

SHERMAN BURNS SQUARE IN DOWNTOWN MARIETTA

NOVEMBER 8th

*Commemoration of the Burning
of Downtown Marietta*



October 2014

RELIVE THE BURNING OF DOWNTOWN MARIETTA

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FINAL EVENT SHERMAN BURNS SQUARE

Join us on Saturday, November 8

**Commemoration of the 150th Anniversary of
The burning of Marietta**

10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Re-enactor Camp on Square

Music by Symphony on the Square

12 p.m. to 5 p.m Kids' Corner Activities

7 p.m. Civil War Program

8 p.m. The Burning

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Calendar

The City of Marietta will continue its commemoration of the 150th Anniversary of the Civil War Battles of Marietta throughout the rest of the year, culminating with the Commemoration of the Burning of the Historic Square on Saturday, November 8.

Marietta effectively surrendered when Confederate General Joseph Johnston was forced to abandon the town on July 2. Even though the Union Army and federal troops had been occupying Marietta since July, Southern citizens who had remained saw no real activity until early November when trains began running at all hours of the day and night carrying wounded Union troops and various supplies. The trains' only destination was North, and fast. The reason for the urgency was simple and harsh – once the last train had gone north, the railroad and City would be burned and destroyed by General Sherman.

In the days and weeks that followed, history would record the destruction of Downtown Marietta as one of the first steps towards General William Sherman's March to the Sea.

Re-creation of the Burning of the Marietta Square by General Sherman

Join us for this historical event.

Saturday, November 8th

Location: Historic Marietta Square

Commemoration, Celebration and Re-Enactments

The November 8th Event will be both a commemoration and a celebration. The City will commemorate the burning of the Square, but it will also celebrate the re-birth of our City and how far we have come since the burning. Re-enactors will be on the Square from 10 a.m. until 7 p.m. There will also be Occupation Walking Tours throughout the day. Get there early to grab a spot!

Kids' Corner

There will be a Kids' Corner from noon until 5 p.m. that will include Fire Vehicles "Touch a Truck" along with a Water Bucket Brigade and a General Sherman Dunk Tank.

Symphony on the Square

The Symphony on the Square along with various other musicians, will be followed by the actual re-creation of the Burning of Downtown Marietta at 8 p.m.

Other Signature Events Leading Up to the Burning

Sunday, October 19th

Confederate Cemetery Dedication & Tours

Location: Marietta Confederate Cemetery

At 1 p.m., the City will dedicate two new Memorial Walls depicting the names of 350 additional Confederate soldiers buried as "Unknowns" in the Confederate Cemetery and a bronze statue of a Confederate Soldier will also be unveiled at the Cemetery. There will be tours of the Confederate Cemetery starting at 2 p.m. with living history actors, following the Dedication of the Memorial Walls.

Saturday, November 1st

Premier of Documentary, Old South, New South

Location: The Strand Theatre

This Documentary which was filmed in and around Marietta is set to be included in the release of Gone With The Wind 75th Anniversary DVD Boxed Set and it features some of Marietta's finest and most knowledgeable citizens. A Light Reception will be held from 7 until 7:30 p.m. with a program at 7:45 p.m. and screening of the documentary at 8 p.m.

For more information about these and other events commemorating the Battles of Marietta and the 150 Year Celebration visit mariettacivilwar.com.



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