

# Gov. Isaac Shelby Chapter

Sons of the American Revolution



Isaac Shelby

### **Religious Freedom Day**



SAR members at the Religious Freedom Day ceremony.



DAR members at the Religious Freedom Day ceremony.

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Based on Americanism points, The Gov. Isaac Shelby Chapter received the President's award at the recent Kentucky Society meeting for being the chapter with the most complete program.



## Gov. Isaac Shelby Chapter

is hereby awarded the

# President's Award

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Kentucky Society

Mike Sullivan

President

March 14, 2020

Many of us have been lucky enough to meet this extraordinary man, Hershel Woodrow "Woody" Williams at events our Color Guard attended over the years. Patrick Wesolosky



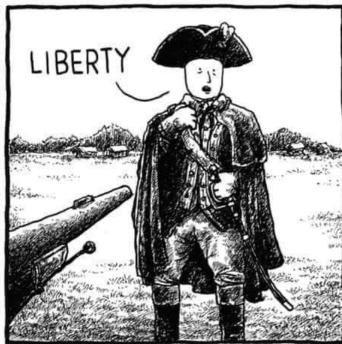
World War II Medal of Honor recipient Hershel Woodrow "Woody" Williams, a retired U.S. Marine, and U.S. Marines with Fleet Marine Force Atlantic, U.S. Marine Corps Forces Command, pose for a photo after the ship commissioning ceremony for the USNS Hershel "Woody" Williams at the Half Moone Cruise and Celebration Center in Norfolk, Va., on March 7, 2020. (Cpl. Desmond Martin/Marine Corps)

Iwo Jima hero, 96, sees US warship commissioned in his honor



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President Mike King, Scott Giltner and Patrick Wesolosky at the state meeting.



Patrick Wesolosky and Charlie Scott attended a training session at National Headquarters on the proper and safe way to fire a cannon.

### March 5, 1770—-March 5, 2020

### 250 years ago

March 5, 1770 - Two hundred and fifty years ago today the Boston Massacre happened on a cold, snowy night. A mob of American colonists gathers at the Customs House in Boston and begins taunting the British soldiers guarding the building. The protesters, who called themselves Patriots, were protesting the occupation of their city by British troops, who were sent to Boston in 1768 to enforce unpopular taxation measures passed by a British parliament that lacked American representation.

British Captain Thomas Preston, the commanding officer at the Customs House, ordered his men to fix their bayonets and join the guard outside the building. The colonists responded by throwing snowballs and other objects at the British regulars, and Private Hugh Montgomery was hit, leading him to discharge his rifle at the crowd. The other soldiers began firing a moment later, and when the smoke cleared, five colonists were dead or dying—Crispus Attucks, Patrick Carr, Samuel Gray, Samuel Maverick and James Caldwell—and three more were injured. Although it is unclear whether Crispus Attucks, an African American, was the first to fall as is commonly believed, the deaths of the five men are regarded by some historians as the first fatalities in the American Revolutionary War.

The British soldiers were put on trial, and patriots <u>John Adams</u> and Josiah Quincy agreed to defend the soldiers in a show of support of the colonial justice system. When the trial ended in December 1770, two British soldiers were found guilty of manslaughter and had their thumbs branded with an "M" for murder as punishment.



The above article and picture was entered on the Gov. Isaac Shelby Facebook page on March 5, 2020 by Patrick Wesolosky.

The Boston Massacre occurred 250 years ago on March 5, 1770. This qualifies Patrick for the coin shown to the right.

See information on National Society's 250th anniversary program on the next page.





## 250th Anniversary of the American Revolution Recognition Program National Society, Sons of the American Revolution



The recognition program is designed to encourage and recognize those compatriots, chapters and societies that participate in local, state, national and international events which publically educate, and recognize, honor, and celebrate the events and heroes of the period surrounding the American Revolution. Participation involves the planning and execution of these events, as well as attendance. The medal covers the celebration of any event's 250th anniversary where said event related directly to acts of resistance to British attempts to coerce the residents in America: from the first Parliamentary Acts protested after the conclusion of the French and Indian Wars, through the armed struggle of the American War for Independence, to the ratification of the Treaty of Paris by the Continental Congress. This therefore will cover any public celebrations in the period from 2014 to 2033. Form may be submitted to cover multiple years and following the first submission be submitted in multiple years, only covering activities since the previous submission. Scorekeeping is the responsibility of each compatriot and awarding authority. You will receive an email authorizing the purchase from merchandising. The guidelines and points are describe below:

### PLEASE SUBMIT TO: 250AnniversaryRecognition@sar.org.

### > Awards are based on activity and the awarding of points for each type of activity:

- a. Directing, chairing or co-chairing an event or sub-committee for the duration of the event. (20 points)
- b. Participation in the planning, financing, promotion or conduct of an event other than directing, chairing, or cochairing an event. Those that do direct, chair or co-chair and event and also serve as a regular member of a committee or sub-committee in a non-leadership role, may also earn points. (10 points)
- c. Attending an Event (3 points)
- d. Attending an event in Colonial Attire (5 points)

### > SAR Members may be awarded the Medals for achieving the following levels:

- a. Bronze Medal: 25 promotion points as certified by his chapter, state, district or national society.
- Silver Medal: Compatriots who earn 60 promotion points as certified by his chapter, state, district or national society.
- Gold Medal: Compatriots who earn 150 promotion points as certified by his chapter, state, district or national society.

#### Non-SAR members may also be awarded these medals:

- a. The chapter may present bronze awards to its Partners in Patriotism, and may recommend its Partners to the state or national society for higher recognition.
- b. The state and district may present silver awards to its Partners in Patriotism, and may recommend its Partners to the national society for higher recognition.
- c. The district or national society may present gold awards to its Partners in Patriotism.
- Coin Award. May be awarded to SAR and Non-SAR individuals participating in programs but taking no actual leadership role.
- ➤ <u>Streamer.</u> Awarded to SAR and non-SAR organizations. The certificate will describe the program for which the award is being made. Streamers come in three levels based on maximum participation in any one event during the year. Stars will be awarded if re-earned in subsequent years. The Bronze Streamer for an average of 10% participation, the Silver Streamer for an average of 25% participation, or a Gold Streamer for an average of 50% participation.

## State officers sworn in at state meeting.



State officers for 2020-21 sworn in at the state meeting.

Three Gov. Isaac Shelby Chapter members are state officers.







Chris Coleman is the State Registrar, Charlie Scott is the State Historian and Scott Giltner is the State Vice President





 $\label{lem:continuous} President\ Mike\ King\ inducts\ new\ member\ Tom\ Brashear.\ Then,\ Registrar\ Larry\ Selby\ pins\ the\ SAR\ Membership\ Rosette\ on\ him\ .$ 





GIS President Mike King inducting Compatriot Scott Moore. Then, Scott Giltner pins the membership rosette on Compatriot Moore.

Our fellow member, Melvin Rowe has written a book about Colonel Mel. It's a collection of humorous short stories about a con artist snake oil salesman traveling the state. Despite these bad qualities, Colonel Mel usually ends up doing the right thing.

The book is titled "Colonel Mel and his Old South Cure All Elixir" and is available for \$5.00 for a paperback copy. If mailed there is an extra mailing cost of \$2.80.

It''s available on Melvin's website:

http://potteryrowe.com/shop/book/colonel-mel-and-his-old-south-cure-all-elixir

It's also available in Kindle or paperback through Amazon.

