



SIEBENBÜRGER SACHSEN SÄNGERBUND SÄNGERFEST



Damenchor



Männerchor



Massenchor



Beverly Pochatko, President of the Siebenbürger Sachsen Sängerbund, with President Lipichan, Pittsburgh Bezirk Sängerbund

The Siebenbürger Sachsen Sängerbund, in conjunction with the Pittsburgh Bezirk Sängerbund, held its 42nd Sängerbund on Saturday, September 21st in Erie PA. Approximately 120 singers representing seven choruses arrived at the Erie Männerchor Club for this event. It was a full day of food, drink, music and Gemütlichkeit in a beautiful facility.

The day's activities began with mass choir rehearsal, followed by lunch. In the afternoon, individual brief concerts were performed by each of the participating groups. The choirs included the Cleveland Eintracht-Saxonia Sachsenchor, New Castle Eintracht Männerchor, Pittsburgh Teutonia Männerchor and Damenchor, Bloomfield Liedertafel, the Schweizer Männerchor from Pittsburgh, and the Erie Männerchor Gesangverein. Some groups were small, some large, but all gave a fine presentation of their selected songs.

After a delicious buffet dinner, a brief program was held. A moment of silence was observed to remember deceased members Marie Homm and Hans Schoverth of Eintracht Saxonia Sachsenchor, and Thomas Houk and Georg Lang of Eintracht Männerchor.

As is the Sängerbund tradition, service pin awards were presented to those members with 15, 20, 25, and 50 years of dedicated service in the Sängerbund. Those receiving awards this year were:

Eintracht Saxonia Sachsenchor
50 years: Dieter Herbert
25 years: Marie Seiler
20 Years: Julie Buchfellner
15 years: George Schneider

Eintracht Männerchor
50+ Years: Wilhelm Both
Wayne Eakin
Jerry Geisel
James Kaplin
Joseph Kraus
Bob Stoner
25+ Years: William Benedict
Larry Keith
John Troutman
Lee Winter
John Woodring
20+ Years: Bill Hall
Adam Provar
Tom Stoops

Congratulations to these singers!

We were honored to have at the evening concert special guests ATS president, Tom Manning, and Vice President John Boehm.

The evening ended with all the participating choirs joined in a mass chorus for a presentation of music that surely pleased the audience.

We wish a speedy recovery to Cleveland's director, Andrea Ball, who had a mishap the morning of the Sängerbund, which resulted in three broken toes. She was quite a trooper, however, and managed to get through the day directing both the Eintracht-Saxonia Sachsenchor and the Damenchor mass chorus.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Thomas J. Manning
ATS Nat'l President



On Saturday, September 21, 2013, I had the pleasure of attending the 42nd Sängerbund presented by the Siebenbürger Sachsen Sängerbund in Erie, PA. It was a very entertaining evening. The various choruses sang many different songs, some in German and some in English. They sounded wonderful. The highlight of the evening was the mixed choruses singing in mass and it was a great performance. We thank Beverly Pochatko and her committee for all their effort in handling the Sängerbund.

Here are a few dates to mark on your calendar for the month of October. On October 19th and 20th, the ATS Open Bowling Tournament will be held in Cleveland and hosted by Cleveland West, Branches 1 and 4. We invite you to join in the fun. Some of us are great bowlers and others of us are not but we all have a great time. We also invite the non-bowlers who just want to come and see fellow Saxons that they haven't seen for a while. Everyone planning to attend the Tournament is also encouraged to make your reservation for the Cleveland Saxon Dance Group's Annual Traubenfest which will be held on Saturday October 19th. Come and enjoy a delicious Roast Pork dinner along with performances by the Cleveland Saxon Dance Group and then dance to the music of the Youngstown Brass Band. Detailed information for both of these events is printed in the *Volksblatt*. We will be happy to see you there.

We all know that Halloween is celebrated on Thursday, October 31st and all of those little ghosts and goblins come out for Trick and Treating. I especially enjoy those home-made costumes that some of the children wear. Their mothers must be quite creative in putting them together. We have many Trick or Treaters in our neighborhood every year and we are making sure that we have plenty of their favorite treats on hand. Let's hope for good weather on that day. By the way, if you are doing any driving that evening, please be especially careful of children crossing the street in the middle of the block. They are thinking about treats and not about safety.

