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OUR CONGRATULATIONS TO KLAUS JOHANNIS ON HIS ELECTION AS PRESIDENT OF ROMANIA!

On November 16, 2014 Klaus Johannis, the 55 year old Transylvanian Saxon mayor of Hermannstadt (Sibiu), was elected President of Romania.



Klaus Johannis
at the Heimattag
der Siebenbürger
Sachsen 2014 in
Dinkelsbühl
(Photo:
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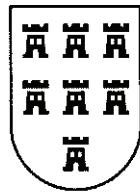
Klaus Werner Johannis, born 13 June 1959, is a Romanian politician and, as of elections on 16 November 2014, the current President-elect of Romania. He became leader of the National Liberal Party in 2014, after having served as leader of the Democratic Forum of Germans in Romania from 2002 to 2013. Johannis was a physics teacher and a school inspector before entering full-time politics.

Johannis was first elected mayor of the city of Sibiu in 2000, representing the Democratic Forum of Germans in Romania. Although the German population of the once predominantly German-speaking city of Sibiu has declined to a tiny minority, Johannis won a surprise victory and was re-elected by landslides in 2004, 2008 and 2012. Johannis is credited with turning his city into one of Romania's most popular tourist destinations, and the city was declared the European Capital of Culture in 2007. In February 2013, Johannis became a member of the National Liberal Party, accepting an invitation from Liberal leader Crin Antonescu, and was immediately elected the party's First Vice President, becoming the party's President the following year.

In October 2009, four of the five political groups in the Parliament, excluding the Democrat Liberal Party of then-President Traian Băsescu, proposed him as a candidate for the office of Prime Minister of Romania; however, Băsescu refused to nominate him despite the Parliament's adoption of a declaration supporting his candidacy. He was again the candidate for Prime Minister of the National Liberal Party and the Social Democratic Party in the elections in the same year.

Johannis is a Transylvanian Saxon, part of Romania's German minority which settled in Transylvania in the 12th century.

From Wikipedia.org



Verband der Siebenbürger Sachsen
in Deutschland e. V.

Wir Siebenbürger Sachsen können mit Recht stolz sein

Die Wahl von Klaus Johannis zum rumänischen Staatspräsidenten ist nicht nur für uns Siebenbürger Sachsen eine großartige Nachricht, sondern vor allem auch für Rumänien und für ganz Europa. Ich gratuliere dem neuen Präsidenten herzlich zu seiner Wahl, ich gratuliere aber auch ganz besonders der rumänischen Bevölkerung im In- und Ausland, die sich so standhaft gegen die offenkundigen Wahlbehinderungen durch die eigene Regierung gewehrt hat. Heute, am 18. November, ist der rumänische Außenminister Teodor Meleşcanu nach nur acht Tagen im Amt wegen dieser Wahlverhinderung zurückgetreten, ein weiteres Bauernopfer im durchschaubaren Spiel der Regierung.

Wir Siebenbürger Sachsen können mit Recht stolz sein, dass sich unser Landsmann Klaus Johannis mit den uns auszeichnenden Tugenden Zuverlässigkeit, Nicht-Korruptierbarkeit, Leistungsbereitschaft und Zielstrebigkeit durchgesetzt hat und die Mehrheit der Rumänen überzeugen konnte. Seine Wahl zeigt daher auch das gute Verhältnis der rumänischen Bevölkerung zur deutschen Minderheit.

Mit Klaus Johannis werden Rechtsstaatlichkeit und Demokratie in Rumänien gestärkt. Die deutsch-rumänischen Beziehungen werden mit ihm auf eine neue Ebene gehoben, der europäische Kurs Rumäniens hat mit ihm einen funktionierenden Kompass.

Dr. Bernd Fabritius, MdB,
Bundesvorsitzender des
Verbandes der Siebenbürger Sachsen
in Deutschland

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Thomas J. Manning
ATS Nat'l President



On Saturday, November 22nd, the ATS National Board of Directors met at the Home Office for its last board meeting of 2014. This year has gone by so quickly. As usual, many issues were discussed and the meeting was very productive. It is always a pleasure to conduct a meeting with officers who are dedicated, well informed, and work well together in making important decisions for the ATS.

One item that is always on the agenda is the ATS interest rate, which will remain unchanged at this time. As you know, the bank interest rates do not compare with the ATS Annuity rate. Ours are always higher. Contact your Deputy for more details.

With the Christmas season now upon us, it is a very busy time with holiday shopping, decorating both inside and outside of the house, attending holiday parties, writing greeting cards, and the most important baking of the Christmas goodies. In the Manning household, I do help to roll out the Kipfel dough, but I also have the most important job as the official taster when the work is done. It's a tough job but someone has to do it.

