



**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."



January Camp Meeting

Finley's Brigade Camp 1614 will hold its monthly Meeting scheduled on January 12th at the VFW. No dedications were submitted for January.



New Members

Compatriot Cameron Dice. Congratulations brother and welcome to the Camp.





December Meeting

Award given to Florida Division Commander: Kelly Crocker



Award given to Randy Nichols for his 20 year service pin.





Southern Recipe of the Month
'Southern Smothered Chicken'

Mark Bess

Ingredients:

- 1 lbs. chicken I used legs, and thighs
- 1 ½ cup all-purpose flour
- 1 tsp salt
- 1 tsp ground black pepper
- 1 tsp celery seed
- 1 tbsp. onion powder
- 1 tsp poultry seasoning
- 1 tbsp. garlic powder
- 1 tsp smoked paprika
- ¼ cup vegetable oil
- 2 cups chicken broth
- 1 cup whole milk
- 2 tsp minced garlic
- 1 medium sized onion chopped

Directions:

1. Pour 1 ½ cup flour into a large bowl, and add in seasonings: garlic powder, onion powder, salt, pepper, celery seed, poultry seasoning, and smoked paprika. Mix until well incorporated.
2. Coat the chicken with the seasoned flour, and make sure you coat all surfaces.
3. Reserve the seasoned flour
4. Pour ¼ cup of vegetable oil into a large pan, then place the pan over medium heat.
5. Start adding in the chicken, but be sure to not over crowd the pan (use a pan big enough to hold all of the chicken).
6. Cook the chicken until it is golden brown (DO NOT worry about cooking the chicken until done, because we will cook it some more).
7. Once the chicken is nice and browned, remove it from the pan. Leave the oil in the pan.
8. Toss in the onions, and cook them for about 2 minutes, then add in the garlic. Once the garlic is in the pan let it cook for an additional minute, then remove the onions and garlic from the pan.
9. Add three tbsp. of the seasoned flour (the same flour that you coat the chicken with) to the pan. Stir in with the oil.
10. Next pour in 2 cups of chicken broth. Whisk in while pouring in the broth. Make sure there aren't any lumps.
11. Let the gravy cook for about 2 minutes (still on medium heat), then pour in 1 cup of milk into the pan.
12. Let the creamy gravy cook for about 3 minutes, then start adding the chicken back into the pan, as well as the onions and garlic.
13. Make sure all of the chicken is coated with the creamy gravy.



29th Annual Lee & Jackson Southern Heritage Event



Sponsored by

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

Mary Ann Harvey Black, Confederate Rose Society

January 23, 2021

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: Ms. Donna Faulkner Barron

Donna Faulkner Barron is the oldest daughter of Roy Faulkner, Chief Carver of the Confederate Memorial Carving at Stone Mountain Park. She is co-author of *The Man Who Carved Stone Mountain*, a fascinating story of Roy Faulkner and his legacy.



For tickets contact:

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Cotton Eyed Joe

J.R. Miller

Sometimes referred to as The South Texas National Anthem, the song most defiantly pre-dates the Civil War period however the origins are unclear of where the song originated. American publishing house Harper and Brothers published the first printed version of the song in 1882.

American folklorist Dorothy Scarborough (1878–1935) noted in her 1925 book *On the Trail of Negro Folk-songs*, that several people remembered hearing the song before the civil war. Over the years, many different versions of the song have been performed and/or recorded with many different versions of the lyrics. During the first half of the 20th century, the song was a widely known folk song all over the United States. Possible meanings of the term “cotton-eyed” that have been proposed includes: to be drunk on moonshine, or to have been blinded by drinking wood alcohol turning the eyes milky white, someone whose eyes were milky white from bacterial infections of trachoma or syphilis, cataracts or glaucoma.

Louise Clarke Pynelle’s *Diddie, Dumps, and Tot, or Plantation Child-Life*, a nostalgic look at the antebellum South.

Cotton-eyed Joe, Cotton-eyed Joe,
 What did make you sarve me so,
 Fur ter take my gal erway fum me,
 An’ cyar her plum ter Tennessee?
 Ef it hadn’t ben fur Cotton-eyed Joe,
 I’d er been married long ergo.

