**Celebrating 229th Anniversary of Founding of Marietta,**

**230th Anniversary of the Northwest Ordinance of 1787 &**

**228th Anniversary of Belpre, Waterford, Fort Frye & George Washington's Inauguration**

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2017 PATRIOTS AND PIONEERS OF WASHINGTON COUNTY

MARIETTA CHAPTER SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION COMMUNITY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**April 1, 2017, 10am -The Castle. The Castle opens for its 23rd season.** Join us for a look inside and the history of this beautiful Gothic mansion. [www.mariettacastle.org/calendar](http://www.mariettacastle.org/calendar)

**April 1, 2017 - Marietta Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution, Chapter Library,** 507 8th St. Marietta, open 10 to 2pm, free and open to researching your patriot ancestor.

**April 1&2, 2017 - 42th Annual Ohio Long Rifle Collectors Association Show.** The Lafayette Hotel will host the Ohio Long Rifle Show from 9:00am to 5:00pm, Saturday and 9:00am to 3:00pm Sunday, $5 for adults, 12 & under free; [www.aolrc.org](http://www.aolrc.org)

**April 1, 2017, 10am-4pm, Opening day - Belpre Historical Society Farmers' Castle Education** Center, 509 Ridge St. Belpre, call 740-423-7588 or 423-7382.

**April 1, 2017 - Tartan Day Scottish Tea at Unicorn Wine Guild and Tea Room,** hosted by Scottish and Celtic Heritage Festival, 12:30 PM - 6:00 PM, Enjoy one of two seating’s for the fundraiser for the Scottish/Celtic Society. Scottish themed afternoon tea is at 12:30 OR 4:00 PM. Bagpipers have been promised. Seating is limited so make reservations early. $27.50 per person plus tip and tax with a good percentage going to the Society for their Festival. Celebrate Tartan Day a little early and come have fun. Reservations are a must! 740-423-1300, 1816 Washington Boulevard, Belpre, OH 45714 [www.unicomwineguild.com/Events](http://www.unicomwineguild.com/Events)

**April 5, 2017 - Marietta Chapter OHSSAR and the Muskingum Valley Beverly Waterford Chamber of Commerce present Annual Washington County Public Service Awards.**

This year's honorees are from the Marietta City Police Department, the Washington County Volunteer Firefighter Association, the Washington County EMS, the Washington County Sheriff's Department and the Marietta City Fire Department.

The awards will be presented at the MVACC's monthly luncheon, Wednesday, April 5, 2017 at the Beverly-Waterford Squad Building located at 207 Fourth Street, in Beverly, Ohio. Lunch will be served at 11:30 a.m. and the Program will start at 12:00 p.m. $7.00 per member/$8.00 per non-member. Reservations are absolutely necessary! Must be made by Tuesday, the day before. No shows will be charged if not cancelled by 12:00 noon (Tuesday). Call 740-984-4060 or email your reservation to [contact@mvbwcc.com](file:///C%3A%5CUsers%5CScott%5CAppData%5CLocal%5CMicrosoft%5CWindows%5CINetCache%5CContent.Outlook%5C4OEDFNAW%5Ccontact%40mvbwcc.com)

**April 7, 2017 - 229th Anniversary of Founding of Marietta Celebration**

**10am - 2pm - Marietta Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution, Library,**

507 8th St. Marietta, open 10 to 2pm, free and open to researching your patriot ancestor.

**10:30 - Flag Raising Ceremony at the Start Westward Monument, Muskingum Park.** Marietta Kiwanis member Joe Grimm, assisted by period dressed Color Guard from Marietta Chapter Sons of the American Revolution.

# 10am - 3pm, 229th Bell Ringing Celebration at the Henry Fearing House Museum,

131 Gilman Avenue, Marietta. Annual bell ringing and museum tour.

**12-lpm, Campus Martius Museum, "Enjoy Brown Baggin' thru History,"** sponsored by the Washington County Public Library. Bring your bag lunch, free program. **Guest Speaker: Andrew Richmond** is the president and CEO of Wipiak Consulting and Appraisals in Sunbury, Ohio. With degrees in history from Kenyon College and American Material Culture from the Winterthur Program/University of Delaware, Andrew's passion is the decorative arts of Ohio. He has lectured and published widely on the subject and has curated two major exhibitions: Equal in Goodness: Ohio Decorative Arts 1788-1860 and A Tradition of Progress: Ohio Decorative Arts 1860-1945. Topic: Big, Heavy, & Brightly Painted: The Decorative Arts of Ohio's Germanic Community

