



# Heymann Historical Society



ANNUAL HEYMANN NEWSLETTER - 1989

Dear Cousins,

As we head into autumn and the Thanksgiving season, it is a good time to reflect upon our many blessings this past year. Thanks to the generosity of all of you - many projects and improvements have been made at the former Hunt's Corners Church, 4550 Route #547 East, Bellevue, Ohio, now the home of the Heymann Historical Society since 1982.

On February 1, 1989, Donald R. Heyman and his brother Marion O. Heyman, both of Liberty Center, Ohio, completed the restoration of the original pulpit - and returned it to the Church. They did an excellent job - and the pulpit looks beautiful and brand new again. Many thanks to you both for a job well done ... and a wonderful contribution on your part to the Church. It is deeply appreciated.

In keeping with our efforts to put the Church and it's surroundings back to their original state - on September 30, 1989, under the auspices of Don and Marion Heyman - a new picket fence was erected around the perimeter of the Church, with the help of several of the local Cousins. It was quite a marathon chore - and a very long day for all - but well worth the effort. It looks great! Our compliments and thanks to all those who took part in this mammoth effort. It is just one of the many things they have been able to accomplish ... with the help of each one of you.

## CHURCH IMPROVEMENTS:

We have debated each year about precautionary termite control. There is now evidence of powder post beetles in the foundation of the Church - which can be just as serious as a termite problem. During a tour of the Church and it's basement the day of the Board Meeting - members could see first hand - and feel the crumbling powder - on one of the beams on the west end of the building. Action will be taken by the Board for immediate treatment - now at a cost of \$800. - but guaranteed - before any further damage occurs.

Arrangements will also be made to reconnect the electricity - at a minimum cost of \$15. per month - so that lights, heat, the electric organ etc. will be available for all functions throughout the year.

There is still only a \$200. deposit for the use of the Church - which is refunded if the Church is left in the same condition after the event ... as before. A donation to the Heymann Historical Society is always appreciated of course.

In long range plans - a new furnace will be needed - but for now ... that will be left on our "Wish List".

REUNIONS:

Reunions continued to bring Heyman/Heiman Cousins together again from all corners of the U.S. this past year.

Aug. 6th	John George Heymann Branch	(Pages 15-159)
Aug. 27th	Henry & Alma Heyman Branch	(Pages 248-253)
Sept. 10th	William George Heiman Branch	(Pages 192-200)
Sept. 10th	Oscar George Heiman Branch	(Pages 201-202)
Sept. 10th	George Albert Heyman Branch	(Pages 32- 49)
Oct. 8th	Anna L. Heyman Williams Branch	(Pages 36- 43)

Another thank you to the William George Heiman Reunion, headed by Dorene Fischer Storch of Hamler, Ohio as president for their continued support to the Heymann Historical Society. Your contributions each year towards the upkeep of the Family Church is deeply appreciated.

For the first time - members of the families of Alma and Henry Heyman held a family reunion in the Clyde, Ohio Park on August 27, 1989. It was organized by Yvonne (Bonnie) Heyman Matter of Clyde. They hope to continue to hold a reunion each year - the last Sunday in August. We are pleased to see more of you are starting to gather for family reunions each year. Keep up the good work!

The new officers for the George Albert Heyman Branch are: President, Marion O. Heyman of Liberty Center, Ohio and Secretary/Treasurer, Cassie Heyman Panches of Grand Rapids, Ohio. This group meets the 2nd Sunday of September each year at the Mary Jane Thurston State Park Shelter in Grand Rapids, Ohio. Following the death of their past president, Glen F. Heyman of Berkey, Ohio, the group made a sizeable contribution to the Heymann Historical Society in his memory towards the purchase of a new steeple for the Family Church. They did the same thing - following the death of their previous president in 1987 - Virginia Graf Mourdock. Thank you all for your thoughtfulness.

The Anna L. Heyman Williams Branch meet the second Sunday in October each year - with Nancy Williams Fox of Stryker, Ohio as president. This year the group met at the V.F.W. Hall in Waldron, Michigan on Sunday, October 8, 1989, with the largest turnout ever. Good show!

The largest reunion is the John George Heyman Branch (Pages 15-159). They hold their reunion on the 1st Sunday in August each year. This year Cousins came from Indiana, Michigan, New York, North Carolina and Pennsylvania - as well as Ohio. Lynn Myers, with the U.S. Air Force in Plattsburgh, New York - "Traveled the Furthest". Honorable mention went to Charles and Helen Gustafson of Raleigh, North Carolina - who brought her father, Grover Cleveland Behrens. He won the prize for "The Oldest" at 103 years of age! Honorable mention gifts also went to Wilbur Lionel Hyman of Van Wert, Ohio, age 88 years; Dean Heyman Palmer of Amherst, Ohio age 83 years; Chester Cashel age 83 and his wife Marcelle Cashel age 82 from Van Wert, Ohio. There were ten Cousins attending ... that were 80+ years young.

