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WHAT FLAG IS THAT?

By Dave Martucci

Recently, MIT deaccessioned a number of flags in their possession and some of these were donated to NEVA. Part of this collection is a series of small flags (about 12" x 18") custom made of cotton and mounted on 30" or 32" poles with gold spear points. Presumably these were used at official events, banquets, etc.

In attempting to date the collection, I have surveyed the flag designs and have concluded they were likely made somewhere between 1958 and 1960. There are a few unusual items in the set, however, plus a few duplicates.

Besides some now-defunct flags, like the USSR, Venezuela (with 7 stars), and the 1924-1958 flag of Iraq, there is the 1959-1984 flag of Upper Volta (N-W-R Horizontal stripes) but which is labeled "Weimar Germany" which it certainly is not.

A number of the flags are plain tricolors, Iran, Romania, Guatemala, and Mexico (the former Civil Ensign) while the flag labeled Columbia shows the expected Y-R-B stripes but with the oval and star of the Civil Ensign.

Interestingly there is one flag not labeled which is probably Italy although it is identical to the Mexican Civil Ensign cited above. In addition one flag is that of Italy before 1946, with the Savoy arms on the center stripe.

For some strange reason, the Yugoslavia flag has the red star on it as expected, but it is fimbriated in white rather than the correct yellow.

Of the most interest, however, are two copies of a flag marked "Nicaragua" that has the B-W-B horizontal



stripes but with a blue anchor in the center. This design can be found in some publications, for example the US Navy Code Book published in 1923 (see illustration) and the 1915 edition of *Flags of the World* published by Warne and edited by W. J. Gordon. On page 202 he writes "Nicaragua hoists the pale blue, white, pale blue, horizontal, never with the white plain but with a blue anchor in the merchant flag, and in the ensign the national badge ..." It is pictured with the anchor on plate XXVI.

A query to *Flags of the World* (FOTW) drew a blank among that group's Central American experts who have been unable to locate any law regarding the use of an anchor on the civil ensign of Nicaragua. If anyone has any further information regarding this design, please send it to the editor.

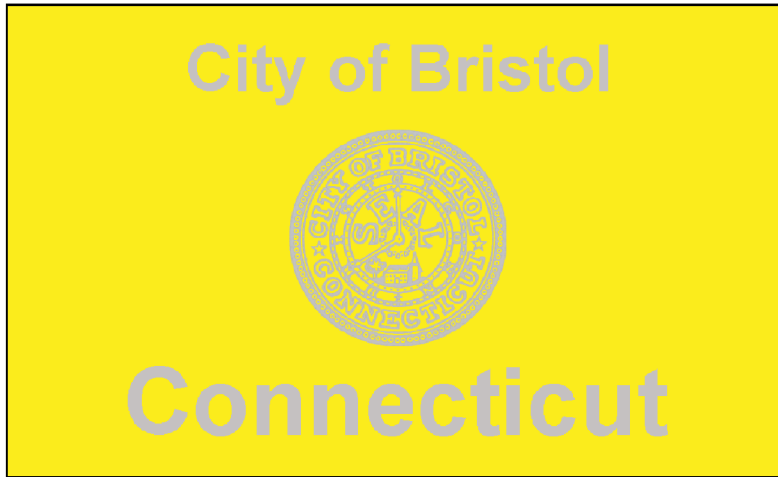
These flags as well as some full size flags will be displayed at the Flag Day meeting at Fort Independence in

South Boston, June 14, 2009. It is expected we will offer them for sale to the highest bidder who is a member of NEVA in the near future.

Here is a list of the small flags: (present designs unless otherwise noted) Argentina, Belgium, Brazil (Only 12 stars), Chile, Columbia (Civil Ensign - Oval & Star in center), Cuba, Denmark, Finland, Greece (2 copies), Guatemala (Tricolor only - 2 copies), Hungary, India, Iran (1925-1980 - Tricolor only), Iraq (1924-1958), Italy, Italy (1848-1946 - Royal shield in center), Luxembourg, Mexico (1897-1968 Civil Ensign - Tricolor only), Netherlands (2 copies), Nicaragua (Blue anchor in center - 2 copies), Norway, Pakistan, Philippines, Poland (2 copies), Romania, Switzerland, Turkey, United Kingdom, Upper Volta (1959-1984 - Labeled "Weimar Germany"), USSR (1920-1990 - 2 copies), Venezuela (1811-2006 - 7 stars), Yugoslavia (1945-1991 - Star bordered white). 🇷🇸

