



**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."***



### June Camp Meeting

Finley's Brigade Camp 1614 will hold its monthly Meeting scheduled on May 11<sup>th</sup> at the VFW, with social hour starting at 6:00 and meeting at 6:45.

We will dedicate our June meeting to those who have made the ultimate sacrifice for our country and our freedom. Please take a moment to reflect on the men listed below who paid that price for us to live our lives free of oppression.

Submitted by Adjutant Thomas Williams:

Lewis Burwell Williams, Jr.  
Uncle  
Colonel  
Army  
Old First Virginia Regiment  
Gettysburg, Pickett's Charge July 3, 1863  
Buried in Hollywood Cemetery, Richmond, Virginia

Andrew Jackson Spring  
Uncle  
1st Lieutenant  
Artillery  
Company K, 1st. Light Artillery Regiment, Mississippi  
Fort Blakely, AL. April 9, 1865  
Buried in Magnolia Cemetery, Mobile Alabama

Submitted by Jay Lindsey:

Harmon Braxton Lindsey, age 21  
Uncle  
Private First Class  
US Army – 741<sup>st</sup> Railway Battalion, Comp. A  
KIA – Battle of the Bulge  
Liege, Belgium 12/24/1944.  
Buried in Christopher Chapel Methodist Cemetery – Jachin, AL

William Eaves, Jr., age 18  
2<sup>nd</sup> Great-Grand Uncle  
Private  
CS Army – 35<sup>th</sup> MS Inf. Regt., Comp. D  
KIA – Battle of Corinth  
Corinth, MS 10/2/1862  
Buried in Louisville, MS

Submitted by Jay Lindsey:

Richard Brandon, age 29  
5<sup>th</sup> Great-Grand Uncle  
Sergeant  
US Army – 2<sup>nd</sup> SC Spartan Militia Regiment  
KIA – Brandon’s Defeat  
Fair Forest Creek, SC Aug 1781

Submitted by Dan Fletcher:

Joseph C. Fletcher, IV  
2<sup>nd</sup> Great Uncle  
Rank Unknown  
CS Army – 6<sup>th</sup> FL Inf. Comp. A  
KIA – Battle of Franklin  
Franklin, TN 11/30/1864  
Chickamauga, TN – Veterans Cemetery at Chickamauga Park



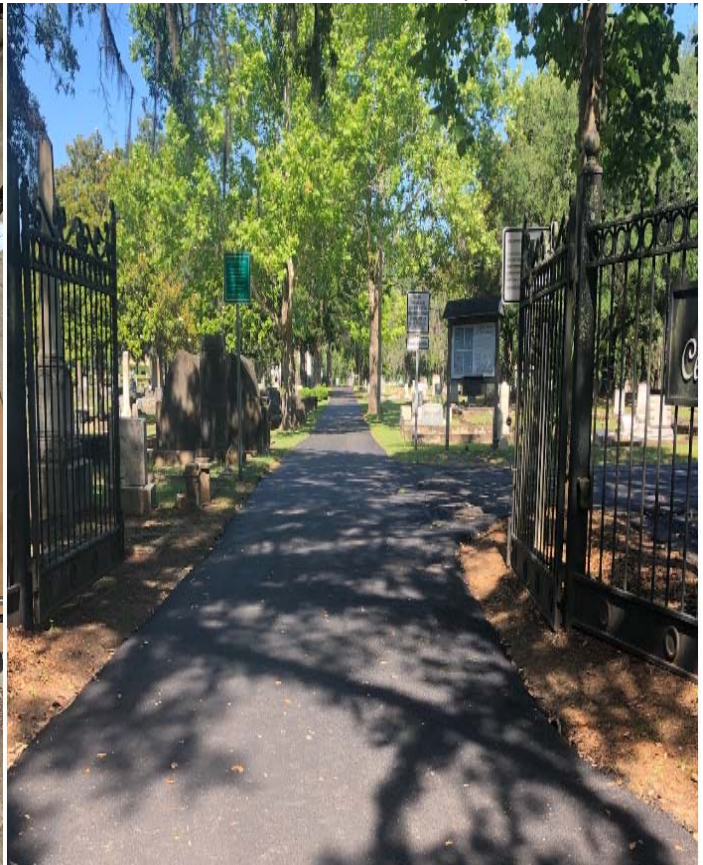
**Camp Meeting Presentation – Jay Lindsey**

Presentation will be on Today in America. This presentation will provide information to all compatriots of the money that is donated to organizations that those national companies and businesses that we all have shopped from in order to ask ourselves the question: Should I as an American continue doing business with this company.



**Tombstone Renovations**

Some pictures of what the Grave Keepers are working on for the Confederate Section at Old City Cemetery.



