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Kaltenholzhausen's New "Old" Church

In this issue, we are featuring the first of a multi-part story of the recent celebration of the 125th anniversary of the Kaltenholzhausen church in the German village where the Heymann brothers lived before settling in the United States of America. This issue will contain a history of the church authored by Reiner Keitsch which was published before the 125th anniversary celebration in November of 2021. The information and images contained in this article were graciously provided by our German cousin and HHS Board Member Ulrike Gapp along with our relative and friend Brigitte Kitschke. We appreciate their efforts in continuing to strengthen the connection among our family members.

125 Years of the Protestant Church in Kaltenholzhausen

A village celebrates its church

The citizens of Kaltenholzhausen have a very special anniversary coming up in 2021: The village will celebrate the 125th birthday of its "new" church. New church? Yes, the "old" village church in Kaltenholzhausen was, as chroniclers of the time wrote, "ramshackle, no longer safe and dilapidated." August Konrad Heusinger, pastor in Hahnstätten and thus also in Kaltenholzhausen from 1838 to 1857, wrote that he desperately asked that a new church building be undertaken (1842). Unfortunately, the financial circumstances at the time did not allow this. Even a new organ, which was necessary at that time, could not be realised, although Pastor Heusinger had added 50 guilders to the church budget every year. Important repair work, e.g.

on the roof of the chapel (1854), was not carried out well, so that some of it had to be re-roofed. Some minor embellishment work inside the building provided small rays of hope for this time and again. It was thanks to Pastor Heusinger that a new organ was installed in 1865 by organ builder Christian Friedrich Voigt from Wiesbaden-Igstadt, a leading organ building workshop in the Duchy of Nassau.

Unfortunately, the decay of the building could no longer be stopped. In 1893, the parish decided with a heavy heart to demolish its old chapel due to dilapidation and to build a new, larger church. Unfortunately, it is still not clear how old the previous building really was. The commemorative publication "100 Years of the Protestant Church in Kaltenholzhausen" states: "The old church or chapel in Kaltenholzhausen, which was demolished in 1895, is mentioned in documents around 1364 and was located on the side of the cemetery hill facing the village, a few metres away from the present church. It can also be read that the church in Kaltenholzhausen is described as a "branch of the parish of Hahnstätten" as early as the 15th century.

The planning preparations for the new church building went well and so the "Kallholser" began work under the direction of the architect Ludwig Hofmann from Herborn. The wish of the Kaltenholzers... (continued on Page 2)



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Zeugnis des geistigen und künstlerischen Schaffens im ausgehenden 19. Jhd. An der Erhaltung und Pflege besteht aus wissenschaftlichen und städtebaulichen



Above: Kaltenholzhausen Church sketch. Note the tower and clock on the righthand side.

(Continued from Page 1) ...to take over the organ, which was only 30 years old, as well as the pulpit and both bells from the old building into the new building was agreed to after an expert examination of the objects. After the demolition of the old chapel, in which carpenter Preußner, roofer Zimmermann, mayor Wilhelm Gaul and police sergeant Leonhard Wilhelm Sprenger, among others, were significantly involved, the Protestant Christians went to Hahnstätten to worship until the inauguration of their new church.

Almost all the villagers of Kaltenholzhausen participated in the construction of their new place of worship. Farmers with horses and wagons took on haulage services, which extended from the immediate vicinity to the high Westerwald. Some building materials came by rail and were transported from the railway station in Hahnstätten to Kaltenholzhausen. They were assisted by farmers from Hahnstätten who brought stones, gravel and the like to the construction site. Women from the village provided food for the construction workers and so somehow everyone was involved in the construction of the new church.

Update on Cousins 2022 Trip to Europe

It is with a heavy heart that I have to tell you that our cousins trip to Europe has been cancelled at this time, not postponed. The instability caused by Covid had appeared to have settled, and then Omicron appeared in November 2021. This caused more testing and shutdowns along our travel route.