Quote of the Day: "No great thing is created suddenly." It takes time to build a relationship, a career, a house. If we try to speed up the process, we're likely to become frustrated. Worse, we may build something that is less than what we had hoped for. We should not hurry the important things in our lives.

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

A special thanks to Sängerbund president, Beverly Pochatko and her Erie Männerchor team for the wonderful job they did in the planning, organizing and hosting this event.

What better way to preserve our Saxon heritage and language than through song! If you sing in the shower or sing along with the radio, why not consider coming to a practice to see what we're all about. Knowledge of German is not required. Singing...it's good for the soul and will lift your spirits!

Nancy Kranstuber, Sängerbund Secretary

TIMELY - DO NOT DELAY
MAILED WEDNESDAY, October 9, 2013

Attention Postmaster: Send all Changes of Address to:
The Alliance of Transylvanian Saxons
5393 Pearl Road Cleveland, OH 44129-1597

BRANCH 4, CLEVELAND
By Joan Miller-Malue

We wish to extend our get well wishes to Sister Sara Ordosch who is currently in Metro Health's Old Brooklyn Health Center for rehabilitation after suffering from a stroke. If you wish to send her a card the Health Center's address is 4229 Pearl Road, Cleveland, Ohio 44109 or her home, 7059 Maplewood Rd., Parma Heights OH 44130. We will keep her in our thoughts and prayers.

We also want to send warm wishes to Marie Huppert who is currently in Southern Hills Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, 19530 Bagley Road, 44130. I am sure a friendly note or card would brighten her day.

It is that time a year for the Cleveland Saxon Dance Group's Traubenfest which will be held on Saturday, October 19th at the Sachsenheim. We know that many of our ATS bowlers that are participating in the Open-Bowling Tournament that weekend will be attending this event. I am sure several of them will try to steal the grapes that will be strung across the ballroom and I am sure they will be caught by our deputized children and taken off to jail. It is a good time and we hope that our members and their families will attend to support the Cleveland Saxon Dance Group's fundraiser. Adult tickets are \$18 and children ages 4-10 are \$9. To make reservations send a check made payable to the Cleveland Saxon Dance Group to Robert Hanek, 22677 Peachtree Lane, Rocky River, Ohio 44116. Deadline for tickets is October 12th.

Invitations have been sent to our junior members to attend

the Annual Halloween Party on Friday evening, October 25th at 7:30 pm. There will be judging of costumes by various age groups, entertainment by "Zoo to You." Every child will receive a trick or treat bag. For reservations call Patty Cunningham at (216) 398-7520. The party is FREE for Junior members of Cleveland East and West and Lorain Branches! Non-members \$7 and adults \$3. Reservations are to be made by October 18th.

We are so thankful for the men and women that have raised up to serve our country with honor, dignity and commitment in the past and present, in war time and times of peace, in combat or on the home front. Cleveland-West wants to recognize our Veterans and will hold a Veteran's Day Dinner on Sunday, November 10th at 1:00 pm. We will serve a stuffed cabbage dinner for \$12, and if you are a veteran, dinner is \$10 and you will receive a ticket for a free drink. We will have take-out orders of 2 cabbage rolls with kraut for \$6. All veterans present will be recognized. To make reservations for the dinner or place an order for cabbage rolls, please call Maria Fischer at (216) 741-1398 by November 4th.

Our next monthly meeting will be held on Monday, October 21 at 7:00 PM. Our trustees and audit committee will audit the books that evening at 6:30 pm.

Another reminder to everyone - there are only 252 days until the North American Saxon Heimattag at the Cleveland Sachsenheim!

BRANCH 33, CLEVELAND EAST
By Jeff Krestel

Welcome to Fall everyone! With all due respect to Andy Williams, it's the most wonderful time of the year! The weather has been absolutely perfect this year, and there are so many beautiful colors in the trees. The air is filled with the smell of freshly mowed grass, and there are creative patterns left by the lawnmower. In the evenings, there is a slight chill in the air, and the smell of outdoor fires under star filled skies. You get to have your favorite homemade soup for dinner, and your favorite homemade pie for dessert. Even better than all of that, it's football season, and baseball is right in the thick of the playoffs. Yes, definitely the most wonderful time of the year!

