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# 2016 BARTON FAMILY REUNION

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## Welcome!!

Welcome to the first issue of the Barton Family Reunion! There is a lot of exciting news to update you on since our premier mailing.

## Why This Family Reunion

1. The 2016 Barton Family Reunion is a time for CONNECTIONS and RECONNECTIONS.

The 2016 Barton Family Reunion is a time –

- to pass on our family heritage;
- to learn more and/or teach about family history;
- to identify with people who share similar interests, goals – for a sense of belonging;
- to pay tribute to a unique family event such as a graduation, wedding, or memorial service.

2. Kids who grow up going to family reunions are more likely to keep the ball rolling for future generations.

3. We are not promised tomorrow. We realized that talking about how we “should” have a family reunion is not having a family reunion. There will come a day when a precious member of our family will not be able to attend. We have taken this last year to plan this reunion for all of us!!

4. Family reunions are a great way to keep the family history alive and well. Tradition should be a big part of your family. Taking the time to come together and teach (in a fun way) the tradition of our family will keep it alive and strong.

5. The best idea for family reunions is to have one. Family is important. Our society is in need of slowing down and focusing on the real important things in life, like family. We need to instill in our children that family is important. Kind words are great, but there is nothing like action to truly show people how much you love and care for them. Taking the time to come together as a family speaks volume to your entire family.

## Reunion Snapshot

- **Date:** September 2 – 4, 2016
- **Place:** Titusville, Florida
- **Itinerary** –Schedule of Events
- **Cost:** Based on the age of the attendee. You should have received this information in your registration package. For this first year we are accepting onsite registrations.
- **Response:** Thank you for submitting your fees in a timely manner. This allowed us to plan for and have a budget for our events. You have our eternal gratitude!!

## Fill Out Your Family History Sheet

Please help keep us all up to date on you and yours! A lot of our information is not up to date and might not be accurate as it may have come from sources other than you. For those who haven't filled out a Family Information Sheet, please contact the registration table for a form. Please fill in and return your completed form! Thanks!

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## Picture Request!

If you would like pictures you might have of you, your children, and your ancestors you would like to share, allow us to make these pictures a part of **our** archives. Someday our descendants will be able to look back and see their ancestry presented to the new generations. With today's technology it is both easy and inexpensive to copy pictures with a computer and a scanner. The more pictures we gather, the more we can display at the reunions to come. We will accept pictures by mail and email at any time!

If you plan on bringing original pictures to the reunion, please let us know ahead of time so arrangements can be made for copying before they are displayed and/or archived. We don't want to risk the loss of precious originals so copies will be the safest route to follow. Pictures can be submitted electronically as well.

Also, if you have any pictures with unknown people that you'd like identified, we can plan a display area for the pictures – there might be someone out there who knows the identity and probable date!

**PLEASE NOTATE ALL PEOPLE AND DATES OF THE PICTURE(S) THAT ARE SUBMITTED FOR ARCHIVAL PURPOSES. THIS INCLUDES ELECTRONIC PICTURES AS WELL.**

## Volunteering/Prize Donations

Do you have a special talent, ability or some other way that you would like to help out with our reunion? How about contributions to use as door prizes (i.e. corporate items, handcrafted items, etc.). Any other ideas/suggestions are

welcome. If so, please indicate this on the reunion form.

## Additional Contact Information

Feel free to make notes and/or ask questions that you would like to ask or discuss at the reunion. You can make any other contributions you might have for the good of the organization:

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## Our Website!

Don't forget to check out our Family Web Site!  
<http://www.barton-jackson.com/>

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## Schedule at a Glance

### Adult Hospitality Room

Throughout the Reunion Weekend, we will have an adult hospitality suite with board games, mementos, old family photos, music, snacks and beverages. Please bring photos and other memorabilia to share with other family members.

### Game Rooms

Throughout the reunion weekend, we will also have two staffed games rooms for our youth; “The Kid Spot” for small children and “The Teen Zone” for our teens and preteens. These rooms will be filled with age appropriate board games, video games, toys, TV’s, movies, music, snacks and beverages.

