

Schloss Horneck needs OUR help!



Schloss Horneck located in Gundelsheim, Germany is the international location for our Siebenbürger Sachsen to house Sachsen artifacts, books and other historical documents and records. It is important to our worldwide Sachsen community to help in the maintenance expenses of this historical facility that will preserve our Sachsen culture and heritage.

The Federation of Transylvanian Saxons requests donations to help in the funding of the facility. If you are interested in giving a donation, please complete the form below and send to the ATS Home Office, 5323 Pearl Road, Cleveland, OH 44129.

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ATS SAXON RELIEF FUND



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, 5323 Pearl Road, Cleveland, Ohio 44129. Write checks payable to the "ATS SAXON RELIEF FUND". Thank you for your help!



NOTE: Gift packages can be ordered for delivery to a specific relative or friend in Transylvania for a minimal cost of **\$50.00**. 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.

Homeowners face cost dilemma

Homeowners who financed during the era of low interest rates are facing an expensive dilemma, according to The Wall Street Journal.

Their locked-in mortgage rates just over 3 percent made it possible to buy bigger houses but, while their mortgage rate isn't rising, other costs are.

In particular, the cost of insurance and property taxes have skyrocketed in some areas, making the homes they could once afford too expensive.

According to Intercontinental Exchange (ICE), in five metro areas, homeowners spend more than half of their monthly mortgage payments on taxes and insurance. Nationwide, for about 9 percent of homeowners, taxes and insurance add up to 50 percent of their monthly mortgage payment. At the end of 2014, taxes and insurance made up less than 4 percent.

In some cases, a homeowner who bought in 2015 could have paid their property taxes, home insurance and flood insurance for about \$725 per month. But that cost is now closer to \$2,500.

Meanwhile, home insurance premiums also jumped in price between 2022 and 2023.

While the cost of homes currently hover at all-time highs, rising tax and insurance costs might drive down prices, according to ICE. It might also cut into the market of consumers who want to refinance since they might not qualify for a new loan if their tax and insurance costs have risen too high.



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WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2025

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2025

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 5, 2025

FRIDAY, MARCH 14, 2025

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 19, 2025

FRIDAY, MARCH 28, 2025

Please have your articles in by 12 Noon.

Did you miss the deadline?

Have you emailed your article past 12 Noon?

Please call Hanz Hermann at (440) 525-0020

FRESHMAN ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIP GRANTS

To be eligible for a Freshman Academic Scholarship Grant you must be a high school senior with an accumulated grade point average in high school of 2.8, or better.

TWENTY-FOUR Scholarships will be awarded to new freshmen in undergraduate study at an accredited college or university in the United States.

- \$1,000 Four Year Renewable Grant from the Victor Deptner Memorial Scholarship
- \$1,000 Four-Year Renewable Rev. & Mrs. John Foisel Memorial Scholarship
- \$3,000 Rev. & Mrs. John Foisel Memorial Scholarship
- \$2,000 New Castle Branch 27 Scholarship
- \$1,000 Past ATS Officers' Memorial Scholarship
- \$1,000 Henry Schindler Scholarship
- \$1,000 Michael W. Schassburger Memorial Scholarship
- \$1,000 Jon Weber Memorial Scholarship
- \$1,000 ATS Branch 33 National Scholarship Endowment Award
- \$1,000 Julia & Martin Konnerth Memorial Scholarship
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- \$1,000 Branch 10 – Columbus Scholarship
- \$1,000 Branch 14 – Canton Scholarship
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- \$1,000 John F. Spack Memorial Scholarship
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- \$1,000 George R. Spack Sr. Appreciation Scholarship
- \$ 750 Niles-Branch 20 National Scholarship

Applicants for the Scholarships listed must be ATS Members in good standing with a minimum of two years' continuous membership prior to the scholarship application deadline of April 15. High School Seniors must have maintained a 2.8, or better, grade point average in high school.

Complete the Request Form below to receive your Application. Please note: upon our receipt of the Request Form, an official ATS Scholarship Application Form will be mailed to you. The completed official ATS Scholarship Application Forms from the applicant and school must be received at the ATS Home Office before April 15, 2025.

REQUEST FOR ATS HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR SCHOLARSHIP

Name

Address

City, State, Zip Code

Tele: _____

E-Mail: _____

Br. No. _____ Cert. No. _____

Request must be received by March 14

MAIL SCHOLARSHIP REQUEST FORM TO:
 ATS Home Office
 5323 Pearl Road
 Cleveland, Ohio 44129-1503
Request Forms must be received by March 14, 2025
Please note: Only official ATS Scholarship Application Forms will be accepted for consideration.

UNDERGRADUATE CONTINUING ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIP GRANTS

The ATS is offering TWENTY Academic Undergraduate Continuing Education Scholarship Grants to our members who are not current year high school graduates and are not entering college in their freshman year of study but are in an **undergraduate program.**

- \$2,000 Branch 18 - Salem, OH Scholarship
- \$2,000 Branch 37 - Detroit, MI Scholarship
- \$1,000 Award in memory of Marie Stirner
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- \$1,000 Award in memory of Gertie & Ernie Gottschling
- \$1,000 Lorain Saxon Ladies Branch 11 Scholarship
- \$1,000 Joan Miller-Malue Scholarship
- \$1,000 Award in memory of Donald G. Miller
- \$ 750 Erie Branch 2 Scholarship
- \$ 750 Erie Branch 2 Scholarship
- \$ 750 Award in memory of George H. Schneider
- \$ 500 ATS Branch 34 Cleveland East Scholarship
- \$ 500 Award in memory of Karl & Charlotte Klamer
- \$ 500 Farrell - Branch 7 Scholarship
- \$ 500 ATS Scholarship Award
- \$ 500 ATS Scholarship Award
- \$ 500 ATS Scholarship Award
- \$ 500 Award in memory of Gerard Slusny

Applicants must be ATS members in good standing, with continuous membership for a minimum period of two (2) years. They must have a grade point average of at least 2.8. They may be any age; however, they cannot be a current year high school graduate or entering their freshman year of college.

