

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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4	5	6 Radio program 1300 WQIO 10am	7	8 Brew & Bull(coffee & doughnuts at the office) 9 a.m.	9	10
11	12	13	14 Commissioners Meeting - 3 PM - Public Welcome	15	16	17
18	19 Office Closed	20	21	22 Brew & Bull(coffee & doughnuts at the office) 9 a.m.	23	24
25	26	27	28 Commissioners Meeting - 3 PM - Public Welcome	29	30	

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FROM THE DIRECTOR'S DESK - KEVIN L. HENTHORN

2023 Memorial Day

Last month's observations of Memorial Day were a great reminder of just how patriotic Knox County is. Many took a moment to take in a parade and pause for a ceremony in their local communities.

Special thanks to all of those throughout the county who make these events possible.



Mt Vernon guest speaker, USMC Colin Pack



Mt Vernon guest speaker, US Army Wilson Warner



Mt. Vernon Guest speaker, USN Ken Lane



Mt Vernon Guest Speaker, USAF Beth Seeman



Mt Vernon Guest Speaker, USCG Colby Contino



Danville Parade, DPD Mounted Patrol

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- *Veteran's Office Radio Program, WMVO 1300, Tuesday, June 7th at 10am*
- *Veterans Service Office Commissioners Wed. June 7th and 21st at 3 p.m. Public Welcome*
- *Veteran Bull and Brew Thursday June 8th and 22nd at 9 a.m.*
- *Office Closed-June 19th*



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





Military Trivia



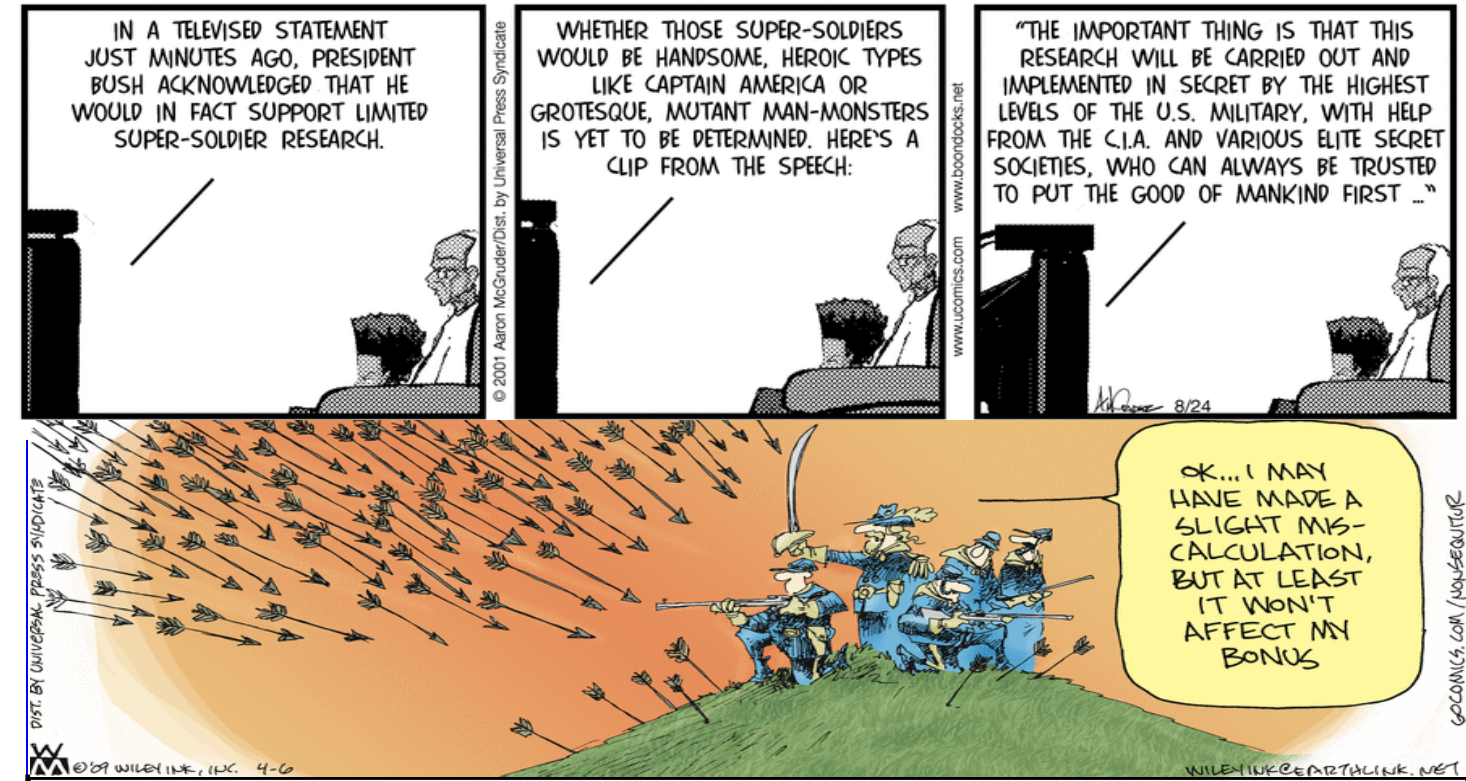
- The Battle of Tayacoba, in which four Buffalo Soldiers were awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor, took place in Cuba during which war?
 - Mexican-American War
 - World War I
 - World War II
 - Spanish-American War
- The U.S. military operation to capture Saddam Hussein was given the name of what 1984 action flick about Russia invading the U.S.?
 - Commando
 - Terminator
 - Red Dawn
 - War Games
- Cinco de Mayo celebrates the Mexican victory at the Battle of Puebla over what European country?
 - Great Britain
 - Spain
 - France
 - Portugal

