

Willrich Family Foundation
c/o Sue Lawson, Treasurer
1720 North Boulevard
Houston, TX 77098

Willrich Family Reunion April 12-13-14, 2013
RSVP ASAP



*Make your reservations now to attend the
2013 Willrich Family Reunion
at Camp Lone Star in LaGrange, Texas.*

See our awesome web page at <http://www.willrichfamily-usa.org>

Pray for good weather!



Mail or FAX 713-526-2778. Please respond ASAP, as we need a meal count by Monday, April 8. Walk-ins are welcome, but might only get potato chips and cookies. Make checks to Willrich Family Foundation and send to 1720 North Blvd., Houston 77098. We are not equipped for credit cards. Send your family tree updates ASAP to Rob Brown, robbylbrn@aol.com, 8704 Driftwood, College Station, TX 77845. DO YOU WANT A WILLRICH FAMILY REUNION T-SHIRT FOR \$16 or an apron for \$20? IF SO, HOW MANY AND WHAT SIZES? (2T to XXXL)? _____ (This is to help us decide whether to order more. Do not send money yet for it.)









Willrich Family Reunion Payments for Family of _____

Email Address _____ Cellphone(s) _____

Staying for Reunion at: _____

Home Address: _____ Home phone: _____

By popular request, we will have a **catered BBQ dinner**, brisket & chicken, on Saturday night.. ****The Camp does not charge for children 0-4, but "NC"(no charge) does not include the BBQ dinner, as it is not from the camp. The caterer's portions are generous. Your child could share your dinner, or split one with another child. Paper plates will be provided for sharing. The prices below are subsidized for seniors and youths by dues and donations. If you need further subsidy, just print your price on the form, no questions asked. We do not want anyone to be excluded due to cost. We really want YOU ALL to come! **REVISED RSVP FORM**

Ages of Participants 	Ages 0-4 free @ Camp; How many? BBQ not included @NC. See below****	Ages 5-17 Youths	Ages 18-64 Adults	Over 65 Seniors	Total coming	Costs 
Number and cost for each level of participation: 						
Staying at Camp overnight: 2 nights, 4 meals, Day*	___@NC	___@\$85	___@\$110	___@\$100		\$
Staying at Camp overnight: 1 night, 3 meals L/D/B, Day*	___@NC	___@\$60	___@\$85	___@75		\$
Day*, Lunch & BBQ Dinner	___@NC	___@\$21	___@\$26	___@\$21		\$
Day* & Lunch	___@NC	___@\$12	___@\$17	___@\$12		\$
Day* & BBQ Dinner*	___@NC	___@\$14	___@\$19	___@\$14		\$
Day* Only	___@NC	___@\$5	___@\$10	___@\$5		\$
1. BBQ Plates \$9, can be shared or split by children/youths/light eaters. Add or subtract as needed or not needed. Dessert and drinks are free to all.	Add BBQ Plates ___@\$9 **** Subtract BBQ Plates ___@-\$9	The BBQ dinner is included above, except for Children 0-4. If you want a separate dinner for your child 0-4, please add \$9. For youths or light eaters who wish to split a dinner, subtract \$9 for any dinner not needed. Plates will be provided for sharing.			Net # BBQ Plates added or subtracted ___@\$9	\$  Add all above
2. Reunion Costs	(Add all of the above)					\$
3. Family Dues \$10**						\$
4. Do you want to be an Angel?*** Contribute to our "Angel Fund"!	This helps to defray Reunion costs, and makes it possible to subsidize the costs.					\$
Total Amount to send:2+3+4	Make check to Willrich Family Foundation. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> If Cash _____					\$

*"Day" is the facility use fee and includes all activities. It is included in the Overnight charge.

**Family Dues provides seed money for the Reunions, and is used for expenses, subsidies, and to maintain the website.

*** Youths and Seniors' charges are subsidized by "Angels" who donate extra money.

We want to recognize our new members, including new spouses and children. Identify new names below.

PRINT NAMES FOR NAMETAGS HERE: Give ages of children. What is your family line?: _____

The Willrich Family Reunion will be held April 12-13-14, 2013, at Camp Lone Star in LaGrange.

