



The Minute Man Messenger

The official newsletter of
Minute Man National Historical Park
2013 Edition

The Barrett House and Farm Transferred to Minute Man National Historical Park



Congresswoman Niki Tsongas speaks at the Barrett Farm transfer celebration

On Saturday, October 27th, 2012 Save Our Heritage and Minute Man National Historical Park celebrated the completion of the Save Our Heritage restoration of Barrett Farm, and the transfer of its ownership to the National Park Service. Restoration of the 1705 Barrett House began eight years ago when Save Our Heritage, a Concord, Massachusetts, nonprofit preservation organization, acquired Barrett Farm and the 3.4 acres of surrounding land from the McGrath family.

“It was a collaborative effort right from the start between Save Our Heritage, the town, the park, and the McGraths,” explained Neil Rasmussen, president of Save Our Heritage. “Our shared goal was to have Save Our Heritage restore the Col. James Barrett House and to eventually incorporate it into Minute Man Park... And that time has finally come.”

The Colonel James Barrett Farm is listed in the National Register of Historic Places as one of the most important Revolutionary War landmarks of national significance. Colonel James Barrett, a member of the Provincial Congress, was the overall commander at the North Bridge on the first day of the American Revolution. He was also in charge of all the military supplies in the area. When 700 British Regulars marched to Concord on April 19, 1775, they were intent on seizing weapons and other military supplies stored throughout the town, including Colonel Barrett’s property.

In 2005, the late Senator Edward Kennedy and former Representative Marty Meehan lent their energetic support to sponsoring legislation to facilitate a feasibility study of the farm’s inclusion in the park. Later, in 2009, thanks to Congresswoman Niki Tsongas, Minute Man Park’s boundaries were expanded to include the Col. James Barrett House and land.

In 2012 Congress appropriated the funds needed for the National Park Service to acquire Barrett House and the surrounding land. “We’re delighted to finally have the Col. James Barrett House incorporated into Minute Man National Historical Park,” said Superintendent Nancy Nelson. “Barrett Farm completes the narrative of the beginning of the American Revolution within the park.”

The Barrett Farm will be open this season on April 14th (see page 4 for details) and again on September 14th (see page 6 for details).

Welcome...



to Minute Man National Historical Park!

We, as stewards of your national park, hope that your visit is enjoyable and inspirational. This is one of our nation’s most treasured places and its significance extends to others around the world. It is a place where everyone can contemplate and appreciate the sacrifices required to obtain and sustain liberty through the generations.

Whether you choose to walk or bike on the Battle Road Trail, visit the new exhibits at North Bridge Visitor Center or the Whittemore House, attend a special event, or participate in an interpretive program during your visit, we hope that you leave inspired by those who have gone before us and that you will return often.

Nancy A. Nelson
Superintendent

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Minute Man Visitor Center

(781) 674 - 1920, 250 North Great Road, Lincoln, MA (for mapping only)

Open daily, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m., March 31 - November 3, 2013

Open daily, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m., November 4 - December 1, 2013
(Closed Thanksgiving Day, November 28)

We recommend that you begin your visit to the park at Minute Man Visitor Center. Our award-winning multimedia theater show, *The Road To Revolution*, provides an excellent introduction to the park story. Pick up a park map and plan your visit. Exhibits include a 40-foot mural of the April 19 battle. Parker's Revenge Exploration materials will be available for loan at the front desk. Museum Store.



Hartwell Tavern

(781) 674 - 1920, 136 North Great Road, Lincoln, MA (for mapping only)

Open Patriot's Day weekend, 9:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. April 13, 14 and 15

Open daily, 9:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m., May 25 - October 27, 2013

Home to Ephraim and Elizabeth Hartwell and their children, this setting evokes the story of families who lived along the Battle Road of April 19, 1775. Visit an authentic period home and tavern. Meet costumed interpreters, observe historic trade and musket firing demonstrations, and learn about the daily lives of those who experienced the American Revolution first hand.



