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Renewing Family Ties - During Wartime - 86 Years Ago

In 1917, during World War I, descendants of John George Heymann, held their first annual reunion at the Fremont, Ohio fairgrounds, 70 years after son Philip William Heymann first arrived in Ohio. The United States entered the war a few months before the family posed for the picture (below). William Anthony Heyman, instrumental in organizing the first John George Heymann family reunion is pictured, (right), with his mother, Jeannette Scheid Heyman, son, Cecil Heyman, and his granddaughter Willow. Will served as president of the reunion until his death in 1942. (Heymann History and Genealogy, 1560-1997, pages 437- 438, 1182).



Heymann Reunion at Will Heyman's in Fremont Ohio, 1917. The descendants of John George Heymann still maintain this tradition of meeting the first Sunday of August. *Photos courtesy of William Seaman.*

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From the President

The H.H.S. Board is saddened by the death of Maurice Heyman and the resignation of Pearl Schwochow.

Maurie was a member of the original Board of Trustees and served as Treasurer for many years. He was a devoted member, hard worker and a very conscientious Treasurer with always the best interests of the H.H.S. at heart. Maurie and Polly were good friends, and we enjoyed their company on the trips to Europe, the Reunions and Board meetings. Maurie and Polly celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary in the hospital this year. Polly, we hope that you will keep in touch and join us as often as possible.

Pearl was also a devoted Trustee and hard worker. She was very involved in the landscaping and trees surrounding the Church. She has volunteered to continue caring for the memorial plaques, even though she has resigned from the Board. Pearl and Norm also recently celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary and we wish them the best in the years to come.

The Annual Board Meeting was held on October 12th at Hunt's Corners hosted by William and Donna Seaman. Trustees elected Carol Germond of Norwalk, Ohio, to finish out the term of Maurie Heyman. We are pleased to have Carol with us and look forward to working with her. The Nominating Committee will be looking for a new member to finish out Pearl's term.

We need to send along a word of "thanks" to Rudy Smith for the excellent job of mowing the grass and trimming the shrubs around the Church; and also to John Seaman for the fine job of mowing around the Friendship Hall. We can be proud of the way our property looks.

That's all for now.

Your cousin, Lou Zorn



Board of Trustees Meeting

The October 12, 2003 meeting at Hunt's Corners Church, was attended by Trustees Lou Zorn, Kurt Heyman, Bill Seaman, Bill Heiman, Albert Horn Jr. and Chase Heyman. Katy Sherlock, newsletter editor, also attended. The Trustees approved the following items during their meeting:

- √Approved May 18 meeting minutes and Treasurer's Report
- √Approved retaining Rudy Smith and John Seaman to maintain the Church and Friendship Hall lots
- √Discussed and approved the brick sidewalk and other repairs to the Church, exterior, steps and sidewalk (see page 6)
- √Approved payment for painting of Church, to be completed by the third week of October
- √Accepted resignation of Trustee Pearl Schwochow from the Board
- √Elected Carol Germond, Trustee to fill Maurice Heyman's term
- √Re-elected David Hyman, Elden Plue and Bill Seaman, Trustees
- √Appointed David Hyman and Bill Heiman to the Nominating Committee
- √Approved the current slate of Board Officers for another year
- √Approved all Board actions taken in the past year.
- √Scheduled next meeting for February 29, 2004, 12:30 p.m.

By Bill Seaman, Secretary

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Do you have a story or photographs or news that you'd like to share? We are interested in your news items and family changes (births, marriages, and deaths) both for publication in future issues and to update our records.

We are also very interested in obtaining a copy of any documents regarding our family's history since arriving in the United States in 1847. Examples of documents are family, church, business records, letters, and photographs. Our goal is to gather and make accessible electronic copies of documents and photos for use in future newsletters. Please contact Katy Sherlock at the address below for more information.

Send items for publication and recording to:

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Spring issue—items due April 10

Fall (November) issue—items due October 10

Note: schedule subject to change

depending on Board meeting schedule.

Change of address:

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| Ulrike Gapp | Kurt E. Heyman | Elden H. Plue |
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| Chase B. Heyman | David A. Hyman | |



From the Editor: As her first official duty, Carol Germond (page 1236) submitted this background material for the newsletter. Thank you and welcome!

