

Willrich Family Foundation
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Willrich Family Reunion
April 4-April 6, 2025
RSVP ASAP



*Make your reservations now to attend the
2025 Willrich Family Reunion
at Camp Lone Star in LaGrange, Texas.*

*See our family web page at <http://www.willrichfamily-usa.org>
and join our Facebook group: [facebook.com/groups/willrichfamilyreunionsintexas](https://www.facebook.com/groups/willrichfamilyreunionsintexas)*

Pray for good weather!



Please respond by returning this page ASAP by Mail

We need a meal count by Wednesday, March 19. Walk-ins are welcome but might only get potato chips and cookies. Make checks payable to **Willrich Family Foundation** and send to Willrich Family Foundation, c/o Stanley Cernosek, 21714 Rugosa Hill, San Antonio, TX 78256-2453. *Include this filled-out page with your check.* We are not equipped for credit cards; *but you can send money with Zelle®: see page 4.* Send family tree updates to Rob Brown, robbylbrn@aol.com, 8704 Driftwood, College Station, TX 77845; for email address or email corrections, see page 4. We really need your email address!



Willrich Family Reunion Payments for Family of _____

Email address: _____ Cell phone(s): _____

Staying for Reunion at: _____ Home Phone: _____

Home Address: _____ Your Family Line: _____

By popular request, we will again have a catered dinner on Saturday night. The pricing structure below has changed this year due to increases and policy changes at the venue. Please don't hesitate to contact us if you have any questions.

 Ages of Participants Number and cost for each level of participation:	Ages 0-4 free	Ages 5-17 Youths	Ages 18+ Adults	Total coming	 Costs
Staying at Camp overnight: 2 nights, 3 meals, Day fee* & Catered Dinner	___@NC	___@\$151	___@\$191		\$
Staying at Camp overnight: 1 night, 2 meals, Day fee* & Catered Dinner	___@NC	___@\$121	___@\$154		\$
Day fee*, Lunch & Catered Dinner	___@NC	___@\$30	___@\$30		\$
Day fee*, ONLY Lunch / <u>NO Dinner</u>	___@NC	___@\$30	___@\$30		
Family Dues \$20**					\$
Do you want to be an Angel? Contribute to our "Angel Fund"!	This helps defray Reunion costs and makes it possible to subsidize costs so everyone can participate.				\$
Total Amount:					\$

*"Day fee" is the facility use fee charged by Camp Lone Star and includes lunch and all activities. **The facility use fee is included in the overnight charge.**

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

Overnight stays include breakfast, lunch and catered dinner. **Saturday Catered Dinner is being subsidized by the Willrich Family Foundation.**

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

PRINT NAMES FOR NAME TAGS HERE. Include names of children and family line.

The Willrich Family Reunion will be held April 4-April 6, 2025 at Camp Lone Star in La Grange

Make plans now to attend and spread the word to all our cousins! Early April is prime time, and we are lucky to get the Camp then. Watch 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 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. The prices on the attached form for overnight at Camp Lone Star include meals as indicated and activity fees. We will also have drinks and snacks for everybody, 24 hrs.

If you prefer a hotel, options nearby include the Best Western at 600 E Hwy 71 Loop near Hwy 77, (979) 968-6800, Hampton Inn at 1624 W State Hwy 71, (979) 968-4900 or Holiday Inn Express in Schulenberg (979) 743-2301. **Make reservations early!**

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

FRIDAY EVENING APRIL 4:

- 5:30 PM** Check-in for those staying at Camp Lone Star
- 6:00 PM** Set up memorabilia

SATURDAY APRIL 5:

- 8:00 AM** Breakfast for those staying at Camp Lone Star
- 9:00-12:00** Registration – room check in, collect name tags
- 10:00 AM** History Committee / Willrich Family Foundation Meeting
- 11:00-1:00** Outdoor kid/family games, canoe races, fishing
- 12:00 PM** Lunch at Camp Lone Star (RSVP), WFF General Meeting
- 2:00 PM** Family panoramic photo at Monument Hill
- 2:30 PM** Memorial Service at Monument Hill followed by self-guided tours of the Kreische House
- 4:00-6:00** Registration – room check-in, collect name tags
- 6:00 PM** Catered dinner (RSVP)
- 7:00-9:00** Live Music from Mike Stroup and Annie Rost followed by campfire and s'mores (weather permitting)

SUNDAY APRIL 6:

- 8:00 AM** Breakfast (for those staying overnight at Camp)

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 6:00 PM on Friday. Each family line will have a table for photos and memorabilia, so please bring what you have. Bring items in protective covers and label them as to who they are and include your name in case you leave them. (This is important!) Please bring historical and current family photos, written accounts of family memories and interviews with elderly family members for scanning and inclusion in future Willrich family books. 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:

We will have activities throughout the day for children at Camp Lone Star, including supervised arts and crafts, family games and perhaps canoe races on the lake, if the water level permits.

A panoramic family photo will be taken at Monument Hill at 2:00 on Saturday by Loudermilk Panoramic Photography of San Antonio. Cost is payable by check or credit card. Please note that this is a change in location as the Willrich/Schenck house at Mt. Eliza is not available to us this year. A memorial service to honor those who have passed away since the last reunion will follow the photo at 2:30. 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.

Self-guided tours of the Kreische House and the brewery ruins are also available for those who wish to explore Monument Hill Park. The Park is part of the land deeded to Heinrich Kreische, a stonemason, by Georg Carl Willrich, in payment for the stonework 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) needs membership donations for park upkeep and improvements. We encourage you to donate. Address for Monument Hill: 4142 State Loop 92.

SATURDAY EVENING:

The menu for the catered dinner this year is chicken fried steak, green beans, broccoli & rice, twice baked potatoes, salad, and peach cobbler. Dinner will be followed by musical entertainment from local musicians Mike Stroup and Annie Rost and the annual campfire with singing, storytelling, and s'mores.

TELL FAMILY STORIES

Our ancestors had interesting lives, and they worked hard to build Texas, which had just become a state when they arrived. If you like, you can tell a short story about something in their lives. Examples are: the story of Matagorda Island, how the Groos Bank was started, the Praerie Blume Society that met at Mount Eliza, how young people met their husbands and wives, and courtship stories. Do some research first and write down your story so it can be put on our WillrichFamily-USA.org web page.

LOST COUSINS:

Please send this Bulletin to your siblings, kids, cousins, etc., so they can come. If you received it by email and don't need one sent by mail please let us know so that we can reduce printing and postage costs. Send address or email corrections to us ASAP at <http://eepurl.com/geF4ML>.

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Online links

Address and/or email changes:



<http://eepurl.com/geF4ML>

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