

Welcome and thanks to this quarter's  
New and Renewing Members:

*Warm welcome to New Members:* Amy Barrick, Michael Kelsch, Cecilia Lyden, and Brad Weirich.

*Special thanks to continuing Supporting Members:* Dot & Bill Forrey. New member Michael Kelsch joined as a Supporting Member – thank you!

*More special thanks to those of you who add an "extra" gift when sending in your dues:* Peg & Dixon Earley, Dot & Bill Forrey, and Arlene & Ken Maxwell.

*We are happy to welcome long time, active members Ruby and Ward Adams, to our Life Membership group:* Fred Reeser has been a Life Member for many years, but somehow was not mentioned in the last issue when the whole group was recognized. So, applause now to Fred, Ruby & Ward!

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## *Then and Now...* What's in a name?

We have members who live on Myers Avenue, just off Long Street, at the corner of Park Avenue, Cumberland Street, Oyster Point Avenue, Fairview Road and Hamilton Place. By now, we all know that our HSCH President lives on The Great Road. All (except The Great Road) became numbered streets in 1922 to simplify the finding of people's homes, and to cooperate with Lemoyne's numbering system. Second and Third Streets were changed to Columbia Avenue and Dickinson Street. If you have a copy of J.R. Schwarz's The Cumberland Blue Book, January 1908, check the back few pages to see what street you live on, or grew up on!

Robert L. Myers purchased the land flanking today's South 24<sup>th</sup> Street, which became known as Myers Avenue. Long Street was North 17<sup>th</sup>, and South 17<sup>th</sup> was Cumberland Street. South 18<sup>th</sup> was Main Street due to it being the main street between The Great Road and going south into Lower Allen Township (this was before the railroad grade was lowered and the bridge constructed extending South 17<sup>th</sup> Street – another story). South 16<sup>th</sup> was Jackson Street and South 15<sup>th</sup>, Princess! North 25<sup>th</sup> became Willow, and Willow became North 25<sup>th</sup>!?!?! North 24<sup>th</sup> Street had been Park Avenue, because it was on the park. North 21<sup>st</sup> Street had been Church Street, because our town's first Church, the Church of God, is located there. North 22<sup>nd</sup> was Cemetery Lane – it still runs into the cemetery. Oyster Point Avenue became North and South 32<sup>nd</sup> Street. The Eyster side of the Oyster/Eyster family had been memorialized as South 22<sup>nd</sup> Street. Fairview Road didn't get changed to a number – it became Regent Street along the northern portion of Beverly Park. North 23<sup>rd</sup> was Hamilton Place – the portion from The Great Road to Logan Street was developed by the author, J.R. Schwarz, while the section from Logan to Lincoln was developed by Lyman Page and his brother. The Pages gave their name to the street between Logan and Lincoln – Page Street remains Page Street.

Cooper Street became South 27<sup>th</sup> Street. Cooper Circle has run off North 19<sup>th</sup> since its development in the 1940's-50's. Central Street became Central Avenue, all after the conversion of the Limestone Quarry, an unofficial dump that was filled in to become a residential street between 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> Streets, also in the 1940's-50's.

[Truth in advertising, or something like that, impels me to mention that The Great Road's name was changed to Market Street long before the 1922 changes. I just like the sound of The Great Road! It seemed to aid in the spirit of this "ye olde" naming story!]