Descendants of Andreas Driess

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Generation No. 1

1. **Andreas** II Driess (1677) was born 01 Jul 1677 in Leistadt, Germany. He married **Anna Maria Spengler** 24 Jan 1702 in Kallstadt, Lutheran Church, Germany, daughter of Hans Spengler and Anna Seckenauer. She was born abt 1680 in Germany.

Notes for Andreas Driess:
They came on the ship Mary together in 1733. On the ship's passenger list as follows. Listed among the male passengers over the age of 14 years are: Andreas Dries, Cornelius Dries, Peter Dries, and John Adam Dries. Listed with the women is Anna Maria Dries and listed with the girls' names are Maria Barbara Dries-age 13, Barbara Elisabeth Dries-age 24, and Anna Maria Dries-age 11. [Pennsylvania German Pioneers, Vol. 2. Strassburger & Hinke, Baltimore, Genealogical Publishing Co., Inc., 1980. pp. 130-3.]

Leistadt is located three miles north of Bad Durkheim on a sheltered hill right on the edge of the Palatinate Forest. At an average altitude of 230 meters above sea level it is about 100 m higher than Bad Durkheim and other neighboring communities. Therefore also contributes Leistadt the suffix "Leistadt - closest to the Sun"

More About Andreas Driess:
Immigration: 29 Sep 1733, Arrived at Philadelphia on the ship "Mary"
Religion: He was Catholic before marriage. His children were raised in the Lutheran church.

Notes for Anna Maria Spengler:
Kallstadt is an Ortsgemeinde – a municipality belonging to a Verbandsgemeinde, a kind of collective municipality – in the Bad Dürkheim district in Rhineland-Palatinate, Germany.

More About Anna Maria Spengler:
Religion: Lutheran

Children of Andreas Driess and Anna Spengler are:

2 i. Nicolaus III Driess, born abt 1702 in Germany.
3 ii. Barbara Elizabeth Dries, born abt 1709 in Germany.
4 iii. John Adam Dries, born 25 Jul 1715 in Leistadt, Germany.
+ 5 iv. Cornelius Triess, born Bef. 1720 in Germany; died 1760 in Albany Twp., Berks Co., PA.
+ 6 v. Peter Triess, born Bef. 1720 in Germany; died Bet. 1767 - 1768 in Macungie Twp., Lehigh Co., PA.
7 vi. Maria Barbara Dries, born abt 1720 in Germany.
+ 8 vii. Anna Maria Dries, born abt 1722 in Germany.
5. **Cornelius Triess** (Andreas Driess, ??) was born Bef. 1720 in Germany, and died 1760 in Albany Twp., Berks Co., PA. He married **Catherine** ?. She died Aft. 1760.

Notes for Cornelius Triess:
Arrived in PA on the pink "Mary" in Philadelphia 29 Sep 1733. James Benn, Master, from Rotterdam.

Administration of estate, Berks Co. PA 1761. vol. 2 p.33  His son Jacob was the administrator of the estate. It mentions that he died leaving a wife Catherine and 6 children: Magdalena, Jacob, Anna Marie, Barbara, Michael and John.
Orphans Court Docket #1 pages 120-121.

Children of Cornelius Triess and Catherine ? are:
9 i. Magdalena Treece, born abt 1739 in Berks Co., PA; died Bef. 1760 in Berks Co., PA. She married Jacob Tonart; died Aft. 1762.
10 ii. Jacob Dreese, born abt 1741 in Berks Co., PA; died Feb 1794 in Northumberland Co., PA. He married Magdalene Stapleton.

Notes for Jacob Dreese:
Administrator of estate of Cornelius Triess, Berks Co., PA 1761. Orphans Court Docket #1, pages 120-121.

Tax lists
Albany Twp., Berks Co., PA. 1762-1784.
Penns Twp., Northumberland Co., PA 1785-1787
Beaver Twp., Northumberland Co., PA 1789-1793.

Jacob made his will 12 Feb 1794, it was probated 14 Apr 1794.
It mentioned his brother, John; his wife; his children: John, Jacob, Mary Magdalene, Peter, Mary Elizabeth, & Christina. He makes "the following men my lawfull executors (to wit) Casper Wannamacher, Simon Wartman Senior, Peter Spengler, Jacob Stevelton and Michael Richelderfer, all of Albany Township Berks County except Casper Wannamacher who is of Bever Township in the County of Northumberland."

