

# Jackson Brigade Reunion 2016

Marietta, Ohio - August 5 and 6

The time for the biennial Jackson Brigade Reunion is fast approaching, and it's time to make plans to attend this extra special event. Over the past year, the program co-chairs have put together a program that first features the sharing of family histories from all eight lines of John and Elizabeth Cummins Jackson's children. We have planned family history exhibits, short workshops on researching your family history, and presentations such as using DNA testing for genealogy. A second focus is exploring the many Jackson Family connections with Marietta, Ohio. And third, the city of Marietta has plenty to see and explore from the Ancient Earthworks to the Ohio River traffic. Along the way, we have planned some fun activities and some surprises.

Attendees will also have opportunities to explore on their own. Apart from the official events we have researched several walking tours and places to see in and around Marietta. We will supply information and maps so you can explore on your own. And since The Historic Lafayette Hotel is in downtown Marietta, shops and antiques stores are only a block or two away.

To register to attend, please fill out the **Registration Form** found as an insert in the May *Jackson Brigade Quarterly* and send it in with payment by July 1, 2016. The Registration Form is also available on the Jackson Brigade website at <http://www.jacksonbrigade.com/reunion-2016-marietta-ohio/>

## Friday August 5

**1-5 pm: Registration in the Delta Queen Room,** The Lafayette Hotel, 101 Front Street, Marietta, Ohio. There is a Registration Fee that helps defer cost of meeting rooms and other expenses. If your household is a Jackson Brigade member, the Registration Fee is \$5 per person. If not, the fee is \$10 per person. Children under age 18 are free. Our **Silent Auction** starts at 3 pm in the Delta Queen Room. Bring items for the Silent Auction!

**2-3 pm: Welcome and Presentation in Delta Queen Room.** Dan Hyde will speak on "Jackson Family Connections to Marietta."

**3-5 pm: Family History Exhibits in the Delta Queen Room.** Each of the eight lines of John and Elizabeth Cummins Jackson will have a table to display family history materials. We strongly urge you to bring family photos and histories to display and share. Through various interactive activities we will encourage the attendees to share their line's story and to meet. Attendees will have the opportunity to view others' family history material and interact with fellow Jackson descendants.

**3-5 pm: Short Workshops on Genealogy and Family History** in the Rufus Putnam Room. "How to get started in genealogy for beginners." "Advanced Genealogy and Family History Research." "Using DNA Testing for Genealogy." Other talks are also planned.

**3-5 pm: Self-guided Walking Tours:** 1.) To the Soda Museum and the Toy and Doll Museum in Harmar, Marietta's twin city across the Muskingum River. 2.) Marietta Historic Homes, including the Return Jonathan Meigs House at 326 Front Street, the home of John George Jackson's second wife Mary Sophia Meigs. 3.) Ancient Earthworks (See Mound in picture on right.) 4.) Marietta Military, the Mound Cemetery has the highest concentration in the country of burials of Revolutionary War officers.



**6 pm: Reunion Banquet in the Delta Queen Room.** Buffet-style dinner as follows: two entrees of stuffed chicken breast and honey glazed ham, whipped potatoes and gravy, vegetable medley, garden salad, fruit salad, dessert of assorted fruit pies, rolls, butter, coffee, tea, and water. Banquet cost: \$25 per person (includes service fee and tax).

**7 pm: Speaker in the Delta Queen Room** – A Living History Portrayal of General Rufus Putnam by Bill Reynolds, Historian at the Campus Martius Museum.

## Saturday August 6

**8:30 - 10 am: Optional Trolley Tour of Marietta.** Special pick up and drop off at Campus Martius Museum. We plan to car pool from Lafayette Hotel to Museum. On the 90-minute tour, the driver talks as he drives by Victorian Front Street Shops, historic churches, Return Jonathan Meigs Home, Ohio River Museum, *W.P. Snyder, Jr.*, Campus Martius Museum, Historic Harmar, Ancient Earthworks, Mound Cemetery, and other sites. Trolley Tour cost: \$13 per person



**9:30 am - 12:30 pm: Tour of Campus Martius Museum and the Ohio River Museum** includes tour aboard the *W.P. Snyder, Jr.* steam towboat. The two museums are separated by an easy three-minute walk. You pay for museums at Campus Martius Museum lobby – one museum is \$7. Combined for both museums is \$9 per person. Campus Martius Museum's website: <http://www.campusmartiusmuseum.org>  
Ohio River Museum's website: <https://www.ohiohistory.org/visit/museum-and-site-locator/ohio-river-museum>

**1-3 pm: Picnic Lunch** at Veterans' Memorial Park, WV Rt. 31, Wood County, WV (near Wood County Airport); We have reserved the "Army" Shelter. Eat and Chat. Memorial Service and Business Meeting. We plan to car pool from the Campus Martius Museum to Veterans' Memorial Park (7.3 miles, 15 minutes). Map and directions later. Box Lunch cost: \$10 per person (includes service fee and sales tax). <https://woodcountywv.com/page/page78.php>

**3-6 pm: Explore Marietta on your own.** We will provide several suggestions, e.g., tour the Ancient Earthworks or Marietta Historic Homes. See web page on Marietta tours <http://www.mariettaohio.org/tours>

**6 pm: Dinner at daVinci's Restaurant**, 215 Highland Ave, Williamstown, WV (on Route 31 near Williamstown Bridge). You select from menu <http://www.villadavinci.com/our-menu.html> and pay your own.

**8 pm: Ghost Trek** for those who are interested. \$15 per adult; \$10 for children under 12. Depart from corner of Front and Greene streets (across from Lafayette Hotel). Tour duration - about two hours. Reservations not required. 740-629-1805; [www.hiddenmarietta.com](http://www.hiddenmarietta.com)

## Sunday August 7

**7-9 am:** Informal breakfast on your own and socializing.

**Morning:** Tour Marietta and surroundings on your own.

## Accommodations



We recommend staying at The Historic Lafayette Hotel (800-331-9336) [www.LafayetteHotel.com](http://www.LafayetteHotel.com) where we will have our meetings and banquet on Friday. We have reserved a block of 29 rooms. When you call to make reservations, state that you are with the "Jackson Brigade Corporation" group to get a discount. We have reserved three different types of rooms that range from \$73 to \$93 per night. Room prices do not include Room Tax (5.75%) and Sales Tax (7.25% in Marietta) for a total of 13% Tax. Further details on The Lafayette Hotel and other lodging options can be found on the Jackson Brigade website at <http://www.jacksonbrigade.com/lodging-for-jackson-brigade-reunion-2016/>

**We urge you to bring family photos and family history materials to display and share!**

**For more information, contact your reunion co-chairs**

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