"The Youngest" prize went to Ashley Anne Bruno, the daughter of Jodi Lee Wilder and Daniel Martin Bruno of Bethel Park, Pennsylvania, age 16 months.

This reunion has been held in Wood County, Ohio for the past two years, at the Mary Jane Thurston State Park. In 1990 however - the reunion will be held at the Lyme Village Shelter - east of Bellevue, Ohio. They will be celebrating the 195th anniversary of the birth of John George Heymann in 1795. They plan to visit the Hunt's Corners Church - now the Heymann Historical Society - which stands on land that was donated by John George - so they could build their first Church. This plot was some of the first Heymann owned land.

There will be several mementos and gifts on display from the "Cousins Trip to Germany" in May 1989. Some were given by the Mayors of Kaltenholzhausen and Burgschwalbach as well as from the German Heymann/Heimann Cousins. They will also be visiting the nearby family cemetery to commemorate this date.

Family reunions were very important during the early years for the Heyman/Heiman families here in America ... so it is a fine tribute to their memories ... that we all carry on this fine tradition today. Postcards are mailed for the various reunions ... but ALL Cousins are always welcome to attend any of these reunions.

SOMETHING OLD ... SOMETHING NEW:

The original home of Libbie Hartman and Louis Philip Heyman (built in 1857) ... located around the corner from the Hunt's Corners Church ... has been restored and is now the "Heymann House" Bed & Breakfast. It is owned and operated by their grandson John P. Seaman, Sr. Whenever you plan to visit the area ... you can now also stay in this lovely mid-Victorian home. Just call (A.C. 419) 465-2633 for reservations.

Another something old ... the personalized shaving mug of Frank William Heyman ... with his Heyman Milling Company at Monroeville, Ohio depicted in color on the side ... was donated to the Heymann Historical Society by his grandson, Robert Neil Heyman of Toledo, Ohio, at the John George Heymann Reunion in August. Something new ... was the beautiful gold chalice donated to the Heymann Historical Society by Joseph Skeldon Heyman of Perrysburg, Ohio. Many thanks to these two brothers for their thoughtfulness.

CHANGE OF ADDRESSES:

If there are two names on your envelope this time ... unless that second person also lives with you ... we need their new address. Please help us keep all addresses current ... by sending us a change of address each time you move ... or get married. We want to keep you up to date on all the various happenings and projects of the Heymann Historical Society ... but we need your help. Thank you.

NEW OFFICERS AND TRUSTEES:

On September 24, 1989 the annual Board Meeting of the Heymann Historical Society was held at "Heymann House" just around the corner from the Family Church at Hunt's Corners - due to the cold wave of the previous night - and no heat in the Church. The following officers and trustees were elected for 1989-1990.

John P. Seaman, Sr.	-	President
Reva June Nasby	-	Vice President
William C. Seaman	-	Secretary
Richard P. Reece	-	Ass't. Secretary
Maurice L. Heyman	-	Treasurer
President Emeritus	-	LaVerne S. Heyman
Honorary Lifetime Trustee	-	Ethel F. Heyman
Honorary Senior Counsel	-	Joseph S. Heyman

Trustees serving five year terms expiring 1994:

Chase B. Heyman - Reva June Nasby - John P. Seaman, Sr.

Trustees serving four year terms expiring 1993:

David A. Hyman - Elden H. Plue - William C. Seaman

Trustees serving three year terms expiring 1992:

William F. Heiman - Melvin G. Herner - Ronald E. Scheid

Trustees serving two year terms expiring 1991:

Donald R. Heyman - Albert H. Horn, Jr. - Robert W. Smith

Trustees serving one year terms expiring 1990:

LaVerne S. Heyman - Maurice L. Heyman - Richard P. Reece

INTERESTED IN BECOMING A BOARD MEMBER:

From time to time there are openings on our Board of Directors for the Heymann Historical Society. If you would like to be put on the list for consideration as a Trustee at some future date ... please send us a letter. We meet once a year at the Hunt's Corners Church, east of Bellevue, Ohio, the last Sunday in September - at 1:00 P.M. The meetings are open to the public.

PROFILE OF A BOARD MEMBER:

ALBERT HENRY HORN, JR. was with the Internal Revenue Service for 36 years, prior to his retirement in 1983. He then opened his own tax consultant office in Bryan, Ohio, where he prepares tax returns and represents individuals being examined by the I.R.S.

