleveland Saxon Dance Group and also the Eintracht Saxonia Sachsen Chor. Our thoughts and prayers are with his family and his friends. May he rest in peace.

On Saturday, September 27th, 2014, I attended the Siebenbuerger Sachsen Saengerbund Convention in Cleveland, Ohio, and met with their officers and delegates. The delegation voted to disband the Saengerbund due to a decline in the number of Choruses participating in the organization. This decision was made in accordance with their Constitution. The Saengerbund has been an important part of the ATS for many years and we are saddened by this loss.

As I write this column, I look forward to participating in the Annual ATS Open Bowling Tournament hosted by Branch 9, Chicago, Illinois, on October 18th and 19th. I am sure they will provide a very good Saxon event, as usual.

Also, just a reminder that Halloween is on Friday, October 31st. This is a fun evening for the kids receiving the treats as well as the adults giving them out. It is so enjoyable to see the little ones going from house to house for their treats and the parents making sure they say "thank you". Reminders can go a long way. Be sure to stock up on those candy bars.

I hope you enjoy this poem.

A hug has...No moving parts, no batteries, no monthly payments and no fees. It is inflation proof and non taxable, in fact, it is quite relaxable. It can't be stolen, won't pollute, one size fits all, will not dilute, it uses little energy, but yields results enormously. Relieves your tension, and your stress, invigorates your happiness; combats depression, makes you beam, and elevates your self esteem! Your circulation it corrects, without unpleasant side effects. It is the perfect drug, there is nothing like a simple hug! Here's a big hug for you!!

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

October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month.



It is an international health campaign to increase awareness of the disease and promote early detection. People wear the pink ribbon to honor survivors, remember those lost to the disease, and to support the progress that is being made to defeat breast cancer. How can you help? Visit www.nationalbreastcancer.org to see how you can donate, fundraise, or volunteer.

**BRANCH 26,
MERRILLVILLE**
By Helen Brooks

The regular meeting of the Saxon Lodge Branch 26 was held on September 7, 2014. President Randall Floyd called the meeting to order and we said the pledge to the flag. A roll call of officers was held with all present; minutes were read and approved and Treasurers report was accepted.

Two new members were accepted into the lodge, they are Lynn Pike and Joyce Hihow. We welcome them. Martin Smith of the Sick Committee reported all is well. Willard Schuffert volunteered to also be on this committee. Walter Szostek gave the financial report accepted financial report was given by Zita Polyak.

Adiscussion on the upcoming bowling tournament was held and who will be going. We also talked about expenses for the travelers and was all approved. We talked about interesting events our lodge would enjoy and much food for thought.

We wish all the September birthdays a happy day! Judith Young, Gerda Schiller, Kay Folk and Bertha Schuffert. Betty Mucha gave a report on Kay Falk who was a long time Treasurer of Branch 40 Ladies Lodge. Kay is living with her son and doing well.

We are looking forward to the upcoming Balmoral Race track on September 20th. Lucky winner ticket raffle Marty Smith and attendance Sam Palyok. Meeting adjourned and we enjoyed a variety of pizza and desserts.

Till we meet again!

BRANCH 11, LORAIN
By Monica Gilles

It saddens me to report the passing of a great Saxon, George H. Schneider. Brother Schneider passed away suddenly on September 18. George loved his Saxon heritage. He was not only the President of our men's lodge in Lorain but also was an active singer with the Eintracht Saxonia in Cleveland. He was also a past member of the Cleveland Saxon Dance Group. He also enjoyed talking about the Transylvanian Saxons on his radio program on Sunday afternoons. He will be missed by all of us. Our sympathies go out to George's family and friends. Rest in Peace, Brother Schneider.

Home Tip

A dusty light bulb is an inefficient light bulb. When dusting your furniture, don't forget to also dust your light bulbs. Make sure the bulb is cool to the touch before cleaning it. This improves the amount of light given off by your bulb, making your home brighter.

**The Youngstown Saxon Club
Ladies Branch #22**



We are searching for Vendors for our Annual Fall Craft Show.

The Show will be held in our Ballroom at 710 S. Meridian Rd., Youngstown, OH 44509.

The date is November 8th, and the time is from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM.

The cost for an 8 foot table will be \$30.00.

