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**Centegra Hospital-Huntley Project No. 10-090**

**HEALTH FACILITIES &  
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**Re: The quality of Centegra Health System and its vision for the future**

Dear Ms. Avery:

Centegra Health System exemplifies high standards – both in terms of the quality of care we provide and the quality of our vision for the future. Centegra is an award-winning health system and we have shown prudence not only in the way we operate our health system, but also in our decision to propose a hospital in Huntley. Our patients and the communities we serve are our top priority and that is evident in everything that we do.

We have no doubt that local leaders and residents recognize our commitment to them. Since we announced our plans for Centegra Hospital-Huntley in December of 2010, we have seen an outpouring of support. Over the past few months, we have received numerous resolutions from local municipal bodies and organizations and more than 16,000 letters of support.

Attached you will find materials that illustrate our strong character and the positive choices we have made to benefit the communities we serve. Specifically, you will see:

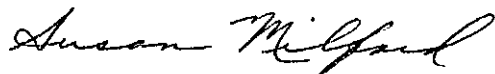
- **Attachment 1: List of awards and accreditations recently bestowed upon Centegra Health System.** In the past few years alone, Centegra has received recognition for a variety of reasons – spanning from our cutting-edge procedures to our positive work environment to the overall quality of our health system.
- **Attachment 2: Recent stories involving our key service lines and the strong track record Centegra Health System has had with its patients.** Centegra provides a broad range of quality services for our patients – from our cutting-edge joint replacement procedures to our specialized geriatric care to our successful neurological and cardiac rehabilitation programs.
- **Attachment 3: Visual representation of Centegra Health System's integrated healthcare delivery model.** Centegra provides top-notch services along the full continuum of care. Our physicians and facilities throughout the region work in tandem to provide our patients with a complete healthcare experience. This includes a strong focus

on wellness and prevention services, which are at the core of the future of healthcare. The visual representation included in Attachment C recognizes the various components that go into providing comprehensive care.

- **Attachment 4: Explanation of Centegra Health System's responsible growth plan as it relates to our Huntley campus:** Our plans for Centegra Hospital-Huntley were not designed overnight. This proposal is the result of years of thoughtful planning in regards to how to best serve a growing population.
- **Attachment 5: List of letters from leaders representing the municipalities and organizations that support our plans for Centegra Hospital-Huntley:** Our project has garnered extensive support from the region's most influential people. They believe that our proposal is a strong response to the area's healthcare needs.
- **Attachment 6: Resolutions from municipalities and community organizations:** Centegra's passion for service to the community has been observed by local municipalities and community organizations approving individual resolutions endorsing our project.
- **Attachment 7: Clippings from the local media that show community support for our project:** These pieces highlight the positive impact that a new hospital would have on the region, in terms of improved access to care for a growing population, job creation and overall economic impact. Many of these are Letters to the Editor written by local residents.

Residents in the growing communities of southern McHenry County and northern Kane County need a nearby access point to an integrated healthcare delivery system. At Centegra Health System, we have properly identified this need and are best-suited to provide the quality of care that these communities seek. We are a healthcare system that our patients can trust.

We ask that the Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board approve our project so we can continue to grow responsibly in order to provide a high caliber of care to a growing population. Thank you for your time and consideration.



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## **Awards & Accreditations**

### **Best Place to Work in Healthcare**

In May 2011 Centegra Health System was named to the 2011 *Becker's Hospital Review/Becker's ASC Review* list of the Best Places to Work in Healthcare. The 100 workplaces named to this list represent a wide spectrum of facilities from across the nation, from leading health systems to small community hospitals to ambulatory surgery centers and physician practices. Centegra Health System is among only six in Illinois to receive the distinction.

### **Echo Lab Accreditation**

In May 2011 The Intersocietal Commission for the Accreditation of Echocardiography Laboratories (ICAEL) granted accreditation to Centegra Hospital-McHenry and Centegra Hospital-Woodstock. Accreditation status signifies that a facility has been reviewed by an independent agency that recognizes a lab's commitment to quality testing for the diagnosis of heart disease.

### **Oncology Outstanding Achievement Award**

In March 2011 Centegra Oncology Services at Centegra Hospital-McHenry and Centegra Hospital-Woodstock were among only six organizations in Illinois to receive the American College of Surgeons Commission on Cancer 2010 Outstanding Achievement Award. The Outstanding Achievement Award is designed to recognize cancer programs that strive for excellence in providing quality care to cancer patients.

### **Blue Distinction Centers for Spine Surgery**

In March 2011 Centegra Hospital-McHenry and Centegra Hospital-Woodstock became Designated Blue Distinction Centers for Spine Surgery. The Blue Distinction Centers for Spine Surgery are designated based on certain selection criteria for demonstrating reliability in delivering spine surgery services, as well as better overall outcomes. This distinction demonstrates Centegra's commitment to quality care. Centegra has also maintained the Blue Distinction Center for Total Joint Replacements at both sites.

Attachment 1

## **Chest Pain Accreditation**

In December 2010 Centegra Hospital-McHenry and Centegra Hospital-Woodstock received Chest Pain Center Accreditation from the Society of Chest Pain Centers (SCPC), an international organization dedicated to eliminating heart disease as the No. 1 cause of death. Both hospitals are part of Centegra Health System, the first in the northern Illinois region to receive one of the most advanced levels of chest pain accreditations. This advanced accreditation makes Centegra's hospitals two of only 11 in Illinois to earn this level of distinction.

According to the SCPC, hospitals that have received SCPC accreditation have achieved a higher level of expertise in dealing with patients who arrive with symptoms of a heart attack.

## **American College of Radiation Accreditation**

In November 2010 Centegra Health System was awarded a three-year term of accreditation in mammography as the result of a review by the American College of Radiology (ACR). Mammography is a specific type of imaging test that uses a low-dose x-ray system to examine breasts. A mammography exam, called a mammogram, is used to aid in the early detection and diagnosis of breast diseases in women.

The ACR gold seal of accreditation represents the highest level of image quality and patient safety. It is awarded only to facilities meeting ACR Practice Guidelines and Technical Standards, after a peer-review evaluation by board-certified physicians and medical physicists who are experts in the field.

## **Outsourcing Excellence Award for Best Transition**

In July 2010 Centegra Health System and Dell Services were awarded the Outsourcing Center's 2010 Outsourcing Excellence Award for Best Transition in recognition of the strong working relationship Centegra and Dell Services (formerly Perot Systems) have shared since 2008. The Outsourcing Center awards honor the most outstanding outsourcing relationships worldwide.

## **Commission on Cancer Accreditation**

In June 2010 The American College of Surgeons Commission on Cancer (CoC) completed its three-year survey of the Centegra Hospital-McHenry and Centegra Hospital-Woodstock campuses and found both campuses to be compliant on all standards, with approval on all standards that meet commendation level.

The CoC is a consortium of professional organizations dedicated to improving survival and quality of life for cancer patients through standard setting, prevention, research, education and monitoring of comprehensive quality care.

## **Gold Well Workplace Award**

In December 2009 Centegra Health System was awarded a gold Well Workplace Award from the Wellness Council of America (WELCOA) for its Wellness for Life program. WELCOA is dedicated to helping organizations of all kinds build and sustain results-oriented wellness programs. There are only three winners of the Gold Award in 2009 from Illinois including Centegra Health System.

The WELCOA Gold Award is for the Centegra Health System Associate Wellness Program called Wellness for Life, a special and unique benefit offered to Centegra Associates through the Total Rewards@Work benefits program.

## **Best Places to Work in Healthcare**

In September 2009 it was announced that Centegra Health System has been selected as one of Modern Healthcare's "Best Places to Work in Healthcare." Modern Healthcare and Best Companies Group recognized outstanding places of employment in healthcare, including hospitals and suppliers nationwide, to create the program.

Earning the Modern Healthcare Best Places to Work designation helps us to continue to retain and attract high-quality Associates. Centegra Health System believes strongly in creating an outstanding place of employment so that every Associate can be proud and engaged in his or her work.

## **Top 50 Health Systems**

In August 2009 it was announced that Centegra Health System was listed as one of 50 top-ranked health systems in a new report—Thomson Reuters' 100 Top Hospitals: Health Systems Quality/Efficiency Study. The study evaluated 252 health systems with a total of 1,720 hospitals on measures of clinical quality and efficiency.

This national benchmark provides Centegra Health System with an objective assessment of the care that we provide to our communities and patients, relative to others across the nation. All U.S. health systems with two or more short-term, general, non-federal hospitals were assessed. Researchers looked at five metrics that gauge clinical quality and efficiency: mortality, medical complications, patient safety, average length of stay, and adherence to clinical standards of care (evidence-based core measures published by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services).

## **Bariatric Surgery Center of Excellence**

In August 2009 it was announced that Centegra Health System, Amir Heydari, MD, and Centegra Weight-Loss Surgery Center was named an American Society for Metabolic and Bariatric Surgery (ASMBS) Bariatric Surgery Center of Excellence. The ASMBS Bariatric Surgery Center of Excellence designation recognizes surgical programs with a demonstrated track record of favorable outcomes in bariatric surgery.

## **Fortune 100**

In March 2009 it was announced that Centegra Health System has been invited to participate in Fortune Magazine's Top 100 Companies to Work for the fifth year in a row. Approximately 1,000 companies throughout the country made inquiries and Centegra was one of 400 companies to receive an invitation to participate.

## **AARP**

In September 2008 Centegra Health Systems was among AARP's top 50 best employers in the nation for workers age 50 and older for the fifth year in a row. Centegra was one of four Illinois companies to make the list. Bob Gallo, AARP Illinois state director, said Centegra was recognized for offering creative programs for experienced workers, including an alumni nurse program which hires retired nurses to mentor younger nurses and fill patient care needs. Also making the list from Illinois were Blue Cross Blue Shield Association, Chicago; Centers for New Horizons, Chicago; and Hanson Professional Services, Springfield.

## **ChildTime Day Care Accreditation**

In September 2008 the ChildTime Day Care Center located on the Centegra Hospital McHenry campus received accreditation by NAEYC, The National Association for the Education of Young Children. Receiving this accreditation represents the mark of quality in early childhood education, providing a safe and nurturing environment while promoting the physical, social, emotional and intellectual development of young children. The benefits of this accreditation for our Associates and the Community include:

- Healthy and safe environment for children
- Regular communication with parents
- Planned learning activities appropriate to children's age and development, such as block building, painting, reading stories, dress-up, and active outdoor play
- Special trained teachers

## **CoC Outstanding Achievement Award**

In April 2008 it was announced that the Program Review Subcommittee confirmed that the Centegra Sage Cancer Care Center is a CoC Outstanding Achievement Award recipient.

Established in 2004, the CoC Outstanding Achievement Award (OAA) was designed to recognize cancer programs that strive for excellence in providing quality care to cancer patients. A facility receives the OAA following the on-site evaluation by a physician surveyor during which the facility demonstrates a Commendation level of compliance with seven standards that represent the full scope of the cancer program (cancer committee leadership, cancer data management, clinical services, research, community outreach, and quality improvement). In addition, a facility receives a compliance rating for the remaining 29 standards. Sixty-seven programs received the OAA as a result of surveys performed in 2007. This number represents approximately 15 percent of the programs surveyed during this period.

## **Thompson Top 100 Hospitals**

In March, 2008 it was announced that for the third year in a row, Centegra Hospital-McHenry (formerly known as Centegra Northern Illinois Medical Center) was named one of the nation's 100 Top Hospitals: Benchmarks for Success by Thomson Healthcare, a leading provider of information and solutions to improve the cost and quality of healthcare. Centegra Hospital-McHenry is one of only six Illinois hospitals to be named to the prestigious list.

The award recognizes hospitals that have achieved excellence in clinical outcomes, patient safety, financial performance, efficiency and growth in patient volume. The 2007 Thomson 100 Top Hospitals: National Benchmarks for Success study appears in the March 17, 2008 edition of Modern Healthcare magazine. This acknowledgement continues to demonstrate Centegra's commitment to quality and our overall dedication to the health and well-being of the people in our growing community.

## **Oncology Nurse Certification 100%**

In March 2008 it was announced that 100% of the Centegra Sage Cancer Center nurses received recognition from the Oncology Nursing Certification Corporation. That makes the Centegra Sage Cancer Center one of the few cancer centers in the nation to achieve this level of certification. OCN certification is a voluntary process. It demonstrates that the nurse has developed specialty knowledge related to the care of cancer patients and their families.



## **HealthGrades**

February, 2008 it was announced that Centegra Hospital – Woodstock (formerly known as Centegra Memorial Medical Center) was recognized as a recipient of the 2008 Distinguished Hospital Award for Clinical Excellence, based on a study issued by HealthGrades, the nation's leading independent healthcare ratings company. Centegra Hospital-Woodstock has achieved HealthGrades' Distinguished Hospital Award for Clinical Excellence three years in a row (2006, 2007, and 2008).

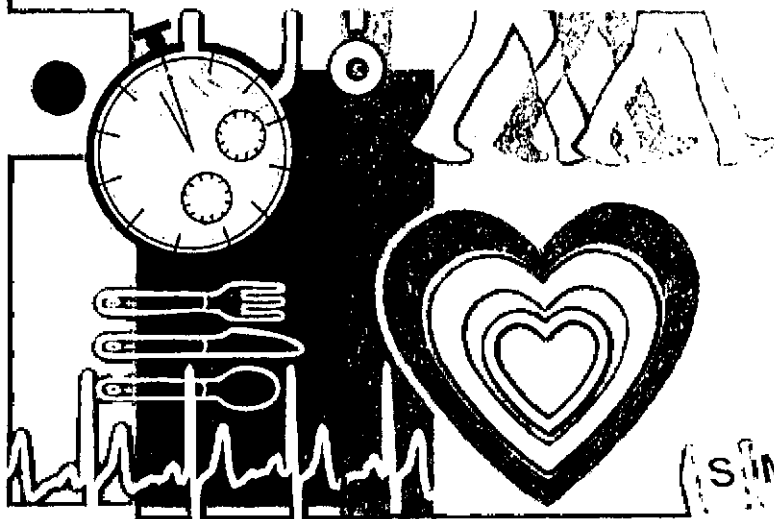
Centegra Hospital-Woodstock is one of only 269 of the nation's 4,971 non-federal hospitals to receive the distinction and is one of only two community hospitals in Illinois to be a recipient of the award three years in a row. Centegra Hospital-Woodstock is also a recipient of the HealthGrades Pulmonary Care Excellence Award for the third year in a row, ranking it among the top five percent in the nation for overall pulmonary care.

### **Other top accolades announced include the following:**

- Recipient of the 2008 HealthGrades Stroke Care Excellence Award for the second year
- Five-Star Rated for the Treatment of Heart Attacks for three years in a row
- Five-Star Rated for the Treatment of Heart Failure for four years in a row
- Five-Star Rated for GI Surgery and Procedures for two years in a row

To learn more about Centegra Health System, go to [centegra.org](http://centegra.org).