He is in his 9th term as trustee of the West Ohio Conference of the United Methodist Church; treasurer and board member of the Bryan Area Foundation since 1983; vice president and board member since 1972 of the Community Hospitals of Witham County; a member of the Bryan Rotary Club, Elks, Eastern Star, Free & Accepted Masons and the American Legion.

He received his degree in Accounting and Business from Tiffin University, Tiffin, Ohio - and served in the U.S. Navy for four years during World War II in the South Pacific. He and his wife June have one daughter, and make their home in Bryan.

MATCHING FUNDS ENDOWMENT:

As you can see by the enclosed letter from John Seaman, President of the Heymann Historical Society, we have been most fortunate in obtaining a "Matching Funds" Endowment from the France Stone Foundation for \$10,000.00, if we can also raise \$10,000.00 in commitments by December 31, 1989.

The France Stone Company owned a quarry in Bellevue at one time ... and it is quite possible that the actual stone foundation of the Hunt's Corners Church ... came from this very quarry. It is somehow fitting then - that they are the ones - helping us in effect - preserve this very foundation, and maintain your Church for future generations to treasure.

For your convenience we have enclosed a pledge form and a preaddressed envelope to Maurice L. Heyman, Treasurer of the Heymann Historical Society. All pledges do not have to be paid in full by December 31, 1989 ... but the commitments must be there.

As an example:

You could pledge \$100.00 per year for the next ten years ... which breaks down to \$8.33 per month ... or only 27¢ per day. Not a very large amount for anyone ... to help preserve your Church ... and your heritage.

Won't you please help us meet this goal? With your contribution ... we will be able to make the significant needed repairs and improvements to the Hunt's Corners Church property ... with continued maintenance of the Church assured in the many years ahead.

This would be an excellent way to honor a living person in recognition of a special occasion ... or as a fitting memorial tribute to a deceased family member.

Please let us hear from you today. This is probably one of the most important things you will do this year ... and perhaps in your lifetime. THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP!

HEYMANN HISTORICAL SOCIETY  
MEMORIALS & CONTRIBUTIONS - 1989

THE STEEPLE GROUP: (\$1,000.00 and under)

Elizabeth & Richard Moore	Grimes, California
Memorial - Glen F. Heyman	Berkey, Ohio
Donald R. Heyman - Pulpit	Liberty Center, Ohio
Marion O. Heyman - Pulpit	Liberty Center, Ohio
June & Albert H. Horn	Bryan, Ohio
Reva June & Robert Nasby	Hobart, Indiana

THE BELL TOWER GROUP: (\$100.00 and under)

Dorothea & Theodore Bolliger	Milwaukee, Wisconsin
BP America, Inc.	Cleveland, Ohio
Lenore & Elden Plue	Livonia, Michigan
Florence M. Heyman Plue	Milford, Michigan
Polly & Maurice L. Heyman	Worthington, Ohio
Mary F. Hyman - Germany Gifts	Fort Wayne, Indiana
Mary & Jack E. Wilder	Winter Springs, Florida
Norman L. Asmus	Pemberville, Ohio

THE CHOIR LOFT GROUP: (\$50.00 and under)

BASF Corporation	Monroe, Michigan
Patricia & Richard Cann	Sandusky, Ohio
William George Heiman Reunion	Hamler, Ohio
Laurel & Duane Heyman	Monroe, Michigan
Charlotte & Walter Hunt	Northridge, California
Thomas Caywood Knapp	Woodville, Texas
Margaret & Powell D. May	Stow, Ohio
Peter L. Thommen	Northridge, California
Wilma & Walter J. Ziss	Maumee, Ohio
A. Evelyn & Allen E. Lott	Warren, Ohio
Kathleen & Cleo A. Heyman	Napoleon, Ohio
Merrillville Travel Center	Merrillville, Indiana
Jean & John R. Ryder	Durango, Colorado
Joyce & John Schwemmin	Saline, Michigan
Carla & Gerald Warnock	Toledo, Ohio

THE ALTAR GROUP: (\$25.00 and under)

Helen & Richard Doty	Glendale, Arizona
Ruth & Lonnie Henderson, Sr.	Florence, Texas
Janet & Robert R. Heiman	Sylvania, Ohio
Evelyn M. Heyman	Columbus, Ohio
Glenna & Robert N. Heyman	Toledo, Ohio
Rosemary M. Heyman	Bowling Green, Ohio
Rajayne & Thomas Hoffmann	Atlanta, Georgia
Dorothy & Ray MacEacheron	Toledo, Ohio