Bristol Connecticut City Flag

Recently the web site of the City of Bristol, Connecticut added an image of the City Flag. It is yellow with the City Seal in grey in the center and it features the inscriptions "City of Bristol" above the seal and "Connecticut" below it, also in grey. The lower lettering is larger than the upper lettering. The seal features the face of a clock – Bristol's clock-making



machinery, electrical equipment, and metal products, and is home to the ESPN television network. The American Clock and Watch Museum is there, and on Lake Compounce is the nation's oldest continually operating amusement park.

Bristol's nicknames include the Bell City, because of a history manufacturing innovative spring-driven door-

industry dates from 1790 – and what appears to be a church and a tree, plus the word "Seal". In addition the name of the city is repeated twice on the seal as well as being on the

field of the flag. Unfortunately there is no explanation of the symbols on the web site.

Located in central Connecticut, the City of Bristol also makes

bells, and the Mum City because it was once a leader in chrysanthemum production and still holds an annual "Mum Festival".



From the Blog of the Mayor of Danbury, Connecticut:

August 15, 2008

This flag in Iraq was carried by one of our proud Danbury soldiers serving as an MP in Iraq. Doug Clark has served about six months and will have to serve about six more months to complete his tour (he is holding the flag on the end, third from the right).

"The entire City of Danbury is proud of you Doug, we thank you for your courage and your passion in America. Be safe, and come home soon. A grateful community awaits you."

All The Best,
Mayor Mark D. Boughton



Photo of the Day, March 20, 2009. Minuteman National Park, Lincoln, Massachusetts
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City Flag of New Haven, Connecticut

The City Flag of New Haven is white and bears the City Seal in dark blue outline.

In *Three Centuries of New Haven, 1638-1938* Rollin Osterweis wrote the following about the original seal:

"When our citizens look upon the original seal of their city, they are inspecting the joint handiwork of two distinguished New Haveners, Ezra Stiles and James Hillhouse. Collaborating with them was Josiah Meigs, clerk of the city administration and a tutor on the college faculty. The story of the designing of the seal emerges from entries in Stiles' Diary, during February, 1785. On February 3 the president noted: 'With Messrs. Hillhouse and Meigs devising a City Seal.' Eight days later he wrote triumphantly: 'Finished the City Seal. The Devise, the Harbour of New Haven, a Ship at the Entrance, and an Ionic Pillar entwined with a Grape Vine. Under the Ship at the Mouth of the Harbour, MARE LIBERUM; and round the Seal SIGILL. CIVITAT. NOVI. PORT. IN REPUB. CONNECTICU. TENSIS. 1784.'"

Ezra Stiles' diary also shows an early US type flag with the coat of arms of Pennsylvania in addition to the stars in the canton.



Narragansett Rhode Island

The Online Providence Journal (27 January 2006)

Narragansett about to run new design up the flagpole

By Arthur Gregg Sulzberger, *Journal* Staff Writer

NARRAGANSETT -- Three flags welcome visitors to Narragansett. The American flag and the Rhode Island flag are flapping fixtures above the town rotary, but as distracted drivers or diehard vexillologists may have noticed, for the last two months the ever shifting third flagpole has boasted the gold and red coat of arms of Nova Scotia. Before that the U.S. Coast Guard flag flew in its place, as have the Canadian, U.S. Marine and the Armenian flags. Such was life in a town without a flag.

All that will change tomorrow, however, when Charles "Ted" Wright, the unofficial caretaker of the rotary--and the son of a Nova Scotian--raises the new Narragansett town flag alongside its state and federal counterparts. Wright said he will continue to fly other flags on special occasions. The just minted flags are already flying at Town Hall and the Chamber of Commerce. "It was the first time a town flag has flown in front of Town Hall since this building opened," said Town Manager Maurice J. Loontjens.

