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Reunion at Providence Lutheran Church

By Joy Anita Shaw

Christian Davis Austin was born 30 August 1807, the son of Davis Austin and Catherine Inabnit of Lexington County, South Carolina. In about 1827, "C.D.", as he was called, married Lucretia Roberts, daughter of Absalom Roberts II and Barbara Caughman. Between 1828 and 1851 they had 11 children: Jacob (1828 – 1920), Josiah (1830 – 1892), Sarah (1832–1919), Absalom Davis (1834 – 1919), James Elbert (1836 – 1919), Robert J. (1839 – 1864), Martin Van Buren (1840 – 1921), Celia Elizabeth (1842 – 1934), Matthew (1846 -), Emmanuel Gideon (1848 – 1901) and Barbara Sue (1851 – 1935).

C.D. was a Lutheran minister and pastor of a church in Lexington County. In 1850 – 1853 C.D. and Lucretia, with other Lutheran families from the Lexington and Newberry Districts – including the Roberts and Caughman families - left South Carolina for Mississippi where they settled in Atalla, Holmes, Winston, Scott and Smith counties. A number of churches were started by these families in all five counties. In 1855 Rev. Christian Davis Austin established Providence Lutheran Church in Burns, Smith County, Mississippi, located inside the Bienville National Forest east of Jackson, and he was the pastor there from 1855 until his death on 28 May 1876.

In July 1985 Maurine Holbrook Whitworth, cousin of my mother, Rita Kathryn Austin Hageman, (both great-granddaughters of C.D. and Lucretia) invited us to attend the annual Sunday service honoring C.D.

as founder of Providence Lutheran Church. There was an Austin Family Reunion luncheon planned on the Saturday before at the Roosevelt State Park lodge in Morton. The co-hosts with Maurine were Hulon Cade and Bonnie Austin, Holton and Margie Austin and Mary Austin Barnett. My mom, brother Allen Shaw, his wife Sheila and I flew in from California to attend. On Friday we were taken over to Shongelo to see the dirt road with 6 cedar trees that marked where the home of Josiah and Jane Austin (my great-grandparents) stood. Nearby was the road leading to C. D. and Lucretia Austin's home and "the Pond" where C.D. had a grist mill.

At the Saturday luncheon all the Austin clan met and ate delicious southern cooking. Other attendees came from Mississippi, Louisiana, Texas, North Carolina, Florida and Arkansas. We were called up in groups according to the children of C.D. and Lucretia. The descendants of James Elbert Austin were the largest group. My mother Kathryn was recognized for traveling the farthest. Marshall Meadows received a gift for being the oldest. Seldon Nixon Gomez received a silver baby cup for being the youngest to attend.

After the luncheon we visited some beautiful little cemeteries that were the burial sites of our ancestors. At Zion Lutheran Cemetery north of Burns we saw Josiah and Jane Austin's gravesite. Seeing my Mom's reaction standing next to her grandparents' grave is a sweet memory. Later we drove east and then north on R35 to Old Lutheran Chapel Cemetery where we found gravesites of

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Christian Davis Austin
1807 - 1876



Lucretia Roberts Austin
1810 - 1884

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New Members Welcomed

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Richard b. 1598 Eng; Anthony b. 1636 Eng.; Nathaniel b. 1678 Suffield, MA; Nathaniel Jr. b. 1703 MA; Joab b. 1740 MA; James b. 1791 MA; Anna Elizabeth b. 1818 MA

Susan Elizabeth Turner

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John b.1726 Hanover Co., VA; John Jr. b. 1761 VA; David Shelton b. 1792 VA; John Overton b. 1818 VA; Mollie b. 1861 Fannin Co., TX

Is Your Membership Information Complete?

When you joined AFAOA you were asked to name your earliest Austin ancestors and 3 spaces were provided. Some of you only named one ancestor and some added additional pages, naming your entire known Austin line. Since giving that information have you extended your line back a generation or more? If so, please send me the additional names to update your membership record.

If you would like to know what ancestor information we have for you, or who else in the Association shares your earliest ancestors, just send me an e-mail or a note and I will be happy to answer your questions.

