# The von Rosenberg Family of Texas



## NEWSLETTER



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# 2017 REUNION - JULY 14-16, 2017 AT CAMP LONE STAR IN LA GRANGE, TEXAS

Greetings Family! The 76th annual reunion of the von Rosenberg Family of Texas will be happening this coming Summer on July 14th through July 16th. As was agreed to by the family at last year's reunion, we will again be meeting at Camp Lone Star just outside La Grange, Texas. A registration form and schedule for those of you who wish to attend can be found at the back of this newsletter. Please plan on attending, as we want and encourage as many of our fellow von Rosenberg relations to come and enjoy the reunion.

#### REUNION DETAILS

Highlights of the 2017 Reunion will be:

- Golf Tournament @ either the Lost Pines or Colovista resorts in Bastrop on Friday, July 14th. Tee-time is tentatively set for 1:00 pm, however this is subject to change. Contact Bill von Rosenberg for details. Bill will be sending out a detailed information broadcast once details are finalized to all past participants. If you wish to be on Bill's email blast please notify Bill, whose email is billvr1229@sbcglobal.net.
- On Saturday morning, we will travel to Monument Hill & Kreische Brewery State Park to visit
  the memorial there to the men of the Mier Expedition who drew the black beans shortly after
  the Texas Revolution, as well as the Kreische Brewery ruins and the Heinrich Kreische homestead and museum, as well as the park setting all of this is found in, which includes several
  beautiful overlooks as well as a trail system. <a href="http://tpwd.texas.gov/state-parks/monument-hill-kreische-brewery">http://tpwd.texas.gov/state-parks/monument-hill-kreische-brewery</a>
- Following lunch on Saturday, a short field trip will take us to visit the Rohan Meadery and wine shop, where the Rohan family makes commercial wines and mead, an alcoholic beverage made from locally created honey. <a href="http://rohanmeadery.com">http://rohanmeadery.com</a>
- Following the field trip to the Meadery on Saturday, and before dinner, our cousin and family
  historian, Neale Rabensburg will treat us to a presentation of his lecture; <u>A Tale of Two Round
  Tops</u>, wherein he will impart his knowledge about the origins of the town in northeast Fayette
  County that the von Rosenberg Family helped found and create.
- After dinner, weather permitting, a reception will be held at the La Grange home of outgoing
  President, JT Koenig, with beer, wine and soft drinks being served along with good-ole German music being provided by Pati Meerscheidt Dukett's band under the trees as the evening
  comes and the lightning bugs start their fireworks.

## FAMILY OFFICERS 2016-2017:

#### President

Jon Todd "JT" Koenig (Branch IV - Carl Eugen) jtkoenig@yahoo.com

#### Vice-President (Interim)

Conner Bechtol
(Branch VII—Carl Walter)
Conner.bechtol@gmail.com

#### <u>Secretary</u>

Carol Campbell (Branch V - Amanda Caroline) ccamp08@sbcglobal.net

#### Treasurer

Karl von Rosenberg (Branch VII - Carl Walter) Karl@ozarksaddleking.com

<u>Family Historian Chairperson</u> Jon Todd "JT" Koenig (Branch IV - Carl Eugen)

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## **ELECTION TIME!**

It's that time again! Time to think about who should lead our family association in the officer positions of President and Vice President, both of which are up for election in 2017. As outgoing President, having served two consecutive terms as such, and having served two consecutive terms as Vice President before that, current President JT Koenig is not running for and will not accept either post, and we understand the interim Vice President, Conner Bechtol, does not wish to run for either post, so the field is wide open in 2017. The terms run for two years, so whomever is elected will serve through the 2019 Family Reunion.

The present Secretary (Carol Campbell) and Treasurer (Karl von Rosenberg), both elected in Round Top in 2015, have two more years left on their terms, as those offices run for four years each, so the only open offices this year are the top two posts.

