Addendum and Correction to History of Jacob Zumwalt’s Fort

In the past, research on the Zumwalt family has been somewhat unreliable. Many of the family members have the same name and the surname itself has many spelling variations. In recent years, however, a few Zumwalt descendants have done more thorough research for which we are very grateful. One such descendant recently contacted the O’Fallon Community Foundation, providing us with some updates to the faulty sketches upon which Andrew Weil, like the rest of us, had previously relied. The new information was submitted by Linda Kanevsky:

Jacob married Catherine Miller on December 11, 1774, not in 1772. Helynn Carrier had that date and Weil used her study paper as a source, but she was incorrect. The date is in the Shenandoah County, Virginia Marriage Register on page 495 and was discovered there on the last page of the register by a Virginia researcher, Mrs. D. F. Hardesty.

The assumption that Jacob went to Pike County to live with his son after selling his land to the Heald family is incorrect. That information appeared in Paul Reed’s book, *The Andrew Zumwalt Family* written in 1964. Jacob went from Fort Zumwalt to Callaway County, Missouri and bought 160 acres next to his son-in-law Bosman Clifton on the NW ¼ of Section 17, Township 45N, Range 11 West, 5th PM. He owned the property when he died three years later and it was the subject of a quitclaim deed signed by the heirs of Jacob’s estate on May 29, 1829. The land was assigned to Isaac Zumwalt, one of Frances Price Zumwalt’s sons. The land issue is in Deed Book D, Callaway County, Missouri Deeds, page 416.

In a previous deed made on December 2, 1826, in Deed Book D, Callaway County, Missouri Deeds, page 352, Bosman Clifton and wife Sarah (Zumwalt), Mary Ann Zumwalt, Andrew Zumwalt and wife Susannah, and David Boyd signed over their shares to Andrew Kent and family. Then the remaining heirs (George Zumwalt and wife Mary, John Hostetter and wife Elizabeth, Henry Zumwalt and wife Elizabeth, Lewis Crow and wife Susanna, Lewis Crow Jr. and wife Nancy (Zumwalt), Daniel Zumwalt, Abraham Zumwalt and wife Phebe, Andrew Kent and wife Elizabeth (Zumwalt), and Anthony Zumwalt signed over the estate land to Isaac in 1829. Lewis Crow was the administrator of Jacob’s estate and the guardian of Anthony and Frederick Zumwalt, “infant orphans of Jacob Zumwalt, deceased.” Infant can mean any age under 18 to 21 depending on the laws of the state. These were sons of Frances.

Jacob shows up on the Callaway County Tax list of 1819, and again in 1823, although he is then described as Jacob Zumwalt, dec’d.