



Miller County Historical Society

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V E T E R A N S ' D A Y C E L E B R A T I O N

Local area veterans were recognized by Tuscumbia elementary students on Veterans Day with a celebration in their honor. The ceremony was held at the Jason Ash Veterans Memorial on the grounds of the Miller County Historical Society Museum. A number of veterans and their families were in attendance. Keynote speaker was State Representative Rocky Miller.

Each branch of the service was recognized by the reading of its creed. The students then presented each veteran with artwork items and small flags. Following closing remarks by Dr. Jeff Koonce the veterans and their individual student escorts enjoyed a tour of the museum.

It was a wonderful celebration and we at the museum were excited to provide the location for this outstanding ceremony!



A N D O U R W I N N E R S A R E ...

Donna Dickneite of Saint Anthony was the winner of the quilt raffle at our recent chili supper and car show. John Schwentker was the winner of the 50-50 raffle. Congratulations to you both!



WALDO SHERRIL STEEN LEGACY

In the fall of 2009, Waldo Sherril Steen and his wife of 60 years, Alice Faye (Pemberton), very generously designated the Miller County Historical Society as the beneficiary of his IRA. The annual required minimum distribution (RMD) from Sherril's IRA went directly to MCHS each January and helped to pay the museum's fixed expenses. Since Sherril's death in June, the necessary paperwork has been completed to facilitate the transfer of those funds from his IRA to the Historical Society.

Central Trust and Investment Company has been chosen to manage those assets using a balanced growth approach. Trenny Garrett, J.D., CTFA, Sr. Vice-President, and William Max, Vice-President, Portfolio Manager, met with the MCHS board members on November 18 and gave a very detailed presentation of their investment plan. The annual distribution to the museum will continue, but the account will be safeguarded so it will remain in perpetuity.

All of us who work with the Miller County Historical Society want to once again thank the Waldo Sherril Steen family for this amazing gift. Sherril and Alice hoped to encourage others by setting an example of generous living and they certainly did!

Please consider the Miller County Historical Society in your estate planning and/or year end gifts. We are a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization and all contributions are tax deductible.



As we frequently say, our director, staff and board members are all-volunteer but the expenses are not! We really appreciate your help as we work to preserve the history of Miller County for all future generations.

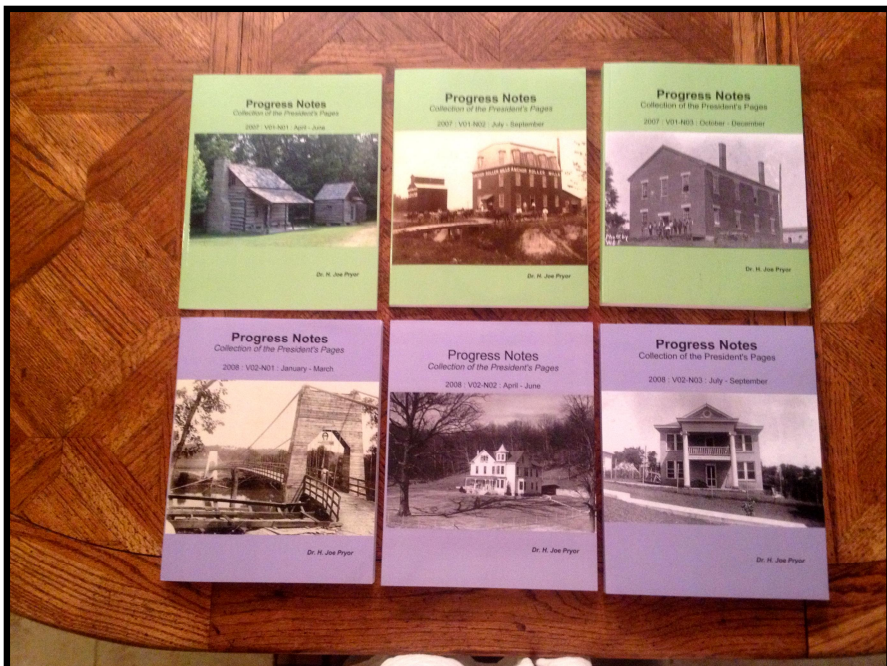
This 'N That

- Missouri State Archives has completed microfilming the probate records and they will soon be back in our files.
- Interested in guerilla warfare in Civil War era Missouri? Check out <cantymyerscollection.com>
- The museum is closed until mid May, however, we will still be checking our phone messages and our e-mail.

PROGRESS NOTES

During the six years he was President of MCHS, Dr. Joe Pryor wrote a weekly article for the museum's website chronicling the people, places and events in Miller County's early history. Titled "Progress Notes," those reports are still available on our website, <millercountymuseum.org>.

As a surprise for her father, Jennifer Pryor McHugh contacted the webmaster, David Statler, and asked him to convert those web pages into book form. To date, six books have been produced, with each one containing three months' worth of articles, from April, 2007 to September, 2008. Copies of the books have been placed in the museum library. Work will continue on the remaining editions until all six years are in print. Quite a collection!



Speaking of Joe, he recently celebrated his 70th birthday and was surprised with a framed art piece filled with quotes from family and friends telling him "why we love Joe." He would be the first to say that being with his son from Boston and daughter from Chicago and all three of his lovely granddaughters on that special day, he felt loved indeed!



CONTRIBUTIONS & MEMORIALS

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In Memory of Sylvia Ramsey Long:	Nelson Strange

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