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Michael and Elisabetha Kleber's Family

Early Pennsylvania records are sketchy for this family. Family research has centered on sons John Bernhardt (Cumberland County), John Martin (Cumberland and Allegheny Counties), and Heinrich (Westmoreland and Armstrong Counties). John, Anna Maria, Michael, Barbara, and Susanna were known to be in Lancaster and Dauphin Counties (now Lebanon County). Any additional research, corrections, questions, and comments are most welcome.

Michael Kleber, d. May 16, 1757, at Bethel, old Lancaster Co. (now Lebanon Co., Pa.)

m. Elisabeth "Ann" _____, d. May 16, 1757, Bethel, old Lancaster Co. (now Lebanon Co., Pa.)

Children:

1. "John" George Ludwig **Kleber/Clever**, b. July 4, 1736
m. Anna Magdalena **Ellinger**
a. Elizabeth **Clever** (1764-1834)
m. Patrick **McKinney**
 2. Anna Maria **Kleber**, b. Sept. 9, 1738
m. John Jacob **Stein**
 3. Michael **Kleber/Clever**, b. Mar. 1, 1740; d. Aug. 1807, Annville, Dauphin Co., Pa.
m. Maria Catharina **Holderbaum**, b. Sept. 29, 1754/Oct. 3, 1753; d. Mar. 28, 1825
a. Johannes **Kleber** (1772-1821)
m. Margreta **Dietrich**
b. Catharine **Kleber**, b. ca1775
m. Jacob **Fitterer**
c. Anna Maria **Kleber**, b. ca1776
d. John Michael **Kleber**, b. ca1784
e. Christina **Kleber**
f. Magdalene **Kleber**
g. Anthony **Kleber**
 4. Barbara **Kleber**, b. Feb. 28, 1744
 5. John Bernhardt "Barnhart" **Kleber/Clever**, b. Jan. 17, 1747; d. June 29, 1816, Cumberland Co., Pa.
m. Maria Elizabeth **Bollinger**, b. ca1764; d. before 1816
a. Conrad **Clever** (1782-1862)
m. Catherine **Walters**
b. Mary "Polly" **Clever**
m. Abraham **Boughman/Baughman**
c. Barnhart **Clever**
d. George Henry **Clever**, b. 1790
m. Mary/Elizabeth **Hippensteel**
e. Susanna **Clever** (1791-1871)
f. John **Clever** (1793-1864)
m. Mary **Strickler**
g. Rachel **Clever** (1796-1881)
m. John **Walters**
h. Elizabeth **Clever**, b. 1798
m. David **Krysher/Kaysler**
 - i. Catherine **Clever**
m. William **McConnahy**
 - j. Henry **Clever** (1805-1868)
m. Elizabeth **Boughman**
 - k. Sara **Clever** (1806/7-1892)
m. Lenard **Helm**
 - l. Anthony **Clever** (1808-1878)
m. Mary **Hockenberry**
6. Susanna **Kleber**, b. Feb. 19, 1749
 7. John "Martin" **Kleber/Clever**, b. Aug. 15, 1751; d. between Sept. 23 and Nov. 23, 1825, Cumberland Co., Pa.
m. Anna Catharina **Lutz(en)**, b. 1764; d. after Sept. 23, 1825
a. Catherine **Clever**
b. Elizabeth **Clever** (1787-1805)
c. Mary **Clever**
m. Jacob **Lehman**
d. Martin **Clever** (1795-1880)
m. Mary Magdalena **Minnich**
 8. Heinrich **Kleber/Clever**, b. Apr. 18, 1754, Lancaster Co., Pa.; d. June 1828, Wayne Twp., Armstrong Co., Pa.
m. 1) Elizabeth **Reigard**, b. ca1762, Lancaster Co., Pa.; d. ca1794, Westmoreland Co., Pa.
a. Barbara **Clever** (1784-1858)
m. Jacob **Beck**
b. Elizabeth **Clever**, b. 1786
c. Susanna **Clever** (1788-1852)
m. 1) Frederick **Soxman**
m. 2) George **Waugaman**
d. Anna Maria **Clever**, b. 1789
m. Jacob **Porter**
e. Female child
f. Catharine **Clever** (1792-1841)
m. Jacob **Rupp**
m. 2) Elizabeth **LeSeur/Leasure**, b. Aug. 26, ca1764/1778; d. after June 1828
g. Michael **Clever** (1797-1867)
m. Margaret _____
h. Anna Margareta **Clever**, b. 1799
i. Henry **Clever** (1802-1872)
m. Catharine **Schreckengost**
j. Christiana **Clever** (1804-1906)
m. John **Houser**
k. Joseph **Clever** (1807-1865)
m. Margaret **Gould**
l. Daniel **Clever** (1810-ca1836)
m. Hannah **Houser**
m. Jacob **Clever** (1814-1888)
m. Esther **Rosenberger**

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A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT...

