

Historical Marriages

SAGINAW'S SOCIAL LIFE

The handsome new St. Mary's Catholic church, which was dedicated last Sunday with imposing ceremonies, was the scene of a pretty wedding this morning, the couple to be honored by the first sacred ceremony of like character in the church being Miss Cora E. Barton and T. A. Wilson, both of this city. The edifice was nearly filled with friends of both and the beauty of the structure and solemnity of the service lent an added impressiveness over all. The decorations were palms and small bouquets of flowers upon the altars. Promptly at 9 o'clock the organ, presided over by Prof. Coy, pealed forth its joyous tones in a Fantasia and the bridal party entered, the bride leaning upon the arm of her father, who gave her away. They were preceded by the maid of honor, Miss Mayme White, of Washington, D. C., and on reaching the altar were met by the groom and Raymond J. Haul, of Bay City, who acted as best man. The service was performed by Rev. Fr. Dalton, pastor of the church, who celebrated nuptial high mass. The mass by Schaller was sung by Prof. Coy, was also sung as the offertory solo "Ave Marie," and at the conclusion of the deeply impressive ceremony the jubilant strains of the Processional March by Battiste were played as the bridal party left the church.

Saginaw News [MI] July 29, 1903

[Ed.: Will

Monday, September 24, is the day chosen for the marriage of Miss Marcia Duvall Drennon and Mr. Kimber Lewis Barton, jr. The wedding will be a quiet one, celebrated at 6 o'clock at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Howard Drennon, 2927 Forest avenue.

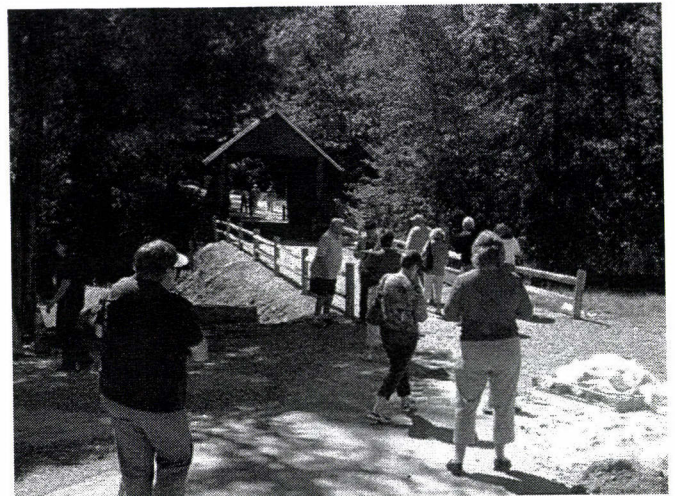
Kansas City Star [MO] Sep. 23, 1906 p4

[Ed.: Do you recognize Dante Barton ID# I45545?]

Reunion Report

There was a hint of fall in the air, September 30, when Bartons began to arrive in beautiful Greenville, SC for the 2010 Return to the Upcountry Reunion. The Hyatt Regency Greenville on Main Street was the center of activity in the busy downtown, where cousins spread out on Thursday night for dinner at the many choices of restaurants. Some took advantage of free time and visited the historical and genealogical collections at the Greenville County Library. Upon returning to the hotel, the hospitality room provided a place throughout the weekend to visit and renew friendships.

Friday morning, cousin Dean Campbell greeted us at the tour bus for a day of sightseeing. We traveled throughout the upcountry, the foothills, the Dark Corner, Poinsett Bridge, Campbell Covered Bridge, Tyger Cemetery and other sites in the area related to Bartons, plus the restoration in progress at the 1790 Blythe-Goodwin-Hagood House. The group feasted on unforgettable fried chicken and the trimmings, banana pudding and other treats at the Junction Restaurant in Gowansville, a favorite of Bartons from prior reunions.



The tour concluded with the dedication of the marker for the DAVID BARTON HOME SITE, 1785 - 1838, presented by Anne McCuen. The log home of David Barton and wife Nancy Barrett was established on this site. Bette Pitman and Anne McCuen had researched the location for the marker, and Jim Barton, his

grandson, Barton Holmes, Dean Campbell and Freeman Stroud installed it.



Anne McCuen also served as our featured speaker on Saturday. See the text of her speeches elsewhere in this newsletter.

Saturday evening, the group congregated at the Brick Street Café for dinner. It was our opportunity to travel to our destination by the free city trolley, which was entertainment itself. Private dining on the lower level of an historic building was another opportunity to know our cousins better. Some in the party walked back to the hotel, detouring through Falls Park on the Reedy, and viewing the beautifully lit waterfalls from the magnificent Liberty footbridge. Another sight on the walk was Poinsett Spring fountain in front of the Westin Poinsett Hotel. The fountain was moved from the land previously owned by Col. Wilson Barton.

Sunday morning found Bartons sharing their experiences at breakfast in the hotel's Provincia restaurant. Farewells were said, and some struck out for home while others joined in the worship service at Tyger Baptist Church.

