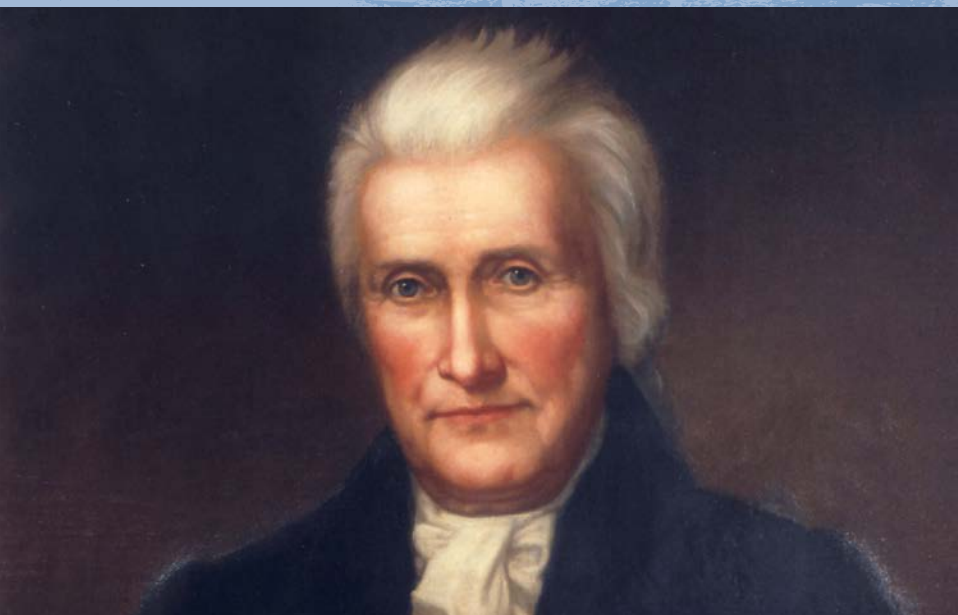




# *Marietta*

HOUSE MUSEUM



*Calendar of Events*  
JANUARY-DECEMBER 2017

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# Marietta

was built for Gabriel Duvall, one of Prince George's County's most outstanding citizens. Born in 1752, Duvall pursued a career of public service which lasted for more than 60 years. After serving in several positions during the Revolutionary War, he served in the Maryland House of Delegates, the United States Congress, the Maryland Supreme Court, and as Comptroller of the Treasury under Thomas Jefferson.



Soon after 1812, when he was appointed by President James Madison to the U.S. Supreme Court, Duvall began construction of Marietta. Over the next 20 years he developed the 325-acre plantation, and constructed a substantial rear wing for added living space. He served on the Supreme Court until 1835; in January of that year he retired to spend the rest of his life at Marietta, where he died in 1844. Marietta remained the residence of his heirs until 1902.

Gabriel Duvall began buying the tracts of land that would eventually make up his 650 acre tobacco plantation in the 1780's but did not build Marietta House until around 1813. Marietta is a 2 1/2-story brick Federal house in a traditional I-house plan. The main block is five bays by two, and entrance is through the central bay of the south facade. Attached to the north of the main block at right angles is a two-story rear wing, built c. 1832, and attached to the west gable end is an L-shaped wing added in 1968. Marietta stands on terraced, landscaped grounds with two contemporary outbuildings: a brick law office and a stone and brick root cellar/harness storage room.

The property now consists of 25 acres of lawn and woodlands, and the grounds boast three County Champion trees and lovely old boxwood. The Society of Maren Duvall Descendants has relocated the family graveyard from its original location to the serene surroundings at Marietta.



Marietta is open to the public as a Prince George's County history museum and offers exhibits, lectures, events and programs covering 300 years of county history. Marietta is also home to the Natural and Historical Resources Division Library of County History. For further information, please call 301-464-5291, TTY 301-699-2544.



THE NATURAL AND HISTORICAL RESOURCES DIVISION COUNTY HISTORY LIBRARY is located at Marietta Museum, 5626 Bell Station Road in Glenn Dale, Maryland. The library contains an extensive collection of Prince George's County census records, slave statistics, land records, newspaper archives, and other historical research materials.

The Library staff assists students and the general public with various county history related inquiries. The library staff also produces brochures and reports on Prince George's County historic sites, researches and writes exhibit text for Commission owned sites and assists other Commission staff with various research requests.

Have a Prince George's County history question? The "Ask a County Historian" program will either provide you with the answer or guide you to the right resources.

The Natural and Historical Resources Division County History Library is open Monday through Friday 10 am–4 pm. For more information, please call 301-464-5291, TTY 301-699-2544 or visit [history.pg parks.com](http://history.pg parks.com).

# Marietta HOUSE MUSEUM

## 2017 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MONDAY, JANUARY 2—TUESDAY, JANUARY 31

(BY APPOINTMENT ONLY)

12 NOON—4 PM

### EXHIBITS

“THE NEGRO LEAGUES OF THE MID-ATLANTIC REGION AND LOCAL SANDLOT BASEBALL TEAMS”



“ON THE HOMEFRONT: SELECTED HOME FURNISHINGS FROM THE 1940s”

Please call to arrange a special tour of Marietta House Museum. While touring the historic home, visitors will have the opportunity to see the beautiful holiday decorations, as well as view two special exhibits on display.