Hello again! I can hardly believe an entire year has gone by since my installation as President of our genealogical society. Time sure flies when you're having fun. Many things have transpired in the past year. Let's look back together, look where we've been, and view where we want to go.

In the past year, our library has been growing steadily in size and in services offered to members. The membership's use of the facilities has also increased. We have added a computer for our membership to use to view CD Roms. We have a reader printer for our growing microfilm collection, which now includes the *Reading Eagle* newspaper.

We participated in the Pennsylvania German Festival last July and signed up many new members and sold some material. It was a beneficial endeavor. We also made many new friends when we had a site at the National Genealogical Society Conference at Valley Forge in May. We have been invited to participate in the Pennsylvania German Festival in Kutztown, which we are looking forward to.

We will be sharing a very special weekend October 24-25 with the Mid-Atlantic Germanic Society, whose membership will be traveling from Maryland to Reading and Kutztown to have a joint meeting with us—an exciting new idea and direction for us to take. We will have a reception Friday evening and a full day of activities Saturday. Tours of the BCGS Library, Pennsylvania German Cultural Heritage Center (which now includes the Pennsylvania Folk Culture Society), the Kutztown Historical Society, and the Pennsylvania German Society. Members of these organizations are encouraged to participate. There will be a dinner where Annette Burgert will speak on her soon-to-be-released publication on Langensolbold, Germany. Keep watching for more information. Plan on joining us for this enjoyable weekend.

Our general meetings throughout the year have been well attended. We have had some very outstanding speakers. The most emotional for me was the evening with Herr Roland Paul who came from the Folks Museum in Kaiserslauten, Germany, to speak to us on emigration of our immigrants. He spoke for an hour and a half. All those present wanted him to continue his talk on letters from America to their homeland in the Pfalz.

Speaking of the Pfalz, the Pfalz emigration records given to Dr. David Valuska and the Pennsylvania German Cultural Heritage Center, who en-

trusted us to be custodian of them, are being well used by members of both organizations. We've also seen an increase of interest from the Pennsylvania German Society and the Mid-Atlantic Germanic Society.

We were on TV twice! On January 16, Reading Community Television had an hour-long panel show with BCGS member Michelle Lynch as moderator. Present on the dais were Schryler Brossman, representing Berks County Genealogy and History; Barbara Goda, representing our library and ties to the Historical Society; Lenora Adam, who spoke on behalf of the Register of Wills Office and Civil Records in general; and Laurel Miller, one of the founders of BCGS and past president, who spoke on genealogy in Berks County. We were later interviewed by TV Channel 5, who wanted to hear about our library and our association with the Pfalz and the Pfalz records. Those present were Barbara Goda, Dr. David Valuska of the Pennsylvania German Cultural Heritage Center, our benefactor on the Kutztown University Campus, and myself.

This brings me to the end of my first year and the start of our future. The annual dinner this year saluted Mr. Edgar Zimmerman, a renown historian and genealogist. He was the recipient of this year's Steinmetz Award and a lifetime BCGS membership.

I must salute the board members: Barbara Goda, John Hains, Dr. Jason Dreibelbis, Sam Beam, Roy Gehris, Richard Frank, Beulah Follmer, Lenora Adam, Sandra Kauffman, Lois Ann Mast, Randy Lindenmuth, Carlina Blatt, Leon Borst, Richard Umberger, Lucy Kern, and Donna Humbert. Not only are they hard-working board members, but each of them volunteers whenever needed.

New roads to travel. A cordial and helpful relationship with Dr. Valuska, Pennsylvania German Cultural Heritage Center associate; The Pennsylvania Folk Culture Society, Anna Stein, President; the Pennsylvania German Society, Dr. Robert Kline, President. We look forward, also, to opening the doors of cooperation with the Kutztown Historical Society, much as we did with Mid-Atlantic Germanic Society, President Corinne Earnest.

Computers and the internet have made this large world one small society. Should we not then be working together as such.

That brings me to my final thoughts. This Society is what you want it to be. If you want to see specific material in our publications, submit it. If you want new services, suggest them. If you want more hours of library time, volunteer. As I said in last year's message, we need your help; we need volunteers. If we've come this far with a few good volunteers, think what we could do with your help.

- Leon Adam, President

— Comments and opinions always welcomed —