

The von Rosenberg Family of Texas

Newsletter

2024 REUNION - JULY 19-21, 2024 AT CAMP LONE STAR IN LA GRANGE, TEXAS

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Greetings Family! The 83rd annual reunion & **85th Year of the Association** of the von Rosenberg Family of Texas will be happening next summer on July 19th through July 21th, 2024. We will again be meeting at Camp Lone Star just outside La Grange, Texas. A registration form/link and schedule will be shared with the Spring 2024 newsletter. We want to encourage as many of our fellow von Rosenberg relations to come and enjoy the reunion. Please help spread the word among your immediate & extended family. As always, please share any ideas or suggestions to improve our gatherings in the future.

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2023 REUNION MINUTES

July 15, 2023 at 1:00pm

1. Call to order by Carrie Tapia, President, at 1pm of the 84th year of the association.
2. Welcome to the 82nd reunion of The von Rosenberg Family of Texas (the only two times the reunion has not been held was during World War II & the COVID-19 Global Pandemic)
3. The pledge of allegiance to the United States flag was led by the President.
4. The Reunion Prayer by Olga Scholz

- Recited by Wayne Scholz

Our Heavenly Father, we come before Thee with grateful hearts for the many blessings which Thou hast bestowed on this group of Thy people.

We are mindful of the fact that Thou are a great and loving Father—we, Thy people, frail with human frailties. We are needful of Thy constant watchful care and we thank Thee that in every circumstance of life we can come to Thee and find a listening ear.

Today is a happy occasion and we come to Thee with thanksgiving for the numerous blessings that have come to us, and to those of our number who have gone on before. We thank Thee for the fortitude and courage of those who came to America so many years ago and had a part in the making of this wonderful country. Their most glorious dreams have come true for today more than ever is this land of freedom a land of opportunities and challenges. We thank Thee for this heritage and pray that the honored lives of these who have gone on before will challenge us to uphold with honor that which is fin and good and that which is noble and righteous. We pray forgiveness for our sins and ask Thee to bless the bounties set before us.

We ask in the name of Jesus Christ, our blessed Lord and Redeemer. Amen.

5. Family History Overview Recited by:

Will von Rosenberg

We are the von Rosenberg Family of Texas. Our ancestor, Peter Carl von Rosenberg and his family sailed out of the North Sea in Europe (Prussia) on October 3rd, 1849 bound for Galveston, Texas.

William von Rosenberg

After 60 days at sea, on December 6th, 1849 Peter Carl and his family arrived in the United States landing at Galveston, Texas. Eventually the family settled in Fayette County on the Nassau Plantation around the towns of Round Top and LaGrange, Texas.

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As the family grew, several of Peter Carl's children migrated to other areas of Texas, such as Austin, San Antonio, Houston, Galveston and Dallas, as well as many other farm and ranching communities across the state.

Daniel Green

In 1939 the family got together and had the very first reunion of the von Rosenberg Family Reunion Association of Texas. It has been 84 years since our first reunion. Today we are attending the 82nd reunion, having taken off a year during both World War II and the Covid Pandemic.

Daryl Green

Today we use the term "branches" to refer to the family lines started by each of Peter Carl's children. These are:

Branch 1 Carl Wilhelm (William), Branch 2 Johanna Carolina, Branch 3 Johannes Carl, Branch 4 Carl Eugen, Branch 5 Amanda Karloline, Branch 6 Carl Alexander, Branch 7 Carl Walter, Branch 8 Libussa

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Jason von Rosenberg

Welcome to the von Rosenberg Family of Texas annual family reunion! I hope this little introduction to our family heritage helps you understand why we gather each year. Please let us know if you have any questions about your von Rosenberg family history.

6. Reunion Testimonial(s)

- Bill von Rosenberg

7. Current Officers:

- Carrie Tapia, President, Branch VII
- Alyson Scholz, Vice-President, Branch V
- Karl von Rosenberg, Treasurer, Branch VII
- Martin von Rosenberg, Secretary, Branch I

8. Introduction of all attendees by Branch.

- 55 Total Attendees
- Attendees by Branch:
 1. 12
 2. 0
 3. 0
 4. 1
 5. 18
 6. *extinct*
 7. 24
 8. 0
- Branch Registration “Leaders” (*volunteers to help drive earlier reunion registration to avoid over-estimation camp fees going forward*)
 1. Bill & Will von Rosenberg
 2. NA
 3. NA
 4. Billy Beth “Eck” Baker & JT Koenig
 5. Wayne Scholz & Diane Carnes
 6. NA
 7. Darlyn & Drew Cartwright
 8. NA

9. Motion to dispense with reading of last year’s minutes was made, seconded and passed.

10. No old business was brought forward in the meeting.

11. New Business:

- Thank you to everyone who attended the Annual Golf Tournament on Friday.
- Thank you to all the family members who help make the reunion happen:
Jo, Drew, Darlyn, April, Daniel, Lynn, Wayne, Ellyn, Luis, Frances (add last names & officers)