Carol Hagglund

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Robert b. ~1635 Eng; Jeremiah b. ~1662 RI; Jeremiah b. 1692 RI; Jeremiah b. 1730 RI; Thomas b. 1773 RI; James b. 1795 VT; Samuel Jackson b. 1826 NY; Alice Marie b. 1865 NY

Gerald Austin

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Robert b ~1635 Eng; Jeremiah b.~1662 RI; Pasco b. 1698 RI; Gideon b.1731 RI; Gideon b. 1757 RI; Gideon b. 1795 RI

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Please check your newsletter mailing label for your renewal date. When you renew your AFAOA membership, please send your dues (\$15 for one year or \$25 for two years) to:

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Send changes to: Alice Austin Martin, 527 Front Beach Dr. #3, Ocean Springs, MS 39564; or send changes by e-mail to the address below:

Alice Austin Martin
Membership Chairman

We Need Your Help With Your Newsletter

The AFAOA Newsletter is a way for us to learn about Austin heritage and to keep informed about what is going on in this association and in Austin research. It is also a way to share and preserve stories about our Austin ancestors. However it takes work to keep these pages filled with interesting and timely articles. That is where you, the AFAOA members, come in.

Please send stories about your Austin ancestors, male or female. Do you have an ancestor who was a pioneer or a war hero - who was famous or infamous? What did they accomplish? How did they participate in the events of American history? Tell their stories!

Is there an interesting problem you have solved in your research? A problem that you have not solved?

Sending a story is easy. Type it up and attach it to an email, or send it via the Post Office, to Alice Martin, Membership Chairman (address on page 1).

Your article can either be carefully worded, and ready to print, or a rough draft that needs some editing. Either one will be appreciated.

Another way you can help is to volunteer to join the Newsletter team, perhaps even to be the Editor or Co-Editor. Jim Carlin and I have been doing this task, in addition to our other AFAOA responsibilities, for over a year now.

We need your help! We need people to write articles but we also need people to search for interesting stories and make suggestions of topics you would like to see included.

Stories ... ideas ... offers to help... let us hear from you.

Alice Austin Martin

Austin Database Update

Genealogist Liz Austin Carlin is currently working on a new database - *Alexander Austin of SC*. The basis for this effort is a small linked database currently in Southern Unplaced.

Database updates that have been placed on the web site include Carol Austin's *Jonah of Taunton, MA*, Art Sikes' *Nathan of Rhode Island*, Susan Lewis' *John of Monongalia Co., VA (WV)*, Liz Carlin's *John Sr., of the Southside Region of VA*, also her update of

William of Kent Co., MD, and Joy Anita Shaw's *William of VA and Craven Co., VA*.

Our web site software is being redesigned (see page 4). After beta testing of the new software is completed, and becomes fully operational on the site, all compilers will be asked for updates to their databases.

Jim Carlin
Database Chairman

Bremen Passenger Lists

The Bremen Passenger Lists, 1920-1939 contains 635,000 names. The database may be searched by name, date of departure, destination harbors and home-towns of the passengers. Searches are free.

www.passengerlists.de



PRESIDENT'S CORNER

The attendees at the 2009 National Austin Convention, nominated 2 possible sites for next year's convention. The 2010 International Austin Convention will be jointly sponsored by AFGS and they have added Washington, DC to the list. It is time to consider your preferences. Personally, I think any of the three would be great. The more I learn about Wilmington, and the Philadelphia area, the more I like it, although I have been to Washington and Salt Lake City several times and enjoyed good research and fun activities at both.

Send your vote by mail or email to Bonnie. Remember that if you are also a member of AFGS you are encouraged to also vote on an AFGS ballot. Don't wait until the deadline to vote. It is especially important for you to vote if the site selection would influence whether or not you could attend. The decision will be announced on our web site later in December and in the January Newsletter.

Jim Carlin, Joy Davis and their team are doing fantastic things with our web site, an outgrowth of one of the first real genealogical web resources on the internet. Personally, as a computer "user" and not very savvy about machine language and programs, it all seems a cross between rocket science and black magic. We put in our zeros and ones, and the computer spits out other zeros and ones. The ultimate purpose, of course, is for the process to be invisible, with people like me submitting information and then easily searching, finding, and downloading an organized, understandable and reliable product. Good Work!

