

Annual Meeting of the General Henry Knox
Artillery Regimental Color Guard
Massachusetts Society of the
Sons of the American Revolution

Patriot's Day Celebration
April 18 , 2011



The Colonial Inn
Concord, Massachusetts

Henry Knox

- **Henry Knox** (July 25, 1750 – October 25, 1806) was a military officer of the [Continental Army](#) and later the [United States Army](#), and also served as the first [United States Secretary of War](#).
- Born and raised in [Boston, Massachusetts](#), he owned and operated a bookstore there, cultivating an interest in military history and joining a local artillery company. When the [American Revolutionary War](#) broke out in 1775, he befriended General [George Washington](#), and quickly rose to become the chief artillery officer of the Continental Army. In this role he accompanied Washington on most of his campaigns, and had some involvement in many major actions of the war. He established training centers for artillerymen and manufacturing facilities for weaponry that were valuable assets to the fledgling nation.
- Following the adoption of the [United States Constitution](#), he became President Washington's Secretary of War. In this role he oversaw the development of coastal fortifications, worked to improve the preparedness of local militia, and oversaw the nation's military activity in the [Northwest Indian War](#). He was formally responsible for the nation's relationship with the Indian population in the territories it claimed, at one point arguing that the country could take by force lands that Indian tribes were unwilling to sell.
- He retired to what is now [Thomaston, Maine](#) in 1795, where he oversaw the rise of a business empire built on borrowed money. He died in 1806 from an infection received after swallowing a chicken bone, leaving an estate that was virtually bankrupt.

General Henry Knox Continental Color Guard
Commanders
1964-2011

- Lee David Day 2009-2011
- Richard K. Thorndike III 2008-2009
- Paul S. Dakin 2005-2007
- Geoffrey G. Colby 2004-2005
- Raymond F. Fleck 2003-2004
- * Thomas M. Smith 1997-2002
- * Franklin S. Pond 1993-1996
- Harry G. Orcott 1990-1992
- * John Vogelgesang 1990
- Richard K. Thorndike III 1964-1988

- * Deceased

Words from the Commander

- First of all, I would like to thank all of the men of the Color Guard for their hard work and dedication throughout the year. It has been a pleasure and an honor to be your Commander. The following book represents a small fraction of all the events that the Color Guard is involved in throughout the year.
- Grave Markings
- JROTC Awards
- Eagle Scout Awards
- Community Events
- Parades
- Sporting Events
- Historical Commemorations
- We have had a banner year, not only with our presence in the community but in our camaraderie and team building. We have a distinguished and formidable Color Guard. I am proud to hand over the leadership of the Color Guard in it's present state.
- Respectfully , Lee David Day, Commander MASSAR Color Guard

- Sons of the American Revolution
- MASSAR Continental Color Guard
- www.massar.org

Officers 2010/2011

- Commander
- Lee David Day
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- Business Manager
- Steven G. Perkins
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- Quartermaster
- Kenneth Doten
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- Color Guard
- Safety Officer
- Allan Van Wert
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- Adjutant
- Henry Curtis
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- Paymaster
- Charles O Kingsbury
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The Continental Color Guard participated in 10 events during the course of the year, and chapters have had a lesser number of events in which their CG members have represented MASSAR/SAR.

- Member participation predominantly is bolstered by 7 or 8 guardsmen who have attended most events, and forms the core group of active members.
- The CG desires a broader member participation, as well as growth in membership from the chapters.
- Ken Doten, Quartermaster, maintains an inventory log of CG property. Some chapters may have purchased or added to their flag collection. A Canadian flag was added to the collection for our neighbor. The 3 x 5 flag was presented during the Brockton Rox game against a team from Canada. Following the national anthems, a robust musket salute stirred the crowd.
- Several CG members participated in a living history at a regional Catholic school in Uxbridge. Just as the RTP chapter received positive responses to their 2009 in-school event, the same enthusiasm came from the students at Uxbridge.
- The Guard will embark on a property recovery program in 2011. A number of coats purchased by MASSAR have lain in closets for years. Our hope is that persons interested in joining the CG might have a selection of recovered coats from those members who are no longer active marchers. One new uniform was made in 2010 for Verne Thayer.
- Chapters are requested to help fund the CG, and consider making a \$100-\$200 donation. Checking balance on 12/31/2010 was \$243.39.
- The Color Guard annual meeting will be held Saturday afternoon April 16, 2011, at the Colonial Inn, Concord, MA.
- Respectfully submitted 20 January 2011.
- Lee David Day
- Color Guard Commander
- Steve Perkins
- Exec Officer & business manager

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Treasurer's Report
January 1 2010 - December 31, 2010

