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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.



2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Commissioners Meeting - 3 PM	2	3	4
5	6	7 Radio Show 10am WMVO 100.9fm	8 In-house counselling	9 Brew & Bull (coffee& doughnuts at the office)	10	11 Rolling Thunder meeting 2pm
12	13 Office Closed	14	15 Commissioners Meeting - 3 PM	16	17	18
19	20	21	22 In-house counselling	23 Brew & Bull (coffee& doughnuts at the office)	24	25
26	27	28	29 In-house counselling	30	31 	

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FROM THE DIRECTOR'S DESK - KEVIN L. HENTHORN

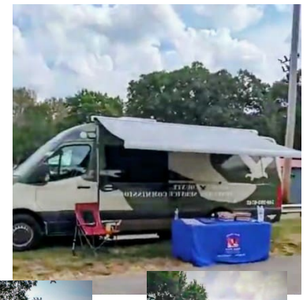
Another September in the books !

The office was hard at work last month, in the county and out of the county. September brought us to the annual Fredericktown Tomato Show and the Centerburg Old Time Farming Festival as well as hosting our 17th Annual 9/11 "Ride To Remember" motorcycle ride to the Ohio Fallen Heros Memorial in Sunbury.
During this months activities your Veteran Service Officers also traveled to Columbus to attend multiple continued education trainings, held by the Ohio Dept of Veterans Services.

We look forward to seeing you in the upcoming months out in the community in our new Mobile Office. Look for us throughout the holidays at a public venue near you !











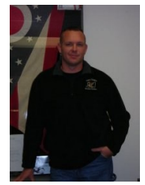






UPCOMING EVENTS:

- *Veteran's Office Radio Program,Tue. Oct 7 WMVO 100.9fm, 10am*
- *Veterans Service Office Commissioners Wed. Oct 1 & Wed. Oct 15 at 3 p.m. Public Welcome*
- *Veteran Bull and Brew Thursday Oct 9 and Oct 23—9:00 am to 11:00 am*
- *Rolling Thunder meeting Oct 11 -2:00 PM*
- *Office Closed Oct 13*



Military Trivia

1. The first U.S. aircraft carrier was named what?
   A) USS Washington
   B) USS Langley
   C) USS Taft
   D) USS Wainwright
2. Which state had NOT had a battleship carry its name?
   A) Iowa
   B) Michigan
   C) Montana
   D) Kansas
3. How many U.S. aircraft carriers were active at the end of World War II?
   A) 20
   B) 14
   C) 9
   D) 0

Last Month's Trivia Answers:

1. 1790
2. Alex Haley
3. USCGC Seneca

Medal of Honor Recipient– Lt. Richard McCool

For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity at the risk of his life above and beyond the call of duty as commanding officer of the U.S.S. LSC(L)(3) 122 during operations against enemy Japanese forces in the Ryukyu chain, 10 and 11 June 1945. Sharply vigilant during hostile air raids against Allied ships on radar picket duty off Okinawa on 10 June, Lt. McCool aided materially in evacuating all survivors from a sinking destroyer which had sustained mortal damage under the devastating attacks. When his own craft was attacked simultaneously by 2 of the enemy's suicide squadron early in the evening of 11 June, he instantly hurled the full power of his gun batteries against the plunging aircraft, shooting down the first and damaging the second before it crashed his station in the conning tower and engulfed the immediate area in a mass of flames. Although suffering from shrapnel wounds and painful burns, he rallied his concussion-shocked crew and initiated vigorous firefighting measures and then proceeded to the rescue of several trapped in a blazing compartment, subsequently carrying 1 man to safety despite the excruciating pain of additional severe burns. Unmindful of all personal danger, he continued his efforts without respite until aid arrived from other ships and he was evacuated. By his staunch leadership, capable direction, and indomitable determination throughout the crisis, Lt. McCool saved the lives of many who otherwise might have perished and contributed materially to the saving of his ship for further combat service. His valiant spirit of self-sacrifice in the face of extreme peril sustains and enhances the highest traditions of the U.S. Naval Service.



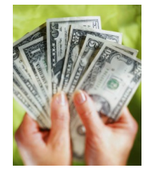
The Knox County Veterans Service Office **CANNOT ACCEPT DONATIONS.** The office appreciates the generosity towards our county veterans, but please NO DONATIONS.

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