Congratulations to Helen for the Eagle Award, with thanks for all the work she has done, and continues to do. Thanks also to Joy Anita Shaw and Susan Joy Lewis and all the other compilers (who will be featured in later issues of the Newsletter), and to all those who have provided information. A special thanks to Jim and to Joy Davis and Sue Osborn, who put it all together and make it available on the Internet.

We have a constant need for contribution of data from personal libraries and files, as well as continuing data mining at libraries, churches, cemeteries, courthouses and, of course, other web sources. Keep that data coming! And, do consider helping with the newsletter.

Gay G. Martin, Jr.
AFAOA President

Helen Cook Austin Receives the Eagle Award



Dr. Michael Austin, AFGS president, presents Eagle Award to Dr. Helen Cook Austin

At the 2009 International Austin Convention, held August 14 - 16 in Montreal, Canada, Dr. Helen Cook Austin received the 2009 Eagle Award from the Austin Families Genealogical Society for her outstanding contributions to Austin research.

Helen has transcribed information on Austin families in the 1860 United States Census for 16 states. She also added annotations from the 1860 Slave Census for slave owners named Austin, Austen, Osteen and Alston.

She scanned and converted to digital files 15 legal documents for Alexander and James Austin who came from Ireland to Laurens County, South Carolina in 1804.

She transcribed, from National Archives microfilm, 115 individual account records for Austins and Alstons who had bank accounts at the U. S. Freedmen's Bank, which operated in 17 states from 1865 to 1874.

All of this information will be published in the AFGS *Austin Families Register* and is being placed in the Austin-Austen Research Center (www.austins.org), where it can be accessed by both AFGS and AFAOA members.

Helen has also prepared a biography of John Calhoun Austin, grandfather of her husband, Vernon Austin, entitled *Some Descendants of John Calhoun Austin of Warrior Mountains of Lawrence County, Alabama*, which was published in October 1998. A member of Austin Families Association of America since 1994, she is the compiler for AFAOA's *John Calhoun Austin* database (www.afaoa.org).

**Thanks to all members for
supporting the work of the
AUSTIN FAMILIES ASSOCIATION OF
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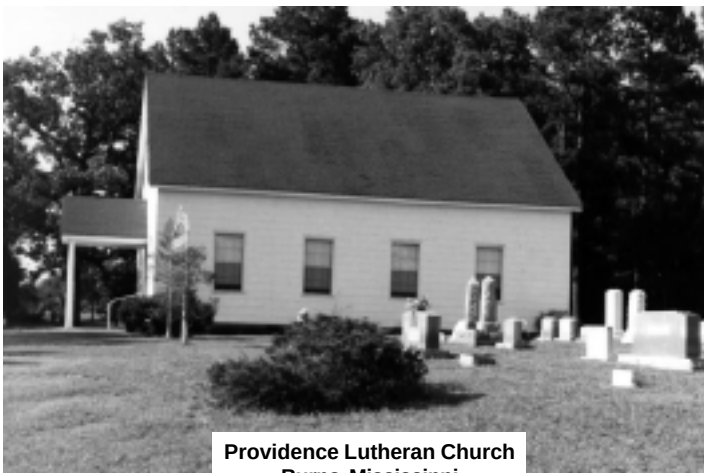
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Absalom Roberts and Barbara Caughman Roberts, also Lucretia Roberts' sister, Hepsy Roberts Rauch and her husband, Pastor John Rauch.



Sheila Shaw, Maurine Whitworth, Kathy Hageman,
Joy Anita Shaw, Ann Stubblefield 1985

The Sunday church service held to honor Rev. C. D. Austin was crowded with visitors representing many of the founding families who had come to Mississippi from South Carolina. The Pastor asked us to stand as he called out the surnames and thanked us for coming. After the service we walked around the cemetery next to the church and took pictures by the tombstone of C.D. and Lucretia and other Austin relatives buried there.



Providence Lutheran Church
Burns, Mississippi

Meeting the people and getting to see the gravesites made a lasting impression on me and I only wished my grandmother, Rose Tharp Austin, could have been with us because we wouldn't have been there if she hadn't kept in touch with Grandpa Sidney Austin's family after his death. She was our family historian and inspiration.