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**—Donald E. Lewis**

# Your heart deserves the best

**DONALD E. LEWIS** is the first to admit that he's an outspoken guy. But when he started feeling ill about a week after his 80th birthday in 2009, it was his friend who had to tell it like it was.

"I thought I had indigestion, but antacids didn't help," Lewis says. "My friend talked me into going to the hospital, and a couple days later I had a triple bypass."

Lewis can thank his friend for convincing him to get help. And he also thanks Cardiac Care at Centegra Hospital – McHenry. Surgery and rehabilitation there put him back on his feet. In fact, they put him back on the golf course.

"I was getting so tired I could barely play nine holes," he says. "Now I'm playing 18."

## ADVANCED CARE

According to Gina Heinz, RN, Manager of the cardiac catheterization lab at Centegra Hospital – McHenry, coming here was the right choice.

"Centegra is very progressive," Heinz says. "All our equipment is state-of-the-art."

Grateful patients like Lewis make these services possible when they make a donation to Centegra's Cardiac Care Fund.

For example, a device called the Diamondback enables surgeons to better treat a painful and dangerous condition called peripheral arterial disease. This condition happens when plaque deposits build up in arteries and restrict circulation in the legs.

Traditional treatment cleans out these deposits as far down as the knee. With the Diamondback at Centegra, treatment can restore circulation all the way to the ankle.

On the horizon is the innovative da Vinci Surgical System. It gives surgeons what may be the most effective, least invasive option for many surgeries, including complex cardiac procedures. Patients who have da Vinci surgery have less risk of infection, faster recovery and many other benefits. The Centegra Health System Foundation is currently raising funds needed to acquire the da Vinci Surgical System.

## A COMMUNITY SETTING

Lewis doesn't hesitate to speak up

about the excellent cardiac care he received at Centegra. That includes cardiac rehabilitation, which was an important part of his recovery. Thanks to the Cardiac Care Fund, many patients are able to benefit from these services.

"Rehab really works," he says. "Also, the personnel there are very friendly. In fact, going to Centegra is like going to a friendly neighborhood. That's a good feeling."

Gina Heinz knows that feeling from the other side. "We're a modern facility, and we're still growing. I'm really proud to be part of it."

## NEIGHBOR HELPING NEIGHBOR

You can give more patients a chance to use cardiac rehabilitation by donating to the Cardiac Care Fund. Your donation can help bring the latest lifesaving equipment, such as the da Vinci Surgical System, closer to reality at Centegra. Contact the Foundation at 815-788-5870 to find out how to direct your gift. †

**WEAR A HAT FOR WOMEN'S HEALTH**

Mark your calendars! It's time once again for Centegra Hospital – Woodstock's annual Mad Hatters Luncheon. Wear a hat and invite your friends to be a part of the most amazing display of women working together to make a difference in the health of our community!

The event, sponsored by the Auxiliary of Centegra Hospital – Woodstock, is held each year to raise money for women's services at Centegra Health System.

This year's luncheon is slated for Wednesday, May 5, at the Crystal Lake Holiday Inn.

The Mad Hatters Luncheon is a great time for friends to get together and a wonderful place to make new acquaintances. Each woman is encouraged to wear a hat and outfit that best exemplifies her personality. Prizes will be awarded for the best hats.

Money raised at the luncheon is used to expand access to women's services in the community. In addition to the luncheon, the event also includes silent and live auctions and raffle prizes.

The Auxiliary of Centegra Hospital –

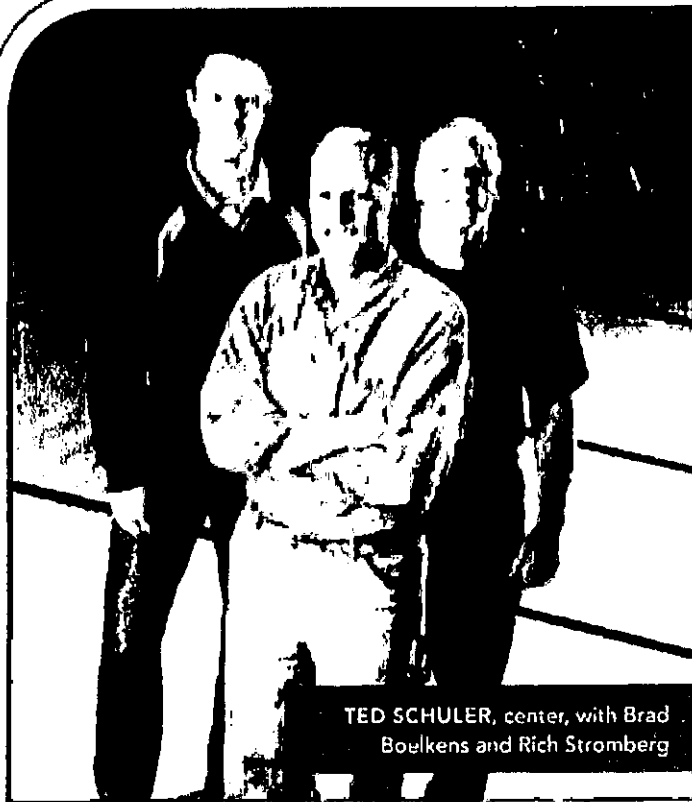
Woodstock is a volunteer organization that provides support and helps raise funds for hospital programs.

Be sure to get your tickets early because the

luncheon sells out every year. Tickets for this year's Mad Hatters Luncheon are \$50 per person and \$500 for a table of 10. ♦



For more information or to order tickets, CALL Colleen Delahunty at 815-363-1354



TED SCHULER, center, with Brad Boelkens and Rich Stromberg

the ambulance to the door.

"That is when the miracle happened," Schuler says. "Two Health Bridge Associates, Brad Boelkens and Rich Stromberg, reached out to help and began performing CPR, and along with Michelle Roig, MD, a CHBFC member who is trained in using automatic external defibrillators (AED) and happened to be on-site, ended up bringing me back to life using the AED twice."

At Centegra Hospital – McHenry, Schuler's angiogram revealed blockage in three arteries. The next day, he had a successful triple bypass performed by James Gramm, MD, a thoracic cardiovascular surgeon on staff at Centegra Health System. Schuler was home in less than a week and is easing back into his twice-

weekly basketball routine.

"I have to thank all the Centegra medical personnel, all the incredible nurses, and the wonderful paramedics who got me there," Schuler says. "Through it all, I witnessed the very best of people—from the reaction of everyone at Health Bridge to the outpouring of love from everyone I know. The next time you go to Centegra Health Bridge Fitness Center, realize this: You walk among heroes." ♦

# Heart attack at fitness center is eye-opening

55-year-old receives CPR at Centegra Health Bridge Fitness Center

TED SCHULER, 55, of Crystal Lake, had just finished his second game of basketball with his buddies at Centegra Health Bridge Fitness Center – Crystal Lake when he became light-headed.

That's the last thing he remembers before being put on a stretcher for a ride to Centegra Hospital – McHenry. When Schuler lost consciousness, some friends made sure his airway was cleared; others alerted the appropriate staff at the fitness center and guided

# Centegra earns Chest Pain Center Accreditation

CENTEGRA HEALTH SYSTEM is the first in the northern Illinois region to receive one of the most advanced levels of chest pain-center accreditations. Centegra Hospital – McHenry and Centegra Hospital – Woodstock have received Chest Pain Center Accreditation from the Society of Chest Pain Centers (SCPC).

Centegra's hospitals are 2 of only 11 in Illinois to earn this level of distinction. According to the SCPC, hospitals that have received this accreditation have achieved a higher level of expertise in dealing with patients who arrive with symptoms of a heart attack.

"Heart disease and stroke are the leading causes of death in Illinois and McHenry County," says Michael S. Easley, CEO of Centegra Health System. "Centegra Health System is committed to helping our community avoid heart attacks and other cardiovascular illnesses."

To become an Accredited Chest Pain Center, each Centegra Health System hospital underwent rigorous evaluation by SCPC for its ability to assess, diagnose and treat patients who may be experiencing a heart attack.

For the communities served by these hospitals, this means that processes are in place that meet strict criteria aimed at:

- Reducing the time from onset of symptoms to diagnosis and treatment
- Treating patients more quickly within the critical window of time when the integrity of the heart muscle can be preserved
- Monitoring patients when it is not certain that they are having a heart attack to ensure that they are not sent home too quickly or needlessly admitted to the hospital

Centegra Health System shares SCPC's goal to significantly reduce the mortality rate of these patients by teaching the public to recognize and react to the early symptoms of a possible heart attack, reduce the time it takes to receive treatment and increase the accuracy and effectiveness of treatment.

By becoming Accredited Chest Pain Centers, Centegra Hospital – McHenry and Centegra Hospital – Woodstock have enhanced the quality of care for cardiac patients and have demonstrated their commitment to higher standards. ♦

## Send us your FEEDBACK.

What do you think about Centegra Health System and *Health Today*? Your comments can help us better serve you and the community. VISIT [centegra.org/feedback](http://centegra.org/feedback) today to share your thoughts or ask a question.

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### A WOMAN'S BEST DEFENSE

Breast cancer affects one in eight women. Early detection is usually the best strategy for treatment.

"There is a high percentage of women in McHenry County who are diagnosed with breast cancer before age 50," says Elissa S. Drebach, MD, radiologist and Director of Mammography for Centegra Health System.

The Centegra Gavers Breast Center is part of Centegra's continuing mission to educate women about the value of regular breast cancer screening and careful, timely follow-up.

### COMMITMENT TO EXCELLENCE

"We are excited about Centegra's new Breast Center. This will ensure that we continue to provide state-of-the-art breast care for McHenry County," says Aaron T. Schwaab, MD, a general surgeon on staff at Centegra Health System and one of the co-directors of the new Breast Center. "It also moves us closer to our goal of national recognition for breast care excellence."

When it opens, the new Breast Center will already be fully accredited through the U.S. Food and Drug Administration's Mammography Quality Standards Act and the American College of Radiology. Centegra Health System is also pursuing a higher level of recognition through the National Accreditation Program for Breast Centers.

"This program acknowledges centers delivering high-quality, comprehensive, multi-disciplinary breast care," says Gia Compagnoni, MD, a general surgeon on staff at Centegra Health System and one of the co-directors of the new Breast Center. "This Provisional Accreditation, which is forthcoming for Centegra, ensures the most comprehensive evaluation and management currently available for diseases of the breast." ♦



## Continuing a commitment

### Centegra Health System's new Breast Center

CENTEGRA Health System has a proud tradition of serving the residents of greater McHenry County and is always looking for ways to improve care. One such endeavor is about to become a reality.

The Centegra Gavers Breast Center, soon to be open in Crystal Lake, will bring together state-of-the-art technology and an excellent medical and support staff to serve women who have breast conditions that require additional evaluation or care.

"This is something that the community has really needed for many years," says John Heinrich, Director of Medical Imaging for Centegra. "We provide many of these services in different settings. This pulls everything together in one comfortable and convenient location."

#### IMAGING SERVICES

The center will offer the newest screening and diagnostic technologies for breast cancer and other conditions, including:

- Digital screening mammography

- Digital diagnostic mammography
- Breast ultrasound
- Breast MRI
- Image-guided biopsies
- Dedicated on-site physician
- Educational resources

The center is designed to combine the latest technology with compassionate care. It's a place where women will be treated with the utmost sensitivity. The center's team will work with each woman's personal physician to help provide seamless, quality care, Heinrich says.

Lynn Griesmaier, RN, MS, Breast Health Navigator, currently helps guide women through the tests, options, forms, appointments and concerns they may face when dealing with breast health issues. She will continue to work with patients, families, doctors and staff at the Breast Center.

"My role is to provide whatever support women need, no matter where they are in their journey," Griesmaier says.



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Centegra offers  
**SOLUTION**  
to painful knee problems

WHEN THE PAIN in her knee became so bad that she could no longer keep up with the kids she supervised on a school playground, Valerie Burkat knew it was time to take action.

"The pain was so severe that I couldn't walk any distance, and my job on the playground requires me to run," Burkat says. "I couldn't do that at all."

In order to get back to the active lifestyle she used to enjoy, Burkat

decided to undergo a total knee replacement procedure at Centegra Hospital – McHenry. During this procedure, a surgeon resurfaces or replaces a knee joint that has been damaged by arthritis or other problems.

"She was simply incapacitated," says Robert Hall, MD, an independent orthopaedic surgeon on staff at Centegra Health System who performed the procedure. "She wanted to do



Robert Hall, MD, orthopaedic surgeon

more with her life."

Dr. Hall was the first in the county to incorporate patient-specific instrumentation in surgery, and he used this technique to customize Burkat's treatment to her individual needs.

Since her total knee replacement in June, Burkat is back on her feet and pain-free. "She's done very well," Dr. Hall says. "She's a fine example of how the procedure can help someone overcome knee pain."

**SURGICAL SUCCESS**

When other treatments for a painful knee, such as medications or physical therapy, fail to relieve your pain, you may need to have your knee replaced.

"In most cases, the surface of the knee joint is worn out and you have bone rubbing on bone—which is very painful," Dr. Hall says. "There are several causes for this, but the most common is time. The surface simply wears away as you age.

"In general, total knee replacement is very successful," he says. "Most patients can resume most of the regular activities of daily living within 12 weeks of having surgery."

**UP AND RUNNING**

Burkat returned to work in September. She is now able to go up and down stairs and walk long distances without pain.

"I'm doing things now that I wasn't able to do before," she says. Perhaps most important, she is once again able to run after her students on the school playground. ♦

**TAKING CARE OF YOUR ORTHOPAEDIC NEEDS**

Whether you have a problem with a finger, a hip, a knee or the spine, Centegra Health System can meet your specialty orthopaedic needs right in your own community.

"Experienced orthopaedic surgeons coupled with state-of-the art equipment allow patients to get the most appropriate treatment or procedure to best meet their individual needs," says David Shinherr, DC, Executive Director of Orthopaedics and Rehabilitation with Centegra Health System. "You don't have to leave McHenry County for great orthopaedic care."

Specialty orthopaedic procedures at

Centegra Health System include:

- Finger joint replacement
- Muscle-sparing hip procedure
- Total hip and knee replacement
- Minimally-invasive spinal surgery
- Shoulder/upper extremity and hand

All of the procedures are designed to relieve pain and repair damaged joints, allowing you to resume an active lifestyle.

"We use the most up-to-date technology to perform these procedures," Dr. Shinherr says. "We excel at providing state-of-the-art care to our patients."

To learn more about orthopaedic specialty procedures and how they might help you, visit [centegra.org](http://centegra.org).



To learn more about total knee replacement, **CALL 877-CENTEGRA (877-236-8347)**.

## message to our community



**A**t Centegra Health System, we're proud to continually move forward—and expand outward—with better care. For us, that means growth, outreach, and recognizing and meeting the changing needs of the communities around us.

On this page, read about how we're getting patients back to their everyday activities through finger joint

replacement surgery. Then, on page 3, find out how we're supporting cancer survivors year-round. You can also check out the upcoming Centegra Family Health Fest, a community day with fun for the whole family.

