



Miller County Historical Society

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**JOIN US ON OCT. 8TH 2016 FOR THE INTRODUCTION OF VICKY HUBBELL'S NEW BOOK
BLOOD RIVER RISING**

Blood River Rising is the story of the Thompson-Crimson feud of Miller County, Missouri. The book begins when eighty-six-year-old Hadley Thompson insists a small-town historian find out why two people were murdered. She has no intention of actually doing what he asks, for not only did the acts take place in 1924, there was never any question of who committed them. It is Hadley's insistence that the Ku Klux Klan fueled the feud between the Thompsons and their neighbors the Crismsons that helps change author Victoria Hubbell's mind.

For three years, Thompson and Hubbell make an unlikely duo, tramping through field grass, combing through copies of dusty newspapers, and driving down gravel roads to discover what made neighbors turn against each other in post World War I rural America. More than just a good story about a feud, *Blood River Rising* chronicles events of the 1920s and whispers warnings for today's increasingly diverse society.



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

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C L O S I N G F O R T H E S E A S O N

As our season comes to a close we want to take this opportunity to thank you all for your continued interest and support. We certainly could not do what we do without you!

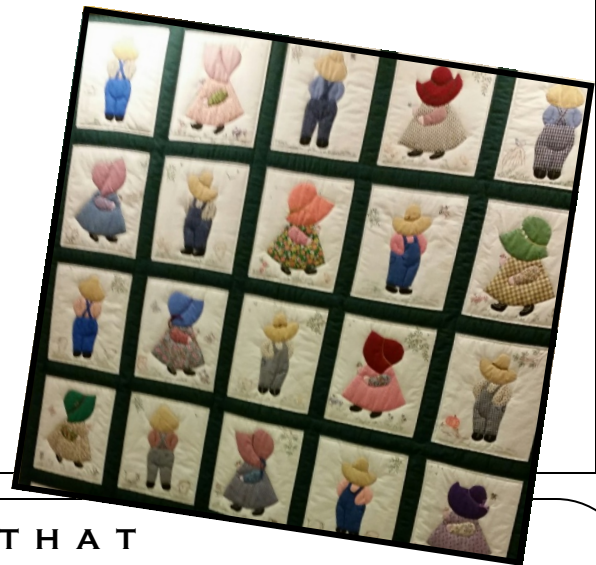
It has been a very busy summer at the museum. We have had crews from both The Travel Channel and The Learning Channel here to film segments for two separate television shows. We will let you know the details just as soon as we are allowed to do so! Both crews took the time to look at our displays and were very complimentary of our museum.

We have had visitors from numerous states and from the countries of Egypt and Mexico. For our researchers we have added subscriptions to Ancestry.com and Newspapers.com in our library. We have also had some needed repairs done to the building.

Our final event of the season will be **October 8, 2016, 10:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.** Our quilt collection will be on display all day. Vicki Pope Hubbell will be here for the entirety of the day to read from and discuss her new book, **Blood River Rising**. Copies will be available for sale.

At 2:00 p.m. we will draw for the raffle quilt. Tickets will be available at the museum up to and including the day of the drawing.

Sun Bonnet Sue and Overall Sam Quilt handmade by Ila Shepherd



T H I S ‘ N T H A T

- If you like military history plan to attend the 2nd annual Missouri Military History Weekend October 1st & 2nd at the Ike Skelton National Guard Headquarters in Jefferson City.
- Trying to date old photos of children? Boys & girls dressed alike until they were about age 5 and depending on the time frame, boys may have had long, curled hair. You can tell the difference by the way they wear their hair: Girls had center parts, and boys had side parts.
- Allen County Public Library <www.genealogycenter.info> offers free databases galore.
- All censuses recorded household members and ages as of the “official date” for that census. This may explain why family members are absent and ages are off by a year.

THINKING OF HAVING YOUR DNA TESTED?

Family historians have assorted reasons for participating in DNA testing. Many want to know where their ancestors came from. Some are hoping to connect with cousins they have never met so that family tree information can be shared. Still others might have a research problem to solve such as finding birth parents for either an ancestor or yourself, or determining if you are related to another family with the same surname.

There are three types of tests available. **Autosomal DNA (ATDNA)** lets you learn about both your paternal and maternal families. It is the most useful for learning about recent ancestors that are within about five to seven generations of the person tested.

Y-DNA is a paternal lineage test. Y-DNA is passed virtually intact from father to son, with only occasional mutations. Since surnames are also inherited along male lines, Y-DNA is the best option for testing whether or not one is related to a man of the same or similar surname. It can also help one determine ethnic origins of the paternal line going back thousands of years.

Mitochondrial DNA (mtDNA) tests maternal lineage. A mother passes this type of DNA to all her children, thus either a man or a woman can take this test. It also can reveal the ancient ethnicity of maternal lines.

There are three major testing companies: AncestryDNA <dna.ancestry.com>, Family Tree DNA <familytreedna.com> and 23andMe <www.23andme.com>. ATDNA testing is available from all three companies. 23andMe gives a Y-DNA *haplogroup** to men and an mtDNA *haplogroup* to men and women. Family Tree DNA offers all three types of DNA testing options, including in-depth testing of the mtDNA and Y-DNA. Family Tree DNA hosts thousands of surname studies where those of a particular surname or its variants compare Y-DNA results to study how they are related. Each company provides a list of its other customers who match you and allow you to contact matches through the site.

**haplogroup*—a group of individuals who share several genetic mutations as well as a common (usually ancient) ancestor.

Resources: DNA Genealogy blog <dnagenealogy.tumblr.com>, DNAeXplained blog <dnaexplained.com>, The Genetic Genealogist blog <www.thegeneticgenealogist.com>

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A family tree can wither if nobody tends its roots.

Annual memberships are renewable in **January** of each calendar year. You can show your support for our organization and museum by filling out the application below and sending it, along with your payment, to the address shown..

Miller County Historical Society
Membership Registration

Please fill in the form and mark your membership choice below

Name: _____

Address _____

Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

_____ Individual membership—\$10
_____ Family membership—\$15
_____ Individual lifetime membership—\$50
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