Joy Anita Shaw

Editor's Note: Joy Anita Shaw⁹ (Kathryn⁸ Austin, Sidney⁷, Josiah⁶, Christian⁵, Davis⁴, Drury³, Bartholomew², William¹) is the compiler for AFAOA's William Austin of VA and Craven County, South Carolina database.

Web Site Software Redesign

The AFAOA web site was first established by Bill Minnick back in 1995. The World Wide Web was just getting established back then, primarily due to the invention of the browser which provided the user with a graphical access to the Internet. Bill was convinced that this was the best way to make all of the genealogical data available to the greatest number of people.

Bill's research pointed him toward software written by Tim Doyle that operated on a gedcom file, a file that is supposed to be a universal language between genealogy programs so that one program could import or export data to another.

Bill was successful in achieving his goal back in 1995, and the AFAOA website continues to operate this same software. However, besides being very complicated for the person uploading databases to the site, the software was based on the 15 year old genealogy programs available at the time. This has forced us to restrict the Family Group Sheet presentation seen on our web site. Since 1995, genealogy software has progressed in complexity and capability, and the number of different programs in use has multiplied. What was needed was a redesign of the software to keep up with today's technology.

Recognizing this shortcoming, our own Austin descendant and AFAOA member Joy Davis, author of the AFAOA Master Index, has re-written our web site operating software beginning from scratch, so now we can handle the latest gedcom files generated by the latest genealogy programs. This means that source citations can now be accommodated, and user selected events can be included. A more logical index format is now available, and the Note field is simplified with user events displayed.

However, the greatest benefit of Joy's redesign will not ever be seen by the user because the process of uploading databases has been greatly simplified, with much of the processing that was manually done before ever placing the data on the site is now built into the software.

Currently, we are in Beta testing, a stage common to all new software where everything is done to test every aspect of the software.

We made a number of existing databases available to their compilers, and asked them to go through and dig out any problems. We were interested in not only locating the "bugs," but also in their opinions about the presentation.

Joy has one more task ahead of her, that of integrating the Master Index with the new software. We want to make sure, that when we go "live," the software is ready.

Jim Carlin
Database Chairman

Massachusetts Deaths

The Massachusetts Archives recently published a searchable index to Massachusetts' deaths between 1841-1910. Each index entry may include the person's first and last name, the town or city where the event occurred, the year, volume number and page number. The database is searchable by first and last names, year, and location.

www.sec.state.ma.us/vitalrecordsearch

<http://www.afaoa.org>

Meet Your Database Compiler:

Susan Joy Lewis

Compiler of *John Austin of Monongalia VA (WV)*.

John Austin was born about 1765, probably in New Jersey. As a young man, he moved to Franklin County, Pennsylvania where he met and married his wife Sarah, granddaughter of Nicholas and Christina Fraley (Sarah's maiden name is not known). The family moved, migrating from one iron forge to another, to Washington County, Maryland, finally settling in Monongalia County, Virginia about 1804.



Together, John and Sarah had 15 known children, 11 of whom arrived at adulthood, married and mostly remained in Monongalia County, though one died in Ohio and two (or possibly three) in Indiana. John died in 1849 and Sarah probably in 1854. They are both buried in Fairview Cemetery, just south of Morgantown, West Virginia, and in June 2009, their gravestones were repaired by descendant Marlin Phillips Jr.

A surprising number of John's descendants worked with metal, either as forge men, blacksmiths, or nail makers. Some in later generations worked in steel mills and glass factories.

Today, John and Sarah's descendants are spread out all over the United States.

The first version of this database, a framework for the first four generations totaling 125 persons, was donated to AFAOA by Ann Hecathorn. Ann and her father, Clarence C. Austin, have been researching this family for many years.

Since that time, Susan Joy Lewis has continued the research, adding many source citations, and the family now extends for ten generations and links 3,999 individuals.

When asked to describe herself, Susan wrote the following:

"As an avid researcher with over thirty-five years experience, my interest in genealogy probably stems from being born with an unusual surname, Joy, passed down from an 1882 English immigrant. My closest Austin ancestor is my great-great-grandmother, Caroline Honora Austin (1848 - 1919), and due to AFAOA's policy of including only the spouses, parents in law and children of Austin women who marry and acquire a new surname, you will not find me in this database. Nevertheless, compiling this branch of the Austin family is a task that has been near and dear to my heart for the last six years, and I will doubtless continue it for many more.

