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## Marriott Syracuse Downtown & Syracuse University Athletics To Host Downtown Tailgate Block Parties for SU Home Football Games

*Tailgate Party Will Close Hotel Block of Warren Street, Offers Shuttle Service to Games*

**SYRACUSE, N.Y. – Aug. 15, 2017** – [Marriott Syracuse Downtown](#), the official hotel of Syracuse University Athletics, announced it will host the “SU Football Tailgate Block Party,” an open-to-the-public tailgate party prior to each of the seven Syracuse University Football home games in 2017. For three hours prior to each home game, the hotel will close down a block of Warren Street to host a family-friendly party that includes live music, games, food trucks, outdoor bar service and roundtrip shuttle bus transportation to the Carrier Dome.

The “SU Football Tailgate Block Party” is a free event held prior to each home game, beginning with the first contest of the season vs. Central Connecticut State on Friday, September 1. One block of Warren Street (between Harrison and East Onondaga) will be closed during the party. Hotel restaurants, Eleven Waters and Shaughnessy’s Pub will each have outdoor bar and food service, and several local food trucks will also be onsite.

Local musicians, including several area high school marching bands, will provide entertainment each week. Party guests will also be able to play yard games, like bocce and corn hole, in the adjacent Tech Garden outdoor courtyard. ESPN Radio will broadcast its pregame show, featuring Brent Axe, live from Shaughnessy’s Pub during the party.

Each gameday party includes a free shuttle service for party guests who park in the hotel garage. Roundtrip shuttle service for other guests will be \$5. In case of inclement weather, the party may be moved inside the hotel if scheduling permits. The party schedule is as follows (note that some game times have not been announced):

<b>Game Date</b>	<b>Tailgate Party Time</b>	<b>Game Opponent</b>
Fri 9/1/17	4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.	Central Connecticut St
Sat 9/9/17	12:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.	Middle Tennessee
Sat 9/16/17	12:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.	Central Michigan
Sat 10/7/17	<b>**Game time TBA**</b>	Pittsburgh
Fri 10/13/17	4:00 p.m. -7:00 p.m.	Clemson
Sat 11/11/17	<b>**Game time TBA**</b>	Wake Forest
Sat 11/25/17	<b>**Game time TBA**</b>	Boston College

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### **About Marriott Syracuse Downtown**

Located in one of the area's most historic buildings, the new 261-room Marriott Syracuse Downtown opened in fall 2016 after a major renovation to restore the hotel to its original glory. Conveniently situated just minutes from all that downtown Syracuse has to offer, from its many businesses to numerous entertainment venues and cultural sites, the hotel is an ideal destination for business and leisure travelers alike. The hotel's stylish interiors combine history and modernity – with original features dating back to 1924 and new furnishings designed by local Stickley furniture. In addition to the hotel's restaurant, Eleven Waters, and its casual gathering spot, The Cavalier Room, Marriott Syracuse Downtown offers a choice of 23 event rooms that include expansive, state-of-the-art meeting venues and facilities for up to 1,330 guests. All main floor meeting rooms, as well as the Finger Lakes Ballroom, meet the discerning standards of International Association of Conference Centers (IACC). The hotel is located at 100 E. Onondaga Street and is managed by Crescent Hotels & Resorts. For more information, call (315) 474-2424 or visit [marriottsyracusedowntown.com](http://marriottsyracusedowntown.com).

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