

1980 ANNUAL BARTON REUNION

August 10, 1980
Tyger Baptist Church
Tigerville, S. C.

Most of the Bartons who live near enough to the reunion headquarters to be able to work up the programs for the Reunion and who are willing to serve have already served a turn or more and hesitate to continue serving, as many Bartons as there are, so sometimes a president has to be drafted.

One such, Cousin Earl L. Little, Jr., the husband of our Barton descendant, Joan B. Little, our secretary, with her help, did an outstanding job, both taking time off from their jobs and spending many hours to make the Reunion what it was.

The first thing on the agenda was the tour at 10:00 A.M. Saturday, August 9th to various old Barton home places in the area, led by tour leader, Theron E. Barton (And Theron had done his homework.) He tried to select the places of the ancestors of those on the tour, and took us to places we had not been on earlier tours. There were nine vehicles full of Bartons on the tour. The tour took the group to the following old home places (Many with houses gone but signs of where they had stood): Ruben Barrett, Mary Barton Nichols, Tom Calloway, John H. Trammell, William Barton (Shug Turner Barton), Jefferson Barton (Cox Creek), Montgomery, by the old arched Poinsett Bridge, Callahan home place, Bill Barton, by the Sod Barton, Tom Barton, Shapleigh Barton, Bud Barton, John Rector places, on to the Prather Ballenger Mill where we spread lunch, on to Fowler homeplace, Woodfin Barton (log cabin) where pictures of two of our Texas beauties, Jacqueline Vannoy and Caroline Hode, were taken looking out a loft window; by where the Barton slave quarters had been, the Sinkhole Bottom, and brothers David and Thomas Barton, by the homes of George and Gwen Barton and Bonnie Whitfill then on to Neal's Fork where we stopped to cool off (one of those 1980 HOT summer afternoons) and consume some left-over beverages.

Saturday evening at Earl and Joan's home in Mauldin provided a **gain** finish for a lovely day. They served a delightful buffet dinner on their patio with tables and chairs set up on their lovely lawn in back. Their little daughter, Adriane, had her cooler of Kool-Aid she wanted to share with us too. As we ate the delicious homemade ice cream they had a very interesting speaker, Mr. Hurley Badders, Pendleton Historical Commission, P. O. Box 234, Pendleton, S.C. 29670. He talked to us about

our heritage, the roots we had in his area and how his commission might help us.

Will let secretary, Joan B. Little give you an account of the Sunday Reunion Meeting with her official minutes, as follows:

Minutes
Of The
Forty-First Reunion

The annual Barton Reunion was held on August 10, 1980 at Tyger Baptist Church, Tigerville, South Carolina.

Elizabeth W. Barton opened the morning session with a prelude after which the welcome was given by President Earl L. Little, Jr. Mr. James Oliver led the singing of the hymn, "Faith of Our Fathers". The introduction of our guest speaker, Rev. W. P. Hall, Jr. was given by Mr. Glenn Y. Barton. (Rev. Hall is descended from Cynthia Barton Hall.)

Rev. Hall pronounced the invocation after which Mr. Oliver, Minister of Music at Shannon Forest Presbyterian Church, Greenville, S.C. sang a solo "Amazing Grace" and then Rev. Hall delivered the morning message.

An offering for Tyger Church was then taken. After the congregational singing of "A Mighty Fortress" and the benediction by Rev. Hall, the group went down to the church fellowship hall for the covered dish luncheon.

After lunch and fellowship, the Family Meeting was called to order by President Earl Little, Jr. As the minutes has been published in the "Reunion" edition of the "Barton Bulletin", it was decided to dispense with actually reading them. A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes as published.

At this time the Treasurer, Thelma Barton Stephens gave her report and indicated that at this time a negative balance exists after the publication and mailing of the "Reunion" edition of the "Barton Bulletin". A discussion followed regarding the mailing list. A motion was made and seconded to name a committee to study the finances, mailing list additions and deletions. An offering was taken to help defray some of the expenses.

Mr. Frank L. Barton reported in the absence of Mr. George Barton on the "Tax Exempt Status Committee". He reported on the transactions that had transpired leading up to the actual creation and approval of the "By-Laws" and the subsequent approval by the Secretary of State.

granting an Eleemosynary Charter to the Barton Historical Society, Inc. Also, the status of the state tax position. A motion was made and seconded to approve the "By-Laws". Motion carried. He also asked his committee to meet after the Business Meeting.