I was born in Norwalk, Ohio, and have lived here most of my life. Carl and Mildred Heyman are my parents, and I grew up on a farm with a brother, Charles. My grandfather, Charles William Heyman, came to Seneca County as a young boy from Germany.

I graduated from Capital and Ashland Universities and am a retired second grade teacher. I have two daughters, Kathryn Smith, (she lives on the family farm where my grandparents started farming in 1903) and Elizabeth Osborn, and six grandchildren. I enjoy traveling, working with children, gardening, participating in many church activities, along with many other things that keep me very busy. It is a pleasure to be a part of the Heyman Historical Society and hope to see the goals and plans continued!

Hunt's Corners Church

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A National Historic District
Property



First organized on August 14, 1858 as the German Evangelical Reformed Church, the congregation moved into a newly built Hunt's Corners Church building in 1866. In 1982 the remaining members of the congregation transferred the deed to the Heymann Historical Society to allow for preservation of the building. On September 2, 1993 the Hunt's Corners district was added to the National Register of Historic Places by the National Park Service, United States Department of the Interior.

Photo courtesy of Elden Plue.



News from Germany

From the Editor: Ulrike Gapp sends two news items--the second item will be on the agenda for the next HHS Board of Trustees Meeting.

On Saturday October 18th we had a Heymann-Meeting in Burgschwalbach. Those who traveled to the United States in 1998 were at the meeting: Annelore and Rudi Altenhofen, Elfie Bondorf, Wiltrud and Dieter Gronow, Brigitte and Wolfgang Kitschke, Marianne and Kurt Kübler, Ortrun and Edgar Schauss, Rosi and Horst Seemann, Ellen Wagner and I. Also Hannelore and Thorwald Stark, Ilse and Albrecht Heimann (the parents of Jürgen Heimann) and my Mother, Anni Gapp.

Brigitte Kitschke from Kaltenholzhausen called me just now. She had some information that perhaps should be included in the Newsletter. The group of American Cousins who visited our area in the 1989(Cousins First Trip to Germany) planted a tree (Friendship Tree) in Kaltenholzhausen on May 21, 1989. During the Heymann Cousins Fourth Trip to Germany - when the American and German cousins met in Kaltenholzhausen on June 10, 2001 - there also was a stop at the Friendship Tree.

But now there is sad news about the tree. During a storm last summer the tree was struck by lightning - and a part of the tree broke off. It is necessary to cut the tree down because it will be dangerous. But there is agreement that another tree will be planted on the same spot.



Planting the tree in 1989.
Photo courtesy of Ulrike Gapp.



A Special Thank You

From the Editor: The following was submitted by Sheryl Denise Poths, great, great granddaughter of Friederike Johannette Heymann Poths (page 1223, in section beginning on page 1184).

After years of research, talking and working together with the Poths family in the United States, England, Germany and Poland and from around the world please visit our Poths Family website at <http://pothsfamily.net>.

The website is still under construction and hopefully we will be able to publish a Poths Family genealogy book in the months to come that will include pictures, other family names through marriage, and new babies. The Poths name has continued through William Carl Poths, my great grandfather, and will continue through his sons and grandsons.

If you are related or have information regarding our Poths family, please contact us as soon as possible. I would especially like to make contact with the Koch family here in Ohio and the US.

The Poths name is very rare, pronounced like "oats" with a "P". Old records researched in Germany indicate Potz and Botz spellings dating back to 1500 and 1600's. We have Poths in Indiana and Chicago and we are seeking family in Germany and the U.S..

Thanks to John Seaman, Annelore Altenhofen, Michael and Jutta Poths and their father, Friedrich, Holger Poths, Dina Poths Diels, Dr. Willi Poths, Hugh Poth in England and Maciek Poths in Poland, Elonore Poths Nash in Florida, Stan Schug, Marjorie Poths Norman, Georgine Poths Koch, Denise Kesler Sessler and many others and the Heymann family for their help and support in bringing us together again through my great, great grandmother, Friederike Johannette Heymann Poths.