The flag was commissioned by the Chamber of Commerce, designed by a local graphic designer and manufactured by none other than Narragansett Flags. "Everything was done locally," says Chamber Executive Director Jim Hurton. Working with the chamber, designer Amy Hoxsie-Quinn submitted three different flag designs to the town, including one nearly identical to the patch sported on the shoulders of the town's police officers and the image stamped on Town Council packets. "We basically took the old seal, the Narragansett seal and turned it into the flag," says Quinn.

The design, in light grey and blue, shows a sailboat and the Point Ju-

dith Lighthouse. Around the border are the words: Town of Narragansett, Rhode Island, Incorporated March 12 A.D. 1888. The flag, which was officially adopted by the Town Council earlier this month, is for sale at the Chamber of Commerce office in the Towers. "We've sold a couple already," says Hurton. The 4 foot by 8 foot flags sell for \$65.

According to Loontjens, the town used to have a flag, but only one, and that vanished seven or eight years ago. "It disappeared and we didn't replace it," he said. Since then Narragansett has been the only community in the state to go flagless at events such as the University of Rhode Island graduation and the governor's inauguration, said Loontjens. Six years ago, Ted Wright and his granddaughter tried to fill the void by creating a flag for the town. The blue and gold design included two feathers--to represent the area's Indian heritage, thirteen stars--one for each of the original colonies, a seashell--a symbol of seashore spirit and the unmistakable profile of the Towers. The design, which Wright submitted to the Chamber of Commerce, never caught on. He's not thrilled with this flag either. "It's nice, but not much imagination," said Wright last week. He thought the last design by his granddaughter, Amy Hoxsie-Quinn, was better.



A Brief History of the Flag and Seal of the Town of Hampton, New Hampshire

In New England, the Town Flag and Seal enshrines for eternity the Heritage and Legacy of the historic past.

In connection with the preparation and celebration of the 300th Tercentenary Anniversary of the Town of Hampton, the Selectmen were authorized to adopt an official Town Seal. After examining several proposed seals, in 1938 the Selectmen adopted as the official Town Seal that was designed and submitted by Mrs. Hazle Leavitt Smith of Wollaston, Massachusetts which emphasized scenes truly typical of the Town of Hampton. Hampton Academy with its picturesque steeple, Great Boar's Head at Hampton Beach (one of the famous land marks of the Town and Seacoast Region) and the salt marsh with its haycocks symbolizes the rich historical heritage that once was Hampton.

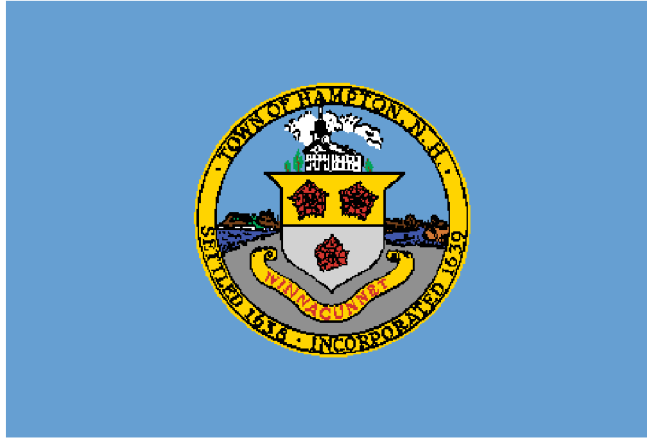
The Indian name "Winnacunnet", the "Beautiful Place of Pines", was the original name given by the founding fathers to their new settlement.

The rosettes and outline of the seal being taken from the old town Seal of South Hampton, England, incorporates the original home of our early founding settlers.

The dates "SETTLED 1638" and "INCORPORATED 1639" are of greater significance to us when we realize that Plymouth Plantation in Massachusetts was settled in 1620.

In 1934, as the result of appropriate legislative action taken by the General Court (Legislative Body) of the State of New Hampshire, all previous Town Charters were revoked. New Charters were drawn by the various Towns throughout New Hampshire with many Communities adopting the same or new Seals and Flags.

At the suggestion of the Selectmen in 1938, the Tercentenary Committee ordered a Town Flag from the



Annin Flag Company of New York City. A sketch of this with a description and color of the scenes was sent to the company. The design of the flag was to be the same as the Town Seal. The flag was to have an antique white background with a gold border. The design was to be of Royal Blue and Gold.

