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Fall 2020

Johannes Heymann - Part I

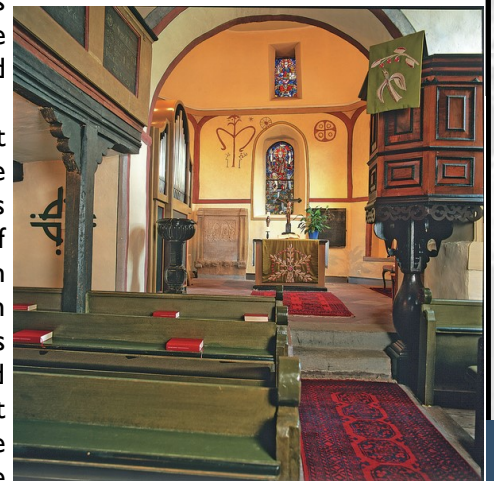
If you are fortunate enough to travel with the HHS to our homeland of Germany, or if you are able to return to the land native to the Heymann/Heimann family on a trip of your own, a stop in the German state of Rhineland-Palatinate is essential. It is from this region, once known as the Duchy of Nassau, located between Limburg to the north and Wiesbaden to the south that the little village of Burgschwalbach rests. This little town slightly southwest of Kaltenholzhausen plays an important role in the history of our family. Thanks to the research and efforts of many of our predecessors, we have excellent genealogical records tracing our family to the village of Kaltenholzhausen from whence several members of the Heymann family emigrated and came to the United States of America in the mid-1800's. However, we also have records which go back centuries in what is now Germany. It is from those records, which date back approximately 400 years, that we begin our look into the life of one Johannes Heymann, who served as the pastor of the church in Burgschwalbach in the second half of the 17th century. Described as being an impulsive

"hothead," a witch-hunter, and a church renovator, Johannes is certainly one of the more colorful members of the Heymann line!

Johannes Heymann was born in Burgschwalbach in 1619 to a wealthy farmer by the name of Han Heymann. Johannes was born at the beginning of the turbulent Thirty Years War. The religious and political war had begun in 1618 when the Catholic Ferdinand II attempted to assert his authority over the various Protestant principalities throughout modern-day Germany. After the Defenestration of Prague, Ferdinand called on his allies in Austria and Spain to subdue the Protestant rebellion and assist him in his quest to become the Holy Roman Emperor. The war raged on for the next thirty years (until Johannes was 29 years old), and the staggering toll it took on the population of Europe is unlike anything we have seen in our country. It is believed that approximately half of the German population died during this conflict, the majority of starvation and disease. Exact numbers are unknown, but estimates place the total dead in Central Europe at around 5 to 8 million.

A view of the exterior of the church in Burgschwalbach.

This brief history lesson is important because it helps us to understand the times in which Johannes lived. His entire childhood, adolescence, and early adulthood were lived in the shadow of this horrific war. A very real struggle existed in the religious lives of the people of Europe. And it was during this tumultuous period that Johannes Heymann chose to study Theology in Marburg and assumed the pastorate in Dorsdorf in western Germany at the age of 24. We have little reliable information from this time until he returned to Burgschwalbach in 1661 at the age of 42 and married his third wife. We do know that he had been married twice before and that each of his first two wives died during childbirth, leaving Johannes with one surviving daughter from each wife. From this point until his death, we have some incredibly vivid accounts of this complex man. We will examine his life after returning to Burgschwalbach in the Spring 2021 Newsletter.



The beautifully restored interior of the church.

Bridging our past, present, and future...

