

MONTGOMERY



INFORMATION for DELEGATES

We are pleased that you will be applying to join us this summer for the William C. Chandler Lions International Youth Camp (formerly known as: The Montgomery Lions International Youth Camp). The Montgomery Lions Club along with 10 other Lions Clubs that host this camp in their city make this program possible. These Lions and the Camp Staff will do all they can to make this an experience that you will remember and cherish forever.

Summer will be here sooner than you think and you should begin making your travel plans. Please know that you will be attending the oldest continuously operating Lions International Youth Camp in the World! We are very excited about the opportunity to meet you.

Below is a suggested list of clothing that we recommend you bring with you to the annual William C. Chandler Lions International Youth Camp. I strongly urge you to pack so that all of your belongings will fit into one suitcase and a small backpack. This will be all that you can comfortably carry while we are traveling. Note: you will be traveling on a bus for more than 8,000 miles (12,870 km) and changing cities eight times during the this Camp. Also, if you have a musical instrument, then by all means please bring it with you.

When we are in the eight cities that we will visit this summer, you will be staying each night in the homes of Lions Members and their friends. The friendships that you will make with these families will last you for a lifetime. We hope that you will show your appreciation to them and leave a nice Thank-You Note and a small gift when you depart for your next stay. You will stay with eight different Host Families.

We will send you a TRAVEL INFORMATION SHEET. Please keep this TRAVEL INFORMATION SHEET with you at all times while you are traveling. Do not pack it in your luggage, as your bags might get misplaced. This Travel Information Sheet has all of the information that you will need to contact us should you become lost, your flight gets delayed, or if you miss finding the person that is meeting you at the airport. I would strongly suggest that you buy a pre-paid phone card as soon as you arrive in the USA. This will allow you to make long-distance calls should you need to get in touch with the Camp Office or Staff. If your flight plans change, you get delayed, or you miss your flight, then please call the Camp Office and let us know the details.

MAILING ADDRESS: Delegates should have their incoming mail delivered to the following address:

Delegate's Name
c/o William C. Chandler Lions International Youth Camp
Post Office Box 94
Montgomery, AL 36101-0094
USA

Send E-Mail to: Campers@MontgomeryLions.com (Type Delegates Name on Subject Line)

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As a group of young men from many different countries live together, they achieve success through a “Family Relationship” of respect and understanding. In any group of young men, there must be expectations for all those who take part. I will outline some of these:

- ! Promptness is a virtue. The Lion Hosts in the cities where you will visit have planned these programs, and courtesy requires that we not delay them.
- ! Most nights you will stay with a Host Family. They are a member of the Lions Club or a friend of the Lions; please show them the proper respect as a guest in their home.
- ! There will be NO ALCOHOL or NARCOTICS of any kind used by any member of the camp at any time. Violations of this rule could cause you to be sent home immediately.
- ! Every delegate will be given 4 camp shirts (2 – polo & 2 – T-shirts). This makes it much easier for the traveling, camping out, and other events.
- ! The camp will officially begin in Washington, D. C., and the camp ends in Montgomery, Alabama.
- ! There is a Program Fee (\$750.00 USD) for everyone attending the camp that is due before you arrive in the United States. The Camp Fee may be paid by personal check or International Money Order in US Dollar or on our website.

On your application for a Visa to travel to the United States please use the following:

Item #24 – Address:

Office - William C. Chandler
Lions International Youth Camp
333 East Jeff Davis Avenue
Montgomery, Alabama 36104

Item #25 – Person:

Charles Brightwell
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Item #27 – Purpose:

Tourism

For additional information you may contact:

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Steven Bolin, Camp Director
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We are looking forward to meeting you. Please feel free to call or e-mail me should you have any questions or need additional information. Best wishes and have an enjoyable trip

Charles Brightwell

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SUGGESTED CLOTHING LIST

The climate in the Southeastern United States in June, July, and August is normally hot and humid. The high temperature during the day can reach 90° Fahrenheit or 32° Celsius or more. Light colored clothing is recommended. The following is a suggested list of clothing to bring with you:

