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| <p><b>Wayne E. Motts,<br/>Executive Director</b></p> <p><b>Wayne E. Motts</b> graduated from The Ohio State University with a B.A. in history in 1989. He moved to Gettysburg in 1990 and earned a Masters Degree in American History from the Shippensburg University of Pennsylvania in 1994. Wayne was one of the youngest persons ever to complete the licensing process to be a Licensed Battlefield Guide at Gettysburg National Military Park and has guided parties around the famous field for over 20 years. He has spoken to a wide range of historical bodies and groups on topics related to the American Civil War and has published several pieces related to the American Civil War in a variety of publications. He is considered the leading authority in the nation on Southern General Lewis Addison Armistead of Pickett’s Charge, and has published the only biography of the general entitled, <i>Trust in God and Fear Nothing: Lewis A. Armistead, CSA</i>. For ten years, he was the research historian for renowned Civil War Artist Dale Gallon of Gettysburg. The products produced by his research has been endorsed by the History Channel and have won numerous awards.</p> <p>In 2005, Wayne was named executive director of the Adams County Historical Society where he oversees a staff of four and 60 volunteers. In addition to his directorship, Wayne is the chairman of the Alliance of Pennsylvania County Historical Societies (APACHS), which promotes collaboration and best practices among the Commonwealth’s 67 county historical societies. As chairman of APACHS, he sits on the board of the Pennsylvania Federation of Museums and Historical Organizations (PFMHO).</p> <p><b>The Adams County Historical Society (“ACHS”)</b> was established to <i>“foster interest in the history of Adams County and vicinity, conduct research, preserve records and objects, mark sites, and pursue such activities as may be related to the history of the community.”</i></p> <p>The ACHS has often been referred to affectionately as the “county’s attic” – an archive and museum preserving the rich cultural heritage of Adams County, Pennsylvania.</p> <p>The most imposing item in the society’s collection is its headquarters, since 1976 named Schmucker Hall, in honor of the seminary’s founder. On the morning of July 1, 1863, it was the largest building on Seminary Ridge (the other two being the residences of professors), which was a part of the Union line as the Confederate army approached from the west and then from the north. During the afternoon the Union troops were forced to retreat through the town of Gettysburg, leaving Seminary Ridge in Confederate hands. The old dormitory became the first field hospital of the battle, into which the wounded of both sides were carried. During the battle, the building suffered some damage, which the seminary authorities were able to repair in time to begin the fall session in late September, about one month after the last of the wounded were removed.</p> <p>To enhance its interpretation of local history, the Adams County Historical Society archives a significant collection of county records, personal documents, and physical artifacts. Tours of the facility are available at scheduled times or by appointment.</p> <p><b>For more information, visit <a href="http://www.achs-pa.org">www.achs-pa.org</a></b></p> | <p><b>Adams County<br/>Historical Society</b></p> | <p><b>Gettysburg, PA</b></p> |