Food will be available, also a Basket Raffle and a 50/50 Raffle.

For more information call Betty at 330-788-4274

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Savoury Rice, German Potato Salad,
and Various Desserts.

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as well as Coffee, Punch & Iced Tea

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DEADLINE	ISSUE
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WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2014	FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2014
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2014	FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 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.

BRANCH 4, CLEVELAND
by Joan Miller-Malue

Our next monthly meeting will be held on Monday, October 20th at 7:00 pm. This is National Breast Cancer Awareness Month, so we ask that you wear something pink to the meeting that evening.

We send out our get well wishes to Treasurer Donna Jankow, who recently had major surgery. She needs our prayers for a speedy recovery! If you have a chance, please send her a card at 7663 Ragall Parkway, Middleburg Hts., OH 44130.

We were all shocked and saddened by the death of Brother George H. Schneider, President of Lorain Branch 5. Although he was a member of the Lorain Branch, George shared his time with Cleveland-West. He was a member of the Eintracht-Saxonia Sachsenchor and in fact, was at practice the night he died. He was a former member of the Cleveland Saxon Dance Group. He attended most of our cultural activities at the Sachsenheim. He will be missed by his many Saxon friends.

The Sachsenheim will hold a Clambake on Saturday, October 18th. The doors open at 6:00 pm and food will be served starting at 7 pm. You have a choice of ½ chicken with bake for \$16.95 or steak with bake for \$19.95. Extra dozen of clams is \$5. The Bake will include choice of potato (baked or sweet), corn on cob, clam chowder and dozen clams. Reservations must be made by October 13th. Call the Sachsenheim at (216)651-0888 to make your reservations.

The following Friday, October 24th will be the Children's Halloween Party starting at 7:30 pm. Invitations have been sent to ATS Junior members of Branches 1, 4, 5, and 33. We will have a masquerade parade for judging of costumes and awarding prizes, a craft project, entertainment by Jungle Terry and refreshments. We ask adults to dress in costume and also get a chance to win a prize for the best adult costumes. Please make reservations by calling Patty Cunningham at (216)398-7520 by October 17th. Junior ATS Members are admitted Free; non-member children \$7 and adults \$3. The bewitching hour is here at least and our Halloween Party will be

a Spooktacular Blast!

We are hosting a Veterans Day Dinner on Sunday, November 9 at 1:00 pm. The menu is stuffed cabbage for \$13 unless you are a Veteran, than the dinner is \$10 plus a free drink ticket. Our ladies' homemade cabbages are super delicious and so you probably want to order extra to take home to freeze for another day. Take-out orders of 2 cabbage rolls and kraut is \$6. Call Maria Fischer at (216)741-1398 by November 3th to make your dinner reservations and take-out orders. All Veterans present will be recognized so please let Maria know if you are a Veteran when you make your reservation.

The Eintracht-Saxonia Sachsenchor will hold their Annual Wurstmarkt on Thursday, December 4th. Pork Sausage with or without garlic will be \$3.50 per pound. Deadline for orders is November 28, 2014. You may preorder a Sausage/Sauerkraut with Polenta Dinner at \$8. Sausage sandwiches will also be available for purchase that day. To place your Sausage order and Sausage dinner please call Maria Fischer at (216)741-1398. (Please do not call after 9:30 pm). All orders can be picked up at the Sachsenheim AFTER 1:00 PM on Thursday, December 4th.

Don't forget to go shopping to purchase a gift or two for our charity project of supporting the Community Corners' Christmas Gift Giving Program. We are to purchase items for children ages 8 and up such as games, sporting items, teenage makeup kits or nail polish kits, jewelry, etc. The gifts are not to be wrapped and try not to get an item that needs batteries. We will collect the items at our November meeting. "Every charitable act is a stepping stone towards heaven." (Henry Ward Beecher)

Please mark your calendar for the Children's Christmas Party that will be held on Saturday, December 6th. Santa has said that he will be there and we will be entertained with a Christmas program by the Mad Scientist. Invitations will be sent out to our Junior members in the early part of November.



"I'd like the Hansel and Gretel value meal..."

