

# Marietta Chapter Sons of the American Revolution

Invites the public to attend our  
Washington's Birthday Luncheon  
1:00 pm Sunday, February 20, 2011 at American Legion Post 64,  
Marietta, WASHINGTON COUNTY, Ohio

## Ohio Supreme Court Justice Yvette McGee Brown

presentation at 2:00 pm

"African American Contributions in the American Revolution,  
the Ordinance of 1787, and the Ohio Constitution"



The Boston Massacre, Bunker Hill, Valley Forge, the Declaration of Independence and July 4th are all well known. The Battle of Yorktown that sent England packing was soon forgotten by many students in history class. The 5,000 African American and thousands of Native Americans that served heroically in the American Revolutionary War have been little spoken of or written of in the books of history or military records. Many of these Patriots chose to move to the Northwest Territory, now Ohio, because of the Ordinance of 1787 which opened a new land free from slavery. Almost free! In 1802, Marietta delegates were fighting the slavery issue again in the Ohio Constitution.

**Justice McGee Brown** is the first African-American woman to serve as a Justice on the Supreme Court of Ohio. She was first elected to the Franklin County Court of Common Pleas in 1992. She served on the Common Pleas Court until 2002, when she retired from the bench to create the Center for Child and Family Advocacy. Justice McGee Brown graduated from Ohio University in 1982 and the Ohio State University Moritz College of Law in 1985.



Rev Manassah Cutler



Gen James Mitchell Varnum

Luncheon cost: \$15 adults, \$5 youth, Roast Beef and Chicken Buffet. Tickets available from V.P. David White, 740-350-4995 or email: [whited@suddenlink.net](mailto:whited@suddenlink.net) Reservations must be made by February 12.

*The public is invited free of charge to the 2:00 pm presentation by Justice McGee Brown, please call by February 18 to reserve a seat. Reservations are not required but strongly recommended.*