



The Liberty Pole

April 2026 Edition

Shooters, Center up!

Welcome Matthew, to the April edition of The Liberty Pole, Project Appleseed's monthly newsletter.

It's finally April !!! We're excited to continue our Five-year series of Patriots' Day patches and shirts entitled "We Are Descended from Dangerous Men." This year we honor Prince Estabrook. Remember, the only way to get one is to attend any Project Appleseed marksmanship clinic in April. Back by popular demand, the Red White and Blue AQT targets have returned for April 2026.

There's exciting news on the Marksmanship Challenge. In South Carolina, we officially have our first winner of the Tippmann Appleseed Edition M4-22 Pro, generously provided by our friends at [Waco Tactical Fitness](#) - Huzzah !!!

History this month covers The Halifax Resolves, we're highlighting an event in Texas, and more. As always, thank you for reading.

"Shooters, your preparation period begins now !!!"



Words of Wisdom



"The rights of the individual should be the primary object of all governments."

- Mercy Otis Warren

Portrait by John Singleton Copley -
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Boston, Public Domain

Marksmanship Challenge First Winner !!!

Congratulations to Steve M. and our South Carolina crew as our first verified score of 250 on the Appleseed Qualification Test in 2026 !!! Steve attended the 25M Rifle event at Newberry Pistol Club in Newberry, SC, and is the first winner of a Tippmann Appleseed Edition M4-22 Pro rifle donated by our friends at [Waco Tactical Fitness](#). Two more rifles are available for the Marksmanship Challenge.

Shoot Boss TAZDevil had this to say ...

"Two new riflemen were created and one prior rifleman scored 250!! Now that doesn't happen often! Yes, you read that right! 250 !!! Huzzah!



Above: the dedicated instructor crew with Steve M. Great job passing on your

Steve scored distinguished in mid-February and improved to 250."

knowledge **TAZDevil, DEH, TheIronMantis, and Iflyka200s**
Huzzah, Huzzah, Huzzah !!!



The first three verified natural 250 scores on the Appleseed Qualification Test (AQT) in 2026 win a Tippmann Appleseed Edition M4-22 Pro rifle.

- No .30 caliber rule
- No artificial support except USGI sling
- Takes place at a scheduled Appleseed 25M Rifle Clinic

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We Are Decended From Dangererous Men: *Prince Estabrook*

Come hear the story of Prince Estabrook at one of our April 19th Patriot's Day events. He stood with Captain John Parker on Lexington Green and

served through the rest of the Revolutionary War. This patch and tee-shirt continue our 5-year series "We Are Descended From Dangerous Men." Previous years honored John Parker, Prudence Wright, and William Heath.



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Event Highlight

This month, we feature a 25M Rifle Clinic held in College Station, Texas on March 7-8, 2026. Below are some words from the Shoot Boss, Sir Not Appearing In This Film:



"Rain arrived soon after lunch. Once I saw lighting we adjourned to the classroom area porch. We used the rain down time

for more history and used a dummy rifle to instruct our shooters on sling use and positions individually."