BRANCH 2, ERIE
By Lee Wolfe

Our regular meeting was held Sunday, September 21, 2014. We held a moment of silence for deceased members Margaret Fletcher, Robert Jenerski, Kathleen Kwiatkowski and Ruth Wolchick. We extend our sympathy to all of the deceased families and friends. Included in our prayers were members on the sick list Sal Frontino, Carl Carano, Ann McLaughlin, Hilda Borgia and Richard Wolfe. We also extend our sympathy to the family and friends of George Schneider, President of Lorain Branch 5 who passed away recently.

ATTENTION PLEASE NOTE: We have two meeting date changes. The October Supper/Business will be held on October 26 and the November meeting will be held on November 23, both meetings are on a Sunday at 2:30 p.m.

Our Supper/Business meeting will be held on Sunday, October 26 at 2:30 p.m. The menu will be stuffed peppers with all the trimmings including dessert. The cost is \$5 per member and

\$8 per non-member. Please make your reservation with Val Pinczewski at 898-0494 and submit your payment to her at 4226 Dominion Drive, Erie, PA 16510.

Please make your Erie Branch 2 annual dues of \$6 for 2015. Submit your payment to Liz Manning at 1027 West 30th Street, Erie PA 16508, check made out to ATS Branch 2. Thank you.

We received a nice thank you note from the family of Violet for our memorial to Violet.

Congratulations to our Erie Branch 2 members who placed in the ATS Open Golf Tournament: Sal Frontino, George Cook, Tony DiSantis, Brad McLaughlin and Corey McLaughlin. Many thanks to Brad and Corey who helped President Tom Manning in making arrangements for this tournament.

Donna Lee Morschhauser won the Club's Dinner Gift Certificate.

A very Happy Birthday to our October celebrants: Helen Frontino, Patrick W. Mann,

Brady Sieber, Geoffrey Schaaf, Thomas F. Brizuela, Erica R. Kaiser, Calvin W. Reed, Kathleen L. Beljan, Owen A. Gavio, Gary Van Luven, Emmalynn Chapman, Edward J. Lepkowski, Rose Ziegler, Christina Lynn Cornell, Theresa Miller, Michael W. Beljan, James D White, Brianna Vogel, Clarence M. Placek, Megan M. Bruno, Kristina Jay, Jeffrey P. Kilner, Merle E. Wood, Linda Baker Skylar De Carolis, James R. Collins and Kyle J. Van DeMerwe.

A very happy anniversary to our October couples: Larry and Sue Kulik, 46 years; Harvey and Virginia Hess, 62 years; and James E. and Helen Nelson, 35 years. We wish all of the above a lovely day.

Well, here we are in the fall season and I really enjoy going for a ride and seeing the beauty of the fall foliage, but then I dread what comes after when winter makes its debut. I hear they are predicting a bad winter like the last one, so let's all of us hope and pray the predictions are wrong.

See you at the October 26 Supper/Business meeting and don't forget to make your reservation.

HAPPY HALLOWEEN



Hey Kids, color this picture and receive a Halloween Treat
Send it to: ATS Home Office, 5393 Pearl Road, Cleveland OH 44129

Name _____ Branch No. _____

Address _____

Age _____

FRATERNAL CALENDAR

NATIONAL EVENTS

2014

October 18-19, 2014
ATS Annual Open Bowling Tournament
 Host: Branch 9, Chicago

LOCAL EVENTS

October 11, 2014
 Cleveland Saxon Dance Group Traubenfest

October 12, 2014
 Youngstown Branch 22 & 30 meet, 2 PM

October 13, 2014
 Salem Br. 18 Trustees Audit 6:00 p.m.
 Salem Br. 18 Meeting 7:30 p.m.

October 16, 2014
 Youngstown Calendar Dinner, Lower Lounge

October 18, 2014
 Youngstown Sweetest Day
 Salem Breakfast Buffet ? 7:00a.m.-10:00a.m.

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
 Salem Peanut Night 8:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m.

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.
 Salem Joint Social Dinner & Halloween Party (CH)
 6:30 p.m.

October 28, 2014
 Salem Sausage Orders Due

November 1, 2014
 Youngstown Trachenball, open to the public
 Salem Sausage Sale 9:00 a.m.-2:30 p.m

November 2, 2014
 New Castle Fall Sauerkraut Dinner Noon - 3 p.m.
 Youngstown Spaghetti Dinner, open to the Public

November 3, 2014
 Salem Br. 19 Meeting 7:30 p.m.