11 iii. Anna Marie Treece, born Bef. 1748 in Berks Co., PA.
12 iv. Barbara Treece, born Bef. 1748 in Berks Co., PA; died abt 1762. She married Henry King Bef. 1760.
13 v. Michael Treece, born abt May 1749 in Berks Co., PA; died Bef. 31 Aug 1808 in Washington Twp., Ross Co., OH. He married Rachel ?; died Bef. 20 Jul 1805 in PA.

Notes for Michael Treece:
Administration of estate of Cornelius Triess, Berks Co. PA 1761. vol. 2 p.33

Berks Co. PA Orphans Court Docket #1 pages 120-121. 13 Aug 1762 Valentine Probst appointed guardian of Michael and John, children of Cornelius, both under the age of 14.

13 May 1763 Michael being between the age of 14 and 21 petitioned the court to be allowed to choose his own guardian.

Tax lists:
Albany Twp., Berks Co., PA 1770-1784.
Penn Twp., Northumberland Co., PA 1785-1787.

1800 census p. 845 Northumberland Co., PA. Listed as Michael Trice.

Land-Northumberland Co., PA Michael Driess to Frederick Fetherolf 20 July 1805, Beaver Twp., 40 acres 135 perches, received warrant bearing date of 20 Aug 1792, adjoining land of Rinehold on the north and John Sample on the south. 38 pounds eleven shillings.


Estate case #6310 Ross County OH 1808. [Washington Twp. became part of Pickaway Co. in 1810.]

Inventory of the goods and chattels of Michael Tries late of Washington Township Ross Co. Ohio deceased and appraised this 31st day of August 1808.

Court record, Pickaway Co., OH October term 1814. Henry Treece complainant against heirs of Michael Tress. The defendants are: John Trees, Frederick Featheroff and Catherine his wife, Henry Thomas and Susan his wife, Jacob Trees, Isaac Clymer and Emma his wife, George Gamperling and Mollie his wife, Fealty Dean and Elizabeth his wife, & Daniel Notestine and Christiana his wife residents of the commonwealth of Pennsylvania. It is ordered that unless they appear and answer the complainant's bill by the next term of this court the same will be taken as confessed against them and further ordered that a copy of this order be published in some newspaper printed in Harrisburg and in the Scioto Gazette for three months successively.

Court Record, Pickaway Co., OH October Term 1815
Henry Trees or Tress complainant. Defendants: John Trees, Frederick Featheroff and Catherina his wife, Henry Thomas and Susana his wife, Jacob Trees, Isaac Clymer and Emma his wife, George Gamperling and Molly his wife, Fealty Dean and Elizabeth is wife, Daniel Notestine and Christiana his wife, Peter Trees, John Reedy and July his wife, Daniel Bowsher and Polly his wife, James Waddle and Barbara his wife and Rachel Trees. The defendants must sell by next March.

Land - Pickaway Co., OH, book 12 p. 448, Peter and wife Elizabeth Trees of Washington Twp. Pickaway Co., OH for $500 grant to Henry Trees. Peter and Henry Trees were tenants in common and heirs of Michael Trees. Said Michael died intestate leaving 14 children to whom the estate of the deceased will descend. Peter and Elizabeth Trees release any claim they have on this 81 acres. 15 Feb 1817.

Land - Pickaway Co., OH, book 12 p. 449, Michael Trees, deceased who died intestate, and was lawfully seized of a certain tract of land - the SE 1/4 section 18 Twp 11 Range 21 Worthingtons Survey, and at the time of his decease was also seized and possessed of goods and chattels and personal estate. Frederick Fetherolf and Catherine his wife late Catherine Trees, Henry Thomas and Susana his wife late Susana Trees, George Gimerling and Magdalena his wife late Magdalena Trees, Isaac Climer and Amelia his wife late Amelia Trees. Children and heirs of Michael Trees deceased, and John Trees assignee of Daniel Notestine and Christiana his wife late Christina Trees all of the state of Pennsylvania have for and in consideration of ? current money of the US paid to by Henry Trees of Pickaway Co., Ohio, grant to Henry Trees our right title claim interest and demand of and in the real and personal estate of our said father Michael Trees deceased. 4 Jun 1817 Signed in Union Co., PA Recorded 10 Feb 1835.