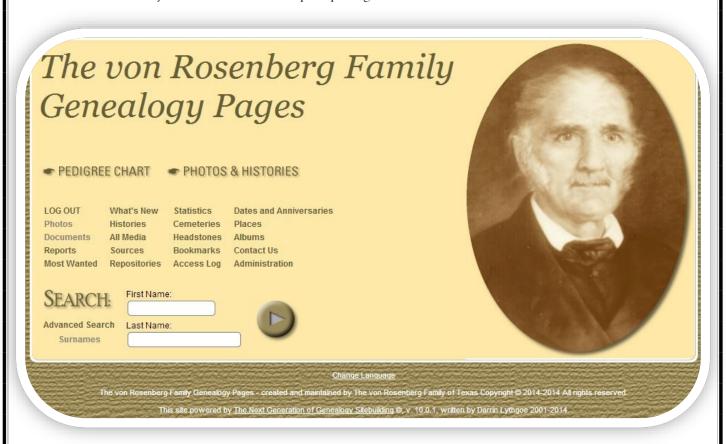
Give some thought as to how important you believe the von Rosenberg Family of Texas is to you and your family, and if you have an interest in keeping the reunion going and to keeping our family history alive, be prepared to throw your hat in the ring, as we need you, we need your energy, and we need your continued interest.

The election of President and Vice President is at our Business Meeting at Camp Lonestar on Saturday, the 15th at 3:00pm.

### ONLINE FAMILY TREE

As you know from past newsletters, the family maintains a von Rosenberg Family of Texas website (**www.vonrosenberg-family.org**). This website includes all past newsletters as well as an online interactive family tree. This website is designed to serve as our repository for family data such as births, deaths, marriages, and the like.

If you have updates you want to be included in the online tree, please make sure to bring all the necessary data with you to the reunion so that the Family Branch Historians can help in updating the online database.



#### THE WALTER & ELSE WUPPERMAN ART COLLECTION

Recently a collection of personal photographs of a number of artworks came into the possession of President, JT Koenig. These photographs were in two small albums owned by former vRFoT President, Alfred Wupperman, who was the youngest surviving son of Walter and Else von Rosenberg Wupperman, of Branch I. The albums had been passed down to a family friend, who when he died, came into the possession of noted writer and Texas-German historian, Dr. James Kearney, who recognized the connection to the von Rosenberg Family and gave them to JT Koenig.

JT immediately understood the importance of the albums and accepted the gift, and intends to donate the albums to the von Rosenberg Family collection now housed at the Fayette Heritage Museum & Archives in La Grange.

The photographs in the albums document what was once a relatively large and important art collection owned by the Wupperman Family, of Austin, Texas. The importance lies, not only in terms of the family history to our Branch I cousins, but also to the field of Texas art in that many of the paintings in the Wuppermans' collection were by extremely important and noted Texas artists such as Karl Friedrich Hermann Lungkwitz, Friedrich Richard Petri, William Henry Huddle, Carl G. von Iwonski, and at least one by Alfred Wupperman himself.

Else von Rosenberg Wupperman, was the daughter of Ernst Johann von Rosenberg and Helene Lungkwitz. Herman Lungkwitz was Else's grandfather, and Richard Petri, was her Granduncle. Because of this family connection, it is no wonder that so many important art works ended up in the Wupperman family, since Huddle and von Iwonski also knew the von Rosenberg and Lungkwitz families. Many of the paintings were discussed in cousin, Marjorie von Rosenberg's book "German Artists of Early Texas".

Upon the death of Else Wupperman in 1967, the collection was evidently split up among the Wupperman children; Alice Wupperman Lundy (1905-2000), Walter Wupperman, Jr. (1907-1986), Alfred Wupperman (1909-1988), Helene Wupperman Dinwiddie (1911-2015), and Hilde Wupperman Lindsay, who passed away just this year.