President Little asked to make a correction regarding the altar flowers - Mrs. Rownee Johnson, not Brownee, with apologies for the error.

Gifts were presented by Mr. Glenn Y. Barton recognizing the oldest person present, Mrs. Nellie Barton, 92, of Pisgah Forest, N.C.; the youngest, the youngest married couple, and the oldest married couple, Mr. & Mrs. Conway Johnson. Also for persons traveling the longest distance, which was from Lubbock, Texas, 1527 miles.

It was announced that our "Chief of the Clan", Rev. Joe Frank Barton of Albany, Georgia was in the hospital. A motion was made and seconded to send flowers to him from the "Reunion Family".

James E. Barton, Nominating Committee Chairman presented the following slate of Officers for the 1981 Reunion:

President	Glenn Y. Barton
President-Elect	Bonnie Whitfill
Secretary	Thelma Barton Stephens
Treasurer	Joan B. (Mrs. Earl L.) Little
Bulletin Editor	Thelma Barton Stephens

These officers were elected by acclamation.

Miss Lois West, Registration Chairman, reported 88 persons registered. These include 19 from N.C., 9 from Texas, 4 from Georgia, 1 from Kentucky, 1 from Indiana and the balance from S.C. She also announced that she has prints of the Kindness Barton tintype if anyone is interested.

The Memorial Service was then conducted by Glenn Y. Barton.

After announcing the date for the next reunion, the second Sunday in August of 1981, the "Family Meeting" concluded with the congregational singing of "Bless Be The Tie That Binds" while holding hands in a circle around the fellowship hall.

Respectfully Submitted,

Joan Bayne Little
Secretary

Allow your editor to here add that along with the morning message by the Rev. W. P. Hall, Jr. we did not know that we were getting a message - a sermon in poetry - by one of our very own Barton descendants. These were his poems given in the morning message: "The Ministry of Ministers" "You Cannot Gather Every Rose," "When Jesus Came To Greenville," "The Old Violin," "We Are Building Every Day," "All I Need Is Jesus," and "Influence". It was great to learn of this talent in the Barton family.

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TREASURER'S REPORT

of the

Barton Historical Society, Inc.

August 12, 1979 - July 31, 1980

RECEIPTS:

Balance on hand - August 12, 1979.....	\$ 65.72
Received from Donations to July 31, 1980.....	\$1,301.67
Total Receipts.....	\$1,367.39

EXPENDITURES:

8-12-79	Stephen Copeland Barton - Reunion Speaker	\$ 25.00
8-14-79	SanSouci Flower Shop - Flowers for Cousin Eleanor Barton.....	\$ 15.60
2-9-80	Bank of McCreary County - Checks	\$ 1.29
4-11-80	George Wilson, Postmaster - Postage for Bulletins	\$357.00
	Total Expenditures.....	\$398.89

BALANCE on hand July 31, 1980 \$968.50

Unpaid Bills outstanding:

10-80	JET Printing - Winter Bulletin Advanced by Treasurer	\$869.50
8-8-80	JET Printing - Reunion Bulletin due	\$532.50

Respectfully Submitted,

Thelma B. Stephens
Treasurer

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Those Registering At The Reunion:

Mrs. Beth Barton, 621 Heathwood Dr., Taylors, S. C. 29687
Frankie Ponder, Rt. 7, Greer, S. C. 29651
Charles Ponder, Rt. 7, Greer, S. C. 29651
Todd Ponder, Rt. 7, Greer, S. C. 29651
Conway Johnson and Rownie Johnson, Rt. 3, Greer, S. C. 29651
Mrs. Harold E. Garner & Sons, 375 Becky Branch Rd., So. Pines, N. C. 28387
(Daughter of Rownie Barton Johnson)
Theron E. Barton, 108 Blue Ridge Dr., Greer, S. C. 29651
Mrs. Theron E. Barton, 108 Blue Ridge Dr., Greer, S. C. 29651
Roy Garrett, R.F.D. #1, Taylors, S. C. 29687
Marie McMahan, P. O. Box 686, Van Alstyne, Texas 75095
Norma Barton Bayne, 101 Atwood St., Apt. 2, Greenville, S. C. 29601
Andy & Betty Howard, 135 N. Park Dr., Spartanburg, S. C. 29302
Andrea Howard, 115 Sims Ave., Columbia, S. C. 29205
Eliza Barton Jones, Star Rt. Flomot, Texas 79234
Mollie Burleson, Rt. 4, Floydada, Texas 79235
Pam Stephens, 104 N. Lake Hills Dr., Austin, Texas 78746
Mrs. Caroline L. Bode, 1911 Oakshire, San Antonio, Texas 78232
Freeman & Doris Stroud, Rt. 8, Box 849, Greer, S. C. 29651
Jennie L. Rhinehart, 315 Mulligan St., Spartanburg, S. C. 29303
Frank & Margaret Barton, 2119 Dalloz Rd., Columbia, S. C. 29204
David Coward, 23-A Harborside, Lexington, S. C. 29072
Hollis & Sue Barton, 104 Cherokee Dr., Greenville, S. C. 29615
Carl & Janie Poole, Rt. #2, Taylors, S. C. 29687
Fannie Poole, Rt. 3, Greer, S. C. 29651
Carol Austin Cox & Lyda Austin, 104 Dove Lane, Taylors, S. C.
Bill & Robbie Gay Barton, Rt. 1, Box 16, Brevard, N. C.
Nellie Barton, Pisgah Forest, N. C.