For more information contact:

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Memorials and Contributions

June 2003 to November 2003



The Steeple Group

(\$100.01 to \$1,000.00)

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| CAROL GERMOND | NORWALK, OHIO ^{1,2} |
| CHASE HEYMAN | NORWALK, OHIO ^{5,3,2} |
| R PAT & CHERYL HYMAN | GOODYEAR, ARIZONA |
| RICHARD & NANCY NEITHAMMER | SALINE MICHIGAN |
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| CELESTE THOMPSON | COLUMBUS, OHIO |
| JANE TINKER | MONROEVILLE, OHIO ⁵ |
| BETTY WOLFRAM | MONROEVILLE, OHIO ² |
| JOAN ZORN | SANDUSKY, OHIO ^{6,2} |



Memorials Made in Honor Of:

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| 1 | CARL & MILDRED HEYMAN |
| 2 | MAURICE L HEYMAN |
| 3 | WALTER HEYMAN |
| 4 | HERALD AND DERALD SMITH |
| 5 | ALTHEA MATHEWS' 95TH BIRTHDAY |
| 6 | HAROLD ZORN |



Charitable Giving

The Heymann Historical Society is a Not-For-Profit corporation established December 15, 1981, dedicated to upholding our family heritage by preserving the Hunt's Corners Church, researching and publishing the family genealogy and preserving family memorabilia.

Please consider reducing your federal income taxes and avoid paying capital gains taxes on the current value of any stock you may wish to transfer to the Heymann Historical Society. Remember that charitable gifts can reduce income taxes, reduce capital gains taxes, and reduce estate taxes. If you have any questions regarding how to transfer your stock to the Heymann Historical Society, please give board member and attorney David Hyman a call and he will be glad to assist you. Office phone (419) 399-4916. Home phone (419) 399-4659.

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 makes a nice way to be remembered. A monetary gift in memory of a loved one that has passed away is another option. Also you might consider naming the Heymann Historical Society in your own will. Contributions and memorials may be mailed at any time of the year to: Heymann Historical Society, Kurt Heyman – Treasurer, 2417 Mudbrook Rd, Huron, OH 44839. Phone number (419) 433-6671. (Heymann Historical Society – Federal Tax ID # 34-1365013).

In Memoriam

Our deepest sympathies to family members and friends

Maurice L. Heyman, age 85, August 20, 2003, page 616.
Interment, Worthington (Ohio) Presbyterian Church.

Milford Roy Heyman, age 96, November 20, 1995, page 310.

Dominic Taliano, age 86, December 1, 1994, and Kathryn
Shepherd Taliano, age 88, May 29, 1999, page 1002.

Norman LeRoy Asmus, age 77, November 13, 2002,
Ann Arbor, Michigan, page 760.

Judith M. Seeman, age 65, July 10, 2003, page 682.

Willard A. Zorn, age 84, June 13, 2003, page 249-250.

Helell Schwind Kilmer, age 82, July 9, 2003, page 734-735.

Weddings & Anniversaries

Tracey K LaRoe married Randall E Vieira, May 23, 2003, page 191.

25th Wedding Anniversary, Jacqueline Sue (Meeks) and David
Allan Hyman, married November 22, 1978, page 1175.

60th Wedding Anniversary, Pearl Joyce (Heyman) and Norman
Joseph Schowchow, married October 30, 1943, page 304.

Scheid Cousins Get-Together

A group of 17 first cousins, descendants of Amalia Heyman Scheid and August Scheid (page 226, married 1882), met twice this year for fellowship and fun. Their first lunch at the Sandusky Yacht Club on March 12, 2003, was followed by a second lunch on October 8, 2003. "It is much more fun to get together for lunch than to see each other only at funerals!" was their joyous comment. I think its becoming a semi-annual event!

By Norma Zorn



Pictured March 2003 (l to r): Ted Buck, Lloyd Linder, Ron Scheid, Marlene Buck, Hal Hoerig, Marge Hoerig, Norma Zorn, Dorothy Judson, Joan Zorn, Lou Zorn, Betty Zorn, Ray Linder, Kate Linder, Myron Scheid, Jean Scheid and Janice Capelle. Kneeling in front is Marcia Capelle Adelman. Roger and Karen Scheid joined the group in October.