In our previous issue, we announced plans for our new, state-of-the-art hospital in Huntley. If approved, the new hospital will provide much-needed access to healthcare for community members in Huntley, Lake in the Hills, Algonquin, Cary, Fox River Grove, Carpentersville, Lakewood and Southern Crystal Lake. Read more about this special project on pages 4 and 5, and then share your thoughts with us at [centegrahospitalhuntley.com](http://centegrahospitalhuntley.com).

Finally I want to draw your attention to another project that will improve care in our community: the expansion of the Centegra Hospital – McHenry Emergency Department. Learn more on page 7, and read one of the many personal stories that inspire our team. We've also received Chest Pain Center Accreditation for our commitment to providing high-quality care for cardiac patients. See page 8 for details.

I hope reading this issue gives you a good sense of what we're all about at Centegra. Remember, even as we plan ahead for your future needs, we continue to look for ways to help you right now.

Sincerely yours,

Michael S. Easley  
Chief Executive Officer

## Finger joint replacement provides relief from chronic pain

### Centegra brings revolutionary treatment to McHenry County

**THE FIRST** finger joint replacement surgery in McHenry County was recently performed at Centegra Health System as a result of an approved clinical trial of a special synthetic implant. This revolutionary surgery aids patients who have painful arthritis. Kelly Holtkamp, MD, an independent orthopaedic surgeon on staff at Centegra Health System, is one of the few hand surgeons in McHenry County trained to perform this state-of-the-art finger joint replacement surgery.

Dr. Holtkamp says the surgery helps people who live with daily pain in their hands caused by arthritis or injury.

"I've never been so thrilled with surgery in my life," says Diane Borchert, 65, of Crystal Lake, who had the specialized surgery on her left thumb in September and on her ring finger in January at Centegra Hospital – McHenry. She plans to have her right hand worked on in the fall.

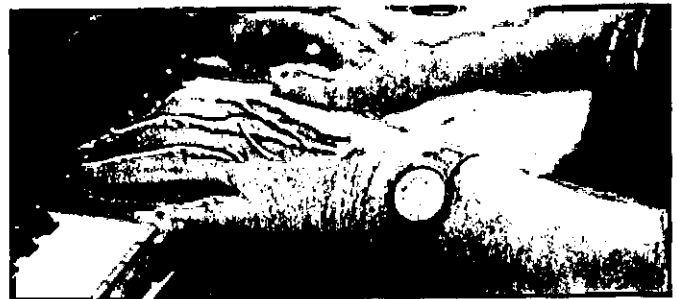
"My thumb was in the shape of an S, and the rest of my fingers are gnarled," she says.

Borchert's arthritis began in 1991 and has grown progressively worse over the years.

"I have trouble doing the simple everyday things like buttoning a shirt, opening a door, writing a note and stuffing an envelope," Borchert says. "I try to stay active, but the pain makes me fatigued, and it takes twice as long to do things."

During a finger joint replacement surgery, Dr. Holtkamp removes a patient's diseased joint and replaces it with a prosthetic joint made of a polyethylene component and titanium. After surgery, patients immediately begin therapy to improve their range of motion, and after about four weeks of healing, patients begin strengthening exercises.

"There is no one too old for this surgery," Dr. Holtkamp says. "If a person is active and has pain with his or her daily activities, this is a perfect procedure."



To learn more about Centegra Health System, go to [centegra.org](http://centegra.org).

healthy living



## ALL-AROUND CARE FOR OLDER ADULTS

WATCHING your loved ones grow older can be difficult. Though you can't stop your parents and grandparents from aging, you can make some decisions about how to best approach the process.

The Centegra Geriatric Center for Wellness in Aging is the first of its kind in McHenry County because it recognizes the unique health care needs of patients 65 and older.

Centegra Home Health Care provides skilled nursing care and multiple therapies that enable patients to remain in their homes. The home care team works in conjunction with you, your aging relative and his or her physicians to determine your family's needs and a suitable plan of care.

### A TEAM APPROACH

Together, the Centegra Geriatric Center for Wellness in Aging and Centegra Home Health Care can help you and your loved ones have a smooth transition into the years to come.

"The center acts as a one-stop health care shop that gives patients the opportunity to focus on wellness and to age successfully," says Rex Nzeribe, MD, geriatrician and Program Director for the center.

For Dr. Nzeribe, successful aging includes maintaining a high quality of life and an optimal level of function. Being independent while still receiving proper care is key. It also means dealing head-on with the physical and mental challenges that come with aging.

Meeting those challenges, which can be as varied as incontinence and depression, requires quality comprehensive care. This is why both Centegra Home Health and the Centegra Geriatric Center for Wellness in Aging follow an interdisciplinary team approach.

If you have a loved one who is going through the different stages of aging, it might be a relief to know that in addition to the care you and your family are providing, there is also a nurse practitioner, geriatrician, pharmacist and social worker there to provide assistance. You also have physical, occupational and speech therapists ready to jump in when needed. This entire group meets to evaluate a patient's condition, make recommendations and provide referrals.

### AVAILABLE SERVICES

Patients' needs are determined through various services, including:

**Comprehensive geriatric assessment.** This detailed review of the patient's medical record and history includes a clinical exam.

**Initial Preventive Physical Examination—"Welcome to Medicare Physical Exam."** This wellness visit includes preventative screenings.

**Evaluation and management of geriatric syndromes.** Patients with a specific diagnosis can request this extended evaluation.

**Consultation clinics.** At the request of healthcare providers, the center offers

## CARE THAT FITS YOUR LIFE

Centegra Home Health Care Services provide aging patients with the confidence and collaboration they can benefit from in the comfort of their own home. Their services are provided on an intermittent basis by trained professionals and reflect the same quality of care received in our hospitals.

Home Health Care nurses work in conjunction with the patient, his or her physician, the home care team and your family to determine the patient's needs and to develop a suitable plan of care. Through this group effort, the patient can achieve maximum recovery without having to leave home.

Centegra Health System understands that you and your family members lead busy lives—sometimes too busy to provide daily assistance to your aging loved ones. Home health care is there to fill in when you need it.

Check with your loved one's insurance provider to see if he or she is covered for home health care. This is a service you can be confident about while showing how much you care.

consultations that address problems with memory, falls and incontinence.

Crucial to the mission of the Center are the support, guidance and encouragement provided to patients. The center also recognizes the important interplay between physical and mental health needs and goes beyond the basics of healthcare.

"Our many goals include providing easy access and helpful resources to caregivers, raising community awareness regarding healthy aging and providing a portal for education in geriatric care delivery," Dr. Nzeribe says.

All these efforts are aimed at one main goal: helping your loved ones age well. ♦



To learn more about the Geriatric Center for Wellness in Aging, CALL 815-338-6600.





## Neuro-Rehabilitation

# FAST FORWARD

KRISTEN GIOE SAYS she wouldn't be the teacher she is today if it hadn't been for the Neuro-Rehabilitation Center at Centegra Health System.

That's a substantial statement. Gioe, 31, has been a special education teacher and is now a literacy coach at a high school in Cicero. She loves her job and loves helping kids learn. In 2003, Gioe walked into the Neuro-Rehabilitation Center functioning at about a third-grade level because of a brain injury. Six months later, she was able to return to college, earning first a bachelor's and then a master's degree.

### THE CRASH

Gioe still doesn't remember the car accident that eventually sent her to Centegra. That—and the three months of her life that followed—will remain stories told to her by others.

The accident happened seven years ago on Easter Sunday. Gioe was with her family, riding in the backseat of a small car on a rural highway lined by cornfields, when a truck pulling a horse trailer slammed into them.

Fortunately, everyone survived the accident—and Gioe has been told that

physically, she appeared to be unhurt. However, her brain had suffered a traumatic injury.

"I was helicoptered out and put into a medically induced coma," she says.

She spent the next three months in two different hospitals. Her mother tells her she was awake. They walked together down hospital hallways.

"My mom says I even talked a little," Gioe says.

However, Gioe's memories begin just before she left the second hospital.

"I began rehabilitation as an outpatient at Centegra a week later," she says.

### THE ROAD TO RECOVERY

Gioe remembers her first day at the Centegra Neuro-Rehabilitation Center. Barb Wasilk, a speech language pathologist and the center's supervisor, approached her.

"She said, 'Hi, I'm Barb, and I want

you to take a couple tests for me,'" says Gioe. "I looked at these simple times tables, reading and spelling tests. They were probably at about a second-grade level. I knew I used to be able to do them, but I didn't know how to do them anymore."

From that moment on, she worked with the Center's staff six hours a day, five days a week. She came to think of her occupational therapist, her physical therapist and her speech therapist as family.

With their help, she learned how to read again and regained basic skills, such as driving.

"Then they asked me to start bringing in my college textbooks," Gioe says. "They helped me create binders and lesson plans."

Gioe's long-time goal was to be a teacher. After working with Centegra's rehabilitation staff for half a year, she told them she was ready to go back to college to pursue her goal.

### LOOKING BACK WITH GRATITUDE

Today, Gioe says she's thankful for everything—including the accident and brain injury.

"I'm a special education teacher, and I can honestly tell my students that I know learning is hard, because, hey, seven years ago I couldn't even write my own name," she says.

Of course she's grateful to the two hospitals that saved her life. "They made sure I stayed a living, breathing human being," she says. "But Centegra helped me become a fully functioning human being again."

The medical professionals at the Centegra Neuro-Rehabilitation Center are dedicated to helping people after traumatic brain injuries, strokes and other impairments. ♦



Discover more! **FIND** facts at [centegra.org/content/neurorehabcenter.htm](http://centegra.org/content/neurorehabcenter.htm). If you know someone who could benefit from a personalized and comprehensive rehabilitation program, call the center at **815-356-2700**.

# Weight no more



## Centegra patients' successful weight-loss surgery

ERIC AND EMILY Jones are just half of what they used to be. That, they would tell you, is a good thing.

After all, their relationship is stronger than ever. It's their clothing sizes that have taken a hit. They are grateful to the Centegra Weight-Loss Surgery Center for both.

Weight problems and the frustrations of unsuccessful dieting were long-term issues for the Joneses.

"I started gaining weight as a teenager," Emily says. "In college, the freshman 15 turned into the freshman 50." By age 30, Emily weighed 276 pounds.

The story was similar for Eric, who ultimately weighed 319 pounds.

"I didn't do the college 15," he jokes. "I did the high school 15."

In reality, though, neither Eric nor Emily was laughing. Their weight caused self-esteem issues and health problems, including high blood pressure, sleep apnea and chronic back pain.

That's why when a friend lost weight with bariatric surgery, Eric and Emily looked into it. They went through informational and educational sessions at Centegra. In October 2008, they underwent gastric bypass surgery.

Their operations weren't a cure-all. The Joneses had to change the way they ate and make exercise a priority. Yet in virtually no time, pounds started disappearing and their health problems disappeared with them. After sharing the experience and together losing roughly 250 pounds, they're closer than ever and have a new lease on life.

Both say the preparation and support they received at Centegra led to their success. They're quick to credit surgeon Amir Heydari, MD, and the entire weight-loss surgery team.

"You're a person, not just a number, to them," Eric says.

If you're considering weight-loss surgery, the new year is a good time

## Send us your FEEDBACK.

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to explore your options.

"Everything in your life gets so much better," Emily says. "Don't be afraid of it. It's a big change, but it's totally worth it." ♦



To see Emily's story and other successful transformations, GO TO [centegra.org/bariatric](http://centegra.org/bariatric).

## WELCOME, NEW CENTEGRA PHYSICIANS



**Hsiong Chen, MD**  
NEUROLOGY  
The Center for Neurology  
Crystal Lake



**Priyesh Patel, MD**  
ORTHOPAEDICS/HAND  
& UPPER EXTREMITY  
MICROVASCULAR  
McHenry County  
Orthopaedics  
Crystal Lake



**Michael Rechitsky, MD**  
RADIOLOGY  
McHenry Radiologist &  
Imaging Associates  
McHenry



**Sandhya Meesala, MD**  
PHYSICAL MEDICINE  
AND REHAB  
Covenant Physiatry  
Wauconda



**Asad Rafiq, MD**  
GASTROENTEROLOGY  
McHenry



**William Tontz, MD**  
ORTHOPAEDICS/SPINE  
Crystal Lake  
Orthopaedics  
Crystal Lake



To find the Centegra physician who's right for you, visit [centegra.org](http://centegra.org). You can also call 877-CENTEGRA (877-236-8347).

Centegra Behavioral Health Services  
800-765-9999

Call for urgent mental health assessments.

McHenry County Crisis Services  
800-892-8900, [mchenry-crisis.org](http://mchenry-crisis.org)

Call for a referral or immediate assistance

Centegra Referral Line  
877-CENTEGRA (877-236-8347)

Call 24 hours a day.

**Centegra Health System**

## message to our community



**W**ith the last of the snow melting, I always look forward to stepping outside and shaking off winter's hold. It's a time of planning new summer activities and planting the seeds for a healthier you.

At Centegra Health System we are focused on providing the resources and facilities for you to pick up

a new hobby or begin a new exercise plan. At Centegra Health Bridge Fitness Centers, in both Crystal Lake and Huntley, a wide variety of exercise options are available for a heart-healthy summer. Are you interested in a summer run? The Centegra Health Bridge Fitness Center in Huntley is hosting its annual Centegra Health Bridge Fitness Center Roadrunners 5K on June 27.

Before jumping into a new program, it is important to understand how to protect your body, inside and out. Turn to page 8 to learn about the differences between over-the-counter medications such as nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drugs and acetaminophen. This issue also shares the story of Kara Williams and how a skin screening at Centegra's "Road to Healthy Skin Tour" led to the potentially lifesaving early detection of skin cancer. (See page 6.)

At Centegra, we are committed to providing our community with programs and facilities to enjoy the upcoming warmer months. We look forward to growing together into a healthier community.

Sincerely yours,

Michael S. Easley  
President and CEO

CLEAR PICTURE, CLEAR DIAGNOSIS

## State-of-the-art imaging technology

**JEFFREY FURCH** gets right to the point when he talks about the new 128-slice computed tomography (CT) scanner at Centegra Health Center – Huntley.

"It probably saved my life," says Furch, a 60-year-old Wadsworth insurance claims adjuster.

With a family history of heart disease and other risk factors, Furch decided to undergo testing at Centegra Health Center – Huntley. Images taken by the CT scanner showed that he had a blocked artery and was at high risk for having a heart attack.

"I would have never known without the test at Centegra," Furch says. "I had no symptoms, no chest pain, nothing."

The 128-slice CT scanner is one of several high-tech imaging tools used by healthcare professionals on the Huntley campus, which opened in 2008.

"It's a highly sophisticated imaging system that is much faster and more accurate than preceding generations of scanners," says Spiro Gerolimos, MD, Medical Director of Imaging for Centegra Health System. "We can take pictures of the human body that are incredibly detailed."

The CT scanner is used to detect blocked or damaged arteries that can lead to heart attacks or strokes. It can also be used in diagnosing other serious diseases, such as cancer.

