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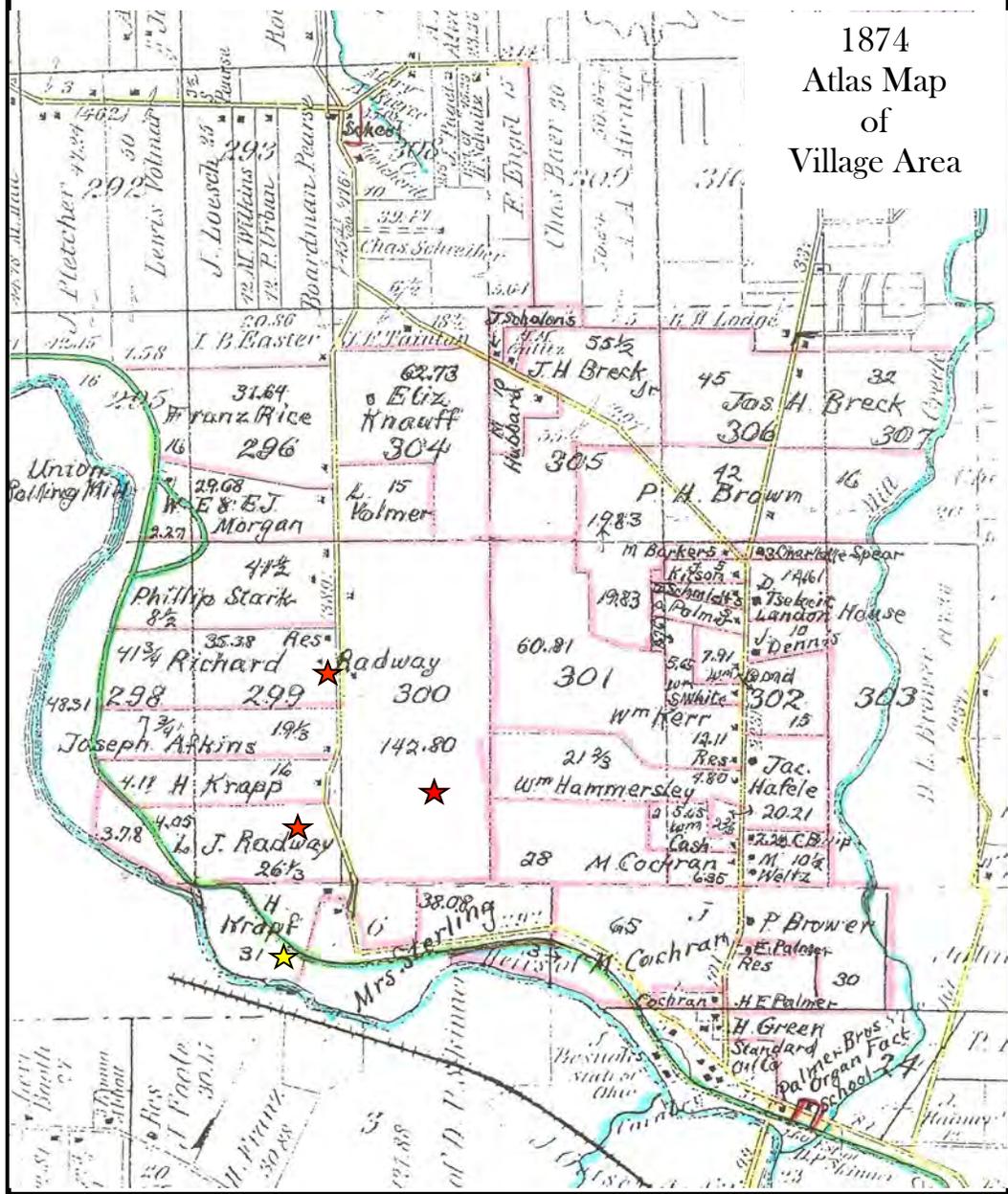
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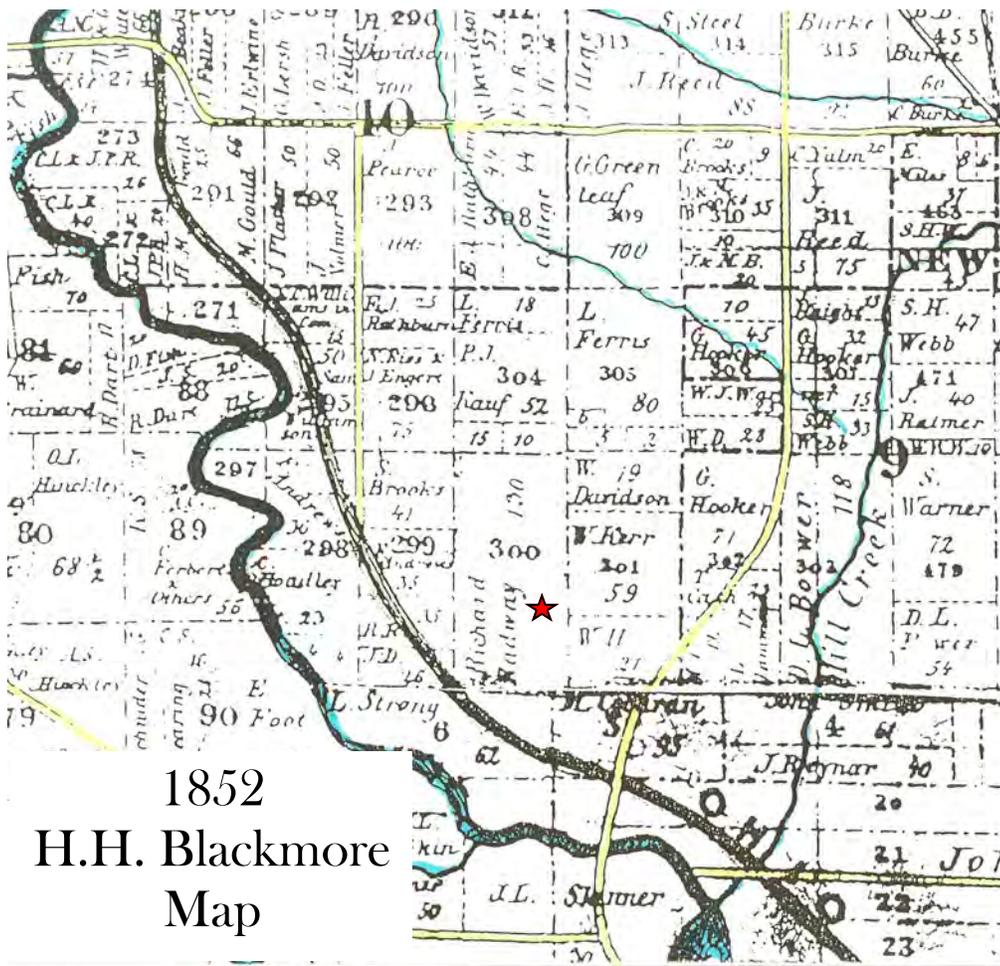
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&
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In 2016 we will tell about some of the village's century homes. This issue is about the lost homes of the Radway family. The largest land owners in our area in 1874. Red stars show land Richard & Mary Radway & their son, Leavitt J. & Barbara Radway owned. During this time the two families had 220 acres. The yellow star shows the land Leavitt & Barbara's daughter Bella's husbands William Krapf's family owned



