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BIG WIND IS COMING!

**Editor's Note: Fundamental to the founding and continuation of the Heymann Historical Society is the preservation of the Hunts Corners Church. For those of you who have been fortunate enough to visit this area, attend a church service or reunion, or to stroll through the cemetery where our ancestors were laid to rest, you know the inexplicable feeling of connection that this place evokes for all members of the Heymann family. It was here that those brave pilgrims from Germany settled after leaving their homes to begin a better life for their families. It was here that generations of Heymanns were equipped to fulfill the dreams of their forebearers. It is here where we gather still to remember, reminisce, and reconnect. The following article, submitted by HHS Secretary and Hunts Corners resident, William Seaman, addresses the proposed, substantial alteration to the peaceful landscape of our beloved Hunts Corners.*

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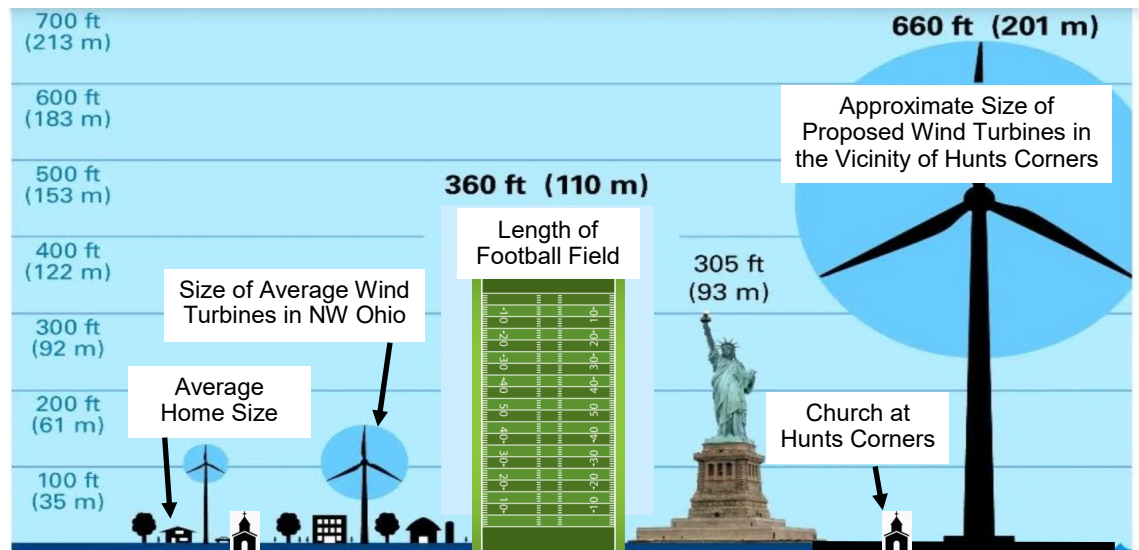
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In November of 2018, in a 'public meeting' at the Bronson Conservation Club in Norwalk, Ohio Apex Energy, based in Charlottesville, Virginia announced their intention to construct an industrial wind turbine project in Erie, Huron and Seneca Counties. Your first question is probably "What is an industrial wind turbine?" Some people call them simply wind turbines or windmills, but these are not Don Quixote's windmills. APEX Energy wants to erect wind turbines in the western townships of Erie and Huron Counties – 66 to 71 in total – that will be 655 feet tall. APEX energy has been leasing property in those same western townships over the last several years, and wants to start construction of the wind turbines in the fall of 2019.

Full disclosure before further discussion. I am a landowner and homeowner in two of those western townships – Lyme and Oxford. I am a non-participating landowner, which means there is no lease agreement or good neighbor lease between me, and my good friends from Virginia. I am a Republican, Episcopalian white Anglo Saxon male – born, raised and educated in Ohio. The German side of my family settled in Lyme Township in 1847 and my family is still fortunate enough to own that homestead. I have been the secretary of the Heymann Historical Society since its founding some 37 years ago. Earlier I mentioned that the wind turbines would be 655 feet tall – which will make them the fifth tallest structure(s) in Ohio – the only four taller structures are three skyscrapers in Cleveland and one skyscraper in Cincinnati. Wikipedia is a powerful tool for this sort of data. When sending all my money to Ohio to the farm... (Continued on Page 2)

Bridging our past, present, and future...