### Friday, September 2, 2016 – Suggestion pool party with heavy o’douvers

- 3:00pm -- 6:00pm: Hotel Check-In & Reunion Registration
- 6:00pm – 8:00pm: Welcome Reception - Meet & Greet
- 9:00pm – 12:00am: Free Time – hospitality suite and game rooms will be open

### Saturday, September 3, 2016

- 7:45am – 8:15am: Family Fitness
- 8:00am – 10:00am: Deluxe Continental Breakfast
- 10:00am – 2:00pm: Family Fun Day & Picnic @ Cuyler Park
- 2:00pm – 7:00 pm: Free Time – hospitality suite and game rooms will be open
- 3:00pm – 4:30pm: Lil’ Cousins Pool Social (optional)
- 6:30pm – 7:00 pm: Pre Banquet Reception
- 7:00pm – 9:00pm: Reunion Gala Banquet
- 9:00pm – 12:00pm: Family Social
- 9:00pm – 12:00am: Lil’ Cousins Pajama Celebration & Movie (optional)

### Sunday, September 4, 2016

- 7:45am – 8:15am: Family Fitness
- 8:00am – 10:00am: Deluxe Continental Breakfast
- 10:00am – 11:00am: Business Meeting/Farewell Activities
  - 11:00am: Hotel Check-out
  - 12:00pm: Church Invitation @ XX
  - 2:00pm: Family Dinner @ TBA (optional/pay your way)

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## Family Reunion Events

*Tentative Schedule of Activities and Information*

### 2016 Barton Family Welcome Reception - Meet & Greet

Friday, September 2, 2016                      Where: Holiday Inn Titusville  
Room: Hospitality Suite                      Time: 8:00 p.m. - 12:00 a.m.

Once check-in and registration is complete--where you'll receive your welcome packages, and after you've had a chance to relax and unwind from your travels, please join us as we officially kick off the 2016 Barton Family Reunion weekend with a welcome reception (or pool party)! Expect heavy o'douvers, beverages, mingle with loved ones, and enjoy a few family fun activities. The hospitality suite will be open until 6 p.m. **It** will be open for continental breakfast from x to x

### 2016 Barton Family Fun Day & Picnic

Saturday, September 3, 2016                      Where: Cuyler Park, Mims, Florida 32754  
Shelters: Pavilions A                      Time: 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

We're firing up the grills and preparing some of your favorite dishes! Get ready for creative games, competitions, and family fun for all ages! All guests are encouraged to wear the reunion t-shirt. Wait...did we mention the delicious food that will be served??? Thought so! But, it's worth another mention!

### 2016 Barton Family Reunion familia omnes Ball and Talent Show

Saturday, September 3, 2016                      Where: Holiday Inn Titusville  
Building: Hospitality Suite                      Time: 6:00 p.m. – 12:00 a.m.

As the day draws to an end, find your "best" formal evening outfit and join us for the cocktail hour from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Be prepared for an evening of fellowship as we reflect over our family's history and the memorable moments from this extraordinary weekend. Enjoy a formal dinner and awards program, followed by a dance or showcase of talented family members...which is sure to please!

### 2016 Barton Family Business Meeting & Farewell Activities

Sunday, September 4, 2016                      Where: Holiday Inn Titusville  
Room: Hospitality Suite                      Time: 8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

Breakfast for those who would like to have breakfast only!! Breakfast and meeting for Family members who wish to participate in the planning of our next reunion are welcome to attend the Family Business Meeting. Before we prepare to travel home, may God allow us to conclude our reunion festivities by joining hands in prayer and service to God. The family that prays together, stays together! Hugs, Kisses and Farewell Wishes~

### Sunday Service Church Invitation

Sunday, September 4, 2016                      Where: Holiday Inn Titusville  
Address: Hospitality Suite                      Time: 10:00 a.m.