



Dixie Camp Meeting Recap

By Newsletter Editor Wes Reynolds

Members of Dixie Camp 2362 met on Friday, October 9, at 6:30 PM at American Legion Post 147 on James Island. The meeting date was changed to Friday because the American Legion was closed on our normal meeting day of Tuesday this week.



Camp members enjoyed a delicious meal of hot dogs, baked beans, and chips served by our Mess Sergeant George Durst.

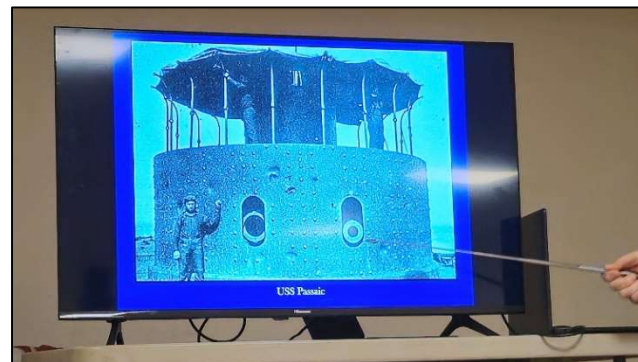


Camp members and guests line up for the meal.

After the meal, the meeting was called to order at about 7:00 PM. After the pledges and reading of the Charge, we were honored to have author and historian Rick Hatcher of Civil War Round Table and Secession Camp 4 give us a presentation about the Ironclad attack on Fort Sumter during the War Between the States. The presentation was also livestreamed on the Camp's Facebook page.



Rick Hatcher's presentation about the Union ironclad attack on Fort Sumter during WBTS.



Slide from Rick Hatcher's presentation

Following the presentation, Cmdr. Little led the camp business session, which included discussions about the BBQ event at the American Legion on Oct. 23 and 24, the camp field trip to McLeod Plantation on James Island on Nov. 7th, and the upcoming camp elections in November.

Lt. Commander Dillon reported that the RealDixie.com website is doing well, the Facebook page is getting good views, and he has started a campaign to purchase headstones for unmarked Confederate soldiers in Hollywood Cemetery in Richmond, Va.

At the conclusion of the meeting, the camp formed a circle and sang a hardy rendition of Dixie, led by our Lt. Cmdr. Rob Dillon. We had 7 of 14 camp members in attendance (50%) and 5 guests. Thank you to all who could attend.



Commander's Column

By Commander Rick Little

Compatriots,

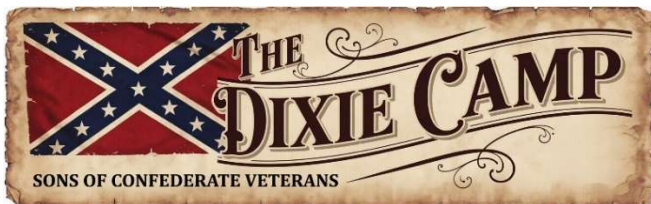
We had a minor mix-up with the meeting night being changed to Friday; some members were unable to attend, but like our Confederate ancestors, we were able to adapt and overcome.

Thanks to Michael O'Neale and the American Legion for accommodating us. Our speaker, Rick Hatcher, gave a great oration on the ironclad attack on Ft. Sumter. We have good reason to be proud of our Confederate heritage. Our ancestors fought the invaders with tenacity. We share that same strength as we fight to defend their good name.

We have an opportunity for recruiting on October 23 and 24 at the American Legion. George Durst and some helpers are entered in a barbecue cook-off. If you are available either of these days, come join us.

Our next meeting on Tuesday, November 3, will be for members only. We will be making some changes to the bylaws, discussing finances, and updating full members on the direction of the camp. Please make every effort to attend this meeting. Your input is valued.

Dixie Camp Commander
Rick Little



Dixie Camp Leadership 2025-2026

Commander	Rick Little
Lt. Commander	Rob Dillon
2nd Lt. Commander	Ron Corry
Adjutant	Wes Reynolds
Chaplain	Ron Corry
Color Sergeant	Frank Freeman
Quartermaster	Michael O'Neale

Dixie Camp 2362 Calendar of Upcoming Events

Friday & Saturday, October 23-24, 2026

BBQ Cook-Off Competition at

American Legion Post 147

968 Folly Rd, Charleston, SC 29412

This is a fun camp activity with the goal of connecting to the community, recruiting new members, and maybe winning a prize.

Tuesday, November 3, 2026, at 6:30 PM

November Camp Meeting at

American Legion Post 147

968 Folly Rd, Charleston, SC 29412

Closed meeting for **camp members only**.
Camp business and officer elections to be held.
No guest speaker this month.

Supper at 6:30 PM; meeting at 7:00 PM.