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(Continued from Page 1) ...*(willingly)*, one is a bit surprised that people from Virginia want to turn your neighborhood into an industrial park. If you want that, you can always move to the Flats in Cleveland, but that's not my thing. Most people who live in the country want to live there because it's NOT the city.

The pros for wind power are the carbon free generation of power. Wind doesn't emit carbon into the atmosphere. True enough, but every step of the way – in the construction, transportation and assembly of these enormous wind turbines, huge amounts of fossil fuels are used. Proponents of wind power also forget to mention that when the wind doesn't blow, or blows too hard – the wind turbines don't generate any power or have to be shut down. Hence the joke from your president "Hey honey, I wanna watch TV tonight, is the wind blowing?" Another pro for the wind folks is that taxes will be generated for schools, townships, counties and other governmental entities by the wind turbines located in their jurisdictions. This is a fair point, but again this is only half the story.

When you have a 655-foot turbine in your backyard, your property values are likely to be diminished from 15% to 40%. Those decreased valuations will result in less taxes for those same governmental entities that think they are getting rich from the windmills. Not to mention that turbine construction will have the likely effect of retarding industrial and residential development. What logical person wants to spend \$300,000 dollars on a home within sight of a wind turbine? Yet another pro for the wind folks is that landowners will get paid a certain amount of money for each turbine 'hosted' on their property. The financial terms of their leases are secret, but a fair guess would be something in the range of \$20,000 to \$23,000 per year. This

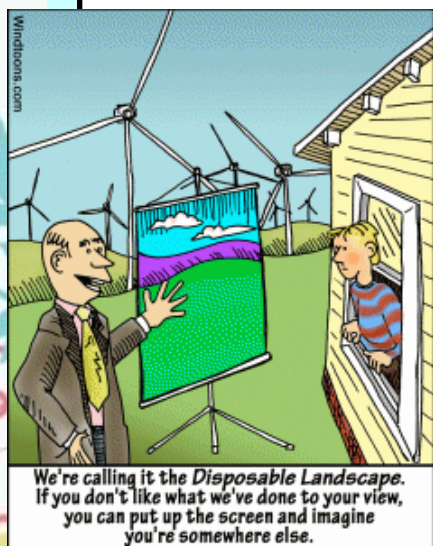
is not exactly gas and oil mineral lease money. When a new John Deere combine, without the headers or the GPS system, might run you about \$650,000, that annual lease amount is rather small. A paltry sum, as some speakers have described it.

The last pro for the wind folks is that it provides employment for APEX, and we know how deeply they care for us, and our property, in Erie and Huron Counties. This excerpt is from page 217 of their original 5,293 page application. "The low to moderate scenic quality within the working agricultural landscape that makes up the majority of the visual study area serves to limit the Facility's visual impact." Two takes from this excerpt. First, don't send your kids to college to be English Majors. They might have to be employed to make chicken salad out of chicken...*"saliva."* Second, these folks from Charlottesville, home to the University of Virginia, believe we are all living in an ugly rural setting. Hunts Corners is NOT low to moderate in scenic quality.