2 pair of nice slacks	Electrical adapter for	1 dress shirt
3 pair of jeans or casual khaki pants	110-120 volt plugs	1 necktie
Swimsuit	2 pair of dress shorts	Notebook or diary
Pajamas (optional)	3 pair of shorts for sports	Toilet articles
6 pair underwear	1 pair of sport shoes	
6 pair socks	or tennis shoes	
	1 pair of dress shoes	

You will not need a sport coat or suit. You may bring one if you so desire, but it is not required. However, you should bring one necktie and a dress shirt should one of your host families want to take you someplace nice.

We will provide you with: 2 – bath towels, 2 – Camp T-Shirts and 2 – Camp Polo Type Knit Shirts.

Dry-Cleaning will not be available. However, when you are with your host family, you may request to use their washer and dryer to wash your clothing. Ask them for directions as to how to use their machines. When you are at YMCA Camp Chandler the staff will assist you to wash your clothing.

Please try to pack so that all of your belongings will fit into one suitcase and a small backpack. This will be all that you can comfortably carry while we are traveling. Just remember you will have to carry all of your own luggage and the more you have the more difficult that will become.

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GENERAL INFORMATION

SPENDING MONEY: Delegates should bring approximately \$105 per week (5 1/2 weeks) (approximately \$500 to \$650 total) for use during the camp for such items as toilet articles, free-time activities, snacks, and personal items.

CAMP BANK: In order to provide security for the delegates, each year we establish a "Camp Bank" into which the delegates may "deposit" any funds (cash or traveler's checks) that they wish. Thereafter, if they need any "spending money" they may ask the "Camp Banker" (one of the staff) for the sum that they need to withdraw at most any time during the day. This prevents loss or theft of their money and helps them to keep up with their funds. We have found that this system works well for the delegates and we have never (in 43 years) had any funds stolen or lost, as the Camp Staff is responsible for all of the delegates' spending money.

If you will be using a credit or debit card while you are here, you will need an Identification Card with your photo on it. We recommend a driver's license or public identification card if available. Your Passport can be used, however, they are subject to theft and if lost will create a problem when you travel home after the Camp. Therefore, we suggest that you bring your driver's license; even though you will not be driving an automobile while you is here. Just remember, your passports are very valuable and thieves will target them.

Additionally, our suggestion is that any delegate that plans to use his credit or debit cards should withdraw a sum that will cover him for the duration of the trip and deposit that money into the "Camp Bank" and then also deposit the credit or debit card with the "Camp Bank" for safekeeping. If they need additional funds, they may request return of the Card and withdraw the additional funds and again deposit these funds into the "Camp Bank" along with the Card. This is much safer than the risk of losing the card or having it stolen.

PREPARATION: The program of the camp is highlighted in the following areas:

- 31 days traveling through 7 states and 8 cities. Visiting amusement parks and places of industrial, scientific, historical, military, governmental, social, and educational interests.
- Seminars with qualified leaders on topics of current interest. Seminar topics include Lionism, business, economics, world affairs, culture, religion, leadership, US justice system, and communications.
- A portion of the camp is spent developing and performing a show for the various Lions groups that support the camp during its travels. Delegates should come with an attitude of cooperation and with the expectation of full participation. If you play an instrument, please feel free to bring it with you. We can rent larger instruments if necessary.
- Athletics is an integral portion of the camp. Delegates will have the opportunity to participate in water skiing, swimming, American football, soccer, ping-pong, basketball, rugby, and many other sports.
- Delegates will stay in the homes of many different Lions Club members or with their friends. You will have the opportunity to make lasting friendships with these Host Families. You will visit with eight (8) different Host Families.
- You and your fellow countrymen will be asked to make a Presentation about your Country to the other delegates on the Camp. Please prepare to show items and to explain your history, culture, religion, and something that is unique about your Country. We expect each delegate to be proud of his Country and be excited with this opportunity to describe your country and your unique customs to the other delegates.