Update on Rescheduled Cousins Trip to Europe



Dear Cousins,

It is a bittersweet task for me to write this message to the Heymann Cousins. Bitter because I had hoped to be bringing you a glowing report of the wonderful experiences which we enjoyed on our 2020 Cousins' Trip to Europe. As I am sure you are aware of the fact that after all of the planning and preparing for an exciting adventure with family and friends, our trip was postponed for two years. Several of our fellow travelers are now unable to go with us on this excursion in 2022 for various

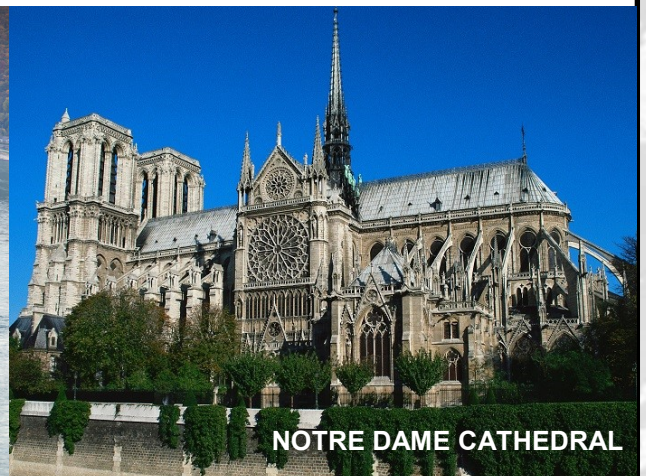
reasons including family celebrations and preplanned vacations for 2022 which adds to the bitterness because we will not be able to spend time with those who have cancelled their trip with us.

We had a great itinerary planned by our "Cousin" Karl, whom many of you know from past Cousins' Trips, or from meeting him when he visited with some of our German Cousins who came to see us in 1998, or when he came to our Annual Reunion/Meeting several years ago. Karl had worked out a very special trip for us and at a very affordable price (identical to what we paid for the 2014 trip) including the Passion Play and flights. We are hoping for something similar for August of 2022. I am expecting the cost to be possibly more than \$5,000.00 per person and less than \$6,500.00, but it will be some time before I know the total cost per person as costs and exchange rates may vary in the next year and a half. Costs for air travel are always "questionable" (up in the air!), but they are low at the present. We will not have access to that information until at least one year from our return flight.

For a look at the bright side, it is also a sweet opportunity for all of those of you who were unable to go with us in 2020. This will also give each of us an opportunity to ask family members and friends to come along with us. We now have at least nine seats available for family and friends who would like to take advantage of our delayed trip. These seats are on a first-come-first-served basis with a minimum deposit of \$500.00 per person with the balance due about the first of April 2022.

I will set up a schedule for those who prefer to make regular payments so as not to be burdened with a huge final payment. I will accept initial and additional deposits from those who choose to send them. 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. If you have any questions, please email me at jackie@hymanandhyman.com or call (419) 399-4659 (please leave a message, as we screen our calls). I am looking forward to a great trip with a great group of people! It is also a sweet opportunity for those of you who were unable to go with us in 2020 for reasons of your own. ~Sincerely, Jackie Hyman



From the Desk of the President...

Dear Cousins:

Your board met on September 27, 2020 at Hunts Corners, Ohio for its usual Fall Meeting. There was no Spring Meeting due to the Covid-19 scare, and the Annual Meeting did not take place either for the same reason. The Board welcomed a new member to fill the vacancy left by the resignation of Duane Heyman. The new member is Paula Heyman, who is the daughter of Duane and Laurel Heyman. Paula is an attorney and will be a real asset to Heymann Historical Society Board.

The 2020 trip to Europe had to be abandoned due to the Covid-19 outbreak and has been tentatively re-scheduled for 2022. The Passion Play will be held that year as well, thus restoring a much anticipated event. Jackie Hyman is in regular contact with our tour guide, Karl Schlederer, and others regarding this. In addition to working on the trip plans, Jackie is also enthusiastic about the new items the Society has for sale. They make wonderful gifts and support the HHS.

Please maintain your interest in our family's unique history! We who serve as your representatives as Board Members, Officers, and Trustees are proud to do so and are available to answer your questions and to otherwise help you to appreciate your special heritage as fellow Heymanns, Heimanns, Heymans, and Hymans!