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- The Treasurer reported on the state of the Family Association's bank account:
 1. Current Balance: approx. \$ **not recorded**
 2. Expenses:
 - Rent for climate-controlled storage of book inventory at A Prime Self Storage, 1618 E. Texas Hwy 71, La Grange, Texas 78945 - \$1,140.00 (\$95 per month)
 - The von Rosenberg website - \$120.00
 - Total annual expenses - \$1,260
 3. Deposits: None
 4. Fundraisers:
 - "vR family merch" sales raise funds for the family's expenses
It's important we update our inventory to continue to celebrate our family heritage but also to raise funds for the family's expenditures.
 - Silent Auction (Lauren von Rosenberg "even #" years...need volunteer for "odd #" years)
 - Raffle (tickets available now!)
 - Donations (always welcome)
- Camp Lone Star Registration importance as we incurred a fee this year due to late registrations
- Jo von Rosenberg put forward **a motion to donate** sets of our family books to universities or other institutions that might not have them in their libraries—beginning with Baylor University. **Motion passed.**
- Any family announcements to share (Marriages, Births, Passings, Achievements, etc)
 - Births:

Brazos Moore, Branch V, March 16, 2022
 - Passings:

Metta Tomlinson Lansdale, Branch III, July 13, 2022

Robert Arthur Hein, Branch V, September 15, 2022

Sharon Gaskill, Branch V, December 15, 2022

Albert B. Campbell, Branch V, June 29, 2023
- The 2024 reunion was voted on and approved to occur again at Camp Lone Star: July 19 – 21, 2024
- Oldest Attendee: Nettie Green, age 93, Branch VII
- Youngest Attendee: Brazos Moore, age 4 months, Branch V
- Daniel & April Green traveled the farthest from Edmond, Oklahoma (420 miles), Branch VII
- Recreation vs History Discussion → following up with a meeting in January via Zoom

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12. Election Year

- 2-Year Term: 2024 - 2025
- Nominations:
 1. President: Alyson Scholz, Branch V
 2. Vice President: Carrie Tapia, Branch VII
 3. Treasurer: Karl von Rosenberg, Branch VII
 4. Secretary: Stacie Donahue, Branch V
- Elected:
 1. President: Alyson Scholz, Branch V
 2. Vice President: Carrie Tapia, Branch VII
 3. Treasurer: Karl von Rosenberg, Branch VII
 4. Secretary: Stacie Donahue, Branch V

13. Announcements:

- Please be sure children are accompanied & supervised by adults at all Camp Lone Star activities (slip-n-slide, swimming, etc)
- Reminder that any alcohol needs to stay up at the main Retreat Center building
- Don't forget the Paper Airplane Contest for ALL ages at 4pm in the main hallway here
- Join us for a family karaoke after dinner for the ice cream social & dance party
- There will also be a single-elimination Washers Tournament down by the lake
- Don't forget to participate in the Silent Auction, Raffle & Guessing Jars as the winners will be announced tonight and Silent Auction will close.
- Please review email list on welcome table to update/add/remove contacts to maintain our communication as the family newsletter is shared via email.
- Sharing your feedback via the Survey sent out after the reunion is important so we can take your feedback into consideration when planning next year's reunion
- Reminder of the VR Family email address: **vonRosenbergFamily@gmail.com**
- Robert Barritt maintains The von Rosenberg family website (vonrosenberg-family.org) and is the contact for any updates to the information on the website.
- *Neale Rabensberg provided a historical presentation of The von Rosenberg Family focused on the lithograph that was used to market the development of Round Top, TX*

14. A motion to adjourn the meeting was made and seconded at 2pm.

15. A Memorial Service was held on Sunday morning after breakfast, led by Daryl.

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Hear Ye Hear Ye!!!

Officer & Historian Meeting on Zoom:
Tuesday, January 23, 2024 at 6:30pm CST

All are welcome to provide input on how we ensure the continued nourishment of our vR family history and how to best share with all generations through engaging content at the reunions.

JOIN ZOOM MEETING (JUST HOVER OVER THE LINK BELOW & USE CTRL + LEFT CLICK)

[HTTPS://US02WEB.ZOOM.US/J/85256097072?pwd=M3ZVNVL0VFHxV0RBOE5UCNFQZHNTZz09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85256097072?pwd=M3ZVNVL0VFHxV0RBOE5UCNFQZHNTZz09)

MEETING ID: 852 5609 7072

PASSCODE: 804211

Online Family Tree

As you know from past newsletters & reunion presentations, 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 or contact **Robert Barritt** or **Wayne Scholz**.(add email addresses)rcbarritt@me.com; scholz1843@gmail.com

VR Family Reunion – Worship / Memorial Service, July 16, 2023

“In Memoriam”

<u>Name</u>	<u>Date of Death</u>	<u>Branch #</u>
Metta Tomlinson Lansdale	7/13/2022	III
Robert Arthur Hein	9/15/2022	V
Sharon Gaskill	12/15/2022	V
Albert B Campbell	6/29/2023	V

Announcements: Birth, Marriages, Passings, Achievements

PLEASE SUBMIT ANY UPDATES BY EMAILING: vonRosenbergFamily@gmail.com

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vR Family Merchandise

The officers are requesting help from family members to help create / design new merchandise to sell at next year's reunion (t-shirts, hats, cups, stickers, etc.).

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2023 Family Reunion Attendees



Come join us next year!

See you July 19th—21th, 2024

at Camp Lone Star in La Grange, TX