Alice Lungkwitz begun by Carl von Iwonski, finished by William Henry Huddle



Elise Petri Lungkwitz by Richard Petri



Helene Lungkwitz von Rosenberg by Carl von Iwonski



Alpine or Bavarian Landscape by Hermann Lungkwitz

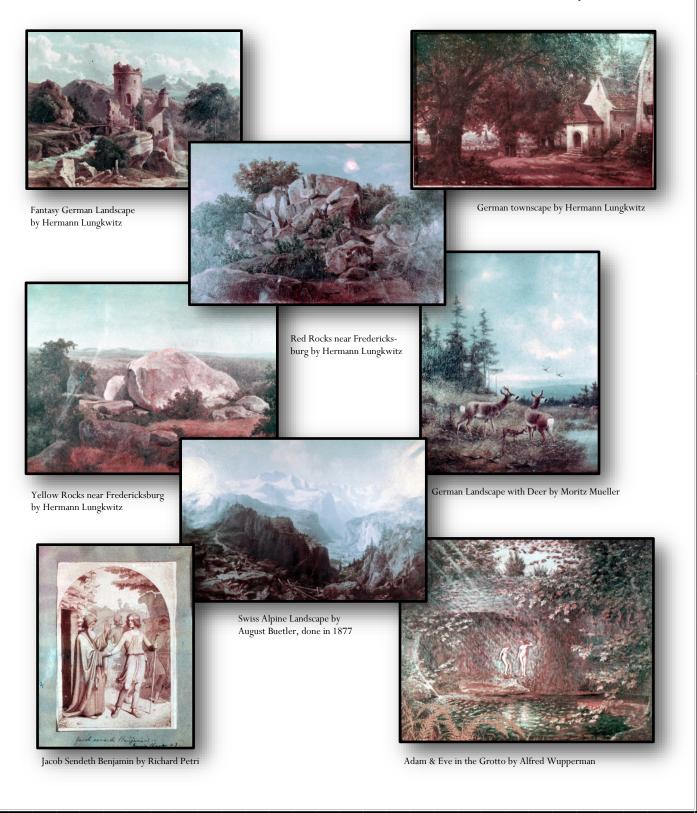


Max Lungkwitz by Richard Petri



Self portrait by Richard Petri

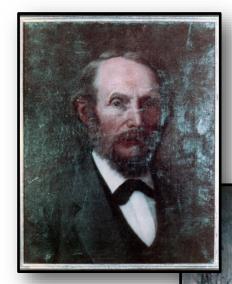
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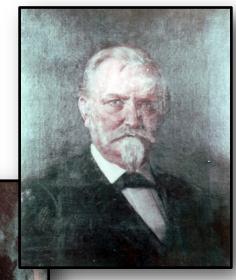
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Walter Otto Wupperman in Düsseldorf in 1897 by

Fritz Reussing



Hermann Lungkwitz by William Henry Huddle



Jacob Kuechler possibly by Carl G von Iwonski or William Henry Huddle



Johann Gottfried Lungkwitz possibly by Richard Petri or Hermann Lungkwitz



Marie Petri Kuechler possibly by Richard Petri or T. Roth

# GRAVE RENOVATIONS FOR BRANCH IV PATRIARCH & MATRIARCH

Recently, Branch IV Historian, and local history buff, Billye Beth Baker nee Eck took it upon herself to renovate the grave markers for the patriarch and matriarch of Branch IV; Carl Eugen von Rosenberg (1830-1913) and his wife, Theodore Anna Arnoldine Henriette "Dorchen" Sack von Roeder von Rosenberg (1829-1904). Despite both Eugen and Dorchen being founding members of the Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Round Top, where they lived their long lives, they both chose to be buried in the older Florida Chapel Cemetery south of Round Top on the way to Warrenton.

Below are pictures of the newly renovated markers, which had been leaning and had their urns atop of the monuments topple in recent years. Thank-you Billye Beth for having this restoration done to honor our Branch IV forebears!