Here are some thoughtful quotes that are meaningful.

"I've learned...that the best classroom in the world is at the feet of an elderly person.

I've learned...that just one person saying to me, "You've made my day!" makes my day.

I've learned...that having a child fall asleep in your arms is one of the most peaceful feelings in the world.

I've learned...that being kind is more important than being right.

I've learned...that you should never say no to a gift from a child.

I've learned...that simple walks with my father around the block on summer nights when I was a child did wonders for me as an adult.

I've learned...that I wish I could have told my Mom that I love her one more time before she passed away.

I've learned...that a smile is an inexpensive way to improve your looks."

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

Give Your Children A Gift
That Will Last A Lifetime

Why not give a gift that will grow in value and last a lifetime? Consider purchasing life insurance or an annuity from the ATS.

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YOUNGSTOWN SAXON RETIREES By Teri Laret

The following are the minutes from the Saxon Retirees meeting held on Thursday, November 13, 2014 held at 710 S. Meridian Road, Youngstown, Ohio.

In the absence of our president, Lucy Secka, our vice president, Kay Ring, opened the gathering with prayer and the pledge of Allegiance to our flag with song. If she accepts, Joan Cummings has been delegated to be our new lead songstress.

The hostesses for today are Joan Cummings and Norma Bishop. It's nice to be served; the two ladies did themselves proud. Your names have been added to the list of regulars.

We welcome two new faces Audrey Henshaw and Maggie Nicalich. Thank you for coming. Joan, bring them back again.

There are three names on the sick list: Charlie Shumate, Carolyn Rauschenberg and Jim Raymond, do what the doctors say and get well soon.

Ro Dundon was the only one thinking of our thirst. Looking around, there is only one empty chair, wow! The treasurer read the minutes of the October meeting. Joan the treasurer

gave her detailed account of the monies on hand. Both reports were approved as read and seconded and accepted by all.

Night at the Races, the benefit fund for Larry Ortiz; the date remains the same January 31st, a Saturday, but the location has been changed, now being held at Immaculate Heart Social Hall, 4490 N. Norquest Blvd., Austintown. More information in December.

The nominating committee has met and selected a slate of officers; all accepted the nomination and will be officially installed in December. Maybe you would like to know who they are? President Kay Ring, Vice President Marge Ludt, Secretary Teri Laret, Treasurer Joan Giba, Greeters Norma Bishop and Joan Cummings, Sunshine – Marge Ludt, Refreshments Jim Dundon and Dominic Sugar. Everyone else remain good and active members.

Gone but not forgotten, Pat Bokesch, she was the backbone of the Saxon Retirees she offered and did so much to keep us all together. So many little duties she took upon herself to see were accomplished The one that comes to mind and has been overlooked for the past few years is the yearly November memorial and silent prayer for our members who have gone before us to be with the Lord. She took this task upon herself. In the past few years there

have been no devotions. This year we will remember friends and loved ones that we miss. Edith Brown, Paul Beight, Pat Bokesch, George Diamond, Ernie Schuller, Alice Callahan, Minnie Haner, Geraldine Perrine, Gail Harsanyne. May the road rise up to meet you. May the wind be always at your back. May the sunshine warm your face, and the rains fall softly upon your fields. And until we meet again may God hold you in the palm of his hand. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace Amen.

Christmas meeting – luncheon. Come early as appetizers at 11:30 a.m., lunch as noon and Santa comes after that. If you want to be in the gift exchange, bring \$5 wrapped gift – then you get a gift. That's the way it goes!

We are almost finished – a long one today; our president is getting hoarse.

Winners of the monthly raffle are: Gert Prest, Marge Ludt, Audrey Henshaw, Hermine Gentile, Richard Scott, Irene Brown, Joan Giba, and Ro Dundon.

The officers are hosting for December. Remember to come early for nibbles. As usual, please call one of us if there is another guest on cancellation on or before Sunday, December 7th. Kay (234-421-5116), Marge (330-799-4822), or Teri (330-799-2789).

A good, healthy family oriented Thanksgiving. That's all Folks. So-ein-Tag!

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DEADLINE	ISSUE
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2014	FRIDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2014
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 23, 2014**	FRIDAY, JANUARY 2, 2015
***PLEASE NOTE DEADLINE CHANGE DUE TO HOLIDAY	
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 7, 2015	FRIDAY, JANUARY 16, 2015

Please have your articles in by 12 Noon.

Did you miss the deadline?
Have you emailed your article past 12 noon?
Please call Hanz or Barb Hermann at (440) 892-0436.

