

**Chillicothe holds groundbreaking ceremony for Hedrick Medical Center**

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It was nine years ago on August 1st when St. Luke's Health System began operating Hedrick Medical Center. On the anniversary of that agreement, St. Luke's and the city of Chillicothe held a ceremonial ground-breaking to commemorate the start of construction for a new hospital and doctor's building off the southeast corner of Highway 65 and Mohawk Road.

Speaking before a large group estimated to be in the neighborhood of 250 people was the new St. Luke's Health System President and CEO, Dr. Melinda Estes:

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Hedrick (and Wright Memorial of Trenton) are among ten hospital locations for St. Luke's Health System. Here is Hedrick Medical Center CEO Matt Wenzel:

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Here are comments from Chillicothe City Administrator Ike Holland:

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Construction by the J.E. Dunn Company will be getting underway soon, with completion anticipated by early in 2014. Here is Chillicothe Mayor Chuck Haney:

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The ceremony was held in a field on the former Litton Ranch in northern Chillicothe. The building itself will be built off the southeast corner of Highway 65 and Mohawk Road.