Matterson Estate



History:

The old Matterson Estate, long in ruin and uncared for since that terrible night back in 1906 when the city Rancho Bonito sits upon, was burned to the ground and buried during the following quakes. This 2300 acre estate was once famous back in the late 1800's for its vast vineyards and flowing streams. The original owners, the Mattersons, were immigrants from France who moved their entire family over in 1846. The original manor was also brought over brick by brick, but recently laid in ruins until the Blackmoor Foundation purchased it in the latter end of 2001.

For the records, the City of Rancho Bonito did have several talented workers, including Luke, aka Paladin, slowly working to restore the estate. Luke Brentford was working on the old Matterson Church where he incidentally lived as well.

Current:

Recently in the end of 2001, the city of RB sold the estate and all ground to the Blackmoor Foundation, but after the demise of the company it was then purchased by representatives of Hawke Industries as an antique and even restored back to it's original name, ie the Matterson Estate.

Restoration of the estate grounds, including the manor, church, and family graveyard continue to this day.





Secret Info:

While in the possession of the Blackmoor Foundation a secret armored bunker and operations facility was dug out and installed that till this day remains intact. It contained buried and hidden access routes, fresh water cistrines, a nuclear powered system guaranteeing power for the next twenty some years. Additionally, the facility has satellite broadband access, and complete water and air recycling capabilities, and enough provisions to keep four people comfortable for at least a year in the case of a nuclear bombing or other disaster.

Additionally, the old family cemetery is inhabited by the resting souls of all those family members that were buried there and they take none too kindly to those that would disturb their rest. Occasionally, on a particular night, they even like to stroll about the old property; giving rise to local ghost stories.

There is a door in the old church that led to the quarters where Luke, aka the Super known as Paladin, used to live as a ward of the city when he worked on the estate's repairs. What makes this door so special is that if one of two magical keys are used to open it, a dimensional passage opens to Paladin's Keep, a dimensional fortress that exists in some pocket dimension. Paladin had given one key to ESun and kept the other to himself. After his disappearance the fate of his key remains unknown.