Last Month's Trivia Answers:

- Valley Forge, PA
- True
- President Nixon

SSG Kaneshiro, Edward

Staff Sergeant Edward N. Kaneshiro distinguished himself by acts of gallantry and intrepidity above and beyond the call of duty while serving as an Infantry Squad Leader with Troop C, 1st Squadron, 9th Cavalry, 1st Cavalry Division near Phu Huu 2, Kim Son Valley, Republic of Vietnam, on 1 December 1966. . Not knowing that the village was heavily fortified with a fully bunkered and concealed trench system and garrisoned by North Vietnamese troops in vastly superior force, two squads of the platoon had deployed to its center, while Staff Sergeant Kaneshiro and his squad scouted the more open terrain to the east of the village. Sensing the opportunity to ambush the Infantry squads, the entrenched enemy force erupted with machine gun and small arms fire against the two squads at the center of the village, killing the platoon leader and the point man, wounding four others, then successfully suppressing the surviving soldiers. Staff Sergeant Kaneshiro moved with his men to the sounds of the fire. Swiftly reading the situation, seeing that the fire from the trench had to be stopped if anyone was to survive, he first deployed his men to cover, then crawled forward to attack the enemy force alone. He began by throwing grenades from the parapet while flattened to the ground, successfully throwing the first grenade through the aperture of the bunker, eliminating the machine gunner who had opened the action. With five grenades remaining and his rifle to sustain his assault, Staff Sergeant Kaneshiro jumped into the trench to sweep its length where it fronted the two pinned squads. Over the distance of about 35 meters, he worked the ditch alone, destroying one enemy group with rifle fire and two others with grenades. By the end of his sweep, the able-bodied survivors of the two squads were again standing and preparing to move the dead and wounded. Staff Sergeant Kaneshiro's actions enabled the orderly extrication and reorganization of the platoon which ultimately led to a successful withdrawal from the village.

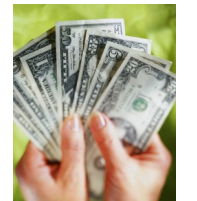


The state of Ohio veteran's ID cards will be available for issue here at your Knox County veterans service office MONDAY thru FRIDAY, 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. You **MUST** have **Report of Separation or DD-214** upon request. If you are unsure if we have it or not, please call before you come. All discharge 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