North Bridge & North Bridge Visitor Center

(978) 318 - 7810, 174 Liberty Street, Concord, MA

Open daily, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m., March 31 - November 3, 2013

Open daily, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m., November 4 - December 1, 2013
(Closed Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 28, Winter Hours TBA)

On April 19, 1775 colonists fired "the shot heard round the world" in defense of their rights. Today, Concord's North Bridge and the Minute Man statue are international symbols of liberty. The North Bridge Visitor Center, in the 1911 Buttrick House, is a five minute walk up the hill from the North Bridge. View the 8-minute movie, "*Treason or Liberty*," exhibits, and visit the museum store. Visit adjacent gardens.



The Wayside, Home of Authors & Wayside Visitor Center

(781) 674 - 1920, 455 Lexington Road, Concord, MA

House and Visitor Center Closed for Renovation

Walks available Wed - Sun. June 29th - August 24th 10:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

The Wayside is the home where Nathaniel Hawthorne ended his writing days and where Louisa May Alcott penned her first works. The Wayside sheltered both slave owners and fugitive slaves; it is on the Underground Railroad Network to Freedom. Harriet Lothrop, author of the *Five Little Peppers* books, and her daughter Margaret Lothrop, preserved and protected The Wayside.

View the Captain David Brown Musket at North Bridge Visitor Center



Very likely the one David Brown carried into battle at the North Bridge, this musket is currently on display as part of the new exhibit at North Bridge Visitor Center, courtesy of **The Museum of the American Revolution** (Philadelphia, Pennsylvania). All members of the militia were required to own a "good and sufficient firelock." Brown's is a fowling piece, designed for bird hunting. Originally a flintlock, it was converted to a percussion ignition sometime in the 1800s.

Minute Man National Historical Park Guided Tours and Program Schedule

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U.S. Department of the Interior



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| <p>“The Road To Revolution” Multimedia Theater Presentation Our award-winning multimedia theater presentation provides an excellent introduction to the park story. Start your visit here! FREE</p> | <p>Minute Man Visitor Center Daily, March 31 - November 3, 2013 Every half hour, 9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. November 4 - December 1, 2013 9:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m., (Closed Thanksgiving)</p> |
| <p>“Who Were the Minute Men?” Ranger Program Join a costumed Ranger at Hartwell Tavern and learn about America’s first soldiers. The program includes a musket firing demonstration. People with hearing impairments or hearing aids should exercise caution. 20 minutes - FREE</p> | <p>Hartwell Tavern Daily, May 25 - October 27, 2013 11:15 a.m., 12:15, 2:15 p.m., & 3:15 p.m.</p> |
| <p>“Some Were For Making A Stand” Ranger Program Join a Ranger at the benches by the North Bridge. Learn about the opening battle of the American Revolution on April 19, 1775 and the legacy of this event in American history. 20 minutes - FREE</p> | <p>North Bridge Daily, May 25 - October 27, 2013 11:30 a.m., 2:30, 3:30 & 4:30 p.m.</p> |
| <p>“The Regulars are Out!” Guided Ranger Tour Join a Ranger for a walking tour exploring the east end of the Battle Road Trail. See “Parker’s Revenge,” the “Minute Man Boulder,” and the site of Paul Revere’s capture. Wear comfortable walking shoes. Less than one mile. 40 minutes - FREE</p> | <p>Minute Man Visitor Center Thursday - Monday June 29 - August 24, 2013 10:00 a.m.</p> |
| <p>“Muster with the Militia” Ranger-led Activity Have you ever wondered what it was like to train for battle in 1775? Participate in a militia drill with wooden muskets. You will be challenged to master REAL battle formations from 1775. (The militia drill is limited to 30 participants.) 20 minutes - FREE</p> | <p>Hartwell Tavern Monday - Friday, May 25 - October 27, 2013 10:30 a.m. Saturday & Sunday 10:30 a.m. & 1:30 p.m.</p> |
| <p>“Hats Off! A Homespun Tribute” Join in our play and show how spinning thread, cooking, cleaning, and shopping were vital to the colonial cause. Like the Revolution – there is a role for everyone! 20 minutes - FREE Hands-on 1775 -Try on colonial clothes; prepare a meal and organize your day.</p> | <p>Jacob Whittemore House Thursday - Monday June 29 - August 24, 2013 2:00 and 3:00 p.m. House open 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.</p> |
| <p>Wayside Neighborhood Tours and Ranger Program Wear comfortable shoes for these half-mile walks. 1 hour - FREE</p> <p>“A Revolutionary’s Neighborhood” Join a Ranger for a walk through the neighborhood of Samuel Whitney, Muster Master of the Concord Minutemen, the Meriam Family, and others who lived along part of the road the British troops took into and out of Concord on the morning of April 19, 1775.</p> <p>“Hawthorne’s Neighborhood” Join a Ranger for a walking tour of the neighborhood of The Wayside, Home of Authors to learn about how the Alcotts, Hawthornes, and their Concord neighbors reacted to the Abolitionist Movement and the Civil War.</p> | <p>Wayside: Home of Authors Parking Area Wednesday - Sunday June 29 - August 24, 2013 10:30 a.m. (Revolution) 2:30 p.m. (Hawthorne) 4:00 p.m. Ranger Program (20 minutes)</p> |
| <p>Revolution at the Doorstep – Exploring Meriam’s Corner Meriam’s Corner is the beginning of the Battle Road Trail. Here, the running battle back to Boston began on April 19, 1775. Join a Park Ranger for an exploration of this important action in the first battle of the American Revolution and a tour of the Meriam House, itself a witness of history. FREE</p> | <p>Meriam House Wednesday - Sunday June 29 - August 24, 2013 12:30 - 1:30 p.m.</p> |

