



Seven thousand tour new hospital

Family festival highlights opening

SENECA — The lines were long but the day was sunny and as an estimated 7,000 people attended Oconee Medical Center's Family Fun Festival on Saturday.

The event marked the unveiling of a new \$44 million patient tower, the third hospital to serve the greater Oconee County area from its site on Memorial Drive.

The day began with a

parade, was highlighted by the dedication of a new memorial to county veterans and proved to be huge hit with children, who stood in long lines with their parents to enjoy free rides and games.

The hospital will now undergo final license inspections, complete equipment and furniture installations and then move patients into the new tower on June 20.

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