

**Fall Speakers Series 2011**  
**Ross County Historical Society**  
**45 West Fifth St., Chillicothe**  
**Free & Open to the Public**  
*Commemorating the Civil War Sesquicentennial*



***Rear Admiral A. Henry Walke: Chillicothe's Famed Civil War Naval Commander & Artist***

**Featuring Mark F. Jenkins — Historian & Author, Westerville, Ohio**  
**Wednesday, October 19, 7:30 p.m.**

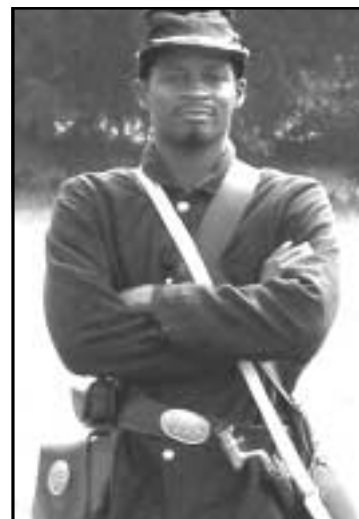
Mark Jenkins has been interested in Civil War naval operations since childhood. He has published articles on the subject in *Naval Gazette* and is currently writing the first full-length biography of Rear Admiral Henry Walke. Virginia-born Walke, who lived in Chillicothe, exerted a double influence on the Civil War. He was senior naval officer on the western rivers and in the Atlantic, and he recorded and illustrated his experiences. His sketches and paintings of naval operations form a primary part of our view of those events, and his first-hand account of the river war is a major source of information for its history. Please join us to learn more about this important Civil War figure who called Chillicothe his home.

***Fighting for Freedom: The Story of the United States Colored Troops in the Civil War***

**Featuring Anthony L. Gibbs, Creative Director & Artist for Black History Impressions, Columbus, Ohio.**

***Co-sponsored by the Ohio Humanities Council Speakers Bureau***  
**Wednesday, November 2, 7:30 p.m.**

You have seen the movie *Glory*; now learn the rest of the story about the nearly 200,000 black soldiers who fought for the Union during the Civil War. Their story is a unique chapter in the American conflict. These men were freedom fighters who fought for emancipation and for full citizenship rights. Join us for a fascinating evening as Anthony Gibbs discusses events significant to these men that led up to the Civil War, the role they played in the conflict, and what made them different from the thousands of others who fought and died for freedom and to save the Union.



***The Gettysburg Campaign: A Study in Command***

**Featuring Eric J. Wittenberg, Historian & Award Winning Author on the Civil War, Columbus, Ohio**

***Co-sponsored by the Ohio Humanities Council Speakers Bureau***  
**Wednesday, November 16, 7:30 p.m.**

Eric Wittenberg is a noted authority and an award-winning author of sixteen books and dozens of articles on the Civil War. He is a frequent lecturer and battlefield tour leader, vice president of the Buffington Island Battlefield Preservation Foundation, and sits on the (Ohio) Governor's Advisory Commission on the Sesquicentennial of the Civil War. His talk will focus on the decision-making by the commanders of the Union and Confederate armies during the Gettysburg Campaign. The audience will meet such interesting characters as Robert E. Lee, George Gordon Meade, James Longstreet, Daniel Sickles and others, and will examine the difficult decisions they made.