Programs Occuring Monthly

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| <p>Battle Road Trail Walk Join a Park Ranger for a 3 1/2 hour guided walk along the historic Battle Road Trail. Learn about the people and events of April 19, 1775, and landscape changes through time. We will shuttle to Meriam’s Corner from Minute Man Visitor Center to begin the tour. Bring plenty of water and wear comfortable walking shoes! Tours can be cancelled in extreme weather. Call (781) 674 - 1920 to check tour status. FREE</p> | <p>Minute Man Visitor Center Saturday, June 1st, July 6th, August 3rd, September 7th, October 5th 12:30 p.m.</p> |
| <p>The British Redcoat Why were the Regulars in Massachusetts? Why did they come to Concord? What happened on April 19, 1775 from the perspective of the King’s Army? Join Park Ranger Roger Fuller to explore the answers to these questions. FREE</p> | <p>Minute Man Visitor Center Sunday, April 14th, May 19th, June 9th, July 7th, August 11th, October 6th 1:00 and 3:00 p.m.</p> |
| <p>If These Walls Could Speak Trace how Jacob Whittemore’s family grew and changed, using original documents and the very house they lived in. What you find may surprise you! FREE</p> | <p>Minute Man Visitor Center Sunday, June 16th, July 21st, August 25th, September 22nd, October 20th 3:00 p.m.</p> |
| <p>Colonial Music Come and learn about the role of music in the colonies. Listen to some eighteenth century tunes played on a fiddle and find out about the social and military uses of music and dance. Have fun learning about history through the music of the time. FREE</p> | <p>Hartwell Tavern Saturday, June 29th, Sunday, July 28th, Sunday, August 18th, and Sunday, September 8th 2:00 p.m.</p> |

Minute Man National Historical Park 2013 Special Events Calendar

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April 2013 / Patriot's Day Events

Saturday, April 6th

Meriam's Corner Exercise
At Meriam's Corner, Concord
1:00 p.m.

The Town of Concord, joined by area minute companies, fife and drum units, and the Concord Independent Battery, pay remembrance to the fight at Meriam's Corner which marked the beginning of the six-hour running battle back to Boston. Tour the Meriam House from 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Paul Revere Capture Ceremony
At Paul Revere Capture Site, Lincoln
3:00 p.m.

The Lincoln Minute Men and the Town of Lincoln, joined by other reenactment units, observe the historic capture of Paul Revere with fife and drum music and a musket fire salute.

Saturday, April 13th

Battle Road
Minute Man National Historical Park
Hartwell Tavern open: 9:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.
Captain William Smith House open: 9:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Battle Road 2013 will feature events in Lincoln and Lexington. Activities will include musket and cannon firing, battle demonstrations and family activities. The Battle Road schedule of events is as follows:

Bloody Angle Battle Demonstration
Hartwell Tavern Area, Lincoln
11:00 a.m.