Photo courtesy of Norma Zorn

Heymann Historical Society Gifts, Souvenirs, and Collectibles

Clothing embroidered with the Heymann Coat of Arms

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| Jackets—white poplin | \$35.00 |
| Sweatshirts—white | \$30.00 |
| Polo shirts—white | \$27.50 |
| Golf caps—white or blue | \$10.00 |

Books

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| Heymann Genealogy books | \$75.00 |
| Heymann Family Cookbook, 84 pages | \$10.00 |

Photos and Prints

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| Alpine group photo from 1993 Cousins Trip | \$10.00 |
| Aerial photo of Kaltenholzhausen | \$10.00 |
| Cousins at Kaltenholzhausen | \$10.00 |
| Heymann Coat of Arms in color, suitable for framing | \$10.00 |
| New Church sketch | \$5.00 |
| Old Church sketch | \$5.00 |
| Ellis Island Wall of Honor Certificate, dated 1847 | \$5.00 |

Trinkets

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| 150th Anniversary paperweight etched Heyman Coat of Arms and dates 1848–1998 | \$30.00 |
| 150th Anniversary glass tree ornament etched Heymann Coat of Arms and dates 1848–1998 | \$15.00 |
| Heymann mugs, Coat of Arms, Church | \$10.00 |
| Wooden replica of Hunt's Corners Church | \$10.00 |
| Etched bent glass plaques | \$50.00 |

NEW ITEMS

2003 Collector Plate (Hunt's Corners Church) \$40.00

**Tapestry Afghan (pictures of Coat of Arms,
Hunt's Corners Church, Burgschwalbach Church,
Castle at Burgschwalbach, Church at Kaltenholzhausen
\$75.00**

These gifts are in stock and immediately available for shipping (which is included in the price). All of the net proceeds from these items go to the restoration and upkeep of the Hunt's Corners Church and Friendship Hall.

Please contact Mrs. David (Jackie) Hyman at 302 North Cherry Street, Paulding, Ohio 45879. I can also be reached by telephone at (419) 399-4659. Our email address is dahyman@bright.net.

By Jackie Hyman

When traveling through Ohio, please stop by Monroeville, and visit the Church. John Seaman at (419) 465-2633 or Chase Heyman at (419) 668-0242 have a key and will be pleased to show you around. Also, the Church is available for special events. Contact John Seaman or any Trustee for more information.

Memorial Brick Sidewalk

The Heymann Historical Society, formed in December 1981, will celebrate the 25th anniversary in 2006. In preparation the Trustees plan to upgrade the Church property by installing a brick sidewalk beginning in the spring of 2004. The deteriorating steps will be replaced, and a new handrail and landscaping installed.

HHS members can purchase a memorial brick for the sidewalk. The red bricks are 4 by 8 inches and will be engraved with uppercase block letters. Each brick will have two lines of text with a maximum of 14 spaces per line, available for engraving. Each space will count as 1 character of the 14 total characters possible per line. The cost to purchase each brick, including the engraving, is \$50. The proceeds from the sale of the memorial bricks will be used to support ongoing maintenance of the Church. Please contact Lou Zorn at (419) 433-4678 or lzorn@nwonline.net with questions about this project or completion schedule.

Order Form and Instructions

In the boxes below, print one letter per square. An "&" can be used instead of "and", if needed. Text using less than all 14 squares will be engraved, centered, on the brick.

- 1) Complete all requested information below, for each brick ordered. (Copy blank form first if ordering more than one brick).
- 2) Keep copy of completed order for your records.
- 3) Enclose payment of \$50 for each brick ordered, payable to Heymann Historical Society.
- 4) Detach and return form with payment to:

Kurt Heyman
2417 Mudbrook Rd.
Huron, Ohio 44839

(419) 433-6671 email:ehfinc@accnorwalk.com

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Family Reunions

86th Annual John George Heymann Reunion was held at Hunt's Corners on Sunday, August 3, 2003.

Reverend Lloyd Linder conducted the 10:30 a.m. church service, accompanied by organist Jean Scheid. Approximately 35 cousins attended the service.

Afterwards the reunion lunch was served in the Friendship Hall with over 88 guests from: Ohio, Iowa, Indiana, Michigan, Florida, New Mexico, California and Texas. Karen Pilcher, from Palmdale, California, daughter of Joe Heyman, received recognition for traveling the farthest to the reunion. Joe Heyman, age 89, and Dorothy MacLacheran, age 86, were the oldest persons present while Parker Smith, age 6 months, son of Alisa and Brad Smith, was the youngest.

