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Merry Christmas and best wishes for the coming New Year from all of us at the Miller County Historical Society Museum.

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THE LIBERTY TREE

In January 1765 John Adams noted "meeting with an underground group of dissenters 'near the Tree of Liberty' one cold winter evening. It was under this mighty elm the Sons of Liberty made plans for the Boston Tea Party. For colonists the tree became a rallying spot and became known as 'The Liberty Tree.' The original Liberty Tree was cut down by British troops in 1776. One of the last original Liberty Trees planted by the colonists was an old tulip poplar in Annapolis, Maryland. Before it died 14 seedlings were germinated from it. The sapplings were taken and planted throughout the original 13 colonies. A bud-grafting program was launched. Thanks to the generosity of Crader Distributing, as well as local STIHL dealers throughout Missouri, and in partnership with the Missouri 4-H Foundation, 55 of these grafted trees have been donated to Missouri 4-H Clubs to be planted through the State." (Excerpts from an article by Heather Berry, Rural Missouri Co-op)

On Sunday, October 1, 2017, Miller County 4-H members and the Miller County Historical Society planted a Liberty Tree on the grounds of the Miller County Museum. The tree was bud-grafted from the last standing Revolutionary era Liberty Tree.



THIS 'N THAT

- We are continuing to update the Schools section of our website. Keep checking!
- If you need to contact us please e-mail us at <millercountymuseum@att.net>. E-mail is checked daily. Phone messages will only be checked weekly.
- My Genealogy Hound is a free site to view thousands of family biographies from early and rare history and genealogy references. You can also find thousands of historic county maps and vintage photographs available free to view. Check it out! <//www.mygenealogyhound.com/>

LOOKING FOR PENSION CIVIL WAR PENSION FILES?

The National Archives in Washington D.C. has a new program called the Innovation Hub. The Innovation Hub provides a space for the public to transcribe documents, tag documents, and scan documents in their holdings. When you scan records in the Hub, you receive digital copies of your scans free of charge. Your scans will also be uploaded into the National Archives Catalog. Material scanned will show up in the National Archives Catalog **https://catalog.archives.gov/ One of their volunteers has Miller County roots and is currently scanning Civil War Pension files. Listed below are some of the files that are already available in the National Archives Catalog.**

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