"Not only can we get great, fast images, but we can do so with less radiation," says John Heinrich, Centegra Health System's Director of Medical Imaging. "It's a tool that is basically changing the course of medicine. And we have one right in our own neighborhood." ♦



**LEARN** more about the high-tech imaging equipment available at Centegra Health Center – Huntley. Visit [centegra.org](http://centegra.org) or **CALL 877-CENTEGRA (877-236-8347)**.



# NORTHWEST HERALD

## Centegra seeking Huntley hospital

By CHELSEA McDOUGALL  
December 19, 2010

Centegra Health System hopes to boost local health care options and the economy as officials seek state approval to build a \$233 million hospital in Huntley.

Looking to fill a void in an underserved part of McHenry County, while at the same time creating up to 1,100 full-time jobs, Centegra officials said in announcing their plans that the new facility would be an economic boon for the county.

In addition to creating permanent jobs, the anticipated 30-month building project would offer work for construction contractors.

"We're going to be employing, in a roundabout way, 800 people to build this, so I think that's going to be a stimulus to the community even before we get started with the hospital," Centegra CEO Michael S. Eesley said.

About 700 permanent jobs in the 128-bed facility will be clinical, but there will be about 380 other full-time service jobs related to hospital operations, said Kim Kubiak, senior coordinator of public relations.

Centegra already is the county's largest employer, currently employing about 3,700 people, Kubiak said.

Centegra Hospital – Huntley will sit on 110 acres that house the existing health care campus that features Centegra Health Bridge Fitness Center and Centegra Health Center at Haligus and Reed roads. When Centegra bought the land in 2005, a hospital was expected, and the announcement might not come as a surprise to some residents, Huntley Mayor Chuck Sass said.

"With 10,000 senior citizens out at Del Webb, they'll be delighted to have a new hospital," Sass said. "It's going to be nothing but plus, plus."

The hospital will provide health care services in an underserved and high-growth part of McHenry County, Eesley said.

"We got the focus that there was a gap in the health care need in our community in our Huntley, Algonquin, Lake in the Hills market," Eesley said. "... Although it is in [Huntley city limits], it does border very close to Algonquin-Lake in the Hills, so we're servicing those communities. It will be their hospital, too."

Centegra Hospital – Huntley still is in the early planning stages. Centegra officials expect to file a Certificate of Need, which awards the right to build, with the Illinois Health Facilities Planning Board on Dec. 29. Centegra hopes for a hearing and approval by the planning board in May 2011. Eesley anticipated breaking ground in fall 2012. He estimated that construction could take about 30 months.

In order for a new hospital to be built, the state must identify a need. The need is based on population density and demographics in the area that a hospital will serve, Centegra Senior Vice President of Strategic Marketing Susan Milford said. A need of at least 100 beds in a service area is required to build a new facility.

Aside from Centegra's other McHenry County locations in McHenry and Woodstock, the closest hospital is Sherman Hospital in Elgin. While other hospitals might object to the hospital during the planning stages, Eesley said he was confident that Centegra's Certificate of Need would be approved.

"When you look at the demographics and start to look at the way the county is spread out and the amount of growth we're seeing here, I really have a hard time understanding how anybody would think that this project is inappropriate," he said.

Of about a dozen Certificates of Need filed by Centegra, not one ever has been denied, Eesley said. The two most recent Certificates of Need were for an open-heart surgery program at the McHenry location and for the outpatient facility in Huntley.

The current state-identified need for a hospital in Huntley is 92 beds. Milford said that taking into account new population growth expected by 2018 in the area, that need quickly jumps to the 100-bed requirement.

"[The need] is based on the fact that ... the patients who will use this hospital are coming from new population growth," Milford said.

Additionally, Milford said changes in health care legislation increases that need.

"If anything, there is going to be more uninsured individuals who are now going to actually be able to access health care, and we have to prepare for that, too," she said.

The population in the hospital's service area is projected to grow by 15.6 percent by 2018, she said.

"We are certainly not looking at taking patients away from our current hospitals in McHenry or Woodstock or anywhere else," Milford said. "This is all new growth, which is why the state has identified this need. It's really a vision looking out to the future as our community continues to grow."

The location and design of the project also allows for future expansion, Eesley said.

The proposed facility would boast features including an emergency department, nursery, noninvasive cardiology services, a women's center and helipad for transporting patients. Many of the features planned for the women's center in Woodstock would be moved from a to Centegra Hospital – Huntley. All of the beds are also private, Centegra officials said.

Centegra Hospital – Huntley would not be the largest of Centegra's McHenry County facilities.

Centegra Hospital – McHenry, which was built in 1984, houses 181 beds, and Centegra Hospital – Woodstock, built in 1994, and the Centegra Specialty Hospital – Woodstock have a combined 162 beds.

Eesley promised that local labor primarily would be used during construction.

"All of our projects have demonstrated a use of local people," Eesley said "We stipulate that local people need to be involved in the building of this because this is a community hospital."

The announcement came at an ideal time for Huntley, after the village was dealt a blow with a recent decision not to build an Amtrak rail line that could have run through Huntley and Marengo.

"Earlier in the week, we heard that Amtrak isn't coming, but I'd much rather have a hospital than an Amtrak station," Sass said. "We're really looking forward to this and it's just another part of the puzzle to make us a full-service community."

# Centegra Health System's Integrated Delivery Model

## Greater McHenry County Community



Information Technology

Financial Viability

### Hospital Care

- Centegra Hospital - McHenry
- Centegra Hospital - Woodstock
- Centegra Specialty Hospital - Woodstock, South Street

#### Rehab

- Chronic Disease Management
- Heart Failure
- Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease
- Osteoarthritis

#### Skilled Nursing Facility

#### Durable Medical Equipment

- Continuing Care Retirement Community
- Home Health

### Rehab & Recovery

### Community Based Care

- Outpatient Care Cancer
- Surgery Center
- Spec Lab
- Cancer Center
- Wound Care

#### Diagnostic/ imaging Centers

#### Immediate Care Centers

#### Complementary Medicine

#### Physician Offices

#### Centegra Health Bridge Fitness Centers

#### Retail Pharmacy

#### Wellness & Prevention Services



### Prevention & Wellness

Community Health Management

Physician Alignment

Acuity

Clinical Effectiveness

Adapted from Sg2

## **Responsible Growth Plan**

Centegra Health System is committed to the northern region of Illinois and has created a responsible growth plan. In 2005, Centegra conducted a study of McHenry County healthcare needs, growth patterns and changing demographics to determine needed areas of future growth in healthcare services and technology.

A state-of-the-art outpatient health center and a physician office building were among the initial services determined.

In 2006, suitable land was located on Algonquin Road and purchased from the Halat Family. A full planning team was formed including healthcare professionals, architects, contractors, municipal leadership and area citizens to develop the site for initial and long-range use.

On June 12, 2007, the Illinois Health Facilities Planning Board approved the Certificate of Need for an outpatient healthcare center and medical office building.

A month later on July 17, 2007, the groundbreaking was held where we invited many community members to contribute to the new Centegra Health Campus—Huntley time capsule.

In October of 2008, we celebrated the grand opening of our Centegra Health Campus in Huntley. Since then, thousands of residents from Huntley, Lake in the Hills, Algonquin, Crystal Lake, Lakewood, Hampshire and surrounding communities have benefited from top-notch healthcare and wellness services right in their own backyard.

All the while, our team has worked diligently with Huntley village officials on re-zoning for building compliance; design revisions; and preparation of the land to launch the actual building of the project.

This plan was not designed overnight. We are always looking at the needs of the communities we serve, analyzing the best ways to provide area residents with the access to care they need, all the while being mindful of the future of healthcare. Our philosophy is the same now as it has always been: We support incremental growth in healthcare services only as it is needed and where it is needed.

Our hospital will be designed to meet the area's needs. We have allowed for future growth on our campus with capacity to add more services and beds to the hospital as needs dictate.

The fact is that Huntley is at the heart of the county's growth and is the ideal location for a new hospital. From the widening of Route 47 to the planning for a \$70 million interchange at Route 47 and I-90, Huntley will remain at the epicenter of growth and economic development for years to come.

A new hospital at Reed and Haligus Roads in Huntley would also be close to home for residents of northern Kane County. Numbers from the state show a need for hospital beds not only in McHenry County, but in Kane County too. Del Webb's Sun City is home to a significant senior population with increasing healthcare needs. The community's 9,000 residents are thrilled by the prospect of a hospital right down the street.

Centegra has already received approval from the Village of Huntley to build a hospital on our campus. With state approval, we will immediately proceed with final engineering and design components.

We will be fiscally responsible with the healthcare resources in our community, spending them only when they are needed.

Our timeline for construction is a realistic one and we anticipate seeing our first patients in 2015. Having built new facilities in Illinois, we understand the complete process. That includes the timeline to seek required permits, seek and select bids from contractors and architectural design. The completion date of 2018 that's recorded in our CON application refers to the state's CON completion date, not when we'll be seeing our first patients.

Healthcare reform and technological advancements are changing the delivery of healthcare. Centegra is leading the way in preparing for the future of healthcare. The unique health and wellness campus that Centegra has in place and has planned for Centegra Hospital-Huntley will focus on preventable care and rehabilitation. That's what healthcare reform is all about.

The proposed service area for Centegra Hospital-Huntley includes census tracts that have been designated by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services as Medically Underserved Areas and Health Manpower Shortage Areas. It also includes census tracts that have been designated by the State of Illinois as having Medically Underserved Populations.

Our Huntley campus has many acres of land still available for additions that will complete the continuum of health care and wellness. As the needs of the community grow, so can our campus.



The Centegra Hospital proposal is the right project, at the right time and in the right location. We at Centegra live with a sense of urgency when it comes to providing our community with services that improve their overall quality of life. We are excited about the access that southern McHenry County and northern Kane County will have with this facility. We remain enthusiastic about bringing these much-needed resources to the fastest and largest growth areas in southern McHenry County and northern Kane County.

	<b>Businesses</b>
1	Alliance Contractors, Inc
2	American Community Bank
3	Aspen Lawn and Landscaping
4	Barrington Print and Copy
5	Blue Chip Commercial Real Estate, LLC
6	Boone Creek Golf Club
7	Cary Electric Contracting, Inc
8	Choice Hotels
9	Cisco Construction
10	Curran Contracting Company
11	Curran Group, Inc.
12	D.J. Rudolph Company, Inc.
13	Entre Commercial Realty LLC
14	First National Bank
15	Galena Stone Company, Inc.
16	Gar Construction, LLC
17	Georgio's Pizza
18	Gilcor Construction Corporation
19	GK Development
20	Harding Real Estate
21	Huntley Professional Center
22	Huntley Realty
23	International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers
24	International Decorators Inc.
25	In Sync Systems, Inc.
26	Jack Porter and Associates
27	K&C Erectors, LLC
28	K&L Gates Law Firm
29	Kitchen Concepts
30	KRW Insurance
31	Lakeside Legacy
32	LB Anderson
33	Lyons Contractors
34	McHenry Financial
35	Miller-Midwestern Die Company
36	Nichols Designs
37	O'Brien Corporation
38	Oliva Group, LLC
39	Pavement Solutions, LLC
40	Prairie Isle Golf Club
41	Premier Commercial Realty
42	Prestress Engineering Company LLC
43	Rabine Paving
44	Raykist, Inc
45	Raytek Development, Inc.
46	RE/MAX Superior Properties
47	Regency
48	Reiche Construction
49	Richmond American Homes
50	Rubloff Development
51	RVG Commercial Realty
52	Schain, Burney, Banks & Kenny, Ltd.

Attachment 5

53	Sherman Mechanical, Inc.
54	Super Trucking Construction, Inc
55	Star 105.5
56	Tom's Farm Market
57	Union Special
58	Venture Associates, Inc.
59	Wade Light and Associates
60	Wells Manufacturing Company
61	Woodstock Harley Davidson
	<b>Healthcare</b>
1	Affiliated Ear, Nose and Throat Physicians
2	ATEC Paramedics
3	Auxiliary of CH-M
4	Children's Hospital and Health System, Milwaukee
5	Family Health Partnership Clinic
6	Froedtert Health, Milwaukee
7	Gavers Community Cancer Foundation
8	McHenry County Dept. of Health
9	McHenry County Orthopaedics
10	Roland J. Barnes, D.D.S.
11	Surgical Associates of Fox Valley
12	Sycamore Anesthesia Services
13	Crossroads Care Center of Woodstock
14	Heart Institute
15	Hospice and Palliative Care of NE IL
16	Northwest Community Hospital
17	Valley Home Partnership Clinic
18	Wellness Place
	<b>Non-Profit Organizations</b>
1	Alg/LITH Chamber of Commerce
2	Boy Scouts of America, Blackhawk Area Counsel
3	Crystal Lake Chamber of Commerce
4	Girls on the Run
5	Home of the Sparrow
6	Huntley Area Chamber of Commerce
7	Huntley Chamber
8	Huntley Youth Sports Organization
9	It's All About Kids
10	LGMC
11	Marengo-Union Chamber
12	McHenry Area Chamber of Commerce
13	NISRA
14	Raue Center for the Arts
15	Slavation Army of McHenry County
16	Turning Point

<b>Government &amp; Education</b>	
1	Alg/LITH Fire Protection District
2	City of McHenry
3	City of Woodstock
4	Huntley Fire Dept. Board of Trustees
5	Huntley Fire Protection District
6	Huntley Library
7	Huntley Police Dept.
8	LITH Police and Public Safety Dept
9	Marian Central Catholic High School
10	McHenry County Board
11	McHenry County Building and Construction Trades Council
12	McHenry County Clerk
13	McHenry County College
14	McHenry County EDC
15	Rosalind Franklin University
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17	State Senator, 32nd District
18	State Senator, 64th District
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20	Village of Lakewood
21	Village of LITH
22	Village of Richmond

TOTALS

**Resolutions in support of Centegra Hospital-Huntley Project 10-090**

Algonquin-Lake in the Hills Chamber of Commerce  
Auxiliary to Centegra Hospital-McHenry  
City of Woodstock (received by HFSRB on 3/9/11)  
Crystal Lake Chamber of Commerce  
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Froedtert Health, Inc.  
Girls on the Run  
Hearthstone Communities  
Huntley Chamber of Commerce  
Leadership Greater McHenry County  
McHenry County Board (received by HFSRB on 2/22/11)  
McHenry County College (received by HFSRB on 3/28/11)  
McHenry County Economic Development Corporation  
Northern Illinois Special Recreation Association  
United Way of Greater McHenry County  
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Attachment 6

RESOLUTION NO. 2011 - 01

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF APPROVAL OF CENTEGRA HOSPITAL-HUNTLEY

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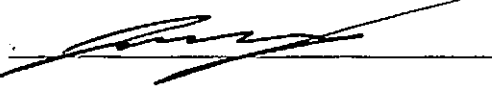
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PASSED and APPROVED this 10<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2011.

