



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



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"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."



October Camp Meeting

Finley's Brigade Camp 1614 will hold its monthly Meeting scheduled on October 13th at the VFW and is dedicated to Private Bryant Hicks, 8 FLA INF, Co I, on behalf of 1Lt. Commander Larry Thomas.



JEFFERSON DAVIS REDEDICATION

SATURDAY, OCT. 10, 2020 AT 2 PM – 4 PM

The National Confederate Museum at Historic Elm Springs

740 Mooresville Pike, Columbia, TN 38401

This event is for the "Rededication of the Historic statue of President Jefferson Davis," rescued from Memphis, TN. There will also be a soft opening of the National Confederate Museum that day as well. We welcome everyone to come out and support this momentous occasion.

This is an opportunity you do not want to miss. Be a part of this historic milestone for the preservation of Southern Heritage & History.

Built in 1837, Elm Springs is also the National Headquarters of the Sons of Confederate Veterans and the site of the National Confederate Museum.

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Cattlemen were key to Cow Cavalry

**By Jim Robinson
The Orlando Sentinel**

In October of 1863, Florida's Cow Cavalry was about to become a major part of the Confederacy.

Throughout the war, rebel rancher-soldiers rounded up Florida scrub cattle to feed the troops in Georgia, Virginia and Tennessee.

But, after shutting off boat traffic on the Mississippi River in the summer of 1863 and blocking Western cattle from reaching Southern troops, the Union turned its attention to Florida, the South's remaining beef supplier. Union troops attacked Confederate soldiers on cattle drives. In some cases, Confederate deserters rustled herds, raided Confederate cattle camps and terrorized rural settlements.

The Cow Cavalry not only tried to protect every one of the scrawny Florida scrub cows, but scattered units also raided Union troops up and down the St. Johns River. The Confederate government had organized the cattleman cavalry from some rough characters, cow hunters, ranchers and settlers. They included Isiah Barber, who drove cattle from Florida to the Confederate Army in Virginia. His father, cattle legend Moses Barber, spent much of the war rounding up young men to join the cattle cavalry.

Driving a herd of rangy, thin cattle across a South Carolina river to reach starving Confederate soldiers, Isiah Barber disappeared in raging waters.

Robert A. Taylor's Rebel Storehouse: Florida in the Confederate Economy goes into great detail about Florida involvement in feeding Southern troops.

On Oct. 19, 1863, the chief commissary officer for Gen. Braxton E. Bragg's Army of Tennessee "appealed to Florida Commissary Agent, Maj. Pleasant W. White, for more Florida cattle for Confederate soldiers fighting in northern Georgia."

Maj. J. F. Cummings, the commissary officer, told White that "Captain Townsend, assistant commissary of subsistence, having a leave of absence for thirty days from the Army of Tennessee, I have prevailed on him to see you and explain to you my straightened condition and the imminent danger of our army suffering for want of beef."

In December 1864, the Yankee ship Adele destroyed the wharf at Fort Brooke on Tampa Bay, cutting off a cattle shipping port for Moses Barber and Summerlin. Union troops drove off 200 Confederates who had tried to rebuild the shipping port.

Cattlemen Moses Barber and Jacob Summerlin and cattle trader James McKay moved farther down the coast, where they found a point to build cattle pens and a dock in water deep enough for a small steamer.

Some cattle were driven to the east side of Lake [Kissimmee](#) to cross the Kissimmee River at Fort Basinger.

Others rounded up from the scrub west of Kissimmee were pushed southwest to the Caloosahatchee River. Some of the crossings took three to four hours.

Moses Barber and other cattlemen built a 10-foot-wide road with cross ties of heart pine over a saltwater bog and patches of quicks and to Punta Rassa.

About 60 Confederate veterans are buried in [Osceola County](#). Researchers have found 91 people in Osceola County who applied for Confederate veteran pensions after the war.



