

**Knox County**



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**Our Mission**

The mission of the Knox County Veterans Service Office is to provide eligible veterans and their families with those benefits to which they may be entitled under federal, state, and local law, in accordance with established policies and procedures.

The Knox County Veterans Service Office shall take those steps necessary to ensure a well trained and professional staff that is available to advise and assist veterans, their dependents, and the widows and orphans of those veterans who, by virtue of their service in the military of the United States of America. They may be entitled to benefits provided by the Department of Veterans Affairs or any other benefit available under federal, state, or local law.

The Knox County Veterans Service shall provide temporary financial assistance to those veterans or their dependents who have demonstrated a financial need due to illness, injury, lack of employment, or an unexpected hardship. Determination of financial need shall be made by the Veterans Service Commission in accordance with the guidelines it alone shall establish and oversee, in accordance with Title 59 of the Ohio Revised Code.

The Knox County Veterans Service Commission shall promulgate programs as required by Title 59 of the Ohio revised Code for services not listed above, such as outreach and the transportation of veterans to and from VA medical facilities.



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2	3	4 	5 Commissioners Meeting - 3 PM - Public Welcome	6 Radio program 1300 WQIO 10:30am	7	8
9	10	11	12	13 Brew & Bull(coffee & doughnuts at the office) 9 a.m.	14	15
16	17	18	19 Commissioners Meeting - 3 PM - Public Welcome	20	21	22
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FROM THE DIRECTOR'S DESK - KEVIN L. HENTHORN

**SUMMERTIME IS HERE !**

Summertime is here and community outreach events are in full swing here at your Veterans Office! It was good to see everyone out at many Memorial Day Parades and ceremonies as well as our Open House. NOW its County Fair time !



Come out and see us at the County Fair, July 22nd—29th. Stop by our tent and receive multiple free goodies as well as an ice cold water and possibly

more ! Golf cart courtesy rides may also be available all week.

Veterans Appreciation Day and Recognition Ceremony, Wednesday the 26th ( Rough Truck night ! )



**UPCOMING EVENTS:**

- *Veteran's Office Radio Program, WMVO 1300, Thursday, July 6th at 10:30 am*
- *Veterans Service Office Commissioners Wed. July 5h and 19th at 3 p.m. Public Welcome*
- *Veteran Bull and Brew Thursday July 13th and 27th at 9 a.m.*
- *Office Closed-July 4th*



**Kevin Henthorn,**  
 Executive Director  
 Thank You for all your support and God Bless.





# Military Trivia



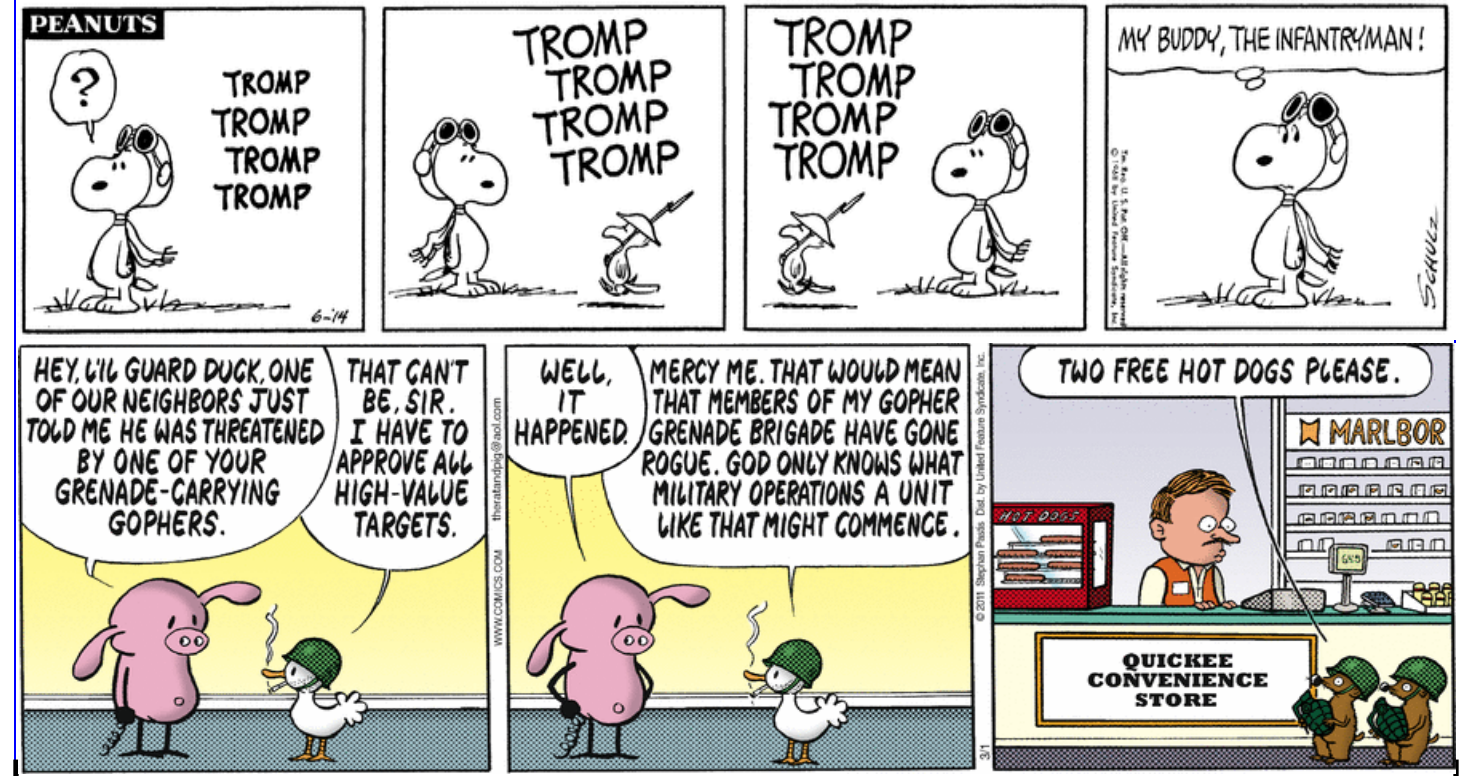
- The 2001 film "Blackhawk Down" centers on a military operation that took place in which East African country in 1993?
  - Rwanda
  - Somalia
  - Uganda
  - Ethiopia
- In 1842, the signing of the Nanking Treaty ended the first Opium War between Great Britain and the Qing dynasty of which country?
  - Turkey
  - Mayanmar
  - China
  - Russia
- Which American war ended with the Treaty of Ghent?
  - War of 1812
  - Civil War
  - French-Indian War
  - War of Toledo

