



# HEYMANN HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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Fall 2019

## The Banners Were Hung on the Church Walls with Care...

...in hopes that some Heymanns soon would be there! As part of the ongoing preservation and renovation of the Church at Hunts Corners, the three German Banners given to the HHS by our German cousins have all been professionally cleaned and hemmed and are on display in the church. The hanging of these banners marks one of the final steps in the redecoration of the interior of the building. In addition to the improvements inside the church, the exterior of the building has recently been painted, and new engraved bricks have been added to the memorial sidewalk. Be sure to stop in and see the church on your next visit to the Hunts Corners area!

*(Below Left: William Seaman and Luke Parrett survey the redecorated church. Below Right: Greg Parrett and Dave Adelman hang the Burgschwalbach banner.)*



## Minutes from the Fall Board Meeting

The Fall Meeting of the Heymann Historical society was held on September 22, 2019 at Hunts Corners and was called to order in the Hunts Corners church at 1:47 p.m. by David Hyman. Present for the meeting were David Hyman, William Seaman, Kurt Heyman, Marcia Adelman, Neil Horn, Lanton Lee, Beth Horvatic, Rachel Parrett and Ed Rose. Scott Bailey and Ulrike Gapp were not present. Minutes of the August 4, 2019 Annual Meeting were read by William Seaman. Motion to accept the minutes was made by Neil Horn, and seconded by Beth Horvatic. The motion passed unanimously.

The Treasurer's Report was next up on the agenda, and was again delivered by Kurt Heyman. Kurt covered the Society income statement, contributors, balance sheet, purchased inventory balances, and asset account balances. The Society has strong financial footing, due to the generosity of the family and the board's focus on how those funds are conserved, spent and invested. Beth Horvatic moved to accept the treasurer's report, and Lanton Lee seconded the motion. The motion passed without dissent.

In Old Business, the Society internet website and newsletter report was given by Rachel Parrett. As usual Rachel requests we get the information, such as meeting notes, to her quickly. And she appreciates any unique family stories which are fit for print. *(Minutes of the Fall Board Meeting are continued on Page 5 of this newsletter.)*

**Bridging our past, present, and future...**

## Update on Cousins Trip to Europe

Trip organizer Jackie Hyman has been working tirelessly with tour leader Karl Schlederer to finalize a fantastic itinerary for the HHS trip next August. Her most recent letter on updates for the travelers is included below the pictures of some of the scenic highlights of the tour.



*Pictures: Top Row L to R: The city of Salzburg, Austria, Neuschwanstein Castle, The Eagle's Nest (Hitler's Mountain Retreat)  
Bottom Row L to R: The Louvre Palace and Museum, Lindau on Lake Konstanz*

Hello Cousins! We are making progress on our 2020 trip to Europe! When we arrive in Paris on Tuesday, August 5th, Karl is planning to whisk us off to Versailles for a tour of the castle there. On the 6th he has arranged a city tour which will include Notre Dame (from a distance, due to the repairs) as well as several other "must see" places. That evening we will have a wonderful dinner and a show. On Friday, we will visit the Louvre before travelling by train to Munich. After Munich, we head to Salzburg for two nights and from Salzburg, on to Oberammergau for the Passion Play. On the 12th of August we will head for the Black Forest region seeing Neuschwanstein castle and a visit to Lindau on Lake Konstanz. While in that region there will be a trip to Colmar. From the Black Forest we will travel to Limburg which will include a Rhine River Cruise on Saturday. On Sunday the highlight of our trip will be the visit with our German cousins!

As all of the specifics are not settled at this time, we do not have a definite cost, but Karl assures me that we will know by early December the land costs. There are still one or two openings for anyone who has not signed up and wants to go. Due to the time remaining and deposits due in Europe, I would need a deposit of \$1,500.00 (or more) if you are serious about joining us on this adventure. Please make all checks payable to "Heymann Historical Trip" and mail them to: Jackie Hyman, 302 North Cherry Street, Paulding, Ohio 45879.

I am looking forward to a great opportunity to see and do wonderful things in the company of our Heymann cousins. I hope that you will be able to join us.