Marie Moore Seaman	Riverbank, California
Marjorie & Albert L. Wilder	Bowling Green, Ohio
Barbara & William F. Heiman	Tontogany, Ohio
Ethelyn & Fred Heymann	Cecil, Ohio
Lois & Jack F. Hockman	Lombard, Illinois
Hope Kushmaul	Pittsford, Michigan
Judith & Dale Pringle	Toledo, Ohio
Irene & Lawrence Cleland	Swanton, Ohio
Blanche Hoch Arend	Lakewood, Ohio
Grace & Cecil Davenport	Mason, Texas
Ruth & Donald Gilpin	Treasure Island, Florida
Julia Bedell Seaman	Lakewood, Ohio
Mary & Derald Smith	Stockton, California
Janis & Howard C. Smith	Elkhart, Kansas
Barbara & Klova Thimm	Wichita, Kansas
Leslie & Anders Westerberg	Mobile, Alabama
LaVerne S. Heyman	North Fairfield, Ohio
Ruth Hockman Johnson	Napoleon, Ohio
Sally & Richard Nelsen	Owatonna, Minnesota
Linda & Daniel J. Tebbe	St. Marys, Ohio
Elsie & Fred Graf	Findlay, Ohio
Ann & Gerald F. Graf	Grand Rapids, Minnesota
Diana & Larry Smith	Willoughby, Ohio
Barbara & Allen Limes	Bowling Green, Ohio
Cheryl & Jerry Foltz	Portage, Ohio
Nancy & Larry Mourdock	Bowling Green, Ohio
Betty Lou Parsons	Grand Rapids, Ohio
Sharon & James Carter	Grand Rapids, Ohio
Gayanne & Hubert Youngpeter	Grand Rapids, Ohio
Barbara & Dennis Parsons	Somerville, New Jersey
Judith & Richard Keifer	Grand Rapids, Ohio
Ginnyruth & Steven Parsons	Grand Rapids, Ohio
Jackie & Gary Parsons	Weston, Ohio
Cathy & Patrick Jeffers	Grand Rapids, Ohio
Kate & Elmore Hughes	Arcadia, Michigan
Loretta & Robert Reed	Toledo, Ohio
Deborah & Richard Reed	Toledo, Ohio
Jessie Simmons	Toledo, Ohio
Pamela Troutman	Holland, Ohio

THE TOP FOUR STATES IN CONTRIBUTIONS WERE:

Ohio with \$1,651.; California: \$635.; Michigan: \$350.; and Indiana: \$295. The balance came from eleven other states including: Florida, Texas, Wisconsin, Arizona, Colorado, Georgia, Illinois, Kansas, Alabama Minnesota and New Jersey.

INTERESTED IN TOURING THE CHURCH:

There has been a lot of renewed interest in the Church and the Heymann Historical Society this past year. It has been quite a popular place for out of town guests to visit. Just a courtesy phone call to John Seaman, president, at (A.C. 419) 465-2633, will assure you a guided tour of the Church, "Heymann House", and perhaps some of the surrounding area ... especially if you can give him a couple of days notice.

NEW GIFT IDEAS:

The Heymann Historical Society has on-going expenses each year on the Family Church at Hunt's Corners. As a means of helping offset some of these expenses for insurance, paint and general maintenance etc. - we offer you beautiful gift ideas each year. ALL PROCEEDS from these various projects go towards the upkeep of your Church.

NEW THIS YEAR! Just in time for Christmas giving - an 8 x 12 beautiful color aerial photo of your ancestral Village of Kaltenholzhausen - suitable for framing - and a copy of the one presented to John Seaman on May 21, 1989 by their Mayor Reinhold Zimmermann. Cost is \$10.00 each.

ANOTHER NEW ITEM! A copy of the Certificate of Registration of PHILIP WILLIAM HEYMANN - our own "Christopher Columbus" - as an American Immigrant from Germany - whose name now appears on the Statue of Liberty-Ellis Island "Wall of Honor" in New York. These Certificates are reproduced on parchment paper and are suitable for framing. They would make an excellent gift for each member of your family - at \$5.00 each.

ALSO NEW! A gift box with the Family Seal inside - which preceded our Family Coat of Arms - and was designed by Parson Johannes Heymann - and implemented February 29, 1676. This gift comes with a history of the Seal, Coat of Arms and a brief history of Johannes Heymann. It also has an enclosure commemorating the Heymann/Heimann Families' visit to Kaltenholzhausen May 21, 1989 - and was produced and sold to us by our German Heymann/Heimann Cousins at our Sunday luncheon. Now you too can own your very own Family Seal! Cost is only \$5.00 each ... so they would make excellent Christmas "stocking stuffers" for each one.