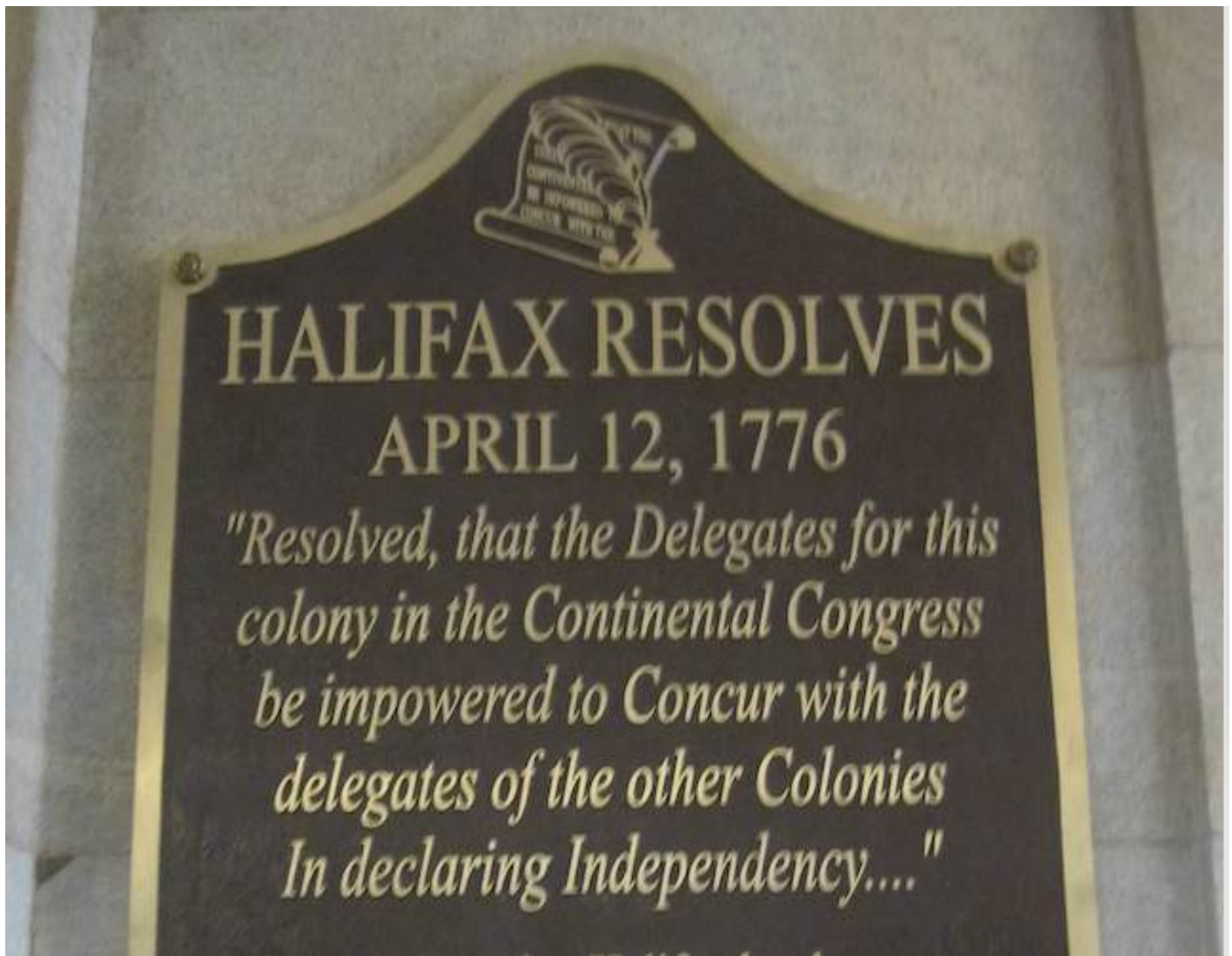
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April's History: The April 1776 Halifax Resolves

This month, AH1Tom tells the story of the Halifax Resolves. These were adopted by the Fourth Provincial Congress of the Province of North Carolina on April 12, 1776.

"As the first official action by any colony authorizing its delegates to vote for independence, the Halifax Resolves marked a decisive turning point in the revolutionary movement. They reflected the colony's growing radicalism, contributed directly to the momentum for independence within the Continental Congress, and represented the broader ideological shift taking place across the colonies ..."

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The Halifax Resolves are posted in Raleigh, NC. This photo is in the public domain.

Limited Issue 2026 T-Shirts and Special April AQTs

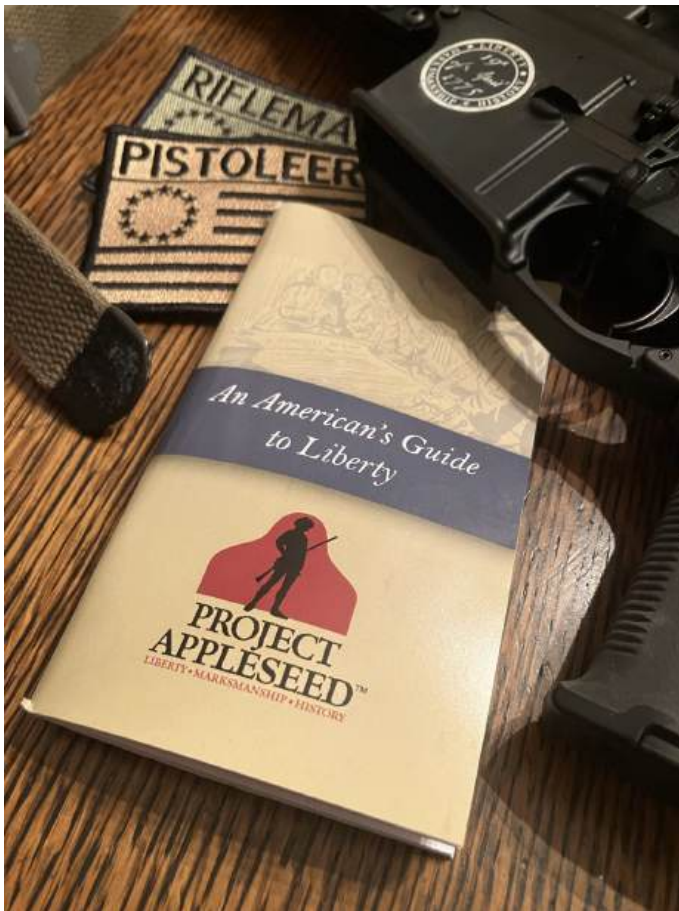
Interested in the 2026 shirt featuring the Declaration of Independence? Starting in May and running through August, this limited issue shirt will be available at Applesed events. Washington Crossing the Delaware will close out the year September through December. Get them while they are available !!!