November 5, 2014
 Salem Saxon Retirees 11:30 a.m.

November 7, 2014
 Youngstown Setup for Craft Show
 Salem German Dinner Times p.m. Pending

November 8, 2014
 Youngstown Br.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 10, 2014
 Salem Br. 18 Meeting 7:30 p.m.

November 13, 2014
 Youngstown Retirees meet
 Youngstown Fall Bocce Banquet, Men

November 15, 2014
 Salem Breakfast Buffet? 7:00a.m.-10:00 a.m.

November 16, 2014
 Youngstown Pork Dinner, open to the Public, in Ballroom

November 21, 2014
 Salem 2015 Calendar meeting 8:00 p.m.

November 26, 2014
 New Castle - Thanksgiving Eve - Club open

Monkey Money

A monkey walked up to the ice cream stand and ordered a sundae for \$1.50. He put down a ten dollar bill to pay.

The clerk thought, "What could a monkey know about money?" and handed the monkey only a dollar back in change.

The clerk watched as the monkey began to eat the sundae. "Say," he said, "we don't get many monkeys in here."

"Well," replied the monkey, "at these prices you won't get many more!"



Celebrating Columbus Day, 522 years after worlds meet

The second Monday in October is designated as Columbus Day. It commemorates Christopher Columbus' first voyage and sighting of the Americas on October 12, 1492. It became a federal holiday in 1937.

The first recorded ceremony marking the sighting occurred in 1792, 300 years after his first voyage. To honor Columbus, a monument was dedicated to him in Baltimore, Maryland. In 1892, a statue of Columbus was raised at Columbus Avenue in New York City. And at the Columbian Exposition in Chicago that year, replicas of Columbus' three ships were displayed.

Beginning on Oct., 1866, New York's Italian population organized a celebration of the discovery of America. Columbus Day spread to other cities.

Columbus had arrived in the Caribbean Islands on his first voyage. In his diaries, he describes being impressed by the people he met:

"They know neither sect nor idolatry, with the exception that all believe that the source of all power and goodness is in the sky, and in this belief they everywhere received me, after they had overcome their fear. And this does not result from their being ignorant (for they are of a very keen intelligence and men who navigate all those seas, so that it is wondrous the good account they give of everything), but because they have never seen people clothed or ships like ours."



SAUSAGE SALE
Just in Time for the Holidays

EINTRACHT-SAXONIA SACHSENCHOR
WURSTMARKT/SAUSAGE SALE
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2014

Westside Sachsenheim
 7001 Denison Avenue
 Cleveland, Ohio 44102

Pork Sausage with or without garlic
\$3.50 per pound

Deadline for Sausage Orders: November 28, 2014

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

Sausage Sandwiches will be available for purchase

Orders will be taken by:
 Maria Fischer – (216)741-1398
 (Please do not call after 9:30 pm)

All Orders can be picked up at the Sachsenheim
 AFTER 1:00 PM (NOT BEFORE) on Thursday, December 4, 2014

If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Adolf Fischer at (216)741-1398.



CLEVELAND SACHSENHEIM

Saturday, October 18, 2014
Doors Open 6:00pm Food Served 6:00 pm

Westside Sachsenheim
7001 Denison Avenue
Cleveland OH 44102-5246

Top Neck Clams, Clam Chowder
Sweet Corn,
Yams or Baked Potato
 with
One-half Chicken \$16.95
 or
Strip Steak \$19.95
Extra Dozen Clams \$5.00

Reservations by October 13th
Call the Sachsenheim: (216)651-0888

YOUNGSTOWN SAXON CLUB

PORK-KRAUT DINNER

Sunday, October 19, 2014
11:30 - 2:30 p.m.
\$8.75
Children \$5.00
includes coffee/tea/pop and dessert

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WESTSIDE SACHSENHEIM
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2014
1:00 PM
Stuffed Cabbage Dinner—\$13

Veteran's Dinner plus a free drink ticket —\$10

Take-Out Cabbage Roll Orders:
2 Cabbage Rolls with Kraut \$6.00

Call Maria Fischer for Reservations and Take-out Cabbage Orders:
216-741-1398
Deadline for Reservations & Orders:
November 3, 2014
All Veterans present will be recognized.

