

3<sup>rd</sup> FLORIDA/35<sup>th</sup> MASSACHUSETTS HERITAGE, INC.

*Respect and Honor*



**Florida Battalion at Bull Run 2011**



**CAPTAIN'S LETTER: To paraphrase Shakespeare's Henry V – He who sheds his *sweat* with me on this day, shall be my brother. Needless to say Manassas was as one British tourist said "somewhat ardent". In plain American, it was HOT. 3<sup>rd</sup> Florida Company A had 17 brave souls endure the battle and the weather. I offer my respects to those who participated and maintained their good humor during the brutal ordeal. Everyone served with honor and distinction with very complaints.**

**Now we must "push on" to the new season. The Schedule is attached for your review and comment. As usual, schedules are fluid and are subject to change. I have included several 150<sup>th</sup> National Events. I will send out flyers to the other Companies of the Dept of Gulf to see if there is an interest for a bus trip to Shiloh and/or Perryville. To keep the cost down we must have at least 40 soldiers to sign up.**

**Due to your excellent performance at the Confederate Occupation of Fort Marion (the Castillo) last year, the St. Augustine National Park Service has informed me that they would like to have you back next year to re-enact the Federal re-occupation of the Fort on March 10, 2012. More details to come. There is special surprise in store for this event.**

**It is the intent of the Company to keep the majority of all events close to home in the State Florida.**

**See you on the field of honor –Captain Short**

[Visit our New Website for 3<sup>rd</sup> Fl /35 Mass Heritage Inc.  
3rdfloridainfantrycsa.yolasite.com.](http://3rdfloridainfantrycsa.yolasite.com)

**Car Pool: Ok, Gas is high so let's take measures to reduce the price by half. Double up or triple up by car pooling. If you are seeking a rider or need a ride send me (Captain Short) your request, (please include phone numbers) and I will send out a list to all members. Via e-mail . Then it's up to you to make the connection.**

**The Soldier Kit Update: The Soldiers Kit is a complete soldier's outfit for both a Union and Confederate presentation. The goal is to provide the necessary equipment for hands on experience at minimum expense. If you have a friend that would like to try Re enacting, please let me know at least **one week prior the event**. This will ensure that we have enough uniforms, and equipment to meet the need. **We ask for a \$25.00 donation to the Company for the Kit. For an additional \$10.00, caps and cartridges will be provided.** We have enough equipment to fully equip 20 soldiers. Let us try to fill each one at every event. We also have 7 tents available at no charge.**



If you do not have cartridges, well you may just have to .....



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**Cartridges available at each event:** Jeff Mathis continues to provide pre-rolled cartridges for members of the company. This provides an enormous service for all of us. The cartridges are prepackaged 40 round per pack at \$5.00. However, all members should be able to “roll your own cartridges” if the need arises. Powder will be made available and instructions will be provide at each event.

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All reenacting participants at State & National Parks Events must be 16 years old to fire a rifle musket. Those under the age can participate in the battle but will not be allowed to shoot.

Remember, this is only for those events under State or Federal Control. All other events the age remains 15 years old unless otherwise advised.

**Dues and Insurance:** \$10.00 for dues and \$10.00 for insurance. Family membership is 20.00 plus \$10.00 for insurance for each family member fighting on the field. Make Check out to 3<sup>rd</sup> Fl/35 Mass. Heritage Inc.

Insurance cards have been received and will be distributed at the next events or mailed to participating members. A Red Dot stamp will be attached to the card. The Stamp is to be applied to the back of your dog tag as proof of insurance.



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**Dog Tags:** If you wish to purchase a period style dog tag (metal disc with a chain or leather strap), please contact First Sgt. Joe Drost. The dog tag will have your name and the Company's name on the front face with your insurance destination on the back. The Dog Tags is only \$3.00.

**Period Soap available for Sale:** To add to your Civil War impression and also keep you hygienically favorable to your tent companion, we now have period soap bars for sale. The soap is made by Cpl Brett Beeman's mother. It's packaged in the 1860's style. So for less than \$3.00 you can use the soap for display as well as use it to keep the BO away. The Company will have several bars on display/for sale at the next event.

**Treasury Report: \$300.00-** The sale of cartridges, dog tags and the leasing of the Soldier Kits have provided operational funds for the company. This makes it possible to provide rations, purchase equipment and make repairs, keep the gun cleaning kit supplied, and replace and clean the Soldiers Kit.

