

BAXTER COMMITTEE WANTS TO RECREATE SEMINARY FENCE

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Baxter Seminary's wrought iron archway is pictured with numerous students and faculty, along with Dr. Harry Upperman in this undated photo. Jeanie Lee and members of the Baxter Beautification Committee are hoping that someone would have the original



archway in storage before the group applies for grants to rebuild it.

COOKEVILLE -
- On the eve of the 100-year celebration of the Baxter Seminary, the members of the Baxter

Beautification Committee are moving forward on a project that they hope will spur revitalization and put a sense of history back into the town of Baxter. "The goal of the Beautification Committee is to work toward applying for a grant to rebuild the wrought iron entrance to the Seminary grounds," Jeanie Lee, president of the Beautification Committee, said. "We also want to put a statue of Dr. Harry Upperman out there, too." Upperman is known locally as the "Father of Education" and whom Upperman High School is named after.

However, before the group moves forward by applying for grants to rebuild the archway, Lee wants to see if anyone in the area has the original archway. "All that's left are the sidewalk leading to the seminary and one house," Lee said. "Someone probably took the archway down after the fires and it may be in storage somewhere. "If someone does have the original archway, that would be a great way to celebrate the school's milestone." For more information, call Lee at 510-6630 or 372-9663.

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