BRANCH 2, ERIE
By Lee Wolfe

Our regular meeting was held Sunday, November 23 at 2:30 p.m. We held a moment of silence for deceased members Robert Bauer and Elizabeth Nichols, we extend our sympathy to their families and friends.

Our next meeting will be held on Sunday, December 21 at 2:30 p.m. We will hold a brief memorial Service for our deceased members of 2014. Afterwards we will hold our Chi Party and members are asked to bring a couple dozen or so of cookies. Tea and brandy will be served at no charge. It is a nice affair where we can enjoy goodies and each other's company. A voluntary collection will be taken up for our Christmas donation to a charity of the members' choice.

The next Supper/Business meeting will be held on Sunday, January 18th at 2:30 p.m. The members voted to have a stuffed pork chop dinner which will include all the trimmings. There will be NO CHARGE for this meal for members and non-members are charged \$8. Please make your reservation with Val Pinczewski at 898-0494.

At the above meeting we will hold Election of Officers. Please inform George Cook of the Nominating Committee if you wish to run for an office and if you are an incumbent if you wish to run again. You can tell George at the December meeting or call him at 833-7217.

A very Happy Birthday to all of our December celebrants some of whom are: MacKenzie Kulik, Tom Manning, Jr., Richard Wolfe, Fred J. Nicklas, Judy Wagner, Frank Stroker, Jr. Sean L. Reed, Bethany Berowitz, William Barthelmes, Annalise N. Iavarone, Loretta Marshall, Edward Goellner, Pauline Wegelin, Judith Sova and Louis Heintz.

Happy Birthday to our December couples: Donald & Alda Whitehill, 63 years; Charles & Judith Piano, 53 years; John & Mary Waterhouse, 30 years; and Gerald & Linda Detze, 45 years.

We wish all of you a very Merry Christmas and Happy, healthy New Year. See you at the December Supper/Business meeting.

Safety Tip

Take care not to share too much information about your whereabouts on social media. When you check in to a distant locale or RSVP for a public event, you are letting others know when your house will be unoccupied, which could lead to a burglary. Keep this information private to be safe.

Rent a room, and pay off your house

If you could find someone you trust with your property and your privacy, would you rent a room in your home? What if you could pay off your mortgage sooner or just have extra spending money?

The hitch there is usually trust. But, as you might expect, the Internet comes to the rescue.

According to the census bureau there are more than 6 million people who share housing space (that number doesn't count kids who are living with parents.)

The arrangements can be a long commitment or a short one.

On the short side of

things there is the Website wonder Airbnb.com. The site connects vacationers and travelers who want to stay in someone's extra room, in a favored location, for one night or 10 nights.

Airbnb is the middleman for payments and connecting. Hosts may browse people who want to stay in their area, verify IDs, email them securely through the Website and decide if they want to take the person as a guest. The process is de-



signed to help establish trust with renter and host.

Airbnb operates in 35,000 cities around the world and offers more than 800,000 listings. It served more than 10 million

guests in the first eight months of 2014.

It's a lucrative arrangement for those who have the right home, in the right place, with the right amenities. If the homeowner rents out a room for \$25 a night for 10 nights a month, it brings in \$250 a

month. That income could be used to make extra payments on their mortgage. The added equity could add up to \$3,000 a year or \$15,000 in five years.

Most travelers are looking for exotic locations.

On the other hand, renting a room in your home for a longer term can also be lucrative and enriching. The Website sharinghousing.com gives tips to homeowners to find housemates, with instructions on how to write an ad, what to charge, and how to interview.

Sharing housing can be one way for people to expand their friendships and support their lifestyles.



2014 HOLIDAY GIFT IDEAS

Looking for a unique way to pass on a bit of your Saxon heritage to someone on your Christmas list? Why not check out the exclusive items offered for sale at the ATS Home Office. Prices are very affordable and these items won't be found at your local department or book stores, thereby eliminating the possibility of duplicate gift-giving. See below for list of available gifts:

<u>Saxons Through Seventeen Centuries</u> by Rev. John Fritzel	\$15.00	Desktop Flag Set (American and Saxon)	\$ 7.00
<u>Fleeing to the Friendly Enemy</u> by Barbara Oltner Weber	14.00	Desktop Flag Set (American & Saxon, plus choice of Canadian or German)	9.00
<u>Flucht aus Siebenbürgen</u> (German Text) by Monika Gösig/Maria Schneider	20.00	ATS Baseball Cap (Blue with red embroidered ATS emblem)	10.00
<u>Ant People</u> (Children's book) by Anne Jamesch	10.00	DVD "Leaving Transylvania" Producer/Director: Dieter Anner	20.00
<u>Saxon Cookbook</u> (Third Edition)	12.00	Saxon Apron	15.00
<u>CD Musikalische Reise</u> Siebenbürger Sachsen in aller Welt	12.00	Black T-Shirt with Saxon Wappen	20.00

