

**NEWS RELEASE
CITY OF MANSFIELD**



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Subject: Star Spangled Banner Bicentennial Event

Mansfield, OH—Mayor Theaker and the Parks Department are pleased to announce

The Bicentennial of the Star Spangled Banner will be celebrated at the Mansfield Blockhouse on Saturday, September 13, 2014, from 10:00 to 4:00 p.m. The Mansfield Blockhouse is located in South Park at 100 Brinkerhoff Avenue in Mansfield.

At noon Boy Scouts will raise the 15 star and 15 stripe flag, the Star Spangled Banner. There will be a short program. Music will also be a part of the event.

Representatives of the Richland County Genealogical Society and the Samuel Lewis Chapter United States Daughters of 1812, will display local history books and distribute information about their groups. Richland County Museum will have some hands-on activities for youngsters.

Volunteers, some in period costume, will be at the blockhouse to share their knowledge about the blockhouse and Richland County's history. Some will demonstrate skills, such as making shakes for a roof, spinning wool, hand quilting and making walnut ink.