Saturday, November 7, 2026, at 2:00 PM

Camp Field Trip to McLeod Plantation at

325 Country Club Dr, Charleston, SC 29412

Admission Cost for McLeod Plantation is:

\$15 for 60+ and \$20 for under 60

Camp members, family, and friends are all invited to attend to a personal tour led by our camp commander, Rick Little, a board member of Friends of McLeod Plantation.

Tuesday, December 1, 2026, at 6:30 PM

December Camp Meeting at

American Legion Post 147

968 Folly Rd, Charleston, SC 29412

All SCV, UDC, prospects, and guests welcome.

Supper at 6:30 PM; meeting at 7:00 PM.

Guest Speaker: Author Mark Powell

Tuesday, January 5, 2027, at 6:30 PM

January Camp Meeting at

American Legion Post 147

968 Folly Rd, Charleston, SC 29412

All SCV, UDC, prospects, and guests welcome.

Supper at 6:30 PM; meeting at 7:00 PM.

Guest Speaker: To Be Determined

Tuesday, February 2, 2027, at 6:30 PM

February Camp Meeting at

American Legion Post 147

968 Folly Rd, Charleston, SC 29412

Supper at 6:30 PM; meeting at 7:00 PM.

Guest Speaker: To Be Determined

BBQ Cook-Off!

AMERICAN LEGION POST 147 20th ANNUAL PRO-AM BBQ COOK OFF



The American Legion Post 147 on James Island is holding a BBQ Cook-off Competition and Dixie Camp has entered in the amateur category on Friday, Oct. 23 and Saturday, Oct. 24.

We are hoping to use this event to gain exposure in our community and possibly recruit new members for our camp. The American Legion 147 has been very generous in allowing us to use their meeting room for free, so we want to support Post 147 whenever we can.

On Friday night, the 'ANYTHING BBQ' round starts after team meeting at 5:00 PM.

On Saturday, the teams submit their entries for judging by 11:00 AM. After final turn in, from 11:30 to 1:00 PM, the public can visit individual cook sites to receive a sample what's left of the teams' two competition butts. The camp will have a recruiting and sales table set up. Please come out to help if you can.

If you have any questions, contact Commander Rick Little.

Field Trip Time!

Our fourth-quarter camp outing is a field trip to McLeod Plantation Historic Site on James Island on Saturday, November 7, 2026, at 2:00 PM. Meet at the parking lot inside.



The address is:

325 Country Club Dr, Charleston, SC 29412

Admission Cost for McLeod Plantation is:

\$15 for 60+, \$20 for under 60, \$6 under 12

All camp members, family, and friends are invited to a personal tour led by our camp commander, Rick Little, a board member of Friends of McLeod Plantation. Please invite anyone who might be interested in hearing the history of this plantation from a Southern perspective, NOT the woke narrative the liberals at the Charleston County Parks present.

Established in 1851, McLeod Plantation Historic Site is a 37-acre heritage site that reflects some of the most significant chapters in American history and was known for the cultivation of Sea Island cotton. The site features a riverside pavilion, a sweeping oak allée, and the historic McLeod Oak, believed to be more than 300 years old.



McLeod Plantation House

**DIXIE
CAMP
BBQ
TEAM
LOGO**



Do you know your Confederate History?

By UDC Historian Cindy Reynolds

United Confederate Veterans

The United Confederate Veterans was officially established for “social, literary, historical, and benevolent” purposes. Reunions served to commemorate the War Between the States and, over time, became platforms for reconciliation while also reinforcing regional identity and sectional pride.

During their height, reunions were enormous, city-wide celebrations. The 1900 reunion in Louisville attracted more than 15,000 veterans and an estimated 100,000 visitors. The 1917 gathering in Washington, D.C., marked a powerful moment of national reconciliation during World War I and was attended by President Woodrow Wilson.



Commemorative 1951 US Postage Stamp

Reunions featured grand parades with marching bands and military units, formal balls, picnics, fireworks displays, and speeches by prominent figures such as General John B. Gordon. As the veterans aged, the reunions gradually became smaller. The final United Confederate Veterans reunion took place in Norfolk, Virginia, in 1951, attended by only three verified veterans. To commemorate the occasion, a three-cent postage stamp was issued by the United States Government.



Adjutant's Column

By Adjutant Wes Reynolds

Dixie Camp is doing well, and we continue to see steady growth. We currently have 14 full members and 3 associate members. We also have two prospects that have met all the requirements to join the camp, so we expect new members soon.

The 2027 Division Reunion planning continues. If you have any articles you want to see in the program, please let me know.

It is my honor to serve as your Adjutant, and I plan to run for the next two-year term in November. If you have any questions about Dixie Camp or joining the SCV, please contact me anytime by email at scscv2362@gmail.com.

Dixie Camp Adjutant
Wes Reynolds

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