Last year we were swamped with orders for our beautiful White, Gold Rimmed Mugs - with the Family Coat of Arms depicted in Blue, Red, Silver and Black on one side - and the Family Church at Hunt's Corners on the other. We had an overwhelming amount of orders for them ... and we ran out shortly before Christmas ... so some of you had to wait until a second shipment arrived. We apologize for the delay. We have a third fresh supply - so this time we feel sure we can deliver all gifts for Christmas and beyond. We had not anticipated the demand for Sets of Mugs - and had several multiple orders - including 3 Cousins that purchased sets of 12 Mugs for themselves! Thank You! It's nice to know you all liked them so much. The cost per Mug remains the same - \$10.00 each. Feel free to order as many as you like this year ... for yourself ... as well as other family members. A truly wonderful keepsake!

We have 8 x 10 color photos of the Family Coat of Arms in Blue, Red, Silver and Black - suitable for framing. They can be mailed as gifts direct to you ... or the relative of your choice. Cost remains \$10.00 per photo.

There are also Sketches of the Family Church at Hunt's Corners - now the Heymann Historical Society - reproduced on



parchment paper and suitable for framing - plus a copy of the Church History on the same paper. The cost of the Sketch/History is only \$5.00.

TOTALLY NEW! Those of you that went on the "Cousins Trip to Germany", saw the beautiful commemorative plaque we presented to the Kaltenholzhausen Church. It was mounted on walnut in silver with blue lettering - depicting our Family Coat of Arms and a map of the United States - to show all the various states that were represented by the 81 Cousins.

Now we can offer a PERSONALIZED replica plaque to each one - to commemorate your own visit. Cost is \$26.00 - plus \$3.50 for shipping & handling - for a total of \$29.50. If one of your parents - or a member of your family made this trip - it would make an excellent, truly memorable keepsake Christmas present - of their incredible adventure. Just tell us the name you want on the plaque ... and the name and address you want it shipped to - and Santa will do the rest!

All items will make excellent Christmas gifts ... so let us do your shopping for you. All orders placed by December 15th - will be shipped to arrive for Christmas. Mail all orders to: Reva June Nasby, 309 Softwood Drive, Hobart, Indiana 46342.

AERIAL KALTENHOLZHAUSEN PHOTO	-	\$10.00 each
FAMILY SEAL & HISTORY	-	\$ 5.00 each
WALL OF HONOR CERTIFICATE	-	\$ 5.00 each
HEYMANN/HEIMANN MUGS	-	\$10.00 each
FAMILY COAT OF ARMS PRINT	-	\$10.00 each
CHURCH SKETCH & HISTORY	-	\$ 5.00 each
PERSONALIZED PLAQUE	-	\$29.50 each

Please make checks payable to: HEYMANN HISTORICAL SOCIETY

#### NEW FAMILY HISTORY BOOK:

Work is progressing on the new Family History Book from 1630-1990. More chapters have been completed, but there is still much to do with indexing for thousands, and final proofreading etc. Please be patient - and remember it took five years to complete the last book - and this one will be twice that size!

We will try to insert any new births or deaths reported to us as long as possible, but as time goes by, I'm sure you understand we can't guarantee their inclusion. If you have neglected to return your questionnaires - I'm afraid if we do not receive them very soon - your article will be written with data provided by others - or not updated at all. I'm sure you can all appreciate the necessity of cut off dates, as the chapters are completed. Thank you for your help.

We had planned to take deposits for the new book this year ... but in deference to our current drive for the "Matching Funds" for the Church ... we will wait until 1990 to request deposits. All will be notified in plenty of time as to when orders are to be placed.

COUSINS TRIP TO GERMANY:

It was Thursday, May 18, 1989 - and the excitement was mounting, as all the Cousins continued to arrive from across the U.S. - and meet in our V.I.P. Room at Chicago's O'Hare International Airport - where we all anxiously awaited our departure aboard Lufthansa Airlines, for our historic flight to Frankfurt, Germany ... and a return to our "roots".

How we wished each one of you could have somehow joined us - to bask in the warmth and friendship that greeted us each day. I guess we all knew we were in for a wonderful treat as soon as we landed in Frankfurt - and were met by a contingent of German Heymann/Heimann Cousins - bearing a huge banner reading ... "WILLKOMMEN FAMILIE HEYMANN"!

They knew our itinerary - and each day some of them met us - as we traveled from one city to another. Such a wonderful spirit among them! There were 81 of us enjoying the German countryside - aboard two deluxe motorcoaches provided by American Express for our complete stay.

Our first stop was the magnificent Cologne Cathedral, overlooking the Rhine River at the Hohenzollern Bridge. The Cathedral was built over a period of six centuries (1248-1889) and survived World War II.

