### 2024 Masonic Youth Weekend May 3 - May 5, 2024

# Latham Springs Camp and Retreat Center Aquilla, Texas



## Sponsored by the Grand Lodge of Texas - Committee on Youth Activities -



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100th Grand Worthy Advisor



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# **MASONIC YOUTH WEEKEND**Hosted by the Grand Lodge of Texas

The Committee on Youth Activities is a subordinate standing committee of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Texas that encourages all Master Masons to advance, promote, and support the youth organizations of the Texas DeMolay Association and the Grand Assembly of Texas. Our mission is to amplify and coordinate the worthy activities of the Grand Lodge of Texas and its constituent Lodges in support of such organizations which includes this annual weekend retreat!

For answers regarding the Masonic Youth Weekend, please contact the Members of the Grand Lodge Committee on Youth Activities - the sponsors for this event:

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### AT THE EVENT AND NEED SOMETHING?

LOOK FOR THE **NEON SHIRTS** FOR THE COMMITTEE MEMBERS!
THEY WILL BE HAPPY TO ASSIST YOU!

### **MASONIC YOUTH WEEKEND**



### Registration Deadline: Friday, March 29, 2024



Note: There is **NO LATE** registration available.

Please fill out the following sheet and mail it with the delegation's Medical Release Forms.

| Chapter or Assembly's Name:  |                  |  |  |  |
|--|------------------|--|--|--|
| The Advisor in charge of your delegation:  |                  |  |  |  |
| Number of Registered <u>Adults</u> Attending: Number of Registered <u>Youth</u> Attending: |                  |  |  |  |
| Delegation Contact Address:  |                  |  |  |  |
| City:  | Zip:             |  |  |  |
| Contact Number:  | _ Contact Email: |  |  |  |

**Send Completed Forms and Fees to: Chance Chapman** 174 Hilldale Drive Nederland, TX 77627 tcchapman@ymail.com

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: The Grand Lodge of Texas

**Latham Springs Camp Emergency Contact Phone Number Only:** (254) 694-3689

### MYW 2024 Organization Sheet

The Organization Sheet will be a Spreadsheet that will be supplied as a separate file. Each delegation shall fill out all their attendee's information on separate lines, and calculate the appropriate finances (\$80.00 x Number of Attendees). The sheet will look like the example below.

Each *delegation* must email their sheet to Chance Chapman at <u>tcchapman@ymail.com</u>.

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| 1  |  |                  | Mas      | onic Youth Week    | end 2024   |            |              |                     |            |
| 2  | Please email this sheet to Chance Chapman: tcchapman@ymail.com |                  |          |                    |            |            |              |                     |            |
| 3  | Registration Deadline: Friday, March 29, 2024                  |                  |          |                    |            |            |              |                     |            |
| 4  | Note: There is no LATE registration available.                 |                  |          |                    |            |            |              |                     |            |
| 5  |  |                  |          |                    |            |            |              |                     |            |
| 6  | Total Registration: 0  |                  |          | Cost per Attendee: | \$80.00    |            | Total Owed:  |                     | \$0.00     |
| 7  |  |                  |          |                    |            |            |              |                     |            |
| 8  | Name   | Chapter/Assembly | Position | Sex of Attendee    | Young Male | Adult Male | Young Female | <b>Adult Female</b> | Shirt Size |
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This must be submitted by the *Friday, March 29, 2024* deadline.

Individuals should **NOT** send in this form separate from their Chapter/Assembly.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PROCEDURES

#### PERSONNEL & ADVISOR COVERAGE:

- <u>NEW:</u> There must be at least <u>TWO (2)</u> Advisors registered and staying with each delegation. This is a universal policy now, regardless of the Order. There must be at least <u>ONE (1)</u> advisor from each delegation room within each cabin their members are in. If there are 10 or more registered actives in a single delegation, there must then be at least <u>THREE (3)</u> Advisors present for the weekend.
- There will be an on-site medic all weekend who holds advisor registered status. Please indicate on the MRF (Medical Release Form) if any medication will need to be stored or routinely administered.
- There are security measures from the camp to ensure safety such as locking the main gate after hours, security cameras, advisor curfew monitors, and onsite camp authorities.
- <u>NEW:</u> All rules and procedures listed in this packet are expected to be followed by advisors too. They are not just for the youth. Thank you for your cooperation.