Nearly 300 Colonial and British Reenactors demonstrate tactics used during the running fight back to Boston on April 19th, 1775 between "Bloody Angle" and the Samuel Hartwell House Site along the Battle Road.

"Parker's Revenge" Ceremony and Battle Demonstration
Parker's Revenge Site (near Minute Man Visitor Center, 250 North Great Road, Lincoln MA)
Ceremony at 1:30 p.m.
Battle Demonstration at 2:00 p.m.

The Lexington Trained Band (militia company) will demonstrate an ambush scenario on the British column, as may have occurred on April 19, 1775 when Captain Parker's Lexington militia company took revenge on the British for their losses earlier that morning.

Tower Park Battle Demonstration
At Tower Park, Lexington
4:00 p.m.

British and Colonial Reenactors simulate a Revolutionary War battle scenario.

Sunday, April 14th

Lexington Patriot's Day Parade
Lexington Center
2:00 p.m.

The Town of Lexington, celebrating its 300th anniversary this year, will kick off its Patriot's Day commemorations with a parade on Sunday afternoon.

Warlike Preparations at the Barrett Farm
At Col. James Barrett House, Barrett's Mill Road, Concord
1:00 - 4:00 p.m.

In 1775, Col. James Barrett of Concord was responsible for safeguarding all the military supplies in town and his house was searched by British soldiers during their mission to Concord. Visit the Barrett House and experience the intense military preparations that helped launch America into the Revolutionary War. Sit in on a Committee of Safety meeting, make artillery cartridges, learn the "new" military exercise and share concerns with local citizens of 1775.



Monday, April 15th

Lexington Battle Reenactment
Lexington Green
5:30 a.m.

The Town of Lexington re-creates the first shots of the American Revolution.

Commemoration of the North Bridge Fight and Concord Parade
At North Bridge
8:30 a.m.

British and colonial reenactors will conduct a special commemoration of the North Bridge fight featuring musket firing. The Concord Parade will arrive at North Bridge around 9:30 a.m. with ceremonies featuring minute man companies, British reenactors and music groups. NOTE: All of the roads in the center of town are closed to vehicles beginning at 8:30 a.m.

Friday, April 19th

Dawn Salute
At North Bridge
6:00 a.m.

The Concord Minute Men and the Concord Independent Battery observe the opening battle of the Revolution in a 21 gun salute with musket and cannon.

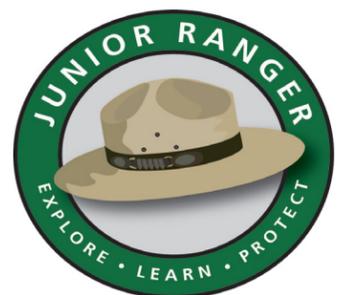
Arrival of the Sudbury Militia
At North Bridge
11:30 a.m. (approximately)

The Sudbury Companies of Militia and Minute will make their annual march to North Bridge from the Town of Sudbury. They will fire three musket volleys off North Bridge as a soldierly salute.

Saturday, April 20th

Junior Ranger Day
Minute Man and North Bridge Visitor Centers, and Whittemore House
9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Take part in "Hat's Off!" in our Reader's Theater and a militia drill with wooden muskets. At the end of your day show your work to a Ranger to earn your new badge. For program times and details visit www.nps.gov/mima/forkids



Battle Road Heroes
At Hartwell Tavern Parking Area
7:00 - 8:30 p.m. Tours leave every 15 minutes.

Listen to the personal stories of residents who lived along the Battle Road on April 19, 1775. Join the Guild of Historic Interpreters for a special evening of theater and history. Appropriate for ages 8 and up. Admission: \$5.00 per person, \$10.00 per family. Children wearing their Junior Ranger Badges may attend the program for free.