Back by popular demand are the RED, WHITE, and BLUE Appleseed Qualification Targets. The special targets were created last year to celebrate the 20th anniversary of Appleseed and the 250th anniversary of April 19, 1775. They will be issued again for use in April 2026 events only. Register for your April event now !!!

Now Available !!!
"An American's Guide to Liberty"



Published by Appleseed Academy Press

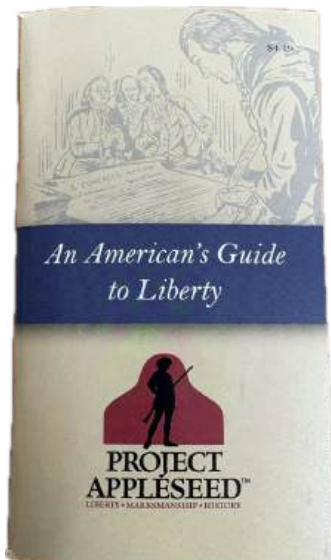
We're excited to share this new booklet containing our Founding documents. It is now available for purchase in the [Project Appleseed Store](#). After hundreds of hours of work from the team, these documents are offered unabridged, without spin or modern interpretations.

At 76 pages (see what we did there?), it contains the Declaration of Independence, The Constitution of the United States, Paul Revere's first hand report of his ride on April 19, 1775, and many more.

Many thanks to Mrs. Smith of New Mexico for leading the effort, and Phoebe of Maryland and Bundt Pan of Illinois for all the heavy lifting.

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Explore the Appleseed Store



Swing by the Appleseed Store and see all the merch we have in store for you.

- NEW: "An American's Guide to Liberty" An opportunity to put our Founding documents in your hands.
- "Paul Revere's Ride" written by Pulitzer Prize winning historian David Hackett Fischer, this is the historical source for all the stories you hear at Appleseed events.
- Slings, swivels, and other gear for your next event.
- Don't forget about our awesome scope kits. Great kits to set you up for rimfire and centerfire KD events. These kits include scopes, rings, and rails to take out the guesswork.



These couple well with the Rifleman Cheekrest System to help you achieve perfect sight alignment.

- Tumblers, Appleseed cards, gear pouches ...
- Mystery T-Shirts !!! You can't go wrong on a vintage Appleseed tee for \$2.

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As always, ALL proceeds go to support Project Appleseed

Upcoming Events



- **25M Rifle Clinics:**
 - Check YOUR State
- **Known Distance (KD):**
 - NC, IN, CO, FL, AR, MT
- **Rimfire KD:**
 - MD, GA, CA, NH, MO, AR, IL
- **Pistol Clinics:**
 - IN, FL, CA, MD, GA
- **Ladyseed:**
 - MT, VA, WI, FL, NY
- **Rifleman Boot Camp (RBC):**
 - NC, WY

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[Join a Ladyseed](#)

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What is a Ladyseed?

A Ladyseed encourages more women to enjoy the excitement of rifle marksmanship. Ladyseeds are fun and empowering 25M rifle clinics designed specifically for women and girls of all experience levels. Within this enjoyable and encouraging environment, you will receive personalized instruction on firearm safety, proper shooting techniques, and aiming accuracy from our very knowledgeable instructors. You'll build confidence, develop new skills, and forge lifelong friendships.

The women and girls who attend a Ladyseed event will learn much more than how to fire a rifle. They will also learn American history and how women actively aided in the fight for America's freedom. Hear the stories of these brave women and girls who participated as spies, provided healthcare, prepared their men for war, and protected their homes. When you attend a Ladyseed, it's our hope that you'll leave with new friends, a renewed sense of country, and an enhanced sense of civic responsibility.

One Minute to Help Preserve Our Nation



If you'd like to support Project Appleseed, there are plenty of ways to do so. You can buy tickets, buy store items, or make a 100% tax-deductible donation. We accept and are appreciative of all donations. Of course, the thing valued above all is TIME. Volunteers; those that can give up their time and help us out, in whatever capacity it may be, are what this program runs on.

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Thank you!

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