~Sincerely, Jackie Hyman

## From the Desk of the President...

Dear Cousins:

The Fall meeting of the Heymann-Heimann Historical Society was held in the church at Hunts Corners on September 22, 2019. All members were present with the exception of Scott Bailey and our German Cousin, Ulrike Gapp. The Treasurer's Report followed the minutes of the Annual meeting and both were approved.

As to the matter of old business, the Board heard the reports of the Internet website from Board member, Rachel Parrett. Jackie Hyman explained the status of the 2020 Family trip to Europe. As to new business, the meeting proceeded to the election of officers with last year's members returned to their prior positions with the exception that Board member, Elizabeth Horvatich is our Vice President for the current year. Board members William C. Seaman, Marcia A. Adelman, Scott L. Bailey, and Rachel Parrett were reelected to the Board for three-year terms each. The Board has a potential vacancy to fill, and the Board members interviewed an applicant for that opening but decided to wait for the submission of other expected applications with a decision to be made at the Spring meeting as to whether the board requires additional members. The Spring meeting will be held at the home of David and Jackie Hyman.

The Society is in good financial condition and the Board and officers are as eager as ever to represent the family. Your interest in participating in the Society and in viewing the Society's website are important to insuring the continued existence and progress of our unique family organization.

~Sincerely, David A. Hyman, President

### Heymann Guest House Beautifully Repainted

If you are planning a trip to Hunts Corners to retrace the steps of your ancestors, consider staying at the comfortable and perfectly situated Heymann Guest House at 3057 Sandhill Road. Renovated and maintained by your Heymann cousins, this historic home is just a short walk away from the church at Hunts Corners and the nearby cemetery where many of the first members of the Heymann family in Ohio are laid to rest. Call and ask for William or Donna at 313-884-0624.



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# In Memoriam

Our prayers go out to the families and friends of the following relatives.

**Craig Haas** of Tontogany, OH, born July 3, 1958 - Apr 23, 2019, age 60, pg 746

**Robert Heiman** of Sylvania, OH, born Aug 13, 1926 - Dec 22, 2018, age 92, pg 756

**Melvin Wenig, Jr.** of Perrysburg, OH, born July 22, 1937 - Aug 21, 2018, age 81, pg 738

**Mary McLaughlin** of South Euclid, OH, born Oct 5, 1950 - Dec 25, 2018, age 68, pg 1148

## Newest Additions to the Heymann Family

**Tyler Jonathon Stein** was born Jan 22, 2018 to Adam & Jody Stein of Custar, OH

**Wolfe Matthias Esser** was born Apr 27, 2019 to Timothy & Gretchen Esser of Marshall, MI

**David Lorne Hyman** was born July 16, 2019 to James & Katherine Hyman of Monterey, CA



## Memorial Brick Sidewalk at Hunts Corners Church

A lovely way to honor a beloved family member or to memorialize a departed one while preserving our family's heritage is to have an engraved brick placed in the brick sidewalk at the church in Hunts Corners.

**Order Form and Instructions:** Complete the order form\* below. If you would like to order more than one brick, please make a copy of the form before completing it. Make a copy of the form (s) for your records. Enclose check with order form payable to **Heymann Historical Society**. Mail form and payment to: Mr. Kurt Heyman, 2417 Mudbrook Rd., Huron, Ohio 44839. If you have questions, please contact Kurt at 419.433.6671 or by email: [kurthey@buckeye-express.com](mailto:kurthey@buckeye-express.com).

\*Order forms can also be downloaded from the website: [www.heymanhistorical.org](http://www.heymanhistorical.org)

Print one letter per square. The symbol "&" may be used instead of the word "and" to save space.

Text will be centered on each brick. (See above photo.)

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## Minutes from Fall Board Meeting, continued from Page 1

Website traffic is slightly up from its normal levels. We've received no further word from BGSU regarding any presentation. The banners which were given to the Society as remembrances of past family trips to Europe were hung by Greg and Rachel Parrett on September 22, 2019. The banners look fantastic in our recently repainted, carpeted and redecorated church.