Applicants must be enrolled in an **undergraduate program** as a **full-time student** at an accredited college or university in the United States.

Requests for official ATS Undergraduate Continuing Academic Scholarship Applications may be made by calling the ATS Home Office (440) 842-8442, or by completing the Form printed below by March 14, 2025.

Completed official ATS Applications for scholarship grants must be received at the ATS Home Office before April 15, 2025 Undergraduate Continuing Academic Scholarship winners will be chosen in a random drawing conducted by the ATS Scholarship Committee

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Name

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Tele: _____

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**** Scholarship winners will be notified by mail. ****

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VOCATIONAL & TRADE SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP

The ATS is offering scholarships for eligible Vocational & Trade School education programs. Applicants may attend a vocational school, trade school, technical school, certification training program, or credential program. Eligible fields of study include, but are not limited to, advanced manufacturing, automotive technology, computer technology, construction, cosmetology, culinary arts, electrical, HVAC, health care, industrial maintenance, machining, plumbing, or welding.

Applicants for this scholarship must be an ATS member in good standing, with a minimum of two (2) years' continuous membership prior to the scholarship application deadline of April 15. Applicants can be a high school senior or any adult.

Requests for official ATS Vocational & Trade School Scholarship applications may be made by calling the ATS Home Office (440) 842-8442, or by completing the Form printed below by March 14, 2025

Completed official ATS Applications for scholarship grants must be received at the ATS Home Office before April 15, 2025.

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**President's Day
 One unusual title for
 George Washington**

He's known as the father of the country and hero of the America Revolution, but George Washington has another title that is less known: Father of the Mule in America.



When he returned from the war, Washington found resources scarce and funds low. His crops had failed, too. But, he had a plan. He wanted to breed mules for American farming. A mule (the offspring of a male donkey and a female horse) could work longer on less food and water than a donkey or horse.

The problem was Washington wanted a Spanish donkey to start his herd and that was difficult to come by since Spain limited export of its high quality donkeys. Finally the U.S. chargé d'affaires in Spain let Spain's Charles III know of his desire and two donkeys were dispatched in 1785.

Only one donkey survived the trip and Washington named him Royal Gift (a name less sentimental name than that of his dog, Sweetlips) and set about creating his herd. Fifteen years later he had 60 mules.

The mules became the preferred farm animal in the American South where they were reputed to be able to plow 16 acres per day.

FRATERNAL CALENDAR

NATIONAL EVENTS

- February 16, 2025
TSBA Bowling Session Host: New Castle
- March 2, 2025
TSBA Bowling Session Host: Youngstown
- April 5 & 6, 2025
TSBA Season-end Tournament Host: Lorain
- May 17, 2025
Branch Presidents Meeting
Host: Columbus Saxons, Br. 10
- June 14, 2025
TSBA Convention Host: New Castle
- June 15 - 20, 2025
Saxon Summer Camp at Camp Frederick
- July 11 - 13, 2025
North American Saxon Heimattag
Host: Youngstown Saxon Club
- July 26, 2025
ATS Family Day at Waldameer
- October 18 - 19, 2025
ATS Open Bowling Tournament

LOCAL EVENTS

- February 16, 2025
Youngstown Saxon Club Pork and Kraut Dinner
- February 22, 2025
Youngstown Br. 30 Family Bowling
- February 23, 2025
Cleveland West Br. 4
Chinese Auction / Sausage Dinner
- March 1, 2025
Cleveland Sachsenheim Jaeger Nacht
- March 4, 2025
Cleveland Sachsenheim Mardis Gras Buffet
- March 15, 2025
Cleveland Saxon Dance Group Chili Cook-Off
- March 16, 2025
Youngstown Saxon Club Pork and Kraut Dinner
- March 17, 2025
Cleveland Sachsenheim St. Patrick's Day
Corned Beef Special
- March 29, 2025
Youngstown Br. 30 Goulash Dinner
- April 4-5, 2025
Cleveland Sachsenheim Sausage Making / Sale
- April 11, 2025
Cleveland 250 Club Banquet
- April 12, 2025
Cleveland Breakfast with the Easter Bunny
- April 24, 2025
Cleveland Sachsenheim Clean Up Day
- April 26, 2025
Cleveland Sachsenheim Clean Up Day
- May 3, 2025
Cleveland Saxon Dance Group Trachtenball
- May 5, 2025
Cleveland Sachsenheim Cinco de Mayo
- May 11, 2025
Cleveland Sachsenheim Mothers' Day Brunch

YOUNGSTOWN SAXON CLUB
710 S. Meridian Rd

PORK & KRAUT DINNER
FEBRUARY 16, 2025
11:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
\$12.00

TAKE OUT AND EAT-IN
PUBLIC WELCOME

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

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Contact your local Sales Deputy or the Home Office for more information.

Did you know the first trainload of oranges leaving Los Angeles occurred on February 14, 1886? First, a little history. Oranges were probably first cultivated in India nearly two thousand years ago and was called nagruna. A bitter, shriveled little thing in its original form, it was generally used for medicinal purposes. However, the Romans mixed its juice with sugar and drank it like nectar. The Arabs of North Africa called it naranji, and when the Moors invaded Spain in the early eighth century, they carried the fruit with them. By the middle of the fifteenth century, much of southern Spain blossomed with its trees. When the Spanish missionary priests came to the New World, they planted orange seeds.