Cash Balance January 1, 2010		\$ 1,341.71
Income:		
Patriots Day Event	\$ 656.00	
Parade income - Norwood	500.00	
Parade income - Westwood	400.00	
Donations	435.00	
MASSAR Reimbursement for Insurance Policy	250.00	
Interest on Checking Account	<u>2.18</u>	
Total Income		<u>\$ 2,243.18</u>
Sub total		3,584.89
Expenses:		
Color Guard Annual Mtg. Program	\$ 420.00	
New Uniforms	400.00	
Uniform Materials & Buttons	899.06	
New Flags, Poles, Spears & Eagles	252.05	
Patriots Day Luncheon Expenses	1,174.33	
Wreaths	149.06	
Medals & Certificates	<u>47.00</u>	
Total Expenses		<u>3,341.50</u>
Cash Balance December 31, 2010		<u>\$ 243.39</u>

Respectfully submitted,


Charles O. Kingsbury, Treasurer

Patriot's Day April 17, 2010 Concord, MA



Gordon Spaberg, Steve Watts, Dave Day, Hank McCall, Jerry Hazeldine



Bill Battles



Jerry Hazeldine, Ken Doten, Judge Edward F. Butler Sr., Robin Butler, Steve Watts, Dave Day, Jim Klim

Patriot's Day
April 17, 2010
Concord, MA



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Grave marking

JROTC Lynn English High School
May 19, 2010
Lynn, MA



Cmdr. David Day, Lynn English Cadets, Gordon Spaberg

Memorial Day
May 31, 2010
Westwood, MA



Color Guard Salute

Margaretta Days Festival
June 12, 2010
Machias, ME



SAR Guardsmen:
Ken Doten, Ken Sutcliffe, Steve Watts, David Day

Bunker Hill Parade
June 17, 2010
Charlestown, MA

The Boston Globe

FRIDAY, JUNE 18, 2010

BUNKER HILL'S DAY



DINA RUDICK/GLOBE STAFF

Among those gathered in Charlestown yesterday for the 235th anniversary of the Battle of Bunker Hill were Aydan Hazeldine, 5, and his grandfather (in period uniform), who were honoring a forebear who fought in the 1775 battle against British troops.

Bunker Hill Parade
June 17, 2010
Charlestown, MA



SAR Color Guardsmen:

Gordon Spaberg, Ken Doten, Steve Watts, Hank McCarl,
Steve Perkins, Jerry Hazeldine, Dave Day

1st row: Aydan Hazeldine in white shirt (Jerry's grandson)

Dan Dudley Ct. and Jack Manning SR

St. Michael's Church
July 4, 2010
Marblehead, MA



Jerri Pratt
Mo Pratt
Cmdr. Lee Day
Michael Brown
Harry Pratt drummer
Kristen Day
Gordon Spaberg
Frances Pratt
Nicholas Pratt
Daniel Pratt

Cmdr. Lee D. Day
Harry Pratt
Nicholas Kierstead
Erica Kierstead
Gordon Spaberg
Frances Pratt
Robert Kierstead
Zachary Kierstead
Nicholas Pratt
Daniel Pratt



Brockton Rox
August 20, 2010
Brockton, MA



1st row: Aydan Hazeldine, Garrett Kowalski
2nd row: Jerry Hazeldine, Steve Perkins, Dave Day,
Ken Doten, Alan Van Wert

Concord 375th Anniversary
September 11, 2010
Concord, MA



Vern Thayer, Ken Doten, Jerry Hazeldine, Alan Van Wert
Joel Andrews, Steve Perkins, Peter Benton

Anniversary of Yorktown
October 19, 2010
Sturbridge, MA



Jerry Hazeldine, Vern Thayer, Chuck Kingsbury,
Steve Perkins, Bill Battles, & Harry Orcutt

Veterans Day
November 11, 2010
West Bridgewater, MA



Ken Sutcliffe, Vern Thayer, Steve Watts,
Steve Perkins, Jerry Hazeldine,
Hank Curtis, Dave Day

Veterans Day
Tri Town Parade
November 11, 2010
West Bridgewater, MA



Judge's Choice Award
presented to the MASSAR Color Guard

Hanscom Homecoming Days
December 10, 2010
Bedford, MA



Guardsmen Alan Van Wert, Vern Thayer, and Steve Perkins
with Admirers

Wreaths Across America December 11, 2010 Bourne, MA



Bourne National Cemetery
Wreaths laid at the graves of
Francis G Hazeldine
David R. Freid
Michael Carpeno

Junior SAR member
Garrett Kowallski
Placed wreaths on
The graves of his
Grandfathers,
Francis G. Hazeldine
David R. Freid



Wreaths Across America
December 11, 2010
Scituate, MA



Vice President of
Old Essex Chapter:
Jack Manning



Lincoln Days
February 5, 2011
Hingham, MA



Lieut. Cmdr. US Navy Seals (Ret) Anthony O'Brien

President: Kenneth J Sutcliffe

First Vice President: Dr. Paul Dakin

Secretary/Registrar: John T. Manning

Henry Curtis Esq.

Director: Kenneth P. Doten

Historian/Director/Photographer: James R. Klim

Ken Sutcliffe of Robert Treat Paine Chapter ■



Displays the bell used at grave markings. It is rung 13 times to represent the 13 Colonies of the Revolution.



**Margaretta Days,
Machias Maine
June 11, 2011**

MASSAR Color Guard and marchers from other
New England
SAR Chapters are invited.

For more information call
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