There are many cons to this project. And I'm not talking about the fact that the Ohio Farm Bureau, in a presentation I attended this winter, stated 68% of all wind leases were signed without legal review by the landowner. APEX at its heart is selling wind turbines, take their spiel with a grain of salt. First, and this is the one that puzzles most of us, how do you think your neighbors will react when a wind turbine is erected next

to their property? Here's a hint- they won't react well. Second, these wind turbines make noise, and can cause vibrations. The blades are a mere 244 feet long on the wind turbines proposed for Erie and Huron Counties. We all hope our homes are well insulated. I'm old and can barely sleep as it is, what if those darn things further degrade my sleep? Third, because it will only take between 51 and 54 (not a typo) full loads of concrete for one turbine foundation, our roads should be in great shape after this construction period. Commuters to the University of Virginia won't care, but we might have a problem when we're driving down Sandhill Road. APEX says the roads will be repaired to their past condition, but will they be around to do that? Fourth, because these turbines are relatively enormous, good luck if you want aerial spraying of your field, and good luck to those of you with your navigation systems. Our data says the big wind towers may interfere with your GPS. Don't worry, that \$20,000 a year should help defray that cost. Fifth, those pesky propellers have a habit of killing birds – and can be dangerous to our bat and raptor (eagle and hawk) populations. APEX will tell you that cats kill way more birds, but I'd love to see the studies that show that cats kill eagles or red-tailed hawks. (Conclusion on Page 3.)

One dark and windless night ...



CONCLUSION OF COVER STORY

(Continued from Page 2) Sixth, these wind turbines are a direct threat to the beauty of the western edge of the Firelands as we know them. There are scenic areas, with well-kept homes and farms in Erie and Huron Counties. Once these towers are erected, that beauty is gone. Seventh, I could go into all the details about building on the karst, a unique geological formation smack dab in the middle of the Emerson Creek wind project. To say it is environmentally fragile is an understatement. When asked if they have any experience in building in a karst area, APEX answered affirmatively. However, when fact checked (all the way to Oklahoma) APEX does NOT have experience in erecting wind turbines in places with karst formations.

If you want to delve into the details of this proposal, you can go to www.opsb.ohio.gov You then click on cases, then click on pending cases, then click on Emerson Creek Wind Farm – cases number 18-1607-EL-BGN. The public comment section is excellent reading. You can reach the public comments by clicking on the case number. If you wonder how the board of trustees of the Heymann Historical Society feels about this project, read the notes of the March 2019 board meeting. The vote to NOT support the construction of the Emerson Creek Wind project was nearly unanimous, with just one abstention. The deciding entity for approval of this project is the Ohio Power Siting Board, and if you are for or against the project, I suggest you write the seven members of that board. Their names and addresses are on the OPSB website.

- Submitted by William Seaman

From the Desk of the President...

Dear Cousins:

On March 31, 2019 your Board members met at the home of the undersigned in Paulding, Ohio for our annual spring meeting. All of the Board's members were present with the understandable exception of our German cousin, Ulrike Gapp. All previously planned repairs to the Church have been completed, as has nearly all of the interior redecorating. We received the reading of the Fall meeting Minutes by William Seaman as well as the Treasurer's report by Kurt Heyman. Kurt also advised us of gifts which have been received by the Society in the recent past. The Society's financial basis is strong. Rachel Parrett informed us about the Society's website and as to the Newsletter. Jackie Hyman brought us up-to-date regarding the upcoming 2020 Cousin's trip to Europe and attractive family items which are available for purchase.

We have a truly unique and strong family connection as to which I encourage you to deepen your interest and participation. I want to thank all of the family members who work together so well in order to preserve and advance this Society. It is a pleasure to work with each of them and to have the privilege of serving as your president.

-Sincerely, David A. Hyman

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In Memoriam

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

William E. Fitzgerald, Jr. of Chicago, IL, June 7, 1929 - Nov 15, 2018, age 89, pg 938

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

Janet Verlyn Purcell Rees of Lakeview, OH, Feb 2, 1930 - July 28, 2018, age 88, pg 1234