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# The von Rosenberg Family of Texas Family Notices



#### **PASSINGS**

- <u>Hildegard Viola "Hilde" Lindsey</u>, nee Wupperman, daughter of Walter Wupperman, Sr. and Elizabeth Marie "Elsa" von Rosenberg, passed away on 16 Apr 2017 at the age of 96 at her home in Titusville, Florida. She was preceded in death by her husband, Earl "Buddy" Lindsey, and is survived by her seven children, Mary, Sally, Margaret, Betsy, Bonnie, Joy and Earl, Jr. —Branch I [Hilde Wupperman > Elsa von Rosenberg > Ernst Johann von Rosenberg > Carl Wilhelm von Rosenberg > Peter Carl Johann von Rosenberg]
- Robert von Rosenberg Miller and wife, Clara nee Alsobrook passed away, respectively on 4 Feb 2017 and 6 Feb 2017 at the ages of 83 and 80. Robert was the son of Quincy Miller and Julia Lena von Rosenberg of Branch III. He was followed in death just one day later by his wife Clara Beth. They are survived by their four children; Lori, Julia, Nancy and Robert Ray. —Branch III [Robert Miller > Julia Lena von Rosenberg > Johannes Carl von Rosenberg, Jr. > Johannes Carl von Rosenberg > Peter Carl Johann von Rosenberg]
- Ann Marie Juranek nee Campbell passed away on 2 Oct 2016 at the age of 55. Ann was the daughter of Anita Marnoch Campbell and Russell Leroy Campbell of Branch V. She was preceded in death by her parents, and is survived by her husband, Tom Juranek and daughters, Jennifer and Rebecca. —Branch V [Ann Campbell > Russell Campbell > Anna Bozena Meerscheidt > Paul Meerscheidt > Amanda Caroline von Rosenberg > Peter Carl Johann von Rosenberg]
- <u>Virginia Ann Lane</u> nee von Rosenberg passed away on 10 Sep 2016 at the age of 83. She was the daughter of Ralph and Eula Myers von Rosenberg of Branch. She was preceded in death by her husband, Billy Jack Lane and daughters, Linda Kay and JoAnn, and is survived by children; David, John and Sherie Sue. —Branch I [Virginia von Rosenberg > Ralph von Rosenberg > Ernst Johann von Rosenberg > Carl Wilhelm von Rosenberg > Peter Carl Johann von Rosenberg]









#### WEDDINGS

Martin Irwin von Rosenberg, son of Arthur von Rosenberg and Frances Machu, married Amanda Welch in Austin, Texas on 26 Oct 2016 —Branch I [Martin von Rosenberg > Arthur James von Rosenberg > Joseph Leslie von Rosenberg > Arthur William von Rosenberg > Carl William von Rosenberg > Peter Carl Johann von Rosenberg]



#### Deep Roots and Strong Branches of The von Rosenberg Family of Texas

Peter Carl Johann von Rosenberg ••••• Johanna Dorothea Froelich — → Carl Wilhelm Branch I (1st Marriage) Johanna Carolina Branch II (Active) Johannes Carl Branch III (Active) Amanda Fallier -→ Carl Eugen Branch IV (Active) (2nd Marriage) Amanda Karoline Branch V (Active) Carl Alexander Branch VI (Extinct) Carl August Walter Branch VII (Active)

#### **BRANCH HISTORIANS**

CHILDREN OF PETER CARL JOHANN VON ROSENBERG & JOHANNA DOROTHEA FROELICH

- Carl Hermann von Rosenberg (line extinct 1827)
- Branch I: Carl Wilhelm von Rosenberg & Auguste Franziska Anders Historian, <u>Arthur von Rosenberg</u>
- Branch II: Johanna Carolina von Rosenberg & Herman Gustav Hellmuth Historian, need volunteer
- Branch III: Johannes Carl (Charley) von Rosenberg & Julie Wilhelmine Groos Historian, <u>Dr. Derrick Pitard</u>

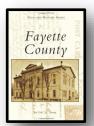
Children of Peter Carl Johann von Rosenberg & Amanda Henriette Louise Fallier