Gifts to the Society were already covered in Kurt's presentation. All contributors are also acknowledged, unless they choose to remain anonymous, in our newsletter. The report on the progress regarding reservations for 2020 family trip to Europe was given by Jackie Hyman. Jackie discussed some deadlines coming up for the trip. By December 1, 2019 we need to make the full payment for the Oberammergau portion of the trip. By February 1, 2020 we will need to make a down payment for the hotel in Paris. June 30, 2020 is the deadline for names for seats, passports, etc. The group is flying into Paris from the Detroit Metropolitan airport, via Delta airlines. The flight will be leaving at 6:00 p.m. [Detroit time] and arriving in Paris at 8:00 a.m. [Paris time]. Trip insurance was not quite ready at the time of the meeting. Jackie stated there were 32 definite travelers for the trip. Jackie Hyman gave the report on the sale of gift items as well. A new idea was presented to have Heymann



family themed jewelry available with the family crest. These items would be made to order (no inventory would be maintained) and would appeal to both women and men. Prototypes will be further discussed at the spring meeting.

In New Business, the election of officers was held. David Hyman was reelected as President; William Seaman was reelected as Secretary; and Kurt Heyman was reelected as Treasurer. Beth Horvatich was elected as Vice President, taking over the office which was vacant. In case we are keeping track – William Seaman made the motion for David Hyman to be President. That motion was seconded by Kurt Heyman. For Vice President Rachel Parrett made the motion for Beth Horvatich, and Marcia Adelman seconded the motion. For Secretary, Lanton Lee made the motion for William Seaman, and Marcia Adelman (moving things along) seconded that motion. For Treasurer, Neil Horn made the motion to choose Kurt Heyman, and Beth Horvatich seconded the motion. All votes were unanimous for all the four positions. The Board then held an interview for a vacant board position. Natalie Kaltenbach was interviewed by the Board. The members found Natalie to be very qualified. The Society has one more person to interview for the vacant position before any decision is to be made.

William Seaman talked about an idea given to him by Bradley Smith. At a time when the undisturbed rural nature of Hunts Corners is under threat by industrial wind development, the Society needs to think bigger. William talked about advertising to family members and others who may not have someone to leave their farmland to upon their passing, to consider leaving their farmland to the Society. The Society would agree to keep the property in farming in perpetuity. There are members on the board who could manage these farm properties. No changes in the bylaws would be necessary to do this. One would hope the Society could use the proceeds from the farming of those parcels to expand the Society footprint at Hunt Corners – in order to maintain the vista that we enjoy today for the generations to come.

The low attendance of the August reunion was brought up for discussion. While not a core function of the group, we need to discuss with the person in charge ideas for increasing attendance at the annual reunion. Rachel Parrett discussed skyping Duane Heyman into the spring 2020 meeting. William Seaman moved to skype Duane Hyman into the spring meeting, and this motion was seconded by Beth Horvatich. The motion passed unanimously.

At 3:06 p.m. Beth Horvatich moved to adjourn the meeting, and Marica Adelman seconded the motion. The motion was quickly and unanimously passed. ~Respectfully Submitted by William Seaman

# Heymans on the Cutting Edge of Technology 100 Years Ago

The Ohio Farm Bureau Federation News July 1927

## Farmers Finance Lighting System

Two Hundred in Huron County Served

**S**PEAKING of electricity on farms, the Lyme Mutual Light and Power Company has been furnishing electric current to a number of farmers in Huron and Erie Counties for nearly nine years. When the present extensions to the line are completed nearly 200 farmers mostly in Lyme and Ridgely Townships, Huron County, with a few over the line in Erie will be receiving current through this mutual concern.

When asked how farmers in that section happened to have electricity on their farms, Joe Lawler, well-known Farm Bureau worker of Huron County and a director of the Company, said:

"It's the same old story. A group of us farmers wanted something and were willing to cooperate to get it, and when a group wants something badly enough and are willing to work together they usually get results."