**5:30pm - Annual Pioneer Day Dinner & "Lest We Forget - WWI Program", marking the 229th Anniversary of the Founding.** The dinner will be held at First Congregational Church, 318 Front Street in Marietta. Dinner will include appetizers, a pasta buffet by Da Vinci's, and dessert. There will also be a silent auction. The program will follow at Peoples Bank Theater, 222 Putnam Street, where the special program "Lest We Forget: Remembering Washington County in WWI" will be presented. Transportation to and from the theater and the church will be available via the tour trolley for $3. Both the dinner and theater program are provided for $25 per person. Reservations can be made by calling 740-373-1788 (Monday, Tuesday, or Thursday) or by mailing a check to the Washington County Historical Society, P.0.Box 103, Marietta, Ohio 45750. **(Social hour 4:30; Dinner 5:30pm)**

*First Congregational United Church of Christ is located at 318 Front Street in Marietta, Ohio, across the street from Muskingum Park. This yellow brick church, aka "The Church of the Pioneers," is the home of the oldest continually worshiping congregation in the Northwest Territory, being founded by General Rufus Putnam, other Revolutionary War soldiers, and many of Marietta's founding fathers and mothers in 1796.*

**7:30pm - Lest We Forget, Peoples Bank Theatre.** In April 1917 Congress declared the US was at war. The First World War stands as a forgotten time in American history. On Marietta's Founders Day, "Lest We Forget" will remember Washington County's involvement in this conflict with an evening of WWI era music by talented regional musicians and renowned speakers at People's Bank Theatre. Join us as we reflect and honor the memory of Washington County's men and women 100 years later. Peoples Bank Theatre, 7:30 PM to 9:30 PM, 222 Putnam St., Marietta, OH. Presented in partnership with The Castle. Tickets $15, general admission. [www.peoplesbanktheatre.com/event/lest-we-forget](http://www.peoplesbanktheatre.com/event/lest-we-forget)

**April 8, 2017, 1pm – Dr. Richard Walker, Reception, Book Signing & Discussion of new book “THEFT of OHIO 1783 – 1795” at Campus Martius Museum, 601 Second Street.** This book by Gale Richard Walker is a factually based, uncompromising, well-documented indictment of the U.S. theft of Ohio in the era from 1783 to 1795, as viewed from four separate perspectives in their own words: the U.S. government, eastern woodland Indians, frontier settlers, and British officials in Canada — that is, from the Treaty of Fort Stanwix in 1784 at Rome, New York, to the Treaty of Greeneville in 1795 at Greenville, Ohio — all of which pivoted on the two Treaties of Fort Harmar of 1788-89. Event is sponsored by the **Marietta Chapter OHSSAR and the Lower Muskingum Historical Society**, and is free of charge, museum tours at regular rate. [www.mariettasar.org](http://www.mariettasar.org)

**April 11, 2017, 6pm - Dinner & Celebration of 228th Anniversary of Belpre Founding.** Belpre Church of Christ Washington Blvd. Dr. Ray Swick speaker. Social Hour at 5:30 dinner at 6:00 PM. Make Reservations by April 5, $20.00 a plate for reservations call 740-423-5359or 740-989-2764.

**April 13, 2017, 6:30-8pm - Ohio River Museum; Colorful Characters of the River**, FREE! Join us as we open the Ohio River Museum for another season and celebrate our new exhibit Colorful Characters of the River. The river flows through our lives affecting us in unseen ways. There are a special few who have added to its charm and contributed to its legacy. These men and women have enriched our lives with their contributions. From river pirates, writers, musicians, and steamboat pilots, their legacies will live on forever in our souls. To help us celebrate, The Back Porch Swing Band will be performing the best in Western Swing music, old jazz & country & pop favorites from the 20's, 30's, 40's & 50's, The Back Porch Swing Band from S.E. Ohio features the hot fiddling of Joe Lautzenheiser from Massillon, smooth vocals of Kris Geis from Zanesville, large repertoire of guitarist Pete Shew from McConnelsville, and the driving bass of Jonathan Sowers from Lancaster. <http://campusmartiusmuseum.org/events.html>

**April 14, 2017 -Marietta Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution, Chapter Library,** 507 8th St. Marietta, open 10 to 2pm, free and open to researching your patriot ancestor.