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Pastor

9:00 Worship Service



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Organizing Tip

Tall and narrow shelving units can make great benches. Turn the bookshelf on its side and lay it on the floor. Top the unit with a covered foam pad to make a seat for the bench. Into each cubby of the shelving unit, you can place an organizer basket to hold toys, linens, clothing, shoes, or other items. Not only do you get storage, but the space makes great seating for a playroom, kid's room, or entryway.

BRANCH 5, LORAIN By Michael Johnson

If you don't receive a local newspaper or heard the sad news via radio, the Saxon and German community mourn the loss of one of our own Brothers. Branch 5 President George H. Schneider passed away on September 18, 2014, he was 51. As a life long resident and business man known throughout Lorain County and an active member of ATS Lorain Branch 5 as lodge president and other various offices, he was a friend to many. Always a busy man, George was a former member of the Cleveland Saxon Dance Group, was currently a member of the Cleveland Eintracht Saxonia Sachsen Chor, and was a member of the Lorain Liedertafel. He was also the host of a long standing radio show called „The German Show with George Schneider“, on WDLW Radio 1380 AM, which hundreds listened to



George H. Schneider
1963-2014

every Sunday afternoon. I often told him that he exemplified the heart of a true Saxon as he helped us understand some of the traditions and language of the Transylvanian Saxons. Speaking with Brother Brian Gilles at George's funeral, we came to a sad realization that a wealth of untapped history that we may have taken for

The Youngstown Saxon Culture Group 45th Annual

Trachtenball Dinner

Saturday, November 1st, 2014

Doors open at 6:00 p.m.
Dinner served at 6:30 p.m.

The Youngstown Saxon Club

710 South Meridian Road
Youngstown, Ohio 44509

For Dinner Reservations please contact:
John and Marie Bachinger (330) 792-4005
Robert Bachinger (330) 792-5177
\$15 Adult - \$10 Children 12 and under
Tickets will be held at the door

The evening will feature a Schnitzel Dinner and performances by the Deutscher Musik Verein (DMV), Schuhplattler Dance Groups from Pittsburgh and Columbus and The Youngstown Saxon Band.

Please reserve early to attend one of the Valley's great European Cultural events!

More retirees consider the 'Golden Girls' lifestyle

Having a roommate or two can provide companionship, mutual help and a boost to your retirement income.

Tara Bahrapour of The Washington Post says "In this era of longer lives and smaller pensions, many retirees, especially older women, are embracing communal living." Many have mortgages and debt to deal with.

Younger Americans are living with roommates longer than they planned to, thanks to lower than expected incomes and student loan debt. They also aren't saving much for their own retirement, so sharing expenses is a good idea.

When selecting a roommate Harriet Edleson of the

New York Times says that, from a safety and security standpoint, background checks and references are essential. Organizations such as the National Shared Housing Resource Center can help.

Before setting up financial agreements, staying together for a short trial period is advised. It can reveal hidden attitudes or situations that would mean he or she is not a good candidate.

Saving money isn't the only benefit of cohabitating. They also share the housework. For older people who worry about living alone, roommates provide a human safety net. That someone will be there if they need them.

granted, is now gone, but will long be remembered. We'll miss you George.

As of the printing of this issue of the *Volksblatt*, we would have just had our monthly meeting that is held on the first Saturday, at the Lorain Slovak Club. That news will be featured in the next issue.

There are no Birthdays to report from the men's lodge this month other than one Junior member. We wish to say Happy Birthday to Jenee C Peters!

The Cleveland Westside Sachsenheim is extending an invitation to their children's Halloween party on Friday October 24th. Details and reservations can be made before Oct.17th by calling Patty Cunningham at (216) 398-7520.

Good luck and have a safe trip to our teams traveling to Chicago to represent Branch 5 and 11 at the ATS Open Bowling Tournament this month.



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.

