



THE GEORG HOMESTEAD: A CONNECTION WITH THE RANCH HISTORY

If you've ever played the 9th hole at Cordillera Ranch, you've probably noticed the rustic little homestead located right behind the ladies' tee box. Little did these early settlers know when they built their home that it would one day look down the lush fairway of a Jack Nicklaus Signature Golf Course. As this community has developed, great care has been taken to preserve the historical character of this charming homestead, illustrated by the careful routing around the home. Now, with the naming of this Lodge the "Georg," the legacy lives on as part of the fabric of Cordillera Ranch.

In 1851, at the age of 24, Phillip Charles Georg moved to central Texas (from the German kingdom of Prussia) along with thousands of Germans. A year later, Phillip, known as Carl, married Sophia Elizabeth and during the 1850's and 1860's they had six sons, Rudolph, Edward, Hermann, Moritz, Julius and Charles. In 1872, Carl built this home where it exists today just to the right of the 9th hole and raised his boys there.

According to Carl's great granddaughter, Gloria Georg Schrempp Obst, Carl worked hauling freight in ox-driven carts from Indianola, Texas to San Antonio, New Braunfels and Fredericksburg, using the 165-mile Ox Cart Trail. In those times, this was known as the German Immigration Route. The trip took six months to complete and Carl split the year with another cart master.

Carl, Sophia and their son, Julius are the only Georg family members left who are laid to rest at the Georg Cemetery near the 8th hole. Many other Georg descendants are buried in the Boerne Cemetery. While there is no exact record regarding when the homestead was built, it is a piece of history that we are all proud to acknowledge and happy to admire here at **Cordillera Ranch, home to The Georg Homestead.**