### **ROOMING, TRANSPORTATION, AND ON-SITE RULES:**

- <u>NEW:</u> All registrants <u>MUST</u> room, sleep, and bathe in the assigned on-site cabins. There can be only <u>ONE</u> person per bed. Sharing beds, visiting or switching cabins (inside or outside) <u>IS NOT PERMITTED</u>. Vehicles, tents, hammocks, campers, fifth-wheels, RVs, or any other substitute for rooming, sleeping, or bathing <u>ARE NOT PERMITTED</u>.
- <u>NEW: NO</u> personal or unauthorized vehicles, motorcycles, bicycles, golf carts, ATVs, 4-wheelers, RVs, or the like will be permitted for transportation during the weekend. Upon arrival, vehicles <u>MUST</u> remain parked until the conclusion of the weekend. There will be <u>NO</u> driving from location to location except by authorized vehicles with displayed driving permits. Authorized Golf Carts or vehicles are not for shuttle purposes. Committee Members and camp officials will not allow you to ride in or on them. Additionally, please be advised that this event will require walking. If you are limited in this regard, please state so on your Medical Release Form.
- All registrants <u>MUST</u> wear their provided MYW T-shirts during activities. This is for identification purposes. Additionally, switching shirts <u>IS NOT PERMITTED</u>.
- <u>NEW:</u> This is a smoke/tobacco-free event and a smoke/tobacco-free facility. <u>NO EXCEPTIONS</u>.
   This includes trying to find a private location, away from people, or even outside the main gates.

### FUN EVENT, TALENT SHOW, DANCE, ETC:

- If any active participant leaves the vicinity of the campfire, fun event, or dance early, they <u>WILL</u>
   <u>NOT</u> be permitted to come back to said event. They will have to remain in their cabin for the duration of the evening with proper advisor coverage present. There <u>WILL NOT</u> be "back and forth."
- The Hosts and Team Captains would like for everyone to email photos and videos from the weekend for the annual slideshow to <a href="https://www.mywslideshow@gmail.com">MYWSlideshow@gmail.com</a>
- **NEW:** There **WILL NOT** be a talent show this year. It is being replaced with a championship gaming tournament and will be part of the team-building activities.
- <u>NEW:</u> Both DeMolay and Rainbow will have merchandise and/or promotional tables available.
   Please plan to bring some money.

### **WATER BOTTLES AND HYDRATION STATIONS:**

Each participant will receive a reusable water bottle. Please plan to write your name on your bottle
with a marker. It will be the responsibility of everyone to keep up with theirs. Water refill stations will
be around the camp all weekend long.

### IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR ALL ATTENDEES

PLEASE NOTE: If you are currently suspended or expelled from any of the Texas Masonic Youth Organizations, you may <u>NOT</u> attend this function.

### **ITEMS TO BRING WITH YOU TO CAMP**

- Sleeping bag, bedroll/sheets, blankets, and/or pillow
- Clothing appropriate for temperature: T-shirts, shorts, jeans, and a light jacket (this is a casual weekend, so please dress accordingly)
- All girls' attire must follow the Dress Code guidelines outlined in the Texas Rainbow txiorg.org>Resources>Guidelines for Texas>Dress Code document. <a href="https://www.txiorg.org/guidelines-for-texas.html">https://www.txiorg.org/guidelines-for-texas.html</a>.
   This will be enforced by respective organizational representatives.
- Poncho or umbrella in case of rain
- Closed-toe shoes due to the hilly/rocky terrain of the camp (Tennis-shoes, hiking boots, etc. Sandals and flip-flops are not recommended except in the swimming pool area)
- Modest swimming suit (ladies' 1-piece swimsuit)
- Towels several (for bathing, swimming, and other water-related activities)
- Personal toiletries (soap, shampoo, toothbrush & toothpaste, deodorant, etc.)
- Snacks/drinks to share with your cabin mates
- Money for state merchandise/fundraisers
- Each delegation must have at least 2 advisors. If there are 10 or more actives within one delegation, there then must be at least 3 advisors. There will be no exceptions.

