



# The Beat Goes On

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CAPTAIN



FOR those Nobles who want to be attired in Revolutionary War clothing for any reason – members of Colonial Craftsmen, marching in the town parade on patriotic occasions, a really great and incredibly inexpensive Halloween outfit – the Minutemen Unit has an offer for you. As reported in previous articles in this column, the Minutemen Unit has acquired a new completely authentic style of uniform. We have retired our former uniforms, which were the envy of numerous Rev War Parade Units. Those former uniforms are now for sale at but a fraction of their original cost. See our advertisement on this page for the astounding details. Nobles may purchase one or more needed item(s), or the entire kit. This opportunity is not available in stores.

Two recently recruited Minutemen, a father and son team, **Jay and Adam Jolicoeur**, have begun to participate with the Unit, and reportedly they are both enjoying a really swell time. Past Captain

**Bob Vere**, after fighting back against the debilitating effects of a recent stroke, is back behind the wheel of his van providing us with vehicle support for members who can no longer march. Guidon / Musketman **George “Lenny” McIntosh**, has recently returned from a bout of the golden year blahs, and has taken Bob Vere up on his offer of a lift. A majority of the Unit attended the Summer Picnic at Resort Ralston, Noble **John** and Lady **Randy Ralston’s** fabulous home entertainment facility, and we had an outstanding turnout for the Labor Day Parade in Marlboro. Overall, we are presently happy – very, very happy.

We are looking forward to the October 4th Hot

Sands Ceremonial, as we have received reports from various Nobles that three incoming candidates are most interested in becoming members of the only Minutemen Unit in Shrinedom. Please, please.... “So mote it be.” There are a number of slots still left in our ranks for Fifes, Drums, Flags and Muskets (we provide all necessary training) for those Nobles seeking an adventurous life of service to the Shrine. Our 1st Thursday Night Muster of every month, at 7:30 p.m., in our Unit Room on the 2nd floor of Aleppo, is the most convivial opportunity to scope us out as our Ladies provide a sumptuous collation following the meeting. So “Come on down!”



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## Nobles of Major General Henry Knox Lodge

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FROM Friday, July 18th, to Sunday, July 20th, Major General Henry Knox Lodge commemorated the life of their Masonic Brother and Patriot General namesake, in the environs of his estate in Thomaston, Maine. Instituted on the gun deck of the *U.S.S. Constitution* on March 17, 1926, the 150th Anniversary of the British evacuation of Boston, M.G. Henry Knox Lodge is the military lodge of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts. It is hardly surprising, the Lodge is made up of current and ex-servicemen, that so many of the names of its members are familiar to the Nobles of Aleppo and other Shrine Centers.

The weekend was organized by Noble **John Kandres** (Legion of Honor). Before the banquet on Friday evening, my Lady **Susan** and I provided the Hospitality Suite (see photo). At the General’s Gravesite in Thomaston Village Cemetery on Saturday morning, Past Master, Noble **Charles Austin** gave a spirited eulogy, which was well received. Also present was the current Master, Noble **Wayne H. Livermore** and the Lodge Secretary, Noble **Bruce Newman**, with many other members who are Nobles in attendance.

That evening, all enjoyed a lobster dinner purchased at reasonable price from the volunteer firemen of the nearby town of St. George at their annual fund-raiser; the weekend ended early Sunday afternoon, following a cookout at the home of Noble **R. Carlton Hill**, in Tenants Harbor.

Nobles (Brothers) who have served in the Armed Forces of the United States and are either currently active or have been discharged honorably, may apply for membership in M.G. Henry Knox Lodge, by emailing the Secretary, Bruce Newman, at [slon@juno.com](mailto:slon@juno.com) or by writing to the Lodge at 186 Tremont Street, Boston, MA 02111. M.G. Henry Knox Lodge meets the fourth Wednesday of each month.



Socializing in the Hospitality Suite is from left to right: Nobles **Harry G. Orcutt**, **Charles Austin**, **Wayne H. Livermore**, **Steve Kolesnik (Bektash)**, his Lady, **Mrs. Bill Gullette**, Bro. **Bill Gullette**, Lady **Susan**.

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