The memberships dues help cover the operational functions of the company; paper, stamps, annual registration for 501c3 corporate status and the printing of brochures. If you have not joined or renewed your membership I ask that you do so. Your dues are an important investment in the Company.

**Company and Battalion drills on the WEB: Learn the drills on line then practice them at the events: Go to this web site and get an overview of the various drills that we will be using at the re-enactments - [www.10thbattalion.org/school.php](http://www.10thbattalion.org/school.php)**

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## *Battle Plan*

**September 24, 2011** Olustee Civil War Expo. Encampment and Living History at the Olustee Battlefield Historic Site. Exhibits, military drills, artillery demonstrations, Union and Confederate camps and much more. Contact the Olustee Committee at <http://battleofolustee.org/>

**October 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>, 2011** Confederate Garrison: Fort Clinch: The entire Department of the Gulf all 7 companies will participate in the event. This is not a militia gathering, but Confederate regulars. We will come together to drill and sharpen our impressions. You stay in the barracks of the fort or camp outside the walls.

<http://www.floridastateparks.org/fortclinch>

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**October 14, 15, 16, 2011. The 2nd Annual Pellicer Creek Raid.** The Florida Agricultural Museum will present a three-day special event. The Raid will consist of a reenactment which will involve a number of living history groups from around the southeastern United States. School day will be held on Friday. Battles will take place on Saturday and Sunday at 1 PM. Camps will be open to the public between 10:00 AM and 4:00 PM. A presentation entitled "Confederate Storehouse: Florida's Role As A Supplier During The War" will be given on Saturday. Participants will be provided with hay, water and firewood (ice will be available also). An artillery bounty of \$150 per gun will be provided for the first four guns. The guns must be full size and authentic for the period. There will be no reenactor or sutler fees. Reenactor parking and camps have been improved from last year. Artillery and sutlers must pre-register (call 386-446-7630). Address: 7900 Old Kings Road, Palm Coast, FL. Directions: from north I-95 to exit 298 (Palm Coast Parkway). Turn left on Palm Coast Pky and go 2-3 miles until the road dead-ends at US 1. Turn right (north) on US 1, go about 6 miles to Old Kings Road and turn right. For more



information, email Capt. Mark Judd at [juddma2001@yahoo.com](mailto:juddma2001@yahoo.com) Pre-registration is encouraged online at [www.myagmuseum.com](http://www.myagmuseum.com)

**November 18, 19, 20, 2011. Raid On The Suwannee River.** Live Oak, Florida. Spirit of the Suwannee Music Park. New Re-enactment. Maximum Effort Hardee Corps Event. Usual amenities, plus RV hook-ups (electric and water - no sewer) and cabin rentals. General store, restaurant, and showers on site. Battlefield clear of modern intrusions. Original Confederate earthworks nearby. This park offers everything a camper could ask for. Way too much to list here. Special cavalry information: Cavalrymen make sure you read all the items about mounted cavalry. There are some different cavalry requirements at this event. When you arrive at registration with your horse, you will have to pay a \$25 per horse refundable barn stall fee. At the end of the event (Sunday) if your stall is cleaned, your \$25 fee will be refunded. No picket lines are allowed and all horses must be kept in their barn. This year the Suwannee River Raid will not give a cavalry bounty of any type. Remember to bring your own hay for your horse - no hay will be on site. Their website is located at <http://www.musicliveshere.com/content/index.php> Directions: From I-10, take exit #283 and go north on US 129 for 4.5 miles. From I-75, take exit #451 and go south for 4.5 miles. Look for the signs - "Spirit of the Suwannee Music Park". The park is located between I-10 and I-75. The park's address is 3076 95th Drive, Live Oak, Florida 32060.