  
Jeff Meyer / Chairman of the Board

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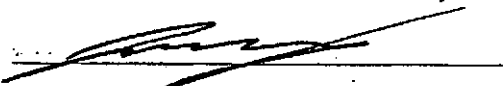
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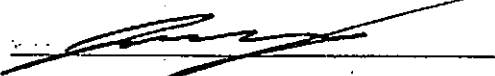
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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that The Auxiliary to Northern Illinois Medical Center (now known as Centegra Hospital – McHenry) commends and supports Centegra Health System's proposal to construct a hospital in Huntley, Illinois, and urges the Health Facilities and Services Review Board to promptly approve Centegra's request for a Certificate of Need which will allow the project to become a reality;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, a certified copy of this Resolution shall be forwarded to Courtney Avery, the Administrator of the Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board, 525 W. Jefferson Street, Springfield, Illinois 62761

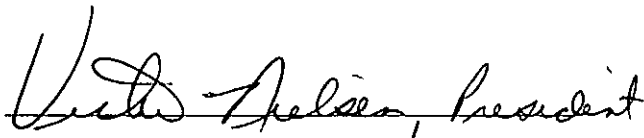
PASSED and APPROVED this 8<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2011.

AYE: 15

NAY: 0

ABSENT: 3

ATTEST: 0



Vicki Nielsen, Auxiliary Board President



City of  
**WOODSTOCK**

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Wednesday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2011

Ms. Courtney R. Avery  
Administrator  
Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board  
525 West Jefferson, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
Springfield, Illinois 62761

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HEALTH FACILITIES &  
SERVICES REVIEW BOARD

**Re: Project No. 10-090, Centegra Hospital – Huntley**

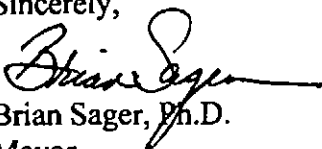
Dear Ms. Avery:

I understand Centegra Health System has filed an application with the Health Facilities and Services Review Board for a *Certificate of Need for the Construction of a Hospital* in Huntley, Illinois. As Mayor of the City of Woodstock and long-time resident of McHenry County, it is my pleasure to provide this letter in strong support of Centegra Health System and their proposed construction of Centegra Hospital - Huntley. I also include for your consideration, a certified copy of Resolution No. 11-R-05, *Resolution of the City of Woodstock in Support of Centegra Hospital - Huntley*, passed at the March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2011 meeting of the Woodstock City Council.

With a population of nearly 25,000, Woodstock is both county seat and one of the largest municipalities in McHenry County. We have been served by Centegra Health System since the opening of Woodstock Hospital in 1914. As the years passed, we have watched as Centegra Health System deepened its commitment to our community and residents. In addition to a strong, proven track record of providing high-quality, readily accessible healthcare services to our residents, Centegra has also become the preeminent county employer and an incredibly proactive community partner. A new full-service hospital in Huntley will continue this tradition by improving access to comprehensive care for the people of Huntley, Lake in The Hills, Algonquin and Crystal Lake, and enabling Centegra to devote increasing levels of resources to the people of Woodstock and the larger McHenry County.

During this time of economic strain, it is indeed promising to see Centegra Health System continuing its commitment to regional investment. The addition of Centegra Hospital - Huntley will provide significant economic benefits from added jobs and direct spending at a time when it is desperately needed. We are grateful for the role Centegra Health System plays in our community and respectfully ask your favorable consideration of its request for a *Certificate of Need for the Construction of a Hospital* in Huntley, Illinois.

Sincerely,



Brian Sager, Ph.D.  
Mayor

**RESOLUTION NO. 11-R-05**

**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF WOODSTOCK  
IN SUPPORT OF  
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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Woodstock, Illinois commends and supports Centegra Health System's proposal to construct a hospital in Huntley, Illinois, and urges the Health Facilities and Services Review Board to promptly approve Centegra's request for a Certificate of Need which will allow the project to become a reality.

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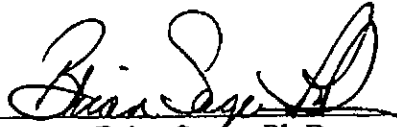
PASSED and APPROVED THIS 1 DAY OF March, 2011

AYE: Ahrens, Dillon, Larson, Thompson, Turner and Mayor Sager


NAY: None

ABSENT: Saladin

ATTEST: None

  
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Brian Sager, Ph.D.  
Mayor

Attest:

  
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City Clerk

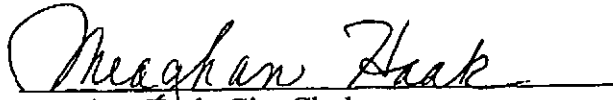
**CERTIFICATION**

I, **MEAGHAN HAAK**, do hereby certify that I am the duly appointed, qualified and acting City Clerk of the **CITY OF WOODSTOCK**, McHenry County, Illinois, and that as such Clerk, I am the keeper of the ordinances, records, corporate seal and proceedings of the Mayor and City Council of the said **CITY OF WOODSTOCK**.

I do hereby further certify that at a regular meeting of the Mayor and City Council of the City of Woodstock, held on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of March, 2011, the foregoing Resolution No. 11-R-05 entitled "*A Resolution of the City of Woodstock in Support of Centegra Hospital-Huntley*" was duly passed and approved by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Woodstock.

I do further certify that the original, of which the attached is a true and correct copy, is entrusted to me as the Clerk of said City for safekeeping, and that I am the lawful custodian and keeper of same.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Corporate Seal of the **CITY OF WOODSTOCK**, this 4<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2011.

  
Meaghan Haak, City Clerk  
By Deputy Clerk Cindy K. Smiley

(SEAL)



**CRYSTAL LAKE**  
*Chamber of Commerce*

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Crystal Lake Chamber Board of Directors recommends and supports Centegra Health System's proposal to construct a hospital in Huntley, Illinois, and urges the Health Facilities and Services Review Board to promptly approve Centegra's request for a Certificate of Need which will allow the project to become a reality;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, a certified copy of this Resolution shall be forwarded to Courtney Avery, the Administrator of the Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board, 525 W. Jefferson Street, Springfield, Illinois 62761

PASSED and APPROVED this 28th day of January, 2011.

AYE: 13

NAY: 0

ABSTAIN: 5

ABSENT: 3



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Brian Coli, Board Chairman  
Crystal Lake Chamber of Commerce



FAMILY HEALTH PARTNERSHIP CLINIC'S  
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WHEREAS, the Mission of the Family Health Partnership Clinic is to improve the status of the community and reduce the negative impact of poor access to care by providing a broad

spectrum of services to the underserved with compassion and respect and the organization's Vision is to assure that the residents of the McHenry County area will enjoy the benefit of full access to high quality health care, regardless of ability to pay, by offering multiple sites throughout our community to adequately meet those needs; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Family Health Partnership Clinic believes that Centegra Health System's construction of a hospital in Huntley, Illinois will materially benefit the community that is collectively served by Centegra and the Family Health Partnership Clinic and will assist FHPC in the achieving its mission and vision,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of the Family Health Partnership Clinic commends and supports Centegra Health System's proposal to construct a hospital in Huntley, Illinois, and urges the Health Facilities and Services Review Board to promptly approve Centegra's request for a Certificate of Need which will allow the project to become a reality;

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PASSED and APPROVED this 1 of February, 2011.

  
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Kevin Noonan, Board Chair

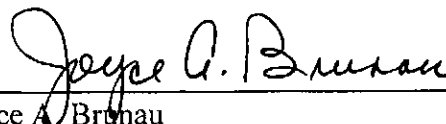
**FROEDTERT HEALTH, INC.**

**ASSISTANT SECRETARY'S CERTIFICATE**

The undersigned hereby certifies as follows:

1. I am the duly elected and authorized Assistant Secretary of Froedtert Health, Inc. (the "Corporation").
2. The Resolution in Support of Approval of Centegra Hospital-Huntley attached hereto as Exhibit A was adopted by the Corporation's Board of Directors at its duly called meeting held on April 26, 2011, at which a quorum was present. Eight voting members were present at the meeting and voted aye. There were no nay votes or abstentions. Six voting members were absent.

**EXECUTED** April 27, 2011.



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Joyce A. Brunau  
Assistant Secretary of Froedtert Health, Inc.

## **EXHIBIT A**

### **FROEDTERT HEALTH, INC. RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF APPROVAL OF CENTEGRA HOSPITAL – HUNTLEY**

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**WHEREAS**, Froedtert Health, Inc. is a 500-bed academic medical center staffed by the faculty of the Medical College of Wisconsin; and

**WHEREAS**, Froedtert Health, Inc. is a major training facility with more than 1,000 medical, nursing, and health technical students in training and over 2,000 active clinical trials each year, and is the only non-pediatric Level 1 trauma center in the greater metropolitan Milwaukee area; and

**WHEREAS**, Froedtert Health, Inc. and Centegra Health System have determined that it is in the best interest of patient care, and promotes the optimum use of facilities to enter into an agreement for transfer of trauma patients between the respective Institutions;

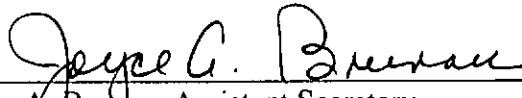
**WHEREAS**, the mission of Froedtert Health, Inc. is to advance the health status of the individuals and communities they serve through high-quality patient care, teaching the next generation of health professionals, and advancing scientific discovery and technology; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Directors of Froedtert Health, Inc. believes that Centegra Health System's construction of a hospital in Huntley, Illinois will materially benefit the communities that are collectively served by Centegra and Froedtert Health, Inc.;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Directors of Froedtert Health, Inc. commends and supports Centegra Health System's proposal to construct a hospital in Huntley, Illinois, and urges the Health Facilities and Services Review Board to promptly approve Centegra's request for a Certificate of Need which will allow the project to become a reality;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT**, a certified copy of this Resolution shall be forwarded to Courtney Avery, the Administrator of the Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board, 525 West Jefferson Street, Springfield, Illinois 62761.

**PASSED AND APPROVED** this 26<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2011.

  
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Joyce A. Brunau, Assistant Secretary  
Froedtert Health, Inc.

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF APPROVAL  
OF CENTEGRA HOSPITAL-HUNTLEY

WHEREAS, Centegra Health System has filed an application with the Health Facilities and Services Review Board (HFSRB) for approval of a Certificate of Need for the Construction of a Hospital in Huntley, Illinois (Project Number 10-090); and

WHEREAS, the Southern portion of McHenry County is the fastest growing region in McHenry County; and

WHEREAS, the State of Illinois has identified the planning area in which McHenry County is located (planning area A-10) as one of only three planning areas in the entire State of Illinois that has a shortage of acute care hospital beds to serve the community, and

WHEREAS, the construction of a hospital in Huntley, Illinois will allow Centegra Health System to address the identified bed need in the area of the McHenry County that needs it the most, based upon the rapid population growth in the area; and

WHEREAS, In addition to meeting the state's bed need for Health Planning Area A-10, Centegra's proposed hospital would serve Health Planning Area A-11, less than two miles to the south. According to State figures, this planning area (Northern Kane County) is the second of three areas in the State where additional hospital beds are needed. Therefore, two of the three planning areas in Illinois with identified hospital bed shortages would be served by Centegra Hospital - Huntley.

WHEREAS, the construction of a hospital in Huntley will result in the creation of approximately 1,100 new jobs in healthcare and as many as 800 jobs associated with the construction of the facility and will therefore greatly benefit the economy of McHenry County both directly through the creation of jobs but also indirectly through Centegra's reliance upon local providers of goods and services that are ancillary to health care; and

WHEREAS, Centegra has an existing health care campus in Huntley that has served the region through an immediate care center and other health care services and the construction of a hospital on this existing campus will result in an efficient use of limited health care resources of the community; and

WHEREAS, Centegra Health System has faithfully provided health care services to the residents of McHenry County for nearly one hundred years since the opening of Woodstock Hospital in 1914. During that time Centegra has collaborated with virtually every level of government from the County to Cities, Villages and Towns. Centegra has also supported other not-for-profit entities, service organizations, schools and other community groups. On the basis of this faithful service Centegra Health System has established itself as the best suited to provide the full-service hospital that is needed in Southern McHenry County;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Girls on the Run of Northwest Illinois commends and supports Centegra Health System's proposal to construct a hospital in Huntley, Illinois, and urges the Health Facilities and Services Review Board to promptly approve Centegra's request for a Certificate of Need which will allow the project to become a reality;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, a certified copy of this Resolution shall be forwarded to Courtney Avery, the Administrator of the Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board, 525 W. Jefferson Street, Springfield, Illinois 62761

PASSED and APPROVED this 10 day of February, 2011.

AYE: 4

NAY: 0

ABSENT: 1

ATTEST:

Matt Butt, Board President

Matt Butt

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
HEARTHSTONE COMMUNITIES  
IN SUPPORT OF APPROVAL  
OF CENTEGRA HOSPITAL-HUNTLEY

WHEREAS, Centegra Health System has filed an application with the Health Facilities and Services Review Board (HFSRB) for approval of a Certificate of Need for the Construction of a Hospital in Huntley, Illinois (Project Number 10-090); and

WHEREAS, the Southern portion of McHenry County is the fastest growing region in McHenry County; and

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WHEREAS, the construction of a hospital in Huntley will result in the creation of approximately 1,100 new jobs in healthcare and as many as 800 jobs associated with the construction of the facility and will therefore greatly benefit the economy of McHenry County both directly through the creation of jobs but also indirectly through Centegra's reliance upon local providers of goods and services that are ancillary to health care; and

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WHEREAS, Hearthstone Communities is a community-based continuing care retirement community with a mission to offer hope, healing and purposeful living to older adults and children, and in pursuing this mission, Hearthstone Communities has had occasion to collaborate with Centegra Health System and on that basis has observed Centegra Health System's passion for service to the community;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of Hearthstone Communities commends and supports Centegra Health System's proposal to construct a hospital in Huntley, Illinois, and urges the Health Facilities and Services Review Board to promptly approve Centegra's request for a Certificate of Need which will allow the project to become a reality;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, a certified copy of this Resolution shall be forwarded to Courtney Avery, the Administrator of the Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board, 525 W. Jefferson Street, Springfield, Illinois 62761

PASSED and APPROVED this 8 day of February, 2011.

AYE: 9

NAY: 0

ABSENT: 2

ATTEST: 0

Deborah W Anderson

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF APPROVAL  
OF CENTEGRA HOSPITAL-HUNTLEY

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WHEREAS, the construction of a hospital in Huntley will result in the creation of approximately 1,100 new jobs in healthcare and as many as 800 jobs associated with the construction of the facility and will therefore greatly benefit the economy of McHenry County both directly through the creation of jobs but also indirectly through Centegra's reliance upon local providers of goods and services that are ancillary to health care; and

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WHEREAS, Centegra Health System has faithfully provided health care services to the residents of McHenry County for nearly one hundred years since the opening of Woodstock Hospital in 1914. During that time Centegra has collaborated with virtually every level of government from the County to Cities, Villages and Towns. Centegra has also supported other not-for-profit entities, service organizations, schools and other community groups. On the basis of this faithful service Centegra Health System has established itself as the best suited to provide the full-service hospital that is needed in Southern McHenry County;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Huntley Area Chamber of Commerce commends and supports Centegra Health System's proposal to construct a hospital in Huntley, Illinois, and urges the Health Facilities and Services Review Board to promptly approve Centegra's request for a Certificate of Need which will allow the project to become a reality;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, a certified copy of this Resolution shall be forwarded to Courtney Avery, the Administrator of the Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board, 525 W. Jefferson Street, Springfield, Illinois 62761

PASSED and APPROVED this 15 day of FEBRUARY, 2011.

