

JACKSON BRIGADE 2004 REUNION

Just a few final words and up-to-the-minute briefs about the upcoming reunion. You'll also find maps and directions to the Fissel home (Cairo) and Jackson Park (Vienna) on the back of this page.

- **Please try to be on time for all events!** We're running a very tight schedule on Saturday, particularly, which will allow little leeway for tardiness.
- Plans for Saturday's tour--led by Professor Bernard Allen, formerly of WVU-Parkersburg--have changed. After his breakfast talk, Dr. Allen will lead a caravan-style tour of family-related sites in Parkersburg / Vienna, beginning at Jackson Park, meandering through the Julia-Ann Historic District, and ending at the courthouse, where we'll attend the re-dedication of the Jackson bust / fountain. Following the ceremony, Dr. Allen will lead a short walking tour of the courthouse area. Then we'll break for lunch (we recommend Third Street Deli, just two blocks from the courthouse). The tour will continue after lunch, with stops at the Parkersburg Art Center (for the Lily I. Jackson exhibit), Riverview Cemetery, and Quincy Hill Park, before ending at City Park's Jackson Fountain. **Please note that you'll be paying for your own lunch as well as admission to the Art Center (currently \$2 for adults, free for children). We'll plan to have drinks and snacks available on the tour.**
- General Jackson will be with us in the person of George Moor, from MacDill AFB, Florida, replacing Stephen Cassle for Saturday's banquet. The General will speak to us regarding the influences of Napoleon Bonaparte and Margaret Junkin Preston on his own philosophical underpinnings. Following General Jackson's talk and a selection of fiddle tunes by Connie Bookman, George will speak to us briefly on General Jackson's four different uniforms, hats, sabers and horses.
- Tickets for the sternwheeler ride to Blennerhassett Island on Sunday may be purchased at Point Park (currently \$8.00 / adult; \$7.00 for children 3-12). The boat departs for the island at the top of each hour, beginning at noon. The picnic will begin at 1:30, giving you a choice of whether to embark at noon or 1 p.m.. **For those volunteers who will be carrying items to the island, we ask that you arrive at Point Park in time to meet with other volunteers before the noon departure.**

We're still looking for volunteers who may be provide help with the following:

- Folding chairs for Friday's get-together
- A megaphone and walkie-talkies for the tours on Friday and Saturday
- Sharing a ride with others during the tours on Friday and Saturday
- Assistance with setting up and / or (more importantly) cleaning up after the meals
- Assistance in transporting food and other items to Blennerhassett Island and back
- Desserts for Sunday's picnic (we're asking some of our local members to assist with this one)
- Various duties throughout the weekend, as needed

**REMEMBER: IT WILL BE AUGUST, AND WE'LL BE SPENDING A LOT OF TIME OUTDOORS.
PLEASE WEAR LOOSE CLOTHING AND COMFORTABLE SHOES!**

IF YOU HAVE ANY FAMILY PHOTOS OR GENEALOGY DATA TO SHARE / DISPLAY, PLEASE BRING THEM!

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