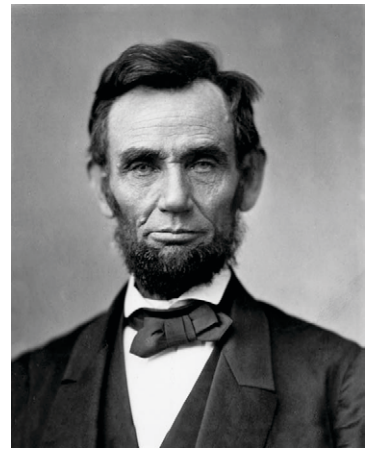
The Spanish had established Los Angeles, one of the oldest cities in the "Far West," in 1781. For several decades, the city was the largest center of population in Mexican California, even though the development of the region proceeded very slowly. When the United States took control of California in 1848, Los Angeles had a population of just over 1,600 inhabitants.

Slowly the large Hispanic ranches were replaced with a diversified farming economy. With irrigation, southern California proved an ideal environment for growing many crops, especially valuable fruits like oranges. According to History.com, during the 1870s and 1880s, state railroad lines linking Los Angeles into the new system of transcontinental railways created additional opportunities. Refrigerated railroad cars were developed, and on February 14, 1886, the first en-

tire train carrying nothing but oranges traveled out of Los Angeles. From then on, the East became the single largest market for California oranges. Prior to that, some oranges had been shipped on trains, packed with ice, with about half the product surviving the journey, but not an entire train.

Settlers, tourists and health seekers were all boarding trains to travel to the Pacific, where the sunny climate and beautiful scenery promised a new and better life. A healthy California lifestyle was associated with the sweet fruits that grew abundantly in the orchards around Los Angeles. As the city grew, it subdivided many nearby orchards and pushed the orange growers out into regions such as Orange County. The orange growers steadily increased the size of their orchards and soon the irrigated water was inadequate. Los Angeles residents undertook a massive program of hydraulic engineering in the late 19th and early 20th centuries. Engineers took water from the distant mountains to transform the arid southern California ecosystem into a green agricultural and residential paradise. The growth was overwhelming. In 1880, before that first trainload of oranges departed, Los Angeles had 11,183 inhabitants. A decade later, the population had increased to 102,479. By 1920, there were more than 500,000 residents of Los Angeles. The current population of LA is 3.8 million. Most of the residents now live where those orange orchards used to be. The current orange crop is now grown in Southern California and Arizona, as well as Florida.

Until next time...



Little known facts about Abraham Lincoln

- Abraham Lincoln was 6 feet 4 inches tall, at a time when most men in the United States were about 5 feet 6 inches. His size 14 shoes had to be custom made.
- He is the only U.S. president to hold a patent. He came up with an idea that would help boats to float over sandbars when traveling on rivers. He had made two trips to New Orleans on flatboats.
- Lincoln was said to be color blind by some sources.
- He liked to tell jokes. After the Black Hawk War, Lincoln joked he had seen no indians but had "many struggles with mosquitoes."
- Lincoln had several jobs in New Salem, IL. He ran a store, was a surveyor, and the postmaster. He earned the nickname "Honest Abe".
- In 1861, after he moved to Washington, Lincoln grew a beard on the suggestion of 11-year-old Grace Bedell.

Abraham Lincoln Quotes

"Folks are usually about as happy as they make their minds up to be."

"Whatever you are, be a good one."

"Do I not destroy my enemies when I make them my friends?"

"America will never be destroyed from the outside. If we falter and lose our freedoms, it will be because we destroyed ourselves."



Alliance of Transylvanian Saxons

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10:00 Service
Nursery
Coffee following service
Senior Circle



BRANCH 4, CLEVELAND By Joan Miller-Malue

Taste the love this Valentine's Day at the Sachsenheim's special dinners featuring ribeye steak or filet steak, lobster tails, pan-seared salmon, champagne chicken, surf & turf (filet and one lobster tail), lobster bisque. We hope you can join us this Valentine's Day. "All you need is love" but some delicious food can't hurt.

Branch 4's Annual Chinese Auction/Sausage Dinner will be held on Sunday, February 23, 2025 at 1:00 p.m. This is our fundraiser that helps defray the expenses of our children's parties and other expenses at the Sachsenheim. We are thankful for the items and monetary contributions that enables us to hold the event and are grateful to all that attend to make our fundraiser a success. Reservations are a must, there are no admission tickets sold at the door. The event is \$13 for adults and

\$6.50 for children age 10 and under. Invite your friends to come along and enjoy a delicious meal and an afternoon of fun for all ages. There is a reservation form printed in this issue of the Volksblatt. **Deadline for reservations is February 15.** Let's get together and raise some for our Club.

We start March off with the Jägernacht, a special celebration of Jägermeister that will be held on Saturday, March 1. Doors will open at 5:00 p.m. and entertainment will begin at 6:00 p.m. The evening will feature music by the Gemütlichkeit Cleveländer Musikanten. Available for sale will be Jägermeister food inspired menu. Admission is \$10. Tickets are to be purchased online @eventbrite.com.

Fat Tuesday is the day before the beginning of Lent and an all-around day for celebrating by eating good food and partying. And that is how the Sachsenheim will celebrate Fat Tuesday on March 4 with Mardi Gras buffet along with our weekly Taco Tuesday menu. Grab your beads and helps us celebrate this special day.

Saturday, March 15 the Cleveland Saxon Dance Group will host their 15th Annual Chili Cook-off. Doors open at 6 p.m. and the tasting of chilies start at 6:30 p.m.

Tickets are \$15 in advance from any Dance Group Member or online at 15th-annual-chili-cookoff-csdg.cheddar.com. Tickets at the door will be \$20. Admission includes three chili samples, accompaniments and deserts. Additional chili samples are \$1. The group is welcoming anyone who wishes to enter their chili for competition. If you want to enter your chili for judging in the contest, email them at csdg7001@yahoo.com for details. Prizes will be awarded for top entries based on ballots cast by attendees. All proceeds will benefit their summer 2025 Europe trip. It is a fun evening for the entire family. Let's show our support to the Dance Group and help them raise funds for their special performing trip to Europe!