**January 20, 21, 22, 2012. Brooksville Raid, Brooksville, Florida.** Hosted by the Hernando Historical Museum Assoc. and North Pinellas Scout Sertoma Club. Your help is needed for the school day on Friday the 20th (over 1,200 students attended last year). Two battles (2:30 PM); one Sat. one Sun. Ladies tea will be held at 10:30 AM, Saturday (the women put a lot into this tea and I have been told it is one of the best anywhere), Blue/Gray Ball Sat night at 8:00 PM. Church service Sunday morning. A \$5.00 reenactor fee will be collected at the registration desk (13 years and under free). Paid reenactors will receive a ticket for a \$100.00 gift certificate (five to be given away) to be used at any of the sutlers in Sutlers Row during the event. The winners will be announced at the Blue/Gray ball Saturday evening. Cavalrymen - The Brooksville Raid will not give a cavalry bounty of any type. Remember to bring your own hay for your horse - no hay will be on site. All horses and mules are required to show current coggins papers at the registration desk before the horse is allowed on the property. Any and all proceeds from this event are split evenly between North Pinellas Sertoma and the Heritage Museum. Hot showers will be available Friday evening through Sunday, for a nominal fee. Due to the incredible amount of artillery attending the Raid, the artillery bounty will be a little different this year. One bounty per unit (\$125) will be given to pre-registered cannons only. Each cannon must participate in both battles to be eligible for the bounty. Event work day will be held on January the 14th. Your help is needed with the pre-event set up. The Raid is held at the Sand Hill Boy Scout Camp on US Hwy 50. The battle is 10 miles West of Brooksville. The entrance is on Hwy 50. Take Hwy. 50 West. Go through Brooksville, keep going West about 10 miles, and look for the signs. All sutlers contact Bob Burnett at [loafersglorysut@aol.com](mailto:loafersglorysut@aol.com) Artillery contact Bob Gomillion at [bobgomillion@yahoo.com](mailto:bobgomillion@yahoo.com) Event web site <http://www.brooksvilleraidreenactment.com/>

**January 27, 28, 29, 2012. Road to Olustee Living History Weekend.** Camp Milton Historical Preserve, Jacksonville, FL. Join us as we retrace the road to Olustee (three weeks before the big Olustee battle reenactment). Confederate camps will be engaged in typical period activities pertaining to being a soldier while civilian reenactors will portray the town of Jacksonville going about daily life as they would have in February 1864. Union troops will have the opportunity to raid, scout and advance on the Confederate fortifications. Scripted scenarios will provide first person interpretation for reenactors and visitors alike. Skirmish raids on Saturday and a battle on Sunday. Full civilian town scenario with period sutlers integrated into the town. School day Friday. Dinner provided for dressed participants on Friday evening. Cavalry and artillery by invitation only. Firewood and hay provided. Pre-registration is encouraged, participation will be limited to the first 100 Confederate soldiers, all others will be required to participate as Federal soldiers or civilians. Total participation is limited so pre-register early. Strict interpretive guidelines for all participants. Please read the regulations for further details. No reenactor fee. All proceeds benefit historic preservation at Camp Milton. Register after Oct. 15 at <http://www.campmilton.com> Hosted by Jax Parks and the Golden Teacup Society. For information, contact Shorty Robbins at [shortyr@coj.net](mailto:shortyr@coj.net) or find us on Facebook

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**February 17, 18, 19, 2012. The Battle of Olustee** reenactment, parade and Living History. Olustee Battlefield State Historic Site, Olustee, Florida. Your help is needed with the school day programs on Friday, February 18. The reenactment takes place on the actual site where the Battle of Olustee (Ocean Pond) was fought. Visit with thousands of Civil War reenactors, tour the camps, see demonstrations of all types. Best gathering of Civil War sutlers at any Civil War event with 80+ sutlers in attendance. Friday is School Day. Battles Saturday and Sunday. Full scale artillery only. The Olustee Battle Festival Parade will begin at 10:30 AM. Reenactors are encouraged to participate. Buses will transport reenactors to and from the parade site and will be served breakfast. No pets. Due to concerns for public safety, no fur bearing animals such as cats and dogs will be allowed during the reenactment activities. This does not apply to horses. Get there early. The crowd gets big fast, sign-in and parking can be a hassle. First time visitors and reenactors to the event should read the listing of activities at <http://battleofolustee.org/> The battlefield is located just fifteen miles east of Lake City on Hwy. 90 from I-75 and 50 miles west of Jacksonville. Take I-75 to Hwy. 90 exit. Go east on Hwy. 90. Drive slow, the signs at the entrance for reenactors have been small and hard to see in the past. Contact the Olustee Battlefield Historic Site at (386) 758-0400 or email [olusteeco@yahoo.com](mailto:olusteeco@yahoo.com)

