Slack–Melton reunion set

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The Slack-Melton reunion will be the first Sunday in June at Knox Park on Slack Road in Athens.

Participants are urged to bring family genealogy information, old Bibles, pictures, keepsakes, handmade crafts such as quilts, musical instruments and so forth.

In the mid 1830s, three sons of Tunis Slack from Loudon County, Va., came to McMinn County: Abraham, Ephriam and Samuel W. Slack. After Ephriam's death in 1836, Abraham raised his three small sons: Abraham, Henry and John.

Three of Samuel W. and Sarah Reed Slack's sons married three Melton sisters, daughters of John and Nancy Kelly Melton. Samuel P. Slack married Eliza Jane Melton; James Henry married Sarah Catherine Melton; and William J. Harrison Slack married Mary Louise Melton. Mary Diana Slack married Isaac Leo Russell.

The reunion activities will begin with lunch at 1 p.m. Bring covered dishes to share. Paper products and ice will be provided.

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