

Minutes of the Business Meeting of the 78th Reunion of
The von Rosenberg Family of Texas, July 13, 2019

1. Call to order by Wayne Scholz, President at 1:10PM of the 80th year of the association.
2. Welcome to the 78th reunion of the Family (started 1939 with a few years off during WWII).
3. The pledge of alliance to the American flag was led by the President.
4. The President highlighted three significant passing in the family: Glen von Rosenberg, James Cartwright both of Branch VII and Maurice "Butch" Granville of Branch III.
5. Officers:
Wayne Scholz, President, Branch V
Will von Rosenberg IV, Vice President, Branch I
Karl von Rosenberg, Treasurer, Branch VII
Carol Campbell, Secretary, Branch V
6. Introduction of all attendees by Branch.

84 total attendees, 76 Camp Lone Star Overnight Guests, 2 Day Visitors

Branch I	- 16
Branch II	- 0
Branch III	- 1
Branch IV	- 5
Branch V	- 12
Branch VI	- extinct
Branch VII	- 50

7. Motion to dispense with reading of last year's minutes was made, seconded and passed.
8. Old Business – Wayne brought a printed list of the email addresses he keeps for the newsletter to let everyone review, edit and add missing relatives.

9. New Business

- A. Thank you to everyone (approx 20) who attended the Golf Tournament at Colovista.
- B. Karl vR reported on the state of the Family Association's bank account.
Start of reunion \$4,269.
Expenses:
Rent for climate controlled storage at A Prime Self Storage, 1618 E Texas Hwy 71, La Grange 78945,
(Karl vR, Neale R Rabensburg and JT Todd have the lock combination) for two pallets of books
\$85/month = \$1,020/yr.
\$15/month fee for bank account (\$180/yr)
\$120/yr for vR website
\$1,320/yr total expenses
- C. Wayne & Lynn Scholz donated \$500 for vR family expenses and challenge a family to match or 5 families to donate \$100.
- D. Wayne spoke about the von Rosenberg family genealogy website vonrosenberg-family.org. Anyone can view but to edit must request user name thru website and Robert Barritt, who maintains the website, only he can grant. It was suggested that one or a few from each branch keep their branch updated on the website.
- E. The silent auction is being held to help with the family expenses, Frances stated that it will close at 8pm Sat.
- F. Lynn Scholz started a discussion about a possible change to the reunion format of one night. Others joined in but the decision was to keep for 2 nights as people always have the option of only coming for the day or just one night. People from further away enjoy being able to stay for 2 nights.
- G. The 2019 reunion was voted to occur again at Camp Lone Star the weekend of July 19-21, 2019.
- H. Another topic of discussion was that parents of younger kids need more activities to do with their kids. Volunteers are needed to take charge of an event for kids next year.
Please email Wayne at wascholz@tx.rr.com to volunteer to head up an event. Some activities that we have had in the past are archery, tug of war, water balloons, scavenger hunt, etc. Ideas are welcomed.
There will be an agenda for kids next year.
- I. Oldest Attendee: Clois Green, age 98, born 9/22/1919
Youngest Attendee: Dario Tapia, age 2 weeks
Attendee who traveled the farthest: Julia Perry Green Halvorson & family traveled from Germany.
- J. Announcements:
 - a. Ellyn Scholz & Brent are engaged to be married in January 2019
 - b. Thank you to Roger & Ross vR for cooking the brisket and sausage for Saturday dinner
 - c. Nettie brought a card for people to sign to give to Ray vR who is in a nursing home.

d. Another card for Sharon Roquemore's mother who is ill: Sherrie Lytton, Branch V.

10. Robert Barritt (not present) asked Art Green to speak about the Surname von Rosenberg project DNA testing on FamilyTreeDNA.com. The Y-DNA (paternal) is the most powerful DNA tool for genealogical purposes. What we refer to as "The Blue Book" is the translated diary of the pioneer mother, Amanda Fallier-von Rosenberg. It is the translation of German scroll which was the complete lineage of the Ur Adel (ancient nobility) from the archives in East Prussia and gave each son of their emigrating family a handwritten scroll encased in a hand-made metal tube. This book extends the history of only one line, that of Peter Carl Johann von Rosenberg who brought the scroll to Texas. This book contains the record of the 1st three generations in Texas. There are 5 legends about where the family originated.

Legend I Italy

Legend II France

Legend III Prague

Legend IV Bohemia is the westernmost and largest historical region of the Czech lands in the present-day Czech Republic

Legend V Authentic Lineage – Kurland (now Lithuania)

Peter Carl's father, Otto von Rosenberg, migrated from Sweden to Kurland in 1500, note Sweden was very different than today.

The purpose of the DNA surname testing is to identify which legend is true and where we are from. It could also be used to prove some as untrue.

11. A motion to adjourn was made and seconded.