

# McLeod Health Announces Groundbreaking for New Emergency Department in Cheraw

### Construction project will expand emergency care to better serve patients

McLeod Health will hold a groundbreaking ceremony for a new Emergency Department at McLeod Health Cheraw on Thursday, May 18, at 11 a.m. on the campus of the hospital. Committed to providing excellent quality care and improving the health care of those it serves from the Midlands to the Coast, McLeod Health continues to invest in services and technology in an unceasing effort to meet the health needs of the region.

Expansion of the Emergency Department at McLeod Health Cheraw underscores this commitment by McLeod Health to provide treatment, services and health care to the residents of Chesterfield and Marlboro Counties.

"The need for a new Emergency Department is clear, and has been evident for some time," explained Dr. Gabe Simpson, the Chief of Staff and Medical Director of the Emergency Department for McLeod Health Cheraw. "I am looking forward to providing our patients with a state-of-the-art ED to treat their emergency needs quickly and efficiently."

The current Emergency Department (ED) at McLeod Health Cheraw was originally designed to serve between 8,000 to 10,000 per year. In 2016, the ED staff cared for nearly 22,000 patients.

The new, 23-bed Emergency Department will be designed to serve 25,000 patients per year. All rooms will be fully private, and capable for emergency department care. Two of these rooms will be dedicated to advanced resuscitation of critical patients, while four will provide safe and comfortable holding for psychiatric patients.

"Construction of a new Emergency Department at McLeod Health Cheraw will make emergency care more accessible and timely for patients in our area which is crucial," said Mib Scoggins, Administrator of McLeod Health Cheraw. "In creating the new design, the focus of the expansion has been on efficiency and flexibility – providing for future growth and changes based upon population and technology. This focus will optimize benefits to all of our residents from surrounding communities who rely on this facility for care."

The new Emergency Department is scheduled to open in April of 2018.

## Top Air Show at Seymour Johnson AFB This Weekend

### Three hour drive to Goldsboro from Anson County is worth the trip!

Celebrating the 75th Anniversary of the 4th Fighter Wing and military aviation in North Carolina, Seymour Johnson Air Force Base will open its gates to the public for the biennial Wings Over Wayne County Air Show this weekend, Saturday and Sunday, May 20-21.

Headlining the air show will be The Blue Angels, the US Navy's premier aerial demonstration team, performing a myriad of precise formations and maneuvers in six distinctive blue and yellow F/A-18 Hornet aircraft. Soaring at speeds of 120 to 700 mph, pilots will exhibit their extensive training and aircraft capability through a variety of extreme passes, rolls, tight turns, opposing passes, inverted flying, belly-to-belly flight, wingtip-to-wingtip formations, and the famous Diamond and Delta configurations.

"Wings Over Wayne is the top air show on the East Coast," said 2017 Air Show Director Maj. Matthew R. Olde. "We're looking forward to opening our doors and showcasing our air power and base with everyone." In 2015, the air show at Seymour Johnson AFB attracted over 220,000 spectators featuring the US Air Force Thunderbirds.

The Wings Over Wayne family-friendly weekend includes a 20,000 square foot Kids' Zone, occupying one of the largest aircraft hangars on the base. A \$5 admission charge covers access to more than 15 attractions for the entire day, among them the Blue Angel Aircraft Carrier Slide, the 36 ft. Turbo Shuttle Slide, Space Camp Combo, Adventures in Aviation, Extreme Air Power Jump, the 52-ft Obstacle Course, and a lot more.

Seymour Johnson gates open at 8 a.m. Ceremonies and demonstrations begin at 10 a.m.

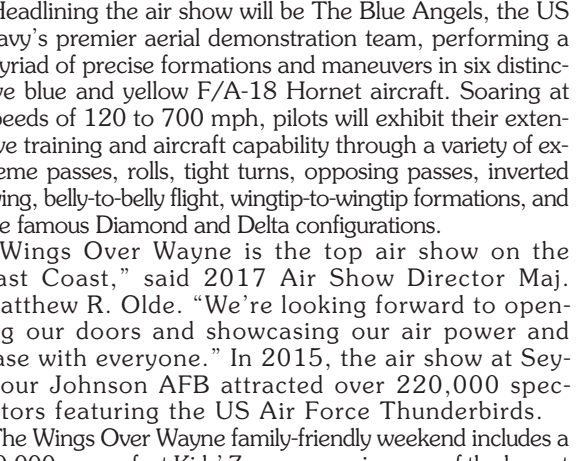
Static displays include the: F-15E Strike Eagle; F-35 Lightning II; F-22 Raptor; A-10 Thunderbolt II; F-16 Fighting Falcon; F/A 18 E/F Super Hornet; C-17 Globemaster III; AH-60 Blackhawk; KC-135 Stratotanker; C-5 Galaxy; E-3 Sentry "AWACS"; T-38 Talon; T-1A Jayhawk; T-6A Texan II; KC-10; B-52H; C-130; CV-22; exotic automobiles; Civil Air Patrol; NC Highway Patrol; NASCAR; Vietnam-era helicopters; P-51 Mustang; Boeing Stearman; British Aerospace Bulldog; T-35; and, American Champion aircraft.

Additional displays include the SJAFB military working dogs, the Air Force Rifle Team, flight simulators, military equipment and other vehicles from several branches of the U.S. Armed Forces.

Seymour Johnson AFB gates will open at 8 a.m. on Saturday and Sunday, May 20 and 21. There will be free water distribution sites located throughout the flight line. Food, beverages, and souvenirs will be available for purchase. Admission and parking are free.

Day passes for the Kids' Zone are \$5. Seymour Johnson Air Force Base is in Goldsboro, North Carolina.

Seymour Johnson Air Force Base is home to the 4th Fighter Wing, consisting of approximately 7,000 people and 95 multi-role F-15E Strike Eagles. Formerly commanded by Chuck Yeager, the 4th Fighter Wing is one of the largest wings in the United States Air Force and has a highly decorated history spanning seven decades.



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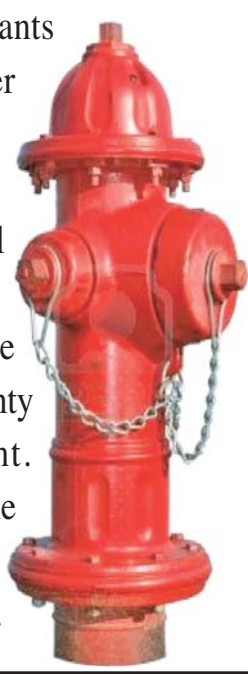
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