

Costa elected to Ancient & Honorable Artillery Co.



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Manuel R. Costa, of Winchester, was recently enrolled as a member of the Ancient & Honorable Artillery Company of Massachusetts at the Company headquarters at Faneuil Hall, Boston. At the conclusion of his swearing the oath of membership, Costa was invited to sign the Company rolls, which date to 1638.

Costa joins more than 25 other active members from the Winchester area.

The Ancient & Honorable Artillery Company was Chartered by the Great and General Court of Massachusetts and Governor Winthrop in 1638 to train gentlemen as officers for the Massachusetts Militia, a role which the Company fulfilled until 1912.

In addition the Company has served as a ceremonial unit for the Governor and the City of Boston; and as a patriotic, fraternal organization. The Company has been headquartered at Faneuil Hall since 1745.

Today's members include distinguished professionals, businessmen, clerics, serving and retired military officers, including two Medal of Honor recipients; patriots all.

Over the centuries, the roll reads as a who's who of Massachusetts history including late U.S. Presidents John F. Kennedy and Calvin Coolidge, patriot William Dawes, MG Benjamin Lincoln, Sen. Leverett Saltonstall, James Michael Curley, Christian Herter and many more.

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The Company also operates a military museum on the fourth floor of Faneuil Hall, open Monday through Friday, from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. For more information, call 617-227-1638 or go to www.ahac.us.com.

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