Make plans now to attend, and spread the word to all our cousins! April is prime time, and we are lucky to get the Camp then. Look for bluebonnets along the roads.

ACCOMMODATIONS: Camp Lone Star (LOMT.org) is very comfortable, as those who attended in past years will agree. We have again reserved the Johnson Conference Center and Selah House at the camp, with 26 modern rooms with private baths. Since we have the whole center from Friday night through Sunday morning, we can put out all our memorabilia, and hang out all night long with our cousins. If you are staying at Camp Lone Star, 4 meals are included: Saturday breakfast, lunch and dinner, and Sunday breakfast. We will also have drinks and snacks for everybody, 24hrs. The prices on the attached form for overnight at Camp include meals as indicated, and activity fees. New this year, by popular request, is a **catered BBQ dinner**.

If you prefer a hotel, we have some rooms reserved until 3/29 at the Best Western, 600 E Hwy 71 Loop (78945) near Hwy 77, (979-968-6800), at rates of \$110-\$116 per night, less 10% for AAA or AARP. Online rates may be better, i.e. at Hotels.com, etc.

STUFF: We will again have some **Willrich items to sell:** cloisonne pins (\$10), photos of the family crest (framed or unframed), SMALL line drawings of Mt. Eliza (The large ones are all gone.), history papers, etc. We have a few t-shirts left, and are considering ordering more, including some toddler sizes. However, a new screen is required, so they would cost about \$16, due to the small order. (See RSVP form to express interest.)

ACTIVITIES: We will have activities for children, including supervised arts and crafts, games, canoeing, swimming and a Saturday night campfire with singing and storytelling. Some activities will be supervised by professional camp personnel, so parents can relax and visit, view the family memorabilia, or participate in the activities. We have some new ideas, from our young families. There is a Facebook page, created by Susanna Lawson Gallun, where you can see ideas, and post your own ideas for fun activities, if you are a Facebook member. See: facebook.com/groups/WillrichFamilyUSA

FRIDAY NIGHT: Dinner on Friday night is on your own, but you need to **check in first, to get your linens, etc.** (No room service) We will have a list of restaurants, or you may bring food to the Camp and eat there, or we may order pizza. We will be setting up displays starting about 5:00 PM on Friday. Each family line will have a table for photos and memorabilia, so please bring what you have. Bring your photos and documents in protective covers. Please label them as to who they are, and with your name, in case you leave them. Nancy Brown will be scanning photos and documents for the Willrich book. If you could write down some family memories, or interview elderly family members, we would like to have these for the book. If you have videos of previous Willrich Family Reunions, or taped interviews of older family members, we can play them and record them for the archives. Our family history is important!

SATURDAY: Tod and Paul Schenck have graciously offered to open the old family house, **Mount Eliza**, on Saturday. Other historic family homes shown on the map are only for information, and are not open for viewing. **Jerry and Tonnie Willrich's home** and the **Itsy Bitsy Burro Company**, on Lidiak Rd., will be open also. Small children may enjoy riding a miniature donkey or the miniature mechanical bull. Please warn your children not to disturb the new baby donkeys and their mamas. See your packet for visitation times for these.

FAMILY PHOTO: A panoramic photo will be taken at Mount Eliza (the Willrich/Schenck house) at 2:30 on Saturday by Loudermilk Panoramic Photography of San Antonio. If you pay \$30 when the photo is taken, Slade Loudermilk will mail the full panoramic and a small one to you. Email: slade@panoman.us

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

(An updated one will be in your packet.)

FRIDAY EVENING, April 12:

- 5:00 PM Set up displays; eat dinner (self-provided) at Camp or a restaurant.
- 9:00 PM Business meeting of the Willrich Family Foundation Board of Directors

SATURDAY April 13:

- 8:00 AM Breakfast (for those staying at Camp 2 nights)
- 9:00 - 12:00 Supervised activities at Camp.
- 10:00 AM Meeting of the History Committee
- 12:00 Noon Lunch at Camp Lone Star (By reservation)
- 2:00 Panoramic photo at Mt. Eliza. Please be German-punctual. Carpool if possible. Dress colorfully and comfortably. Potty-stop before coming.
- 5:30 PM Catered BBQ dinner at Camp Lone Star, with brief business meeting to elect officers, etc.
- 7:30 PM CAMPFIRE: singing and the Willrich story