Thomas M. Albright
Age 67

Died: September 23, 2010
Branch 3, Alliance OH

George H. Schneider
Age 51

Died: September 18, 2014
Branch 5, Lorain OH

Alexis R. Harshbarger
Age 31

Died: September 30, 2014
Home Branch, Cleveland OH

BRANCH 37, DETROIT By Susi Fleischer

Branch 37's general meeting is scheduled for October 5, 2014 at 3:00 pm at St. Peter's Lutheran Church.

Hunters' Banquet will be held at the Carpathia Hall on Sunday, October 26, 2014 at 3:00 pm. Cost is \$25 per adult and \$12 for children 12 and under. Please make your reservations no later than October 20, 2014, with Debbie Ferguson at 586-979-7857.

November 2nd meeting is important to all Branch 37 members, as it is election time for 2015 officers. Please be an active member and join us for this important meeting. If anyone is interested in running for one of the positions, please let the president or one of the officers know.

Please come and join us at any or all of these functions, you are always welcome.

Congratulations to a couple of Branch 37 members, namely grandmother Trudy Kalvin and great-grandmother Susanna Krautner, on the birth of Sienna Raine Comstock who was born August 8, 2014 to Lindsey (nee

Kalvin) and Wayne, and joins big brother Ryder, who are making their home in Los Angeles. Best wishes for a healthy and happy future.

On a sadder note, our condolences go to these same families; Mother Sue Krautner and Sister Trudy Kalvin on the sudden death of Gerhard Krautner. God's blessing and our prayers for your healing from this tragedy.

Up-date on Ron Fleischer, who right now is undergoing further Chemo treatments in preparation for a bone marrow transplant. Ron we will keep you in our prayers and ask God's blessing for continued strength and faith for a full recovery.

Special congratulations and best wishes to three members who will be celebrating their birthdays in October; namely, Katharina Klein for her 100th birthday and Karin Weihs and John Fleischer on their 80th. Also best wishes to those members who are celebrating either a birthday or an anniversary during the month of October.

Best wishes until next time.

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Wood-burning stoves offer warmth, efficiency

The chilly nights of October bring recollections of cozying up to a wood-burning stove as you did when visiting grandma's house.

Today's wood-burning systems come in a variety of contemporary looks and colors. And they're much more efficient than your grandma's was. They get more usable energy from the logs and more usable heat.

Converting to natural gas

At the same time, a lot of people are converting their wood-burning fireplaces to natural gas systems, which offer no smell, no soot, no ash, no wood debris and an enviable 80 to 84 percent efficiency rating.

Angie Hicks (of Angie's List) says natural gas can be a good choice for true masonry fireplaces, but not for prefabricated, factory-built fireplaces.

Wood-burning inserts, stoves

You can also add a wood-burning insert that can improve the fireplace efficiency by up to 80 percent. It will regulate the air and the burn time, so you get more out of your wood.

Homeowners who want to add a wood-burning stove, wood-burning stove insert or fireplace insert should consult with a qualified professional who has experience installing them. All units must be installed according to the manufacturer's instructions and must meet certain building codes to be compliant and safe.

It's not unusual for a dealer to get calls from consumers who have bought a wood stove for a few hundred dollars and want it installed. But the cost of the flue and installation typically far exceed the cost of the stove itself.

Instillation is not as simple as stove buyers think, but it's needed to make the stove operate efficiently.

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Experts tell how to improve Listening well has become a rare skill

University professors and writers on the subject have compiled this advice on how to get the most information from a conversation.

Before the conversation:

- Clear your mind of distractions by doing a "brain dump." Make notes or list tasks you can easily pick up later.

- Make a list of questions or topics you want to cover to prevent brain freeze

- Plan in advance to limit the time you spent talking to 20 percent to 25 percent of conversation.

- Drop any assumption that you already know what the other person will say.

- Put down, ignore or turn off phones, other devices

and computers.

During the conversation:

- Take notes to stay focused while listening.

- Paraphrase what you think the speaker said and ask if you're on target.

- Ask clarifying questions to sharpen the focus of the conversation.

- Notice the speaker's body language and facial expressions as potential sources of meaning.

- Use pauses to reflect or to draw out more information.

If you're a boss, remember that they say the more powerful a person is, the more likely he or she is to prejudge or dismiss advice from others.



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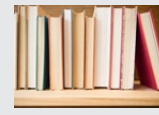
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