AYE: 10

NAY: 0

ABSENT: 5

ATTEST:

David A. Veath

[Board Chair/Mayor/Village President]

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
OF LEADERSHIP GREATER MCHENRY COUNTY  
IN SUPPORT OF APPROVAL  
OF CENTEGRA HOSPITAL-HUNTLEY

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WHEREAS, the Southern portion of McHenry County is the fastest growing region in McHenry County; and

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WHEREAS, Leadership Greater McHenry County is a community organization with a mission to educate and inspire professionals to engage in community leadership and in pursuing this mission, LGMC has had occasion to collaborate with Centegra Health System and on that basis has observed Centegra Health System's passion for service to the community;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of Leadership Greater McHenry County commends and supports Centegra Health System's proposal to construct a hospital in Huntley, Illinois, and urges the Health Facilities and Services Review Board to promptly approve Centegra's request for a Certificate of Need which will allow the project to become a reality;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, a certified copy of this Resolution shall be forwarded to Courtney Avery, the Administrator of the Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board, 525 W. Jefferson Street, Springfield, Illinois 62761

PASSED and APPROVED this 26 day of January, 2011.

AYE: 12

NAY:

ABSENT:

ATTEST:

Abstain: 2

Marcy Pietros, Executive Director

**LEADERSHIP GREATER MCHENRY COUNTY  
Board of Trustees**

**Chris Krug (ABSTAIN [present])  
LGMC Chair**

Vice President of News Content, Shaw Suburban Media

**Sean Haley (ABSTAIN)  
LGMC Vice-Chair**

Vice President Regulatory Affairs, Sage Products

**Stacia Hahn (YES)  
LGMC Secretary/Treasurer**

Vice President of Finance, Shaw Suburban Media

**Alex Campbell (YES)  
Alumni Chair**

President, EMK Data Systems

**Shawna Egan (YES)  
Coordinator for Lend A Hand Day**

Director of Autism Services, Pioneer Center

**Terry Egan (YES)  
Marketing Chair**

President/CEO, Hearthstone Communities

**Ryan Farrell (YES)**

Attorney, Zukowski, Rogers, Flood & McArdle

**Kate Halma (YES)  
Screening & Recruitment Chair**

President & CEO, McHenry County Community Foundation

**Barbara Johnson (YES)  
Past LGMC Chair**

Senior Vice President, Centegra Health System

**Michael Luecht (YES)  
Past Fellow Leadership Greater Chicago  
President and CEO, ML Realty Partners**

**Chris Marrs (YES)  
Finance Chair**

Senior Vice President, Cornerstone Bank

**Robert M. Rosenberger (YES)  
Curriculum Co-Chair**

Chief Financial Officer, Centegra Health System

**Roger Schlies (YES)  
Interim Development Chair  
Past Director, LGMC**

**Aaron T. Shepley (YES)  
Senior Vice President, Centegra Health System**



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OFFICE OF  
KATHERINE C. SCHULTZ  
**McHENRY COUNTY CLERK**  
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HEALTH FACILITIES &  
SERVICES REVIEW BOARD

MEMO

TO: Courtney Avery  
IL Health Facilities and Services Review Board

FROM: Katherine C. Schultz  
County Clerk

DATE: February 17, 2011

RE: Resolution approved by the McHenry County Board

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Attached is a Resolution approved by the McHenry County Board on February 16, 2011 for your records Commending the Proposal of Centegra Hospital – Huntley

Sincerely,

*Katherine C. Schultz*  
Katherine C. Schultz

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**RESOLUTION  
COMMENDING THE PROPOSAL OF  
CENTEGRA HOSPITAL-HUNTLEY**

**WHEREAS**, Centegra Health System has filed an application with the Health Facilities and Services Review Board (HFSRB) for approval of a Certificate of Need for the Construction of a Hospital in Huntley, Illinois (Project Number 10-090); and

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**WHEREAS**, the State of Illinois has identified the planning area in which McHenry County is located (planning area A-10) as one of only three planning areas in the entire State of Illinois that has a shortage of acute care hospital beds to serve the community, and

**WHEREAS**, the construction of a hospital in Huntley, Illinois will allow Centegra Health System to address the identified bed need in the area of the McHenry County that needs it the most, based upon the rapid population growth in the area; and

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**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the McHenry County Board commends Centegra Health System's proposal to construct a hospital in Huntley, Illinois, and requests the Health Facilities and Services Review Board to promptly consider Centegra's request for a Certificate of Need which will allow the project to become a reality;

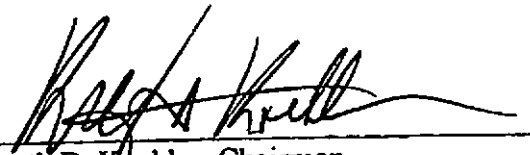
**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that, the County Clerk is hereby requested to send a certified copy of this Resolution to Courtney Avery, the Administrator of the Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board, 525 W. Jefferson Street, Springfield, Illinois 62761 and to the County Administrator.

DATED at Woodstock, Illinois this 15th day of February, A.D., 2011.

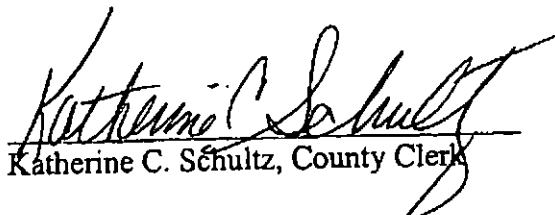
AYE: Evertsen, Hammerand, Hill, Jung, Kurtz, McCann, Miller, Munaretto, Nowak, Provenzano, Salgado, Schmidt, Yensen, Breeden, Donley, Donner, Draffkorn  
NAY: Heisler, Peschke, Schuster

ABSENT: Merkel, Wheeler and Bless

ATTEST: ABSTAIN Koehler

  
Kenneth D. Koehler, Chairman  
McHenry County Board

ATTEST:

  
Katherine C. Schultz, County Clerk

STATE OF ILLINOIS            )  
  SS  
COUNTY OF MCHENRY        )

I, Katherine C. Schultz, County Clerk within and for said County and State aforesaid, do hereby certify the attached to be a true and complete copy of Resolution No. R-201102-12-024 Authorizing support of approval for Centegra Hospital-Huntley. WHEREOF I have hereunto subscribed my hand and affixed the official seal of said County, at my office in Woodstock, Illinois this 16<sup>th</sup> day of February A.D. 2011.

Katherine C. Schultz  
McHenry County Clerk

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March 25, 2011

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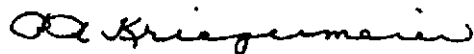
Ms. Courtney Avery, Administrator  
Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board  
525 W. Jefferson Street  
Springfield, IL 62761

Dear Ms. Avery:

Please find attached a copy of the signed resolution approved by McHenry County College on March 21, 2011 in support of Centegra Hospital-Huntley.

I certify that this copy is true and correct.

Sincerely,



Patricia Kriegermeier  
Administrative Assistant to the President/Board Liaison

RESOLUTION OF MCHENRY COUNTY COLLEGE  
RE: CENTEGRA HOSPITAL-HUNTLEY

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WHEREAS, since 2005, Centegra Health System and McHenry County College have collaborated on Healthcare Career Fairs, providing career education to 7114 of the County's 8<sup>th</sup> grade students to-date, and

WHEREAS, McHenry County College and Centegra Health System joined forces to provide oversight and instruction for the College's EMS program, which presents two paramedic courses, five basic EMT courses, seven first responder courses, two first responder tech courses, and one fire science course annually. Six of the EMS instructors are Centegra Associates, as is the Program's coordinator,

WHEREAS, Centegra Health System and McHenry County College partnered in the startup of the College's Nursing Program in August, 2008. Since its inception, Centegra has hosted 80 nursing students through its Red Carpet Clinical rotation process, with each student spending 100 eight hour shifts at a Centegra hospital. The program, instructed in part by four instructors who are also Centegra Associates, has graduated 27 students, including seven who were hired by Centegra upon graduation;

WHEREAS, in 2009, Centegra Health System partnered with McHenry County College and the McHenry County Economic Development Committee on presenting "Careers in Our County," an educational forum geared toward high school sophomores throughout the County.

Centegra provided staffing and materials for three booths representing healthcare careers in Medical Imaging, Laboratory Medicine, and Rehabilitation Therapy;

WHEREAS, Centegra Health System provided volunteer hours to students participating in the MCC Promise Program, to assist students in qualifying for paid tuition and in fulfillment of the Program's required community volunteerism;

WHEREAS, Centegra Health System hosted its first Education Fair in 2010, attended by McHenry County College, which allowed colleges and universities to promote their schools and programs in healthcare-related and general programs to Centegra Associates. This Fair was attended by 100 Centegra Associates, and another is planned for 2011;

WHEREAS Centegra Health System proposed and created "Health Professional Career Exploration," a three-credit course offered through McHenry County College, with classes held at Centegra hospitals. Students explore healthcare careers via testimonials from Centegra Associates, tours of nursing units, job shadowing, and skills exploration. The cost of the instructor, support staff, materials, and copying costs are borne by Centegra Health System and provided free of charge. Since August, 2010, Centegra has hosted three classes for a total of 42 students; and

WHEREAS, a Certified Occupational Therapy Assistant Program, is slated to begin in the Fall of 2011 at McHenry County College. This program was proposed by leadership of Centegra's Physical and Occupational Therapy Department, who worked with representatives of the College to plan the program and develop the curriculum. Centegra will provide a site for the Program's clinical rotation;

WHEREAS, Centegra Health System recently initiated a Student Nurse Internship Program and has hired three McHenry County College students as Nurse Interns; and

WHEREAS, in 2011, Centegra Health System proposed the formation of a Respiratory Therapy Program through McHenry County College. The College has submitted a grant proposal based on Centegra's recommendation, which is currently under consideration; and

WHEREAS, McHenry County College acknowledges the partnership with Centegra Health System as critical to the advancement of healthcare education in McHenry County; and accordingly believes that it would be in the best interests of McHenry County College and its constituents if Centegra is approved to construct a hospital in Huntley, Illinois; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that McHenry County College commends Centegra Health System for its continuing service to the community and supports its proposal to construct a hospital in Huntley, Illinois, and urges the Health Facilities and Services Review Board to promptly approve Centegra's request for a Certificate of Need which will allow the project to become a reality;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, a certified copy of this Resolution shall be forwarded to Courtney Avery, the Administrator of the Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board, 525 W. Jefferson Street, Springfield, Illinois 62761

PASSED and APPROVED this 21st day of March, 2011.

AYE: Sheriff, Adams, Lowe, Parrish, Walters, Larson

NAY: None

ABSENT: Miller, DeWitt

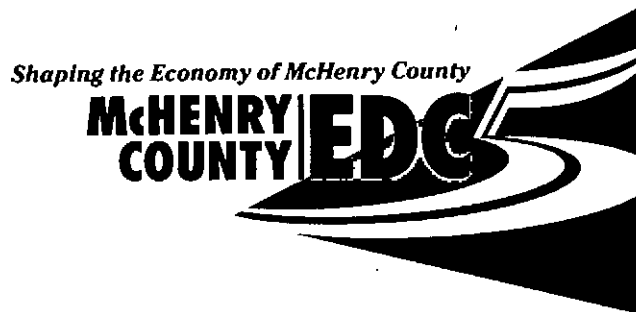
ATTEST:



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Mary Miller  
Chair

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WHEREAS, the McHenry County Economic Development Corporation is a public/private business advocacy group with the mission to: promote the economic health of McHenry County, through retention, expansion and attraction of commerce and industry which is conducive to an optimal quality of life for its citizens, to aid in the creation of primary jobs through assistance and attraction and to facilitate an economic development structure which enables individual communities within this county to realize opportunities to promote the same common good for their residents; and

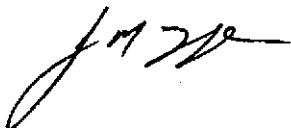
WHEREAS, Centegra Health System's construction of a new hospital in Huntley will as noted, create jobs and stimulate the regional economy and therefore will help to promote the mission of the McHenry County Economic Development Corporation,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Board of Directors of the McHenry County Economic Development Corporation commends and supports Centegra Health System's proposal to construct a hospital in Huntley, Illinois, and urges the Health Facilities and Services Review Board to promptly approve Centegra's request for a Certificate of Need which will allow the project to become a reality;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, a certified copy of this Resolution shall be forwarded to Courtney Avery, the Administrator of the Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board, 525 W. Jefferson Street, Springfield, Illinois 62761

Adopted by majority vote of the McHenry County Economic Development Corporation, Board of Directors, and McHenry, Illinois on the 25th day of January, 2011.

Jim Thorpe, Chairman of the Board



Attested by:



Sue Dobbe, Secretary



## RESOLUTION NO.021611

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF APPROVAL  
OF CENTEGRA HOSPITAL-HUNTLEY

WHEREAS, Centegra Health System has filed an application with the Health Facilities and Services Review Board (HFSRB) for approval of a Certificate of Need for the Construction of a Hospital in Huntley, Illinois (Project Number 10-090); and

WHEREAS, the Southern portion of McHenry County is the fastest growing region in McHenry County; and

WHEREAS, the State of Illinois has identified the planning area in which McHenry County is located (planning area A-10) as one of only three planning areas in the entire State of Illinois that has a shortage of acute care hospital beds to serve the community, and

WHEREAS, the construction of a hospital in Huntley, Illinois will allow Centegra Health System to address the identified bed need in the area of the McHenry County that needs it the most, based upon the rapid population growth in the area; and

WHEREAS, In addition to meeting the state's bed need for Health Planning Area A-10, Centegra's proposed hospital would serve Health Planning Area A-11, less than two miles to the south. According to State figures, this planning area (Northern Kane County) is the second of three areas in the State where additional hospital beds are needed. Therefore, two of the three planning areas in Illinois with identified hospital bed shortages would be served by Centegra Hospital - Huntley.