- Branch IV: Carl Eugen von Rosenberg & Theodora Anna Henriette Sack Co-Historian, <u>Billye Beth Baker</u>
   Co-Historian, <u>JT Koenig</u>
- Branch V: Amanda Caroline von Rosenberg & Arthur Carl Meerscheidt Co-Historian, <u>Neale Rabensburg</u> Co-Historian, <u>Robert Barritt</u>
- Branch VI: Carl Alexander von Rosenberg (line extinct 1864)
   Historian, Neale Rabensburg
- Branch VII: Carl Walter von Rosenberg & Franziska Elisabeth Spengler (Sörgel) Co-Historian, <u>Art Green</u>
   Co-Historian, <u>Gloria Miele</u>
- Branch VIII: Charlotte Wilhelmine Libussa Froelich & Herman Gustav Hellmuth Historian, need volunteer
- Carl Friederich Wilhelm von Rosenberg (Line Extinct 1844)

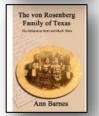
<u>Historians Emeritus:</u>

Arthur von Rosenberg (Branch I)
Ray von Rosenberg (Branch VII)
Ann Barnes (Branch I)

Books below are available at http://www.amazon.com/



Fayette County by Jon Todd Koenig



The von Rosenberg Family of Texas by Ann



The von Rosenberg Family of Texas; the Civil War Years by Ann Barnes



Four Flags, a Novel by Ray von Rosenberg



Broken Star, a Novel by Ray von Rosenberg

#### Gifts that Keep on Giving!!!



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The von Rosenberg Family of Texas, 1949 \$5.00 plus shipping



The von Rosenberg Family Record, 1974 Volume II \$13.50 plus shipping



The von Rosenberg Family Of Texas, 1999 Volume III \$25.00 plus shipping



Von Rosenberg Family of Texas Cookbook, 1993 \$14.95 plus shipping



Ancestral Voices, The Letters of the von Rosenberg and Meerscheidt Families (1844-1897), 1978 \$25.00 plus shipping



Emigration of the von Rosenbergs to Texas 1849, 1976 Third Edition \$6.50 plus shipping



The Froelich Familie (East Prussia) 2005 \$15.00 plus shipping



Fayette County, 2011 By Jon Todd Koenig \$22.00 plus Tax (Contact Library, La Grange, Texas for Availability/Purchase (979) 968-3765)



The von Rosenberg Family of Texas, The Emigration Story and Much More, 2012 By Ann Barnes \$15.99 plus Tax/Shipping (Availability/Purchase Online @ www.amazon.com



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# The von Rosenberg Family of Texas Reunion Schedule



The von Rosenberg Family of Texas 2017 Reunion

|         | Friday 7/14/2017                        | Saturday 7/15/2017                     | Sunday 7/16/2017                 |
|---------|---|--|----------------------------------|
| 8:00am  |   | Full Breakfast @ Camp Lonestar         | Full Breakfast @ Camp Lonestar   |
| 8:30am  |   |  |                                  |
| 9:00am  |   | Silent Auction Begins @ Camp Lonestar  |                                  |
| 9:30am  |   | Registration and Camp Activities Begin | Memorial Service @ Camp Lonestar |
| 10:00am |   | @ Camp Lonestar                        | the action of the contract       |
| 10:30am |   | Travel to Monument Hill                |                                  |
| 11:00am |   | & Kreische Brewery State Park          |                                  |
| 11:30am |   | to Tour the Museum, Park, House,       | Check-out for Overnight Guests @ |
| 12:00am |   | and Brewery Ruins                      | Camp Lonestar                    |
| 12:30am |   | Lunch @ Camp Lonestar                  |                                  |
| 1:00pm  | Golf Tournament in Bastrop              |  |                                  |
| 1:30pm  | 74                                      | Tour of Rohan Meadery                  |                                  |
| 2:00pm  |   |  |                                  |
| 2:30pm  |   |  |                                  |
| 3:00pm  |   | Business Meeting @ Camp Lonestar       |                                  |
| 3:30pm  |   |  |                                  |
| 4:00pm  |   | Presentation by Neale Rabensburg       |                                  |
| 4:30pm  |   | re: "A Tale of Two Round Tops"         |                                  |
| 5:00pm  | Check-in for Overnight Guests @         |  |                                  |
| 5:30pm  | Camp Lonestar                           | Dinner @ Camp Lonestar                 |                                  |
| 6:00pm  | Pot Luck Dinner @ Camp Lonestar         |  |                                  |
| 6:30pm  | TORY CONTROL OF MARK COMMAND CONTROL OF | Backyard Reception at JT Koenig's Home |                                  |
| 7:00pm  | Games, Cards, Dominoes, Movies &        | in La Grange @ 606 S. Franklin         |                                  |
| 7:30pm  | Visiting @ Camp Lonestar                | [weather permitting]                   |                                  |
| 8:00pm  |   | Silent Auction Ends @ Camp Lonestar    |                                  |