*Fee: \$5/adults, \$2/seniors, \$1/ages 5-18, FREE/ages 5 & under*

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 4

1—3 PM

### BLACK HISTORY MONTH PRESENTATION: AFRICAN AMERICAN QUILTS

Did quilts have special meanings to locate safe houses on the Underground Railroad? What materials were used? Come and find out as we explore the intricacies of quilt making in the 1800s. *Fee: \$5/person*

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 18

2 PM

### FIRST LADIES TEA

From Martha Washington and beyond, the First Ladies have been hosting various teas, luncheons, and events. Join us for a light tea and a variety of recipes from some of our First Ladies. *Reservations are required; space is limited. Ages 8 & up. Fee: \$25/person*



SATURDAY, MARCH 18

1-3 PM

## BALTIMORE ALBUM QUILTS

Join us as we learn about and discuss the many different styles and designs of the Baltimore Album Quilts with teacher, lecturer, and researcher Marylou McDonald. *Fee: \$5/person*

SATURDAY, APRIL 8

1-3 PM

## CIVIL WAR QUILTS

During the war, materials were hard to come by. What was the most popular material for quilts? How much family history was sewn into the quilts? Join us as we discuss and learn about quilting during the Civil War. *Fee: \$5/person*

SATURDAY, APRIL 22 & SUNDAY, APRIL 23 11 AM-5 PM

## MARCHING THROUGH TIME



Witness a multi-period living history event with re-enactors from the Romans through Desert Storm! Musket demonstrations, period crafts vendors, military drills, civilian camp life, and more. Speak with the re-enactors about their particular time period. Great for family fun and for history buffs! *All ages. Fee: \$7/person, FREE/ages 5 & under*

SATURDAY, MAY 13

2-7 PM

## WINE & JAZZ AT MARIETTA

Join us as we celebrate spring with wine and jazz on the beautiful lawns of Marietta! Bring a lawn chair, blanket, or both and enjoy wine, jazz, food, crafts, and a tour of the historic home. Great for family and friends and an early treat for moms and others for Mother's Day! *Ages 21 & up. Fee: \$15/person*



SUNDAY, JUNE 4

1 PM

## A WEDDING QUILT TEA

Join us for a discussion about wedding quilts with teacher, lecturer, and appraiser Phyllis Twigg Hatcher. Following the lecture, enjoy a light tea with finger sandwiches, scones, and desserts. *Reservations are required. Ages 8 & up. Fee: \$25/person*

SUNDAY, JULY 23

1–6 PM

## CELEBRATE GLENN DALE DAY!

Bring a blanket, lawn chair, and a picnic basket. Visit food and craft vendors; try a little wine; play 19th century games; and enjoy music, face painting, and a visit from the Glenn Dale Fire Department (schedule permitting). *All ages; FREE*



FRIDAY, AUGUST 11

12 NOON–4 PM

## FREE TOUR FRIDAY AT MARIETTA

If you have not visited in a while, please come and tour the museum, view our exhibits, and enjoy the beautiful grounds. *All ages; FREE*

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

11 AM–3 PM

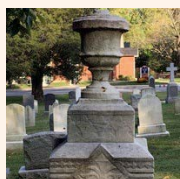
## A DAY IN THE LIFE OF A RESOURCE LIBRARY

Join us as we show our historic resources library and the extensive research that is available, including maps and genealogy. *All ages; FREE*

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21

9 AM–4:30 PM

## CEMETERY ARTS & SITES TOUR



Join us for a guided van tour as we learn about cemetery art and explore local cemeteries with our archeological historian. Landscapes, tombstones, and decorative ornamentals will be discussed. Lunch is included. *Fee: \$20/person*

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12

2 PM

## FALL FAMILY & FRIENDS TEA

Enjoy some time of relaxation with family and friends as you join us for an autumn tea. Flavors of the season include pumpkin spice, gingerbread, and chocolate! Reservations are required.

*Ages 8 & up. Fee: \$25/person*

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 9

5–8 PM

## HOLIDAY WINE TASTING BY CANDLELIGHT

Enjoy various flavors of wine and light refreshments at our Holiday Wine Tasting. Musical sounds of the season will accompany you as you tour the beautifully decorated and candlelit historic home.

*Ages 21 & up. Fee: \$10/person*



# CHILDREN'S & GIRL SCOUT PROGRAMS

CHILDREN'S (ages 6–12) & GIRL SCOUT PROGRAMS  
are AVAILABLE BY REQUEST (a group of 10 or more)

**Best Foot Forward—Etiquette and Manners** Etiquette is an important part of our social skills. See how social etiquette has evolved from the 1800s to today. Event includes conduct and table manners; light refreshments will be served.

**Discovering Chocolate** Learn how chocolate is made, have a taste of chocolate from a chocolate pot service, and make a chocolate candy dessert.

**A Search of Genealogy and Family History** Learn how to research your family history. Create a timeline and journal of your own history and special memorable events.

**Planting Herbs** Learn about herbs and how they are important to our health and eating habits. Please bring an apron to wear or clothes you don't mind getting dirty. Event includes planting herbs; light refreshments will be served.

**A Walk with Nature** Make potpourri with area flowers and leaves, and see photosynthesis take place before your very eyes. Event includes a nature walk around the grounds of Marietta (weather permitting).



**MARIETTA HOUSE MUSEUM**  
5626 Bell Station Road  
Glenn Dale, Maryland 20769

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**LOCATION**

Off of Route 193, Glenn Dale Boulevard just north of Route 450, Annapolis Road

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**DIRECTIONS**

From the Capital Beltway (I-95/495), take Exit 20-A (Route 450 East/Lanham). Proceed east on Route 450 East/Annapolis Road about 4 miles. Turn left on to Route 193 West. Proceed 1/4 mile to Bell Station Road; turn left. Marietta is the first driveway on the left.

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**TOUR HOURS**

Open the first Friday of each month from 1– 4 pm for walk-in tours. All other tours are by appointment. Marietta is not open on Saturday and Sunday unless there is a special event.

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**ADMISSION**

\$5/Adults, \$4/Seniors age 60+, \$4/person for groups of 6 or more, \$2/Students ages 6-18, FREE/Ages 5 & under

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