Catherine Downing led the business meeting and Carol Germond assisted with registration, meeting minutes and the prizes. The 50-50 drawing was won by Jim and Ruth Ellen (Heyman) Bailey. They announced that they were married in the Hunt's Corners Church 51 years ago. They graciously donated their winnings to the Reunion Committee. Thank you! Door prizes consisted of a hand crocheted doily by Marilyn Spittler, won by Jane Braun; a thermos jug, won by Al Horn, and a large container of pretzels, won by Sheryl Poths. A big "thank you" to Sharon and Bob Williams for providing and donating many of the raffle prizes--suitable for men, women, and children alike.

The 2004 reunion will be held on August 1-same time and same place-see you there!

By Norma Zorn



The 58th William G. Heiman Family Reunion was held September 7, 2003 at the Tontogany Centennial Park, Tontogany, Ohio. Fifty-one family members and one visitor attended. It was a clear, sunny day with temperatures in the low to mid-80's. The adults had a wonderful day of visiting. The children enjoyed the playground equipment and searching for candy and treats in the park. The day began with an opening prayer and blessing on the food by Jane Younkin and this was followed with a delicious potluck. The meeting was then held and led by President Doreen (Fischer) Storch with old and new business being discussed. Historian Marla Gordon gave her report and handed out updated information sheets. The following deaths were also noted: Norman Leroy Asmus died 11-13-02, father of Kristen (Asmus) McCloud, Kari Asmus and Eric Asmus; Helen Kilmer died 7-9-03, wife of the late Charles Kilmer, Jr., mother of James Kilmer, Richard Kilmer and Mary Lou (Kilmer) Amez. Recognition was given to one of our eldest relatives, Virginia (Asmus) Reinemann, Corona, California, who was able to attend the reunion with her son, Eric Reinemann. It has been many years since she was able to attend and we were so thankful to have them here. Virginia (born 1923) is the oldest child of Lillian (Heiman) Asmus (page 758). The meeting ended with all those present joining hands and praying The Lord's Prayer. Our officers are Doreen and Dick Storch, President, Vice-President, Secretary-Treasurer and Marla Gordon, Historian. The 2004 reunion will be held the first Sunday after Labor Day, at Tontogany Centennial Park, Tontogany, Ohio.

By Doreen Storch and Marla Gordon



Relections on Hunt's Corners: Tribute to Maurice Heyman

Maurie Heyman, Heymann Historical Society Treasurer and Trustee, passed away on August 20, 2003. His term coincided with a period of great accomplishment and growth in the Society, including restoration of the Church (roof, steeple, stained glass windows and other improvements), building of Friendship Hall, release of the updated Heymann Genealogy and the 150th Anniversary Celebration in 1998.



Maurie Heyman, 2003

I reviewed many letters and documents that he generated while conducting the business of Treasurer. Below are samples of his writings that I found interesting, enjoyable and descriptive. He will be missed and we extend our sympathies to his wife Polly, son Charles (Chad) Heyman and daughter-in-law Patricia Heyman and daughter Kimberly

(Heyman) Bowman and son-in-law Robert Bowman, and grandchildren, Stacy (Heyman) Horner, Kyle Heyman, Bryan Bowman, and Kailyn Bowman. Grandson Robert James Bowman died December 19, 2000. (See page 616).

Maurie was very proud of the accomplishments of the Society and generous with his praise for the efforts of others. In an October 7, 1995 letter to Reva June and Bob Nasby, he writes, *"I heartily agree with your appraisal that the 9/24 meeting went well and that we're getting a lot accomplished each year. I am just so proud of the way the building is being improved. You can't believe the sentimental value it holds for me. I grew up in it."* He continues, in a second letter to Reva June and Bob Nasby, dated November 18, 1997, *"Several of our relatives and friends living in the Monroeville area have mentioned to Polly and me how nice the Church looks. I think everyone living in the area takes some pride in the improved look of the property and beautification to the area. I know I feel a great pride and satisfaction in what we're doing"*. Finally in an April 17, 1997 letter he praises the efforts of Reva June Nasby regarding the Genealogy project, by commenting *"Polly and I have strong feelings—we know quite well the work you have done compiling this book. Our thanks to you from the bottoms of our hearts. A job well done."*

Polly writes most eloquently about the special commitment he held for the HHS, in an October 26, 2003 letter to me, *"The Heymann Historical Society certainly did mean a lot to him and especially the restoration of the Church. He lived so close to it when he was young and he was baptized and confirmed in that little church. He was proud of that. He enjoyed being Treasurer of the Society and also being one of the Trustees. We both enjoyed the European trips and getting together for Board meetings and seeing everyone."*

"He was in the Navy from August 1941 until October 1945. He went in as a 2nd Class storekeeper and became a Chief Petty Officer about six months after we were married in August 1943. He was at Great Lakes Naval Station for 3 years before he was sent to San Francisco and assigned to a supply ship to take provisions to different areas of the Pacific."

