

The Albachten/Youngblood/Hartman Families

The history of the Albachten, Youngblood, and Hartman families in America begins in Germany, just south of Muenster where two important families lived. The first, Joan Bernard Heinrich Hartman and Anna Maria Francisca Clara Heithorn were married 28 April 1812 and lived in a house still occupied by their descendent today. In this house, the names of Hartman and Heithorn are engraved above the fireplace, which contains a spit stamped with the date "1512". They had at least eleven children, the following who came to America in 1847 and 1848:

(underline is the name they usually went by)

- Anton Bernard Carolus Hartman, born 4 March 1819, died 1880
- Joannes Adolph Hartman, baptized 17 September 1820
- Adolph Herman Hartman, born 22 September 1822
- Maria Anna Antonetta Hartman, born 25 February 1824 died 1892
- Josephina Elizabeth Hartman, born 4 March 1826, died 1858

The other family was that of Anna Maria Elizabeth Adolphina Pellengahr, who was born at the farm of her parents in 1790, which is still owned by their descendent, Walter Schulte Pellengahr. The property has been in the family since the beginning of recorded history in the 12th century and the current house was built in 1575. It is a historic farm, being one of the few still completely surrounded by a moat or "graffen". The title "schulze", still carried by the owner today, indicated an individual who was part of the governing counsel of the Bishop of Muenster in the 17th century. Besides governing the area, these men might also arrange the marriages of their children when they met in Muenster.

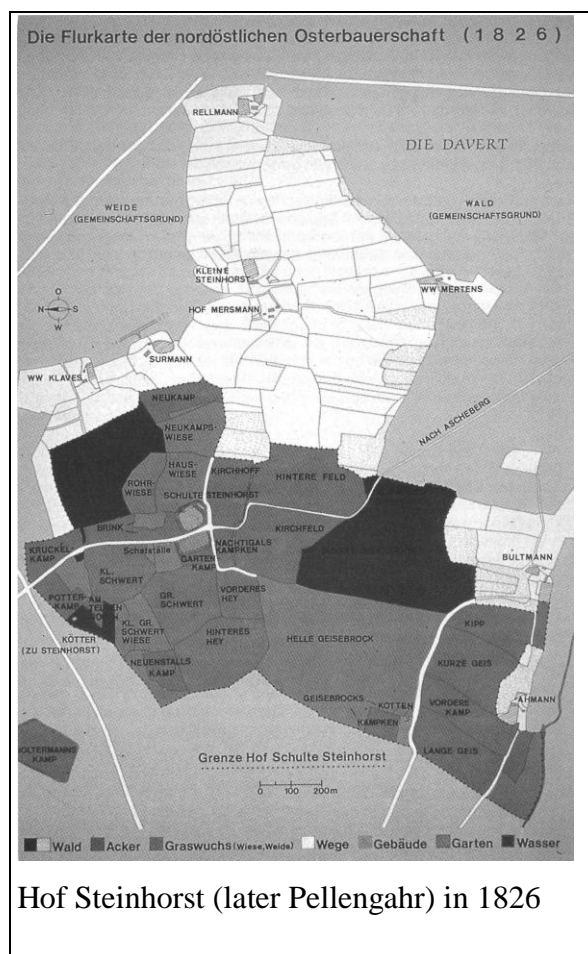
In 1826, the farm stretched for 1,800 m east and west and 1,000 m north and south with the large building complex at the center, completely surrounded by the moat. It is identified as "Hof Steinhorst" today and retains the full moat.