"I fondly remember the day in July 1999 when after many years of searching, I discovered Caroline's Austin grand-



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Q19,1-1- Our family tree lists my gr-gr-grandfather as Barach Odell Austin. The Austin Families Association has him as Baruch Odell Austin with no dates (my data - b. 1807, d. 1884), and his wife as Pauline Shirtridge (my family has "Shortridge" relatives. My information gives Pauline as b. 1815, d. 1849.

Their daughter Helen Elizabeth Austin Bridges lived in Syracuse, MO. She married James L. Bridges October 8, 1860. Some earlier Austin relatives apparently had previously lived in the lead-mining areas of Missouri. Could there be a connection to the Moses Austin family? we'd love to find out. Does anyone else have any information? Thanks.

Sue Abold - sueiabold@aol.com

parents and soon, thanks to Ann Hecathorn, was back to John, the founder of this Austin branch.

"I am a native of Connellsville, PA, just across the river from Monongalia County, and much of my family goes back to about 1800 there. I earned a BA in Anthropology from the Pennsylvania State University, worked for the Federal Government for a number of years in occupations that changed from Packaging Specialist, to Quality Assurance Specialist, to Supply Systems Analyst, to Systems Analyst and Computer Specialist; while living in Philadelphia, PA, Tobyhanna, PA, and Huntsville, AL. In 1998 I elected early retirement, moved to Bardstown, KY, and in 1999 began to expand my paper based genealogy to include all the wonderful electronic resources available on the Internet.

"My proudest accomplishment to date (other than my four children) is becoming the first family member to join the Daughters of the American Revolution (Cox's Station Chapter) in 2003, based upon my own research. I enjoy traveling with my husband, Earl Lewis, volunteering for the Nelson County Genealogical Roundtable, serving as Registrar for my DAR Chapter, and quilting, and I am a thirteen-gallon blood donor."

MY FAMILY TREE

by Robert Krause Austin
Wilmington, Delaware

My Roots are found in Richard (1st) and little was known, until
Someone, somewhere, somehow, found that he had left a will.
He left his possessions to his children, of whom there were 7,
Then went upon his eternal trip, hopefully it was to Heaven.

The Austin/Atnoke name confused me. I understood the text.
Obviously he couldn't read or write for he signed it with an X.
Among his seven children, his third, Richard was his name,
Received 2 sheep in his father's will, the others much the same.

In Bishopstoke Richard (2nd) was a tailor, plying there his trade.
Dresses for women, trows for men, among the things he made.
He hated the Archbishop and Charles I who wore the crown.
The persecution of the Puritans made one want to leave town.

With his family he left Olde England, with America in view,
And sailed upon the Bevis with nearly fifty others and the crew.
Once he was landed in Boston it was an extremely happy day.
Then he headed on to Charlestown where he was wont to stay.

At the tender age of forty, he gave up the ghost and died.
If he went to Heaven or somewhere else I simply can't decide.
He left behind his two young sons and a sadly grieving wife,
In spite of their grief and sorrow they went on with their life.

Little is known of Anthony, how he spent his boyhood years,
But obviously he was educated, or at least it so appears,
Later he moved to Suffield and became a person of renown
As the area's first school teacher and chief clerk of the town.

His name appears in a history book and there is little doubt
Of how he lived his adult years and what they were about.
He married Esther Huggins in 1664 and then it came to be
That they contributed seven children to the family tree.

One of Anthony's sons was Anthony; they put Jr. after his name
To tell him from his father, who was christened just the same.
And, just like his father, he was a civic minded man
And well served his community throughout his whole life's span.

He was a famer and a carpenter but he did a great deal more.
As fence viewer, juryman, tithingman, constable and surveyor
He traveled widely in the area to settle boundary-line disputes
And often found himself involved in settling land-related suits.

He married Abigail Holcomb in 1699 and, gee,
They contributed twelve more branches to the family tree.
He built a house for them in Suffield, somewhere along the way.
The original house is yet standing and can still be seen today.

Then came Joshua, Shadrach, Peter, Isaac, Miner B., Charles M.
And, believe me, I am indebted to each and every one of them.
Every one was a family man and added branches to the tree
One of the smallest of these, by Charles M. in 1922, was ME.