*Karla Smith, Co-Chair
and her wonderful committee*

Those in attendance were:
Ivan White, Chamblee, GA
Don White
Charles Barton, Bertram, TX
Beth Barton, Bertram, TX
Charlette Scarborough, Stephenville, TX
Barbara Jordon, Taylor, TX

Jim D. Barton, Clinton, SC
Jean Giles Smith, Raleigh, NC
Peggy Nouri, Austin, TX
Robert and Karen Howard, Mauldin, SC
Seth and Marlene Barton, Columbus, NJ
Jim E. And Louise Barton, Laurens, SC
Tom M. Jones, Easley, SC
Bette Pitman, Laurens, SC
Loretta Barton Hicks, Jasper, GA
Carol Barton Watson, Epworth, GA
Mary C. Barton, Calhoun, GA
Gary Barton, Mesa, AZ
Anne McCuen, Greenville, SC
Robert H. and Nancy Barton, Carmel, CA
Karla and Reggie Smith, Georgetown, TX
Louise Barton Sanders, Lometa TX
Connie Sanders Greer, Houston, TX
Jan Sanders Curiel, Leander, TX
Sterlin and Merrilyn Barton, Thrall, TX
Edna and John Mattern, Garfield, NJ
Evelyn and Robby Rogers, Easley, SC
James Lee Weaver, Peachtree City, GA
Terry Barton, Marietta, GA
Evelyn Banda, Kilgore, TX
Elizabeth Banda Leakhart, Kilgore, TX
Brandi Banda, Kilgore, TX
Carl and Deborah Lee, Greenville, SC
Thomas and Karen Mims, Mauldin, SC
Kathy Barton Gerwig, Greenville, SC
Mary K. S. Barton, Greenville, SC
Dean Campbell, Landrum, SC
Freeman Stroud, Taylors, SC

Treasurer's Report Sep. 2009 – Sep. 2010

	<u>TOTAL</u>
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
BOOK STORE	
Barton Blue Book	260.00
DVD	60.00
Karla Cox Smith	100.00
Misc. Income	0.00
BOOK STORE - Other	313.78
Total BOOK STORE	733.78
DNA Receipts	1,004.00
Donations	
Membership Dues	1,760.00
Donations - Other	70.00
Total Donations	1,830.00

Registration (Annual Meeting)	1,280.00
Special Events Income	<u>395.00</u>
Total Income	<u>5,242.78</u>
Gross Profit	5,242.78
Expense	
Annual Meetings	
2009 Annual Meeting	1,174.75
2010 Reunion	<u>147.25</u>
Total Annual Meetings	1,322.00
Bank Supplies/SChg	148.95
BOOK COMMISSIONS	
Tyger Barton Reunion	135.00
BOOK COMMISSIONS - Other	<u>0.00</u>
Total BOOK COMMISSIONS	135.00
DNA-Expense	
Family Tree DNA	<u>1,072.00</u>
Total DNA-Expense	1,072.00
Newsletter (Printing & Postage)	1,044.13
Office Supplies	0.00
Operations	
Postage, Mailing Service	<u>205.29</u>
Total Operations	<u>205.29</u>
Total Expense	<u>3,927.37</u>
Net Ordinary Income	<u>1,315.41</u>
Net Income	<u><u>1,315.41</u></u>

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ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
Bank of America	<u>3,535.64</u>
Total Checking/Savings	<u>3,535.64</u>
Total Current Assets	<u>3,535.64</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u><u>3,535.64</u></u>
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Equity	
Retained Earnings	2,448.23
Net Income	<u>1,087.41</u>
Total Equity	<u>3,535.64</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	<u><u>3,535.64</u></u>

*Respectfully submitted
by Carl Lee*

Anne McCuen's Reunion Talk
Barton Historical Society
Hyatt Regency Hotel
Greenville, South Carolina
2 October 2010

In 1784, about eight years after the Revolutionary War had ended, the Barton men – Thomas, William, David and Benjamin came from Spartanburg County to live in an area which was to become Greenville County, South Carolina.

A part of the land, once owned by Cherokee Indians and lost by them to white folks after the Revolutionary War, was being sold by the State of South Carolina for only \$10 per 100 acres. If a Revolutionary War soldier had one of the Indents which had been issued by the State of South Carolina to soldiers for their service (because the State was bankrupt and had no money to pay them), then the veteran soldier could use the Indent to buy land in the former Cherokee territory for only \$10 per 100 acres.

The Bartons may or may not have used Indents to buy their land. We know that they did not come as indigent people – particularly Thomas. And, in time, these early Bartons acquired 1,513 acres by grants and deeds.

We know that Thomas Barton (approximately 35 years old, husband of Bethire) was well off enough for the deed of the fourth piece of land which he bought, to read "to Thomas Barton, gentleman." A dictionary of legal terms says that as a legal term, "gentleman," in its English origin, referred to "a man of noble and gentle birth; one belonging to the landed gentry; a man of independent means, certainly above the rank of Yeoman." (Yeoman meaning a commoner.)

Thirty-four years old Tom's first grant of land (CLA64) was for 200 acres and was on both sides of the North Fork of Pack's Creek "near the head." Three other creeks also headed on this piece of land. Pack's Creek flowed off of Pack's Mountain. Often, both on plats and in deeds, the name of the creek and the