

# THE OHIO VOLUNTEER





MARCH, 2013

### EXCELENT SPEAKER FOR THE MARCH MEETING

March's meeting will be held on Saturday, March 23 at 9:00. Our speaker will be Scott Mengus.

Our host for the meeting supplying treats to go along with the coffee is Tom Snyder.



Scott Mingus, Sr. is an executive in the paper and printing industry and holds patents in self-adhesive postage stamp products and in bar code labels. He is author of several books on wargaming the Civil War, including the two-volume "Enduring Valor: Gettysburg in Miniature," the popularly acclaimed "Undying Courage; The Antietam Campaign in Miniature," and "Crossed Sabers: Gettysburg in Miniature." He and his wife Debi are the editors and publishers of "Charge!," an international magazine for Civil War miniature wargamers, He has also written historical articles for several other magazines. His latest work, "My Brother's Keeper,"

After the meeting, all wishing to do so will gather at Theo's Restaurant for a good lunch and socializing.

# February's Meeting

We had an good turn-out for this meeting as Andy Warholla spoke on Colored troops from Guernsey County. We learned that Governor Todd resisted having colored men in the Army. He was finally faced with having colored volunteers or drafting men and opted for the colored troops. Although some of the early volunteers signed up with the 54th and 55th Mass. Ohio soon had their own 5th US. The 5th gained distinction at the Battle of Richmond Highs at New Market, where one of their own received the Metal of Honor.



# QUESTION OF THE MONTH

(Submitted by Herb Parkinson)

Name the Warden of the Ohio Penitentiary when John H. Morgan was jailed there.

#### **EDITOR'S NOTE**

Please send any information you would like to have in the newsletter to me a week ahead of the meeting. Phone: 638-2126 E-mail: irishman1020@hotmail.com or Ralph McCready, 8600 Oakland Rd. Chandlersville, OH 43727

### 150 YEARS AGO

March 3 - Lincoln signs the Enrollment Act, calling for the conscription of men between 20 and 45. The President also signs a congressional bill establishing the National Academy of Sciences.

March 9 - John S. Mosby's Confederate irregulars capture Union General Edwin H. Stoughton in his bed at Fairfax Court House, VA.

March 10 - President Lincoln issues an amnesty proclamation to all deserters from military service, allowing them until April 1 to report back to their units without penalty.

March 25 - General Burnside assumes his new command of the Department of the Ohio.

Secretary of War Stanton awards the first Medals of Honor to the six members of Andrew's Raiders who were not killed or captured.

#### CIVIL WAR PROGRAM

There will be a program on Tuesday, April 2 at 7:00 pm. at the Newark Library. The program is by Kevin Bennett and is called "Licking County's greatest military disaster, The battle of North Mountain Depot West Virginia.

## WILDERNESS TAVERN SAVED

The Central Virginia Battlefield Trust has just acquired 81 acres at Wilderness tavem. This is Jackson's amputation site. The purchase price was \$575,000.