Karl and I discussed options especially since some members of our group had already cancelled. They were concerned about getting to Europe and then being quarantined for their entire vacation, and rightly so. It occurred to us that if anyone in our group tested positive, the entire group would end up in quarantine for the rest of the visit due to close proximity on the bus. We would have taken the phrase "third time is a charm", and postponed the itinerary for a couple of years, but after two attempts at this trip and then the Russian invasion of Ukraine, Karl and I decided that we should abandon our plans. He said that our route was not close to the conflict, but that the effects would reach our German cousins as well as each of us in the United States.

The decision was made at that time to sit back and wait for a better opportunity. Karl and I will stay in touch. If and when he thinks that the travel opportunities are such that we would be able to journey safely back to our homeland and visit our German cousins, he will let me know. I told him that I wanted him to develop a trip that would be enticing to all of us. He knows the Heymann cousins well and the places we have been. I have great confidence in his ability to plan a wonderful trip for our future travels.

With that being determined, we then made arrangements to have the funds which were still in Germany transferred back to the USA. The money has been received, and I have figured the refunds due to each of the cousins who were scheduled to go with us this August.

I have returned the funds to the people who sent the money to me as payments for the trip along with a record of their payments. I am sorry not to have met some of you and hope that you will be able to go when the next opportunity arises. I would also like to ask each of you who had intended to travel to Europe in August 2022, to make every attempt to attend the Heymann Reunion on August 7, 2022 and meet your cousins who were planning to be in Europe with you at that time.

Thank you to everyone who showed interest in this adventure. I hope that we will be able to visit our family in Europe in the not-too-distant future.

-Your cousin, Jackie

From the Desk of the President...

Dear Cousins:

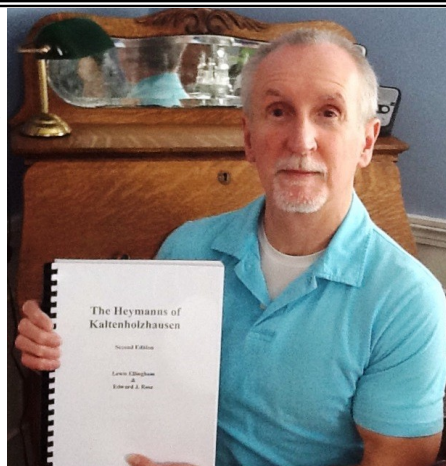
The Spring Board meeting was held in Paulding, Ohio with a quorum in attendance. Some changes to the Board's rules and regulations were discussed and adopted. This will result in an amendment to our Code of Regulations and will permit remote attendance at Board Meetings under certain circumstances. For the first time ever, a Board member, our German Cousin and Board Member, Ulrike Gapp, was able to attend a Board meeting remotely and that went well. Routine maintenance of the church will include tuck-pointing of the masonry in the near future.

The 2022 cousin's trip to Europe, due to Covid-related travel and other problems, has been cancelled and refunds sent to those who had made reservations. This is a huge disappointment but unavoidable at this time. The annual meeting will be held at Hunt's Corners this August and is a wonderful opportunity to reconnect with family members.

The Board was sad to receive the resignation of Ed Rose who has been a valuable contributor to the Board's actions and to the family as a whole by reason of his excellent work in updating the family history.

We continue to have our unique family connection, and I encourage you to deepen your interest and participation in it. ~Sincerely, David A. Hyman, HHS President

The Heymann Historical Society would like to honor Ed Rose, Jr. and thank him for his excellent service to our organization. Ed contributed in numerous ways to our family's society, most notably through his excellent genealogical research and compilation of historic and contemporary family records which were published for our mutual edification. Ed traveled overseas for his research and also as a member of our HHS family trip to Europe. He was handy with a paint scraper and roller while working on the church fence and offered sage advice during board meetings. We wish Ed the best as he enjoys retirement and the next chapter of his life!



