



# *vonRosenberg Newsletter*

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## *Reunion Update*

**I**t's time once again for making your plans to attend the 62nd Reunion of the vonRosenberg Family of Texas. The reunion is being held at beautiful Camp Lone Star in LaGrange, Texas, for the 21st consecutive year. With excellent accommodations, great meals, and a wide variety of recreational facilities and activities, Camp Lone Star is the perfect setting for family gatherings such as ours. For a fun and relaxing weekend full of friendship and fellowship, Camp Lone Star and the family reunion are hard to beat.

One of the special events that was being planned for this year's reunion was a historical re-enactment play featuring some of our more notable vonRosenberg and Meerscheidt ancestors. Even though the play has not quite come to fruition for this year's reunion, play organizers Pam Peters and Neale Rabensburg will continue to work on getting this production underway for the 2004 reunion.

Speaking of Neale Rabensburg, if you will remember, Neale is the Family member who bought "The Meerscheidt House" in LaGrange in 2001 and is making renovations. Neale is having a reception there on the Saturday evening of our reunion ( July 12 ) around 7:00 P.M. All are invited to attend.

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# Odds and Ends

## Vol III Books

Remember you can still order copies of the new Volume III of the vonRosenberg Family of Texas from our treasurer. If you have any corrections or additions to Volume III, please forward them to the historian. We still have over 1000 copies of Vol. III . This volume is absolutely magnificent in format and content with many ancestral pictures. You will want one of these books for each of your children and grandchildren as well. Just make your check payable to The vonRosenberg Family of Texas and mail it along with your order ( form on page 5 ) to: Bill vonRosenberg  
11404 Antler Ln., Austin, Texas 78726

## Loans by Family Members

We still owe family members \$8,000 for loans they made to help fund the publishing of Vol. III. We do not have near enough in our account to pay off these loans. We need to all pitch in and contribute to the book repayment effort by selling more of all the vonosenberg Family publications. Prices and quantities available are on the order form on page 5. Another way to help is to donate something unique to the "Silent Auction."

## Silent Auction

Just another reminder to bring something to share at the silent auction. It can be crafted or purchased. The silent auction is a means of helping fund the treasury. Funds are limited at the present time due to the publication of Volume III.

## Election of Officers

Be sure to be present at this year's reunion to cast your vote for the new officers to serve the family for the next two years. Did you know that President Wayne Scholz and Vice-President Pam Peters have both asked to step down and give someone else a shot at the two most prestigious and glamorous positions in the family. This power vacuum at the top could lead to anarchy if we do not find some brave souls willing to take on the good fight. Please pass along any nominations and they will be placed.

## Leo P. Meerscheidt, Jr.

As reported in the Feb.2003 newsletter,Leo passed away on December 30, 2002. We would like to pay special tribute to him. Leo and his family have been long-time supporters of the VR Family reunions. Leo was the "reigning" patriarch of the VR Branch V ( Meerscheidt ), at least present at the reunions. Leo was born and raised in San Antonio, Texas, was an Eagle Scout, attended Rice University, served faithfully in the Navy in World War II and the Korean War, and flew commercially for many years thereafter. Leo was a member of many church and civic organizations. Along with his wife, Sarah, they had 6 children and numerous grandchildren. Always present and active at the reunions, Leo was never afraid to "speak his mind" and he will be greatly missed at the upcoming reunion this summer.

## Updates

### Births

Seth Tristan IronWing, born to Andre & Susan IronWing, April 17, 2003 in Mesa, Arizona

McKenzie Helen Marie Sutherland, born to David & Jenell (Roquemore) Sutherland on April 9, 2003

Annabelle Carolyn Crowson, born to Matthew & Kelly Crowson on Feb.19, 2003 in Lubbock, Texas

Charlotte Frances Crowson, born to Walker & Jennifer Crowson on May 6, 2002 in El Paso, Texas

### Marriages

### Deaths

Please help us keep our records up to date by reporting new information to our secretary. The secretary is Karl vonRosenberg. His mailing address is 1028 Cheyenne Trail, Hewitt, Texas 76643. E-mail is [karlvr@swbell.net](mailto:karlvr@swbell.net).

