

How To Get Involved :

The 3rd Florida/35th Massachusetts Heritage, Inc. has programs in place to assist the new recruit. The *"Try Before You Buy"* program will provide individual recruits with a complete Uniform and Rifle Musket for a limited time to see if Civil War Reenacting is their hobby of choice. New Members will be shown various aspects of the hobby by more experienced members. We have made arrangements with several local "sutlers" to provide new recruits with a "starter package" to get them on field.

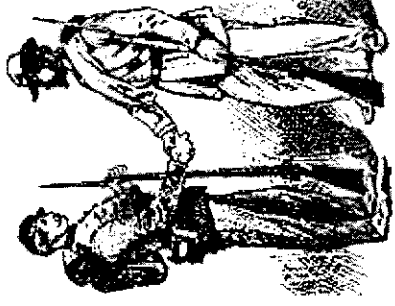
About 3rd Florida /35th Massachusetts Heritage Inc.: As a Not For Profit Corporation, dedicated to the remembrance of those who fought the American Civil War, 3rd Fla./35th Mass. represents both Confederate and Union impressions. 3rd Fla (Co. A) C.S.A. was founded in Jacksonville, Florida in 1861 and fought with the Army of Tennessee while the 35th Massachusetts U.S.A. fought with the Army of Potomac.

3rd Fla./35th Mass. elected to represent both sides of the conflict for they, like us, were all Americans.

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*History Awaits Your Discovery
...where young lives made
the difference between
Victory and Defeat
- Anonymous*



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Read About It, Then Experience It -

Living history is a personal desire that provides an individual, young and old, an opportunity to pull from the pages of history the sights and sounds of an era gone but not forgotten.

Civil War interpreters help to bring to life, in a limited capacity, the memory of people who did so much to shape our nation during the 1860's, but who can no longer speak for themselves. While working to achieve this goal, interpreters learn more about this period and thus keep the history alive.

The future depends on knowing our past. The great deeds and sacrifices of those who came before must not disappear from our society. By knowing them, we will know ourselves and be better prepared to cope with the challenges of today and the future.

It's A Learning Experience: As a member you will be exposed to many facets of the life and times of the American Civil War. Military life of the common soldier is by far the most prevalent. You will learn first hand how the Civil War soldier drilled, camped, handled his weapon, and marched into Battle. In addition, there will be Civil War Round Table discussions amid the light of the campfire during each event. Topics of discussion include strategies, uniforms, military personalities, political issues of the time, weapons and tactics.

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Civil War Portrayal: Most living history participants portray either a Confederate or Union soldier and fight in the battles at reenactments. These soldiers are led by officers, sergeants and corporals who are selected and promoted based on knowledge of tactics and period military impressions.

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Non-Military Impressions: Members, including ladies and their families, portray civilians of the period. These roles afford an almost infinite number of opportunities, such as the Ladies Aid Society, laundress impressions, cooks, etc. Civilian living history members are limited only by their imagination.

Activities For Every Living History Enthusiast :

- Participate in full scale battle reenactments
- Enjoy camaraderie of friends around the campfire and on the battle line
- Provide educational presentations
- Attend period "balls" and socials
- LEARN MORE ABOUT HISTORY

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Where Do Living History Events Take

Place: Most of the events are scheduled in and around the Florida and Georgia Region. There are exceptions when National Events take place at locations such as Gettysburg, Pennsylvania and in the State of Virginia. An annual Event Listing will be provided to all members in September each year.

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Who Becomes A Member: People from all walks of life become involved in Civil War living history. The 3rd Fla./35th Mass. includes individuals who are truly interested in history, especially the history of the Civil War. Active members are as young as 14 years old. Family participation is not only welcomed it is encouraged. Other impressions such as; field music (fifers, drummers, buglers) and Signal Corp are also available. A membership packet is available for those who wish to join.

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