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FRATERNAL CALENDAR

LOCAL EVENTS

- December 6, 2014
Cleveland Br 1 and 4 Children's Christmas Party
- December 8, 2014
Salem Br. 18 Meeting 7:30 p.m.
- December 11, 2014
Youngstown Retirees meet
- December 12, 2014
Salem Joint Social Dinner 6:30 p.m.
Salem Children's XMAS Party-
- December 13, 2014
New Castle Children's Christmas Party 6 p.m.
Youngstown Children's Christmas party, Ballroom
- December 14, 2014
Youngstown Br. 22 Meeting 2 PM & Christmas Party,
Reservations needed
Youngstown Br. 30 meeting 2 PM
- December 16, 2014
New Castle Singers' Christmas Party 6 p.m.
- December 20, 2014
Salem Breakfast Buffet 7:00a.m.-10:00 a.m.
- December 21, 2014
Youngstown Culture Group Christmas Party
- December 24, 2014
New Castle Tom and Jerry Party 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Youngstown Sxon VClub will close early
- December 25, 2014
New Castle - Christmas Day - Club closed
Youngstown Saxon Club closed
- December 26, 2014
Salem Peanut Night 8:00 p.m.- 10:00 p.m.
- December 31, 2014
New Castle New Year's Eve Event 8 p.m. - 1 a.m.
Youngstown Saxon Club closed
- January 10, 2015
New Castle 150 Club Banquet 5 p.m.

ATS SAXON RELIEF FUND



Help us help
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Help us help
Help us help

We petition our Saxon fraternal community - members, branches, affiliate organizations, and friends to continue to support our Saxon Relief Program.

The need is still great and we ask our members and friends to continue to support our Saxon Relief Fund program with generous contributions.

Please send your contributions to our ATS office, 5393 Pearl Road, Cleveland, Ohio 44129. Write checks payable to the "ATS SAXON RELIEF FUND". Thank you for your help!

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NOTE: Gift packages can be ordered for delivery to a specific relative or friend in Transylvania for a minimal cost of **\$40.00**. Send your check payable to the "ATS Saxon Relief Fund" and the **exact name and address** of the recipient to our ATS Office. Please print or type for clarity. The package contents include non-perishable items such as: Coffee, Milk, Cocoa, Sugar, Rice, Flour, Margarine, Soup, Chocolate, Cheese, Sausage, Yeast, etc.

**PROUD TO
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Consider carefully the pros and cons of high-cost financial products

All sorts of financial products are available to seniors. But consider carefully the real costs and benefits:

- Reverse mortgage. This is a loan against your home that doesn't have to be paid until you move or die. You're charged 2 percent for mortgage insurance even though you're borrowing much less than the requirement, plus closing costs, interest and service fees.

You do tap home equity so consider whether you need the equity for emergencies. Your home can still be foreclosed if you don't keep up with insurance, maintenance and property tax payments.

- Long-term care insurance. After a 90-day waiting period during which you must pay the expense of a nursing home yourself (\$22,500 at \$250 a day), you get \$340,000 in lifetime coverage. The average cost for a 60-year-old couple is \$3,335 per year -- \$275 per month.

Remember if the premium goes up, or your finances change, you might not be able to afford it. If the policy lapses, all of the money you invested is lost.

- Immediate annuities. In exchange for a lump sum, an insurance company gives you a monthly check for the rest of your life or for a specified period.

The cost is built into the payout. A 65-year-old man with \$200,000 to invest would qualify for monthly payments of \$983 to \$1,091, according to annuity experts.

With most policies, you can't get any money back. Low interest rates reduce the size of your payout, and inflation will shrink its purchasing power.

Policies that adjust for inflation have lower payouts, according to Kiplinger's Personal Finance.

Travel Tip

TripAdvisor.com, Citysearch.com, and Yelp.com are great places to evaluate hotels, tourist attractions, and restaurants. But take care not to read too much into these reviews. People are naturally more inclined to leave a review if they've had a bad experience. Check to see if the bad reviews are consistent with other reviews. Also note whether the reviewer is a frequent commenter or if this was a one-off negative hit on the business.

New Year's Eve

December 31, 2014
Youngstown Saxon Club

710 S. Meridian Road

Youngstown, Ohio

Doors open at 7:00 p.m.

Dinner Buffet at 7:30 p.m.

Band "GUYS WITHOUT TIES" starts at 8:30 p.m.