Village



1852
H.H. Blackmore
Map

Right:
1852 map
red star showing
Richard Radway's
100 acres of land

Below:
Leavitt Radway's
farm on the west
side of 49th Street.

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Richard Radway
farm on east side of
49th Street just
north of train
bridge.

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Page 3:
Bella Radway
with family dogs.

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Richard Radway's
farm



All the Radway & Krapf home are gone.
Pictures source:
Isabelle "Bella" Krapf McCandless

The Richard & Mary Ann Radway family came to Newburgh about 1841. They bought a farm on Independence Road which is now East 49th street in what is now Cuyahoga Heights. This family was the largest farmland owner in our village in 1874. Over time Richard and his children owned most of the farmland on the southern end of 49th street.

Radway is an Anglo-Saxon surname found in church records before England was a country. The Anglo and Saxons were Teutonic tribes that started coming to what is now England, Wales and Scotland in about 400 A. D. Radway families are found in these countries plus Ireland. The family was seated as Lords of the Manor in Somerset and in the town of Radway in Warwickshire during the 1000s. Henry de Radeweie had an estate in Somerset in 1205. The Radway surname is old English for "road" and "way". It is also found in records as Radaway, Radwie, Reddaway, Redway, Redwey, Rodaway, Rodway, Rodweye and Roadway. The oldest ancestor we could find was **James Radway** born in 1620 in county Dublin, Ireland. He was the first member of the family to come to what is now American. He came to Hingham part of the Plymouth Colony in 1637. He came as a servant and after he had worked for three years to repay his ship passage he was free and married. About 1643 he moved his family to the town of Seekonk later named Rehoboth. His wife's name is not found in records and she died during or right after their fourth child was born in 1648. James gave money to support the militia during the Indian War also known as the King Philip's War. The Cuyahoga Heights Radways always said they were Scottish not Irish. The James Radway that came to America was born in Ireland but was a descendent of both Scottish-English.

James' son **John** was born in 1644 in Seekonk now Rehoboth, MA. John was the first birth recorded at Seekonk. John married Mary Ide. While his father gave money during the King Philip's War, John was a soldier in the Rehoboth Militia.

John and Mary's son **James** was born in 1678 in Rehoboth. James married Joanna Hildreth and was a Captain in the Bristol County Militia. James and Joanna' son **Timothy** was born in 1733 in Rehoboth. He married Mary Wilmarth and was a soldier in the American Revolution. He died in 1813 in Putney, VT., probably of spotted fever. Spotted fever was a form of meningitis that killed over 6,000 people in VT., during the winter of 1812-1813.

Timothy and Mary's son **Jonathan** was born in 1764 in Rehoboth. Jonathan married Martha Westcott. Jonathan also died of spotted fever about two weeks before his father.

Jonathan and Martha's son **Richard** was born in 1804 in Putney, VT. Richard married Mary Ann Stone. They moved with their children to the western wilderness of the Western Reserve to what is now our village.

Richard and Mary's son **Leavitt** was born in 1832 in Attleborough, VT. He married Barbara Metzner. She came to America with her parents from Baden, Germany in 1852 and settled in Newburgh.

Leavitt and Barbara had a daughter **Bella Mary Ann** who married William Krapf. Bella and William's daughter **Isabelle** went to school in the one room school house that was where the back of the BP station is now on 49th street and Harvard Avenue. She married Gerald McCandless. Gerald was a village fireman.

Color code: **Richard** Radway came to village; his **Ancestors**; his **Descendants**



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2016 Meetings

10 AM - Noon

April 2nd

May 7th

May 30th Memorial Day

Open House 9 AM –1PM

August 6th

October 1st

at

Kennedy House

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Do You Know?



Cuyahoga Heights High School
1964-1965

Jennie Billi, Celia Wasby, Mayme Major, Lena Cash,
Regina Flowers, Millie Major, Louise Vincenti

Picture by school Photography Department

Source: Tucholski Family

Committee News

The Historical Committee's next meeting will be April 2nd 2016 from 10 AM till 12 noon. All meeting dates for 2016 are listed to the left. Everyone is welcome to attend the meetings, or look at the displays at the Kennedy House. You can also schedule a time to visit by contacting any committee member or the village hall.

Cuyahoga Heights Memories Page, the Historical Committee's Facebook page now has 352 members. It is a closed group page, meaning you have to go to the page & ask to join. Don't forget our web page. They are both listed to the left. The *Willow House Times* is posted the 1st week of the month on our Facebook & web site.

