



**Camp Cresset
Finley's Brigade
Camp #1614
Havana, Florida**



Recipient – 2011 and 2012 Dr. George R. Tabor “Most Distinguished Camp” Award

"To you, Sons of Confederate Veterans, we will commit the vindication of the cause for which we fought. To your strength will be given the defense of the Confederate soldier's good name, the guardianship of his history, the emulation of his virtues, the perpetuation of those principles which he loved and which you love also, and those ideals which made him glorious and which you also cherish."



November Camp Meeting

Finley's Brigade Camp 1614 will hold its monthly Meeting scheduled on November 9th at the VFW, with social hour starting at 6:00 and meeting at 6:45.

Grave Keepers Report – Remembering Our Ancestors – Cemetery Chairman: Mark Bess

Compatriots

October has been an exciting month for the Graves Keepers. Our biggest project was without a doubt, Soldiers Section in Eastside Cemetery in Quincy. In early October, preparations began for the October 16th memorial dedication. On October 10th, Past Commander Marshall Carroll, 2nd Lt Commander John W. Bess, 3rd Brigade Commander Randy Nichols, Sergeant at Arms Mark R. Bess, Historian Stan Willis, Compatriots Matt Mortimer, Jason Freeman, and his lovely wife Laura arrived and the party began.

With so many hands, the work was quick and efficient. The mowing, weed eating, and trash pickup was done quickly. With such an eager and energetic crew, we decided to do some C.E.R.T training. Sergeant at Arms Bess gave a class on the fundamentals, tools products, and techniques, and the adventure began. The fact that there is now water available made it easier.

The crew cleaned every headstone and the memorials. It was a wonderful day full of camaraderie and laughter. They are now two hours training under their belts and are closer to their C.E.R.T. Cards.

On October 23rd, Compatriot J.R. Miller, Compatriot Pat Adams, Myself and Paul Pigott, set the headstone for 'George W. Nazworth CO E, 2nd FI CAV, in Pigott Cemetery in Medart, Wakulla County. J.R. Did all the research and submitted the packet to the V.A. to secure a stone. Private Nazworth is no longer lost and now has a marker fit for his service. Excellent work J.R.

J.R. doesn't let grass grow under his feet. He notified me of another location he is pursuing. The 'Harvey Cemetery' in Wakulla County on private land and may contain 100+ graves. The UDC gained access in 2009 and was able to photograph 63 markers, but many more may be scattered nearby. J.R. is working on permission to access so we can do another survey. Does this man ever rest?

Please email Compatriot Mark Bess at saafinleysbrigade@icloud.com with any questions.





Tallahassee Veterans Village – Veterans Chairman: Keith Lassiter

Compatriots:

For the month of October, we, as a camp, donated two bags of food; coffee; a toaster; towels; cleaning supplies; a tub of pots and pans; silverware; a George Foreman grill; and some sets of sheets.

- Value of items donated--\$625.00

I would like to thank Rob Crissler, RIP O'Steen, and Don and Cathy Turner for being so consistent in their giving. Y'all have been a blessing to the veterans who live at the Veterans' Village, as well as to me personally. I continue to challenge each of you to bring \$10.00 to every meeting for the Veterans' Village.

As for the upcoming month (November), we have nothing special planned. November is a busy month for everyone, as is December and the first part of January. I encourage you to enjoy spending time with your family and friends and eat as much as you possibly can! Don't forget our upcoming meeting on November 9th. It is election time again, and although elections are not as fun or interesting as our presentations at the other meetings, they are vitally important. Also, remember the Lee-Jackson Banquet in late January. I mention this, because the last few years, we have collected quite a bit of stuff for Veterans' Village. So, this is what I am asking moving forward:

Be at the November 9th meeting and bring \$10.00 cash (that isn't a lot and would raise around \$250.00). Save up for the Lee-Jackson Banquet and let's outdo what we did the last two years. I hope to fill up two cars/trucks with all the donations. Please remember that cash or checks are most welcome. Gift cards are also a good thing to donate.

