

## Kent County Medal Recipients

MEDAL #	TYPE	HONOREE	DATE	REASON	NOMINATOR
1	Heroism	Blodgett, Kyle	7/24/2007	Sought help for ill grandmother (Age 7)	Comm. Angel
2	Heroism	Roe, Robert	8/8/2007	Disregarded safety to rescue elderly woman from fire	Comm. Brode
3	Heroism	Stover, Steven	8/8/2007	Disregarded safety to rescue elderly woman from fire	Comm. Brode
4	Meritorious Service	Tuthill, Philip	10/28/2008	Mayor & community advocate	Comm. Banta
5	Hero	Berry, Corey E.	8/25/2009	Assisted police in capture of drug dealer	Comm. Brode
6	Meritorious Service	Peterson, Russell	4/13/2010	Former Governor, Coastal Zone Act, etc.	Comm. Angel
7	Meritorious Service	Buckson, David	4/27/2010	Former Governor, Lt. Gov., Atty. Gen., etc.	Comm. Banta
8	Heroism	Robinson, Davionne	6/29/2010	Performed Heimlich maneuver on schoolmate (Age 11)	Comm. Angel
9	Meritorious Service	Shomo, Ronald	7/27/2010	Band, symphony, handbell Director	Comm. Angel
10	Meritorious Service	Schwartz, Muriel	8/10/2010	Business & Community Service	Comm. Angel
11	Life Long Achievement	Pribanic Sr., John	8/10/2010	Age 100	Comm. Angel
12	Meritorious Service	Deakins, Lynn	8/24/2010	Red Cross vol. 50 yrs & Little League	Comm. Sweeney
13	Meritorious Service	Salters, Reuben	8/23/2011	Councilman & community organizer	Comm. Angel
14	Meritorious Service	Brittingham, Tamra	9/13/2011	Journalist & community advocate (Dec.)	Comm. Angel
15	Meritorious Service	Wright Jr., George C.	9/13/2011	Mayor & community advocate	Comm. Banta
16	Meritorious Service	Flood Sr., Jim	8/11/2011	Journalist & community advocate	Comm. Banta
17	Meritorious Service	Mott, Frederick T.	5/8/2012	KCD Supervisor & community advocate	Comm. Angel
18	Meritorious Service	Chambers Jr., William C.	5/22/2012	Business & community service	Comm. Pepper
19	Heroism	Boyce, Madison	6/12/2012	Sought help for ill/injured citizen (Age 9)	Comm. Sweeney
20	Meritorious Service	Celiberti Jr., Peter J.	3/5/2013	Youth football volunteer for 40+ years	Comm. Buckson
21	Heroism	Barkley Jr., John	7/23/2013	Saved 5-year-old drowning victim (Age 15)	Comm. Banta
22	Meritorious Service	Steele, Myron T.	1/7/2014	Former Supreme Court Chief Justice	Comm. Banta
23	Meritorious Service	Thorne Jr., Robert E.	9/27/2016	Served in all military branches (Dec.)	Comm. Angel
24	Meritorious Service	Vavala, Frank D.	3/28/2017	Former Adjutant General	Comm. Banta
25	Heroism	Webb, Kaleb	12/19/2017	Performed CPR on grandfather (Age 16)	Comm. Buckson
26	Meritorious Service	Davis, Paul	3/31/2018	Vietnam War Vet; Instrumental in creating Vietnam Veterans Memorial Park	Comm. Angel

27	Meritorious Service	Skocik, David V.	3/31/2018	Vietnam War Vet; Veterans Advocate; Instrumental in creating Vietnam Veterans Memorial Park.	Comm. Pepper
28	Meritorious Service	Startt, Jr., Joseph G.	3/31/2018	Vietnam War Vet; injured by enemy fire in hostile territory; instrumental in bringing Huey Helicopter to Vietnam War Veterans Memorial Park; Instrumental in naming POW/MIA Memorial Parkway.	Comm. Banta & Comm. Angel
29	Meritorious Service	Reihm, Homer "Sonny"	4/10/2018	Through his work astronauts were able to travel to the moon in a safe space suit that could withstand extreme hot and cold temperatures. He transformed ILC Dover, Inc. into the official manufacturer of spacesuits for the Apollo missions and later for the Space Shuttle and Space Station missions.	Comm. Angel

