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Both the Perry County Jail Museum meeting and the Perry County Historical Society were cancelled for the month of June. There was little business and Bill Timpner had visitors at his home from Germany.

This month there will be meetings of both groups. The museum committee meets at the museum and we welcome visitors. The historical society returns to Du Quoin and meets at BJ's Restaurant. There will be a program this month with a guest speaker. This promises to be an interesting program so please plan to attend.

The Pinckneyville Business Book project is proceeding with the committee meeting every Wednesday morning at the museum. Marjorie Yuill and Cheryl Bigham have been working especially hard to make this project a going proposition.

July Meetings

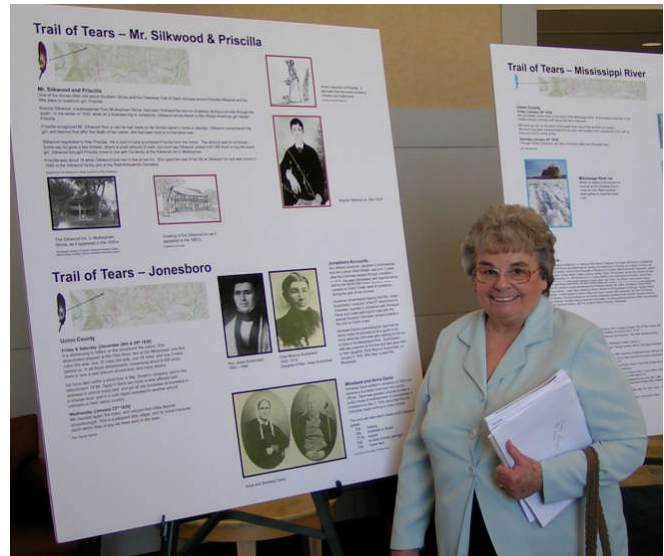


1:30 p.m.

Monday, July 13, 2009
Museum, Pinckneyville

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Perry County Historical Society
Tuesday, July 14, 2009
Dinner 6:00 p.m.
Meeting: 7:00 p.m.
B J's Du Quoin
"Priscilla the Hollyhock Girl"



Sue Glasco a local writer, teacher, and community volunteer will present a program about Priscilla Silkwood and the Trail of Tears in Southern Illinois. Sue has an undergraduate degree and a Master's Degree of Southern Illinois University Carbondale. She has taught every level from pre-school through secondary and college level, she has also been a freelance writer and a community volunteer. Sue learned of the story of Priscilla the Hollyhock Girl while working in a family literacy program with parents and their children at Rend Lake College, and she resolved that this story of human decency in a time of great cruelty and injustice must be shared with as large an audience as possible. This led to researching the story of Priscilla and the Trail of Tears and joining the Illinois Trail of Tears Association.

Through the years Sue has been a part-time writer and during the 1960's wrote a series of newspaper columns on family life and her and her husband's farm. A book "Down on the Farm: One American Family's Dream" is a collection of these columns. This book costs \$20 at Amazon.com but those who buy a copy at the historical society meeting will get a discount and pay \$15.

Stella Runyon's Genealogy Report

Did research on Cima/Cimo.

Looked for information on Audra Adcock but ours is the wrong Audra.

Sent out a death record for Otto Zoekler.

Sent out scanned information from Perry Co. Hist. Book #2.

Sold one history book Volume 2.

Did research on Arnette, Kellerman, and McKinstry.

If anyone has information on the beginning of the Ebenezer School, like when it started, please contact me at

For genealogy work contact Jean Salger at Akakuek@aol.com or Stella Runyon at sarjas1@hughes.net

Bastille Day, Paris, France, July 14, 1789

Storming of the Bastille heralds the French Revolution. Begun by Parisian crowds seeking arms and the liberation of political prisoners. Signals a new period in history with the taking of power by the nascent capitalist class, the French bourgeoisie.

The people of Paris storm the prison of the Bastille, symbol of tyranny, feudal authority and the "divine" rights of kings. The revolution creates a formidable enthusiasm not only among the French working classes but also around the world. Unfortunately the middle-classes gain control, its power displayed in the basket of the guillotine and the totalitarian temptation, leading to reaction, the Empire, and various wars of conquest.

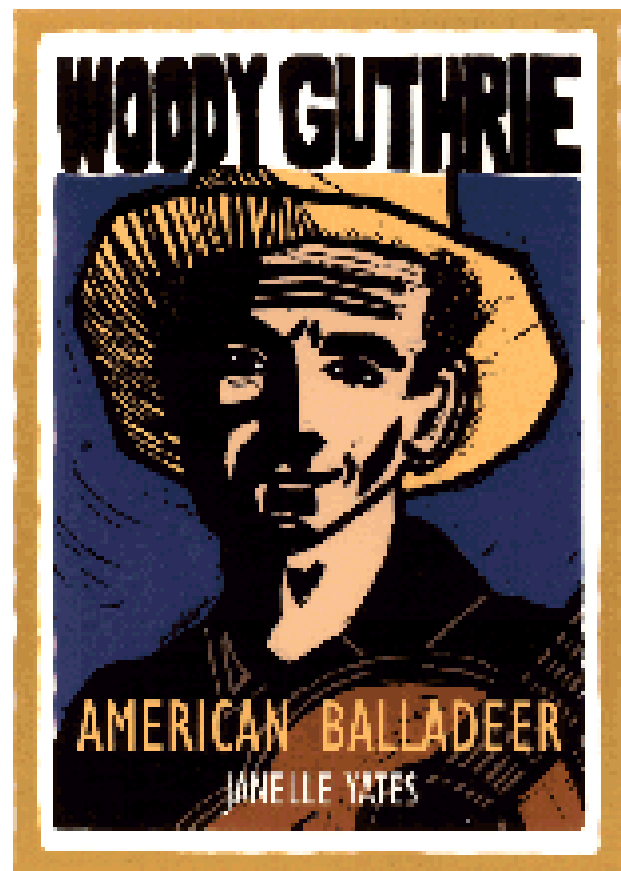
The Marquis de Lafayette entrusted the key to the Bastille to Thomas Paine, pamphleteer and citizen-soldier of the American Revolution who in turn presented it to George Washington. The key to the Bastille is still on display at Mount Vernon, Washington's home. You may buy small replicas of the Bastille Key at the Mount Vernon souvenir shop. From: Daily Bleed website and Counterpunch.com

Pinckneyville Business History Book

The Pinckneyville book committee has worked most of the means for collecting and saving pictures and information for the upcoming book. Information collected will be both for the immediate book project but also a long-term archive for future researchers.

Now we need information from the public in the form of photographs, reminiscences, old records, and so forth. The public's help is needed to make this book successful, the historical society cannot do it alone.

A website: www.pinckneyvillehistory.com is now online and information can be sent to the museum at 108 W. Jackson St. in Pinckneyville



July 14, 1912
October 3, 1967
The Daily Bleed