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William Diamond Fife and Drum Muster



Buttrick Garden, Photo by Susan Spector

May 2013

Friday, May 3rd and Saturday, May 4th

William Diamond Fife and Drum Muster
At Minute Man Visitor Center, Rt. 2A. Lexington
Friday Tattoo: 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.
Saturday Muster: 12:00 – 5:00 p.m.

The William Diamond Junior Fife and Drum Corps will present their annual Fife and Drum Muster. The event features 25 fife and drum corps from all over New England. Bring a chair or blanket.

Saturday, May 11th

Peters' Corps
At North Bridge
10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Peters' Corps is a Revolutionary War reenactment group that focuses on the story of American Loyalists during the war, many of whom took up arms in support of the British government. Visit North Bridge and learn about the American Revolution from a very different point of view!

Saturday, May 18th

First in the Field: The Lexington Militia
with special guests -
His Majesty's 10th Regiment of Foot
At Whittemore House
10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

On the morning of April 19, 1775, Captain John Parker's Lexington militia company was the first to exchange fire with the British Regulars suffering the first casualties of the American Revolutionary War. "The Lexington Minute Men" and the 10th Regiment of Foot continue the tradition of public service. Join them for a day of drill, musket firing, historical demonstrations and tours of "Parker's Revenge," Lexington's "lost" battlefield.



Saturday, May 25th

British Army Uniforms of the American Revolution
At Hartwell Tavern
10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Visit Hartwell Tavern, see examples of British Army uniforms from the American Revolution, and learn how styles changed to meet wartime conditions. These uniforms are faithful reproductions made according to the latest research. This program is presented by His Majesty's 63rd Regiment of Foot.

Wednesday, May 29th

Friends of Minute Man National Park
3rd Annual Buttrick Garden Party
North Bridge Visitor Center
2:00 p.m.

Join us for a celebration of the famed Buttrick Gardens. A hat contest for fun and lemonade and sweet and savory refreshments will highlight the afternoon. Tickets: \$25 tax-deductible donation to the Friends of Minute Man National Park to help support the maintenance of these beautiful gardens.

June 2013

Monday, June 10th

American Revolution Roundtable
At Lincoln Public Library
7:00 p.m.

The American Revolution Roundtable meets three times per year. The topic for this meeting will be Richard Ketchum's book, *Saratoga: Turning Point of America's Revolutionary War*. To reserve a place, contact: Mel Bernstein, Moderator, (781) 259-9926 or email: mbern9@gmail.com Registration is \$25.00

Saturday, June 15th

Town Meeting - Let Your Voice Be Heard!
At North Bridge
1:30 and 3:00 p.m.

Debate revolutionary issues with Concord residents of 1774 (portrayed by The Guild of Historic Interpreters). In the true spirit of a New England town meeting, you are encouraged to take part and let your voice be heard!

July 2013

Thursday, July 4th

Declaring Independence
At North Bridge
1:00 p.m.

The fighting at North Bridge on April 19, 1775 set the 13 British Colonies in North America on a path towards independence. Join park rangers and volunteers as we mark the occasion with a reading of the Declaration of Independence.

Saturday, July 6th

Love Letters: The Intimate Correspondence of John and Abigail Adams
At the Buttrick Garden, North Bridge Visitor Center
1:00 p.m.

"Love Letters" is presented by Adams scholars and veteran living history performers Patricia Bridgeman and Thomas Macy of The Guild of Historic Interpreters. Follow the personal correspondence of John and Abigail Adams through some of our nation's most tumultuous times.

Saturday, July 13th

Town Meeting - Let Your Voice Be Heard!
At North Bridge
1:30 and 3:00 p.m.

Repeat of June 15th program

Mrs. Hawthorne and Mrs. Longfellow
At the Buttrick Garden, North Bridge Visitor Center
2:45 p.m.

A dramatic presentation about the parallel lives and relationships of these two women. This program celebrates the parallel lives of Sophia Peabody Hawthorne, wife of author Nathaniel Hawthorne, and Fanny Appleton Longfellow, wife of poet Henry Wadsworth Longfellow. This dramatic reading, using primary-source material, emphasizes their similar lives and interactions. Narrated by Rob Velella, Independent Literary Scholar.

