

**THE LIBRARY  
WILL BE CLOSED  
MONDAY, APRIL 19th  
IN OBSERVANCE OF  
PATRIOT'S DAY**



Prior to 1775, the area that is now the eastern part of the United States mainly consisted of British colonies controlled by the United Kingdom. The American Revolutionary War was a major step in the independence of the United States. The first battles in this war were fought in the areas of Lexington and Concord, near Boston, Massachusetts, on April 19, 1775. Patriots' Day marks the anniversary of these battles.