Get your Green on for St. Patrick's Day on Monday, March 17 and celebrate it at the Sachsenheim. It is Branch 1 and 4's meeting night and we will enjoy corned-beef sandwiches before the meeting. Nothing like enjoying corned-beef with a hearty German beer!

Well, the months of February and March offers you and your friends some of our great activities the Sachsenheim. We need your support to make our efforts successful!

Remind to our members that our upcoming Branch meeting will be held on Monday, February 17th at 7:00 p.m. Hope to see you then.



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.

Louis Dovichow
Age: 77

Died: August 1, 2024
Home Branch

Richard Harayda
Age: 77

Died: October 20, 2024
Home Branch

Susan Maries
Age: 58

Died: November 29, 2024
Branch 30, Youngstown, OH

Gail Campbell
Age: 79

Died: December 11, 2024
Branch 30, Youngstown, OH

Judith A. Livermore
Age: 85

Died: January 2, 2025
Branch 30, Youngstown, OH

Joyce Lawrentz
Age: 92

Died: January 13, 2025
Branch 30, Youngstown, OH

LaJune F. Nau
Age: 92

Died: January 16, 2025
Branch 5, Lorain, OH



Siebenbürgen Sachsen Branch 9 & the ATS

are hosting the

"Bowl Where You Are" Tournament

Sunday, March 2, 2025 from 1 p.m. – 4 p.m.

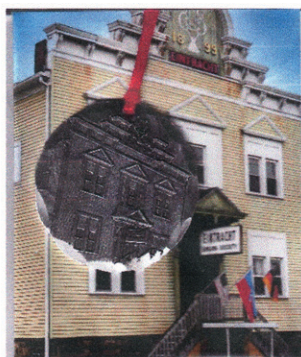
Arlington Lanes
3435 N Kennicott Ave
Arlington Heights, IL

Children ages 6-17 with an ATS policy - No Charge
Guests Bowling - \$22.00
Includes: shoes, two games, pizza & soda.

Reservations requested by February 25, 2025
Call Liz Hauer (847) 685-9821

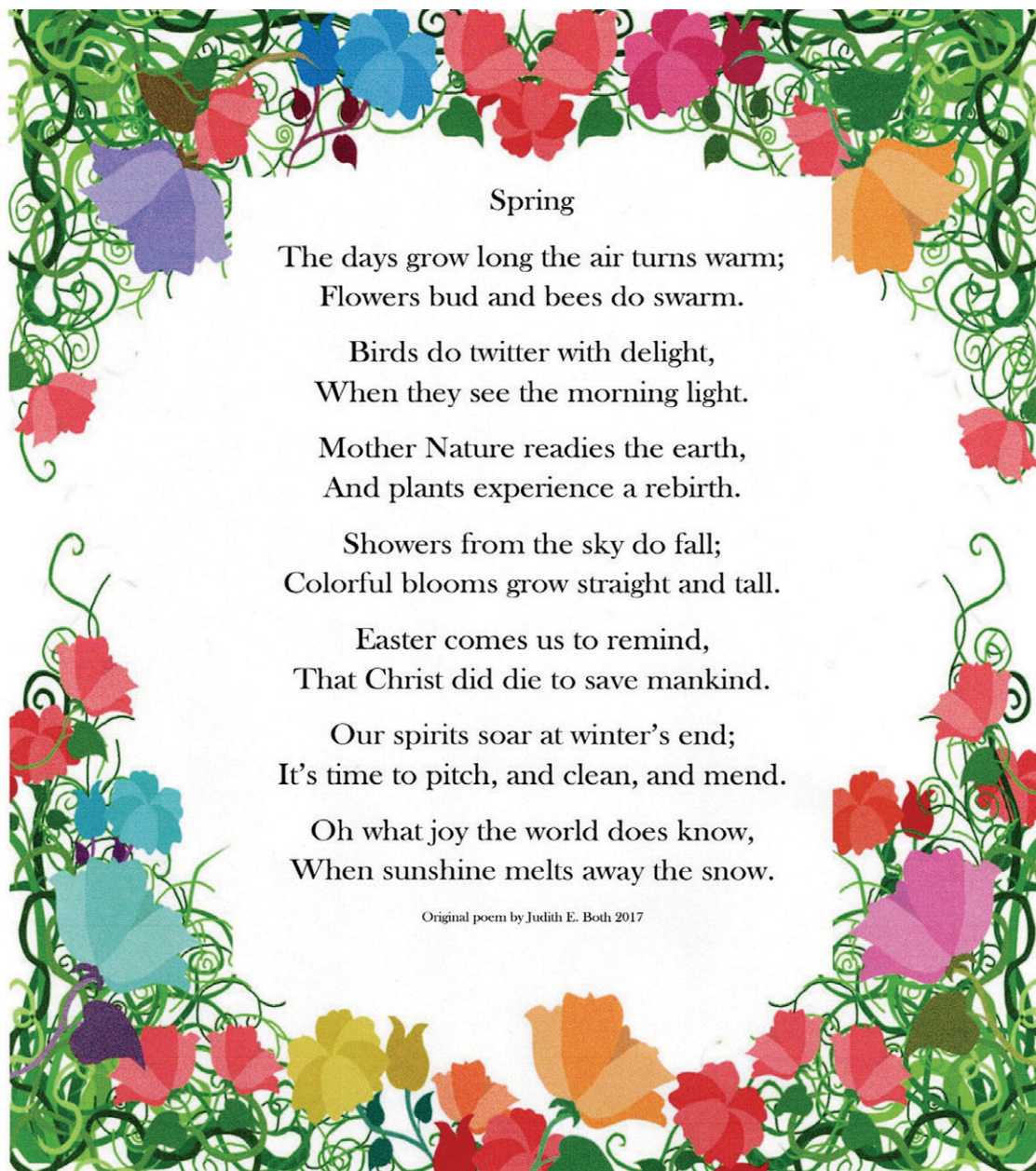
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Spring

The days grow long the air turns warm;
Flowers bud and bees do swarm.

