



16th Reunion.

VON ROSENBERG NEWS LETTER
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Reunion
May 5-1957

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

It is a privilege and an honor to greet you in this, our first news letter. If you like this new feature of our program, please cooperate with me by supplying me with news items at the 1956 reunion held in Round Top, Texas. It was voted by the members to get a news letter out to be sent to each member to keep them informed of the business that was transacted at the reunion meeting.

A special invitation is extended to each and every one of you to attend our next reunion which will be held here in San Antonio, at Mac Arthur Park on Loop 13 on May 5, 1957 at 10:AM. Bring your picnic lunch; and cold drinks will be available on the grounds. A warm welcome awaits you, so plan now to be present on May 5th First Sunday in May 1957.

Hope you will enjoy reading the minutes of our 1956 meeting and comments will be appreciated.

Minutes for May 13, 1956.

Again we met at the American Legion Hall near Round Top, Texas. Thirty-eight adults and seven children attended. The weather: medium, warm and windy. The family prayer was read before eating our picnic lunches. We convened for business by singing the family song at 1:05PM.

Due to personal convictions which might cause possible family disharmony, Alfred Wupperman had resigned as president in June 1955. So the vice president Mr. Maurice Granville presided over this meeting and did a fine job. In the absence of our secretary Mr. George von Carlowitz due to illness, Alfred acted as recording secretary of this meeting.

Alfred's resignation as president was accepted by voice vote of those present. Motion was made and seconded to fill the vacancy for president. Mr. Hilmer von Rosenberg accepted chairmanship of the nominations committee. Mrs. Henry (Paula) Hein was asked, accepted and elected president for a one year term 1956-1957. It was voted to retain our present vice president, secretary, and treasurer for the remainder of the two-year term.

Seven family members deceased in the past year, were respectfully remembered by a few moments of silent prayer. They were: Miss Hulda von Rosenberg of La Grange, Mr. Herbert J. von Rosenberg of San Antonio, Mr. John (Hans) von Carlowitz of Bradford, Pa., his sister, Mrs. Charles (Lina v C. Goodridge of Denver, Colorado. Mr. George Bissell, Mr. Paul M. Hargis and Mrs. Willie (Clara Mae v.R.) Achilles, all three of Austin

The treasurer's report was read and approved. (Am unable to find it, so have sent to Clark for another copy of it, which I will then incorporate in the book of minutes).

Minutes of the 1955 meeting were read and corrected: Meeting date of May 20th had been changed to May 13th without Secretary Scholz being informed.

Mr. Hilmer von Rosenberg gave a talk on "Stream-lining Our Meetings" as follows:

1. Name - let's expand it to "The Association of Descendants of Peter Carl Johann von Rosenberg (1794 - 1866) of Texas". Motion was made and seconded to appoint a committee to consider this change. Paula Hein was asked to appoint said committee.

2. Our family genealogy book "The von Rosenberg Family of Texas" contains data worth probably \$50,000.00. There are 72 unsold copies still left. This book contains data and biographies about the first three generations in Texas.

3. What about Book No. 2 to contain the next two generations? Alma (Mrs. H. E. Tomlinson) has been working on this for several years. Hilmer suggested that someone, notably Clark von Rosenberg of Houston, help Alma.

4. Mailing list problems. Alma's list is probably more complete than our secretary's. Alma is willing to help Hilmer (her brother). So Hilmer offered to make our first complete card index of the family membership. This kind offer was accepted.

5. An Annual news letter was proposed about mid-year between reunions, say November. It is to contain a copy of the by-laws, and a membership list, by states and towns, to allow us to get acquainted with cousins in the same locality. Therefore, the branch historians are asked to get up the mailing lists. Births and deaths in the last six months should also be mentioned. And who is to do or spear-head all this work? The vice president is suggested.

6. a. Meeting dates: 1957 meeting date is to be set, preferably First Sunday in May with 2nd and 3rd Sundays as alternates, and we hope it won't be Mother's Day.

b. Meeting place: Paula Hein's invitation to meet in San Antonio in 1957 was gratefully accepted by the family.

7. At past reunions Mr. Fred Reutzel has presided capably and with appropriate dignity over simple memorial services for the deceased of the past year. But he cannot be with us always. So it is suggested that someone take over these services in Fred's absence.

A motion was made and accepted to have the recording secretary send letters of condolence to Alma Tomlinson and George von Carlowitz for their absence from this meeting, due to illness.

Paula suggested trying to get a family teen age band together. "America" was sung and the meeting adjourned at 3:25 PM.

Announcing the marriage of Fredward Grimstead to Mildred Henderson of Lufkin on December 1st, 1956. Fredward is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Reutzel of San Antonio. The young couple will reside in Houston, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Clay Carnes proud of their first son, Leslie Dwayne who arrived on October 1, 1956. Lois Carnes is the daughter of Anna and Forrest Campbell of San Antonio. The Carnes have 4 lovely daughters.

Announcements were sent out on the arrival of a new son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Vernon Shiner of Bloomington, Indiana. David Charles arrived in September 1956, a sister Lora Christine was on hand to greet the new comer. Mr. Shiner is the son of Mildred and V. J. Shiner of El Paso, Texas. Mrs. Alma Tomlinson of Houston has been on the sick list, but as now is much improved and expects to greet you at the reunion on May 5th in San Antonio. She will introduce her new grandson at this time.

H. Clark von Rosenberg is at present living in Montgomery, Alabama. His work called him hence. He, you know, is the treasurer of our reunion group and a very able one. Am happy to state that he plans to be at the reunion on May 5th.

Hilmer C. von Rosenberg is working on a new membership list, will the group Chairman of each branch, please compile a complete list of names and addresses and send them to him, his address is; Mr. Hilmer C. von Rosenberg, 400 East Dewey, San Antonio, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Reutzel are very proud of their first great grand daughter Beverly Lynn Bessellieu who is now 9 months old. Agnes and Fred celebrated their 55th Wedding Anniversary in December 1956. A letter was received from George von Carlowitz our secretary who is spending some time in Denver, Colorado. He states its pretty cold up there, but the scenery is beautiful.

That's all for now "Adios" hope to see you in San Antonio on May 5th at Mac Arthur Park on Loop 13.

Sincerely,

Paula Meerscheidt Hein
President von Rosenberg
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