SUNDAY MORNING, April 14:

- 8:00 AM Breakfast (for those staying at Camp)
- 10:30AM **MEMORIAL SERVICE AT MONUMENT HILL**
We will honor those who passed away since the last Reunion. We will call the roll, and family members and those who were close to the honorees will answer "Here!" for them. (Aggies know this as the Aggie Muster.) Please notify us of cousins to be honored, with dates of birth and death, for the program. A guided tour of the Kreische House and the Brewery ruins will follow, for those who wish to explore the Park. The Park is a part of the land that was deeded to Heinrich Kreische, a stonemason, by Georg Carl Willrich, in payment for the stone work on Mt. Eliza. Georg Carl gave permission for the burial of the remains of members of the Dawson Massacre and the Mier Expedition. The monument was built later to honor them. Due to State Parks cutbacks, the Friends of Monument Hill/ Kreische Brewery (501c3) is in need of membership donations for Park upkeep and improvements. We encourage you to donate to FOMH/KB.

German Willrich Cousins: We are expecting at least 2 German cousins, Rita and Goetz Bauer, at the Reunion, and we hope more will come. We will have information available about the reunion (Familientag) in Germany next year. More information will also be on our web page. We hope to be able to send a group from Texas to attend. Their website is <http://www.wilrich-willrich.de>.

See our awesome web page:
www.WillrichFamily-USA.org

LOST COUSINS:

Please send this Bulletin to your siblings, kids, cousins, etc, so they can come. send corrections to us at WillrichFamilyUSA@yahoo.com. (No dash)
 We really need your email address!

WILLRICH FAMILY FOUNDATION BOARD: We need volunteers to represent each family line on the Board of Directors of the Willrich Family Foundation. This is not a difficult job, and is mostly advisory, unless you choose to do more. If you are interested, attend the meeting on Friday night and/or the History Committee meeting on Saturday morning. Here is the current list of officers and directors. A new slate will be nominated Friday night, and voted on at the meeting Saturday afternoon. Others may be nominated from the floor, or by email to Joseph Willrich, President. Family Line is indicated. The lines are Groos (G), Otto Willrich (OW), Carl Willrich (CW), Huebner (H), Koehler (K), Vogt (V), Dencker (D), Georg August Willrich (GAW).

Officers: * Unfilled positions, volunteers needed.