Elizabeth Pellengahr was married twice. The first was to Franz Anton Aloysious Albachten, who came from a family which took their name from the town of Albachten, since they were the owners of this land before the 16th century. They were married 25 August 1813 and had six children, the three who came to America being the following:

- Francis Wilhelm Albachten, born 29 October 1814 (music teacher in 1850, brewer in 1860)
- Hubert Caspar Albachten, born 20 June 1816
- Gustavus Adolphus Albachten, born 16 July 1818

Her first husband Franz died 28 Oct 1825 and she remarried Johan Heinrich Anton Jungblut on 23 January 1827. They had four children, all of whom came to America:

- Anna Emilia Jungblut, born 26 March 1828



Hof Steinhorst (later Pellengahr) in 1826

- Anton Wilhelm Jungblut, baptized 11 November 1829 and confirmed 28 May 1844
- Bernardina Clara Theresa Jungblut, baptized 24 June 1831
- Maria Louisa Jungblut, baptized 13 June 1833 and confirmed 1847

Johan Jungblut apparently died sometime before 1848.

There has always been a belief in the family that there was some special connection between the Hartman, Albachten, and Youngblood families. In 1980, one of their descendents wrote:

"Adolph Albachten's father and Anna Youngblood's mother were apparently brother & sister. This accounts for the 'double' relationship constantly referred to by the Fiebigers between the 'Albachten's' and the 'Hartman's' sides of the family. My aunt (later Nettie Fiebiger) told the story that back in the early 1800's, the parents of Adolph's & Anna's parents hired a tutor for these two children of theirs. This tutor, was named 'Youngblood', who, the story goes, got Anna's mother pregnant. Thus the marriage resulted, and Anna was born in 1828."

Of course, the records show that Elizabeth and Franz Jungblut were married in January 1827 after her first husband died and their daughter Anna was born in February 1828. So much for the story. But the "double" relationship is explained in the two marriages of Elizabeth and the intermarriages of her children with the Hartmans. In fact, as can be seen, Adolph Albachten's father and Anna Youngblood's mother were not brother and sister, but were married. It's strange that Nettie didn't know this.

The two families, made up of Eliza Pellengahr and her seven children from two marriages and at least three Hartman children traveled to America, first to Allen County, Indiana, then Miami County, Indiana. The family immigration was in stages, as was often the case. At first, Adolph Albachten and the three Hartmans arrived in New York on 28 May 1847 aboard the brig "Anna". Elizabeth Jungblut, her four Jungblut children, and one of the Hartmans arrived November 6, 1848 aboard the "Caroline". The name Jungblut was Anglicized to Youngblood. (The immigration records for Adolph's two brothers have not been found.)

In Indiana, there were three marriages:

- Adolph Albachten and Anna Hartman on 20 July 1847 in Allen County
- Carolus (Charles) Hartman and Anna Youngblood on 10 July 1849 in Miami County
- Hubert Albachten and Elizabeth Hartman on 30 July 1849 in Miami County (She died in 1858.)

As a result, Elizabeth Pellengahr ended up with three children-in-law from the same Hartman family (and maybe a fourth as noted below).

Between 1855 and 1857, Charles Hartman and Anna moved to Shakopee, Minnesota with their first son, Charles, where their remaining children were born. Also moving was Adolph Albachten who was a brewer in 1858. In 1860, Hubert Albachten, then a widower, and Frank Albachten were also in Shakopee.

(Also living in Shakopee in 1870 is an Adolph Hartman, aged 50, married to Theresa, aged 40. This is likely the Adolph baptized 17 September 1820 and Theresa Youngblood, born in 1831. In 1880, they were back in Fort Wayne, Indiana, where he was still a brewer. Adolph died 28 Oct 1882, age 62, and Theresa 17 Feb 1895, being age 66 the previous December according to her obituary, while the cemetery records say she was born in 1831. This is certainly the same couple, Adolph Hartman and Theresa Weggerman married in May 1855 in Miami County, Indiana. However, they are shown later with a daughter born about 1853 in Germany. In 1857, Frank Albachten is living next to Weggermans from Ohio in Shakopee. so there is a definite family connection.)

By 1875, Charles Hartman and Adolph Albachten had moved their families to Duluth while Hubert Albachten went to New Trier.