

THE VON ROSENBERG FAMILY OF TEXAS

December 1994

THE 1995 REUNION

The 1995 Reunion will be held at Camp Lone Star on Friday thru Sunday, July 14th to the 16th in La Grange. Mark your calendars now! Over 100 people attended the 1994 Reunion. Each year somebody discovers that the Reunion is great fun; a place where everyone belongs. Just ask Beverly Baker Elam. She discovered that our Reunion was just about in her backyard. We were all delighted to meet her and her close relatives. She instantly contributed and so can you. So, make your plans now and come find out what we are all about. You won't be disappointed.

NEW OFFICIERS

This summer will make two years since the Association has elected officers. Please try to be present in order to nominate and vote for the candidates of your choice. You must be present at the Reunion to vote. The current officers are listed below for your information.

President: Kurt L. von Rosenberg
Vice Pres: Margaret J. Lee
Secretary: Wayne A. Scholz
Treasurer: Glenn A. von Rosenberg
Historian: Dale U. von Rosenberg

!!! FAMILY SECRETARY HAS MOVED !!!

I humbly apologize to all who try to stay in contact with the Family Secretary. But, he doesn't seem to be in much control of his own destiny. Therefore, I must dutifully report my new address as follows :

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PORTAGE, MICHIGAN 49002

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MARRIAGES

Gus Hellmuth was wed to Lucy Martin on 9/16/94. Volume II, Page 220.

Emily Lytton, Oscar Lytton's niece, was married to Michael Holmgren on 8/20/94. They reside in Houston, Texas. Volume II, Page 277.

DEATHS

Sam von Rosenberg died on 6/17/94. Volume II, Page 201.

PLEASE FORWARD ANY OTHER SIGNIFICANT FAMILY EVENTS SUCH AS THESE ABOVE TO THE FAMILY SECRETARY.

??? STILL ANOTHER REUNION ???

Yes, the Dale U. von Rosenberg clan had a reunion at Land Between the Lakes in Kentucky the week preceding the Texas reunion. Dale reports that about 24 family members were present. We hope to see this group in Texas in 1995. Y'all come!

THE SECRETARY REQUESTS ALL MEMBERS TO PLEASE SEND HIM UPDATED ADDRESSES FOR THOSE ON THE "ADDRESS NEEDED" LIST.

FAMILY COOKBOOK

The von Rosenberg Family of Texas Cookbook is still available through our Family Treasurer. About 2,000 books were published. At this time, about 1,000 books have been sold by family members. The funds received have almost paid off the family member loans for publication costs. Thanks to all buyers and sellers! It is urgent that we continue to sell cookbooks, because the funds from the remaining 1000 books, will be used to help finance Vol. III which is in the planning stages. PLEASE HELP! Call or write: Glenn or Jo von Rosenberg P.O. Box 20601; Waco, TX 76702-0601.

"Have Cookbooks to Sell!"

"Need Salespersons"

"Commissions Limited to Thank You's"

The following letter was submitted by the Family Historian, Dale U. von Rosenberg. It was sent to him by Inge Schmidt of Hamburg, Germany. Inge is related to us through the Froelich family name. Her letter contains information about Eckitten Estate (Peter Carl von Rosenberg's property before he immigrated to Texas).

Translation

Concerning Ekitten:

The father of my mother-in-law, Mr. Otto Spillner, had bought Ekitten in 1872 from a certain Mr. Knobbe who probably took it over from the von Rosenbergs. Mr Spillner sold the estate after World War I, and that to a bank. He administered it for this bank until the inflation. In that time he bought for himself Uderwangen near Konigsberg.

My mother-in-law says that the estate must have burnt out sometime and then must have been rebuilt in that kind how show the fotos of the family book page 37-40. The American foto is completely unknown to her. In her opinion the von Rosenbergs must have made alterations in it, or there must have been another owner between Mr. Knobbe and the von Rosenbergs who reconstructed it. I give a sketch of the location of the buildings how they were between 1872 and 1922. I myself was only one time - before my marriage 1937 - in Ekitten and remember it like on the fotos. A certain Mr. Heitmann bought the estate from the bank who administered it until the flight 1944.

The dovecot - whether it is the same upon the American sketch my mother-in-law doesn't know - one can see on the foto number 37, I put a little cross on the edge.

