

Sons of Confederate Veterans Roswell Mills Camp No. 1547 MILL TALK

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Commander's Comments

Our camp was well represented at two events in July, one in Liverpool in the U.K. and one in Hot Springs, Arkansas.

The Liverpool event was the rededication of the tombstone of Irvine Stephens Bulloch who is buried in Toxteth Cemetery in Liverpool. As mentioned at our July meeting, our camp provided a Proclamation praising the action of our CSA sympathizers in arranging this dedication, and we suggested that the Mayor of Roswell provide a similar Proclamation, which he did.

At the 2009 SCV Annual Convention held in Hot Springs, our camp was ably represented by our Immediate Past Commander Jerry Maddox and our Adjutant Ross Glover. They will report on the convention at our September meeting.

Howard Bryant
Commander

July Meeting Show and Tell

It seems like years since members of Roswell Mills Camp showed various pieces from their ancestors. There was a medal from a Confederate Veterans

Reunion, a Bible carried by Doug Allen's ancestor and letters from Ross Glover's great-great grandfather and grandmother.



Members enjoying Show and Tell at July Meeting



A few articles brought by Compatriots.



James Lewter tells about papers from his ancestor



Rick Leake shows and tells.

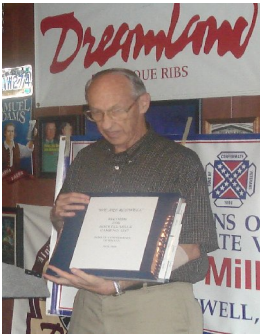


Dick Anthony saves his Confederate Money



Doug Allen shows Bible carried by his Confederate ancestor.

Thanks to Camp Photographer Doug Allen for his tireless work with Mill Talk



Past Commander Jerry Maddox showed Roswell Mills Scrapbook that should have won the Division Award if it had been judged. The Scrapbook was entered in the competition at the Hot Springs Reunion.



Spectators at the Old Soldiers Day Parade

Participation in projects and events by Roswell Mills members makes our Camp the Distinguish Camp of the Year.

Jerry Maddox stands with Becky Leake before parade begins.



Certificates award Roswell Mills Camp at Division Reunion...Distinguish Camp of the Year and Outstanding Newsletter Award.



Robert Blankenship prefers, as most of us, to ride.

Alpharetta's Old Soldiers Day Parade

Roswell Mills Camp had excellent participation in the Old Soldiers Day parade on August 1st. Thanks to Jonathan Leake for providing transportation for the older members of Roswell Mills. Jonathan is the son of Rick Leake and grandson of Doug Allen. The following photos are from the parade.



Rick Leake mounting the truck bed.

Dispatch from Liverpool...

Bulloch Grave Rededicated

By Bob Jones (In the Queen's English)

The grave of Irvine Stephens Bulloch was restored by Liverpool city council. A replacement Cross of Honour was supplied by the United Daughters of the Confederacy.

Members of the England based Lt. John Low Camp SCV, and re-enactors, along with Neville Wantling (alias General Robert E. Lee) and friends, gathered on Saturday afternoon at Toxteth Park cemetery in Liverpool to rededicate Irvine Bulloch's grave.

Re-enactors met at the gates of the cemetery at 1:30 pm and the colourful sight of costumes and flags drew much attention from the local people of the area.

The Lord Mayor of Liverpool arrived by invitation, since it was the city council that had funded the restoration, and councillor Berni Turner, who got the work done, enabling the event to take place.

The ceremony started at 2 pm, with warm winds blowing and the sun appearing from behind scudding clouds. John Collier started by welcoming the Lord Mayor and Councillor Turner. He explained why we were gathered at the grave of Irvine Bulloch and handed over to Bob Jones to report on how the grave was restored. This was a chance to publicly thank the city council, and Berni Turner for making this a happen.

John spoke about the numbers of American Civil War grave sites and monuments throughout Britain. Many not marked, and may never be found, both Confederate, and Union. A short biography of Irvine was read, followed by a message from the only living descendants of James D. Bulloch in Western Australia.

Resolutions were read from the John Low Camp, SCV, the Roswell Mills Camp, SCV, Georgia, a Proclamation from the Mayor of Roswell, and a

reply by the Lord Mayor of Liverpool, followed by Councillor Turner who said, "That she would like to see this sort of event become an annual affair," which received much applause.

Peter Rossi from Italy also read a message.

Wreaths were placed on behalf of the James Dunwoody Bulloch Chapter, UDC in Georgia by Roy Rawlinson and the SCV, and friends by Dave Tollereton..

John remembered the Confederate dead, and this was followed by Fr. Cook of St Agnes's church, who said a few stirring words before blessing the grave.

Neville then read 'Lee's farewell to his troops,' followed by the firing of a salute, and dipping of the colours. Taps was played by John Fairfield and the ceremony was over.

Well not quite, as there was another grave rededicated in the same cemetery. This was for James H. Stubbs, a Union man in the New Jersey cavalry.

September Meeting First Thursday

Place: Dreamland BBQ, Roswell

Dinner at 6:30

Program at 7:00

At the September meeting, Mr. James Cabanniss speaks about "Christianity in War." Mr. Cabanniss is a SCV member.

This autumn is the time to bring a prospective member to hear the excellent programs line up by Commander Howard Bryant.

We will meet at Dreamland BBQ again but will try another location in October. See the September Mill Talk for details.