Please remember in your prayers the family and friends of our dearly departed Brothers Michael Krew, and Rudy Jerse. We also send our thoughts

and well wishes to Sister Elva Keefer who has had open heart surgery for the second time, and Brother Bill Spaan and his family. We also send our thoughts to Brother John Leonhardt, and Sisters Maria Fekter, and Mildred Teutschlander.

We are only a couple months away from the second anniversary of the merge with the ladies of Branch 34, and we have seen a significant increase in attendance at the meetings. We have had some very successful events as well, including the party suite at the Captains game, and more recently, the summer picnic. Our next meeting will be Wednesday, November 13, at St. John's Lutheran Church on Ford Rd. in Highland Heights. We ask that members bring non-perishable food items to donate to the needy. We will have a Soup & Chili cook-off at 7 pm with the meeting to follow.

*Become concerned and involved
about the future of your Branch.
Do something about it and it will flourish!*

**What happened
in 1492?**

In 2013 we commemorate the day in 1492 when Italian navigator Christopher Columbus, funded by Queen Isabella of Spain, reached the new world.

Though it was more than 500 years ago, he was not the first explorer to reach the Americas. Many convincing claims have been made for previous expeditions including a Norse expedition led by Leif Ericson in the 11th century and European fishers who sailed far west in search of the Atlantic's enormous cod reserves.

The difference is that Columbus's voyages led to the first lasting European contact with the Americas, something that was inevitable. Columbus had the courage and skill to cross the shoreless sea where he opened a continent to the future, with consequences both good and bad. Worlds met, cultures clashed -- and melded -- in that inescapable day when someone, a man named Columbus, sailed to the shores of a new world.

**New building
in China is
the largest
in the world**

Chengdu's New Century Global Center is the world's largest freestanding building. It opened earlier this year.

CNN reports that the building has 18.9 million square feet of floor space. The building will be capable of housing 20 Sydney Opera houses. It's almost three times the size of the Pentagon in Washington, D.C.

The Global Center has an ocean theme and will house a huge artificial beach with a seafront promenade and an artificial sun. It will also be home to offices, theaters, hotels, shopping malls and even a fake Mediterranean village.

"This is an ocean city built by man," says guide Liu Xun. There are 1,000 rooms in the hotel and all have seaside views. The artificial sun shines 24 hours a day.

The system uses specialized lighting technology that heats the building as well as illuminates it.

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IS WEDNESDAY - 12 NOON.**

You may either

**MAIL: PO BOX 45198,
Westlake, OH 44145**

FAX: (440) 399-9339

E-MAIL: saxonvolksblatt@aol.com

Articles e-mailed will receive an e-mailed confirmation by Noon Thursday. If you did not receive a confirmation, please give us a call.

DEADLINE DATES FOR ARTICLES:

DEADLINE ISSUE

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2013 FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2013

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 30, 2013 FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2013

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2013 FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 2013

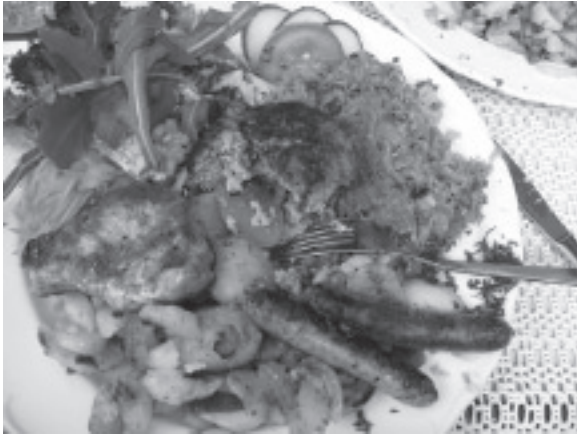
Please have your articles in by 12 Noon.

Did you miss the deadline?

Have you emailed your article past 12 noon?