**April 15, 2017, 10am to 5pm - Scottish & Celtic Heritage Festival opens with the Pipes & Drums of St Andrew,** features daylong entertainment including Melinda Crawford, a world class Scottish Fiddler, City Park Pavilion, Parkersburg <http://www.standrewpipesdrums.org> /<https://sites.google.com/site/scottishcelticheritagefestival/>

**April 15, 2017, 1pm - Washington County Chapter Ohio Genealogical** Society meeting at Washington County Public Library. 5th Street. **Program: “Marietta’s Ministerial Land Morass.”**

Speaker: Scott Britton, who has been researching the subject of land that was originally granted within the Ministerial Land allotment set out by the Ohio Company and which created interesting legal issues regarding property ownership as the town of Marietta developed. Free and open to the public. Mr. Britton is Marietta Chapter OHSSAR Historian. [www.washogs.org](http://www.washogs.org)

**April 16, 2017 -Easter**

**April 17, 2017 - Patriot's Day; commemorates the battles of Lexington and Concord, April 19, 1775, which were two of the earliest battles in the American Revolutionary War.**

**April 17, 2017, 11am – Marietta Chapter OHSSAR Annual Flag Award Presentation at the American Flag and Pole Store, 276 Front St.,** [**http://americanflags.mysimplestore.com/**](http://americanflags.mysimplestore.com/)

**April 20, 2017, 7pm - The Castle, Third Thursday Talk: Rooted in Marietta: The World War I Service of Beman Gates Dawes, Jr**., by Sarah Aisenbrey. Beman Gates Dawes, Jr., the oldest child of the founders of The Dawes Arboretum in Newark, Ohio, was one of the well­ renowned "sons" of Marietta when he attended Marietta College. In 1917, Beman, Jr. took a bold step with a handful of his fellow classmates to enter the First World War ... even before Congress declared the United States' entrance into the conflict. Join The Dawes Arboretum's Archivist Sarah Aisenbrey to learn more about Beman's service through never-before-seen photographs, letters, and artifacts. $5 Nonmembers; $4 Members; FREE to Docents [www.mariettacastle.org](http://www.mariettacastle.org)

**April 21 & 28, 2017 - Marietta Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution Library,** 507 8th St. Marietta, open 10 to 2pm, free and open to researching your patriot ancestor.

**April 29, 2017, 12-4pm – Oliver Tucker Museum, SR 60, Beverly.** The Lower Muskingum Historical Society will provide special tours of the Museum, Barn, Log Cabin and Round Bottom School. **Round Bottom School and Cemetery** (located 3 mi. S. of Beverly on OH Rt. 60) School was used at the Round Bottom Settlement which dates to 1795. Visit the adjoining Round Bottom Cemetery gravesites of Revolutionary War Patriots John Beach, Abel Sherman, Benjamin Shaw & Peter Shaw and of early pioneer settlers Benjamin Dana, Allen Devol, David Wilson and Daniel Story. <http://www.olivertuckermuseum.org/>

**April 30, 2017 - The Ceramic Heritage of Southeastern Ohio. Join our "Cultural Caravan**" bus tour as we explore sites and exhibits related to southeast Ohio's important ceramic industry, ranging from bricks to art pottery. An optional lecture will set the stage regarding the history of clay products in the region, including the role of The Castle's own Clark pottery site. Space is Limited. Registration required. [www.facebook.com/castle.marietta.oh](http://www.facebook.com/castle.marietta.oh)

**May 25, 2017, 10am - Memorial Service for Revolutionary War Patriots of the Northwest Territory, Mound Cemetery**, 5th and Scammel Street, Marietta, presented by the Marietta Chapter OHSSAR & Ohio Society Sons of the American Revolution Color Guard. Cemetery tour to follow memorial service. Lunch provided free of charge to participants at American Legion Post 64, 8th & Wooster St. at noon. [www.mariettasar.com](http://www.mariettasar.com)

**July 13, 2017 - Celebration of the Ordinance of 1787,**

**Year Round - Campus Martius Museum, 601 Second Street, Marietta, OH.** The museum is open six days a week, closed Tuesday. It houses three floors of historical exhibits focusing on the Northwest Territory and its first settlement, Marietta. Visitors can also tour the 1788 home of Revolutionary War General Rufus Putnam and the Ohio Company Land Office. [www.campusmartiusmuseum.org](http://www.campusmartiusmuseum.org)

**Year Round - Washington County Public Library, History and Genealogy, 418 Washington Street, Marietta.** The Local History and Genealogy Archives has an extensive collection of books, CDs, microfilm and clippings that are of special interest to those interested in researching their family histories. <http://www.wcplib.info/content/local-history-genealogy>

The Patriots and Pioneers calendar is a listing of important history and genealogy programs presented by various area groups. Please contact presenting group for info or call 740-678-8060, Jean Yost, Registrar, Marietta Chapter Sons of the American Revolution. [jean.yost@gmail.com](file:///C%3A%5CUsers%5CScott%5CAppData%5CLocal%5CMicrosoft%5CWindows%5CINetCache%5CContent.Outlook%5C4OEDFNAW%5Cjean.yost%40gmail.com)

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