## **Registration Form**



# The von Rosenberg Family of Texas



## The 2017 Reunion



## July 14-16, 2017

### Camp Lone Star

#### La Grange, Texas

To make a room reservation for a one or two-night stay at the Johnson Retreat Center of Camp Lone Star near La Grange, Texas, please complete the requested information below and return to JT Koenig at Email: jtkoenig@yahoo.com; Postal Address: 8809 Whispering Trail, Austin, TX 78737. Should you need to speak to JT, you can call him at (512) 382-1497. Use a separate form for each bedroom if you plan to reserve more than one room. Please note that room accommodations come pre-packaged with meals. Please give ample notice of any cancellations of room reservations or changes as to number and names of occupants.

For those family members who are not staying overnight at Camp Lone Star, we ask that you register as well using this form if possible. Day visitors are asked to pay \$20.00 per person at check-in for <u>Saturday</u> to help defray the cost of the facilities rental. As part of this fee, daytime meals (lunch and dinner) will be included, in addition to beverages at the Saturday night reception. <u>DO NOT SEND MONEY AT THIS TIME</u>. Personal checks and/or cash will be collected during check-in. Thank you.

| Your Name:              | First                              | Middle                        | Last                                  |   |  |  |
|-------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---|--|--|
| Mailing Addres          | S:                                 | City                          | State                                 | Zip Code  |  |  |
| Email Address:_         | ddress:                            |                               |                                       |   |  |  |
| No. of <u>Day Visit</u> | ors Only for Satur                 | day                           |                                       |   |  |  |
| Available Room          | Rates (All Choice                  | es Are Bundled into a Packago | es Including Meals; breakfasts        | / lunch/ dinner on Saturday night)                                    |  |  |
| Two-                    | Night Adult Pack                   | age Ages 18 & Above           | \$11                                  | 7.00/person   |  |  |
| Two-                    | Night Children Pa                  | nckage Ages 6-17              | \$94                                  | t.00/person   |  |  |
| One-                    | Night Adult Packa                  | age Ages 18 & Above           | \$78                                  | 3.00/person   |  |  |
| One-                    | Night Children Pa                  | ckage Ages 6-17               | \$6                                   | 4.00/person   |  |  |
| Note                    | Children Ages 5                    | & Under Who Are Accompan      | ied by a Parent Stay, Visit & Ea      | at for Free   |  |  |
| No. of Adults (1        | 8 years of age & o                 | lder)                         |                                       |   |  |  |
| No. of Children         | (6-17 years of age                 | )                             |                                       |   |  |  |
| No. of Children         | (5 years of age &                  | under)                        |                                       |   |  |  |
| No. of Nights (1        | or 2)                              |                               |                                       |   |  |  |
| If staying only 1       | night, then which                  | h night? (Mark one only.)     |                                       |   |  |  |
| Frida                   | y Night (July 14t                  | h)                            |                                       |   |  |  |
| Satur                   | day Night (July 15)                | h)                            |                                       |   |  |  |
| Available Roon          | Accommodation                      | s at the Johnson Retreat Cen  | ter. (Mark one only.)***              |   |  |  |
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| Soutl as six people.    | Wing (10 Rooms                     | Гotal)A typical r             | oom in this area has a private bath 8 | & is furnished with three bunk beds. Each room can accommodate as     |  |  |
| Estimated Date          | & Time of Arrival                  | :                             |                                       |   |  |  |
| Names of All Ro         | om Occupants:                      |                               |                                       |   |  |  |