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

Salem Saxon Club



A Taste of Germany November 8, 2013

By Reservation only
Seatings at 5:00 PM 6:00 PM & 7:00 PM
\$15.00 per person

Bean Puree & Green Bean Soup,
Wilted Lettuce, Homemade
Bread/Butter, Bratwurst,
Sauerkraut/Pigs, Pork Schnitzel,
Spätzle, German Potato Salad,
Hunklich/Kuchen

German beer and wines available
as well as coffee, punch & iced tea

Reservations Due November 1
by calling Flo Spack (330) 337-3652
or Annette Howard (330) 332-1141

More students graduate from high school early

Some high school students have the maturity and desire to take enough courses to graduate in three years and move on to college. Many qualify for scholarships.

Financial incentives are offered in Idaho, Indiana, Minnesota, South Dakota and Utah to students who graduate early, lowering the district's instructional costs. Creation of three-year programs suggests that their popularity is increasing. In Indiana, the number of students who graduated early was 17 in the 2011-2012 year. In the 2012-2013 year, it was 204, says the Indiana Commission for Higher Education.

Only about half of the states allow early graduation. There are kids who are mature enough to handle it and kids who are not, according to the Education Commission of the States.

The Dallas Independent School District is creating a three-year program that would direct savings in instructional costs to finance a prekindergarten program. If approved, it will take place in the 2014-2015 school year.

The desire to better tailor the educational system to students' needs is the motivation, proponents say.



ATS GENEALOGY MESSAGE BOARD

Many of our members are interested in tracing their family history and have often contacted the ATS Office for help. We do not have the records to help in tracing your family tree, but we can offer you a place to ask for help from other members. Under this column, you can submit a short paragraph requesting help in searching for family members. When possible be specific on names, places and dates. Send your short request to the ATS Home Office, 5393 Pearl Road, Cleveland, OH 44129 or email us at office@atsaxons.com. Include your name, email and/or phone number that you want listed in the *Volksblatt* that members may contact you directly.

I am seeking contact from members of the Polder family in the Detroit area.

There are some Polders in my ancestry and I believe that they were the reason my grandfather's cousin moved to the Detroit area in the 1930s. I have some information and photos from Schäßburg to share and would like further connection.

Rick Kunz
rick.kunz@comcast.net

BRANCH 30, YOUNGSTOWN By Tom Fizet

At the Pork Dinner on September 22, we met up with many of our regular friends from last April and were grateful for all the new friends that came for the dinner, the many Members of Br. 22 & 30 that were there to cook, serve and cleanup. Thanks! There will be more dinners on October 20, and November 17, 2013. We look forward to having you with us for a delicious dinner.

On September 14, the 300 Club Dinner and Raffle was held. The Saxon Club Catering came up with a very good Stuffed Pork Chop and a Lemon Chicken dinner. Our gratifying thanks to the cooks for the food and to those who served. Thanks also to Rick Lieb for handling the arrangements and the sales force that sold tickets, and, of course, we can't forget our patrons who make this possible. Remember the proceeds from the 300 Club help the Youngstown Saxon Club in many ways. We are also purchasing new round tables with the proceeds. Rick and the previous sales people have tickets for the 2014 dinner. I am sure they are anxious to sell them.

Branch 30 will serve a Spaghetti Dinner on Sunday, November 3rd starting at 12 Noon. Dinner will be served until 2:30 PM. Coffee & Tea are included. Cost for adults is \$7.00, those 12 and under \$4.00. Carry out is available. There will be another dinner in December. Workers are always welcome.

Work get together is set for October 12th and again for November 9th. These are important for the outside to be made ready for winter and the Club equipment to be stored for the winter. Make these days special, come

on down and meet friends and help the club.

Coming dates to remember: October 13, Branch 22 & 30 meet at 2:00 PM. If members of Branch 30 attend in October and November they will receive credit for 2013 attendance. The nominating committee will be announcing the nominees for 2014.

October 17th, at 6:00 PM the Calendar Dinner will be in the Lower Lounge. All organizations must send a representative to get your dates set for 2014 so we don't have overlapping of dates in 2014.

A message from Tom Hahn Sr.: the Restoration Committee would like to thank everyone who gave so generously to make the parking lot sealing and marking; and to make it possible to complete the courtyard at the doors to the Ballroom, it is so deeply appreciated. Thank you.