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Saturday, July 27th

The Long Arm of the Law
At Hartwell Tavern
12:00, 1:00 and 2:45 p.m.

What crimes came before the local Magistrate in the early 1770s? Come to Hartwell Tavern and meet the Magistrate and the Constable, as well as a motley group of offenders (portrayed by The Guild of Historic Interpreters). Will the defendants be fined, sentenced to community service, or exonerated?

August 2013

Saturday, August 10th

Love Letters: The Intimate Correspondence of John and Abigail Adams
At the Buttrick Garden, North Bridge Visitor Center, Concord
1:00 p.m.
Repeat of July 6th program

Saturday, August 24th

Across Two Summers Part 2: The Countryside at War
At Hartwell Tavern
10:00 - 4:00 p.m.
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September 2013



Lincoln Minute Men at Captain Smith House

Saturday, September 7th

Love Letters: The Intimate Correspondence of John and Abigail Adams
At the Buttrick Garden, North Bridge Visitor Center, Concord
1:00 p.m.
Repeat of July 6th program

Saturday, September 14th

Battle Road Open House / Historic Trades / Lincoln Minute Men
Minute Man National Historical Park
10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

This event offers a rare opportunity to see inside the restored colonial homes in the park and explore different trades of the colonial period at the Whittemore House. Pick up informational materials at Minute Man and North Bridge Visitor Centers to guide your visit. The Lincoln Minute Men will be at the Captain William Smith House in Lincoln and will be conducting musket firing demonstrations. We will also have members of His Majesty's 63rd Regiment of Foot at the Col. James Barrett House displaying the uniforms and equipment of the British Army during the American Revolution.

Monday, September 16th

The American Revolution Round Table
At Minute Man Visitor Center 7:00 p.m.

The Round Table meets three times a year, in the fall, winter and spring. Topic to be determined. To reserve a place, contact: Mel Bernstein, Moderator, (781) 259-9926 or email: mbern9@gmail.com Registration is \$25.00



Preserving the Harvest, Hartwell Tavern

October 2013

Saturday, October 5th

Highlights from the Archaeology Collection at Minute Man National Historical Park

At Major John Buttrick House
1:00 p.m.

Over a quarter million artifacts have been recovered from archaeological excavations at Minute Man National Historical Park. The collection includes objects from the late 17th through the early 20th centuries, as well as pre-contact Native American artifacts. Join Alicia Paresi, Curator of Archeology for the Northeast Region, National Park Service, for a presentation on highlights from the park's archeological collections. Selected pieces from the museum collection will also be on display during the presentation.

Battle Road Heroes

At Hartwell Tavern

7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Repeat of April 20th program

Saturday, October 12th

Peters' Corps

At Hartwell Tavern

10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

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Saturday, October 19th

Preserving the Harvest

At Hartwell Tavern

10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Before refrigeration, one had to utilize a variety of methods to make the harvest last. From meat to fruits and vegetables you'll be able to both watch and participate in preparing foodstuffs for winter storage. Learn how drying, pickling, salting, brining, and canning were done as well as how some of these foods were reconstituted for later use.

Saturday, October 26th

Halloween Tales

At Hartwell Tavern

4:45 - 5:45 p.m. (appropriate for children 6 and under)

7:00 p.m. (appropriate for everyone else)

Join The Guild of Historic Interpreters in a very spooky, candle-lit setting for an evening of traditional New England ghost stories. Please bring a flashlight for the walk from the Hartwell parking area to the barn behind Hartwell Tavern.

November 2013

Saturday, November 2nd

New England Living History Challenge - The Six-Hour Suit
At Hartwell Tavern

10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

An English tailor in 18th century once boasted that his shop could measure a customer, create a pattern, and finish a suit of clothes (breeches, waistcoat, and coat) in six hours. Minute Man's own group of experienced tailors are going to put this claim (and their own skills) to the test. Can such a thing be accomplished? Visit Hartwell Tavern and find out!



The National Park Service Presents....

