

2005 WILLRICH REUNION BULLETIN # 1

The Willrich Family Reunion will be held April 16 & 17, 2005. Make plans now to attend! On Saturday 4/16 we will meet at the Holy Rosary Church Hall at Hostyn located at 936 FM 2436 between La Grange and Schulenburg off Hwy 77. On Sunday 4/17 we will have the Memorial Service at Monument Hill. We were hoping there would be no other big event going on at this time, but the MS Bike Ride is that same weekend. The only hotel that I could find rooms for us for both Fri. 4/15 & Sat. 4/16 is the Chaparral Motel at 310 Hwy 77 South in Hallettsville. It is 18 miles south of Schulenburg. They gave us a good rate, but you must make your reservation by April 1. The rooms are under Marilyn Penland so be sure you give them my name when you call so that you get the special rates. If you only need a room for Fri. night, I listed other motels in the area that may have rooms available for that night only if you call as soon as possible.

PLANNING MEETING - JANUARY 22

A planning meeting was held on Sat 1/22 at Frank's Restaurant in Schulenburg. There was a nice turnout and good fellowship was enjoyed by all. We are working on finalizing the plans for our reunion weekend so a great day can be enjoyed by all. There will be a general business meeting for all family members on Saturday 4/16 at 11:00 AM at the Church Hall. The offices for President, Vice-President, Cedar Cemetery Chairman, and Reunion Chairman will be open for nominations. The current office holders have declined to take these positions again. We need new family members to fulfill these positions. Please call Marilyn if you have any questions regarding the duties of these positions. The family picture is in the process of being set up for Saturday at the old Willrich House, Mt. Eliza. The Schencks will have the house open that day for visits. We have a wonderful speaker, Judge Dan R. Beck coming to present the evening program. The Memorial Service is going to be at 10:30 AM at Monument Hill. If you have lost a family member since the last reunion (2003), please notify me so I can give this information to our Chaplain, Andy Penland. More details about these activities will be in the next bulletin. In the meantime, locate your family memorabilia and any display cases if possible. Please label your pictures and items for display.

FAMILY TREE UPDATES

All family members are asked to send their family tree updates to Rob Brown at 8704 Driftwood Drive College Station, TX 77845, or e-mail to: robbylbrn@aol.com **AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. PLEASE** be sure to include what family group you are in, your birth date, and a phone # where you can be reached. All marriages, births, deaths, and divorces need to be recorded. Updates can also be done on the family web site at: <http://www.willrichfamily-usa.org>. Rob will be making updates before the reunion, so please get the updates to him by **APRIL 1**. All changes received after April 1 will be put in with the updates for the 2007 Reunion.

There will be a meeting of the History Committee at 9:30 AM on Saturday 4/16 at the Church Hall. We need someone from each family group to compile the history for that group so that it can be organized and eventually put into published form. If you would like to help on this committee, please join them Saturday morning.

WILLRICH FAMILY FOUNDATION WEB SITE

Stanley Cernosek, our Webmaster, has our Web Site operational. You can get to it using this URL: <http://willrichfamily-usa.org> All comments, feedback, and suggestions on content will be appreciated. This is your web site—it needs content that is useful to you and your family.

SEND ADDRESS CORRECTIONS!

Of utmost importance right now is to get correct mailing addresses so everyone knows about the Reunion. Call your kids, cousins, whoever, and see if they got this mailing. Copy it and mail one to somebody else or tell them to look it up on the family web site at: <http://willrichfamily-usa.org>
Our mailing address is being updated by Marilyn Penland. Please ask your relatives for current addresses, phone numbers, and e-mail addresses. Send the information to Marilyn Penland ASAP. My mailing address is 2708 Encino, Bay City, TX 77414; Fax # is 361-782-3030 from 8:30 AM to 5:00 PM; or e-mail to brown43@sbcglobal.net During the day you can reach me at my Office # 361-782-3050, Mobile # 979-479-0966, and after 7 PM at Home # 979-245-3823.

SEED MONEY

We are at this time asking each family household to send in \$10 as seed money for the reunion to help defray costs of mailings, printings, etc. Send to: Willrich Family Foundation, C/O Sue Lawson, Treasurer, 1720 North Blvd., Houston, TX 77098.

We will again have cloisonne pins with the family crest of George Carl Willrich available to buy at the reunion for \$10. In addition to this, we will have color photos of the crest, suitable for framing, (\$1 and \$5), Willrich House prints (\$20), and stationary (\$8). If you want it mailed, add \$1 each. Income from these sales helps defray our costs.

MOTELS IN AREA:

Chapparral Motel, Hallettsville, 361-798-4385* Holiday Inn Express, Columbus, 979-733-9300
Oakridge Motor Inn, Schulenburg, 979-743-4192
*Reserved rooms for Willrich Reunion

Make your reservations **ASAP** at the **Chapparral Motel (361) 798-4385**. Remember, the rooms are under my name, Marilyn Penland, with the Willrich Family Reunion.

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