Take some time to call or visit Bill Hegedusich, a longtime member. He is in Park Vista on 5th Ave. His room is # 288, he would be greatly pleased.

A much needed cold food refrigerator was purchased with some proceeds from the Joe "Sonny" Kubik golf tournament. Thanks to all who made it possible.

The Youngstown Saxon Golf League gave awards at the Golf banquet on September 14th at the Club, season champs were Flight A champion Byron Smith, Flight B champ Jim Reuff, Flight C champ Marty Teutsch. In the Play-offs; Flight A Champ Jerry Kovacs, Flight B Champ Byron Maderitz, Flight Champ Al Teutsch. Good luck to all the winners and see you again In 2014.

So Goes the News.

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

Halloween

**Come dance to Thriller and the Monster Mash
Crawl on over to our Halloween Boo Bash
Ghosts and witches and monsters too
They're all invited and so are you!**

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2013

7:30 P.M.

Westside Sachsenheim

Junior Members of the Alliance of Transylvanian Saxons Branches 1, 4, 5, 11 and 33 are invited to the Westside Sachsenheim, 7001 Denison Avenue at 7:30 p.m. on Friday evening, October 25, 2013 for a "spooktacular" time.

We will have a Masquerade Parade for judging of costumes and awarding of prizes. Tell Mom & Dad to dress in costume - there will also be prizes awarded for the best adult costumes. "Our Zoo to You" will entertain us for the evening, there will be the making of a craft and refreshments will be served.

**Make Reservations by calling:
Patty Cunningham - (216) 398-7520**

**(If you reach the Answering Machine, leave your
name and telephone number -
Patty will call you back!)**

DEADLINE FOR RESERVATIONS: OCTOBER 18TH

Junior ATS Members Admitted FREE

Non-Member Children: \$7.00

(Must be related to an ATS Member)

Adult: \$3.00

FRATERNAL CALENDAR

NATIONAL EVENTS

2013

October 19 - 20, 2013
ATS Open Bowling Tournament
Cleveland, OH

LOCAL EVENTS

October 12, 2013
Youngstown Br. 22 Craft Sale
Youngstown Sweetest Day

October 13, 2013
Youngstown Branch 22 and 30 meet at 2:00 PM

October 14, 2013
Salem Br. 18 Trustees Audit 6:00 p.m.
Salem Br. 18 Meeting 7:30 p.m.

October 19, 2013
Cleveland Saxon Dance Group Traubenfest
Salem Breakfast Buffet 7 a.m - 10 a.m.

October 20, 2013
Youngstown Branch 30 Pork Dinner

October 24, 2013
Youngstown Set up for Children's Halloween Party

October 25, 2013
Cleveland Br 1 & 4 Children's Halloween Party
Salem Peanut Night 8:00 p.m.-?
Youngstown Children's Halloween Party

October 26, 2013
Salem Joint Social Dinner & Halloween Party (CC)
6:30 p.m.

October 29, 2013
Salem Sausage Orders Due

November 2, 2013
Salem Sausage Sale 9:00 a.m.-2:30 p.m.
Youngstown Trachtenball

November 3, 2013
Youngstown Br. 30 Spaghetti Dinner 12 Noon - 2:30 p.m.

November 4, 2013
Salem Br. 19 Meeting 7:30 p.m.

November 6, 2013
Salem Saxon Retirees 11:30 a.m.

November 7, 2013
Salem Set-up for German Dinner 6:00 p.m.

November 8, 2013
Salem German Dinner - reservations only

November 10, 2013
Cleveland Br 1 & 4 Veterans Day Dinner
Youngstown Br. 22 and Br. 30 meet, 2:00 PM

November 11, 2013
Salem Veteran's Day Dinner 6:00 p.m.?
Salem Br. 18 Meeting 7:30 p.m.

November 14, 2013
Youngstown Retirees Meet
Youngstown Fall Bocce Banquet

November 16, 2013
Salem Breakfast Buffet 7 a.m - 10 a.m.

November 18, 2013
Youngstown Branch 30 Pork Dinner

November 28, 2013
Youngstown THANKSGIVING DAY-CLUB CLOSED

November 29, 2013
Salem Peanut Night 8:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m.
(Decorate for Christmas- - - - Free drinks for all members who decorate!!!)

