

The von Rosenberg Family of Texas

Newsletter

2026 REUNION - JULY 17-19, 2026 AT CAMP LONE STAR IN LA GRANGE, TEXAS

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Greetings Family! The 85th annual reunion & **87th Year of the Association** of the vonRosenberg Family of Texas will be happening next summer on July 17th through July 19th, 2026. We will again be meeting at **Camp Lone Star** just outside **La Grange, Texas**. A registration form or online link and schedule will be shared in the Spring 2026 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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2025 Reunion Family Meeting Minutes

ELECTION OF OFFERS

July 19, 2025 at 1:00pm

1. Call to order by Alyson Scholz, President, at 1pm of the 86th year of the association.
2. Welcome to the 84th 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:

- Ben Becker

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.

- Charles 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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- **Daniel Green**

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.

- **Will von Rosenberg**

In 1939 the family got together and had the very first reunion of the von Rosenberg Family Reunion Association of Texas. It has been 86 years since our first reunion. Today we are attending the 84th reunion, having taken off a year during both World War II and the Covid Pandemic.

- **Conner Bechtol**

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 Carloline

Branch 6 Carl Alexander

Branch 7 Carl Walter

Branch 8 Libussa Froelich

- **Cooper Bechtol**

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. Current Officers:

- Alyson Scholz, President, Branch V
- Carrie Tapia, Vice-President, Branch VII
- Karl von Rosenberg, Treasurer, Branch VII
- Stacie Donahue, Secretary, Branch V
- THIS IS AN ELECTION YEAR FOR ALL OFFICERS ROLES FOR 2025-2027

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7. Introduction of all attendees by Branch. 76 Total Attendees

- Attendees by Branch:

1.	<u>12</u>
2.	<u>0</u>
3.	<u>0</u>
4.	<u>1</u>
5.	<u>32</u>
6.	<i>extinct</i>
7.	<u>31</u>
8.	<u>0</u>

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

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

10. 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 this year.
- For new merchandise (t-shirts, stickers, hats, etc) is stalled due to not having a high-resolution image of our crest. Does anyone know who can facilitate that? What type of professional should be sought out?
 - Cooper volunteered to attempt using the stamp to make a new one
 - Frances found the original digital version used with Lands End years ago
 - Stacie Donohue volunteered to work on Permanent Name Tags to sell
 - \$10 cost/ \$25 sell price (Lanyards for kits \$15)
 - Can take orders in advance
- The Treasurer reported on the state of the Family Association's bank account:
 - Current Balance: approx. \$ 16,000
 - Expenses:
 - Rent for climate-controlled storage of book inventory at A Prime Self Storage, 1618 E. Texas Hwy 71, La Grange, Texas 78945: \$1,200.00 (\$100 per month)
 - The von Rosenberg website: \$120.00
 - Total annual expenses: \$ 1,320
 - Fundraisers:
 - "vR family merch" sales raise funds for the family's expenses
 - Silent Auction
 - Donations (always welcome)

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- Book Inventory
 1. Karl will do a count soon
 2. Should we be digitizing our books?
 - Darlyn & Conner's fiancé to research
 3. Jo & Frances' book donations to libraries & genealogy groups continues
- Social Media focus
 1. Facebook & add Instagram
 2. Stacie & Cooper to spearhead
- Camp Lone Star Registration important so we don't incur a fee due to late registration
- Vote on Semi-Annual Reunion
 1. No, 4 hour drive is too long for older people
 2. There's no minimum at CLS, which is a plus
- Any family announcements to share (Marriages, Births, Passings, Achievements, etc) over the past year:
 - Births:
 - Camden Rimmer von Rosenberg born 2/10/25 (Branch 1)
 - Elliott Hawkins Lizakowski born 7/12/25 (Branch 5)
 - Passings:
 - Rosalie Foster 10/1/24 passed (Branch 5)
 - Barbara "Jo" von Rosenberg passed 12/12/24 (Branch 7)
 - Joan Lucile Trenckmann Pike 1/2/25 (Branch 5)
 - Michael Foster passed 1/12/25 (Branch 5)
- Oldest Attendee: Nettie Green, age 95, Branch 7
- Youngest Attendee: Camden vonRosenberg, age 5months, Branch 1
- Charles & Jenna vR traveled the farthest from Orlando, FL (1,200 miles), Branch 7
- The 2026 reunion was voted on and approved to occur again at Camp Lone Star (the 3rd weekend in July): **July 17 – 19, 2026**

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11. Election Year

- 2-Year Term: 2025 - 2027
- Nominations & Elected:
 1. President: Carrie Tapia, Branch VII
 2. Vice President: Alyson Scholz, Branch V
 3. Treasurer: Karl von Rosenberg, Branch VII
 4. Secretary: Stacie Donahue, Branch V

12. Announcements:

- Art Green:
 1. High-Res Photos (cleaned up) of the last descendent of Branch 3 located—coming in 2026 with scroll
 2. Eric vonRosenberg (Branch 3) lives in San Angelo, TX (only has a daughter)
- Wayne Scholz found a letter from Larry Reed (Branch 5) in 1970 sent from boot camp to share
- Robert Klein's DNA project continues (maybe update next year)
- vR Stamp/Seal with paper & sealing wax available to use this evening
- 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
- Join us for a family talent show after dinner for the ice cream social & karaoke dance party
- Don't forget to participate in the Silent Auction & Guessing Jars as the winners will be announced tonight and Silent Auction will close at 7pm.
- Please review email list on welcome table to update/add/remove contacts to maintain our communication as the family newsletter is shared via email.
- 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.

13. A motion to adjourn the meeting was made and seconded at 2:07 pm.

14. A Memorial Service was held on Sunday morning after breakfast, led by Art.

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PLEASE SUBMIT ANY FAMILY TREE UPDATES (BIRTH, MARRIAGES, PASSINGS, ACHIEVEMENTS, ETC) BY EMAILING:

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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.)

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 contact Robert Barritt or Wayne Scholz at rcbarritt@me.com or scholz1843@gmail.com or discuss with an officer or family historian at the reunion in La Grange.

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von Rosenberg Family of Texas 2025 Family Reunion Attendees:



Come join us this year!

See you July 17th — 19th, 2026

at Camp Lone Star in La Grange, TX