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The first grove established—the Bolling Grove—was dedicated in 1921 in honor of Colonel Raynal Bolling, the first high-ranking U.S. officer killed in combat during World War I. The Bolling Grove is now a part of Humboldt Redwoods State Park.

Today, grove donors are able to provide funds directly to the League to support redwood forests statewide, including redwood state parks. Groves are established by the California State Parks Commission. The designations are honorary in nature and do not involve the transfer of real property or monetary value to or from donors.

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