### Last Month's Trivia Answers:

- Spanish-American War
- Red Dawn
- France

## 1LT Conner, Garlin

First Lieutenant Garlin M. Conner distinguished himself by acts of gallantry and intrepidity while serving with Company K, 3d Battalion, 7th Infantry Regiment, 3d Infantry Division. On the morning of January 24, 1945, near the town of Houssen, France, German forces ferociously counterattacked the front left flank of the 7th Infantry Regiment with 600 infantry troops, six Mark VI tanks, and tank destroyers. Lieutenant Conner, having recently returned to his unit after recovering from a wound received in an earlier battle, was working as the Intelligence Officer in the 3d Battalion Command Post at the time of the attack. Understanding the devastating effect that the advancing enemy armor could have on the Battalion, Lieutenant Conner immediately volunteered to run straight into the heart of the enemy assault to get to a position from which he could direct friendly artillery on the advancing enemy forces. With complete disregard for his own safety, Lieutenant Conner maneuvered 400 yards through enemy artillery fire that destroyed trees in his path and rained shrapnel all around him, while unrolling telephone wire needed to communicate with the Battalion command post. Upon reaching the Battalion's front line, he continued to move forward under the enemy assault to a position 30 yards in front of the defending United States forces, where he plunged into a shallow ditch that provided minimal protection from the advancing enemy's heavy machine gun and small arms fire. With rounds impacting all around him, Lieutenant Conner calmly directed multiple fire missions, adjusting round after round of artillery from his prone position, until the enemy was forced to halt its advance and seek cover behind a nearby dike. For three hours, Lieutenant Conner remained in this compromised position, enduring the repeated onslaught of German infantry which, at one point, advanced to within five yards of his position. As German infantry regrouped and began to mass in an overwhelming assault, Lieutenant Conner ordered friendly artillery to concentrate directly on his own position, having resolved to die if necessary to destroy the enemy advance. Ignoring the friendly artillery shells blanketing his position and exploding mere feet from him, Lieutenant Conner continued to direct artillery fire on the enemy assault swarming around him until the German attack was finally broken. By his heroism and disregard for his own life, Lieutenant Conner stopped the enemy advance. The artillery he expertly directed, while under constant enemy fire, killed approximately fifty German soldiers and wounded an estimated one hundred more, preventing what would have undoubtedly been heavy friendly casualties. His actions are in keeping with the highest traditions of military service and reflect great credit upon himself, the 3d Infantry Division, and the United States Army.



The state of Ohio veteran's ID cards will be available for issue here at your Knox County veterans service office MONDAY thru FRIDAY, 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. You **MUST** have Report of Separation or DD-214 upon request. If you are unsure if we have it or not, please call before you come. All discharge papers must be presented, verified and authenticated prior to IDs being issued. The cards will be issued to Veterans at NO CHARGE.



The Knox County Veterans Service Office **CANNOT ACCEPT DONATIONS**. The office appreciates the generosity towards our county veterans, but please NO DONATIONS.

Here are some veteran organizations that can take donations for our veterans:  
 County American Legion Posts, Disabled American Veterans Post, AMVETS Post's, V.F.W. Posts and  
 Knox County Joint Veterans Council (Military Burials)

**Thank you!**



## FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE MELISSA SHANK

The Veterans Service Commission and office staff are proud to help our area veterans with their financial hardships and to help get them back on their feet. Each application for financial assistance is evaluated on a case by case basis. The Veterans Service Commissioners primary concern is to help the veteran and their dependents that are in need of immediate financial assistance. The financial assistance grants provided are not intended to be on a long term, on going basis. They are designed to provide assistance to those who encounter situations usually of emergent need that threatens their health or safety. An applicant for assistance must utilize all available income and resources. All applicants must provide proof on household income and proof of all bills paid and due for the past 30 days. There are no minimum or maximum levels established for financial assistance. All applicants who are physically capable of work must be actively seeking employment. The financial assistance is for temporary situations and not for month-to-month relief. If you are in need of financial assistance please call our office and set up an appointment. We are open Monday-Friday from 8a-4p