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The cost at Camp Lone Star is reasonable and compares favorably with any other manner of financing your Reunion expenses. The cost is prorated and is determined by your arrival time. If you spend the full $2\frac{1}{2}$ days there, you'll have 5 full meals (all you can eat), 2 nights lodging, plus full use of all facilities for around \$63.00 per adult and \$40.00 per child. However, the maximum charge per family will not exceed \$180.00 for all $2\frac{1}{2}$ days. Age 5 and under -- no charge! If you arrive Sat. or Sun., your charge will be prorated from the above figures. Vans and campers are not recommended; no place to park them. If you have questions of the host, write: Mr. Garland Midgget, Mgr., Camp Lone Star, P.O. Box 8, La Grange, TX., 78445, or call: 409-247-4128.



THE BIG DANCE

As announced in the May Newsletter, we will hold a big dance Saturday night, July 15th. We will eat our normal 6:00 meal at Camp Lone Star and then caravan to the VFW hall in La Grange for the dance. Except for beer, this will be a BYOB party. We have hired a real good country & western band that come highly recommended; they've played everywhere and we're in for a very good time. We will try to arrange for baby-sitting for the event. You can remember, I'm sure, that previous to holding our Reunions at Camp Lone Star, we always held a social evening on the Sat. nite before the Sunday Reunion meeting and those socials were very well attended. I'm sure this one will be, also, cause our folks really like to party. Please be reminded that the more in attendance, the less admission charge there will be; this to pay for the band and the hall. Shine up those shoes, and start gettin' yourself in shape for a great evening.

If you need transportation to and from the Reunion this year, please let your Secretary know about it immediately and I'll do everything I can to find someone who can come by and pick you up. Not attending the Reunion because of transportation is no longer an excuse, so let me know if I can help you.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

As you know, we elect officers to run this Association every two years. We always elect on the odd-numbered years, and this is one of those years. If you aspire to serve our Association as an officer, make your intentions known to me through the mail, or tell President Roger von Rosenberg your plans when you get there so we can get word to the nominating committee which he will appoint at the time. If you have talent, let it be known. We will elect a President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Historian to hold office through and including the '91 Reunion.

OPERATING BUDGET

Each year, at this time, we ask each family in the Association for a \$5.00 or more donation to our operating budget. This is the only method we use to finance our operating expenses. It's time again to donate so we can run this coming year. Your cooperation will be greatly appreciated. Make checks payable to "The von Rosenberg Family" and send them to your Secretary.

A TIP OF OUR HAT

* THE 1988 REUNION REVISITED

The business meeting of our Association was held Saturday, July 16, 1988, at Camp Lone Star in La Grange, Texas. President Roger von Rosenberg called the meeting to order at 4:06 p.m. with 112 members present. After the pledge of allegiance, self introductions were given, the minutes were dispensed with, and Treasurer Robert Hein gave his report. A letter of thanks was received and read from Mrs. Bybee, owner of Henkel Square in Round Top, for the Family books we donated to that institution. Dale U. von Rosenberg, Historian, told of his plans for the production of Vol. III, and said he was just about ready to start gathering personal history from our various members. Darlyn Bechtol, chairperson of the "Site Search Committee" for the '89 Reunion, reported that of all the places she and her committee members visited and checked

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The others were either more expensive, or offered less in facilities, or both. It was then moved and passed that the 50th Reunion, the 1989, be held again at Camp Lone Star on July 1^4 , 15, and 16, 1989. Secretary Phil Meerscheidt reported on attendance, problems with attendance, the Newsletter, and our eversuffering mailing list. There are still 466 households not receiving the Newsletter with some 800 members remaining uninformed. Rives Meerscheidt, Captain in the U.S. Air Force, gave the major speech of the meeting talking about family customs in Germany. It was very interesting. In conclusion, he moved that our Association make a formal request to the La Grange city council, the state of Texas, and the University of Texas to make the cemetary, containing the grave of Peter Carl, a state landmark so that it doesn't fall to urbanization. The motion passed and Dale U. von Rosenberg was appointed to accomplish same. After announcing the Sunday morning "Memorial Service" would commence at 11:00 a.m., the President adjourned the meeting at 5:31 p.m.

IN MEMORIAM

SUNDAY MEMORIAL SERVICE

This meeting was held Sunday, July 17, 1989, at Camp Lone Star, 11:00 a.m. There were 48 members present when President Roger von Rosenberg called the meeting to order. After the welcome, it was discovered Jennie von Rosenberg of Austin was the oldest member in attendance, at age 85, Rives Meerscheidt of Germany traveled the greatest distance to attend, and our youngest member turned out to be Connor Noel Bechtol, @ 7 months, son of Gary and Darlyn Bechtol of Austin, Tx.

Past-President William von Rosenberg, Jr. of Austin then conducted the Memorial Service for our deceased members since the last Reunion. They were:

Henry L. Dolezal, 10-3-87, in La Grange. Vol. II, p. 205.

Herman E. Dyal, 1-17-87, in New Braunfels. Vol. II, p. 287.

Miles L. Moss, 6-6-86. Vol. II, 9.142.

Vernon Jack Shiner, 4-2-88, in El Paso. Vol. II, p. 274.

Lillian May Speckels, 7-25-87, in San Antonio. Vol. II, p. 288.

Melba Lucile Jones Trenckmann, 12-22-86, in Shelton, WA. Vol. II, p. 242.

Arthur Julius von Rosenberg, 10-5-87, in Cameron, Tx. Vol. II, p. 301.

Frederick G. von Rosenberg, 3-14-88, in Austin, Tx. Vol. II, p. 92.

The President then opened the floor for discussion of ideas for the 50th Reunion, 1989. The cake, public relations and publicity, photographs, Family relics, Mrs. Bybee to speak, T-shirts with Family crest, Sat. nite social evening, plastic name cards, the wreath for Peter Carls' grave, and other items were discussed, accepted, and committees appointed. Many members expressed their delight and satisfaction about the Reunion and Camp Lone Star, after which the meeting was adjourned at 12:00 noon.

THE MAILING LIST

We only did fair on our mailing list corrections. I received 27 corrections of the 99, about 25%, but we had another 21 letters return from the May mailing. So, we gained six households for our efforts. Listed below are the 17 members whose letter just returned to me. Space doesn't permit listing the wrong addresses but if you know any current addresses for them, please send them to me. I appeal, one more time, to you folks who didn't send in corrections off the May mailing, to go over that list again and send me what you can. I'm quite sure parents know the addresses of their offsprings and vice-versa. We need your help desparately on this:

Guy J. Boisvert J. Frank Hanna James W. Lambert Wm. R. Lemmons, Jr. James H. Vaughn Randall K. Lowry Emily Lytton Bobby Mata J. L. Meerscheidt Edward R. Moss

Joseph H. Rowe Frederick L. Shea Johnny L. Simon Eric Earl von R. Karla Jean von R. Jon Karl von R. Gayle H. Watt

RELICS

Your officers are asking each of you to bring family relics, memoirs, and heirlooms to the Reunion this year. Pictures, cloth stuff, dishes, or anything else you might have from the old days are always very interesting for members to look over and hear stories connected with them. Please help us on this if you can.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Alice Endicott Troop is now married to Gary Cole. Their address: 3405 Silver Spur, San Angelo, Tx., 76904. They have a daughter, Lauren Elizabeth, born 10-21-85. Welcome aboard, Gary, and hope to meet you at the 1989 Reunion.

Richard Kevin Ulrich is on the Chemical Engineering faculty of the H. of Arkansas