WHEREAS, the construction of a hospital in Huntley will result in the creation of approximately 1,100 new jobs in healthcare and as many as 800 jobs associated with the construction of the facility and will therefore greatly benefit the economy of McHenry County both directly through the creation of jobs but also indirectly through Centegra's reliance upon local providers of goods and services that are ancillary to health care; and

WHEREAS, Centegra has an existing health care campus in Huntley that has served the region through an immediate care center and other health care services and the construction of a hospital on this existing campus will result in an efficient use of limited health care resources of the community; and

WHEREAS, Centegra Health System has faithfully provided health care services to the residents of McHenry County for nearly one hundred years since the opening of Woodstock Hospital in 1914. During that time Centegra has collaborated with virtually every level of government from the County to Cities, Villages and Towns. Centegra has also supported other not-for-profit entities, service organizations, schools and other community groups. On the basis of this faithful service Centegra Health System has established itself as the best suited to provide the full-service hospital that is needed in Southern McHenry County;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Northern Illinois Special Recreation Association (NISRA) commends and supports Centegra Health System's proposal to construct a hospital in Huntley, Illinois, and urges the Health Facilities and Services Review Board to promptly approve Centegra's request for a Certificate of Need which will allow the project to become a reality;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, a certified copy of this Resolution shall be forwarded to Courtney Avery, the Administrator of the Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board, 525 W. Jefferson Street, Springfield, Illinois 62761

PASSED and APPROVED this 11 day of February, 2011.

AYE: 10

NAY: 3

ABSENT: 0

ATTEST:



Executive Director/Secretary of the Board

# **RESOLUTION OF UNITED WAY OF GREATER MCHENRY COUNTY IN SUPPORT OF APPROVAL OF CENTEGRA HOSPITAL-HUNTLEY**

WHEREAS, Centegra Health System has filed an application with the Health Facilities and Services Review Board (HFSRB) for approval of a Certificate of need for the construction of a hospital in Huntley, Illinois (Project Number 10-090); and

WHEREAS, United Way of Greater McHenry County is a 501(c)3 organization that enhances the quality of life for those in need in McHenry County by facilitating access to resources; and

WHEREAS, United Way of Greater McHenry County is one of nearly 1,300 independent United Way organizations across the nation and funds raised during the annual campaign currently go to support 52 human service programs which service people in need throughout greater McHenry County. These programs are offered through 26 agencies that partner with United Way; and

WHEREAS, collaborating agencies, including Centegra Health Systems, cover a broad range of services including senior day care and nutrition programs, child care, scouting, counseling, delinquency prevention, and emergency food and shelter. United Way of Greater McHenry County continually strives to help find solutions to community problems; and

WHEREAS, in providing these services to the people of greater McHenry County, United Way of Greater McHenry County has been supported by and has collaborated with Centegra Health System and has found Centegra to be a valued partner in serving people in need; and

WHEREAS, according to published data, the southern portion of McHenry County is the fastest growing region in McHenry County; and

WHEREAS, the State of Illinois has identified the planning area in which McHenry County is located (planning area A-10) as one of only three planning areas in the entire State of Illinois that has a shortage of acute care hospital beds to serve the community; and

WHEREAS, the construction of a hospital in Huntley, Illinois will allow Centegra Health System to address the identified bed need in the McHenry County area that needs it the most, based upon the rapid population growth in the area; and

WHEREAS, in addition to meeting the state's bed need for planning area A-10, Centegra's proposed hospital would also serve planning area A-11, less than two miles to the south. According to State figures, this planning area (Northern Kane County) is the second of three areas in the state where additional hospital beds are needed. Therefore, two of the three planning areas in Illinois with identified hospital bed shortages would be served by Centegra hospital – Huntley.

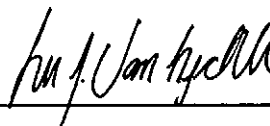
WHEREAS, Centegra Health System has faithfully provided health care services to the residents of McHenry County for nearly one hundred years since the opening of Woodstock Hospital in 1914. During that time, Centegra has collaborated with virtually every level of government from the county to cities, villages and towns. Centegra has also supported other not-for-profit entities, service organizations, schools and other community groups. On the basis of this faithful service Centegra Health System has established itself as the best suited to provide the full-service hospital that is needed in southern McHenry County;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of United Way of Greater McHenry County commends Centegra Health System's proposal to construct a hospital in Huntley, Illinois and urges the Health Facilities and Services Review Board to promptly approve Centegra Health System's request for a Certificate of Need which will allow the project to become a reality;

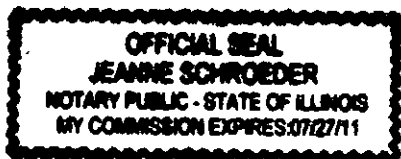
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, a certified copy of this Resolution shall be forwarded to Courtney Avery, the Administrator of the Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board, 525 W. Jefferson Street, Springfield, Illinois 62761.

PASSED and APPROVED this 25<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2011.

Votes in favor	<u>11</u>
Votes against	<u>0</u>
Members absent	<u>5</u>
Members abstaining	<u>4</u>



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President of the Board of Directors



*Jeanne Schroeder*



# VILLAGE OF HUNTLEY

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February 3, 2011

Ms. Courtney Avery, Administrator  
IL Health Facilities and Services Review Board  
525 W. Jefferson Street  
Springfield, IL 62761

10-090

**Re: Village Board Meeting of January 27, 2011**

Dear Ms Avery:

At the January 27, 2011 Village Board meeting the Board of Trustees passed and approved Resolution (R)2011-01.05 – Resolution in Support of Approval of Centegra Hospital-Huntley. A certified copy of the resolution is included for your files.

Should you have any questions regarding the Village Board's action, please contact me at 847-515-5261.

Very truly yours,

Rita McMahon  
Village Clerk

Enclosure

cc: David Johnson, Village Manager  
Lisa Armour, Sr. Assistant to the Village Manager  
Aaron Shepley, Sr. Vice President/Centegra Health Systems  
Susan Milford, Vice President/Centegra Health Systems

STATE OF ILLINOIS     )  
  ) SS  
COUNTY OF McHENRY )  
COUNTY OF KANE     )

CERTIFICATION

I, RITA MCMAHON, do hereby certify that I am the duly authorized Village Clerk of the Village of Huntley, Counties of McHenry and Kane, State of Illinois, and that as such Village Clerk I am the keeper of the records and minutes of proceedings of the President and Board of Trustees of the said Village.

I do hereby certify that the following Resolution (R)2011-01.05 – Resolution in Support of Approval of Centegra Hospital-Huntley was duly passed and approved, at the Village Board meeting of said President and Village Board, held on the 27<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2011, at which time 5 Trustees were present and 1 absent.

Motion was made by Trustee Kanakaris seconded by Trustee Piwko that the attached Resolution be passed and approved.

Upon roll-call vote, the following voted Aye: Trustees Fender, Kadakia, Kanakaris, Mercer and Piwko, 0 Trustees voted NAY, and 1 Trustee (Trustee Leopold) was absent; where upon said Resolution was declared duly passed and was thereupon approved by the President.



*Rita McMahon*  
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VILLAGE CLERK

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF APPROVAL  
OF CENTEGRA HOSPITAL-HUNTLEY**

**RESOLUTION (R)2011-01.05**

WHEREAS, Centegra Health System has filed an application with the Health Facilities and Services Review Board (HFSRB) for approval of a Certificate of Need for the Construction of a Hospital in Huntley, Illinois (Project Number 10-090); and

WHEREAS, the Southern portion of McHenry County is the fastest growing region in McHenry County and the population of the Village of Huntley has more than tripled in the last ten years; and

WHEREAS, the State of Illinois has identified the planning area in which McHenry County is located (planning area A-10) as one of only three planning areas in the entire State of Illinois that has a shortage of acute care hospital beds to serve the community, and

WHEREAS, the construction of a hospital in Huntley, Illinois will allow Centegra Health System to address the identified bed need in the area of McHenry County that needs it the most, based upon the rapid population growth in the area; and

WHEREAS, In addition to meeting the state's bed need for Health Planning Area A-10, Centegra's proposed hospital would serve Health Planning Area A-11, less than two miles to the south. According to State figures, this planning area (Northern Kane County) is the second of three areas in the State where additional hospital beds are needed. Therefore, two of the three planning areas in Illinois with identified hospital bed shortages would be served by Centegra Hospital - Huntley.

WHEREAS, the construction of a hospital in Huntley will result in the creation of approximately 1,100 new jobs in healthcare and as many as 800 jobs associated with the construction of the facility and will therefore greatly benefit the economy of McHenry County both directly through the creation of jobs but also indirectly through Centegra's reliance upon local providers of goods and services that are ancillary to health care; and

WHEREAS, Centegra has an existing health care campus in Huntley that has served the region through an immediate care center and other health care services and the construction of a hospital on this existing campus will result in an efficient use of limited health care resources of the community; and

WHEREAS, Centegra Health System has faithfully provided health care services to the residents of McHenry County for nearly one hundred years since the opening of Woodstock Hospital in 1914. During that time Centegra has collaborated with virtually every level of government from the County to Cities, Villages and Towns. Centegra has also supported other not-for-profit entities, service organizations, schools and other community groups. On the basis of this faithful service Centegra Health System has established itself as the best suited to provide the full-service hospital that is needed in Southern McHenry County; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Huntley is interested in ensuring the availability of quality healthcare to all its residents; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Huntley has had the opportunity to collaborate with Centegra Health System in the development of a state-of-the-art Immediate Care Center, primary care physicians' office, and fitness center and believes that the proposed project will yield benefit, not only for the Village of Huntley, but for the entire region, and that Centegra is the best suited to serve the community through this project;


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Village of Huntley commends and supports Centegra Health System's proposal to construct a hospital in Huntley, Illinois, and urges the Health Facilities and Services Review Board to promptly approve Centegra's request for a Certificate of Need which will allow the project to become a reality;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, a certified copy of this Resolution shall be forwarded to Courtney Avery, the Administrator of the Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board, 525 W. Jefferson Street, Springfield, Illinois 62761


PASSED and APPROVED this 27<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2011.

AYE: Trustees Fender, Kadakia, Kanakaris, Mercer and Piwko  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Trustee Leopold  
ABSTAIN: None

ATTEST:

  
Village Clerk



  
Village President



VILLAGE OF LAKE IN THE HILLS

RESOLUTION NO. 2011- 05

Resolution in Support of Approval of Centegra Hospital - Huntley

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WHEREAS, the Southern portion of McHenry County is the fastest growing region in McHenry County; and

WHEREAS, the State of Illinois has identified the planning area in which McHenry County is located (planning area A-10) as one of only three planning areas in the entire State of Illinois that has a shortage of acute care hospital beds to serve the community, and

WHEREAS, the construction of a hospital in Huntley, Illinois will allow Centegra Health System to address the identified bed need in the area of the McHenry County that needs it the most, based upon the rapid population growth and to enhance service to communities in the region including the Village of Lake in the Hills, the third largest municipality in McHenry County; and

WHEREAS, In addition to meeting the state's bed need for Health Planning Area A-10, Centegra's proposed hospital would serve Health Planning Area A-11, less than two miles to the south. According to State figures, this planning area (Northern Kane County) is the second of three areas in the State where additional hospital beds are needed. Therefore, two of the three planning areas in Illinois with identified hospital bed shortages would be served by Centegra Hospital - Huntley.

WHEREAS, the construction of a hospital in Huntley will result in the creation of approximately 1,100 new jobs in healthcare and as many as 800 jobs associated with the construction of the facility and will therefore greatly benefit the economy of McHenry County both directly through the creation of jobs but also indirectly through Centegra's reliance upon local providers of goods and services that are ancillary to health care; and

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that The Village of Lake in the Hills commends and supports Centegra Health System's proposal to construct a hospital in Huntley, Illinois, and urges the Health Facilities and Services Review Board to promptly approve Centegra's request for a Certificate of Need which will allow the project to become a reality;

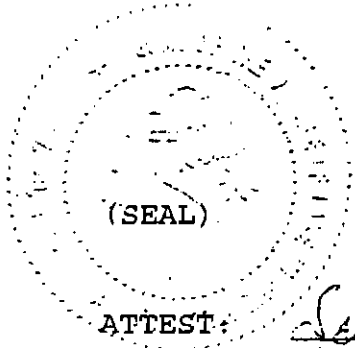
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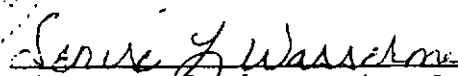
PASSED by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Lake in the Hills, Illinois, this 10<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2011 by roll call vote as follows:

	Ayes	Nays	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Stephen Harlfinger	✓	_____	_____	_____
Trustee Ray Bogdanowski	✓	_____	_____	_____
Trustee Paul Mulcahy	✓	_____	_____	_____
Trustee Bob Huckins	_____	_____	_____	_____
Trustee Denise Barreto	✓	_____	_____	_____
President Edwin M. Plaza	_____	_____	_____	_____

APPROVED THIS 10TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2011

  
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 Village President, Edwin M. Plaza



ATTEST:   
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 Village Clerk, Denise L. Wasserman

Published: February 11, 2011

VILLAGE OF  
**LAKEWOOD**  
*Quality Living in a Natural Setting*

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February 8, 2011

Ms. Courtney R. Avery  
Administrator, Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board  
525 W. Jefferson  
2nd Floor  
Springfield, Illinois 62761  
RE: Centegra Hospital-Huntley

Dear Ms. Avery:

Please accept this letter in support of Centegra Hospital-Huntley, Project No. 10-090. This project will greatly benefit the Village of Lakewood, which shares boundaries with Crystal Lake, Lake in the Hills, Huntley, and Woodstock.

The Mission of the Village of Lakewood is to remain a friendly community, providing families with quality living in a natural setting. Our village prides itself on caring well for our residents, and the availability of comprehensive, quality healthcare so close by will truly be an asset for our community. We have already seen the benefit of Centegra's current campus in Huntley, with its focus on outpatient services and wellness. The new hospital will enable our residents to have ready access to the complete continuum of healthcare.

The Village of Lakewood supports Centegra's decision to serve the residents of Southern McHenry County with a new hospital in Huntley.

Sincerely,



Erin Smith  
Village President

RESOLUTION NO. 2011-R05  
THE VILLAGE OF LAKEWOOD  
RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF APPROVAL  
OF CENTEGRA HOSPITAL-HUNTLEY

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WHEREAS, the State of Illinois has identified the planning area in which McHenry County is located (planning area A-10) as one of only three planning areas in the entire State of Illinois that has a shortage of acute care hospital beds to serve the community, and

WHEREAS, the construction of a hospital in Huntley, Illinois will allow Centegra Health System to address the identified bed need in the area of the McHenry County that needs it the most, based upon the rapid population growth and to enhance service to communities in the region including the Village of Lakewood, a municipality that is located immediately to the North of the proposed Hospital site; and

WHEREAS, in addition to meeting the state's bed need for Health Planning Area A-10, Centegra's proposed hospital would serve Health Planning Area A-11, less than two miles to the south. According to State figures, this planning area (Northern Kane County) is the second of three areas in the State where additional hospital beds are needed. Therefore, two of the three planning areas in Illinois with identified hospital bed shortages would be served by Centegra Hospital - Huntley.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that The Village of Lakewood commends and supports Centegra Health System's proposal to construct a hospital in Huntley, Illinois, and urges the Health Facilities and Services Review Board to promptly approve Centegra's request for a Certificate of Need which will allow the project to become a reality;

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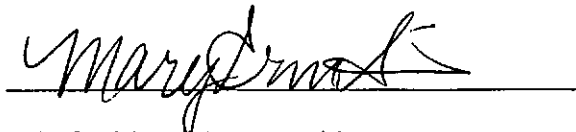
PASSED and APPROVED this 7<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2011.