### Graves Keepers Trailer



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

I am excited to tell you our May efforts in Old City Confederate section, started off very well. Commander Kelly Crocker and I researched extensively for an adhesive to repair our damaged headstones. Using the "Cemetery Conservators for United Standards" we located several recommendations. The one chosen was "RiVo 50." This is a two-part epoxy that is strong, subtle colored, and permeable. Since stone is permeable (allows water to penetrate and circulate) we needed something with the same characteristics. The drawback is, when mixed properly, the "Tackiness" time is 150 minutes, or for us with a public education, 2.5 hours. This works great in a controlled environment (shop) but not so much in the field. I have researched and spoken to other compatriots performing the same works and have come up with one that we can use on site. The drawback is, you got to work fast, (15 minutes working time, 30 minutes full cure.). Anyway, two severely damaged stones were selected and secured at my shop. They were thoroughly cleaned using CERT recommended material/technique, and placed in wooden frames. With Commander Crocker and Randy Nichols providing support and encouragement, we carefully approached the repair(s). Epoxy was applied (sparingly) and clamps applied. We worked slowly and carefully (150 minutes is a large window,) and to our surprise our efforts were successful. Since that first attempt, we have learned some tricks, perfected other and as of this writing have successfully repaired six stones and returned them to their place of honor. More work is needed and I look forward to it. If anyone wants to learn our techniques, or help repair a stone, get with me and we can make it happen. Now that I have discovered Facebook, I have posted out

efforts and received many positive comments and requests for our technique and materials. Our “Graves Keepers” trailer continues to improve. We have had the Logo’s (approved by the membership) printed by a professional shop and they will soon adorn our trailer. Compatriot J.R. Miller has been working diligently on his favorite past time, finding forgotten CSA veterans. J.R. has found a lost / forgotten hero and has submitted the necessary forms for a V.A. Stone. I pray his work is accepted and we get to have another dedication. In regard to that subject, Commander Crocker has received a V.A. Stone for Robert B. Gorman. Mr. Gorman was a prominent citizen of Tallahassee and is interred in block #22 of Old City Cemetery (or, right behind the information sign near the parking area.). We will determine a future date and time for a dedication of this forgotten hero. On a very happy note! The driveway and parking area has been PAVED!!!!!! Yes, shout it from the roof tops, there is a perfect asphalt road and parking area in Old City Cemetery. Who would thought we would see it in our life times? As always, please contact me with any ideas or concerns with our graves and monuments efforts.

Please email me at [saafinleysbrigade@icloud.com](mailto:saafinleysbrigade@icloud.com) with any questions.



### **Tallahassee Veterans Village – Veterans Chairman: Keith Lassiter**

This is our monthly contributions report for our support of Veterans’ Village. I am happy to report that at last month’s meeting, we donated and delivered the following:

- \$53.00—cash (to be used to buy pillows and food)\
- 3 packages of 12 rolls of toilet paper
- A four-burner stove valued around \$250.00
- Three huge bags of clothes

I wish to thank the following compatriots for their donations:

- Randy Nichols
- Marshal/Virginia Carrol
- Stan Willis
- Larry Thomas
- John Howell
- Van/Wes Sutton
- Gerald Bell

A very special thanks to Don and Cathy Turner, who I just found out (at the May meeting) had been taking supplies to Veterans’ Village for years!

I want to encourage all of you again to PLEASE bring \$10.00 or \$10.00 worth of food to each meeting. Food continues to be the number one need at the Veterans’ Village. These men and women served or country, and now they need our help. It is fitting and altogether right that we show them our appreciation in this way. This also shows the SCV, and in particular Finley’s Brigade, in the CORRECT light. Also, please remember our hamburger/hotdog cookout at the Veterans’ Village on June 26<sup>th</sup>. Commander Ned Roberts will be bringing his huge grill, but he should not have to do this alone. This requires a lot of work on his part, and he could really use our help. Let’s make a good showing! One more thing: As was announced at the May meeting, if you know anyone who owns a business, please ask them if they would like to donate. It is a tax write off for them, and some folks would be more than happy to donate if only asked.

See yall at the meeting on June 8<sup>th</sup>! Bring a friend!

If you have any questions, contact Compatriot Keith Lassiter at [greynole01@yahoo.com](mailto:greynole01@yahoo.com) .