Southern Recipe of the Month
'Mom's Famous Tootie Fruitie Pie'

In Honor of my 82 year old mother, Earlene Lindsey

Ingredients:

- 2 Graham Cracker Pie Crust
- 1 Can of condensed milk.
- 1 8 oz. carton of cool whip
- 1 Can mandarin oranges, drained
- 1 Can, regular sized, of sliced peaches, drained
- 1 Can, regular sized, pineapple chunks, drained
- Red Food Coloring, Optional.
- All ingredients will make 2 pies.

Directions:

Mix ingredients together and add 2 drops of red food coloring to mix. Then distribute evenly into both pie crust shells. Let it chill in the refrigerator for a few hours. Great to have anytime of the year.

If anyone has any good ole southern recipes they would like to share in honor of anyone or any regiment, email Jay Lindsey at jc071172@yahoo.com with the ingredients, directions, who you're honoring or in memory of.



Natural Bridge Mile Cleanup



Work Days – Remembering Our Ancestors

Cemetery Chairman: Chris Miller

On October 17th, we will start the process to clean Runner's Cemetery off of Highway 90. If you get on Mahan, which eventually turns into Highway 90, heading to Monticello, you will cross into Jefferson County briefly, then back into Leon County. Once you're back into Leon County, look for Old Magnolia Road or Highway 142 on your left. Go about a mile and look for Indigo Lane, a dirt road, on your right. The cemetery is down that road about ½ mile.

Meet at Hilltop Café from 7:30am – 8:15am and we can convoy over to the cemetery.

Bring the following:

- It is really high, almost waist high, so if you have snake gaiters, bring them. Ticks are also bad.
- Weed Eaters.
- Chain saws.
- Machetes or anything that will cut small saplings and weeds.
- Riding mower or push mower.
- We will eat lunch at Hilltop Café.

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. Please contact Compatriot Keith Lassiter if you have any questions on donations.



Finley's Brigade Color Guard – Service with Honor

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

September 26th at 12 Noon – Mariana Day in Mariana, FL. Color Guard conducting Honor Guard ceremony at CSA Monument on behalf of UDC.



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.

Contact 2nd Lt. Cdr. Lee Norris at tallyvakkers@gmail.com if interested or if you have any questions.



Commander's Guidon

My Fellow Compatriots –

Already October – where has his year gone? We have some busy weeks coming up – First, please support CSS Chattahoochee's Open House, scheduled for this Saturday, Oct 3.

Then on Oct 17, we have a re-scheduled cemetery clean-up at Runner's Cemetery. See directions and details in previous section from Compatriot Miller.

Monticello is holding it Veteran's Day Parade, on November 11. The Camp will be participating in the parade, so let me know if you want to walk or help out.

I am looking forward to seeing many of you at our Camp Monthly Meeting, to be held on Tuesday, October 13.

Respectfully,

Ned Roberts



Dates in History of the War - September

October 9, 1861 – At Pensacola, 1000 CSA troops under Gen. R.H. Anderson and routed one union camp.

October 3-4, 1862 – Battle of Corinth, MS with CSA forces led by Gen. Van Dorn and Price were repulsed.

October 5, 1863 – USS New Ironsides is attacked and damaged by torpedo boat CSS David.

October 7, 1864 – CSS Florida is captured off of Brazil by USS Wachusett after claiming 37 prizes.

October 11, 1865 – Several CSA cabinet members are paroled by Pres. Johnson.



Upcoming Heritage Events and Opportunities

October 3rd – CSS Chattahoochee Open House at Iron City, GA from 10am to 2pm.

October 10th – Jefferson Davis Rededication at Columbia, TN from 2pm to 4pm.

October 13th – Monthly Camp Meeting, VFW Post, Social Hour begins at 6 PM.

October 17th – Cemetery Cleanup at Runner's Cemetery from 8am till Quittin' time.

November 10th – Monthly Camp Meeting, VFW Post, Social Hour begins at 6 PM.

November 11th – Monticello Veteran's Day Parade, Meet 9 AM, Parade starts at 11 AM

December 8th – Monthly Camp Meeting, VFW Post, Social Hour begins at 6 PM.

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