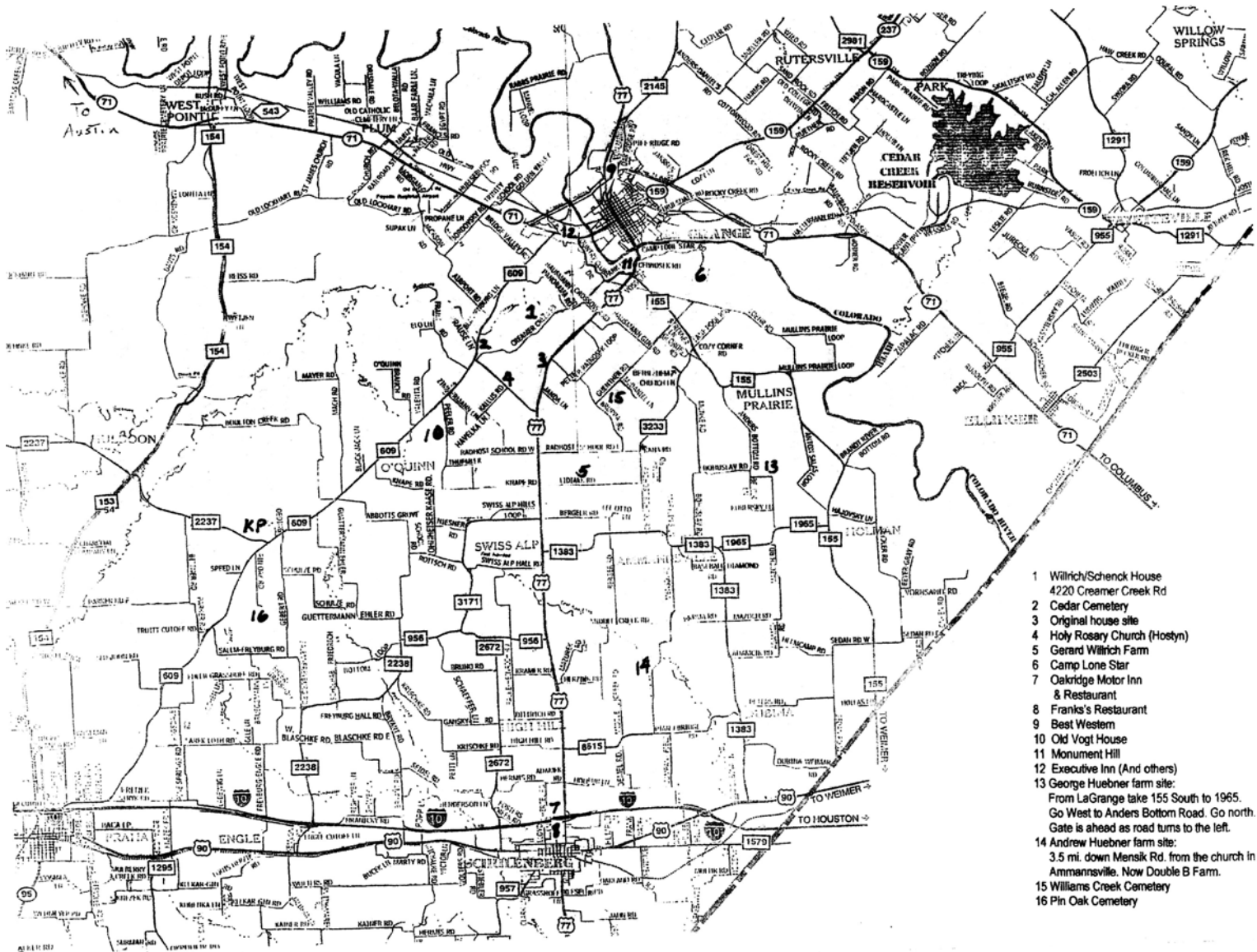
President Joseph Willrich (OW)
 Vice President Ted Gebhardt, Jr. (K)
 Secretary Diane Yates (H)
 Treasurer Sue Lawson (OW)
 Chaplain _____*

Directors:
 Garland Bauch (D)
 Margaret Wilkens (G)
 Heather Knigge Stephenson (V)
 Gene Vogt (V)
 Candace Cooper (CW)
 Volkmar Willrich (GAW & Vetterschaft)
 Peter Theodor Willrich (Vetterschaft)

Committees:
 Genealogy Nancy and Rob Brown (H)
 History Stanley Cernosek (H)
 Cemetery Alice Clarke (K)
 Reunion 2013 Sue Lawson(OW)/Alice Walker(H)
 Reunion 2015 Alice Yates Walker/_____*
 Nominating _____*

Contacts: Reunion Chairs Sue Lawson 713-526-6400, suelawson123@yahoo.com, cell 713-249-0887. Alice Walker, cell 713-256-8048, aliceyates@yahoo.com. Family updates: Rob & Nancy Brown; robbylbrn@aol.com. President: Joseph Willrich, cell 512-983-0605, WillrichFamily@yahoo.com

Keep this map to get to Camp! See the web page for a larger one, and one will be in your packet.



- 1 Willrich/Schenck House
4220 Creamer Creek Rd
- 2 Cedar Cemetery
- 3 Original house site
- 4 Holy Rosary Church (Hostyn)
- 5 Gerard Willrich Farm
- 6 Camp Lone Star
- 7 Oakridge Motor Inn & Restaurant
- 8 Frank's Restaurant
- 9 Best Western
- 10 Old Vogt House
- 11 Monument Hill
- 12 Executive Inn (And others)
George Huebner farm site:
From LaGrange take 155 South to 1965.
Go West to Anders Bottom Road. Go north.
Gate is ahead as road turns to the left.
- 14 Andrew Huebner farm site:
3.5 mi. down Mensik Rd. from the church in Ammansville. Now Double B Farm.
- 15 Williams Creek Cemetery
- 16 Pin Oak Cemetery