

## MINUTES - BUSINESS MEETING — Saturday, July 17, 1999

The meeting was called to order by Art Green, President at 4:00 P.M. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Art.

Three speakers spoke on the history of the von Rosenberg Family. Ray von Rosenberg spoke on the von Rosenberg's history in Europe (Prussia); Jim Kearney, a local historian, spoken about the early German settlers in Texas and their relationship to Nassau Plantation; Dale U. von Rosenberg presented a slide show depicting pictures of the original route that Peter Carl and his family took from Galveston to Nassau Plantation. Glenn and Jo von Rosenberg also showed pictures from the site of Peter Carl's homestead in Europe from their recent trip to Europe.

A welcome speech was given by Art Green. Self introductions of all the family members followed. It was moved and seconded to dispense with the reading of the Minutes. The Treasurer's report was given by William von Rosenberg, III. The combined Book & Operating Fund had a beginning balance of \$6,420 and a balance of \$7,313. It was moved and seconded to accept the treasurer's report, and the motion passed.

Ann Barnes presented the following historian's report:

First, Neal Rabensburg made a presentation on Branch V letters. Ann then displayed a von Rosenberg signature quilt. She also gave an update on Volume III, encouraging all to submit their specific family's information including biographies on generation five. The remaining information is needed by February 2000.

Ann Juranek announced that we have over 600 cookbooks remaining to sell and that these funds will be needed for publishing Volume III. Akin Press is being utilized to help distribute these books. Bill von Rosenberg, III said that we have new v.r. T-Shirts available for \$10 each. There was also an idea for a commemorative pen to sell for about \$25.

The following people were nominated as officers to serve for the years 1999 to 2001: Wayne Scholz : President; Pam Peters: Vice President; Daryl Green: Secretary; Bill von Rosenberg III: Treasurer; and Ann Barnes: Historian. A motion to elect this slate by acclamation was made and seconded. The motion passed.

The time and location for the 2000 Reunion was discussed and suggested to remain at Camp Lone Star to be held on the third weekend of July ( 14, 15, 16 ).

Announcements / Achievements:

Leo Meerscheidt made a plea for every family member to take time to complete their family data needed for Volume III. Leo's daughter-in-law, Beverly, received her college bachelor's degree after many years of work. Leo's grandson also received his Masters Degree in Engineering. Sharon Lytton Roquemore's son graduated with a college degree. Leo Meerscheidt's other daughter-in-law completed her training in the Montessori school. Pam Peters's son graduated from high school this last year in the Dominican Republic. Bill von Rosenberg, III announced that his daughter, Leslie, is engaged to get married.

Wayne, Lynn, Ellyn and Alyson Scholz traveled the farthest coming from Michigan. The youngest in attendance was Charles M. von Rosenberg, 1 year and 2 months old and son of Karl von Rosenberg. The eldest family member present was Edna von Rosenberg, mother of Glenn von Rosenberg and Nettie Green, at 90 years young.

Ann Juranek announced a hayride at 6:30 p.m., kids games at 7:30 p.m., and music/dance following these activities. Ann said that a silent auction and a social time would be at 9 p.m. The devotional service will be held on Sunday at 10 AM led by Art and Daryl Green.

A Memorial Service will be held at the devotional service on Sunday with a reading of the names of 6 members whose deaths have been reported since last year's Reunion :

Melba Hall, unknown date of death; Elsa Goeth Youngblood, 3/29/99; Botho Schenck, 4/23/99; Frederick (Rick) von Rosenberg, 5/16/99; Nancy Frahm (Watt) Koehn, 11/17/98; William D. Howell, 8/14/98.

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn at 5:32 p.m. President, Art Green, closed the meeting by reading a quote from the von Rosenberg letters.

Wayne A. Scholz, Family Secretary