Birds do twitter with delight,
When they see the morning light.

Mother Nature readies the earth,
And plants experience a rebirth.

Showers from the sky do fall;
Colorful blooms grow straight and tall.

Easter comes us to remind,
That Christ did die to save mankind.

Our spirits soar at winter's end;
It's time to pitch, and clean, and mend.

Oh what joy the world does know,
When sunshine melts away the snow.

Original poem by Judith E. Both 2017



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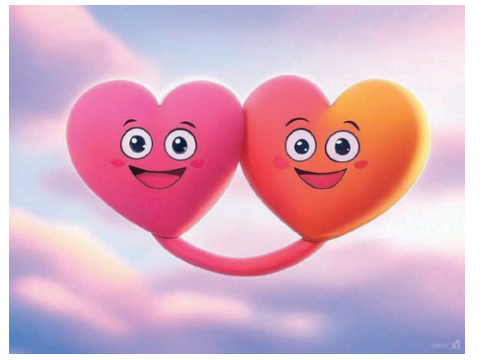
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City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Juvenile Members are encouraged to color and mail to the ATS Home Office for a special treat.

Please mail to the ATS Home Office; 5323 Pearl Road; Cleveland, OH 44129

Before February 21, 2025



Your heart gets a double dose of attention in February.

For centuries, the world has equated this month with Valentine's Day. If you have a spouse, partner or significant other, your first dose of attention comes in the form of love or a declaration thereof. But remember your friends, too, because love doesn't have to be romantic!

Your heart has another focus of attention, too. In the last 45 years, your heart has been at the center of American Heart Month every February.

It's a good time to get serious about following up with your doctor about your lifestyle and general health. Both can give clues as to the condition of your heart.

Don't be surprised if the doctor advises you to move more. That doesn't mean you have to join a high energy gym class -- nothing of the sort! What you might need to do is just increase your steps every single day. That will help your heart by boosting your strength, endurance, balance, and energy. If nothing else, just plan a series short walks. Take breaks between walks if needed, but remember all steps count.

You might even find that more steps translate to a bit of weight loss. That will give your body renewed flexibility and reduced pain, especially in the knees and hips.

Follow up with a good heart healthy diet. Try lean meats, more fiber, and less sugar. Use healthy oils like olive oil.

So, cheers to our healthy hearts! Let's spend February getting to know them better.



42nd Annual Bowl Where You Are Tournament

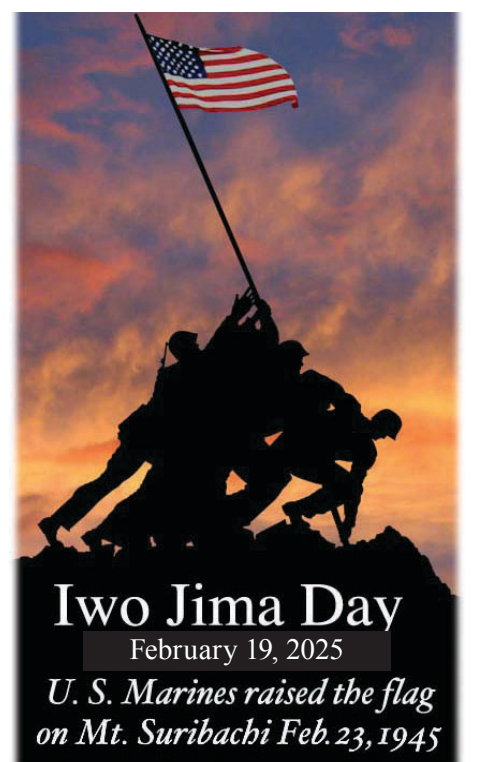


Our Annual "Bowl Where You Are" Tournament for ATS members between the ages of 6 and 17 will be held February to March, 2025.

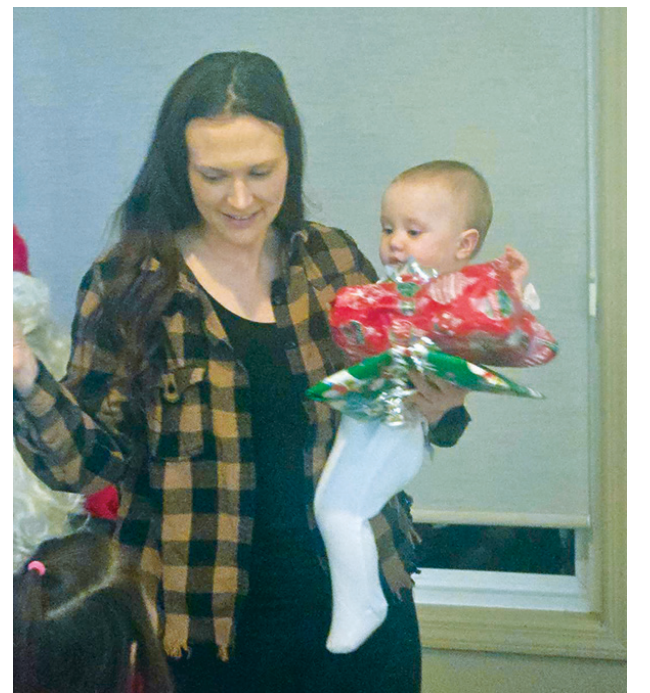
This tournament is designed to allow our young members to bowl in their home city and mail their scores. Scores must be submitted on an official ATS Score sheet which will be mailed to each eligible youth member in January, 2025.