### DO NOT BRING THESE ITEMS WITH YOU TO CAMP

- Any nicotine, smoking, vaporized, or tobacco products (cigarettes, cigars, pipes, chewing tobacco, vapes, electronic smoking devices, etc...)
- Firearms, blades, preventative materials such as batons, spray, and voltage devices; restraining materials such as handcuffs, rope, zip-ties, or any other type of weapon/restraint.
- Fireworks or miniature explosive devices
- Portable objects capable of producing fire, spark, flame, etc.
- Alcoholic beverages or Illegal drugs
- Water balloons or water guns
- Shaving cream or silly string

FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THE ABOVE MAY BE CAUSE FOR YOUR REMOVAL FROM THIS EVENT.

The following is a **TENTATIVE AGENDA** for the weekend to enable youth attendees and their parents/guardians to understand what will be involved in this weekend. If there is any activity on this tentative agenda that you do not wish your youth to participate in, please indicate this in the appropriate place on the Youth Registration form. A final agenda will be distributed at registration Check-In for all attendees.

### **TENTATIVE AGENDA**

### Friday, May 3rd,

6:00 pm - 11:00 pm: Check-In @ Miracle Hall, TDA & IORG State Merchandise available

11:00 pm - 12:00 Midnight:
Official Welcome Meeting at
Campfire w/ S'mores (Bring
own S'mores supplies)

12:00 Midnight: In Cabins

#### Saturday, May 4th,

8:15 am - 8:50 am: Breakfast

9:00 am - 12:00 Noon: Morning Activities

12:00 Noon -12:45 pm: Lunch

1:00 pm - 5:00 pm: Afternoon Activities

5:00 pm - 6:00 pm: Free Time 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm: Dinner

7:00 pm - 12 Midnight: Game Tournament/Dance

(Casual Attire)

Be in your cabin 15 minutes after the dance ends.

#### Sunday, May 5th,

8:00 am - 10:30 am:

Breakfast / Devotional / Slide Show / Q&A / Leadership

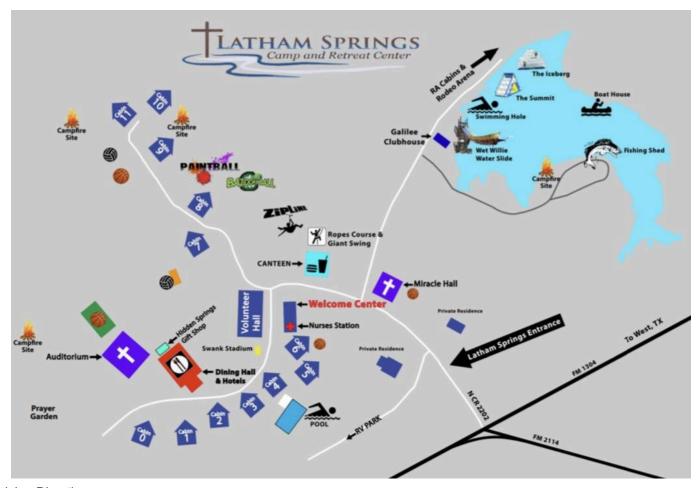
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Grand Master's Comments,

TDA & IORG State Merchandise available

10:30 am:

Clean-up / Check-Out



**Driving Directions:** 

#### **From DFW**

- From the DFW Metroplex and the North: Take 135 South past Hillsboro. Take the FM 1304 exit, and turn right (west) on FM 1304. Go approximately 12 miles. You should see the Latham Springs Camp billboard sign.
- At the sign, turn right down the paved road and the camp is .7 miles off the main highway.

### **From Waco**

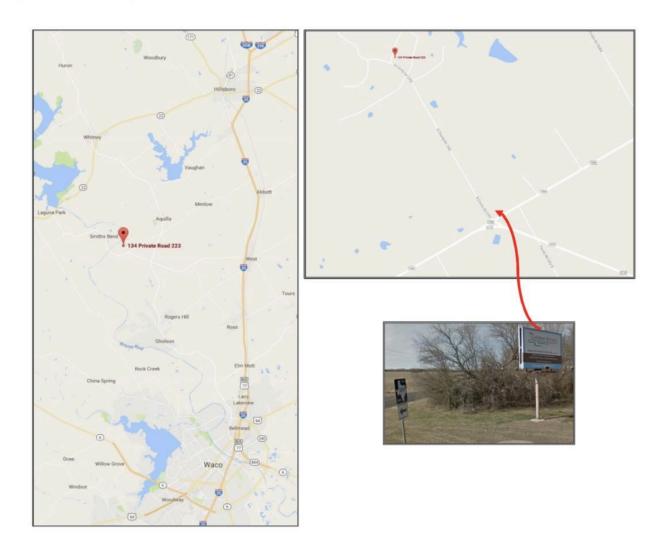
From Waco, Austin, and the South: Take 135 North to the town of West. Exit at the FM 2114 Downtown West exit.
 Turn left at the stop sign on the service road onto FM 2114. Go west about 12 miles. Go down the camp road by the Latham Springs Camp billboard sign.

