

The Flag of the United States Army was dedicated and unfurled to the general public on 14 June 1956 at Independence Hall, Philadelphia, on the 181st anniversary of the establishment of the U.S. Army by the Continental Congress in 1775. The flag is of white silk with a blue embroidered central design of the original War Office seal. "United States Army" is inscribed in white letters on a scarlet scroll, with the year "1775" in blue numerals below.



The Flag of the United States Marine Corps is the flag used to represent the Marine Corps. The official flag is scarlet with the Corps emblem in gray and gold. It was adopted on January 18, 1939. The emblem with the Eagle, Globe, and Anchor is the official emblem and insignia of the United States Marine Corps.



The Flag of the United States Navy consists of the seal of the US Department of the Navy in the center, above a yellow scroll inscribed "United States Navy" in dark blue letters, against a dark blue background. The flag was formally introduced to the public on April 30, 1959 at a ceremony at Naval Support Facility Carderock in Maryland. It replaced the Infantry Battalion flag which had been used as the unofficial Flag of the United States Navy for many years.



The Flag of the United States Coast Guard is white with a dark blue Great Seal of the United States. The shield on the eagle's breast has a blue chief over vertical red and white stripes. Inscribed in an arc above the eagle is "UNITED STATES COAST GUARD"; below the eagle is the Coast Guard motto, "SEMPER PARATUS" ("Always Ready") and beneath that the numerals 1790 the year in which the service's ancestor, the U.S. Revenue Cutter Service, was founded.



The Flag of the United States Air Force consists of the coat of arms, 13 white stars and the Air Force Seal, on a blue background. The 13 stars represent the 13 original colonies. The crest includes the American Bald Eagle. The flag was officially adopted by President Harry S. Truman on March 26, 1951.



Town of Burlington
Office of Veterans Services
and the
Allied Veterans Council



Veterans Day
Monday
November 11, 2013
9:00 a.m.



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9:00 A.M. FLAG RAISING ON TOWN COMMON

Opening Comments: Robert Hogan, Director
Burlington Veterans Services

Flag Raising: Disabled American Veterans ~ Cmdr George Garland

Call to Colors: Raising US Flag, Bugler ~ BHS Marching Band

Pledge of Allegiance:

National Anthem: Burlington High School Marching Band
and the Marching Band Singers

Invocation: Reverend Francesco Passamonte
Chaplain, Maj. USAF (Retired)

Speaker: State Representative Ken Gordon

Comments and Raising of Flags: History of Service Flags, Raising of Service Flags
Local veterans from each branch

Music: BHS Percussion Section ~ Freedom Strong

Wreath Placement: One for all five branches of military services
Executive Officer, Commander Lara Allison USCG,
and Jarrod Brothers

Bell Toll ~ 5 Times: One toll for each of the 5 service branches
Dick Hogan

Music: BHS Marching Band ~ Armed Forces Tribute

Remarks: Dan Grattan, Board of Selectmen

Wreath Placement in Honor of the 60th Anniversary of the end of Korean War:

For three years, while truce negotiations dragged on, a war of attrition was waged. By the time the truce was signed on July 27, 1953, more than a million Americans fought in Korea.

One of Burlington's young men died as the war was winding down, and his name, William Hurley, is listed on the Burlington Korean War Monument on Burlington's Town Common.

DAV - William Hurley Chapter, I13

Speaker: Executive Officer, Commander Lara Allison US Coast Guard

Raising of POW/MIA Flag in Honor of the 40th Anniversary of the release of 591 POW's from Vietnam & Burlington MIA:

Vietnam: Richard Harper

WW II: Henry Crogan, Ernest Everett, Wallace Oldford, Lennart Rabenius, Robert Miller

Bell Toll ~ 11 Times: 11th hour, of 11th day, of 11th month
Dick Hogan

Rifle Volley: American Legion Rifle Squad

Music: BHS Marching Band ~ Salute to Freedom

Music: Joseph McGrath, Bagpiper

Closing Prayer: Chaplain Francesco Passamonte