In Rudesheim we boarded our boat for our 65 mile Rhine River Cruise - along some of the most scenic parts of the River - and viewed 23 Castles along the way - and marveled at their steep terraced fields and vineyards. When we landed at Koblenz ... there were some of our German Cousins at the dock to greet us again! Our two buses followed them to picturesque Bad Ems - which was like a calendar photo - and we enjoyed some of the most delicious German pastries!

We also spent a day at Rothenburg - a medieval 16th Century town - still surrounded by its original defensive wall. Experts say ... no visit to Germany is complete ... without a visit to Rothenburg. We would all agree - as we saw the most intricate wood carved altar at the St. Jakobs Church ... and of course enjoyed the huge "Christmas Shop"!

In Heidelberg we stayed at the Rega Hotel for three nights. One evening we took a dinner cruise aboard the Odenwald-Quelle on the Neckar River. We went through a series of locks - and also got a peek at the Heidelberg Castle - which we were to tour the next day. After that tour we had a large keepsake color photo taken of the entire group in the Heidelberg Courtyard.

While in Heidelberg we were also privileged to visit the Royal Gardens at Schwetzingen - which were laid out in the 18th century - and patterned after the beautiful style of Versailles. The town is also famous for white asparagus.

In Limburg - north of Frankfurt - and a little north of our ancestral Village - the Mayor of Kaltenholzhausen and his lovely wife came to our hotel to greet us - and take us on a walking tour of Limburg - to view both the new and the old part of the town - as well as their beautiful Cathedral, with its seven spires - that was completed in 1235.

Then it was Sunday A.M. - and time for the highlight of our trip - a return to Kaltenholzhausen - and joining the townspeople at Church. Excitement was mounting as we first entered Hahnstatten - where the buses stopped to allow all to take photos - and look at the place that had enabled John George Heymann to earn the money bringing him and his family to America in 1848 ... to join eldest son Philip William.

Now we were entering Kaltenholzhausen! What an incredible feeling! The Mayor and Minister met us - as we all entered the beautiful, large stone Church - with its big stately clock in the steeple. We could see it was filled to it's capacity of 500 for the occasion.

The service was conducted in both English and German. One of the most significant parts of the service was the Village children - who had collected large stones from the Village - and put them into baskets - and with proud smiles beaming from each face - passed them up and down each row - so each of us could take home "a piece of Kaltenholzhausen".

Following the Church service we walked through the immaculate adjoining cemetery, where we saw the monuments of many other Heymann/Heimann Cousins.

Then it was time for the tree planting ceremony - to commemorate our visit. We had been expecting to see just a small tree planted ... but instead we found a huge circle of concrete had been poured ... with a beautiful Linden tree that was 18 feet tall! It is right next to the Town Hall - located in the Town Square. After Mayor Reinhold Zimmermann welcomed us and said a few words ... he put the first spade of dirt on the tree ... then invited each one of us to also take part ... by putting a spade of dirt on "OUR TREE". It gave each one a good feeling to participate in planting it.

While in Kaltenholzhausen - we all had our picture taken in front of the former home of Katharina Dorothea Holzer and Johann Wilhelm Heymann - which was established in 1794. It is still a beautiful home ... and we were all surprised to see there is still a lilac bush and fence there as shown in the photo on page 10 of our current family history book. A true treasure!

We all met for lunch in their Friendship Hall. With the 81 of us from America ... and 85 Cousins from all over Germany - plus the Kaltenholzhausen townspeople - we totaled 400 for lunch! The place was packed!

During the ceremony following lunch - many gifts were exchanged on both sides. John Seaman, president of the Heymann Historical Society, did an excellent job during his portion of the program. Mayor Zimmermann and former Mayor Willy Schafer conducted their part of the program - with our two tour directors ably assisting them in translations.

Both tour directors, Edward Vick of Cologne and Karl Schiederer of Munich, were quite impressed with the idea of 81 Cousins joining together for a tour of this magnitude. By the end of the week ... they were part of the family.

Our dinner in the Castle at Burgschwalbach was an extra treat ... with gifts to each of us from their Mayor. After dinner we climbed the Castle's Tower and viewed the

beautiful countryside from that excellent vantage point. It was still difficult to believe this had all been built by Heymanns in the 15th Century!

As we boarded our buses to leave ... all our German Cousins sang "Auf Wiedersehen" to us ... and there wasn't a dry eye anywhere. We continued to look back up the steep slope as we drove away ... and the Cousins continued waving white handkerchiefs, as we rounded one curve after another, until the Castle was only a speck in the distance. It was quite a lovely and thrilling experience for each one of us.

All too soon it was over and time to return to the U.S. but the memories will remain with us always. It was a fantastic trip ... and one we will treasure forever.