Jean Palmer of Oberlin, OH, June 11, 1931 - April 16, 2018, age 86, pg 345

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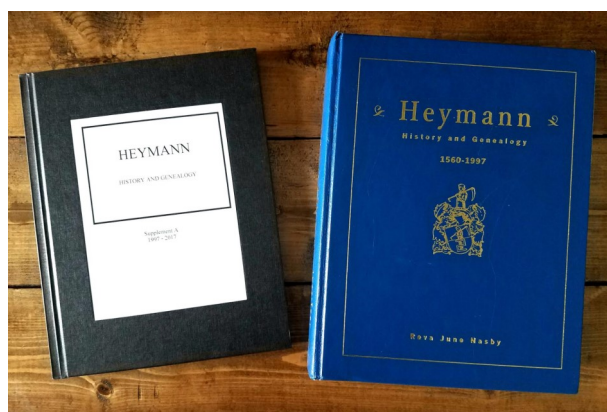
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Ornament: \$10 / With Display Stand: \$14

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Corners Church, Church at Burgschwalbach, Castle
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For more information, 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 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 the Spring Board Meeting

The Spring Meeting of the Heymann Historical Society was held on March 31, 2019 in Paulding, Ohio. President David Hyman called the meeting to order at 1:32 p.m. Board Members present were David Hyman, William Seaman, Kurt Heyman, Marcia Adelman, Scott Bailey, Neil Horn, Beth Horvatich, Lanton Lee, Rachel Parrett and Ed Rose. Ulrike Gapp was not present. The Minutes of the September 30, 2018 meeting were read by William Seaman. The following corrections were made: On page 1, under old business, second paragraph the first sentence was corrected to read "Jackie Hyman gave the report on the sale of gift items." On page 2, under new business, sixth paragraph, the first sentence was corrected to read "Pat Hyman, first cousin of David Hyman, apparently from the William Conrad branch of the family, was the first winner of the 23&me contest for discovering the name of the ship that brought his forefather to the United States." Also, on page 2, under new business, sixth paragraph, the second sentence was corrected to read "Neil Horn seconded the motion and it passed without dissent." After the corrections were made Neil Horn moved to accept the minutes, and Kurt Heyman seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Kurt Heyman then gave the treasurer's report. Kurt, per his usual routine, discussed the finances of the society in depth. Kurt described the past calendar year as a good one for the society. Kurt handed out a statement of the contributions (and brick sales) for 2018. We are fortunate that so many people generously give to the Heymann Historical Society. Kurt also discussed the most recent quarter ending March 31, 2019. The society continues to maintain a diversified stock portfolio, which is performing well. Lanton Lee moved to accept the treasurer's report, and Beth Horvatich seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

In Old Business, Rachel Parrett gave the report on the society internet website and the newsletter. Rachel stated the website has been redesigned – in summary it is "whiter and brighter" than its earlier version. Visits to the site are up from last year. As always, she requests we promptly get the necessary information to her for the newsletter. If you have content for her, she would be glad to receive it from any of the board members. Rachel is still looking for a response from Pat Hyman, someone whose life story may make for good reading in the upcoming newsletter. Rachel also told us she filled out a questionnaire for the BGSU Firelands campus genealogy class. We may be chosen to present our story this coming year. Jackie Hyman then gave the update on the 2020 cousins trip to Europe. Jackie stated that Karl is still leading trips, but cutting back a bit due to family first obligations. At this point the trip is still scheduled for the period of August 4, 2020 to August 17, 2020. The arrival airport in Europe and the departure airport in Europe are still undetermined. Possibilities, respectively are Frankfurt/Frankfurt or Paris/Frankfurt. Oberammergau is an option for those coming on the trip. There is some flexibility, up to 90 days before the trip begins, to join the cousins on this trip. Jackie and Karl, with assistance from Rachel, will continue to work on the itinerary before and after the Passion Play at Oberammergau.