Dollie Riddle, Lake Toxaway, N. C., General Delivery
 Pearl Owen, Lake Toxaway, N. C., Rt. #1, Box 52
 Jean Giles, 8184 Nornam Pl., Raleigh, N. C. 27606
 Wilma Barton, 6 Peachtree Lane, Greer, S. C. 29651
 John H. Owen & Son, Rt. 1, Box 53, Lake Toxoway, N. C.
 W. Bryson, Brevard, N. C.
 Mary Ann, & T. R. Manus, Flat Rock, N. C.
 Mark Bryson, Brevard, N. C.
 Ann R. Owen, Lake Toxaway, N. C.
 Glenn Barton, Rt. 1, Blowing Rock, N. C.
 Viola Calvert, Flomot Texas
 Mike & Martha Coats, Rt. 8, Greenwood, S. C.
 Rev. & Mrs. W. P. Hall, Jr., 111 Chestnut Ave., Greer, S. C.
 Mr. & Mrs. Richard D. & Kathy Barton Altsman, 15 Talltree Lane,
 Taylors, S. C. 29687
 Mr. & Mrs. John Harold Barton, 62 Ramblewood Apts., Greenville,
 S. C. 29615
 Mr. & Mrs. Rembert & Lee Ann Barton Baker, K-20 Turtle Creek Apts.,
 Greenville, S. C. 29615
 Mrs. DeLoma Foster, Heritage Rd., Greenville, S. C. 29615
 Harry W. Barrett, 1579 Wren Rd., Jonesboro, Ga. 30236
 Helen Bryson, 101 W. Jordon St., Brevard, N. C.
 Glenda L. Barrett, Leland S. & Lane E. Barrett, 1579 Wren Rd.,
 Jonesboro, Georgia 30236
 Phoebe Barton McCallum & Harold M. McCallum, Box 206, Fort Mill,
 S. C. 29715
 Jim & Louise Barton, 402 Woodbluff Rd., Laurens, S. C. 29360
 Beth Barton, 402 Woodbluff Rd., Laurens, S. C. 29360
 Tim Brady
 Coy Barton, Rt. 2, Travelers Rest, S. C. 29690
 Jacqueline Vannoy, 2329 Morett, Sherman, Texas 75090
 Mrs. Dorothy Banfield, P. O. Box 40, Whitesboro, Texas 76273
 Mr. & Mrs. Thomas F. Barton, Rt. 9, Box 603, Greer, S. C. 29651
 Mrs. T. K. Barton, 705 N. Broadway McAllen, Texas 78501
 Thelma B. Stephens, P. O. Box 157, Whitley City, KY 42653
 Evelyn B. Giles, 5124 Norman Place, Raleigh, N. C. 27606
 Billy E. Giles, 4857 Crittenden Ave., Indianapolis, Ind. 46205
 Lois West, 263 Carlisle St., Spartanburg, S. C. 29301

NOTE: Those who came so far to fellowship together and "dig" for their roots were really appreciated, and we so much regretted that our beloved

Margaret McCabe had gone to a lot of effort to be with us and became ill on the last minute at her mother's in Easley, S. C. and could not get on up to Tigerville. "So near, yet so far."

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Pictures taken at the Saturday evening buffet at President Earl L. and Joan Little's home:



Host, Earl L. Little in front of mobile home, on back lawn.