#### THE 81 COUSINS:

The following is a list of the fortunate ones that were able to join us on our incredible "Cousins Trip To Germany":

NANCY & RAY BERAN, Amherst, Ohio; BARBARA & RAYMOND CLEMENTS, Bloomingdale, Illinois (now Columbus, Indiana); VIRGINIA DERICKS, Morristown, New Jersey; VERENA DOAK, Santa Fe, New Mexico; BARBARA & WILLIAM HEIMAN, Tontogany, Ohio; BETTY & CHASE HEYMAN, Norwalk, Ohio; JACKIE & DANIEL HEYMAN, Los Angeles, California; EVELYN M. HEYMAN, Columbus, Ohio; HENRIETTA K. HEYMAN, Petaluma, California; VIRGINIA & JOSEPH HEYMAN, Perrysburg, Ohio; SANDRA & JOHN C. HEYMAN, Burns, Kansas; POLLY & MAURICE HEYMAN, Worthington, Ohio; ROSALEE & RICHARD S. HEYMAN, Cape Coral, Florida; A. PAULINE HEYMAN, Burns, Kansas; JACKIE & DAVID HYMAN and RACHEL, ERIN, GRETCHEN, HARVEY D. & JAMES, Paulding, Ohio; JUDGE HARVEY E. HYMAN, Paulding, Ohio; MARY HYMAN, Ft. Wayne, Indiana; BETTY JONES, Petaluma, California; ARLENE KEYSOR, Van Wert, Ohio; HOPE E. KUSHMAUL, Pittsford, Michigan; ALTHEA M. MATHEWS, Largo, Florida; OLIVE & GURNEY McLAUGHLIN, Sanford, North Carolina; MARGARET & DELBERT McNAMEE, Wichita, Kansas; ROBERT D. MOORE, Burlingame, California; FAITH ANN MYERS, New Delhi, India (and Port Matilda, Pennsylvania); REVA JUNE & ROBERT NASBY, Hobart, Indiana; TERRY L. NASBY, Valparaiso, Indiana; SALLY & RICHARD NELSEN, Owatonna, Minnesota; CHERYL NEUMAN, Findlay, Ohio; ROGER NEUMAN and daughter CATHY, Findlay, Ohio; RICHARD NEUMAN, Findlay, Ohio; JEAN & DEAN PALMER, Oberlin, Ohio; BETTY L. PARSONS, Grand Rapids, Ohio; LENORE & ELDEN PLUE, Livonia, Michigan; NEVA PORTER and daughter KAREN, Waterville, Ohio; MARIE H. RACINE, Cape Coral, Florida; RICHARD P. REECE, Berlin Heights, Ohio; LENORE RHOADES, Hudson, Michigan; MARILYN & PAUL RICHARD, McClure, Ohio; JANET & RONALD SCHEID, Shelby, Ohio; PEARL J. SCHWOCHOW, Clyde, Ohio; STEPHEN D. SCHWOCHOW, Golden, Colorado; BARBARA & JOHN SEAMAN, SR., Monroeville, Ohio; NORA & ROBERT W. SMITH, Monroeville, Ohio; BERNADINE STOWE, Lansing, Michigan; BARBARA & KLOVA THIMM, Wichita, Kansas; MARY & JACK WILDER and son DANIEL, Winter Springs, Florida; RUTH & RONALD WILLIAMS, Amherst, Ohio; N. JANE YOUNKIN, Kissimmee, Florida.

OUR NEXT TRIP:

Many have asked if we could have another trip in 1990, but since we are most anxious to complete our new Family History Book ... another trip will have to wait a little.

When we do decide to go again ... we will plan an all new European adventure for you ... but it will be after the new book is published. We will give you plenty of notice.

MORE GOOD NEWS!

In May 1990 ... eight of our German Hosts and Cousins are coming to America. They are to spend three days in Ohio and have reservations at the "Heymann House" Bed & Breakfast for Friday, May 11 - Saturday, May 12 - and Sunday May 13 - with departure Monday, May 14.

There will be a luncheon in their honor on Saturday, May 12th at "Heymann House". We urge each one of you to circle this date on your calendar right now ... and plan to join us for this historic event!

YOUR ANNUAL NEWSLETTER:

Some of you have called or written to say you do not receive a monthly newsletter - and fear the Post Office is not delivering them to you.

Each year we mail out 1,300 + Newsletters to all the Cousins. Since printing/postage/envelopes etc. are quite expensive ... we can only mail them once a year. So don't feel you are missing any. You should expect your only Newsletter about November 1st each year.