When the flag was delivered to the town, it was discovered that the New York craftsmen had never seen a marsh with Staddles and Haycocks. The staddles never appeared on the flag at all, the Haycocks had become maple trees, the marsh had become a rolling meadow and Hampton River, a winding country road. The rest of the design was in keeping with the original Seal.

After the Town Tercentenary Celebration, the Selectmen turned the flag over to the American Legion Post #35 feeling that this organization would continue to carry the flag in parades and make it available for town functions and celebrations.

The American Legion Post #35 continued to proudly carry the flag and the flag was part of every town parade until 1961.

In 1959, a committee was appointed by the American Legion Post to meet with the Selectmen and obtain permission for the American Legion to obtain a new flag, at their cost, to replace the original but unofficial flag. This flag was felt to be too small, the design not too clear and the colors not in keeping with the true idea of the design.

By that next Summer, the Det-

tra Flag Company of Oaks, Pennsylvania had completed the job and the new flag was delivered to the American Legion Post at a cost of \$425.00.

In July of 1960, the Flag was presented to a meeting of the American Legion Post. The Flag was placed on display at the Historical Meeting House Museum that next summer during Old Home Day as well as being carried in the Town

parades for the first time that same year (1961).

Mr. Roland W. Paige at the Annual Meeting of the Meeting House Green Memorial and Historical Association in November 1964 presented a Motion that the Historical Society go on record as supporting and co-sponsoring with the American Legion Post #35 an Article to be placed in the Town Warrant at the Town Meeting to be held in March of 1965. This Article would have "the Town adopt the newly designed flag as the official town flag." A second motion put the Society on record as "adopting the color scheme of the newly designed flag" as noted in the following description: (This was also the description read by Mr. Paige at the Town Meeting and unanimously approved by the voters of the Town):

"The flag itself is of light blue, denoting the sea from which the settlers came. The center of the flag is the Seal of the Town of Hampton which was adopted for the 300th Anniversary in 1938. The outer circle is a border of gold followed by a border of black. Next to the letters TOWN OF HAMPTON, N.H. - SETTLED 1638 - INCORPORATED 1639 on a field of dark gold. Next is another border of black.

In the corner of the Seal is the shield of which the upper half is gold and the lower half is silver. In the top part is two red rosettes and one in the center of the bottom part. In the corner and on top the shield is the Hampton Academy with two green pines to the right and one green pine

to the left.

At the shield's right is Great Boar's Head of green and brown above an ocean of blue with white sands. To the shield's left is our Hampton River of blue with its marsh of brown and its haycocks of darker brown.

Below the shield is a field of light gray with a scroll of gold and a border of black. Within the scroll is the name "Winnacunnet" in red."

The Historical Society adopted both motions by unanimous vote.

Mr. Paige was instructed by the Society to approach the Town Council, Mr. John Perkins, for advice in writing the Article.

Mr. Paige presented the following Article to the Town in the March 1965 Town Warrant: "ARTICLE 16. On petition of the Meeting House Green Memorial Historical Society and Post #35 The American Legion, signed by Roland W. Paige and eleven other legal voters of the Town of Hampton: To see if the Town will vote to adopt as the official Town Flag, the flag, now in possession of Legion Post #35 The American Legion."

After a motion to adopt the Motion and Article as read was made by Mr. Robert Danelson and seconded by Mrs. Constance Kelly, a general discussion followed.

An amendment by Mr. Roland W. Paige, sponsor of the Article, was made and it read: "... and that the history of both the flag and the town seal be kept on file in the Town Office." This motion was seconded by Mrs. Beatrice Perkins. Article 16 was passed as amended.

In 1977 the Town Meeting voted that the 1975-purchased flag was the official Town Flag, and the description/photo was duly filed with the Town Clerk for the Town Records, as the Town Meeting warrant article requested.

The article, requested by members of the Town's American Revolution Bicentennial Committee, was an outgrowth of the Town's purchase of a set of US-Town ceremonial flags in 1975 for the Bicentennial. The \$1,200 appropriation was inserted in that year's Federal Revenue Sharing Town meeting article by the Board of Selectmen at the Request of Selectman Ashton Norton.