Winners (best total score for three games) will receive an award plaque for their age group. All participants will receive a T-shirt after the event.

Some Branches are organizing Bowling Parties to bring their young members together to bowl for this event. For tips on how to make this a family Branch event, contact Margie Ziegler, Youth Committee Chairperson, 440-488-6421.



Salem Branches 18 & 19 Christmas Party

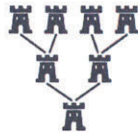


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Der Verein für Genealogie der Siebenbürger Sachsen e.V. präsentiert hier genealogische Stammbäume der Siebenbürger Sachsen und weiteren, mit ihnen verbundenen Gemeinschaften. Zur Zeit sind folgende Ortsgenealogien verfügbar: Abtsdorf bei Marktschelken, Arkeden, BIRTHÄLM, Bonnesdorf, Bulkesch, Broos, Draas, Dunesdorf, Durles, Felldorf, Felsendorf, Gießhübel, Hahnbach, Haschagen, Heidendorf, Hermannstadt, Holzmengen, Jakobsdorf bei Agnetheln, Kleinschelken, Kreisch, Kronstadt, Malmkrog, Martinsberg, Mediasch, Michelsdorf an der Kokel, Mühlbach, Neppendorf, Nimesch, Rätisch, Rauthal, Reußen, Reußmarkt, Rosenau, Rothbach, Scharosch an der Kokel, Schirkanyen, Scholten, Seiden, Tarteln, Tartlau, Taterloch, Urwegen, Waldhütten, Wölz, Zendersch, Zuckmantel, und weitere kommen laufend dazu.



Looking for your Saxon Roots?

The Verein für Genealogie der Siebenbürger Sachsen e.V. presents genealogical family trees of the Transylvanian Saxons and other communities associated with them. At the moment the following local genealogies are available: Abtsdorf bei Marktschelken, Arkeden, BIRTHÄLM, Bonnesdorf, Bulkesch, Broos, Draas, Dunesdorf, Durles, Felldorf, Felsendorf, Gießhübel, Hahnbach, Haschagen, Heidendorf, Hermannstadt, Holzmengen, Jakobsdorf bei Agnetheln, Kleinschelken, Kreisch, Kronstadt, Malmkrog, Martinsberg, Mediasch, Michelsdorf an der Kokel, Mühlbach, Neppendorf, Nimesch, Rätisch, Rauthal, Reußen, Reußmarkt, Rosenau, Rothbach, Scharosch an der Kokel, Schirkanyen, Scholten, Seiden, Tarteln, Tartlau, Taterloch, Urwegen, Waldhütten, Wölz, Zendersch, Zuckmantel, and more are being added all the time.

You can go to <https://vgss.de/genealogie-datenbank> to begin your research.

Interested in a seminar to help in your research?

Email office@atsaxons.com with SAXON ROOTS in subject line.

Drugs like Ozempic may offer heart health benefits

Medications like Ozempic and Wegovy may offer significant heart health benefits -- and not just through weight loss.

According to the British Heart Foundation, two studies presented at the 2024 European Congress on Obesity showed that semaglutide medications may help reduce the risk of heart attack, stroke, and other serious cardiac complications. The studies followed more than 17,000 overweight or obese adults who did not have diabetes, but received weekly semaglutide injections.

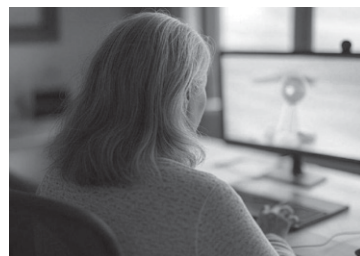
On average, the participants saw sustained weight loss of about 10 percent on average after four years, regardless of their age or body size. Participants were also less likely to experience life-threatening heart events like heart attack or stroke, regardless of how much weight they lost. Even patients who did not lose weight at all de-



creased their risk, possibly due to the drug's effects on blood sugar, blood pressure, and inflammation of the heart.

But most U.S. insurers have restricted coverage of these drugs to patients with diabetes and pre-diabetes, and everyone else must shoulder the steep out-of-pocket costs -- around \$1,000 per month or more, according to GoodRx. But Medicare and Medicaid may begin covering anti-obesity drugs in 2025 if a new rule that would expand coverage takes effect. The rule, which the Biden administration proposed in November 2024, reclassifies obesity drugs as treatment for chronic disease.

Maybe the kids have a good idea here?



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"You just got rekt by a pensioner, boy."

Translation: An old guy beat the stuffing out of some kid in a video game.

And, that's who video games are for, kids, right? Not so fast.

It seems seniors get a lot of benefit from video games, even social interaction on some types of games, and a lot of satisfaction.

Researchers found this to be true in a 2013 study of 140 seniors who found themselves in better moods after playing video games. Seniors who used Nintendo Switch Sports (in which you actually use your body to play games on video) found they improved balance and coordination.

If you are looking for a

little video game fun, you have quite a few different directions to explore. There are all sorts from multi-player role playing, strategy, racing, survival, sports, and more casual games.

The easy way to get started is with your smartphone. You'll find puzzle games and break-the-bubble games that are easy to understand and fun to play.

If you want to break into serious gaming, it's a good excuse to call a grandkid. Or, consider the device you want to play on. A computer can be a good platform for gaming. Tablets, like an iPad, have some action and shooter games. More expensive consoles like Xbox are made for both serious gamers and beginners. They require some experience to learn the controls.

If you feel that gaming might be for you, start by searching for types of video games. You'll find lots of different themes and even complete worlds to explore.

