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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.

AUGUST 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 Mobile Office @First Friday	2
3	4 Coast Guard Day	5 Flag Retirement- 5:30 pm@Ariel F oundation Park	6 Commissioners Meeting - 3 PM	7	8	9 Rolling Thunder meeting 2pm Veterans Picnic- 11am@Ariel Park
10	11	12	13	14 Brew & Bull (coffee& doughnuts at the office)	15	16
17	18	19	20 Commissioners Meeting - 3 PM	21	22	23
24/31	25	26	27	28 Brew & Bull (coffee& doughnuts at the office)	29	30

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VETERANS MONTHLY

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FROM THE DIRECTOR'S DESK - KEVIN L. HENTHORN

The annual Knox County Veterans Picnic



The 2024 picnic will be on **SATURDAY**, August 9th
11am - 12:30
Ariel Park- Event Center.



Food , door prizes, live music, desserts !

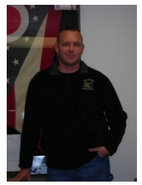
The 2025 Knox County Fair was another huge success! We would like to thank everyone that helped make our booth a fun and relaxing place to be for the week.



See our calendar for all the summer events this month:

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- *Veteran's Office Radio Program,Tue. Aug 5 WMVO 1300, 10am*
- *Veterans Service Office Commissioners Wed. Aug 6 & Wed. Aug 20 at 3 p.m. Public Welcome*
- *Veteran Bull and Brew Thursday Aug 14 and Aug 28—9:00 am to 11:00 am*
- *Rolling Thunder meeting Aug 9 2:00 PM*
- *Flag Retirement Ceremony Aug 5 at 5:30mpm @ Ariel Foundation Park*



Military Trivia

1. In what year was the Coast Guard founded?
   - A) 1760
   - B) 1790
   - C) 1796
   - D) 1810
2. What author was the first chief journalist of the Coast Guard
   - A) John Steinbeck
   - B) Alex Haley
   - C) Ernest Hemingway
   - D) Zane Grey
3. Which Coast Guard cutter is known for rescuing people from the RMS Titanic?
   - A) USGCG Northland
   - B) USGCG Mohawk
   - C) USCGC Seneca
   - D) USGCG Valiant

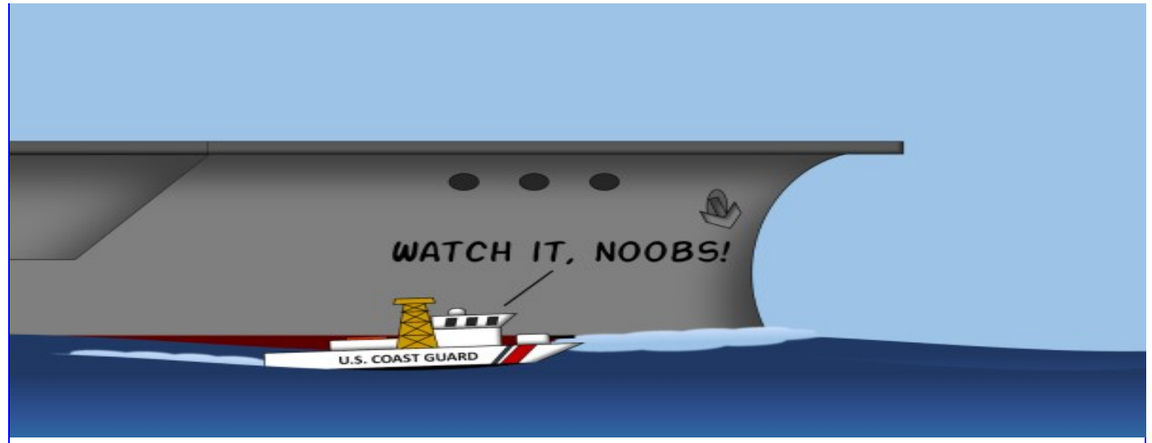
Last Month's Trivia Answers:

1. 1801
2. Massachusetts
3. Calvin Coolidge

Medal of Honor Recipient– Signalman First Class Douglas A. Munro

For extraordinary heroism and conspicuous gallantry m action above and beyond the call of duty as Petty Officer in Charge of a group of 24 Higgins boats, engaged in the evacuation of a battalion of marines trapped by enemy Japanese forces at Point Cruz Guadalcanal, on 27 September 1942. After making preliminary plans for the evacuation of nearly 500 beleaguered marines, Munro, under constant strafing by enemy machineguns on the island, and at great risk of his life, daringly led 5 of his small craft toward the shore. As he closed the beach, he signaled the others to land, and then in order to draw the enemy's fire and protect the heavily loaded boats, he valiantly placed his craft with its 2 small guns as a shield between the beachhead and the Japanese. When the perilous task of evacuation was nearly completed, Munro was instantly killed by enemy fire, but his crew, 2 of whom were wounded, carried on until the last boat had loaded and cleared the beach. By his outstanding leadership, expert planning, and dauntless devotion to duty, he and his courageous comrades undoubtedly saved the lives of many who otherwise would have perished. He gallantly gave his life for his country.

Signalman First Class Munro is the only Coast Guard member to ever receive the Medal of Honor.





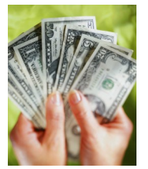
The Knox County Veterans Service Office **CANNOT ACCEPT DONATIONS.** The office appreciates the generosity towards our county veterans, but please NO DONATIONS.

Here are some veteran organizations that can take donations for our veterans:

County American Legion Post 's, Disabled American Veterans Post, AMVETS Post's, V.F.W. Post's 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