

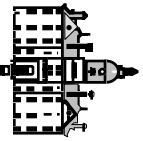
Invite your family home to Marshalltown for this once in a lifetime event!

## ***Marshalltown Milestones***

*The Old Courthouse Sound  
and Light Show*

**Bring the entire family and lawn chairs to the courthouse grounds and celebrate our community's 150th birthday finale through powerful lighting, spectacular colors, special effects, live actors, large video screens, and dramatic music.**

*Directors: Mick Jurgensen  
Travis Swenson*



*Script: Dorothy Apgar  
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**Marshalltown  
Sesquicentennial  
1853-2003**

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**Hear and see the  
courthouse  
tell the story of our  
Marshalltown history**

<http://www.bigtreehouse.net/oldcourthouse.html>

### **Oktoberfest**

Marshall County Courthouse Lawn

*2 show times only:*

Friday, September 26 @ 8:30 p.m.  
Saturday, September 27 @ 7:30 p.m.

Raindate: Sunday, September 28 7:30 p.m.

# Marshalltown Milestones

## *The Old Courthouse Sound and Light Show*

### ***You are invited***

to attend "Marshalltown Milestones," a unique sound and light show. This first-time event is the grand finale to Marshalltown's Sesquicentennial Celebration. The extravaganza will be staged on the Old Courthouse lawn. The presentation will last about an hour and a quarter. Bring your family and your lawn chairs. Admission is free! Show times are Friday, September 26, at 8:30 p.m. and Saturday, September 27, at 7:30 p.m. The raindate is Sunday, September 28, at 7:30 p.m.

The mastermind of the show is Dr. Mick Jurgensen, Principal at Rogers Elementary School. Mick's devotion to sound and light shows began in 1976, our Nation's Bicentennial year, when he witnessed Independence Hall come alive with its colorful history. Since that time, he has produced three sound and light shows. The first in 1983, "In Thy Halls Assembled Here" focused on the Old Main building on the Iowa Wesleyan College campus. He staged return performances in 1985 for Mt. Pleasant's Sesquicentennial and in 1992 for the Sesquicentennial of the College.

The script, written by local historian Dorothy Apgar, depicts the timeline of key events in the 150-year history of Marshalltown. It captures the life and times of the community and their leaders and the obstacles they overcame through war, peace, depression, and prosperity. A strong commitment to good citizenship and entrepreneurship has kept Marshalltown alive since 1853.

The soundtrack of the script was recorded by a large cast of community members, selected for their vocal variety and/or their ability to portray significant individuals. A special effort was made to allow public recognition of voices, representing local leaders of government, business, and education. Everyone in the community, including school children, should be able to recognize a voice in the presentation.

The "spirit" of the Old Courthouse comes alive as historic moments unfold in chronological order. Throughout the performance, you are drawn into these cameo events as they are animated by groups or individuals stepping forth to tell their stories, as conversation pours from large window silhouettes, and as historic photographs are displayed on huge video screens. Choral and instrumental music enhance some sequences, while dramatic and powerful lighting illuminates the face of the courthouse with spectacular color and effects.