~Sincerely, David A. Hyman, President

Introducing: *Scottie and Alex Slauterbeck!*

2020 certainly disrupted plans for all of us. School closures, work-from-home scenarios, postponed vacations, sports cancellations, and isolation from friends and family took a negative toll on many of us. However, this year also gave us reasons to celebrate. We were able to spend more time with those we love, welcome new babies home, catch up on tasks that had been left for "someday," and learn to appreciate many aspects of our lives we had taken for granted. One such celebration in 2020 was the marriage of Alex Osborn and Scottie Slauterbeck. Alex is the daughter of HHS Vice President Beth Horvatich, and Scottie is the son of Robert and Diana Slauterbeck. The couple was married at St Paul's Church in Norwalk, Ohio on October 3rd. Scottie works as a fireman in Fremont, and Alex will be graduating in May of 2021 with a bachelors degree in early childhood education.



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Gifts for All Ages



17oz Travel Mug
Features Heymann Coat of Arms, Church at Hunts Corners, Church in Kaltenholzhausen, and Castle in Burgschwalbach. Choice of background design: woodgrain (see left) or pastel tile (see right). \$28.00



HHS Heymann Coat of Arms Note Cards

\$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)



Canvas Tote

Featuring the Church at Hunts Corners. (Measures 15in by 18 in) \$20.00

SALE!!!

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

SALE! 150th Anniversary glass tree ornament etched with Heymann Coat of Arms and dates 1848-1998 Was \$15, **NOW \$10**

SALE! Heymann Family Cookbook, 84 pgs. Was \$10, **NOW \$7.50**

NEW BOOK - Supplement A
\$35 each

Call for pricing of expedited shipping. Heymann Genealogy (Blue) Book was \$75, **NOW \$60**

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



11oz Ceramic Mug

This striking mug features the Heymann Coat of Arms. \$20.00



20oz Stainless Steel Mug

This sleek container features the Coat of Arms, Church at Hunts Corners, Church in Kaltenholzhausen, and the Castle in Burgschwalbach. \$30.00

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.**

Minutes from Fall Board Meeting

The Fall Meeting of the Heymann Historical Society was held at Hunts Corners, Ohio on Sunday, September 27, 2020. The meeting was called to order at 2:01 p.m. by president David Hyman. Present at the fall meeting were David Hyman, William Seaman, Kurt Heyman, Marcia Adelman, Scott Bailey, Landon Lee, Rachel Parrett and Edward Rose. Not present were Neil Horn, Elizabeth Horvatich and Ulrike Gapp.

Minutes of the fall 2019 meeting were read by secretary William Seaman. Please note that due to the corona virus there was no spring 2020 meeting, nor was there a family reunion in August 2020. Minutes were accepted as is. Motion to accept minutes was made by Kurt Heyman, then seconded by Scott Bailey, and motion was passed without dissent.

The Treasurer's report was presented next by Kurt Heyman. In his usual professional manner, Kurt updated the board on the financial health of the Society. Kurt presented the income statement for 2020, then the balance sheet for 2020, asset balances through August 31, 2020 and also bonds and securities balance through September 30, 2020. Kurt also included a report of the purchased inventory balances as well. At the end of the report Kurt listed contributions to the Society for the calendar year January 1st through September 30, 2020. The Society was the benefactor of a large gift from the family of Duane Heyman. A wedding has been scheduled at the church in October of 2021 as well. Lanton Lee moved to accept the Treasurer's report. Rachel seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. We thank Kurt for his outstanding work as the treasurer for the Society.

The first topic of Old Business was the Society Internet Website and Newsletter. No Spring newsletter was produced. Traffic to our website has been steady, but we need to drive more traffic to the site. In the area of gifts received by the society, Kurt covered this issue in his Treasurer's report. We continue to have substantial support from our Heyman family. Kurt covered the sale of bricks for the brick sidewalk in front of the church at Hunts Corners in his Treasurer's report as well. Rachel showed some new gift ideas to the group to stimulate sales. She showed a sample of an HHS themed necklace to the group. She also had samples of totes and tumblers – both priced at roughly \$20. HHS themed mugs would be priced at roughly \$15—\$20. Members present at the meeting were impressed by the graphics used for these gift items. It was the consensus that Rachel should and will order mugs and tote bags to be sold by the HHS.