New Business was next on the agenda. As of the meeting we were not aware of the most recent health status of Duane Heyman and his wife Laurel Heyman. Due to the resignation of Duane due to health considerations, we will need to elect a new vice president of the Heymann Historical Society at the annual meeting in August 2019. William Seaman then gave a ten-minute summary of the proposed industrial wind turbine project in Erie and Huron Counties. For those who are interested in the nuts and bolts of this project, you can go to the Ohio Power Siting Board website and look for those details under the Emerson Creek Wind Project. Multiple 655-foot tall industrial wind turbines will be visible from Hunts Corners, with four proposed wind turbine sites within one mile of the family church. After his presentation William Seaman asked for a motion to oppose the construction of the Emerson Creek Wind project, due to the detrimental affect it would have on the Hunts Corners Historic Site. Rachel Parrett seconded the motion, and the motion passed with 9 votes in support, and one abstention (by Kurt Heyman). At the request of Donna Seaman, due to a scheduling conflict – the fall meeting will take place this year on September 22, 2019 at Hunts Corners.

Lanton Lee next made a motion to support all actions of the board in the past year. Scott Bailey seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously. Neil Horn has sent an email to the board members on the Heyman family tree. Ancestry.com is the host of this family tree. At 3:10 p.m. Beth Horvatich moved to adjourn the meeting. Marcia Adelman seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

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Please consider making a tax deductible donation to help us cover the costs of this unique genealogical resource.
Thank you!

-Respectfully submitted, William Seaman

FAMILY TRIP IN 2020

It is hard to believe that in 15 months we will be leaving Detroit airport for the 7th Heymann Cousins' Trip to Europe! We are flying out on August 4th, heading for Paris. This is a change due to current flight prices. Our itinerary is still being tweaked by Karl, but he has assured me that it will be completed with hotels, points of interest, and estimated land costs by our reunion this August. He always has interesting places to see and things to do as anyone who has traveled with him knows.

We have several friends and family members who are joining us for their first trip with the Cousins as well as family and friends who have travelled with us in the past. There are still a few seats open on the bus. If you or anyone you know would like to join us, it will be on a first come, first served basis with a deposit of \$1,000.00 per person. If enough new people are interested after these seats are filled, I will have a "waiting list" in case anyone who is already scheduled makes a last minute cancellation due to unforeseen circumstances.

Tickets for the Passion Play have been reserved through a company in London which Karl recommended. It may be possible to purchase individual tickets for any new passengers who would like to attend the Play as well. However, if there are none available on the dates which we will be in Oberammergau, Karl has assured me that there will be accommodations nearby as he and the bus driver will not be attending the Play with us.

Again, we are saving the best for last. Renewing old acquaintances with our German Cousins for many of us and meeting them for the first time for others. We plan to attend church services in Kaltenholzhausen, see the house where the three brothers who established our family in the United States lived before leaving their homeland, and get to see the castle in Burgschwalbach. We had hope to tour the castle as our ancestors were laborers in the building of it, but Ulrike informs me that the renovations have not yet been completed. Perhaps there might be some parts of the castle that will be open to visitors by the time we get there.

As in the past, the family, friends, and fellowship on our 2020 Heymann Cousins' Trip to Europe will provide fabulous memories for all who travel with us. They have exciting times ahead of them. I hope that you can be a part of it!

- Submitted by Jackie Hyman

A Family's Journey on a Ship

In the 21st century, we think nothing of crossing the Atlantic Ocean in a few hours. But for the William Conrad Heymann family's journey in 1852, it was a matter of a few weeks' trip. We know from the long-ago published family history that in the spring of 1852, William Conrad left Kaltenholzhausen with his wife and children for America. He eventually settled on a farm at Weaver's Corners, Huron County, Ohio.

Thanks to research by Pat Hyman, we know a little more detail about that journey. On the Yorktown's ship passenger list he found that Conrad Heiman and his wife Marg, with children John, Jacob, Johanetta, Phillipp, George, Henry, Frederick, and Elisab sailed from London. They arrived in New York City on April 20, 1852, and said that they were headed for Illinois.

Research by Neil Horn brought to light information about the Yorktown. She was a sister ship of the London, built by William H. Webb of New York for the Grinnell, Minturn and Company's Red Swallowtail Line. She measured 170 ft. by 38 ft. by 22 ft. and had a tonnage of 1150. To her original two decks would be added a third. She was launched in October of 1847. For 21 years she went back and forth between London and New York, a trip which took between 22 and 53 days. The ship pictured above is the London. No known picture or plans of the Yorktown exist.