Join us for the Cleveland Saxon Dance Group's 15th Annual Chili Cook-off Fundraiser

Westside Sachsenheim
7001 Denison Avenue
Cleveland, OH

Saturday March 15, 2025

Doors open at 6:00 p.m. with chili tasting beginning at 6:30 p.m.

Tickets = \$15 in advance or \$20 at the door. Children under 12 = \$10.

Contact any Dance Group member for tickets or purchase online at:

https://15th-annual-chili-cookoff-csdg.cheddarup.com

Includes admission, three chili samples, accompaniments and desserts

Additional chili samples \$1 each

A cash bar will be available, as well as the opportunity to take a chance on various raffle items!



Please contact us via email at csdg7001@yahoo.com with questions or if you would like to enter a chili for judging in the contest. Registered contestants will be admitted to the event free of charge and prizes will be awarded to the top scoring entrants based on ballots cast by attendees.

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LOCAL DUES to Kathy Schuller
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Olga.hesch@gmail.com
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Canton, OH Br. 14

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Location varies
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15354 Georgetown St NE
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(330) 862-2563 HHA658@aol.com
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Canton, OH Br. 17

Mtg. 2nd Sunday Location varies
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mkrowinsky@neo.rr.com
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Name _____

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Barbara Spack
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Salem, OH Br. 19

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PRES. Glenn Spack
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(330) 332-8174
SEC'Y. Robert P. Vogt, Sr.
973 Sunset Blvd. Salem, 44460
(330) 881-3346 mvcobra27@gmail.com
ATS SEC'Y Glenn Spack
Address and phone as above
SICK NOTICES to Glenn T. Spack
address above
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c/o Salem Saxon Club
1980 Newgarden Rd, Salem, 44460
(330) 222-1770

New Castle, PA Br. 25

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Wampum PA 16157
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karlhermann@comcast.net
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New Wilmington, PA 16142
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danualforsberg@gmail.com
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(724) 699-3039 Stellejw1@comcast.net

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New Castle, PA Br. 27

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Monaca / Rochester PA Br. 29

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Rochester, PA 15074
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SEC'Y Tiffiane Smilek (724) 709-1891
ATS SEC'Y Donald Ash (724) 777-9059
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above

Youngstown, OH Br. 30

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(330) 799-5171
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Ellwood City, PA Br. 32

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SEC'Y Johanna Jenkins
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Ellwood City PA 16117
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Ellwood City 16117(724) 714-1217
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(724) 752-1109

Cleveland, OH Br. 33

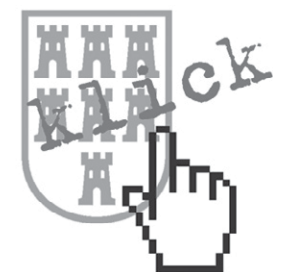
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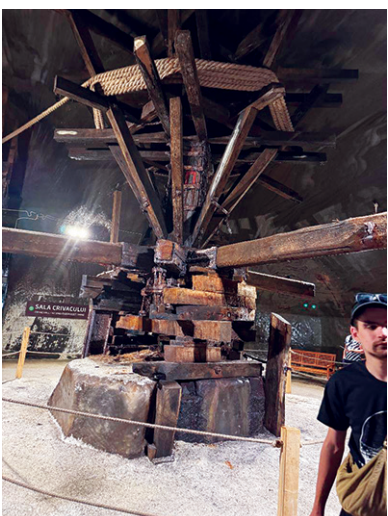
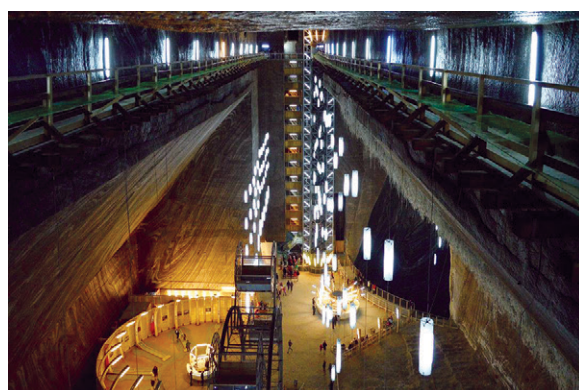
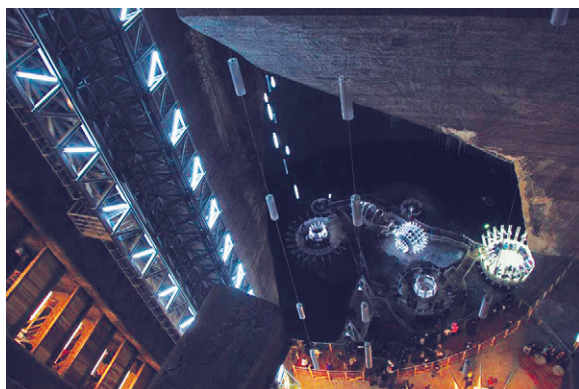
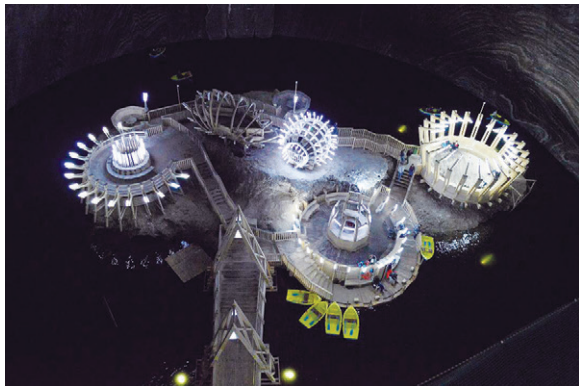
Ellwood City, PA Br. 45

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Transylvania Trip from a Columbus Point of View



BRANCH 10, COLUMBUS By Donald Blum

MONTHLY MEETING

February 17, 2025

Hickory House

550 OfficeCenter Place

Gahanna, Ohio 43239

12 Noon

Our meetings are the Third (3rd) Monday of the month.