FREE Breakfast Buffet at Midnight with a Champagne Toast
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The Youngstown Saxon Culture Group Hosts

"A Night at the Races"

Saturday, January 10, 2015

Youngstown Saxon Club
710 South Meridian Road

Doors open at 6:30 p.m.

Races begin at 7:00 p.m.

\$5.00 Admission

Horse Racing Chinese Auction

50/50 Drawing

Food available for Sale

Tickets may be purchased at the door on the night of the event or at the Saxon Club Lounge prior to January 10th.

For more information call Bonnie at

330-501-2851

SALEM SAXON CLUB
BRANCHES 18 AND 19
Annual Joint Social / Christmas Party
Friday, December 12, 2014.



Bring a covered dish and your place setting. Meat provided. Eat at 6:30PM followed by the children's party with Santa, face painting, crafts and a surprise. Please RSVP the number of children attending by calling Mary Appleby at (330) 686-2217 and leave a message.

Due to the holidays there will not be a Breakfast Buffet in December. The next one will be January 17, 2015.

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Sozialer Einsatz für die Siebenbürger Sachsen

Das Sozialwerk der Siebenbürger Sachsen mit Sitz in München nimmt seit Jahrzehnten eine lebenswichtige Aufgabe wahr: Es hilft in Not geratenen Siebenbürger Sachsen und ist dabei auf Spenden und Initiativen jener angewiesen, die helfen können. Wir haben drei Vorstandsmitglieder des Sozialwerks, Dr. Johann Kremer, Vorsitzender; Heidemarie Weber, Stellvertretende Vorsitzende, und Christa Wandschneider, Schriftführerin, gefragt, wie die Hilfe funktioniert und wie Bedürftige unterstützt werden können. Die Interviews führte Siegbert Bruss, Chefredakteur der Siebenbürgischen Zeitung.

Wie funktioniert die Hilfe nach Siebenbürgen, wer kann sie erhalten?

Johann Kremer: Bedürftigkeit kann viele Formen haben – so werden Menschen unterstützt, welche eine schwere Krankheit haben, keine oder sehr kleine Rente erhalten, arbeitslos geworden sind und vieles mehr. Das Sozialwerk der Siebenbürger Sachsen arbeitet eng mit der Saxonia Stiftung, dem Deutschen Forum und der Heimatkirche in Siebenbürgen zusammen. Hilfsaktionen sind für in Not geratene Landsleute gedacht, welche auf die Hilfe und Solidarität der Siebenbürger Sachsen in Deutschland angewiesen sind. Unterstützungen werden in verschiedensten Formen gewährt: Geldhilfen, Einzelhilfen, Lebensmittelpaketen und medizinischen Hilfen. Für eine korrekte, konkrete und schnelle Hilfe ist es erforderlich, ein paar Vorgaben zu kennen: So werden Geldhilfen vom Sozialwerk zur Verfügung gestellt und in Siebenbürgen an vom Forum oder der Kirchengemeinde gemeldete Personen verteilt. Hierzu ist es wichtig, vor Ort einen zuverlässigen Ansprechpartner zu haben, der die Namen der Bedürftigen nennt und den Kontakt mit der Saxonia Stiftung herstellt.

Wie wird sichergestellt, dass die Hilfe auch direkt zu den Notleidenden gelangt?

Johann Kremer: Unser Partner, die Saxonia, überbringt die Hilfeleistung vor Ort gegen Quittung und Beleg. Diese Bestätigungen werden überprüft und zusammen mit der Abrechnung an das Sozialwerk geschickt. Wir stehen also in enger Verbindung mit der Saxonia-Stiftung und den unterstützenden Personen vor Ort und tauschen uns regelmäßig über den Stand der Dinge, Prioritäten und die Vorgehensweise in bestimmten Fällen aus.

Ebenso unterstützt das Sozialwerk die Altenheime in Siebenbürgen. Es übernimmt auch die Mittlerrolle für gemeinschaftsbildende Maßnahmen und materielle Einzelhilfen der Bundesrepublik Deutschland in Siebenbürgen.

Sie haben am 21. September 2013 im Auftrag des Verbandes am Sachsentreffen in Schäßburg teilgenommen. Konnten Sie am Rande des Geschehens auch



herausfinden, wie die Hilfe des Sozialwerks ankommt?

Christa Wandschneider: In Gesprächen mit vielen Leuten, die die Hilfen an arme, kranke und bedürftige Landsleuten verteilen, wurde deutlich, dass wir ihnen durch diese Aktionen sehr viel Freude bereiten. Die Menschen sind sehr dankbar, auch wenn sich verständlicherweise nicht alle bei uns bedanken können.

