Knox County

Veterans Service Office

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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.

November 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2	3	4 Radio 10:00am 	5 Commission Meeting - 3 PM Counseling services 9-1	6	7	8 Rolling Thunder meeting 2pm
9	10		12 Counseling services 9-1	13 Brew & Bull coffee & doughnuts at the office 9 a.m.	14	15
16	17	18	19 Commission Meeting - 3 PM Counseling services 9-1	20	21	22
23/30	24	25	26 Counseling services 9-1		28 Office Closed	29

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VETERANS MONTHLY

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DEDICATION AND COMMITMENT

FROM THE DIRECTOR'S DESK - KEVIN L. HENTHORN

With November being the host of Veterans Day on the 11th, there are many opportunities around Knox County to support our local veterans and their families. Nearly every school, many churches, as well as numerous businesses and community centers have programs and dedications to attend. I strongly encourage everyone to contact one or more of these hosts in your neighborhood and attend an event. Our office will be speaking at many upcoming venues surrounding the week of Veterans Day and we hope to see you somewhere that

The city of Mt. Vernon will have their Veterans Day Ceremony on the square Tuesday Nov 11th @ 11am

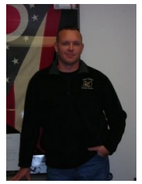
As we express our gratitude, we must never forget that the highest appreciation is not to utter words, but to live by them. ~John F. Kennedy



DECEMBER ONLY is Ham Time!!
No Early voucher pick up ! No waiting!

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- *Veteran's Office Radio Program, WMVO 1300, Tuesday November 4th at 10am*
- *Veterans Service Office Commissioners Wed. November 5th & 19th at 3 p.m. Public Welcome*
- *Veteran Bull and Brew Thursday November 13th at 9 a.m.*
- *Office Closed- November 11th, 27th, & 28th*



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

Trivia

1. By what name was Veterans Day originally known?
   - A) Halloween
   - B) Draft Day
   - C) Armistice Day
   - D) Military Day
2. What is the name of the treaty that marked the official end of World War I?
   - A) Treaty of Toledo
   - B) Treaty of Paris
   - C) Treaty of Warsaw
   - D) Treaty of Versailles
3. In what year did Veterans Day become a federal holiday?
   - A) 1926
   - B) 1938
   - C) 1919
   - D) 1941

Last Month's Trivia Answers:

1. Langley
2. Montana
3. 20

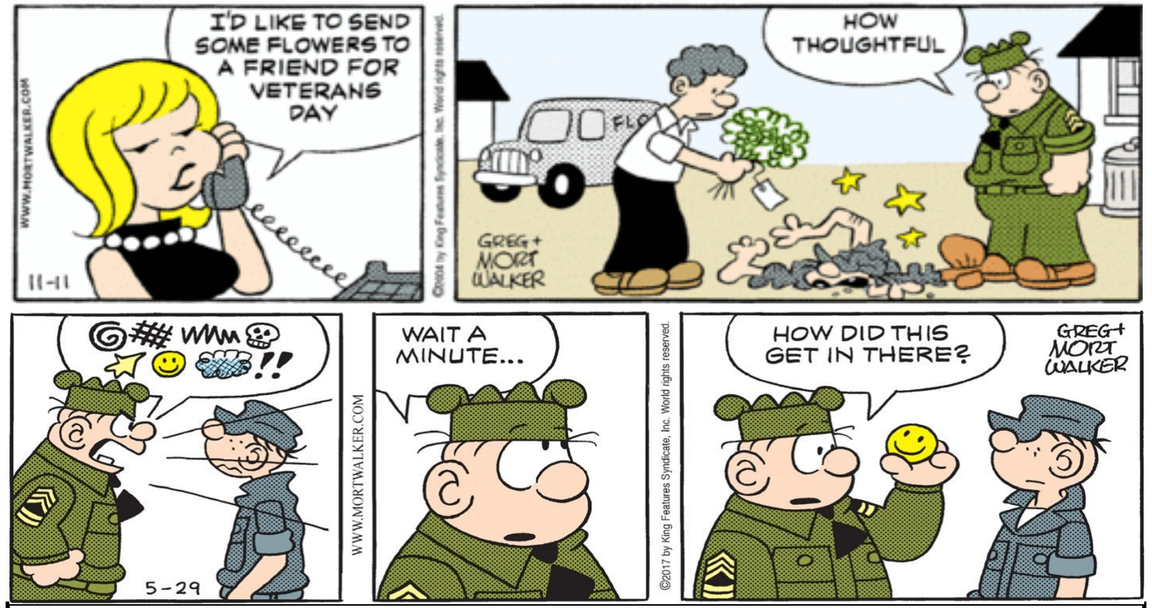
Medal of Honor Recipient-Pvt. Bruno Orig

Pvt. Bruno R. Orig distinguished himself by acts of gallantry and intrepidity above and beyond the call of duty while serving with Company G, 2nd Battalion, 23rd Infantry Regiment, 2nd Infantry Division, in the vicinity of Chipyong-ni, Korea, on Feb. 15, 1951.

While returning from a wire-laying mission, Orig saw several of his comrades wounded during a fierce enemy attack. With complete disregard for his own safety, Orig went to them and remained in an exposed position to administer first aid. With the assistance of several comrades from the company command post, Orig began removing the wounded to a place of safety.

While returning from one of these trips, Orig noticed that all except one man of a machine-gun crew had been wounded. Without hesitation, he volunteered to man the weapon. Remaining in this position, Orig placed effective fire on the enemy, allowing a friendly platoon to withdraw without a single casualty. Orig continued to inflict heavy casualties on the enemy until the company positions were overrun.

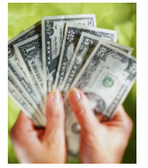
Later that day, when the lost ground was recaptured, Orig was found dead beside his weapon, and the area in front of his gun was littered with several dead enemy soldiers.



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 of 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