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

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

Transylvania Trip

Our travel today brings us to the amazing Salina Turda salt mine. This opened in 1992 as a tourist attraction, which provided a very entertaining site to visit on our wonderful trip of Transylvania.

The Turda salt mine was a vital part of the Transylvania economy. Something we don't think of today with all the modern mechanical conveniences of today, but in the middle-ages one of the few ways of preserving food was using salt in the process. So valuable was the salt, it was almost the equivalent to the gold. It was a national trading commodity. Turda salt mine was first mentioned in 1271 and continuing into the early 20th century. Also, the salt mine provided medicinal function due to the salt concentration. In 1992, the mine reopened as a halotherapy center providing holistic approach to medicine as a place to detox your body. During WWII, the salt mine served as shelter and was afterwards used a to store cheese.

Our purpose was a visit to the tourist attraction that was created. The mine is a vast cavern spanning 367 feet deep and 220 feet wide. The multi-level (13 stories deep) and lengthy various tunnels provided a very interesting attraction. Each floor is identified by the year that that level was opened. Some of the younger and more physically inclined people in our party traveled to the depths of this massive mining structure. The mine base can be reached by an extensive level of steps or by an elevator. Because of the massiveness of the structure, it provided entertaining areas called Echo Rooms. We wondered how they got the salt from the deepest parts to the surface. On one of the levels there was an octagon shaped room that housed a rudimentary machine. The machine was powered by horses or donkeys that were attached to the machine. As

the horses/donkeys would walk around the machine a series of pulleys would raise 1-2 tons of salt to the service. Truly an extraordinary machinal feat. At the base of the salt is an underground lake that varies from about 1.5 to 26 feet deep. This provides part of the amusement area with boat rides.

The Turda salt mine today serves a massive tourist attraction. You can visit the various levels all the way to the base of the mine. The base of the mine has boat rides on the underground river, spa & wellness center and didactic swimming pool, that provides medicinal cleansing functions.

All-in-all it was a fun visit, even the trekking back up the literally hundreds of steps to get back to the surface and entrance to the Turda salt mine.

I hope you will continue to travel with us on the next interesting and exciting journey though Transylvania.

HUMOR (Humor compliments of Sara Alzner-Brown)

After 12 years of marriage, my wife thought that our child looks kind of strange. So, my wife did a DNA test and found out the child was not ours. She told me what she found out. She asks how this can happen. I said you don't remember, do you? When we were leaving the hospital and the baby pooped. You told me “Go change him.” So I

went inside and left the dirty one there. The wife fainted. You can't depend on a man to understand everything he is told.

FACEBOOK PAGE

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

We are happy to announce that the group has grown to over 200 members. Please invite people to join our Facebook Group, that is open to all people interested in sharing or reading about our Saxon Heritage. We will continue to modify and improve the Facebook page as needed. While we welcome you to join the Columbus Branch 10, you do not need to be a member to join the Facebook Group. You are invited to join our Facebook group and share your Saxon history or just enjoy what others post. If you are interested in becoming part of the Facebook group you can request an invitation or send me your email address (donaldcblum@prodigy.net), and we will set you up.

We are happy to say, we continue to add Saxon/German heritage individuals to the Facebook Group. Some of the new members include people from Europe and Canada. We encourage you to spread the word about our group.

Our Facebook Group is an excellent place to share pictures that anyone would have of the Transylvanian Trip. It's a good reason to join and become a part of sharing Heritage information.

February Sudoku

	6			2				
1	8		9					6
2		3				7		
	2			3				
	4	8				5	6	
				6			1	
		6				1		7
7					1		3	5
				8			9	

How to solve sudoku puzzles

No math is required to solve a sudoku. You only need logic and patience. Simply make sure that each 3x3 square region has only one instance of the numbers 1-9. Similarly, each number can only appear once in a column or row in the larger grid. The difficulty on this puzzle is easy.

2	6	9	7	8	3	4	1	5
7	3	5	8	4	1	6	2	9
8	3	6	2	9	5	1	4	7
3	7	5	8	6	9	2	1	4
9	4	8	1	7	2	5	6	3
6	2	1	5	3	4	9	7	8
2	5	3	4	1	6	7	8	9
1	8	7	9	5	3	4	2	6
4	6	9	7	2	8	3	5	1

If you really love your family, you will purchase life insurance for yourself and for them.



This Valentine's Day, ask yourself "how much do I love my family?" Hopefully, the answer is "A LOT". If this is the case, have you prepared for the day that you are no longer with them? An ATS Life insurance policy is a great way to prepare and provide for your family by providing them with financial security and peace of mind.

Life Insurance provides cash to your family or loved ones after your death. This cash can replace your income and the many non-paid ways that you support your family. Your beneficiary can use this cash to pay your final expenses like funeral costs and medical bills. They can also use this cash for credit card bills, rent or mortgage payments, car payments, etc.

Most importantly, having life insurance can provide your family with peace of mind. By providing financially for them, your family has time to piece their life back together again after your death. Knowing that they have enough cash to pay those immediate bills, as well as some extras, enables your family to move through the grief process without adding financial woes on top of it.

A non-working spouse needs life insurance, too. The stay-at-home spouse provides daycare, transportation, cleaning, meal preparation, and many other services that will be expensive to replace if that spouse passes away. Life insurance for that person helps to cover those new expenses.

If you do not have a life insurance policy, or if the amount of your life insurance is not enough, please contact your local ATS Sales Deputy or the ATS Home Office to discuss your Life Insurance needs. The ATS is here for you now and will be here for you when you need us the most!



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