Stellvertretend für viele Empfänger, die aus Altersgründen gar nicht mehr schreiben können, erhielten wir folgendes Dankeschreiben seitens des Zentrumsforums Mediasch: „Wir, die Sozialkommission, fahren ja persönlich die Leute in den Gemeinden an und dann ist die Freude besonders groß, wenn sie wissen, dass man sie nicht vergessen hat, sie besucht, sich die Zeit nimmt, einige Worte zu wechseln und die Gabe zu übergeben. Mit dem Geld kann jeder etwas sehr Nützliches und Notwendiges machen.“

Können Sie einige Beispiele nennen, wie das Sozialwerk Hilfen nach Siebenbürgen vermittelt?

Christa Wandschneider: Neben den Hilfen des Bundesinnenministeriums in Höhe von jährlich 18000 Euro, die das Sozialwerk durch eine aufwändige Verwaltungsarbeit an Bedürftige in Siebenbürgen vermittelt, hilft das Sozialwerk auch, dass Initiativen aus Deutschland ihren Weg nach Siebenbürgen finden. So ist es uns gelungen, eine Anfrage des Städtischen Tagesheims der Grundschule an der Ichostraße 2 in München in eine konkrete Hilfsaktion umzumünzen. 44 Stühle und sechs Tische wurden aus München an die evangelische Honterusgemeinde in Kronstadt abgegeben. Pfarrer Dr. Stefan Cosoroabă, Referent für institutionelle Kooperation der Evangelischen Kirche A.B. in Rumänien, half uns einen Empfänger zu finden,

und das Sozialwerk beteiligte sich an den Transportkosten. Ähnlich vermittelten wir sechs Rollstühle der Berufsgenossenschaft Nürnberg, auf die uns das Haus der Heimat in Nürnberg aufmerksam gemacht hatte. Alle Rollstühle fanden dankbare Abnehmer im Altenheim Schweischer, und auch in diesem Fall gewährten wir einen Transportkostenzuschuss.

Unterstützt der Verein nur Hilfsbedürftige in Siebenbürgen oder auch in Not geratene Siebenbürger Sachsen in Deutschland?

Heidemarie Weber: Wie Sie wissen, ist das Sozialwerk der Siebenbürger Sachsen ein eigenständiger Verein, der es sich zur Aufgabe gemacht hat, die sozialen und kulturellen Belange sowie die Lebensbedingungen der Siebenbürger Sachsen in aller Welt zu fördern. Allerdings besteht seine Hauptaufgabe darin, unsere in Siebenbürgen lebenden Landsleuten, vor allem die Alten, Kranken und Bedürftigen zu unterstützen und zu betreuen. Bedingt durch die Altersstruktur nimmt die Zahl der zu Betreuenden in Siebenbürgen zwar stetig leicht ab, jedoch werden diese Landsleute im Schnitt älter und müssen auch weiterhin betreut werden. Außerdem fallen viele Siebenbürger Sachsen unter die Armutsgrenze.

Aber auch in Deutschland gibt es Fälle von Bedürftigen, denen wir helfen müssen.

Wer erhält in Deutschland Unterstützung?

Heidemarie Weber: Wie gesagt, unterstützt das Sozialwerk auch in Deutschland lebende Siebenbürger Sachsen, die unverschuldet in Not geraten sind. Natürlich können wir nicht die Aufgaben z.B. des Sozialamtes oder der Pflegekasse übernehmen. Wir können nur einmalige Sachkosten-Beihilfe leisten für jene Landsleute, die ihren Lebensunterhalt nicht selbst bestreiten können und niemanden haben, der sie unterstützen kann. Ganz wichtig ist auch, dass sie vorab alle öffentlichen Hilfen abfragen. So hat das Sozialwerk einer Familie geholfen, die durch das Hochwasser 2013 ihr Heim verloren hat. Für diese Familie hat das Sozialwerk die Umzugskosten übernommen. Außerdem möchte ich darauf hinweisen, dass das Sozialwerk die Hälfte des Mitgliedsbeitrags an den Verband der Siebenbürger Sachsen übernimmt, wenn Landsleute unter den Sozialhilfesatz fallen. Entsprechende Anträge können nur von den Kreis- bzw. Landesgruppen gestellt werden.

Wie kann man Hilfe erhalten?

Heidemarie Weber: Die Bedürftigen werden gebeten, ihre Hilfsanträge an den Vorstand



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.