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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

Approximately 8 inches tall \$20

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SALE! 150th Anniversary paperweight etched glass Heymann Coat of Arms and dates 1848-1998
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Minutes from Spring Board Meeting

The Spring Meeting of the Heymann Historical Society was called to order at 1:52 p.m. on Sunday, March 27, 2022 by President David Hyman. Roll call was taken. David Hyman, Elizabeth Horvatich, William Seaman, Kurt Heyman, Marcia Adelman, Scott Bailey, Ulrike Gapp (via Skype), Paula Heyman, Neil Horn and Rachel Parrett were present. Lanton Lee and Ed Rose were not in attendance.

First on the agenda was the reading by William Seaman of the Fall 2021 meeting Minutes. No corrections or changes were made to the Minutes. Neil Horn made the motion to accept the Minutes as written. Kurt Heyman seconded the motion and said motion passed unanimously. Second on the agenda was the Treasurer's report presented by Kurt Heyman. Kurt discussed the income statement for the calendar year 2021, which compared favorably to calendar year 2020, and also to calendar years 2019, 2018 and 2017. Kurt also provided a list of all contributors to HHS in calendar year 2021. Last among the income statements was the income statement from January 1, 2022 to the present. On the 9th page of Kurt's report was the HHS balance sheet. The HHS balance sheet shows that approximately 55% of the market value of the balance sheet is in marketable bonds, securities and checking account. HHS carries virtually no debt. Kurt then talked in more detail on the asset balances in detail – cash, checking accounts, lot value, MHM hall site value, sundry other assets (decorative items, furniture, photos, purchased inventory, clothing, collectibles, and media). Kurt also went into detail on the bonds and securities balances and stated the values of these funds, and their annual returns. Kurt, as he had done with the income statement, then showed the market values of the balance sheet versus the previous four calendar years. Our market value continues to grow – thanks to the generosity of our family and Kurt's stewardship of HHS's finances. Jodi Stang will conduct an audit of our financials, and that report will be shared at a future meeting. Beth Horvatich moved to accept the treasurer's report, and Neil Horn seconded the motion, which passed without dissent.

In Old Business, Rachel Parrett presented the report on the HHS website and the HHS newsletter. Rachel states that site traffic continues to be low and she is looking for a volunteer to take over the newsletter duties. If any of the cousins out there would like to take on this chore, please contact any member of the board to volunteer. Rachel stated that she would like any submissions for the newsletter to be to her by April 30, 2022. Kurt Heyman had noted in his Treasurer's report that no new bricks had been purchased.

Jackie Hyman then covered gift sales. There has been a small volume of additional sales. Jackie also discussed the possibility of commemorative coins with the Heymann church and the Heymann coat of arms – which was well received. The 175th anniversary of the arrival of our ancestors to America is arriving quickly, and these would be a nice keepsake for those who would attend the reunion in that year. Jackie will contact the company to see what the lead time is for those coins. Jackie then discussed the status of the 2022 Cousins' Trip to Europe. Due to the ongoing issues with Covid 19 in Germany, and their strict quarantine protocols if a person tests positive for the virus along with those in close proximity to the positive person, it was decided that the trip should be cancelled. Jackie is mailing back deposits to the folks who had already made payments to her. With the check is a letter explaining the decision. The refunds equate to 95% of what had been already paid. The letter with the check will be mailed out by April 1, 2022. The board would like to thank Jackie for all her work on this trip – which has been an arduous and frustrating task. We all hope the world can get back to some semblance of normal in the coming years so we can again visit our cousins in Germany.

The first order of New Business was acting on the suggestion to allow flexibility in how members of the Board of Trustees can attend meetings. This topic was discussed at length in the Fall 2021 meeting. This flexibility allowed Ulrike Gapp to attend the meeting via Skype. After further discussion, a number of reasons were offered where it would be possible for a board member to attend our meeting via some video format. The reasons listed were travel snafus, inclement weather, living in another country, pandemic restrictions, sickness or illness that prevents travel, and job conflicts. It was also agreed that whoever attends the meeting, in person or remotely, can vote on issues before the board. Kurt Heyman made the motion to have David Hyman prepare the changes to the bylaws to enable this greater meeting presentation. Paula Heyman seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously. This change will be presented to us for a vote at the Fall 2022 meeting.