### Color Guard – Sergeant at Arms Mark Bess

This is my first report for the Color Guard. There have been some changes made recently. As the Sergeant at Arms for Finley's Brigade, per the SCV Camp Procedural Manual, my duties include responsibility as the Color Sergeant (Color / Honor Guard.) I will be responsible for the Color Guard personnel at all future events in the field. 1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Commander Larry Thomas will be the contact person for Color Guard attendance requests. 2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. Commander Norris did an outstanding job as the Color Sergeant and should be commended for his efforts. I am very excited to work with the current and future Color Guard members. On May 15, 2021, the Color Guard was requested to attend a memorial at Arran Cemetery in Crawfordville. What a wonderful surprise to find four additional members in attendance. 1st Lt. Commander Larry Thomas, Past Commander Marshall Carrol, Jim Windsor, and Rob Crisler. Five members....wow!!! We posted the colors and stood in honor for the memorial. It was a really enjoyable event and was especially nice to see compatriots that I haven't seen since the whole Covid thing started. The only possible thing that could have made it better, is if I had remembered to bring my shell jacket. I tell you what!! This "Old Timers" disease is really starting to become bothersome. Anyway, the squad looked very professional and was well received by everyone there. Additionally, I want to welcome our newest member, Rob Crisler. Rob is energetic, attentive, and very anxious to participate. He will be a valuable member. Welcome Rob! If anyone would like to join our Color Guard, please contact me. Finley's Brigade still offers a payment program to assist in purchasing a uniform. Gentlemen, purchasing a uniform is not a cheap event and we understand this. Finley's Brigade is willing to "Front the money" for your uniform. A monthly payment schedule will be worked out with you (no interest by the way) so the camp can be reimbursed. You can't find a better deal anywhere else. I will assist you in the correct pieces to order. We will not turn you away if you have something that looks like a uniform. I'm pretty sure our ancestors were not attired in "parade" uniforms, but for special events (funerals, official events, etc.) we prefer we all to look the same. I realize that not all of us have served in the military, so we will have some training opportunities to learn the basics. Don't worry, we won't be doing any "Silent Drill" exercises, but at least we won't be tripping over each other.....I Hope. Please email me at [saafinleysbrigade@icloud.com](mailto:saafinleysbrigade@icloud.com) with any questions.



Southern Recipe of the Month  
Cherry Pie Bubble Up Casserole  
Mark Bess

**Ingredients:**

- 1 can (16.3 oz.) refrigerated jumbo biscuits
- 1 can (21 oz.) cherry pie filling
- ½ cup powdered sugar
- 1 tablespoon milk

**Directions:**

- Heat oven to 350 degrees Fahrenheit. Butter a 13-by-9-inch casserole dish.
- Open the biscuit can, separate the biscuits and cut each into four equal pieces. Place the biscuit pieces into the casserole dish.
- Pour the pie filling over the biscuits and spread evenly.
- Bake for 30 minutes, until hot and bubbling. Remove from oven and cool for 10 minutes.
- Mix milk and powdered sugar until smooth and drizzle over the top.
- This dessert is even better by topping with a scoop of vanilla ice cream.

*The 51<sup>st</sup> Annual Florida Division Reunion June  
4-6, 2021 Ocala, Florida*



**The 51<sup>st</sup> Florida Division Reunion will be held at the Ocala Hilton Hotel at 3600 SW 36<sup>th</sup> Ave Ocala, FL 34474.**

**The Hotel is located off Hwy 200 east of Interstate 75 (Exit 350). From Hwy 200, turn South on to 36<sup>th</sup> Ave between the El Torero Mexican Restaurant and Chili's Bar and Grill.**

**You may book rooms using the code SCV21 at \$119 per night. Currently, the on-line price is equal to or less than the group rate. You may call: 1-800-774-1500 or 352-854-1400**

# Sons of Confederate Veterans



## 126<sup>th</sup> Annual Reunion

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### **Commander's Guidon**

My Fellow Compatriots –

The month of June will be very busy for the Camp. Florida Division Reunion will be held on June 4 thru June 6. We will have a monthly meeting on Tuesday, June 8 at the VFW Post. On Saturday, June 19, we have a scheduled cleanup at Natural Bridge Road. Then on Saturday, June 26 we will be serving hot dogs and hamburgers to the Veterans at The Veterans Village.

We have a headstone for Robert Berry Gorman, Confederate Veteran and former Mayor of Tallahassee, to lay at Old City Cemetery, plus relaying the mended headstones that the Grave Keepers have fixed.

Lots of opportunity to serve – hope to see you soon!

Respectfully,

Ned Roberts



### **Dates in History of the War – June**

June 6, 1862 – Battle of Memphis, TN.

June 9, 1863 – Battle of Brandy Station, VA.

June 19, 1864 – USS *Kearsarge* sinks the CSS *Alabama* off the coast of Cherbourg, France.

June 1-6, 1865 – Federal expedition from Fort Barrancus in operations to Apalachicola, FL.



### **Upcoming Heritage Events and Opportunities**

June 4-6<sup>th</sup> – SCV FL Division Reunion in Ocala, FL.

June 8<sup>th</sup> – Regular Camp Meeting at VFW. Social Hour starts at 6:00 with meeting at 6:45 PM.

June 19<sup>th</sup> – Natural Bridge Road Cleanup at 8:30 AM.

June 26<sup>th</sup> – Camp Cookout at Veterans Village at 11:00 AM.

July 13<sup>th</sup> – Regular Camp Meeting at VFW. Social Hour starts at 6:00 with meeting at 6:45 PM.

July 21-24<sup>th</sup> – SCV National Reunion in New Orleans, LA

Oct 16<sup>th</sup> – Soldier's Cemetery Monument Dedication, Quincy, FL – Time TBD

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