The design and Town Seal colorization constitute the official Town Flag, as it is only fitting that the flag owned by the Town be the Official Town Flag. It and the gold-fringed US Flag still adorn the Selectmen's



The Seal of the Town of Hampton, New Hampshire as authorized by the Selectmen of Hampton in 1938 as part of the 300th Tercentenary Celebration of the Town, shown on the cover of the event program.

Meeting Room and are used in the formal photo-shoot of the Board of Selectmen for the Town Report, as well as elections, Town Meetings and other town events away from the Town Office Building.

Check Out The Flags— From Your Local Library

Besides books and other traditional materials, some libraries have expanded their offerings of educational items available for borrowing in order to attract more customers. As reported by Ruth Hare in the **Rutland** [Vermont] **Herald** (<http://www.rutlandherald.com>) on March 22, 2009 in an article entitled "Check it out—Vermont libraries will let you have tools, toys and more", the Fletcher, Vermont Public Library, with St. Patrick's Day in mind, allows you ... to check out a full-size Irish flag and fly it with pride. In fact, patrons and community groups can

borrow the flags of more than 100 countries.

The collection originated with the Vermont Council on World Affairs and came to the library in the early 1980s. Since 1952 the council has promoted understanding of world affairs through educational programs and international exchanges. It had reached a low ebb toward the end of the 1970s, though, and was looking for a permanent home for the flags, explains Sybil Watts Smith of Shelburne, who was the council's executive director in the 1970s. She was

instrumental in arranging the flags' transfer to the library, where she was also a dedicated volunteer.

Keeping the collection up to date has been a challenge as countries come and go and multiply, say Colburn and Collins. The face of the city has changed as well, and certain flags reflect that.

"We have so many refugees and immigrants, because we're a refugee resettlement community, that it's great when there's a community dinner" and organizers can check out the flag of Ghana or Somalia or Sudan, says Collins, the library co-director.

Boston Globe, December 11, 2006

A NEEDHAM ASTRONAUT TAKES THE TOWN SEAL ALOFT

by Maria Cramer, *Globe Staff*

Along with her anti-gravity suit and space helmet, Sunita L. Williams, a Needham [Massachusetts] High School graduate, wanted a memento from her hometown on board with her when the shuttle Discovery blasted her into the cosmos.

Town officials quickly mailed the item she had requested to Houston, the site of NASA's Johnson Space Center.

On Saturday, when Discovery hurtled into space for a 220-mile trip above the earth, it carried Williams, 41, six other crew members, and a small white flag bearing Needham's town seal.

"How cool is that?" a Needham selectman, John Bulian, said in a telephone interview.

Williams is an engineer who was born in Ohio, but who moved to Needham as a child.

She is scheduled to spend six months at the International Space Station, where her duties will include rewiring the space lab.

Her role in the mission has bolstered pride in the town of 29,000, which is home to the Needham Rockets.

The Rockets are the name of many of the town's sports teams.

"She's riding the school mascot, if you will, up to space," said School Superintendent Daniel Gutekanst, also in a telephone interview.

Williams, who lives in Houston with her husband, two Labrador retrievers and a Jack Russell terrier named Gorby, also took with her a New England Patriots hat, a 2004 Red Sox World Series cap, and a T-shirt from the Needham school district.

But many in Needham were particularly excited by her taking the



The Town Flag of Needham, Massachusetts.

town flag, which shows two English settlers standing with Chief Nehoiden, who in 1680 sold what became Needham to the settlers for 10 pounds, 40 acres of land, and 40 shillings worth of Indian corn.

The longest documented journey that a town flag had made was in 1933, when a Needham engineer took one with him during Admiral Richard E. Byrd's second expedition to Antarctica.

In September, Polly Attridge, the archivist for the Needham Historical Society, received a call from Newman Elementary School teacher Angela DiNapoli, who taught Williams in the sixth grade and keeps in touch with her student.

Attridge said DiNapoli had told her that Williams had wanted a town flag with her when she went into space.

Attridge said she was thrilled to help. "It gave us a chance to make some history rather than recording it," she said yesterday by phone.

Five days later, the flag was in the mail.

On Saturday, Attridge hunkered down in front of the television to watch the launch.

"To think, there were [seven]

people in there, one of them from Needham, with our flag," she said. "We were really excited about it."

Williams is not expected to return until June, but the flag, which will remain in the shuttle, will return with the other astronauts at the end of their 12-day mission.