William Seaman updated the board on the status of the Emerson Creek Industrial Wind project in Erie and Huron County. Since the last board meeting the Ohio Power Siting Board approved... (*Minutes continued, Page 6*)

In Memoriam

Those who have travelled to our ancestral village of Kaltenholzhausen with our Heymann cousins may remember meeting Thorwald and Hannelore Kubeler Stark. The Starks were among those friends and family members who welcomed us to Germany and created fond memories for us as we attended church in Kaltenholzhausen, toured Burgschwalbach, and fellow-shipped over delicious German fare. To the right is a photo of Thorwald as many of us from the USA remember him in the mid-nineties. Last autumn, Thorwald passed away. He will be missed by his wife, family, and friends.



Thorwald Stark

of Kaltenholzhausen, Germany, born June 2, 1931 - Nov 8, 2021, age 90

Rajayne G. Cordery

of Canton, GA, born on July 8, 1961 - Mar 28, 2022, age 60, pg 983

ATTENTION ALL POTENTIAL HEYMAN HISTORICAL SOCIETY BOARD MEMBERS!

The HHS is looking for family members who may be interested in serving on the HHS Board of Trustees. If you think that you may have something to offer our society, please consider our protocol for application:

1. Board Vacancies will be publicized in the newsletter and the HHS website, in addition to the Nomination Committee seeking candidates;
2. Each candidate will submit a resume and letter expressing why they wish to be a Trustee, and what skills they can offer to the society;
3. The period of time to acquire a list of candidates should be no more than 90 days;
4. All candidates will be interviewed by members of the board, either in person or by some form of remote audio and video (Zoom, Google Meeting, etc.); and
5. The selection process will be completed in a period of 180 days or less. If, for unanticipated reasons, this is not possible, the process will begin again from scratch.

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...the project and also denied the appeal by multiple intervenors and the Black Swamp Bird Observatory to overturn that approval. The same intervenors have since filed an appeal with the Ohio Supreme Court to stop the project. This appeal was filed February 14, 2022. You can access the case files for this at the Ohio Power Siting Board website. If past practice holds there will be an oral argument in front of the justices this fall, with a written decision to come some time thereafter.

Ed Rose, one of our board members submitted his resignation. With great reluctance, William Seaman made the motion to accept Ed's resignation, and this motion was seconded by Kurt Heyman. The motion passed without dissent. We would like to thank Ed for his excellent work for the society. Rachel Parrett moved to purchase a brick for Ed, and Beth Horvatich seconded the motion. This motion also passed without dissent.

Due to the fact that we have a vacancy on the board, we will utilize the new policy outlined in the Minutes of the Fall 2021 meeting. Rachel will post the opening on the website, and will also highlight the opening in the spring newsletter. To expedite this process David Hyman appointed Neil Horn, Scott Bailey and Beth Horvatich to the Nominating Committee – so we can act expeditiously to fill this vacancy.

Marcia Adelman moved to adjourn the meeting. Beth Horvatich seconded the motion and it was quickly passed. At 3:40 p.m. the meeting was adjourned.

-Respectfully submitted, William Seaman

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Who: All Heymann Relatives

What: John George Heymann 104th Annual Reunion & HHS Annual Meeting

When: Sunday, August 7th, 2022

Where: Hunts Corners

- ◆ 9:30 a.m. Registration at Friendship Hall, Located at the NW corner of Route 547 & Sandhill Rd
 - ◆ 10:30 a.m. Hunts Corners Church Service
Located at 4552 State Route 547
- ◆ 12:00 p.m. Reunion Potluck Lunch at Friendship Hall

*Bring your favorite dishes to pass and stories to share!
Table service and drinks will be provided.*