May the Lord richly bless each one of you for your efforts and continued faithfulness in this worthy endeavor. Until our next meeting, I am...Your faithful servant, Deo Vindice!

If you have any questions, contact Compatriot Keith Lassiter at greynole01@yahoo.com.



Color Guard – Sergeant at Arms: Mark Bess

Compatriots,

On October 16, 2021, Finley's Brigade color Guard had the honor of participating in the long awaited dedication to the memorial in the Soldiers Section of Eastern cemetery in Quincy Florida. This memorial has been 20+ years in the making. With many thousands of dollars raised, countless hour's labor, and loving dedication. The driving force was no doubt Marshall Carroll, Virginia Carroll, and Libby Smith. Sadly, Virginia and Libby crossed over the river to rest in the shade of the trees, before the dedication, I am convinced they were there with us.

Our next event will be the Veterans Day Parade in Monticello. I want to invite all camp members to attend if possible. We will need two people to carry our new banner, walkers / escorts to hand out mini flags and recruitment pamphlets, and anyone who wants to be a part of this. Let's show everyone that we are proud of our history and once again set the example for other camps to follow. Forward the Colors!

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L-R: Adjutant Thomas Williams III, Compatriot Rob Crissler, 1st Lt. Comm. Larry Thomas, Sgt. at Arms Mark Bess



Compatriot Mark Rominger



L-R: Sgt. At Arms Mark Bess, Compatriot Jim Windsor, 1st Lt. Comm. Larry Thomas, Compatriot Rob Crissler



The Swelling of the Jordan
By Keith Lassiter

Jeremiah 12:5

Jeremiah, speaking to Judah concerning their captivity by Nebuchadnezzar, told them, “If thou hast run with the footmen, and they have wearied thee, then how canst thou contend with horses? and if in the land of peace, wherein thou trustedst, they wearied thee, then how wilt thou do in the swelling of Jordan?”

In other words, if you have been wearied in the mild affliction, what shall be your estate when affliction comes in earnest?

It is but light affliction we as Southerners have faced thus far in today’s climate—the tearing down of statues, the renaming of schools, and the teaching of revisionist history in our public (and even private) schools. In all this, we lament... and with good reason. All these things are appalling to anyone who loves America. Our history is being ignored or rewritten before our eyes, and we feel helpless against the behemoth of the American government. To borrow a phrase from Bro. J. Vernon McGhee, “May I say to you,” we aint seen nothing yet! The reigns of the common government in Washington today are possessed by an administration hell-bent on the destruction of everything we (not just Southerners, but every God-fearing, America-loving patriot) hold dear. Our Constitution is under attack unrivaled by anything since the Lincoln administration. If we capitulate now, our acquiescence will surely be perceived as weakness and will empower our adversaries.

No greater witness against the tyrannical actions of a run amuck government can be found than that of Clement Vallandigham’s (of Ohio) response to Lincoln’s Address to Congress, Congressional Globe—10 July 1861. It is found in its entirety in Greg Loren Duran’s book America’s Caesar Volume 1. On page 441 of the aforementioned book is found the following: “...no more State lines, no more State governments, and a consolidated monarchy or vast centralized military despotism must all follow in the history of the future, as in the history of the past they have, centuries ago, been written.”

What will be said of us in the history of the future? How wilt thou do in the swelling of the Jordan?



Photos from the Last Camp Meeting





Commander Ned Roberts was awarded the "Cross of Military Service" by the Anna Jackson Chapter 224 and the Florida Division of the United Daughters of the Confederacy (UDC), Commander Roberts served in the United States Navy during "The Global War on Terror". He was recognized at the UDC Annual Convention in Orlando, Florida. Pictured with Commander Roberts are his wife Rose Ann and daughter Torey. Congratulations Sir. In the bonds of the South,

Kelly V. Crocker
Commander, Florida Division
Sons of Confederate Veterans



Members of the 2021 Nomination Committee, respectfully submit the following members of Finley's Brigade as nominees for the 2021 Camp Officers Election, to be held at the November 2021 camp meeting. These nominations are the product of the 2021 nomination committee appointed by you and they represent the collective agreement of the entire committee.