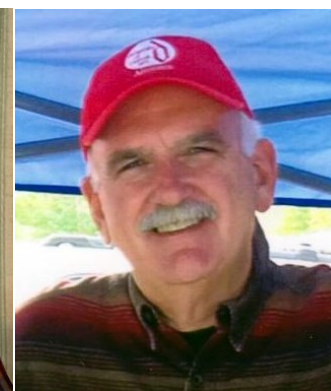
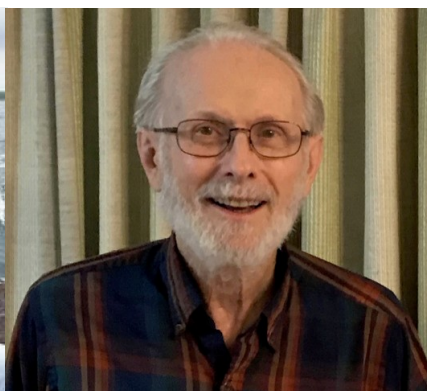
Due to the worldwide pandemic, the August 2020 cousin's trip to Europe was postponed to 2022. Jackie Hyman has been in touch with Karl Schlederer regarding the future visit. Karl has 33 Oberammergau tickets reserved. Currently 25 individuals are signed up for the trip. Jackie is asking for more people to join the trip. The estimated price for the two-week trip is \$5,000 - \$6,500 per person.

The wooden fence around the church continues to be a maintenance issue. William was able to obtain a bid from 4A Fence and Supply, LLC to replace the wooden fence with a white vinyl picket fence which would be 130 feet long on the southern side of the church, and 8 feet long at the southeast corner and southwest corner. The bid also includes a 14-foot above ground corner post which would hold the sign designating Hunts Corners as a national historic district. Total cost for this project would be \$3692. After much discussion a motion was made by Scott Bailey to take down the fence, and after having it down, decide then whether to replace the wooden fence with the vinyl picket fence. It is our hope that after the fall harvest we might be able to get together to deconstruct the fence. Rachel Parrett seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

In New Business, the filling of the vacancy on the board was the first topic discussed. We had two candidates for the one vacancy on the board. This was a vacancy created when Duane Heyman resigned due to health reasons. This vacancy had been discussed since the fall meeting in September 2019. *(Continued on Page 6)*

Family Members We Lost in 2020

This year, we lost several family members who were closely linked to the Heymann Historical Society. Norma, Joan, Olive, Josephine, and Duane traveled to Europe with their Heymann cousins on multiple trips. Norma and Duane were actively involved in reunions and the society. Robert recently performed for the family at the 100th J. G. Heymann reunion. Those of us who remain cherish their memories and remember their enthusiasm for promoting and preserving their (and our) family history. (Pictured below from left to right: Norma Zorn, Joan Zorn, Duane Heyman, and Robert Plue.)



Robert Scott Plue of Livonia, MI, born April 30, 1961 - Jan 5, 2020, age 58, pg 546

Olive Heyman McLaughlin of Southern Pines, NC, born Dec 29, 1923 - Jan 5, 2020, age 96, pg 1147

Norma Jean Zorn of Sandusky, OH, born Sept 10, 1929 - Mar 23, 2020, age 90, pg 256

Duane Allan Heyman of Monroe, MI, born June 11, 1941 - July 10, 2020, age 79, pg 165

Josephine Hacker of Chicago, Illinois, born March 10, 1933—July 11, 2020, age 87, pg 931

Harvey Douglas Hyman of Lima, OH, born Nov 20, 1942 - Aug 10, 2020, age 77, pg 1173

Joan Delores Zorn of Sandusky, OH, born Nov 2, 1929 - Oct 17, 2020, age 90, pg 253