Laura Rochon, a spokeswoman for NASA, said it is common for astronauts to carry flags of their hometowns or states with them.

Attridge said the flag will be displayed at the society's headquarters in front of the Newman Elementary School on Central Avenue. "We would put it on display along with the flag that was taken to Antarctica," Attridge said. "The two of them would be something."

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Canadian-American friendship has been symbolized in many ways but this display celebrating the friendly demarcation of the US-Canada boundary in 1908 is quite unique!

Making sure they are not forgotten

After decades of tending to veterans' graves, Sudbury's 'flag lady' passes the torch

By Scott Helman

Globe Staff / May 23, 2009

SUDBURY [Mass.] - In the days leading up to Memorial Day, Winnie Grinnell could always be seen within the stone walls of Sudbury's cemeteries, lovingly tending to the dead.

For years, Grinnell was known as the flag lady, the quiet servant who made it her personal, solemn mission to ensure that every veteran's grave in every burying ground in town was adorned with a flag for the spring ritual of remembrance. In a town that takes its history seriously, no veteran would be forgotten.

"I've spent a heck of a lot of time in these cemeteries, but I don't mind that," Grinnell said with a laugh in an interview earlier this week. "It's a way of paying homage."

But as age has caught up with Grinnell, who turns 82 in a few months, she has been forced to wind down her Memorial Day traditions and hand off her tasks to a new generation. She will step down this year from the town's Memorial Day Committee, on which she has served for decades. She has gradually handed over responsibility for the flags to Laura Bartlett, 56, who runs her family's flower business in town.

"I had somebody call me yesterday saying, 'Where's Winnie? What were you doing with the flags?'" said Bartlett, who, along with her daughter, Beth, took the flags around to more than 450 graves this year. With the help of local Girl Scouts, the tradition has grown to include planting geraniums, too.

"She really is the flag lady," Bartlett said. "Always will be."

The tradition of putting flags on veterans' graves at Memorial Day is one families and communities across the country observe each year. Behind every one of those flags is someone who cares enough to do

it. In Sudbury, where some graves date back to the Revolutionary War, that someone has been Grinnell for the past three decades.

Grinnell, who has lived in Sudbury for more than a half-century, first started placing flags on veterans' graves with her husband, Frank, when he was the local veterans' agent. When Frank Grinnell died in 1980, she took over.

"It was, in a way, sort of a memorial for Frank," said Mary Jane Hilery, a former Sudbury resident who was active in veterans' affairs. But Grinnell's work has also been a way to pay tribute to all the veterans who came to Sudbury with no local family to speak of; with no one to look after their graves after they died. She sees it as her mission to make sure that

"they're not forgotten."

"When I put in the flags, it's like the passing of my life," Grinnell said. "I know these people that are there."

She added, "I go and really read the stones and so on. I take my time as to getting the flags in place, and I thoroughly enjoyed my trips through each of the cemeteries."

Bartlett knows that she has big shoes to fill, but having been born in raised in Sudbury she understands both the burden and the meaning of the tradition.

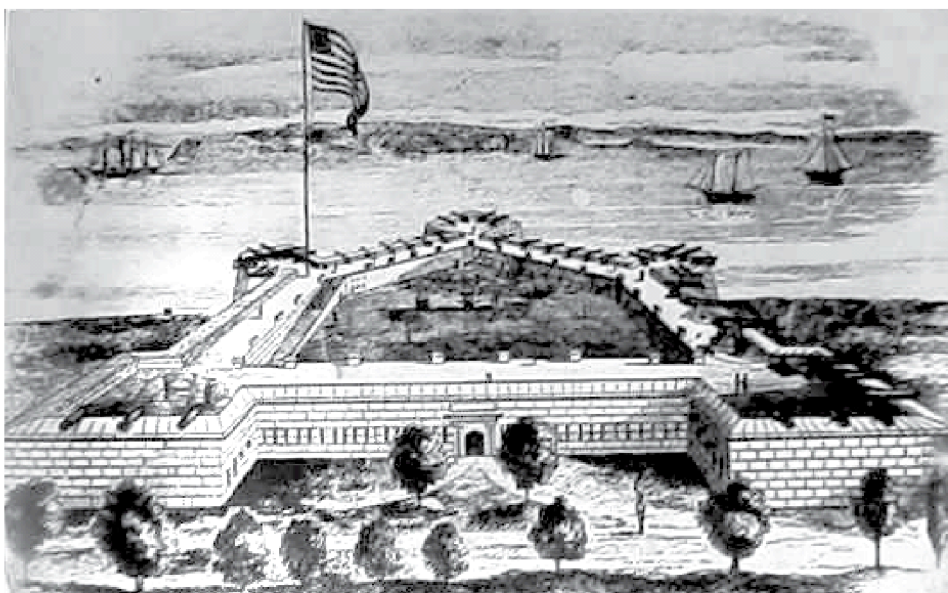
"It's important for it to be carried on," she said. "I open the trunk of my car, it reminds me of looking in Winnie's."