We like to keep you up to date on all the various activities and projects of your Church - and the Heymann Historical Society. If you have enjoyed receiving your Newsletter ... please drop us a line. If perhaps you might be interested in helping us offset some of our expenses ... your thoughtful contribution would be deeply appreciated.

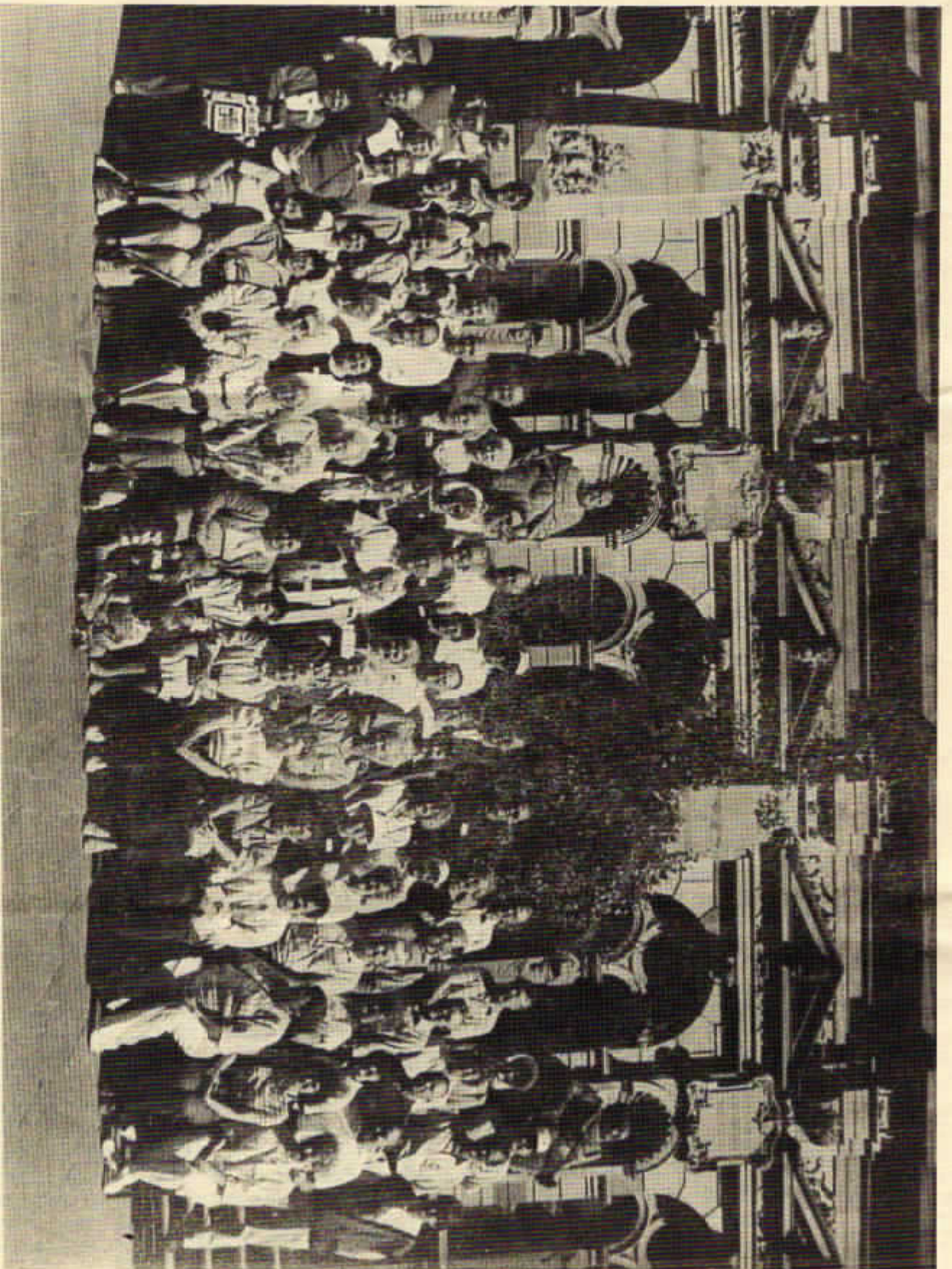
COMMENTS:

We wish to thank each one of you that has written this past year, and many, many thanks for each one's contribution no matter if it was physical, moral or financial. We could not do any of this without your help. We are most grateful for the dedication of so many of you each year ... and all the Cousins thank you from each corner of the U.S.

On behalf of all the Officers and Trustees of the Heymann Historical Society ... we send you our warm wishes for the blessings of a fine Thanksgiving ... with hopes for a great and prosperous New Year ahead in 1990 for all.

Thank you for caring ... and sharing.

Reva June Nasby, Vice President  
Member of the Board of Directors



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