December 2, 2013
Salem Br. 19 Meeting 7:30 p.m.

December 4, 2013
Salem Saxon Retirees 11:30 a.m.

December 5, 2013
Cleveland Sachsenchor Sausage Sale

December 7, 2013
Cleveland Br 1 & 4 Children's Christmas Party

December 8, 2013
Youngstown Branch 30 meeting

December 9, 2013
Salem Br. 18 Meeting 7:30 p.m.

December 12, 2013
Youngstown Retirees Meet

December 13, 2013
Salem Joint Social Dinner 6:30 p.m. and Children's XMAS Party

December 14, 2013
Youngstown Children's Christmas Party

December 14, 2013
Youngstown Chorus Sausage Sale

December 15, 2013
Youngstown Culture Group Christmas Party

Delightful fall decorations have transitioning capabilities



Fall, Halloween and Thanksgiving can share seasonal decorations outside your home and set the tone for each seasonal celebration you hold indoors.

Many natural materials are long-lasting and can be used to create the proper setting for the holidays. They include pumpkins, autumn leaves, gourds, corn stalks, bittersweet branches, potted chrysanthemums in several colors and even bales of hay.

Stage your entrance scene for fall in early October. For Halloween, prop a scarecrow up on a hay bale and stick a pitchfork into the ground next to it. Adorn the handle and the scarecrow's shoulder with a fake crow or two and add another one to a tied bunch of Indian corn on displayed on your door.

Cluster corn stalks and pumpkins of various sizes on the steps or porch leading up to the door and carve or paint a couple prominent ones with jack-o-lantern faces.

The transition!

The day after the trick-or-treat night, take down everything distinctly Halloweenish. Turn the scarecrow into a pilgrim with a tall black hat and black jacket. Rearrange the pumpkins and add a few gourds and harvest-colored foliage garlands to bring out the colors of the potted chrysanthemums. You could also add a (fake!) turkey.

To ensure the pumpkins and gourds last a full month, and to weather-proof other materials, spray them with a clear acrylic sealant.

What to do

An elderly couple just bought cellphones and learned how to text. She was the romantic type and one afternoon sent him this message.

"If you are sleeping, send me your dreams.

If you are laughing, send me your smile.

If you are eating, send me a bite.

If you are drinking, send me a sip.

If you are crying, send me your tears. I love you."

The husband texted back to her: "I'm in the bathroom. Please advise."



VETERAN'S DAY DINNER

WESTSIDE SACHSENHEIM
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2013

1:00 PM

Stuffed Cabbage Dinner—\$12

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 4, 2013

All Veterans present will be recognized.

*"The moon gives you light,
And the bugles and the drums give you music,
And my heart, O my soldiers, my veterans,
My Heart gives you love."*

Walt Whitman

It's never too early to start
saving for your retirement years

The Youngstown Saxon Culture Group
44th Annual

Trachtenball Dinner

Saturday, November 2nd, 2013

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) and Saxon Dance Group from Cleveland, 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!

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10:00 Bilingual Service

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

St. Thomas Evangelical Lutheran Church

9509 Lake Avenue
Cleveland, OH
(216) 961-4870

Rev. Dick Williams
Pastor
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9:00 a.m. German Service
2nd Sunday of the month
Pastor Susanne Carter

11:00 a.m. English Worship

Daily Devotion:
www.EarlyWord.org

St. John's Lutheran Church

1000 Ford Road
Highland Hts., Ohio
(440) 449-1334

Rev. Karen Ullestad
Pastor

9:00 Worship Service

Here's why you should cast your vote on Tuesday, November 5

Voting is a basic right in a democracy like ours. Democracy shouldn't be taken for granted. We need to be a part of it. We need to consider our responsibility and take part in electing government officials.

With your vote, you justify your right to decide who you want to control the government. It's your privilege to support a person whose views are similar to your own.

Listen to the candidates and read about their positions before heading to the polls. Decide who you think is the best prospect for the job.

You can consider which candidate you think will be a good worker, one who will be present when his or her name is called, and one who believes in the Nation and wants it to prosper.