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ihrer Kreisgruppe zu richten, der die Lage vor Ort gut kennt und die Anträge an die Landesgruppe weiterleitet. Das klingt etwas kompliziert und langwierig, wird aber in der Regel schnell weitergeleitet und entschieden, so dass die Hilfe zeitnah erfolgen kann. Um Hilfe leisten zu können, braucht das Sozialwerk, wie übrigens jede andere Institution, entsprechende Nachweise und Belege. Damit wir schnell und prompt reagieren können, sollte dieser Weg eingehalten werden.

Sozialwerk feiert Jubiläum

Das Sozialwerk der Siebenbürger Sachsen feiert 2016 sein 30-jähriges Bestehen. Eine Jubiläumsveranstaltung ist in Vorbereitung. Wir bitten alle, die mit dem Sozialwerk bereits in irgendeiner Form zu tun hatten, um ihre Mitwirkung bei der Gestaltung dieses Jubiläums. Berichte und Bildmaterial, vor allem aus den 1960er bis 1980er Jahren, sind hoch willkommen. Kontakt: Sozialwerk der Siebenbürger Sachsen in Deutschland e.V., Karlstraße 100, 80335 München, Telefon: (0 89) 23 66 09-14, Fax: (0 89) 23 660 9-15, E-Mail: sozialwerk[at]siebenbuerger.de. Für jegliche Mithilfe sagen wir schon im Voraus herzlichen Dank.

Dr. Johann Kremer

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Your Horoscope

DECEMBER

ARIES: A lucky break might set you off in a new direction that can add depth and dimension to your work. There is a sense of unity in your group that encourages enthusiasm.

TAURUS: Christmas comes but once a year. You may think that's a good thing, but enjoying the traditions, religious aspects, family and friends can be inspiring.

GEMINI: As a born leader, you are more comfortable taking charge than taking orders. But your ability to envision the future will make the steps to get there fall into place.

CANCER: Aspiring to lofty ambitions is admirable if it motivates you to do more and better. Avoid setting an unreasonable timetable for reaching your destination.

LEO: Now, you have a desire to make your home a place of refuge. You are also determined to make things better for others. That helps you and it helps your loved ones.

VIRGO: The stars say that with your talents, you should be a doctor, nurse, psychologist or writer. Whatever your job may be, you turn to books or training to learn more.

LIBRA: Be ready for holiday get-togethers. The stars say your powers of attraction are strong in December. Your partner will be romantic; new acquaintances will notice.

SCORPIO: While practicality is your keyword, you are basically scientific in nature. Methodical, you do well organizing projects and coming up with practical plans.

SAGITTARIUS: You can be a good earner as well as a saver of money, but soon you may be faced with some challenging news about money. Take a step back and regroup.

CAPRICORN: Setting your high standards for honesty, perseverance and dedication to duty make you an excellent manager. You develop loyalty in yourself and others.

AQUARIUS: The holidays promise firmer ground, so throw panic away and plan carefully with your future happiness in mind! Stay calm and handle whatever comes up.

PISCES: Yes, you are sensitive, compassionate, hard-working, and reliable. You also know how to get to the heart of a matter, which makes you an excellent problem solver.

December birthdays

- 1, Woody Allen, filmmaker, one Oscar, Brooklyn, NY, 1935.
- 2, Monica Seles, Tennis Hall of Fame, Yugoslavia, 1973.
- 3, Amanda Seyfried, actress in Big Love, Allentown, PA, 1985.
- 4, Jeff Bridges, movie star, one Oscar, Los Angeles, CA, 1949.
- 5, Jose Carreras, opera, one of the "Three Tenors," Spain, 1946.
- 6, Andrew Cuomo, Governor of New York, Queens, NY, 1957.
- 7, Larry Bird, Hall of Fame Basketball, West Baden, IN, 1956.
- 8, Kim Basinger, movie star, one Oscar, Athens, GA, 1953.
- 9, Simon Helberg, The Big Bang Theory, Los Angeles, CA, 1980.
- 10, Susan Dey, model and TV actress, Pekin, IL, 1952.
- 11, Gary Dourdan, actor in CSI, Philadelphia, PA, 1966.
- 12, Jennifer Connelly, movie star, one Oscar, Catskill Mountains, NY, 1970.
- 13, Steve Buscemi, star of "Boardwalk Empire," Brooklyn, NY, 1957.
- 14, Patty Duke, star of many movies, New York, NY, 1946.
- 15, Adam Brody, actor in The OC, San Diego, CA, 1979.
- 16, Steven Bochco, TV producer, New York, NY, 1943.
- 17, Pope Francis, leader of the Catholic Church, Argentina, 1936.
- 18, Brad Pitt, star of many movies, Shawnee, OK, 1963.
- 19, Richard E. Leakey, famous anthropologist, Kenya, 1944.
- 20, Uri Geller, well-known psychic, clairvoyant, Israel, 1946.
- 21, Samuel L. Jackson, movie star, Washington, DC, 1948.
- 22, Diane K. Sawyer, TV journalist, anchor, Glasgow, KY, 1945.
- 23, Akihito, Emperor of Japan, Japan, 1933.
- 24, Ryan Seacrest, American Idol host, Atlanta, GA, 1974.
- 25, Sissy Spacek, movie star, one Oscar, Quitman, TX, 1949.
- 26, Kit Harington, Game of Thrones actor, England, 1986.
- 27, Masi Oka, actor in Heroes, Hawaii Five-0, Japan, 1974.
- 28, Denzel Washington, movie star, two Oscars, Mount Vernon, NY, 1954.
- 29, Jude Law, actor, star of Sherlock Holmes, England, 1972.
- 30, LeBron James, basketball player, Akron, OH, 1984.
- 31, Diane von Furstenberg, fashion designer, Belgium, 1946.