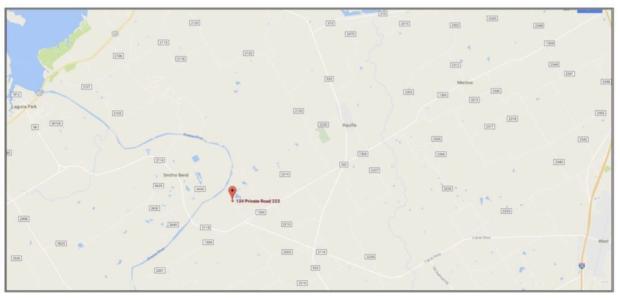
#### **From the West**

• From the West: At Meridian take State Highway 22 to Laguna Park. At Laguna Park turn south onto FM 56. After about 3 miles the road "Y's" and take the "Y" left onto FM 2114. After you cross the river, look to the left for the Latham Springs Camp billboard sign. At the sign, turn left down the camp road.

The address is 134 Private Road 223 Aquilla, TX 76622

\*\*\*If using GPS, please use **HR 2202 N Aquilla, TX 76622**\*\*\*
This will lead you directly to the gates. The actual address will **NOT** work





### YOUTH REGISTRATION FORM



# If you are under 21 years of age, you must fill out this form! TWENTY-FIFTH ANNUAL MASONIC YOUTH WEEKEND Sponsored by the Grand Lodge of Texas

May 3 - 5, 2024

Latham Springs Camp - Aquilla, Texas | One Registration Form per Person

DEADLINE: Postmarked by Friday, March 29, 2024

Registration Fee: \$80.00 / There is no LATE registration available



YOUTH

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| ٨   | Name:   |  |  |  |  |
| Α   | Address:  |  |  |  |  |
| C   | City:   | Zip:   |  |  |  |
| ٨   | Name of Chapter / Assembly:   | Location:  |  |  |  |
| c   | Current State or Grand Office:  | Age:   |  |  |  |
|     | -mail address:  | Shirt Size (Adult Sizes Only):   |  |  |  |
| _   | RELEASE AND CON   | SENT FORM  |  |  |  |
| Jui | risdiction of Texas   |  |  |  |  |
| 1.  | I, the undersigned Parent or Legal Guardian of,   |  |  |  |  |
| 3.  | Member or adult DeMolay Advisor, or Rainbow Advisory Board Member in attendance to secure, and any physician in attendance to provide, such emergency medical treatment as shall be deemed necessary by those present; including but not limited to hospitalization, injections, anesthesia, surgery, x-ray, blood, and medications. I understand that every reasonable effort shall be made to contact me before medical treatment.  |  |  |  |  |
| 4.  | Neither the Grand Lodge of Texas nor the jurisdiction of Texas, Order of DeMolay, or Rainbow maintains any medical insurance for its members. I understand that I will be responsible for any costs of medical treatment incurred by or on behalf of My family health insurance carrier and policy numbers are as follows:  |  |  |  |  |
| 5.  | Insurance Company Name Policy Number(s) Policy Holder's Name I, the undersigned Parent or Legal Guardian, AND the undersigned Youth (legal minor), do hereby agree that we will abide by the Statutes, rules regulations, an edicts of the Grand Lodge of Texas and its duly authorized representatives. We agree that, if in the opinion of any DeMolay Advisor or Rainbow Board Member either of us should be removed or asked to leave any Masonic Youth Weekend activity for violation of the same, and that the undersigned Parent or Legal Guardian will immediately take the necessary action to cause the transportation of violator from the activity site at the expense of the undersigned Parent or Legal Guardian. |  |  |  |  |
| 6.  | We hereby agree to release and hold harmless the Grand Lodge of Texas, the Grand Master of Texas, and its members along with DeMolay International, and its Jurisdiction of Texas affiliates, and the International Order of the Rainbow for Girls and its Jurisdiction of Texas affiliates, and Latham Springs Camp & Retreat Center from any claims or cause of action which the undersigned has or may have. This specifically includes any plans, that arise out of the attendance at the <i>Annual Masonic Youth Weekend</i> , including transportation to and from said event. I also understand if I am under the penalty of suspension in any Masonically   |  |  |  |  |
| 7.  | Affiliated group that I can not participate in the event.  IN THE EVENT OF AN EMERGENCY, AND THE UNDERSIGNED PARENT OR GUARDIAN CAN NOT BE REACHED; THE UNDERSIGNED PARENT OR GUARDIAN HEREBY  AUTHORIZES THE FOLLOWING PERSON TO ACT ON THEIR BEHALF.  |  |  |  |  |
| 8.  | AUTHORIZES THE FOLLOWING PERSON TO ACT ON THEIR BEHALF:  Your Full Name:  Chapt 8 Mailing Address:  |  |  |  |  |
|     | Street & Mailing Address:   |  |  |  |  |
|     | Telephone: (Home):  | (Work):  |  |  |  |
|     | Relationship to Youth:  |  |  |  |  |
| 9.  | If the youth's address is different from the Parent or Legal Guardian, please state o   | e youth's address is different from the Parent or Legal Guardian, please state on the line, (If SAME, write SAME.) |  |  |  |
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Signature of Registrant