Committee Members: Chairman Stan Willis, Compatriots Keith Lassiter and Randy Nichols.

<u>Offices up for Election</u>	<u>Nominee</u>
Commander	Ned Roberts
First Lieutenant Commander	Mark Bess
Second Lieutenant Commander	John Bess
Adjutant	Tom Williams



30th Annual Lee & Jackson Southern Heritage Event



Sponsored by

Finley's Brigade Camp #1614, Sons of Confederate Veterans

January 29, 2022

Social Hour: 5:00 PM Supper/Program: 6:00 PM

Marzuq Shrine Temple
1805 N. Monroe St
Tallahassee, FL 32303

Tickets: \$45 in advance Door Prizes and Auction

Guest Speaker: Lt Commander-In-Chief Jason Boshers



For tickets contact:

Adjutant Thomas Williams, 850-942-2866,
Adjutant@finleysbrigadescv.com

or

Commander Ned Roberts, 850-591-9221,
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**CONFEDERATE ANCESTOR MEMORIAL REQUEST FORM
FOR LEE-JACKSON SOUTHERN HERITAGE EVENT**

Please print name, rank & regiment/unit of your ancestor(s).

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

5. _____

Requested by – name & phone: _____

Please return Ancestor Memorial Request Form to Commander Ned Roberts or mail to P.O. Box 16006, Tallahassee, FL 32317. Please include a \$10 donation per Ancestor.

Your Confederate Ancestor's name will be published in the 2022 Lee-Jackson Event Program. Thank you for honoring your Confederate Ancestor.



Commander's Guidon

My Fellow Compatriots –

Camp Elections will be held on during our Monthly Meeting, Tuesday, Nov 9th. This is your Camp, you choose the direction of the Camp, and its leaders. No proxies are allowed per our Constitution and By-Laws, only Camp members in good standing and present may vote. Make your voice be heard!

We need everyone to show up for the Veterans Day Parade in Monticello. Meet up in the Piggly Wiggly parking lot by 10 AM. Parade starts at 11.

Respectfully,

Ned Roberts



Dates in History of the War – November

November 6, 1861 – Jefferson Davis was elected President of the Confederacy for a 6 year term.

November 21, 1862 – President Jefferson Davis appoints James Seddon Secretary of War.

November 19, 1863 – President Lincoln gives his Gettysburg Address.

November 8, 1864 – President Lincoln was re-elected and beat General George B. McClelland.

November 6, 1865 – CSS Shenandoah surrenders to British officials in England.

November 10, 1865 – CSA Capt. Henry Wirz, commander of Andersonville prison, is hanged.



Upcoming Heritage Events and Opportunities

Nov 9th – Regular Camp Meeting at VFW. Social Hour starts at 6:00 with meeting at 6:45 PM. Election Meeting.

Nov 11th – Veterans Day Parade in Monticello, FL. Meet at Piggly Wiggly NLT 10 AM, Parade starts 11.

Dec 4th – Natural Bridge Road Clean-up – 8:30 AM.

Dec 14th – Regular Camp Meeting at VFW. Social Hour starts at 6:00 with meeting at 6:45 PM.

Jan 11th – Regular Camp Meeting at VFW. Social Hour starts at 6:00 with meeting at 6:45 PM.

Jan 29th – Lee-Jackson Southern Heritage Event. Social Hour starts at 5:00 with Dinner/Speaker at 6:00.

For times, locations, and details for the following events please contact Commander Ned Roberts at commander@finleysbrigadescv.com or 850-591-9221.