## Kent County Medal Guidelines

### § 27-1 Kent County Medal.

[Adopted 3-27-2007; amended 6-15-2010 (P10-02)]

This Policy establishes a Kent County Medal and guidelines for the selection of deserving persons in recognition of individual acts of valor or exceptionally meritorious service.

#### A.

The medal shall be round and approximately two inches in diameter, suspended on a neck ribbon of blue and white. The obverse shall bear the seal of Kent County and the reverse shall include the words "Kent County Levy Court" and "Established 1683." In the center, the medal shall bear the name of the recipient and the date of the award.

#### B.

Individuals eligible to receive a medal must be:

##### (1)

A Kent County resident; or

##### (2)

Working or attending school within the boundaries of Kent County; or

**(3)**

Performing an act(s) worthy of award within the boundaries of Kent County.

**C.**

The medal shall be awarded to a person:

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**(1)**

Losing his/her life while saving or attempting to save the life of another person; or

**(2)** Saving or attempting to save the life of another person under circumstances which caused personal injury and/or clearly placed the life of the recipient at great risk of bodily harm beyond the normal duties of the recipient's occupation; or

**(3)**

Under age 19, who saves or attempts to save the life of another person under extraordinary circumstances or by utilizing skills/abilities atypical for an individual of his/her young age; or

**(4)**

Providing exceptionally meritorious service (MS) to the County and/or a community thereof; or

**(5)**

Attaining the age of 100 for worthy life long (LL) achievements.

**D.**

Awards may be made posthumously to persons found deserving.

**E.**

The Personnel Administration Board shall receive nominations through the Personnel Office and after reviewing said nominations make a recommendation to the Levy Court for awards. Said recommendation should follow the satisfactory conclusion of any professional review or formal investigation of the incident leading to nomination.

**F.**

The Levy Court shall consider the nominations forwarded to it by the Committee and formally adopt a resolution bestowing the Kent County Medal upon the recipient and arrange for ceremonious presentation of the signed resolution and awarded medal.

**G.**

A plaque or plaques of sufficient size(s) shall list the recipients of the Kent County Medal and be appropriately displayed in the County's Administrative Office Building for the edification of the public.

**H.**

In consultation with the Levy Court and Personnel Administration Board, the Personnel Director shall develop appropriate forms and any additional procedures necessary to effect the administration of this Policy.



**KENT COUNTY MEDAL  
NOMINATING FORM**

The Medal may be presented to deserving persons residing in or working in Kent County in recognition of individual acts of valor or exceptionally meritorious service. Specifically, it shall be awarded for:

- a) Loss of life while saving or attempting to save the life of another person.
- b) Saving or attempting to save the life of another person under circumstances which caused personal injury and/or clearly placed the life of the recipient at great risk of bodily harm.
- c) Exceptionally meritorious service to the County and/or a community thereof.

The Medal may be awarded posthumously to persons found deserving.

NAME, ADDRESS, and PHONE NUMBER of **NOMINEE** (*person proposed for the Medal*)

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IF A POSTHUMOUS AWARD, PROVIDE NAME, ADDRESS and PHONE NUMBER of NEXT OF KIN:

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NOMINATION SUBMITTED BY – Your Name, Address, and Phone Number:

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**On the back of this form, please provide information/details (who, what, when, and where) as to why you are nominating the above-mentioned person for a Kent County Medal:**

*Please attach a copy of additional information such as print media, photos, and/or diagrams to help the Committee and Levy Court better understand the circumstances leading up to this nomination.*

Send or deliver this completed form along with any attachments to: **Kent County Levy Court, Personnel Office, 555 Bay Road, Dover, DE 19901**