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Veterans benefit from new portable ultrasound device

Size of an electric razor, it plugs into an iPhone

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Clinicians who are, or becoming, experts in Point of Care Ultrasonography (POCUS) are in awe of a new ultra-portable ultrasound device, the Butterfly IQ.

The Butterfly's first use in the United States is at VA Bellevue Hospital and at NYU campuses. It is a very lightweight probe that looks like a sleek black electric razor. It plugs into an iPhone.

The user prompts the probe into action and gives it directions with a finger-flick of an app and a tap on individual links that are pre-programmed for screening of the heart, lungs, veins of the legs and other parts of the body.

Lightweight, portable and produces precise, high-quality results.

Squeezing some gel onto the head of the probe, the physician then places the device on a patient's body in the specific area of concern. For example, it might be placed on the side of the patient's chest corresponding to the location of the lungs. The interior structure and movement of the lungs then is visualized in real time on the physician's cell phone screen.

"Most of the time, you can figure out why a patient is having trouble breathing immediately at the bedside without sending the patient for any additional test," said Dr. Harald Sauthoff (pictured above with Veteran Thomas LoRusso).

Dr. Sauthoff considers the Medical Intensive Care Unit (MICU) as his "home", but he also sees patients on the general medicine wards, where he was using the Butterfly to examine LoRusso, a Veteran with lung cancer. Fluid had been drawn and removed the previous day with a needle guided by ultrasound.

Dr. Sauthoff said, "I can still see a lot of fluid around the lung." The patient was most concerned about not having another tissue biopsy that had been performed some weeks before. Dr. Sauthoff explained that use of the sonogram, unfortunately, might not eliminate the need for another biopsy.

He told the Korean War Veteran that taking and testing more fluid might provide enough information to identify and then target the specific type of cancer cells that caused his disease.

Point-of-care ultrasonography (POCUS) is revolutionizing the way physicians examine their patients. Rather than just feeling and listening, physicians can now look into their patients' bodies often supporting an immediate bedside diagnosis without delay and potentially harmful radiation.

Lightweight, portable, and simple to use, the Butterfly IQ is an enormously attractive clinical tool because it produces precise, high-quality results. The low cost will make it possible for more clinicians to examine their patients using ultrasound at the bedside, carrying an ultrasound probe in their coat next to the stethoscope.

The remaining hurdle for the widespread utilization of POCUS is lack of physician training in this powerful technology. Because most attending physicians are not trained in the use of POCUS, the traditional method of teaching students and residents is ineffective.

For this reason, Dr. Sauthoff has recently created a POCUS teaching course for hospitalist attending physicians across NYU, including VA NY Harbor Healthcare System's Manhattan Campus. Carrying a Butterfly during their rounds, they are rapidly learning to use this powerful tool, and they will soon help to teach students and residents and change the culture of bedside diagnosis across VA and NYU.

Dr. Sauthoff using the Butterfly was recorded by BBC TV for an online program about innovation called The Disruptors.

All Are Invited to Attend

FOUR CHAPLAINS MEMORIAL SERVICE



FEBRUARY 10, 2019 NOON MASS ST. BONIFACE CHURCH 1750 CHASE AVE. NORTHSIDE

Color Bearers must be in the school cafeteria by 11:30 A.M.

A reception will follow the service at Pvt. Charles R. Gailey VFW Post 7340 8326 Brownsway Ln. North College Hill, Ohio

Sponsored by 40&8 Voiture 29, AMVETS Post 1988, Gailey VFW Post 7340, VFW Post 10380, Halker-Flege AL Post 69, Catholic War Veterans #1492, Schwab Bailey AL Post 425, Mt Washington AL Post 484, American Legion County Council, DAV Chapter One, Jennings Bryan Yeager AL Post 199 and Chambers-Hautman-Budde AL Post 534.

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La Societe Des 40 Hommes et 8 Chevaux

Hamilton County Voiture 29

December 12, 2018

The officers and members of Hamilton County Forty and Eight Voiture #29, AMVETS Post 1988, Gailey VFW Post 7340, Halker-Flege AL Post 69, Catholic War Veterans #1492, Schwab Bailey AL Post 425, Mt Washington AL Post 484, American Legion County Council, DAV Chapter One, VFW Post 10380, Jennings Bryan Yeager AL Post 199 and Chambers-Hautman-Budde AL Post 534 invite you and your members and friends to join us in the observance of the "Four Chaplains Memorial Service" that will be held at St. Boniface Church, Sunday February 10, 2019 at 12 noon. The church is located at Chase & Pitts Avenues, in Northside, Cincinnati, Ohio.

We ask that you bring your colors and the bearers report at the school building, which is directly to the rear of the church, no later than 11:30 A.M., in order that they may participate in the march to church.

Refreshments will be served immediately following the service at Gailey VFW Post 7340. The post is located in North College Hill on Brownsway Ln. We hope that you will be with us for the 42nd annual tribute to the "Heroic Four Chaplains of World War II."