### ADULT REGISTRATION FORM

### For those 21 years of age or over ONLY!

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**DEADLINE: Postmarked by Friday, March 29, 2024** 

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| С   | urrent State or Grand Office:   |   | Age:                           |  |  |  |
| Ε   | -mail address:  |   | Shirt Size (Adult Sizes Only): |  |  |  |
|     |   | RELEASE AND CONSENT FORM  | •                              |  |  |  |
| Jur | risdiction of Texas   |   |                                |  |  |  |
| 1.  | In the event of injury or illness, I,, hereby authorize any Grand Lodge of Texas Youth Activities Committee Member, or adult DeMolay Advisor, or Rainbow Advisory Board Member in attendance to secure, and any physician in attendance to provide, such emergency medical treatment as shall be deemed necessary by those present; including but not limited to hospitalization, injections, anesthesia, surgery, x-ray, blood, and medications. I understand that every reasonable effort shall be made to contact my spouse or family before medical treatment.                  |   |                                |  |  |  |
| 2.  | I have the following medical problems, and/or am receiving treatment under the supervision of proper medical authorities as follows: (State on the line below, in NONE state NONE):   |   |                                |  |  |  |
| 3.  | medical insurance for its members. I understa   | leither the Grand Lodge of Texas nor the jurisdiction of Texas for the Order of DeMolay, nor the International Order of the Rainbow for Girls, maintain any nedical insurance for its members. I understand that I will be responsible for any costs of medical treatment incurred by or on my behalf. My family health neurance carrier and policy numbers are as follows: |                                |  |  |  |
|     | Insurance Company Name  | Policy Number(s)  | Policy Holder's Name           |  |  |  |
| 4.  | I, the undersigned do hereby agree that I will abide by the statutes, rules, regulations, and edicts of the Grand Lodge of Texas and its duly authorized representatives. I agree that, if in the opinion of any DeMolay Advisor, or Rainbow Board Member, I should be removed or asked to leave any <i>Annual Masonic Youth Weekend</i> activity for violation of the same, I will immediately leave the activity site at my own expense.  |   |                                |  |  |  |
| 5.  | I hereby agree to release and hold harmless the Grand Lodge of Texas, the Grand Master of Texas, and its members along with DeMolay International, and its Jurisdiction of Texas affiliates, and the International Order of the Rainbow for Girls and its Jurisdiction of Texas affiliates, and Latham Springs Camp & Retreat Center from any claims or cause of action which the undersigned has or may have. This specifically includes any plans, that arise out of the attendance at the <i>Annual Masonic Youth Weekend</i> , including transportation to and from said event. |   |                                |  |  |  |
| 6.  | IN THE EVENT OF AN EMERGENCY, AND I AM UNABLE TO ANSWER FOR MYSELF, CONTACT THE FOLLOWING PERSON TO ACT ON MY BEHALF:   |   |                                |  |  |  |
|     | Name:   | Phone:  |                                |  |  |  |
|     | Address:  | Relationship:   |                                |  |  |  |
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Date