Land - Pickaway Co., OH V. 15 p. 297
12 Jun 1837 Joseph Reedy as sole heir of Julian Reedy late wife of John Reedy and daughter of Michael Trees all now deceased of the first part and Henry Trees a brother of the said Julian Reedy of the other part, said Joseph Reedy in consideration that said Henry Trees on the 30th day of May purchased of said John Reedy, father of Joseph Reedy, all the right title and interest which John Reedy and Julian his wife had acquired by deceat from the said Michael Trees. In consideration that no deed was conveyed to Henry Trees as was intended on 30 May 1815 and $50 was paid by Henry Trees, Joseph Reedy releases his right to the land.

Land - Pickaway Co., OH v. B p. 494
21 Sep 1813 between Valentine Teen of the township of Beaver in the county of Northumberland in PA and his wife Elizabeth of the one part and George Weaver of the township of Pickaway in the state of Ohio of the
other part. Valentine Teen and Elizabeth his wife in consideration of the 
sum of $100 paid by George Weaver grant to George Weaver their part of 
the estate of the father of Elizabeth Teen, formerly Elizabeth Treece, 
Michael Treece deceased. The land being in Pickaway County, Ohio. 
Signed 21 Sep 1813.

Pickaway County Common Pleas Order book
Jacob Treece a resident of Decatur Co., Mifflin Co., PA sells to George 
Weaver land in Washington Twp., Pickaway Co., OH being part of the 
estate of his father Michael Treece. Received for record 8 Jul 1815

Notes for Rachel ?:
Rachel's name was found in the baptismal records of their daughters 
Catherine, Magdalena, and Anna Maria.

14 i. John Dreese, born 21 Aug 1752 in Berks Co., PA; died 17 Jan 1809 in 
Beaver Twp., Northumberland Co., PA. He married Anna Maria ? abt 
1773; died Aft. Apr 1809.

Notes for John Dreese:
Administration of estate of Cornelius Triess, Berks Co., PA 1761. Orphans 
Court Docket #1 pages 120-121. 13 Aug 1762 Valentine Probst appointed 
guardian of Michael and John, children of Cornelius, both under the age of 
14.

Tax lists
Albany Twp., Berks Co., PA 1773-1782 
Penn Twp. Northumberland Co., PA 1783-84 
Beaver Twp., Northumberland Co., PA 1789-1806 
1800 census Northumberland Co., PA p. 845

Letters of Administration for the estate of John Dries granted to Anna Maria 
Dries (his widow) and Peter Dries on 14 Feb 1809. Northumberland Co., 
PA, will book 2 p. 91. Orphans court records of 7 Apr 1809.

More About John Dreese:
Burial: Hassinger Cemetery, Snyder Co., PA

Notes for Anna Maria ?:
Her maiden name was possibly Reichelderfer.

6. Peter³ Triess (Andreas² Driess, ?¹) was born Bef. 1720 in Germany, and died Bet. 1767 - 
1768 in Macungie Twp., Lehigh Co., PA. He married Catherine Volck abt 1736, daughter of 
Andreas Volck and Catharina Meckel. She was born 1715 in Hochland, NY.
Notes for Peter Triess:
1738 land warrant Philadelphia Co., PA
1754 tax Albany Twp., Berks Co., PA
1761 Lynn Twp. Northampton Co., PA tax list, 150 acres.
1762 tax Lynn Twp., Northampton Co. PA (now Lehigh Co.)
1765-67 tax Macungie Twp.
16 Jan 1771 his land was sold.

Research of church, land, and tax records of Northampton and Lehigh Counties done by Thomas Shank.

More About Catherine Volck:
Religion: Moravian Church

Children of Peter Triess and Catherine Volck are:

15 i. Anna Marie Treece, born 22 Sep 1737 in Berks Co. PA.

Notes for Anna Marie Treece:
Baptized St. Gabriel's Church 22 Sept 1737.