Recent Births in the Heymann Family

Genevieve Kalea Hyman was born Nov 21, 2019 to Harvey & Caci Hyman of Paulding, OH

Evelyn Elizabeth Moran was born Aug 29, 2020 to Nathan & Erin Moran of Piqua, OH

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Paula Heyman expressed her wishes to be considered for the vacancy on the board. After much discussion a motion was made to choose Paula Heyman to fill this board vacancy, with her term expiring in 2022. The motion passed. Addressing the issues caused by the cancellation of the Annual Meeting, a resolution was voted on by the board members stating "...that all trustees with terms expiring in 2020 shall continue to serve in the same positions and capacities until the holding of the next annual meeting with the same powers, responsibilities, and duties." The motion to accept and implement the above resolution was made by William Seaman and seconded by Kurt Heyman. The resolution passed with 8 Yeas and 0 Nays and was adopted on September 27, 2020. To conclude new business, a motion was made by William Seaman to ratify all actions taken by the board members during the past year. Scott Bailey seconded the motion and it was approved without dissent. At 3:28 p.m. Marcia Adelman moved to adjourn the meeting. Scott Bailey seconded the motion. ~Respectfully Submitted by William Seaman

Thank You for Supporting the HHS

Memorials & Contributions—November 10, 2019– October 20, 2020

The Steeple Group (\$500.00 or More)

David & Jackie Hyman	Paulding, Ohio
Duane & Laurel Heyman	Monroe, Michigan
Victor Moreno	Fort Worth, Texas
Paula D Heyman	Buda, Texas

Honoring

Duane Heyman

The Bell Tower Group (\$250.01 to \$499.99)

Barbara French	Carpinteria, California
Kurt & Sue Heyman	Huron, Ohio

Donald Smith, Kim Smith
Duane Heyman, Chase Heyman

The Choir Loft Group (\$50.01 to \$250.00)

Elden & Lenore Plue	Westland, Michigan
J Philip Seaman	Monroeville, Ohio
John & Christina Heyman	Matthews, North Carolina
Ulrike Heymann Gapp	Burgschwalbach, Germany

Robert N Heyman
Duane Heyman

The Altar Group (Up to \$50.00)

David & Kathy Kreiger	Monroe, Michigan
Gerald & Carol Miller	Monroe, Michigan
Greg & Rachel Parrett	Antwerp, Ohio
J Jan & Maoyao Huang	Riverview, Michigan
Marilyn Hankins	Wadsworth, Ohio
Mary Jo Hassen	Swanton, Ohio
Michael & Myrna Capraro	Riverview, Michigan
Scott Bailey	Cleveland, Ohio
Stanley & Lisa Wilhelm	Custar, Ohio
Tracy & Cassie PUNCHES	Grand Rapids, Ohio
Warren Ruggles Family	Norwalk, Ohio
William G Heiman Reunion	Hamler, Ohio

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Naming an organization and giving a life insurance policy is another way of completing your plans to help an organization to continue after your death and is a meaningful legacy. A monetary gift in memory of, or in honor of, a loved one is another thoughtful way to support the society. Contributions and memorials may be mailed at any time to: **Heymann Historical Society**, Kurt Heyman, 2417 Mudbrook Rd, Huron, Ohio 44839. Ph: 419.541.0544 (Heymann Historical Society—Federal Tax ID # 34-1365013)

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Need to Get Away? Come to Hunts Corners!



If you would like to get away to a peaceful, private retreat, consider planning a trip to Hunts Corners to visit the location where the Heymanns first settled in the United States. You are certain to enjoy your stay at the comfortable and perfectly situated Heymann Guest House at 3057 Sandhill Road. This beautiful and renovated historic home which is owned and maintained by your Heymann cousins, 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 to immigrate to Ohio are laid to rest. The towns of Norwalk and Bellevue are just a short drive away, or you can spend time in nearby Sandusky.

****Call and ask for William or Donna at 313-689-8065.****