Because Pat Hyman was the first to submit an entry to the sleuth contest-judging panel, he was awarded a DNA test. But because he had already had the test done, he donated the fee back to the Church Fund. Readers are reminded that the sleuth contest is still open. Send documented evidence of your Heymann ancestor's ship across the Atlantic to Ed Rose. His e-mail address is edrose@cros.net.

- Submitted by Ed Rose

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November 7, 2018— April 15, 2019

The Steeple Group (\$500.00 Plus)

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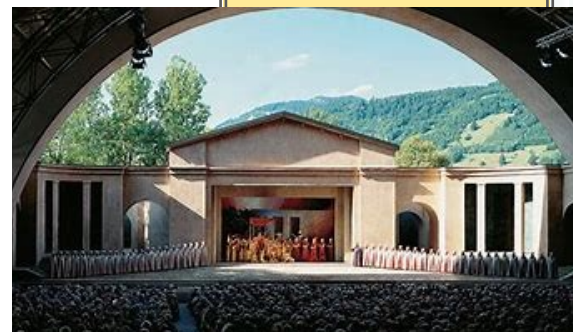
James A. & Cynthia Porter
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In Memory of Harlan Setchel

Did You Know?

The Passion Play of Oberammergau, Germany has been performed since 1634 by the residents of this region of Bavaria. The play is staged every tenth year to commemorate the divine sparing of the residents of Oberammergau during the plague that swept through Europe in the 1630's.



With a run-time of approximately 5 hours, the play depicts the life of Christ as well as various tableaux of Biblical scenes and involves more than 2,000 performers.

Charitable Giving

The Heymann Historical Society is a Not-For-Profit corporation established December 15, 1981, dedicated to promoting our family heritage by preserving the Hunts Corners Church, researching and publishing the family genealogy and preserving family memorabilia. Please consider reducing your Federal Income Taxes, estate taxes, and avoid paying capital gains taxes on the current value of any stock you may wish to transfer to the HHS.

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In Search of...

Attention all downsizing, de-cluttering, and minimalist family members! The HHS is asking you to help with our ISO (In Search Of) request! We are looking for any old editions of Heymann family genealogy books that pre-date the "Big Blue Book" from 1997. The volumes we are collecting are the "Old Red Books" from 1931 and 1973, plus the two additional supplements. If you have any of these books that are gathering dust and you would like to donate them to the Heymann Historical Society, please email us at heymanhistorical@yahoo.com with your information, and we will contact you to work out shipping details. Thank You!

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Who: All Heymann Relatives

What: John George Heymann

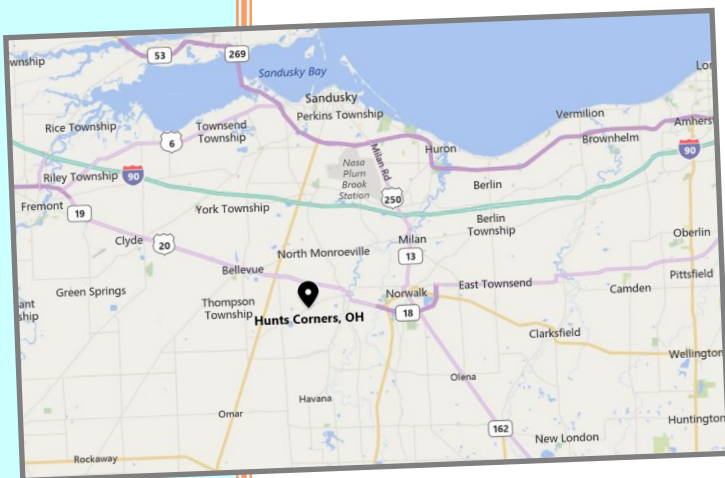
102nd Annual Reunion

& HHS Annual Meeting

When: Sunday, August 4th, 2019

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!