The "mill Ekitten" was situated as far away from the estate as the hotel "Viktoria" at Memel to the station of Memel. One part - like from Viktoria to the dairy Polangenstreet - was a long wonderful avenue of lime-trees. After that the street made a curve. The "mill" had been built as a house for guests. On a stone near the door was carved the year 1736, my mother-in-law said. To the time of the Spillners the miller and the wheelwright lived in the mill. Behind it there was a big pond with a weir. The mill was a good source of revenue for the owner of Ekitten, as all farmers until from Karkelbeek came to it in order to grind. On the estate the corn was weighed and paid for it. Often over 200 DMs came together, what was much in those days.

About a "mountain with a castle" my mother-in-law knew nothing. She said that there had been a Swedish fort. Maybe there had been a Swedish outpost in former time, as this country (Kurland) was Swedish until Katharina II.

Irmingard u. Ingrid

Inge Schmidt (Rodde-Froelich), Hamburg, den 14. 10. 1994

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NEW OFFICIERS

This Association has been truly blessed by many long-term faithful members who have served an amazing number of years as officers. Robert Hein served as treasurer for the last 32 years. The late Phil Meerscheidt was the Family Secretary for 21 years. There have been others in the past with long terms and I am certain we will have others in the future to serve with equal dedication. The following slate of officers was elected at the 93 Reunion to serve the Association through the Reunion of 1995 :

President: Kurt L. von Rosenberg
706 E. Ward; Waco, Tx 76706
Vice Pres: Margaret J. Lee; 724 North
College; Gonzales, Tx 78629
Secretary: Wayne A. Scholz; 1728 Coach-
mans Ct.; Brentwood, Tn 37027
Treasurer: Glenn A. von Rosenberg
367 Broughton; Waco, Tx 76712
Historian: Dale U. von Rosenberg; 6036 Del
Norte Lane; Dallas, Tx 75225

!!! 200 TH ANNIVERSARY !!!

Hear Ye ! Hear Ye ! Lend me your hears,
July 1994 will mark the year.
Of Peter Carl's birthday to celebrate,
A 200 th anniversary, I just can't wait.
Now family and friends can all appear,
To toast Pete's heritage—let's raise a cold beer!
This centennial event won't repeat for a while,
So bring your own glass and wear a big smile !

FAREWELL TO PHIL

A popular song once stated that "Many a tear drop will fall". Well, I guess this just about sums up the response to the news of the death of our most beloved brother and Family Secretary, Philip Alexander Meerscheidt (Volume II, Page 278) on 8/14/92. Phil had many acclaims in addition to 21 years as the Family secretary. But knowing Phil as I did, he would have you come to the next year's Reunion to hear all about these things. Phil's love and dedication for the von Rosenberg Family will be long remembered by many family members and friends. Join me in rejoicing his life !

FAMILY COOKBOOK

It is finally here ! The von Rosenberg Family of Texas Cookbook is now available through our family treasurer and many of our members who took books on consignment at the 1993 Reunion. The book is first class with a hard-back cover and historical accounts with pictures appearing before each chapter. The price has been set at \$14.95 for family members and \$16.95 for non-family members. You may order from: The von Rosenberg Family of Texas P.O Box 20601; Waco, Tx 76702-0601 or at the 1994 Reunion. It looks as good as the recipes tastes !



MARRIAGES

Wendy Irene Meerscheidt, daughter of Grayson and Patsy Meerscheidt, married Fletcher Lee Cole on May 29, 1993. Please send their present address to the secretary. Volume II, Page 273.

Karl Glenn von Rosenberg, son of Glenn A. and Barbara Jo von Rosenberg, married Michelle Ann Dwyer on March 6, 1993. Their address is P. O. Box 180643; Austin, Tx 78718. Volume II, Page 304.

BIRTH

Erica Buckner, daughter of Robert Paul and Jennifer Elizabeth Bones Buckner, was born February 19, 1993. Volume II, Page 25.

Kelsey Nicole von Rosenberg, daughter of Karl Glenn and Michelle Ann Dwyer, was born on Sept. 11, 1993. Volume II, Page 304.

DEATHS

Barbara Katherine Scholz Beasom, wife of deceased husband John W. Beasom, died on Jan. 1, 1993 in Burnet, Tx. following a lingering illness. Volume II, Page 258.

Marcus Isador Hellmuth of Bellville, Tx. died during 1993. Please forward exact date. His wife is Sarah Elizabeth Hellmuth. Volume II, Page 114.

Bruce Homberger died Feb. 23, 1993. Volume II, Page 67-82 ??.

Richard L. Youngblood, husband of Elsa Goeth Youngblood (Vol. II, Page 28), died on November 16, 1993 at age 87 in Johnson City, Tx.

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