JUGENDLAGER 2013

This summer I had the opportunity to attend the Federation Jugendlager 2013, in Germany. I would like to thank the ATS for letting me be a part of this trip; and also the SJD in Germany for organizing such a wonderful itinerary and taking such good care of us! I have made so many new friends for life and seen places and towns I would have not traveled to on my own! It was a learning experience about my Saxon Heritage and German Culture! In every town we visited we were greeted with warm hospitality and delicious saxon and german food!

Thank you also to Heidi Weber for being our chaperone, she took good care of us! I made memories that will last a lifetime. Thank you also to Oma and Opa Gross who

"made" me go on this trip!

Vielen Dank an die ATS und SJD, die das Jugendlager 2013 eine Möglichkeit gemacht haben! Es war eine wundervolle Reise und viel zu kurz! Ich habe mehr von der Kultur der Siebenbürger Sachsen mitgekriegt und viele neue Freundschaften geschlossen. Die Gastgeber in jeder Stadt waren sehr freundlich und haben sehr gut auf uns gesorgt. In jeder Stadt haben wir etwas beeindruckendes erlebt! Danke auch an meine Verwandten in Heilbronn, es war sehr schön bei Euch! Alles war sehr gut organisiert und hat viel Spass gemacht! Vielen, vielen Dank an Alle!

Peter Gross
Br. 1, Cleveland



Peter Gross (second from left) with new friends for life!

I had the great fortune of being chosen to go on my second Jugendlager this year, getting to join the other USA youth in Germany. My first Jugendlager to Austria in 2009 ignited my passion for the ATS and a pride for my Saxon heritage, and the Jugendlager in Germany only fueled that passion. Although I don't speak German, the language was hardly a barrier to the friendships and fun that was had on this trip. We visited several different cities during our visit, but my favorite city was the city of Aachen, close to the Germany-Netherlands border. Instead of having a regular city tour with the whole group, we were divided into 'families' and got

to learn about the city by way of a scavenger hunt! Since we were so close, one day we even hopped over the border to Maastricht, Netherlands for lunch to explore the land of the wooden shoes a little bit.

As with any trip, it was really the people we were with that made this Jugendlager memorable. With other Saxon youth from Canada, Germany, and Austria we sang, laughed, and danced our way from Munich to Cologne, and almost everywhere in between. Thank you to all the hardworking people who made this trip such a special trip!

Juliana Johnson
Br. 11, Lorain



USA Group chaperone, Heidi Weber, Br. 22 Youngstown



**Branch 11 and 5 Lorain participants,
Juliana Johnson and Nick Piller**

Bedtime tops sleep time

Researchers at the University College London have found that the consistency of bedtime for children was even more important than the number of hours they sleep. Kids in kindergarten through 8th grade should get 10 hours of sleep.

The research considered factors that can influence cognitive development, such as not eating breakfast and having television in the bedroom. They discovered that going to bed early or late didn't affect cognitive development as long as the bedtime was consistent.

The surprising finding led researchers to believe that inconsistent bedtimes hurt a child's development by disrupting their circadian rhythms. They now think a regular bedtime, even if slightly later, is advisable.



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.

Daniel R. Merwin, Sr.
Age 71

Died: September 16, 2013
Branch 30, Youngstown OH

Charles E. Montgomery
Age 87

Died: September 17, 2013
Branch 19, Salem OH

Lee W. Cranmer
Age 79

Died: September 22, 2013
Branch 19, Salem OH

Get a flu shot for the 2013-2014 flu season

You could choose Flublok, a new vaccine developed for people with egg allergies

October is the preferred month for arranging protection against this year's flu strains. After taking a shot or nasal spray, it takes two weeks for immunization to take hold. That means you will have just enough time to be fully protected for the flu season, which begins in mid November. It peaks in December and January and can last through April.

This year, the Food and Drug Administration is offering Flublok, which is different from other vaccines. People who have avoided flu shots because they have an egg allergy can take Flublok without fear of a reaction. It's made with cultured animal cells instead of fertilized eggs. The shot is very effective and contains no preservatives.

It protects against the same flu strains as the traditional vaccines: H1N1, H3N2 and A and B influenza viruses. Flublok has approval for people between

the ages of 18 and 49.