Revolution in Massachusetts

Between 1765 and 1776, Massachusetts was at the forefront of the American Revolution. Today, Massachusetts is filled with Revolutionary history, including many sites cared for by the National Park Service. Join us for a special series of living history events highlighting several key events of the Revolution in Massachusetts. Starting with Patriot's Day events at Minute Man National Historical Park (see page 4), you can follow the course of events through 1775 and '76, culminating with a post-war militia muster at Adams National Historical Park.

April 14th

Paul Revere's Row

U.S.S. Constitution Museum, Charlestown Navy Yard
Boston National Historical Park

7:00 p.m.

Boston National Historical Park will commemorate Paul Revere's historic row across Boston Harbor that sparked the American Revolution. The public is invited to an evening of fun that includes colonial games, stories, military drill and a presentation about the true story of the historic row and ride. The Old North Church will once again signal with lanterns in the belfry and Paul Revere and his companion will row across the harbor.

July 14th

Washington Arrives

Longfellow House / Washington's Headquarters NHS www.nps.gov/long

10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

On June 2, 1775, the Continental Congress appointed George Washington commander-in-chief of the army. Witness the re-enactment of his historic arrival to his Cambridge headquarters as Longfellow House-Washington's Headquarters steps back to July, 1775. Visit a living history encampment, witness displays of military drill, and play fun colonial-era games as we remember this historic occasion.

July 20th and 21st

Across Two Summers Part 1 ~

By His Excellency's Command: The British Army in Salem

Salem Maritime National Historic Site www.nps.gov/sama

10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Part one of "Across Two Summers" takes you back to June of 1774, when Military Governor General Thomas Gage moved the capitol of the colony to Salem, with unforeseen consequences. Visit the British camp, watch the soldiers perform drill and guard duty and fire muskets. Enjoy an audience with His Excellency the Governor and decide for yourself; now that the soldiers are here, whose side are you on?

August 24th

Across Two Summers Part 2 ~ The Countryside at War

Hartwell Tavern Minute Man NHP www.nps.gov/mima

10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

In the summer of 1775, the people of Massachusetts faced the challenge of supporting an army at war while at the same time trying to provide for their own homes and families. Visit Hartwell Tavern to learn about life during the Siege of Boston. Talk to displaced refugees traveling from Boston and Cambridge, and Provincial soldiers heading towards the front lines. Enlist in the Massachusetts Army, learn the proper military exercise of the day, help manufacture musket and artillery cartridges and immerse yourself in another period of time, when nothing less than Liberty was at stake.

October 5th

Militia Muster Day

Adams NHP www.nps.gov/adam

9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

In October of 1788, Governor John Hancock and General Benjamin Lincoln traveled from Boston to Quincy, paying a social call on John Adams at his farm Peacefield. To celebrate the occasion, the Braintree/Quincy militia regiment performed a review across Mr. Adams' fields. Join volunteers and the staff at Adams National Historical Park for a recreation of this 1788 militia review full of military pomp and circumstance.

For a complete list of Revolutionary War-related events hosted by National Park Service sites in Massachusetts, please visit www.nps.gov/mima/revolution

EXPERIENCE YOUR AMERICA

For Teachers



Ranger-guided education programs bring opening of the Revolution in 1775 to life for students and connect classroom lessons to memorable field experiences. Education programs at Minute Man NHP are designed to align with the Massachusetts Curriculum Frameworks. Program descriptions and details are available at www.nps.gov/mima/forteachers. Reservations for Fall 2013 and Spring 2014 open June 1st.

For Reservations, contact:

(978) 318 - 7832 or email: mima_reservations@nps.gov

Professional Development- Self-Study Opportunity

Choose from our schedule of educational events, talks, tours, activities, and programs to create an immersive experience in colonial and American Revolutionary history to enhance your lesson plans. Combine participation in

any 2 or 3 of the events with 1 or 2 of the talks and tours offered routinely in the park by professional staff, to total a minimum of 8-10 hours of participation. Submit a request to receive PDPs from the park. Follow guidelines posted at: www.nps.gov/mima/forteachers/professionaldevelopment.htm.