Fraternally Yours,
Robert Schinaman, Chairman

FOUR CHAPLAINS MEMORIAL SERVICE

SUNDAY FEBRUARY 10, 2019

The annual Four Chaplains Memorial Service will be held at St. Boniface Church, 1750 Chase St., in Northside, on Sunday, February 10, 2019. All veterans' and military organizations and their auxiliaries are invited to participate by having their unit colors (no rifles) in the school cafeteria by 11:30 AM, for the procession to church. Mass will begin at Noon and will conclude by 1:00 PM. Refreshments will be served in the school cafeteria beginning at 10:30 AM for those who arrive early.

It has become apparent that organizations are having difficulty finding members who are willing and able to stand with their colors during the Service. I am currently contacting area Junior ROTC units and the Young Marines asking them to participate with their colors and also to help out in this area. I am sure we will be able to find someone to carry your unit's flags if you bring them to the cafeteria before Mass.

Immediately following the service, a reception will be held at Gailey VFW Post located at 8326 Brownsway Ln. in North College Hill. Food and drinks will be served.

This service has been held at St. Boniface for more than 40 years and has evolved into a tradition for the Tri-state veterans' community. Originally a project of 40&8 Voiture 29; it is now co-sponsored by AMVETS Post 1988, Gailey VFW Post 7340, VFW Post 10380, Halker-Flege AL Post 69, Catholic War Veterans #1492, Schwab Bailey AL Post 425, Mt Washington AL Post 484, American Legion County Council, DAV Chapter One, Jennings Bryan Yeager AL Post 199 and Chambers-Hautman-Budde AL Post 534.

We hope that your organization will participate this year. We also ask your assistance in publicizing this event by posting the enclosed flyer in a conspicuous place and by including this information in your organization's newsletter. For additional information or if you would like someone to carry your unit's colors, call Bob Schinaman at 257-5703 (bobschinaman@gmailcom).

Thank you for your assistance. We are sure your members will enjoy participating.

USS CINCINNATI COMMISSIONING FOUNDATION OUR CITY! OUR SHIP!

What is a Commissioning?

Bringing the ship to life...

The Commissioning Ceremony marks the official entry of a warship into the U.S. Navy. A celebratory event, it is highlighted by the spine-tingling, unforgettable moment when the crew runs aboard the ship to man the rail, all engines are started, systems tested, and the ship is brought to life from the "cold iron."

This will be the 5th ship to be named for the Queen City and will bring forward a proud legacy of tradition and valor. The first USS Cincinnati, a civil war iron clad gunboat, fought numerous engagements and had five Sailors award the Congressional Medal of Honor.

The most recent USS Cincinnati served with distinction during the Cold War as a nuclear attack submarine.

What is a Littoral Combat Ship?

A Littoral Combat Ship, or LCS, is a fast, agile, mission-focused- platform designed for operation in near-shore environments yet capable of open-ocean operation. It is designed to defeat asymmetric "anti-access" threats such as mines, quiet diesel submarines and fast surface craft.

"I am filled with great pride that Cincinnati will once more be represented on the high seas by a modern ship of the US fleet," Council Member David Mann

USS Cincinnati will be the 20th Ship of the class, the tri-bull "Independence" variant and 3 powered by two LM2500 gas turbine engines built by GE Aviation locally in Cincinnati. In fact GE builds the engines locally for every ship in the class and has delivered gas turbines onboard 646 naval ships serving 35 navies worldwide.

These ships represent the next generation of Navy combatants with modular mission pay loads high speed, and automation enabled shipboard operation.

How can you help?

There are many ways to contribute? As we move forward through 2019 towards a projected commissioning in Tampa, Florida in the fall, we will have a number of volunteer and sponsorship opportunities.

Please contact us at info@cincinnaticommissioning.org or visit our web page at www.cincinnaticommissioning.org.

Who We Are

About us

The Foundation has been established, as an extension of the local Navy League of the United States (navyleague.org) in order to support the commissioning activities of USS CINCINNATI, the connection of our ship to our city, and the ship's crew and their immediate families through the establishment of a scholarship fund for their continuing education.

Traditionally the Navy League of the United States Supports ships commissioning through a number of activities and sponsorships. We are taking this one a step further to support the crew and Navy family by enabling enhanced opportunities for continuing education. Along the way we will enhance the connections between Cincinnati and our navy in ways that support our service members, bring new opportunities to them to educate themselves, their spouses and their children.

Contact Us

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OUTREACH

A Hamilton County Veterans Service Officer will be at the following locations to assist in filing VA claims or to answer questions regarding VA benefits.

WEDNESDAY JANUARY 23, 2019

Shawnee Springs 10111 Simonson Road Harrison, OH 45030 9:00am till 2:30pm

TUESDAY FEBRUARY 19, 2019

THE LODGE RETIREMENT COMMUNITY
12050 MONTGOMERY ROAD
CINCINNATI, OH 45249
9:00am till 2:30pm

WEDNESDAY MARCH 13, 2019

Artis Senior Living of Bridgetown 5799 Bridgetown Road Cincinnati, OH 45248 9:00am till 2:30pm

For more information visit www.hcvsc.org or call 513-946-3300 to speak with a Service Officer.