

April Meeting Recap

By Newsletter Editor Wes Reynolds

Members of Dixie Camp 2362 met on Saturday April 11, 2026 at Tucker's Pond on Johns Island for our second camp meeting, and it was a great success! We had nine camp members and eight guests attend this meeting.

A delicious meal was prepared and served by our Mess Sergeant George Durst and greatly enjoyed by all. We were able to eat outside on this beautiful spring afternoon.



After the meal, we held our regular camp meeting and welcomed five new prospective camp members. Commander Little gave an interesting presentation about the different South Carolina State Constitutions over the years. At the conclusion of the meeting, we all sang a rousing version of Dixie, led by our Lt. Cmdr. Rob Dillon. Thank you to all who could attend. Our camp is off to a great start!



Dixie Camp 2362 Calendar of Upcoming Events!

THIS Saturday April 25 at 5:00 PM

A Toast to Stephen Dill Lee!

Where: Freehouse Brewery
2895 Pringle St, North Charleston, SC 29405
We will be meeting to raise a glass to the man who gave the SCV our charge on this very date 120 years ago. This is pay-for-your-own event.

Saturday May 2 at 11:00 AM

SC Division Confederate Memorial Day Services, Elmwood Cemetery, Columbia, SC.

501 Elmwood Ave, Columbia, SC 29201
After the service, camp members will meet for a lunch at a local restaurant, followed by a tour of the SC Confederate Relic Room. Rick has access to a bus if we can get enough people that are interested in going. Contact Cmdr. Little immediately if you are interested in riding.

Tuesday May 5th at 6:30 PM

May Camp Meeting at Fleet Reserve Assoc.

99 Wisteria Rd, Goose Creek, SC 29445
Food and drink will be available for purchase.
Guest speaker: UDC Historian Cindy Reynolds, "Relics, Souvenirs & Mementos of the WBTS"

Saturday May 9 at 10:00 AM

Save the Date for our Camp Confederate Memorial Day Service

Location and exact date and time to be determined by camp at the May 5th camp meeting.

June Camp Meeting. Location and exact date and time to be determined by camp at the May 5th Camp Meeting.

Commander's Column

By Commander Rick Little

Dear Compatriots,

It was such a pleasure at our first meeting April 11 to see so many people with a heart for Dixie. After a wonderful noon meal prepared by our Mess sergeant George Durst, we went straight to work on the 2027 Division reunion planning.

Rob Dillon has secured the Scottish Rite event venue 1051 Sam Rittenberg Blvd. For Saturday, March 20, 2027 as the event site. Frank Freeman and Rob Dillon are now looking for hotels and Friday evening social. Wes Reynolds will put together a magazine, but we can use everybody's help in selling ads. I'm working on a design for the reunion medal I'm leaning towards the Castle Pickney designed for the medal.

We are currently working on six new perspective members with the help of Sandy O'Neale who has volunteered to be our genealogist.

Thanks to Wayne Hall we have been approved to use the Fleet Reserve as a regular meeting place, 99 Wisteria Rd. Goose Creek. Our next meeting will be May 5, 2026 regular meeting time will be 6:30 PM at the Fleet Reserve Association banquet area.

As a fun event, the camp has agreed to meet at Freehouse brewery to celebrate Steven D. Lee's charge to the Sons of Confederate veterans given on April 25, 1906. We will meet at 5:00 PM and toast Dixie.

Dixie Camp Commander
Rick Little

Adjutant's Column

By Adjutant Wes Reynolds

I want to talk a little about bringing in new members into the camp. We have been blessed by having quite a few new prospects express interest in joining our camp, so I want to go over the procedure to get new members into our camp. The most important thing we need to get started is a SCV membership application filled out and into my hands.

Prospective members must also attend at least three Dixie Camp meetings before they can join the camp. This is required so they demonstrate both an interest and desire to join our camp. I look forward to having many new membership applications as our camp grows.

Dixie Camp Adjutant
Wes Reynolds

Camp Facebook Page

By Newsletter Editor Wes Reynolds



The Dixie Camp has launched a new Facebook page to "Vindicate the Cause"! Just search Facebook for "DIXIE CAMP 2362" to find it. Click Follow and Like our daily posts! If you would like to help, see Lt. Commander Rob Dillon.



Congratulations to prospective member Joshua Ward and his wife on the birth of their baby girl, Louisa Marie Ward on Sunday, April 19, 2026. Joshua, Dixie Camp wants to wish you and your family the very best!

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Calhoun Statue Fundraiser

By Newsletter Editor Wes Reynolds

On Saturday, April 18th, the Calhoun Monument Society held a fundraiser on Johns Island to raise money to have the John C. Calhoun Monument re-erected here in South Carolina. As you know, the statue was illegally torn down by the woke mobs and with the approval of Charleston City council and mayor during the George Floyd riots of 2020. The statue of this beloved South Carolina Statesman has been languishing in a warehouse ever since.

The American Heritage Association led the charge to get the statue back. After an extensive court battle over several years, an agreement was reached and the statue was turned over to the Calhoun Monument Society, a 501.c.3 non-profit organization to re-erect and maintain the statue. According to the terms of the settlement, the Calhoun statue will not be placed back inside Charleston City limits. The Calhoun Monument Society needs to raise funds to purchase land at a suitable location and pay for the construction and erection of a new base for the statue.

On Saturday, the massive fourteen-foot-tall statue of Calhoun was brought out of storage and put on display at the fundraiser event. About 120 people attended the event. Our commander, Rick Little and Johns Island Tool Rental moved the statue to the location and provided the tent for this event. Thank you Rick for all you do to support SC history!



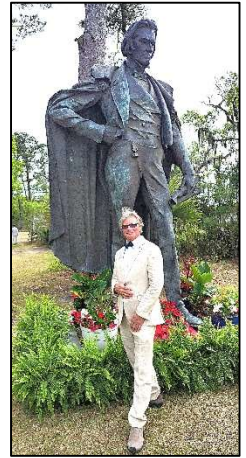
Even John C. Calhoun is also a fan of the Dixie Camp!



Rob Dillon



Wes & Cindy Reynolds



Rick Little

