



# Miller County Historical Society

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## ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Our annual membership meeting will be held **Sunday, April 7, 2019, at 2:00 p.m.** in the lower level of the museum. Please plan to attend. We will be electing officers and board members. Coffee and dessert will be served.

### MCHS NEWSLETTER

Due to increased cost of postage we will be publishing the newsletter three times per year rather than four. In order to further cut costs we are asking that you opt to receive your newsletter by e-mail if possible. E-mailed copies will be in color. Please contact us with your current e-mail address if you have one.

Museum hours are  
Monday, Wednesday,  
Friday and Saturday  
10:00 a.m. to 4 p.m.

### OPENING DAY

**THE MUSEUM WILL BE OPENING FOR THE 2019 SEASON ON SATURDAY, MAY 18, AT 10:00.**

**HOPE TO SEE YOU THEN!**

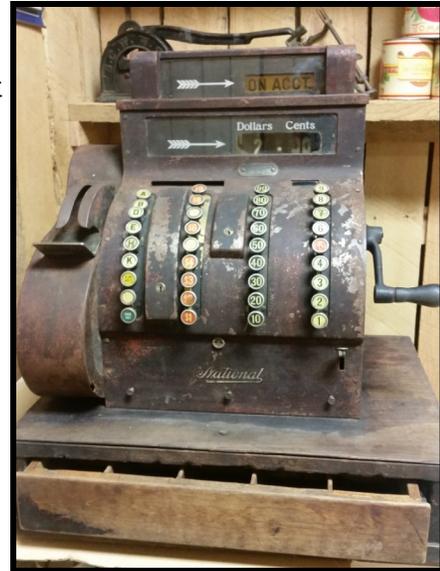
#### Miller County Historical Society Officers and Board Members

President:	Bill Weidinger	Cindy Hart	Board Member
Vice President:	Jim Clark	Cathy DeGraffenreid	Board Member
Secretary:	Diane Knutson	Mike Wood	Board Member
Treasurer:	Betty Kallenbach	Charlotte Graham	Board Member
Museum Director:	Karen Smith	Carl McDonald	Board Member
Endowment Chair Person:	Judy Pryor	Connie Prather	Board Member
		Carl Kemna	Board Member
		Joe Pryor	Board Member Emeritus

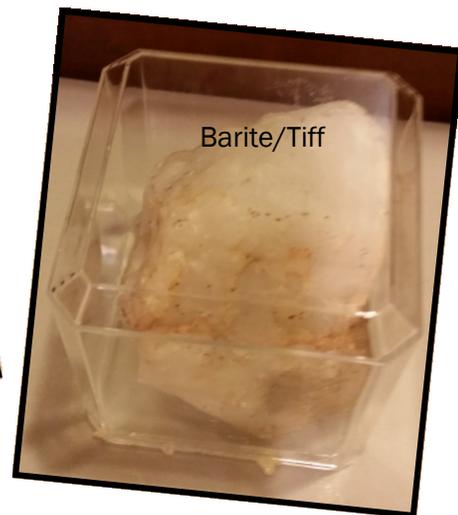
## NEW AT THE MUSEUM



Sphygmomanometer

Cash Register from Hillcrest  
Cafe

Lead



Barite/Tuff

## THIS 'N THAT

- 1968 Missouri Death Certificates are now online  
<<https://s1.sos.mo.gov/records/archives/archivesmvc/deathcertificates#searchDB>>
- Much of the information on Miller County Schools has been updated. It remains a work in progress. Check it out! <[http://millercountymuseum.org/schools/orsp\\_alpha.html](http://millercountymuseum.org/schools/orsp_alpha.html)>
- Ancestry.com and Newspapers.com are available for use by our patrons in our research library.
- Search here for archival & historical materials from southern and central Appalachia, the mountainous region in the eastern United States. <[dla.acaweb.org/digital](http://dla.acaweb.org/digital)>

## TIPS FOR PHOTOGRAPHING GRAVESTONES

### Some things to take along:

- camera, extra batteries and memory cards;
- garden shears or heavy duty scissors to trim away weeds and grass;
- a soft brush to brush debris from the stone;
- a spray bottle of water;
- a roll of paper towels or package of wipes;
- notebook, pens or pencils for writing down inscriptions;

### Some Dos & Don'ts:

- **Do** be Respectful: This is a Cemetery not a genealogy workshop. Be respectful of mourners. Walk on paths and around graves not over them. If you are asked to leave by the caretaker -- leave.
- **Don't** harm the tombstone. Don't use shaving cream or other chemicals to clean.
- **Don't** Make rubbings, use a digital camera.
- **Don't** assume you will be back. Take multiples and check what you have before you leave.
- **Do** write down what you did and the order and location.
- **Don't** trespass on private property. Get permission first.

### Helpful Hints:

- Turn off your flash! The light will bounce off the stone and leave bright spots. Instead use your mirror or aluminum foil wrapped around cardboard to bounce light off the stone
- Sidelighting works best. If you can take photos early or later in the day, side lighting will create shadows making it easier to read inscription. If you are there at high noon, use your mirror or aluminum foil. Try a flashlight at different angles.
- Point of view is important. Don't shoot while standing. Get down at "eye level" with the tombstone.