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Fort Independence in South Boston, formerly Castle William before the American Revolution, is the site of the first salute rendered to the US Flag by a British Man O' War after the Revolution. A display of U.S. State and historic flags will be flying at the meeting there on Flag Day, June 14th, 2009.

MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 13, 2008 MEETING AT THE YORK, MAINE PUBLIC LIBRARY

ATTENDING

President Carl Gurtman, Secretary/Treasurer Dave Martucci, members Tom Hale, and Robert Lloyd Wheelock.

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order at 1:12 p.m. by President Gurtman.

MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

MOTION by Wheelock, SECONDED by Gurtman to accept the minutes of the 10/12/07 meeting as written and ACCEPTED by acclamation.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer reported there we had \$539.39 in the checking account as of 12/13/08. On a MOTION by Wheelock, SECONDED by Gurtman, the Treasurer's report was ACCEPTED by acclamation.

NEW BUSINESS

Meetings are somewhat underattended. A discussion of ways to improve that we held.

Photos of Bob Koeller's flag display were shared.

Jim Croft could not attend as his mother has passed away and this date was the celebration of her life. Condolences were expressed.

Carl donated a copy of *Flags Around the World* to the York Library.

A communication was read from Charlie Farnsley regarding the original Louisville KY City Flag.

ROUND TABLE

Carl showed 1953 flag stamps, Pearson Pennant, discussed Stark flag, Hungarian stamps, discussed specs of coats of arms as opposed to blazon

(Ontario has specs).

Dave showed newly acquired flags and books.

Robert showed the World Flag he recently received and some books and things.

Tom showed some handmade flags, a chart of US State flags and shared his observations.

Carl was reelected President for 2 years and Dave was elected Sec./Treas. for 1 year.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be on Flag Day at Ft. Independence.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 3:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Dave Martucci

Secretary/Treasurer

NEXT MEETING AT FORT INDEPENDENCE

The next meeting of NEVA will be held at **1:00 p.m. on Sunday, June 14th, 2009 (Flag Day!)** at **Fort Independence, Castle Island** at the end of Broadway in South Boston, Massachusetts. See directions.

Call Dave at 845-2857 (or email vex@vexman.net) if you need a ride.

DIRECTIONS TO CASTLE ISLAND

From the West

- Take route I-90 (Mass Pike) to the end
- Stay to the left and take the I-93 exit
- Go to the right on the exit ramp
- Follow signs for I-93 South
- Follow I-93 south to Exit 15, Columbia Road exit
- Stay to the left on the exit ramp
- Take a left onto Columbia Road
- Drive .2 mi to the rotary
- Follow directions from the Rotary.

From the South

- Follow route I-93 (Southeast Expressway) towards Boston
- Take Exit 15, Columbia Road exit
- Take a right onto Columbia Road
- Drive .1 mi to the rotary
- Follow directions from the Rotary.

From the North

- Take route I-93 into Boston
- Drive through downtown Boston on I-93
- Take Exit 15, Columbia Road exit
- Stay to the left on the exit ramp
- Take a left onto Columbia Road
- Drive .2 mi to the rotary
- Follow directions from the Rotary.

From the East

- Swim west!

From the Rotary

- Take 2nd exit off rotary onto William J. Day Blvd.

- Follow William J. Day Blvd. to the end at Castle Island. The water (Old Harbor) will be on your right all the way to Castle Island.
- It is about 2.5 miles from Exit 15 to Castle Island.



World War I poster.

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