Nearly 10 years ago about 25 farmers in that section decided they wanted electric lights on their farms. They formed a temporary organization and asked the Lake Shore Electric Company what sort of an arrangement could be made to secure current. The Company asked for a guarantee of \$150, securing which they would put in a transformer and meter, and the farmers could build their own lines and use all the "juice" they wanted to pay for.

The Mutual Company was formed and divided the territory into two sections, one north and the other south of the electric line from which current is secured. Because of a difference in the number of users, and the distance covered, the original cost to those south of the line was a little more than \$170 and to those north a little over \$240. This did not include the cost of an individual transformer for the farm nor the cost of individual farm wiring and equipment.

The Mutual was formed, not for profit, and stock was issued to each man for the original investment he made. Each farmer paid for his own meter, transformer, and secondary lines from transformer to farm and could get as much or little wiring and equipment as he pleased. The Mutual agreed to care for the transformer and secondary lines, and pay their secretary for the work involved in this part of the agreement.

Original installation consisted of a single phase, 230 volt line, giving only 1/2

H. P. and now loaded to capacity. About 45 miles of line were in use this spring when an addition of nearly 20 miles was started. The line now runs to within four miles of the city of Sandusky.

One elevator, the Central Erie Supply at Front is served by the line. It is here that a comparison of costs was secured. Using gasoline to run the elevator machinery, costs ran around \$90 to \$95 a month. Using electricity, the same cost is about \$30 to \$35.

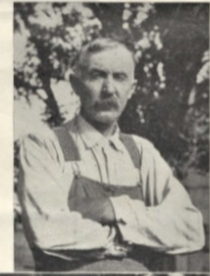
Individual users of the line pay on the basis of the current used, with a minimum charge of 75 cents. Up to 40 kilowatts a month the charge is 9 cents a kilowatt. From 40 to 100 kilowatts the charge is 7 cents, and for all over 100 kilowatts, 5 cents. No service charge is made, unless for some special job.

Farmers wanted lights primarily, and the first use of the current is for lights for house and barn. But an electric range was put in at one place on the line this year, electric vacuum cleaners and irons are to be found in nearly every home, and practically all farmers on the line use the current for pumping water for stock and for small machinery such as tool grinders. The current is not heavy enough to use for feed grinding and such work.

The Mutual Company is operated under the direction of 10 men chosen at the annual election, and may be picked from anywhere in the territory. More than half the stockholders usually attend the annual meetings. Present officers are Dan Heyman, Sr., president; Henry Schoes, vice-

president, and Oliver Heyman, secretary-treasurer. These men and H. F. Williams, William Radcliff, Tom Heyman, William Norman, George Rogers, William Cowie, and J. A. Lawler form the directorate.

The Farm Bureau Federation recently started an investigation of the possibilities of light and power lines over the state. There are probably other places where some such arrangement as that described in Lyme Township can be effected. We shall be glad to assist any community that is interested in this type of work.



THE top picture of this group shows Oliver Heyman, secretary of the Lyme Mutual Light and Power Company since its organization. Mr. Heyman is in charge of all the lines of the mutual, and keeps all records of the Company.

The second picture shows a section of the line in Erie County. The paved road in the foreground is the Columbus-Sandusky pike a few miles out of Sandusky. On the pole in the center of the picture, which is part of the property of the Company, can be seen one of the generators at the take-off from the line.

The bottom picture shows the Central Erie Exchange at Front, Erie County. Equipment "with a fence around it" at the left of the picture will generate 400 H. P. for running the elevator machinery.



This fascinating article from *The Ohio Farm Bureau Federation News* in July of 1927 discusses rural electrification in Huron County, Ohio nearly one hundred years ago. Several members of the Heyman family were among those who made electricity possible for the residents of that area by forming a cooperative to petition the Lake Shore Electric Company to install a transformer and meter in their area. Individuals were responsible for the costs of individual transformers and wiring. With nearly 200 people served by electricity in Huron County by 1927, the farmers of that area had the advantage of electric lights for their homes and barns. Although not strong enough to grind feed, the current provided was ample for powering electric vacuums and irons in most homes and a newly installed electric range for one lucky family in 1927!