Contact Information and Directions

Park Headquarters: 978-369-6993
 North Bridge Visitor Center: 978-318-7810
 Minute Man Visitor Center: 781-674-1920
 Group Tours and Reservations: 978-318-7832

www.nps.gov/mima
mima_info@nps.gov

EMERGENCY 911

Communicate with us about your visit to the park. Pick up a "Letter to the Superintendent" at either visitor center or write to:

Superintendent
 Minute Man NHP
 174 Liberty Street
 Concord, MA 01742

Directions to Minute Man Visitor Center

From I-95/Rt-128

Take Exit 30B, Hanscom Field/Concord, Route 2A west. Follow Route 2A approximately 1/3 mile. You will enter the park and see signs directing you to the Minute Man Visitor Center located less than one mile from I-95/Route 128.

From Route 2 westbound (from Boston):

Travel west on Route 2 watching for signs indicating I-95/Route 128 north. Take I-95/128 North exit. Take 30B Hanscom Field/Concord. Follow directions above.

From Route 2 eastbound (to Boston)

Travel east on Route 2 through Concord to I-95/128. Take I-95/128 north one exit to 30B and follow directions above.

From North Bridge Visitor Center

Turn left out of the North Bridge Visitor Center Parking Area onto Liberty St. At the end of Liberty St. turn left onto Lowell Road and follow to Concord Center. At the traffic circle in Concord Center, drive straight through onto Lexington Road. You will be traveling east for approximately 2 miles. At the flashing light and stop sign turn left onto Route 2A East. Follow Route 2A East for approximately 3 miles, passing Hanscom Drive and Paul Revere Capture Site. The Minute Man Visitor Center parking area will be on your left.

Celebrate Minute Man's Hidden Treasures!



Become a Minute Man Junior Ranger!

Ask any Ranger at the Minute Man Visitor Center or the North Bridge Visitor Center for a Junior Ranger Booklet. Earn a badge and certificate. Appropriate for ages 4 and up.



Thank a Volunteer Today!

Volunteering at Minute Man NHP is a rewarding and fun experience. If you are interested in volunteering, please ask a Park Ranger for a volunteer application at one of our visitor centers, or visit our website: www.nps.gov/mima/support your park.

Also in the Park



90 minute guided bus tour of Lexington, Lincoln and Concord. \$25 for adults, \$10 for children up to age 17. Children under 5 are free. Tours leave from the Lexington Visitor Center, 1875 Massachusetts Ave.

781-862-0500 ext. 702. www.libertyride.us

Saturdays & Sundays, April 6th - May 26th
 Daily, May 27th - October 27th
 10:00 and 11:30 a.m., 1:00 and 2:30 p.m.
 Check the website for Patriot's Day schedule

Battle Road Farms Farm Stand

The farm stand, operated by F. Busa Farms, will offer pesticide-free, locally grown produce. Located at 955 Lexington Rd. Concord, MA (978) 371 - 2345.

Bike Tours

Guided historical bike tours through Minute Man National Historical Park are available April - November, and include bikes, helmets and snacks. For more information, visit Concord Bike Tours, www.concordbiketours.com.

Friends of Minute Man National Park



If you are interested in helping the Friends protect park resources by building partnerships, championing the interests of the park and neighboring towns, and fostering an increased legacy of education and enjoyment for all, join us and become a member! For more information, pick up a brochure at one of the visitor centers or write to:

Friends of Minute Man National Park
 174 Liberty Street
 Concord, MA 01742
 Phone: (978) 318 - 7822
 email: friendsofmmnp@nps.gov
 on the web: www.friendsofminuteman.org

Support Your Park!

The museum stores at Minute Man NHP are operated by Eastern National. To contact the Eastern National bookstore at Minute Man National Historical Park, call (781) 674 - 1920



Minute Man National Historical Park

Battle Road Cell Phone Tour



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| Paul Revere & the Alarm Riders | stop | 4 |
| Paul Revere Captured | stop | 5 |
| Grave of British Soldier | stop | 6 |
| Capt. William Smith | stop | 7 |
| Mary Carries the Alarm | stop | 8 |
| Hartwell Tavern | stop | 9 |
| Walk to Bloody Angle | stop | 10 |
| Bloody Angle | stop | 11 |
| Beginning of Revolution | stop | 12 |
| Those Left Behind | stop | 13 |

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Begin your visit here

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