Thwarting hackers; securing passwords

You might have already noticed that your bank or credit union asks you to authorize a computer for login and then provide a password.

This two-step process means that a bad guy would have to know your password AND be at your computer or have your phone.

You'll be seeing more varieties of 2-step verification in coming months.

Google already leads the way with 2-step verification in which Google sites can be authorized and a one-time password installed. You don't have to remember the password. If you ever need it, you use your regular Google password to log into your account and generate a new password for uses with email or other Google uses.

Google has also developed a physical key, a usb plug that you can buy for \$20. You then are required to use the USB key to log in.

Researchers are also experimenting with squiggly line access to tablets. A user can devise a certain line design to login instead of a number combination.

Then there is fingerprint verification, eye recognition and more technology on the way -- all an attempt to thwart hackers.

In the short term, password managers are one good solution.

The big players in this field are 1Password, Dashlane, LastPass and PasswordBox.

The most sophisticated so far is Dashlane, according to the Wall Street Journal. It employs two-step verification and will sync across devices. However, it costs \$30 per year for that trick.

1Password is the only one that doesn't employ a server for your data.

LastPass is compatible with the most devices and uses fingerprint readers and other biometric sensors. It also captures WiFi passwords.



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Countdown to Christmas dinner at your house



• Five days before: Plan the menu and the place settings, table decorations and center pieces.

Plan the system and decide whether guests will fill their dishes before going to the tables or whether you will have serving bowls on the tables, which is more work.

Ask someone to say the meal prayer.

• Three days before: Check your ingredients against the menu to make sure you have everything.

• One day before: Make some foods in advance so you can just heat them.

Peel potatoes and put them in cold water in the fridge. They will stay fresh if you want to make mashed potatoes.

Make your pies and deserts.

If you don't have a portable oven, borrow one for the day so you can bake or heat different foods at the same time.

• The night before: Set the table. Have salt and pepper shakers in place and fill the butter dishes.

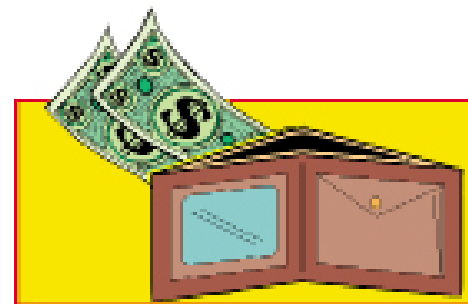
Get someone to help with setting up another table if you need one, and bringing in the chairs.

• Christmas day: When someone asks how they can help, have them cut cakes and pies into servings. People won't cut an uncut pie to serve themselves.

• At dinner: Ask guests to hold hands for the prayer, if it is your tradition.

• After dinner: If the women have cooked, the men can clear the table after dinner.

Who is giving? Young men!



Christmas is a traditional time for charity and a survey last year by World Vision shows an unexpected group to be one of the most charitable: Young men, ages 18 to 34.

Often derided as the selfish Millennials, young men are quietly giving gifts to charity and acquaintances, according to World Vision.

Every year Harris Interactive conducts the survey for the World Vision Gift Catalog campaign. The most recent survey reveals that 56 percent of men ages 18-34 have given a charitable gift, versus 36 percent of older men (ages 35 and above) and 37 percent of their female counterparts in the same age group.

On the other hand, what people think of charity is often a lot different than reality.

About 44 percent of all adults believe older people are more likely to give to charity than younger people. And only 7 percent believe today's young people are more generous than previous generations.

Still, people of every age are generous. About nine in 10 adults (86 percent) say they donate money to charity and 42 percent say giving to charity makes them feel like a good person.

About 60 percent of adults think that giving to charity is a good way to teach children about generosity.



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