

Jefferson Davis Home and Presidential Library (Post Hurricane Katrina Update)

Beauvoir House and the Jefferson Davis Presidential Library suffered heavy damage from Hurricane Katrina. These two structures can and will be restored given time and funding. Artifact search and recovery has been completed. 3,304 artifacts have been photographed, inventoried, boxed and stored in environmental storage. Conservation of the artifacts and the house furniture have begun. Stabilization of the house and presidential library are ongoing and architectural plans and specifications for their restoration are being drawn. A new bridge has been built over Oyster Bayou's drainage area. Restoration to the cemetery has

been completed. Dirt and topsoil have been brought in to replace the erosion of Beauvoir's soil. Organizations of volunteers have provided 951 volunteers and they have spent over 7600 man-hours in helping with cleaning up the site. Over 16,500 cubic yards of various types of debris has been removed.

Many individuals continue to offer their help. However, the only volunteers needed at this time are highly specialized and trained conservators and some grounds maintenance volunteers. Anyone else that wishes to volunteer their help at this time can help the most by making a financial contribution (see financial contribution address below). No donation is too large or too small. Every little

bit helps to keep Beauvoir going and for rebuilding, so please give generously.

October 7, 2006, the Beauvoir Combined Board along with state and federal officials held a press conference to announce formal plans for the rebuilding of Beauvoir House. Additional stabilization of the roof will begin immediately. Final drawings and specifications for the complete restoration of the house will be ready for the bidding process within 30 days. Re-construction and repair of the house will hopefully be under way at the beginning of the new year.

Larry Albert is the architect working on the Beauvoir House and JDPL projects.

Additional information and Beauvoir damage photos can be found at www.albertassociates.com



Beauvoir House – Post Katrina

Contact person: Larry McCluney, Lt. Commander, MS Division, Sons of Confederate Veterans

Make Checks out for \$50.00 per brick to:

Mississippi Division, SCV

Mail to: Bricks for Beauvoir

C/O Larry McCluney

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How Can You Help Beauvoir?

Recently, a detailed report was given on the status of Beauvoir by Mississippi Division Commander Ed Funchess to the National SCV General Executive Council. Included in his update report were copies of the proposed blueprints for the repair and rebuilding of the Jefferson Davis Presidential Library and the layout plans for the "Monument to the Unknown Soldier", which received unanimous support and endorsement from the GEC. "Bricks for Beauvoir" will finance the project and help provide finances for Beauvoir. The plans are for a brick plaza around the tomb of the Unknown Soldier. Each brick would cost \$50.00 and would have the name of a Confederate ancestor of members of the SCV who give to the effort. "The Bricks for Beauvoir" Project, spearheaded by Larry McCluney, Lt. Commander of the Mississippi Division. Thirteen columns, in a crescent, will represent the 13 States of the Confederacy and will fly the flag of each re-

spective State.

AOT Commander, Kelly Barrow, gave a challenge to the Department Commanders to see which Army could raise the most money toward the project. ATM Councilman, Chuck McMichael, offered the following resolution in support of the Monument: *"Be it resolved that the Sons of Confederate Veterans does hereby endorse fully, the Monument to the Unknown Soldier and gives its whole-hearted support for the concerted efforts of the Mississippi Division, SCV."* The GEC gave unanimous consent and support to the project.

By purchasing an Ancestral Memorial Brick for just \$50.00 each, your money will go to preserving a national treasure. Each brick laid will memorialize your ancestor, in a plaza around the Tomb of the Unknown Confederate Soldier at Beauvoir.



"Nothing fills me with deeper sadness than to see a Southerner apologizing for the defense we made of our Inheritance."

Jefferson Davis



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October 28, 2006

Ancestral Brick Order Form

Instructions: Use the lines as laid out or come up with your own layout but no more than three lines of info and no more than 15 spaces per line. You may use abbreviations when necessary. (See Sample Below)

Line 1: _____
(First and Last Name)

Line 2: _____
(Rank)

Line 3: _____
(Unit)

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