His eyes wuz crossed, an’ his nose wuz flat,
 An’ his teef wuz out, but wat uv dat?
 Fur he wuz tall, an’ he wuz slim,
 An’ so my gal she follered him.
 Ef it hadn’t ben fur Cotton-eyed Joe,
 I’d er been married long ergo.

No gal so hansum could be foun’,
 Not in all dis country roun’,
 Wid her kinky head, an’ her eyes so bright,
 Wid her lips so red an’ her teef so white.
 Ef it hadn’t ben fur Cotton-eyed Joe,
 I’d been married long ergo.

An’ I loved dat gal wid all my heart,
 An’ she swo’ fum me she’d never part;
 But den wid Joe she runned away,
 An’ lef’ me hyear fur ter weep all day.

O Cotton-eyed Joe, O Cotton-eyed Joe,
 What did make you sarve me so?
 O Joe, ef it hadn’t er ben fur you,
 I’d er married dat gal fur true.





Work Days – Remembering Our Ancestors

Cemetery Chairman: Chris Miller

We had a good work day on December 12th out at Runner’s Cemetery. Nothing scheduled at this time.



If you have any questions, contact Compatriot Chris Miller at xrebornxster@gmail.com.



Tallahassee Veterans Village

Veterans Chairman: Keith Lassiter

Finley’s Brigade has been a sponsor of the Tallahassee Veterans Village for at least 8 years, maybe more. Food is always needed; toiletries and linens are welcomed. The Director has suggested that we could give hotdogs as a food item, in addition to can goods. During the winter months, blankets are very needed item and are welcomed.

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



Finley's Brigade Color Guard – Service with Honor

Color Guard Commander: 2nd Lt. Cdr. Lee Norris

January 23 – Lee Jackson Southern Heritage Event.

We still need as many Compatriots to join our Color Guard Team and help represent Finley's. Drill classes will be scheduled in the near future, if you are interested please contact 2nd Lt Commander Lee Norris or any camp officer.

If you have any questions or interested in joining, contact 2nd Lt. Cdr. Lee Norris at tallyyakkers@gmail.com



Commander's Guidon

My Fellow Compatriots –

A Happy New Year to everyone! It is time to start planning for the year ahead of us, and I hope that each of you will be assist and be available to the Camp.

This past year we grew in membership, and in projects, so it is very important that everyone help were they can. We all have limitations, but we all have strengths – so I ask you to use those strengths and be an asset to the Camp. Remember – the chain is only as strong as the individual links.

If you have any suggestions or ideas on projects – contact me or one of the other Camp Officers. We need your input to be truly successful.

I hope to see all of you at the January Monthly meeting next week, on January 12th. And I need all of you to support the 29th Lee-Jackson Southern Heritage Event to be held on January 23rd.

Lastly, the deadline to purchase Lee-Jackson tickets and ancestor memorials is January 12.

Respectfully,

Ned Roberts



Dates in History of the War - January

January 9-26, 1861 – Mississippi, Florida, Alabama, Georgia, and Louisiana all follow South Carolina from the previous month and vote to secede from the Union making a total of six states at this time.

January 18, 1862 – The territory of Arizona is formed by the Confederacy.

January 1, 1863 – The Emancipation Proclamation and the Homestead Act go into effect.

January 17, 1864 – Battle of Dandridge, TN where CSA forces push back Union forces from the area.

January 13-15, 1865 – Fort Fisher, outside of Wilmington, NC, finally falls to Union forces essentially closing off the last Confederate port to the outside world.



Upcoming Heritage Events and Opportunities

January 12th – Regular Camp Meeting at VFW – 6 PM. Jay Lindsey to be presenting on ‘Confederate Snipers’.

January 23rd – Lee-Jackson Southern Heritage Event, Social Hour begins at 5:00 PM.

February 9th – Regular Camp Meeting at VFW – 6 PM.

February 13th – Cemetery Clean-up – Midway Cemetery – 8:30 AM.

February 27th – Natural Bridge Road Clean-up – 8:30 AM.

March 6th – Rally at Natural Bridge Battlefield Park due to cancellation of the Re-enactment.

March 9th – Regular Camp Meeting at VFW – 6 PM

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