## *Schedule of Events*

### Friday

Check-in after 3:00 p.m.  
Visiting and Recreation are the fare  
Supper is on your own  
At 7:00 p.m. bring your snacks and  
share in a potluck snack fest.

### Saturday

8:00 a.m.  
Breakfast  
Display Family Artifacts

9:00 a.m.  
Swimming  
Silent Auction Begins

12:00 Noon  
Lunch

1:00 p.m.  
Business Meeting

2:30 p.m.  
Swimming

5:30 p.m.  
Supper

7:00 p.m.  
Reception at  
"The Meerscheidt House"

8:00 p.m.  
Talent Show  
(very loosely defined)

Silent Auction concludes

### Sunday

8:00 am  
Breakfast

10:00 a.m.  
Memorial Service and Devotional

12:00 Noon  
Lunch

1:00 p.m.  
Pack vehicles and head home

## *Cost*

The cost at Camp Lone Star is reasonable and compares favorably with any other manner of financing your reunion expenses. The cost is pro-rated and is determined by your arrival time.

Please get your reservation in as soon as possible for rooms at Camp Lone Star. If you cannot come all weekend, come early Saturday to take part in our day trips and the afternoon's activities.

The best price is a package price: Spend the full 2 1/2 days and you'll get 5 full meals, 2 nights lodging, plus full use of all facilities for approximately \$96.75 per adult (18 years and older); about \$63.00 per youth (ages 8 to 17); children age 7 and under are free.

If you come part of the time: \$30 per night (\$20 for youths 8-17) and \$15 per meal ( \$10 youths 8-17 ) which includes a mandatory facility use charge. Facility use charge includes a meal plus the use of the facility as well as use of any accommodations such as swimming, volleyball, basketball, hot tub, etc.

**RVs and campers are not recommended since there is no place set aside to park them.**

For questions contact:

Garland Midget, Manager  
Camp Lone Star  
PO Box 8  
La Grange, Texas 78445  
979-247-4703

### *Directions to Camp Lone Star*

At the outskirts of LaGrange, on Hwy 77 South heading to Victoria, is a bridge crossing the Colorado River. About 150 yards from the south end of the bridge is a sign for Camp Lone Star. Turn east on that road and follow it in about two miles to the camp.

**Von Rosenberg Family of Texas**

**154 years since Peter Carl's arrival in Texas**

**62nd Reunion**

**137 years since Peter Carl's death**

**21st consecutive year at Camp Lone Star**



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*The vonRosenberg Family of Texas*

**CELEBRATING**

**154 YEARS IN TEXAS**

*It's reunion time again!*

*July 11 -13, 2003*

*Camp Lone Star La Grange, Texas*

# Registration Form

## 2003 vonRosenberg Family of Texas Reunion

Please complete and return this form by July 1, 2003 to:  
 Bill vonRosenberg, III, 11404 Antler Lane, Austin, Texas 78726  
 Phone: 512-258-5719

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

There will be \_\_\_\_\_ of us at the 2003 Reunion in La Grange.  
 We will arrive July 11 12 13 (circle one) between the hours of \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

There must be either 4 or 6 people in each room.  
 Please include yourself and fill out one of the lists below  
 Indicating who will be in your room OR your preference for roommates.

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Please do not send any money for room and board for the reunion.  
 Payment is made at the reunion.

### *General Store*

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ enclosed for \_\_\_\_\_ *The vonRosenberg Family of Texas Vol. III* \$25.00 (over 1000 available)

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ enclosed for \_\_\_\_\_ *The vonRosenberg Family of Texas Vol. I* \$16.00 (only 8 available)

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ enclosed for \_\_\_\_\_ *The vonRosenberg Family of Texas Vol. II* \$13.50 (32 available)

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ enclosed for \_\_\_\_\_ *The vonRosenberg Family of Texas Cookbook* \$14.95 (over 500 available)

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ enclosed for \_\_\_\_\_ *Ancestral Voices—the letters* \$20.00 (only 4 available)

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ enclosed for \_\_\_\_\_ *Emigration Booklet* \$6.50 (only 13 available)

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ enclosed for *Donation to the vonRosenberg Family of Texas operating budget*

+ 4.00 shipping and handling  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Total enclosed.

Make payable to the vonRosenberg Family of Texas