The Listening Post

"NEVER AGAIN WILL ONE GENERATION OF VETERANS ABANDON ANOTHER"

The Brott Family And Friends Are At It Again

Please attend and support them as they are supporting us.



August Meeting Moved To Third Sunday And Outside Picnic

As we did last year in August, 2016, we plan to have our meeting/picnic outside under the shelter. In the event there's bad weather, we will move inside to enjoy the food that everyone is bringing. Our President Robert Stewart is checking to

see what we can get for main course at reduced cost. . Anyway the chapter is buying the meat.

Also remember we will distribute fundraiser tickets for everyone to get donations at \$10.00 ea. We only have 400 tickets, if everyone takes some we can get them all out before the pick 3 starts. October 2nd is our first draw. Draw Dates and Amount are on tickets.



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Chapter Honor Guard Help Needed

The chapter is still looking for members to help with Honor Guard.

Treasurer Gene Shurtz says an offer still stands from an anonymous donor who will pay the first year's dues for up to 10 new members that will commit to becoming part of the Guard, for that year.

Associate membership are also included in this offer, if the prospect is honorably discharged.

Anyone who knows of someone interested should contact Treasurer Gene Shurtz @ 419-242-4293

August Meeting
Sunday August 20, 2017 at 7 p.m.
LAKE TOWNSHIP BUILDING
Corner, St. Rt. 795 and Cummings Rd.
Lake Township, Wood County
"Coffee and fellowship at 6:30 p.m."

On the Internet at: www.toledovietnamvets.com

Liver Fluke

More On Liver Fluke Next Month Issue Testing And Treatments

Liver disease is serious and requires treatment and regular monitoring by a liver specialist.

A liver specialist is known as a hepatologist and you need to be referred by your family doctor or general practitioner. Over nearly 40 years of practicing medicine I have seen many patients develop severe liver disease, which sadly could have been prevented by early detection and early referral to a hepatologist. There needs to be more awareness of liver disease so that patients can be treated early so that we can prevent cirrhosis. liver failure and liver cancer. Make sure you have your liver function checked annually with a blood test.

I have presented my ideas on how to help those with liver diseases using nutritional medicine, which I have been using for many years with good success rates. However my recommendations do not replace the care of your own doctor and you should remain under the care of your own doctor while using nutritional therapies.

If you have any questions you may contact my naturopaths on 623-334-3232 or email us at contact@liverdoctor.com

Liver Fluke

Liver fluke disease is a chronic parasitic disease of the bile ducts. Infection with this parasite occurs through eating fluke-infested, fresh-water raw or undercooked fish.

The most common types of liver



Fasciola hepatica is a parasitic fluke that lives in the liver. In addition to humans it infects cows and sheep. It is known as the common liver fluke and causes a disease called fascioliasis.

flukes are Clonorchis sinensis, Opisthorchis viverrini and Opisthorchis felineus.

Approximately 35 million people are infected with liver flukes throughout the world and the very high incidence of cancer of the bile ducts (cholangiocarcinoma) in some countries is associated with a high prevalence of liver fluke infection. It is most common in South-East Asia, South Korea, Taiwan, Northern Vietnam, Laos and Northeast Thailand, Eastern Europe Eastern Russia, Manchuria, Northern Siberia and China. In China 15 million people carry liver fluke.

People living along rivers are prone to infection by flukes because they have a habit of eating raw or undercooked fresh-water fish. This food-borne malady is an important public health issue and liver fluke infection does not receive the awareness it deserves.

The control of liver fluke and any food borne infections requires collaboration between the sectors of public health, the food industry and the media. Consumer education is crucial to make people aware of the need to stop eating raw fish. Because of increasing immigration and travel more doctors should know about the high prevalence of liver fluke infection among healthy looking people and the long term severe complications of the infection.

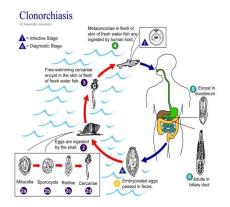
Liver fluke is not common in the Western world. In North American countries and Australia where many Asian immigrants are now living, people may carry liver fluke caught in their country of origin and because it is not previously commonly seen, the diagnosis is often missed until severe liver damage has resulted.

The flukes get into the small bile ducts inside the liver and the gallbladder where they live for 20-30 years. The flukes cause chronic inflammation of the bile ducts causing scarring (fibrosis) of the

bile ducts and bile duct dilatation. A liver fluke is a type of flat worm. One adult fluke lays 2000-4000 eggs each day and the eggs are excreted through the bile ducts and feces of the infected person. The cycle re-circulates via eating of raw fresh-water fish.

Most people infected with this parasite have no symptoms; however patients with severe infection suffer from fatigue and abdominal discomfort. Long standing infection may cause stone formation in the bile ducts and the gallbladder, recurrent bacterial secondary infections in the bile ducts and cancer of the bile ducts.

Severe infection can cause an enlarged liver (hepatomegaly) and complaints such as abdominal pain, anorexia, nausea, vomiting and indigestion. Jaundice is due to the mechanical obstruction in the bile ducts caused by a multitude of flukes, or it is due to bile duct obstruction caused by stones, or bile duct cancer (cholangiocarcin).



The Liver Doctor

September Meeting
Sunday September 10, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.
LAKE TOWNSHIP BUILDING
St. Rt. 795 & Cummings Rd.
Lake Township, Wood County
Fellowship at 6:30pm