As a member of the tenth generation in the good old U.S.A.
I feel very proud of my ancestors and I just want to say
That they provided a massive, solid old tree
And I am very happy that they included me.

I am nearly eighty-seven and have lived a wonderful life.
For 64 of those golden years I've had "Honey" for my wife
And we have done our duty by providing three more limbs
Who in their turn have reproduced and added hers and hims.

I'm very happy to know that the tree is sturdy, hearty and hale
Without the slightest indication that it will ever, ever fail.
For life goes on and on, you see,
And there are now three generations after me.



Robert Krause Austin and his "Honey" Ellen Jane

A Note from the *Richard Austin of Charlestown, MA, 1638* Compilers:

We have been asked to say a few words about Robert, or Bob as we have long known him. Our relationship with him has grown over the years since we began our project of updating Edith Austin Moore's original book on Richard. One of our references was his 1986 publication *A Goodley Heritage*. The obvious next step was to start a correspondence with him.

We found a very friendly, cooperative man, ever willing to send us material that included his research beyond that in his book. Fifteen years have passed now and we are still receiving typewritten postal messages from Bob, which we value highly and include the information they contain in our updates of the database.

Bob, a member since 1983, always manages to attend our East Coast AFAOA conventions, and it was at the 1999 convention in Washington, DC that we met him in person.

Here he has summarized in verse what took many pages in our book. Thank you Bob for your continuing efforts to preserve your Austin heritage.

Jim & Liz Carlin

CITIES NOMINATED FOR THE 2010 INTERNATIONAL AUSTIN CONVENTION

SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH

The Family History Center in Salt Lake City is the largest library of its kind in the world. Its holdings include 2.4 million rolls of microfilm, 742,000 microfiche, 310,000 books, 4500 periodicals and over 700 electronic resources. Its records cover the United States, Canada, the British Isles, Europe, Latin America, Asia and Africa. Salt Lake City is in a valley in the Rocky Mountains, located at the foot of the Wasach mountain range. Sites to visit include the State Capitol, the Governor's mansion, historic homes of Mormon Pioneers, Ensign Peak where Brigham Young planned the city, and "This is the Place" Heritage Park. Fine restaurants, Olympic sites, and a Mormon Tabernacle Choir rehearsal provide interesting things to do.

WASHINGTON, DC

Washington is ideal for both genealogical research and sightseeing. The Library of Congress, National Archives and D.A.R. Library offer many resources for research. Tourists enjoy a rich menu of possibilities, among them: Capitol Hill, the White House, the Smithsonian Institution, the National Museum of Natural History, the National Gallery of Art, the National Portrait Gallery, the National Air and Space Museum, the U. S. Treasury, Ford's Theatre, the National Museum of American History, the Lincoln Memorial, Washington Monument, Jefferson Memorial, Roosevelt Memorial, World War II and Vietnam War Memorials, the U. S. Holocaust Memorial Museum, the Arlington National Cemetery, and numerous other sites.

WILMINGTON, DELAWARE

The Historical Society of Delaware Library in Wilmington has resources for researching ancestors along the eastern shore from New England to Virginia. Hagley Museum is the site of the gunpowder works founded by E.I. du Pont in 1802, with restored mills, home and gardens. Winterthur, the former Francis du Pont estate, boasts a fine collection of early-American furniture and decorative arts. Boat trips to Fort Delaware offer a Civil War era experience. Visit Brandywine Battlefield (Rev. War site), the magnificent Longwood Gardens and the Brandywine River Museum. Transportation is available to nearby Philadelphia to visit the Constitution Center, Liberty Bell and National Archives – Mid Atlantic Region.

HOW TO VOTE

1. You may vote for the 2010 convention site by using the ballot below.
2. You may vote by e-mail. Send the information requested on the ballot to: asec.treasurer@afaoa.org.

OR

3. You may vote on-line. Go to the AFAOA web site. Select "Convention/Reunion" and "click" your vote.

Your vote must be received before December 15.

NOTE: This convention will be sponsored jointly by the Austin Families Association of America (AFAOA) and the Austin Families Genealogical Society (AFGS). If you are a member of both organizations you may vote twice. See the AFGS newsletter or website for AFGS voting instructions.

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OR

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