



THE 1980 REUNION REVISITED

The 39th Reunion was held at Aggie Park in San Antonio, Texas, June 29, 1980 with 101 members in attendance. Registration began at 10:00 a.m. with visiting and "gossiping" lasting until 12:17 p.m. when the meeting was called to order. Little Robert Schöck of San Antonio presented the flag of our country and a vivacious pledge of allegiance was rendered by all. Leo Meerscheidt, Jr. welcomed the Reunion to San Antonio and Oscar Paul Lytton of Mesilla Park, N. M. gave the visitors response to the Host Committee. After self-introductions, H. Clark von Rosenberg of Houston gave the Reunion prayer tenderly.

A very fine picnic style luncheon followed and the business meeting was opened at 1:45 p.m. The minutes were accepted as contained in the Newsletter, after which the speaker was introduced. Mr. Pat McGuire, Director of Education Services of the Institute of Texan Cultures of San Antonio, spoke on the "Aspects of Research of German Families in Texas."

Anna Campbell of San Antonio was declared the oldest member attending, age 91 (wow) the youngest proved to be Laura von Rosenberg, daughter of Wm. F. von Rosenberg III of Austin, 5 months; and the two members who traveled the greatest distance to attend were Erna Meerscheidt Bouillon and Pat Weeks, both of Seattle, Washington.

Frederick A. von Rosenberg II of Dallas gave the Treasurer's report after which Glenn von Rosenberg of Waco, Tx. conducted a memorial service for the following deceased members: Clarence Lundy, Winnifred Young, Ilma Meerscheidt Jenner, Alexander O. Meerscheidt, & Eli Roberts. Erna Bouillon spoke to us about her life, her small branch of Family members in the state of Washington and of her book which is a first class presentation.

A discussion on the topic of the day followed--printing the "Letters." Attempts to have the University of Texas at Austin print the material failed to materialize due to the fact they insisted on too many deletions and corrections--therefore after much discussion, a motion was made

and seconded that we retype the work ourselves, get it photo-reproduced and bound like a paper back book.

Financing will be by the \$20.00 per copy some members have already sent in, plus those members who will remit same in the future, plus \$100.00 and \$200.00 loans which contributing members will extend to the Family, interest free.

The next three Reunion sites were selected: 1981--Galveston; 1982--San Marcos; 1983--Austin. The San Antonio Host Committee was thanked very kindly after which our new Historian, Ray von Rosenberg of Taft, planted a new "bomb" on us when he announced he is making preparations for the formation of a new item called "Vol. III." The meeting adjourned at 4:15 with the feeling by all that much had been accomplished at this Reunion.

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We are pleased to announce that the 1981 Reunion will be held in the beautiful island city of Galveston, Texas, which will be another "first" for us.

The date: Sunday, July 12th, 1981. At the 1980 Reunion, President Wm. F. von Rosenberg, with full support of the members present, appointed a Host Committee for the '81 Reunion composed only of young adults. This was an effort to get our young people more involved in the Family "doings." And have they become involved! They are getting all their plans made in good order and is there a treat awaiting you. Wait till you hear.

The upcoming June Newsletter will contain full details about the plans for this Reunion but we do wish to announce at this early stage that the format will be changed this time. PLEASE NOTE THIS!

This year we will register at 9:00 a.m., the business meeting will run from 10:00 to noon, we will eat and the program and other events will follow.

You won't want to miss this great occasion but do remember to make your plans now for a 9:00 a.m. start time this year.

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Galveston is an hours drive from Houston.