The nasal spray is made with weakened live flu virus and given with a mist sprayed in the nose. It's approved for healthy people ages 2 to 49, except pregnant women.

All the vaccines offer 60 percent protection from a full-blown case of the flu. But even if a vaccinated person comes down with the flu, it will be a very light case with mild symptoms.

Everyone over the age of 6 months should get the shot, but it's most important for people at high risk for complications like pneumonia.

This includes people who have such medical conditions as asthma, diabetes, or chronic lung disease; pregnant women; people age 65 and older (who can get a high-dose shot); and those who live with or care for others who are at a high risk of flu complications.

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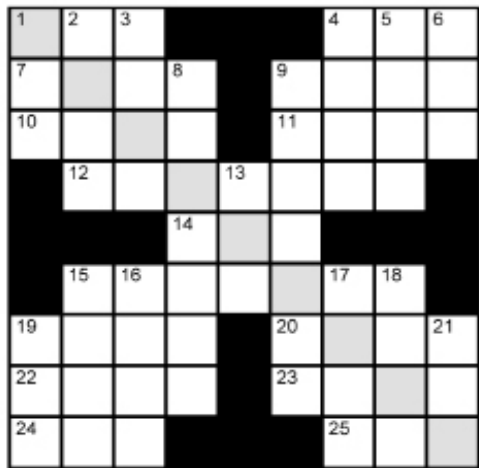
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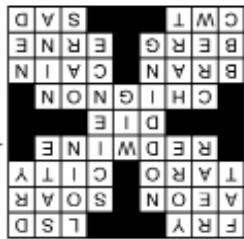
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 19. Breakfast staple
 20. Brother of Abel
 22. Brought down the Titanic
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 25. Woeful



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 3. Days of
 4. Butcher's cut
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 6. Like some martinis
 8. Giving silent approval
 9. Biology or

- chemistry**
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The title is a clue to the word in the shaded diagonal.

Harvest brings vegetarian awareness

Since 1977, World Vegetarian Day has been observed on October 1. It begins a month-long National Vegetarian Awareness Month in the United States. Since a multitude of fresh fruits and vegetables are available in October, the incentive for having a meat-free day is greater for everyone.

The most recent Gallop Consumption Habits Survey (July 2012), shows that more unmarried adults than married people, and more younger people than older people consider themselves vegetarians, but only 5 percent of Americans overall say they are.

There is a movement today toward having a Meatless Monday, not only to experiment with cooking alternatives, but to lower food bills and reduce red meat consumption.

There are several kinds of vegetarianism, making it



complicated for restaurants and home chefs that want to include a meatless option for guests. Some vegetarians will eat dairy and eggs, some won't. Some will eat seafood or poultry, some not. Others will eat only fruit or only raw vegetables.

Some Americans choose the vegetarian lifestyle for health reasons.

Check this spray-on waterproofing

Everyone is talking about NeverWet, a spray-on waterproof coating that Rust-Oleum is manufacturing and distributing in North America.

The astounding demo video for NeverWet has gone viral. The demo video has several fascinating examples of what the product does. In one example, NeverWet seems to solve the summer problem of swimming pools and mobile phones. An iPhone coated with NeverWet is dropped into water. It comes out dry and works perfectly.

Adweek's columnist David Kieffer says it looks like "an ancient voodoo curse against liquids."

You'll easily find the video making the rounds on social sites and parked on Youtube.

It's available at Home Depot.

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The Melody of Birds

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The melody of the birds was so exquisite that one was never willing to part from the spot, and the flocks of parrots obscured the heavens."



Remembering heroes The 60th anniversary of Korean War cease fire

American troops who fought in what is sometimes called The Forgotten War are being spotlighted this year, the 60th anniversary of the 1953 cease fire.

Nearly 1.8 million U.S. troops served in Korea during the war that lasted from August 1950 to July 27, 1953; 36,573 U.S. troops died, according to the Department of Defense.

About 2.3 million of the 5.7 million U.S. troops who served around the world from 1950 through 1953 are still alive, according to the Department of Veterans Affairs.

Technically, North and South Korea are still at war and the peninsula remains divided.

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