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All About Ringgold...

Ringgold, GA is known primarily as the "wedding capital" of the South, but this Southeastern jewel is so much more. Nestled amongst Taylor's Ridge, Ringgold is rooted deep in Civil War History. Conveniently strung along I-75 between Dalton and Chattanooga, Ringgold has the feel of a small town, with the conveniences of a large city. Ringgold is home to one of the last remaining antebellum railway Depots. Recently restored in 2003, the Historic Ringgold Depot has the original 18-inch thick walls, which bare memorable battle scars from the infamous Battle of Ringgold Gap. Straying from our town's civil war history, Ringgold has a wide array of natural beauty that can be seen on the Natural Trail and newly established Creek Walk. Ringgold offers shopping and dining opportunities that can be found nowhere else.

The General was captured just outside Ringgold where The Great Locomotive Chase ended. Noted by a marker to honor the event, the spot is located on Hwy 151.



What's New:

New to Ringgold this year, a historic walking tour will be offered starting May 6. The tour will consist of 8 stops including the Whitman Anderson House, the Depot, the Wedding Chapel, First Baptist Church, the Methodist Cemetery, the Courthouse and so much more. The tours will be Thursday at 10 AM.

In addition to the walking tour, Ringgold has opened a Visitor's Information Center inside the Historic Depot open to the public Monday-Wednesday 9-4.

This year, Ringgold is hosting the 2011 Celtic Highland Games Labor Day Weekend

The General, taken 1886.

Story Ideas...

1890s Day Jamboree is a family oriented festival which has made Ringgold its home for more than 30 years.

Ringgold is an excellent place to come spend the day during your summer vacation. With day trips becoming more popular, families who visit our historic town will not be disappointed. The Depot offers free movies every Tuesday in the summer at 11 AM. The Ringgold pool is an excellent place to spend your day cooling off, and a trip to Ringgold wouldn't be complete without a family picnic along the creek bank. The railway viewing platform is once again making headway at the historic Depot. Work began to pave a parking lot this spring; when completed there will be park benches and lampposts located around the platform.

Available to the Media:

- Access to all press releases
- Photo CD
- Promotional DVDs
- Technical assistance to all travel writers



Annual Events:

1890s Day Jamboree: Memorial Day weekend, May 27 & 28, 2011.

Festival of Flags: Memorial Day & Veteran's Day. Flags are displayed all across the city to honor the fallen veterans of Catoosa County.

Free Movies at the Depot: they are shown every Tuesday at 11 AM during the summer, starting June 7th, ending August 3rd, 2011.

Dixie Highway Yard Sale: First weekend in June

Ringgold Middle School Duck Race: October, 2011, 8 AM- 1 PM.

Haunted Depot and Hayride: October 20-22 & 27-30. Admission is \$5 for the Depot & \$3.00 for the Hayride, haunting begins at 7 PM.

Downhome Christmas: December 2, 2011 downtown Ringgold, celebrate Christmas parades and festivities.