In a letter sent on Pearl Harbor Day, December 7, 1996, to John Seaman, Maurie writes *"I vividly recall 55 years ago today where I was when I heard the news the Japanese had bombed Pearl Harbor—my barracks at Great Lakes Naval Training Station, Great Lakes, Illinois. That night a bunch of us sailors went to the Rink, a dance hall, in Waukegan, in uniform. The girls were happy to dance with us and the civilians were slapping us on the shoulders and buying us beers. Up until December 7, we went in civilian clothes because the girls refused to dance with men in uniform and the bar was closed to us. We were allowed to wear civilian clothes off the base until Mid-February 1942."*

Maurie and Polly were married in 1943 following both of their graduations from Tiffin University in 1939. They enjoyed a 60 year marriage, and

as noted in the following comment, from an August 8, 1996 correspondence, he showed his sense of humor remarking about Polly, *"She just came back from shopping and told me she bought six ears of corn. It is my job to husk it. What was the Peter Principle? Everyone one reaches his level of incompetency!"* Maurie enjoyed his family, remarking in an April 5, 1998 letter about his 80th birthday, *"On Sunday March 8, we had a great day; both our kids, their spouses and all the grandchildren were here. They showered me with scads of presents. It was a great time."*

Thanks for the great gift of time you gave to us Maurie—you will be missed.

By Katy Heyman Sherlock

Scheid Promoted

On October 17, 2003, Colonel Mark E. Scheid (page 264), was promoted to Brigadier General, U.S. Army. He is the Command General of Military Traffic Management Command at Fort Eustis, Virginia. In his new position, he is in charge of all troop and supply deployments worldwide. Previously General Scheid was assigned to U.S. Central Command (USCENTCOM) at MacDill Air Force Base in Tampa, Florida as chief of the Logistics War Plans Division. General Scheid is married to Myla Johns and they have two children, Chelsea and Whitney. (The Advertiser-Tribune, Tiffin, Ohio, September 11, 2002, personal communication from Ron Scheid, October 2003, page 267).

On behalf of the Heymann Historical Society, the Board sends sincere congratulations to Brigadier General Mark E. Scheid and his family. His service career carries on the tradition of military service of previous generations of our family and we are very proud of the commitment displayed by those serving in all branches of the U.S. military.

By Katy Sherlock



Reprinted from the Tiffin Ohio Advertiser-Tribune

Farm Awarded Ohio Conservation Award

Enterprise Hill Farm, founded by Chase and Betty Heyman (pg. 571-576) in 1956 was recently selected as one of five outstanding family farm operations practicing conservation in the state of Ohio at the September 2003 Farm Science Review held in London, Ohio. This honor, and associated plaque and monetary award, was sponsored by *Ohio Farmer* magazine, the Ohio Farm Bureau Federation, organized by the Ohio Department of Natural Resources Division of Soil and Water, and co-sponsored by the Ohio Federation of Soil and Water Districts. The award was featured in an article in *Ohio Farmer* magazine and the Norwalk (Ohio) Reflector.

The Heyman family has been practicing conservation for five generations now, beginning in 1910 when Chase Heyman's maternal grandfather (Edward Miller) started installing tile in the fields to drain the land of excessive water and improve accessibility to the fields. Currently about 80 percent of the land operated by the farm is tiled, according to Kurt Heyman (pg. 571), Chase's son and current Heyman Historical Society Trustee.

Control of water drainage is only one part of the entire conservation picture. Wooded areas owned by the operation are periodically cleared for timber harvesting and different land forms as well as no-till techniques have been used to control soil erosion. Recently, the Heymans have started to employ precision farming techniques utilizing satellite imagery to help limit the use of fertilizer and pesticides to only those areas where they are needed.

By Tom Sherlock



“Threshing at Grandpa Heyman's, circa 1910-1920.” Caption on picture did not include names of people in the picture.
If you have any more details about this picture, please contact Katy Sherlock.
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