More About Anna Marie Treece:
Baptism: 22 Sep 1737, St. Gabriel's Church (Episcopal), Amity Twp., Berks Co., PA

16 ii. Jacob Treece, born abt 1743 in PA; died abt Feb 1811 in Rowan Co., NC.
He married Margaret ? abt 1767.

Notes for Jacob Treece:
1800 census Rowan Co., NC p 304
1810 census Rowan Co., NC p. 66 residing with his son John.

Will written 30 Oct 1810 probated Feb 1811, Rowan Co., NC. His will names his children (Sons- John, Peter, Henry, Daniel, Jacob, George. Daughters-Catherine, Elizabeth, and Magdelon) and his grandson, Henry Swink, under 21.

Northampton Co., PA
Lynn Twp. tax list 1764 (single)
Macungie Twp. tax list 1764-1767 (single)
Macungie Twp. tax list 1768-1773
Lowhill Twp. tax list 1774-1775

Rowan Co. Court Minutes vol. 2 p. 309
5 Aug 1778 mentions Tories Adam Treece and Jacob Treece who had not taken an oath of allegiance. They are mentioned again in 1778-took oath of allegiance.

Rowan Co. Deeds index 1793-95, grant 1365, Jacob purchased land from the state.

Notes for Margaret ?:
Her given name came from this record: Weissenberg Lutheran and Reformed Congregations in Weissenberg Twp., 1751-1910 transcription of original records which are handwritten in German. Johann Peter, son of Jacob & Margaretha Driess, baptized Whitsunday 1774, age 8 weeks. Sponsors: Johann Peter Hartmann & Susanna. Researched by Thom Shank in 1998.

iii. Adam Treece, born abt 1746 in PA; died May 1790 in Rowan Co., NC. He married Mary ?.

Notes for Adam Treece:
Rowan Co. Court Minutes vol. 2 p. 309
5 Aug 1778 mentions Tories Adam Treece and Jacob Treece who had not taken an oath of allegiance. They are mentioned again in 1778-took oath of allegiance.

Northampton Co. Tax lists [These townships are now in Lehigh Co. PA.]
1767 Macungie Twp.
1768-70, Lynn Township. Listed as a farmer in 1769.
1773 Lowhill Twp.

Rowan Co. tax lists 1781-1784.
1781 taxed for 160 acres on the south side of Yadkin River.

15 Mar 1790 (Bk. 12:176). Adam Tries and wife Ann Mary to John Shoeman 299 acres on the N waters of Dutch Second Creek.

1790 census Rowan Co., NC p 176 1-2-3. [Peter is the male over 16, William & Henry are the 2 males under 16. Adam is probably deceased. His widow and daughters Polly and Mary are the 3 females.]

Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions book 5:279.
4 May 1790 Administration of the estate of Adam Trees is granted to William Smithers & John Weighunt. Mary Trees the widow relinquished her right.
4 May 1790-Ordered that the administrators of the estate of Adam Trees make sale one Negro wench and child to pay the debts of the estate.
4 Feb 1795 William Smithers is appointed guardian of William Trees and Henry Trees, orphans of Adam Trees decd.

18   iv.  John Treece, born abt 1752.
19   v.  George Treece, born abt 1755; died Jul 1782 in Northampton Co., PA. He married Barbara ?.

Notes for George Treece:
First tax 1776. Lived in Northampton Co., now Carbon Co., PA.

In the PA Archives he is listed as being kidnapped and later killed by Indians in July 1782. He is also found in a Rev War pension file of a soldier who was in his militia unit, who spoke about the incident.

More About George Treece:
Military service 1: He died in the Militia during the Revolutionary War. Rangers on the Frontier from Northampton Co., PA
Military service 2: Ensign in the Continental Line 3rd Battalion

Notes for Barbara ?:
Penn Twp., Northampton Co., PA tax list 1782-1787. No Drees on the tax list from 1788.

20   vi.  Eva Catharina Treece, born 05 Jun 1755 in Albany Twp, Berks Co. PA. She married Henrich Bieber abt 1772.

Notes for Eva Catharina Treece:
Moved to Rowan Co., NC. Info about this family from Thom Shank.

8. Anna Maria³ Dries (Andreas² Driess, ?¹) was born abt 1722 in Germany. She married Johann Peter Baum.

Child of Anna Dries and Johann Baum is:
21   i.  Heinrich⁴ Baum.