Although we take electricity for granted, in 1919 (around the time the Mutual was established by Heyman farmers and their neighbors) only about 40% of American households had electricity. According to General Electric, Ohio ranked fifth in the US of states with access to electricity in 1921. Approximately 66% of Ohio homes had electricity by 1921, but most of these were in urban areas. Only New York, Pennsylvania, Illinois, and Massachusetts ranked above Ohio. General Electric credits the enormous Niagara Falls power plant for the prevalence of electricity to residents of this area of the country. (The gentleman pictured in the article is Oliver Heyman [page 564], who served as Secretary of the Lyme Mutual Light and Power Company and was in charge of all the lines of the mutual. He was also a board member of the Hunts Corners Reformed Church. Special thanks to Kurt Heyman for submitting this historic news article.)

## Test Your German Christmas Knowledge

Match the German Term to Its English Equivalent. (Answers on Last Page)

1. \_\_\_\_\_ Zuckerstange
2. \_\_\_\_\_ Lebkuchen
3. \_\_\_\_\_ Wunschzettel
4. \_\_\_\_\_ Kerze
5. \_\_\_\_\_ Lametta
6. \_\_\_\_\_ Krippenspiel
7. \_\_\_\_\_ Heiligabend
8. \_\_\_\_\_ Schenken
9. \_\_\_\_\_ Schlittschuhlaufen
10. \_\_\_\_\_ Geschenk

- A. Ice Skating
- B. Tinsel
- C. Gift
- D. Candy Cane
- E. Wish List
- F. Nativity Scene
- G. Gift Giving
- H. Gingerbread
- I. Christmas Eve
- J. Candle

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## HEYMANN HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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April 15, 2019 - November 9, 2019



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Office Ph: 419.399.4916 or Home Ph: 419.399.4659.

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## Stocking Stuffers & Under-the-Tree Gifts

### HHS Heymann Coat of Arms Note Cards



Great Deal!  
\$12 for a pack of 8 (blank inside) cards featuring the family coat of arms with envelopes.

### Heymann Ornament

This lovely round ornament features the Heymann Coat of Arms in red, blue, and silver printed on a frosted white background. The reverse of the ornament displays the society's name and "2010."

Ornament: \$10 / With Display Stand: \$14

### Wooden Replica of Hunts Corners Church

was \$20, **NOW \$17.50**

### Heymann Family Tapestry Afghan

(Multicolor, 54"x 70") includes Coat of Arms, Hunts Corners Church, Church at Burgschwalbach, Castle at Burgschwalbach, Church at Kaltenholzhausen

**\$75.00 Each** (only 2 left)

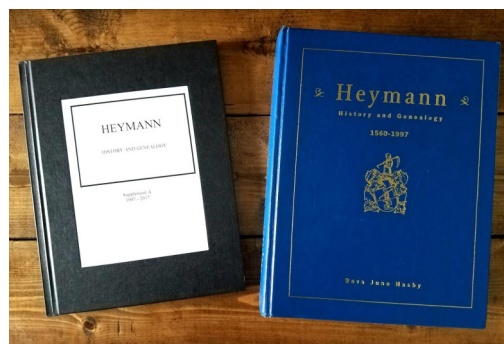
**Call Jackie for availability of Hats, Polos, Jackets, and Sweatshirts.**

### SALE!!!

**SALE!** 150th Anniversary paperweight etched glass Heymann Coat of Arms and dates 1848-1998  
Was \$30, **NOW \$20**

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Answers from Page 6: 1. D, 2. H, 3. E, 4. J, 5. B, 6. F, 7. I, 8. G, 9. A, 10. C

For more information, or to place an order, please contact Jackie Hyman at 302 N Cherry St, Paulding, OH 45879. She can also be reached by telephone at 419.399.4659, (please leave a message) or by email at jackie@hymanandhyman.com to answer any questions. All prices include shipping. All of the net proceeds from these items go to the restoration and upkeep of the Hunts Corners Church and the Matthew Heyman Memorial Friendship Hall. **Please note: Payment must be made when item is ordered. Checks should be payable to the Heymann Historical Society.**