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Marietta to Host Signature Events Commemorating the 150th Anniversary of the Civil War

The City of Marietta will continue its commemoration of the 150th Anniversary of the Civil War Battles of Marietta throughout the entire month of June. In June 1864, General William Sherman stood at the gates of Marietta on his March to Atlanta burning all that stood in his path.

A few miles north of the Historic Marietta Square stood Kennesaw Mountain, one of the few remaining obstacles in General Sherman's route. On June 27, 1864, Union and Confederate troops faced off in the most significant battle at Kennesaw Mountain, the battle at Cheatham Hill. The Confederate Army, led by General Joseph Johnston, was able to delay the Union's advance towards Atlanta in a stunning defeat of Sherman's army, but for the Confederacy this was just one step closer to the surrender of Atlanta in September.

In order to better commemorate the 150th Anniversary, Marietta will re-create the Historic Square as it would have been in 1864. Throughout June, the Square will play host to re-enactor camps all month long, the 11th Annual Juneteenth

Celebration, *The Civil War, A Musical Experience* at The Strand, Virginia's 150th HistoryMobile along with the CSS Hunley submarine, and the 75th Anniversary weekend of the Academy Award winning movie, *Gone With The Wind*.

To delve further into Marietta's unknown Civil War history, the City has also partnered with the Cobb County NAACP. In conjunction with the National Park Service, Marietta will tell the story of those like Emma Stephenson, a freed slave, who served as a 17th Army Corps nurse for the Union troops during the Battle of Kennesaw Mountain and tended to soldiers in the makeshift hospitals on the Marietta Square. Two weeks after the Battle of Kennesaw Mountain, Emma Stephenson fell ill and passed away. She was laid to rest in Marietta's National Cemetery with many of the soldiers who received her care. Her memory lived on in the surviving soldiers who never forgot her kindness.

To learn more about all the events of the Battles of Marietta, visit <http://www.mariettacivilwar.com/>. 



Calendar

Celebrate Marietta's rich civil war history by attending one of the many events commemorating the 150th Anniversary of the Battles of Marietta. For more information about any of these events please visit www.mariettacivilwar.com.



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June 6-8, 2014

Gone with the Wind Weekend – 75 Years of Gone with the Wind

Location: Marietta Gone With the Wind Museum

It's been 75 years since the Academy Award-winning movie, "Gone With the Wind," premiered, yet the 1939 film classic remains one of the most popular movies of all time. During the weekend of June 6-8, 2014, this milestone will be commemorated with various celebrations including former cast members, authors of books and novels relating to Gone With the Wind, plus a Costume Bazaar Ball, movie wardrobe presentation, an exhibition of Civil War-era paintings by a friend of Margaret Mitchell, and a live auction of GWTW memorabilia. Visit www.GWTWMarietta.com for more information.

June 8, 2014

Spirituals

Dr. Moses

Location: Zion Chapel or Museum

Time: Sunday, June 8, 2014 at 4:00 p.m.

June 13-15, 2014

11th Annual Juneteenth Celebration

The weekend celebrations include a Jazz Under the Stars event on Friday, cultural events on Saturday and a gospel-filled Sunday afternoon from 3pm - 6pm in Glover Park. The weekend includes family activities, food, entertainment, music, and history, sponsored by the Cobb NAACP.

June 20-22, 2014

Sherman at the Gates Weekend

Re-enactor camp on the Marietta Square

Location: Historic Marietta Square

June 20-21, 2014

The Civil War, A Musical Experience Weekend

Location: The Strand Theatre

Time: Friday, June 20, 2014 at 8:00 p.m.
& Saturday, June 21, 2014 at 3:00 p.m.
& 8:00 p.m.

The event includes re-enactments of the Marietta experience during the Civil War.

June 22, 2014

Confederate Cemetery Tours - History Tour with Re-enactors

Location Confederate Cemetery

Time: Sunday, June 22, 2014 from 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

June 26-29, 2014

Battle of Kennesaw Mountain 150th

The commemoration of the 150th Anniversary of the Battles of Kennesaw Mountain kickoff on Thursday night with an opening ceremony followed by a showing of "Kennesaw: One Last Mountain". The weekend will include re-enactors, concerts, book signings, and various programs. For more information, visit

<http://battleofkennesawmountain150.com/>

June 26-July 6, 2014

17th Army Corp Hospital Living History

Location: Marietta Museum of History

June 27-29, 2014

Re-enactors –Virginia Civil War 150th HistoryMobile & The Hunley

Location: Historic Marietta Square

The Civil War 150 HistoryMobile is an interactive "museum on wheels" housed in a 53' expandable tractor-trailer. It will be joined by the CSS Hunley Submarine and a re-enactor camp.

Looking Forward

July 12, 2014

Sherman's Arrest of 400 Women & Children

Re-enactment of the arrest and sending north of 400 women and children from Roswell Mills and Sweetwater Manufacturing Company.
Location: Marietta Train Depot

August 12-16, 2014

Sons of Union Veterans Convention

Location: Marietta Hilton & Conference Center

October 2014

National Civil War Medicine Conference

Location: Marietta Hilton & Conference Center

October 11, 2014

11th Annual Civil War Symposium

Location: Kennesaw State University

November 13-15, 2014

Commemoration of the Burning of Downtown Marietta

Location: Historic Marietta Square

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