**March 2, 3, 4, 2012. The Battle of Natural Bridge.** Natural Bridge Battlefield State Historic Site (Florida). Activities throughout the day including Civil War military drill and camp life in the Military Camp. Civilian Camp will feature sewing, spinning, knitting, needlework, candle making, and other Soldier Aid Society activities. A formal midmorning Ladies Tea will be held on Saturday. A full military skirmish will be conducted on Saturday afternoon. On Sunday, camps will be open to the public at 9:00 AM. At approximately 1:00 PM, opening ceremonies will honor the combatants of the

Battle of Natural Bridge which will immediately be followed by the Battle of Natural Bridge reenactment. Directions: Drive south from Tallahassee for about eight miles to the community of Woodville. As you reach the elementary school at the southern edge of Woodville, turn left onto Natural Bridge Road. Travel approximately six miles east to the battlefield site. Authentic soldiers and civilians contact Captain Chris Ellrich at [cellrich@hotmail.com](mailto:cellrich@hotmail.com) Artillery by invitation only. Authentic sutlers (by invitation only) contact John Boger at [jboger@nbhscso.com](mailto:jboger@nbhscso.com) Please direct all other inquires to Bob Trapp at [btrapp@nbhscso.com](mailto:btrapp@nbhscso.com)

**March 24, 25, 2012. Battle at Narcoossee Mill. St. Cloud Fla.** (southeast of Orlando - Kissimmee St. Cloud area. Sponsored by the Jacob Summerlin Camp #1516 Sons of Confederate Veterans. The Battlefield is on 150 acres of open and wooded land on the shore of East Lake Tohopekaliga. The event host will be checking coggins papers for horses at the registration desk. A reenactor entrance fee of \$3 per person will be collected at the registration desk. A sutler fee of \$25 will be charged to all sutlers. Limited sutler electrical hook-ups are available for an additional fee. Friday, the 25th, is education day which begins at 9:00am; re-enactors are needed to provide demonstrations. A lunch will be provided for volunteers assisting with the school program. There will be a ladies tea Saturday morning and military ball on Saturday night. The park is located at 4700 Chisholm Park Trail, St. Cloud, Florida 34771. Take Hwy 192 (Irlo Bronson Hwy) to Hwy 15. Go 2mi North on Hwy 15, look for the park sign. Another way to get there (from the North) is to take I-4 to the toll road 528 (Beachline Expressway) go east and get off on Hwy 15 exit (Narcoossee Road) go South on Hwy 15. Another way if you are coming from the Florida Turnpike, get off at exit #244 and go east on Hwy 192 through St. Cloud, then turn North on Hwy 15 (Narcoossee Road). GPS position: N28.16.448 W081.15.020 Contact the SCV Camp at <http://www.jacobsummerlin.org/> or Don Williams at [warthog1146@aol.com](mailto:warthog1146@aol.com) More information, pre-registration <http://www.jacobsummerlin.org/ed2007.pdf>

**March 30<sup>th</sup> to April 01 2012** The 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Battle of SHILOH  
**April 2012. (Date undecided) NEW EVENT. "The Enterprise Raid".** Lanoochee in Paisley, FL. This will be the season finale for reenacting in Florida. Hosted by the Federal 4th Brigade [www.fl4th.com](http://www.fl4th.com) and the Boy Scout Camp La-no-che. Pre-registration (over 14 years old) through website. A fee of \$2 per-person, \$8 per family max. Walk-on fee of \$3 per person and \$10 per family. All proceeds will go to the Boy Scout Camp. Very nice site with plenty of room to grow. Large open areas for camping and battles. Wood, water and hay for infantry. Two main battles (one Saturday and one Sunday) with a possible tactical. School day will be held on Friday the 8th. Saturday will include a Ladies Tea and Evening Dance (in air-conditioned dining hall with shuttle service provided). "Seven Pounds of Bacon" will provide the music. Cavalry must show coggins papers. Location: 41940 Boy Scout Road, Paisley, FL., 32767. More information, contact Chuck Munson at [cwchuck@earthlink.net](mailto:cwchuck@earthlink.net) or 352-669-0291. Sutlers contact Ed Greenham at [eddy@petticoatparlor.com](mailto:eddy@petticoatparlor.com) or at 352-669-0291. Their website is still under construction but is up and running <http://www.enterpriseraid.com>

**October 5 -7 2012** The Battle of Perryville Kentucky