

There is no entry in Unruh's book for any Heidebrechts in Chortitza, in either the 1808 revision or in the supplemental lists for 1814.

The only Johann Heidebrecht family listed in the 1808 Molotschna revision, at Lichtenau # 2, was: Johann Heudebrecht, age 32, from Lackendorff, Amt Elbing, farmer; wife Agatha, age 35; children Peter (12), Maria (8) Berend (2) and Anna ($\frac{1}{2}$).

Only if that daughter Maria had died, a later one had been given the same name, and the family had moved from Molotschna to Chortitza only to return again, could this possibly be the family in question. However, Johann's first wife died on Jan. 3, 1813, so a second Maria could have been born in 1811.

Unruh's list of 1803 emigrants culled from Prussian archives also includes a Johann Heydebrecht, age 31, and his wife Maria, nee Driediger, age 36, from Lakendorf, with children Peter (6), Elisabeth (4), Maria (3) and Catharina (6 weeks), based on a power of attorney signed in Lindenau, Molotschna, 30 April 1814. but according to Herman Thiessen's book, he was the son of Peter.

Justina, daughter of Abraham Heidebrecht, had a nephew named Jacob, born in the fall of 1834 to her brother Abraham. If my third-hand information about the relationship between Peter H. Unger and Jakob Heidebrecht was not accurate, but the relationship was still close enough to result in maintaining contact, this would be the next most likely choice.

Delbert Plett has identified *Kleine Gemeinde* members as coming from the lineage of Abraham, the oldest son of *Stammvater* Peter, and Jakob, the youngest son. If Peter H. Unger's mother came from one of these two lines, then would have had to be Justina, for the Maria born in 1817 was the granddaughter of Peter, son of *Stammvater* Peter..

In any case, contrary to my guess a decade ago, it is almost certain that the unknown Heidebrecht mother of Peter H. Unger was not descended from Jakob, youngest son of *Stammvater* Peter, from which line the largest number of *Kleine Gemeinde* Heidebrechts came. I cannot find her in the less than fully complete list of Jakob Heidebrecht's descendants published by Delbert Plett in *Pioneers and Pilgrims*, pp. 415-426.

The Heidebrechts were obviously of German, not Dutch, Frisian or Flemish origin. Hermann Thiessen's attempt to trace the line in Prussian records is speculative, but the circumstantial inferences as to possible originare nevertheless fascinating. This is what he found:

(a) Captain Lorenz Heidebecker was active as a pirate in the Baltic Sea near Danzig in August 1571.

(b) Jan Heidebreker married Stiene Meinerts (a distinctively Frisian name) at the Lutheran Church of Sts. Peter and Paul in Danzig on 1 February 1602.