AYE: Trustees Burton, Davis, Furey, Hobson, Richardson, and Santowski

NAY: None

ABSENT: None

ATTEST:

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Erin Smith", is written over a horizontal line.

Erin Smith, Village President

# NORTHWEST HERALD

## Centegra proposal a hit in Huntley

By CHELSEA McDOUGALL  
December 21, 2010

HUNTLEY – Some called it “historic,” others an early Christmas gift. Whatever they called it, attendees at a Centegra Health System-sponsored reception Monday were enthusiastic about Centegra’s official announcement of its bid to build a new hospital in Huntley.

Joined by local legislators, members of the news media and community, Centegra officials said building the \$233 million, 128-bed hospital not only would spur the local economy but said it was the next step in boosting health care in McHenry County.

“I’m delighted,” said state Sen. Pam Althoff, R-McHenry. “I’m delighted to know that Centegra has chosen to provide the services to continue their expansion in McHenry County. I’m delighted that they made the commitment to use local companies with the construction as well as in hiring. That [means] jobs for McHenry County.”

Centegra Hospital – Huntley could create about 1,100 permanent jobs and 800 construction jobs during the 30-month construction schedule. The health system will file a Certificate of Need with the Illinois Health Facilities Planning Board by the end of the month and expects that once approved, construction can begin in fall 2012.

About 700 permanent jobs will be clinical, but there will be about 380 other full-time service jobs related to hospital operations, said Kim Kubiak, senior coordinator of public relations. Centegra already is the county’s largest employer, currently employing about 3,700 people, Kubiak said.

Centegra CEO Michael S. Eesley called the event a “historic announcement.”

“We’re really making McHenry County move forward, not only from an economic standpoint, but from a health care standpoint,” Eesley said.

Pending approval of the Certificate of Need, the proposed facility would house features including an emergency department, nursery, noninvasive cardiology services, a women’s center and helipad for transporting patients.

Huntley Mayor Chuck Sass congratulated Centegra for having “the vision to fulfill this need before there’s a real problem.”

For Del Webb residents Dan and Sandy Gabl, a closer hospital to their senior citizen community would put their minds at ease.

“You get a big peace of mind knowing your hospital is right here for an emergency or anything,” Dan Gabl said. “We were always talking about it, [saying] it’d be nice to have a hospital, but it costs so much money and with the economy right now, I didn’t think they were going to do it.”

Despite a downturn in the economy and stalled building projects nationwide, Centegra officials said a growing population in the region that the hospital would serve made it the right time to move forward.

“A lot of times our building projects and what we do from a strategic sense don’t always align with the economies of the world,” Eesley said. “They align really with the needs of the community.”

Huntley trustee Jay Kadakia knew that when Centegra bought 110 acres at Haligus and Algonquin roads in 2005, where Centegra’s Health Bridge Fitness Center and Centegra Health Center are located, a new hospital wouldn’t be too far off.

“When they had the groundbreaking, the first question I asked [Eesley was], ‘when are you opening a hospital?’” Kadakia said.

Hilary Agnello is a mother of two small children who lives on the border of Crystal Lake and Huntley. She switched health care providers halfway through her pregnancy with her second child and gave birth to her son, Carson, 4 months ago at Centegra Hospital – Woodstock.

“I’m thrilled,” she said. “[Centegra is] good enough that it’s worth it for me to drive to get there. And to hear that they are going to be building one here, I was like, ‘this is awesome.’”

Huntley trustee Pam Fender said Christmas came early this year for Huntley. “This was an early Christmas present,” Fender said. “It’s a big present to the whole area, Huntley especially.”

Attachment 7

# NORTHWEST HERALD

December 22, 2010

## **Hospital plan is great news**

We applaud Centegra Health System's announcement this week that it will build a new hospital in Huntley. Assuming it receives state approval, the \$233 million, 128-bed hospital will break ground in 2012 and open by 2015.

The project will be a boon for the local economy both during the construction phase – about 800 construction jobs are expected during the 30-month building schedule – and after the hospital opens – almost 1,100 permanent jobs will be created, including 700 clinical and 380 related jobs.

Once construction begins, it will be one of the biggest projects in McHenry County in decades, and couldn't come at a better time.

The project also will improve health care locally, particularly in the underserved southern end of the county.

Years ago, when Mercy Health System applied with the state's Health Facilities Planning Board to build a hospital in Crystal Lake, we suggested the Huntley area as a more suitable location for a hospital because of its growing population and distance from other county hospitals.

Centegra's proposed site is in a perfect location, on 110 acres of property at Haligus and Algonquin roads, where Centegra's Health Bridge Fitness Center and Centegra Health Center currently are located.

Plans call for the hospital to include an emergency department, a nursery, noninvasive cardiology services, a women's center, and a helipad for transporting patients.

"We're really making McHenry County move forward, not only from an economic standpoint, but from a health care standpoint," Centegra CEO Michael S. Eesley said at a Monday reception announcing the project.

We agree, and urge the state to approve Centegra's Certificate of Need.

# NORTHWEST HERALD

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

February 6, 2011

### **Supports Centegra Huntley**

To the Editor:

As residents of Sun City Huntley for more than six years, we most definitely support Centegra's expansion and application for a new hospital in Huntley, adjoining their already-active Immediate Care Center (which we have been visiting frequently) and the HealthBridge Fitness Center.

Expansion of the site on Haligus Road is a perfect fit at a desirable location, serving a growing Huntley community. Consider the nearby, rezoned land parcels for residential development ready to kick off as the economy improves. Also consider nearby infrastructure improvements such as the widening of Route 47 and a complete interchange at Route 47 and Interstate 90.

The very proactive village of Huntley Board and leaders support Centegra's expansion plans. Right now, the nearest hospitals to Sun City are Centegra Hospital - Woodstock and Sherman Hospital in Elgin. Consideration should be given especially to the population base of nearly 9,000 people at age-restricted Sun City with most residents over the age of 60 requiring more frequent and often-immediate medical care.

Melvin H. Long  
Huntley



# Daily Herald

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

2/7/2011 10:41 AM

### **New hospital good for Sun City**

As residents of Sun City Huntley for more than six years, we most definitely support Centegra's expansion and application for a new hospital in Huntley, adjoining their already-active Immediate Care Center, which we have been visiting frequently, and the Healthbridge Fitness Center.

Expansion of the site on Haligus Road is a perfect fit on a desirable location serving a growing Huntley community and environs. Consider the nearby, rezoned land parcels for residential development ready to kick off as the economy improves. Also, consider nearby infrastructure improvements such as the widening of Illinois Route 47 and complete interchange at Route 47 and I-90.

The very proactive Huntley village board supports Centegra's expansion plans. Right now, the nearest hospitals to Sun City are Centegra Woodstock and Sherman Hospital in Elgin. Consideration should be given especially to the population base of nearly 9,000 people at age-restricted Sun City with most residents older than 60 and require more frequent and often immediate medical care.

Melvin H. Long  
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# NORTHWEST HERALD

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Monday, February 21, 2011 5:30 a.m. CST

### **Full support**

To the Editor:

Centegra Health System would be a really great addition to our community and its surrounding areas.

Speaking as someone with some health problems, it also would give me great peace of mind, and as they are already established here and have been of much help to me and my neighborhood, it would seem only sensible to give this hospital my full support.

Penny Channer  
Huntley

# NORTHWEST HERALD

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Tuesday, February 22, 2011 5:30 a.m. CST

### **Huntley hospital needed**

To the Editor:

To open a hospital on Haligus and Reed roads will be great since we have a lot of elderly people in Sun City.

The hospitals that we currently have are too far away. This also will create more jobs.

Rosa Jimenez

Huntley

# Daily Herald

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

2/23/2011 03:18 PM

### Likes hospital near Sun City

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Grant Freeding  
Huntley

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Joanne Bratta  
Algonquin

# The CourierNews

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Last Modified: Feb 24, 2011 09:54AM

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Wonder Lake

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## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Feb 24, 2011 02:11AM

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## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Sunday, February 27, 2011 5:30 a.m. CST

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Heather McLaughlin  
Wonder Lake

# NORTHWEST HERALD

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Tuesday, March 1, 2011 5:30 a.m. CST

### **Wonderful Hospital**

To the Editor:

I would like to express my appreciation for the wonderful treatment my mom received from the re-hab floor of Centegra Hospital – McHenry. I was amazed by the positive, caring attitude of all the nurses, therapists, and doctors on staff. They went above and beyond even during a major snow storm. We are very lucky to have a wonderful hospital in our neighborhood.

Linda Mayer  
McHenry

# NORTHWEST HERALD

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Thursday, March 3, 2011 5:30 a.m. CST

### **Approve Centegra Huntley**

To the Editor:

We strongly support Centegra Health System's plan to add a hospital to the Huntley health campus. Centegra's vision of providing comprehensive and technologically state-of-the-art health and wellness services is exactly what this fast-growing community needs now and well into the future.

The need is there, the will is there, the resources are there. The Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board has the power to take Centegra's plan from vision to reality. We ask the review board to support our community by issuing a Certificate of Need. So many great things will follow.

Michael and Lisa Rogala  
Huntley

# NORTHWEST HERALD

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Monday, March 7, 2011 5:30 a.m. CST

### Valuable Resource

To the Editor:

I would be delighted to see a hospital become a reality in Huntley.

I am very proud to be an active citizen, a registered nurse, and a mother in the town of Huntley. This would be a valuable resource for a booming area, with a substantial population growth. We already have excellent District 158 schools, so this would entice more professionals to consider the area home.

We do not have a hospital in close proximity. With the baby boomers entering the picture, and the addition of Del Webb's community, we will need to have adequate provisions for health care in the area. I am very excited to see the possibilities this hospital would provide for our community.

Jean Llamas

Huntley

# NORTHWEST HERALD

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Sunday, March 13, 2011 5:30 a.m. CDT

### **Need Closer Hospital**

To the Editor:

I am a volunteer for Faith in Action of McHenry County. I drive seniors from the area to doctor's appointments and outpatient therapies. Many are from Sun City in Huntley who need to be driven to Elgin.

It scares me to think of how long it would take for them to be transported in case of emergency. I feel we need a facility closer for all of us.

Barbara Pinter  
Lake in the Hills

# NORTHWEST HERALD

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Tuesday, March 15, 2011 5:30 a.m. CDT

### **Supports Huntley Hospital**

To the Editor:

We along with about 9,000 other seniors live in Sun City. We need a hospital that is close to us, not only for emergencies, but also for those of us who require a variety of medical procedures that seem to increase yearly as we grow older.

The Haligus/Algonquin Road location is ideal, not only for us in Sun City, but it appears to be the most centralized with all the booming communities in that area.

We need a hospital that is close to us so we are able to visit friends and or relatives who are in need of hospital care whether it be outpatient or extended stays. That is in addition to having a hospital close to us for emergency reasons.

Jim and Lois Bartunek  
Huntley

# NORTHWEST HERALD

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Wednesday, March 16, 2011 5:30 a.m. CDT

### People made difference

To the Editor:

I have been to Centegra's Rehab on South Street in Woodstock twice for knee replacements. Both times I have found the nurses and techs and the therapists to be wonderful. If you had a problem, the nurses would do their best to fix it. The first time I was there, I could not sleep in their beds, so in the first two days, I had three different beds. The food there was good. You had your selections, but if there was something you wanted that was not on the list and you could have it, they tried their best to get it for you. There were newspapers on the tables in the dining room each morning and magazines for you to read. When you had company and you did not want to stay in your room, you could go to the dining room. There were games, puzzles, even books. When the grandchildren were visiting, they offered them juice and cookies.

The techs were great.

The therapist tried to make you as comfortable as possible and help you on your way to recovery.

Everyone was so friendly, and they were there for you every step of the way, just as Bob Zellman from Crystal Lake said. I would be glad to see all these great people and their smiley faces again. I know I'd be in for another great stay.

Jinnie Andrews  
Marengo

# Daily Herald

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Article updated: 3/18/2011 04:47 PM

### **Huntley hospital helps Sun City**

We, along with about 9,000 other seniors, live in Huntley's Sun City. We need a hospital that is close to us — not only for emergencies but also for those of us that require a variety of medical procedures that seem to increase yearly as we grow older.

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Jim and Lois Bartunek  
Huntley



# NORTHWEST HERALD

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Sunday, March 20, 2011 5:30 a.m. CDT

### **Approve Centegra Huntley**

To the Editor:

As a resident of Sun City, I implore the state to approve the certificate of need for Centegra Health System to proceed with construction of a full-service hospital on its campus in Huntley.

There are so many of us seniors who don't want to or can't drive miles for services. This is an ideal location and would benefit the communities of Hampshire, Genoa, Marengo, Union and more.

Diane Marks  
Huntley

# NORTHWEST HERALD

## Eesley: Build new hospital where it's needed most – southern McHenry County

By Michael S. Eesley

Created: Friday, April 22, 2011 5:30 a.m. CDT

Updated: Friday, April 22, 2011 7:45 a.m. CDT

Young families, senior citizens and local emergency medical personnel alike say that now is the time for a new hospital, and southern McHenry County is where it belongs. They're right.

The debate over where to put a new hospital is about more than just two towns: Huntley and Crystal Lake. It's about the regions where those towns are located. As a whole, southern McHenry County has less access to hospital care, even with its growing population.

Three existing hospitals are located in the county's north and central areas, already serving Woodstock, McHenry and Crystal Lake. In fact, our Woodstock campus is within 1.4 miles of a Crystal Lake ZIP code, and McHenry Hospital is within 2.6 miles of a Crystal Lake ZIP code. Residents living near Huntley are indeed "medically underserved." Our proposal would close this gap and bring improved access to these tens of thousands of residents.

Looking ahead, the need for a hospital in southern McHenry County will only grow in the years to come. Huntley's population is projected to grow at 12 percent from 2010 to 2015, while Lake in the Hills and Algonquin are projected to grow at 10.2 percent and 10.6 percent, respectively, for that same time period.

It is clear to all of us who live in McHenry County that Huntley is at the heart of the growth and is the ideal location for a new hospital in southern McHenry County. From the widening of Route 47 to the planning for a \$70 million interchange at Route 47 and Interstate 90, Huntley will remain at the epicenter of growth and economic development for years to come. A new hospital at Reed Road and Haligus Road in Huntley also would be close to home for residents of northern Kane County. Numbers from the state show a need for hospital beds not only in McHenry County, but in Kane County too.

Since we announced our plans for Centegra Hospital – Huntley, we have heard an outpouring of support from

local residents, especially those living in Del Webb's Sun City. This is a significant senior population with increasing health care needs. The community's 9,000 residents are thrilled by the prospect of a hospital right down the street.

We are confident that our long-term vision for this region is the right one, and our commitment dates back 100 years. Since we opened our Centegra Immediate Care facility in Huntley in 2008, thousands of residents from Huntley, Lake in the Hills, Algonquin, Crystal Lake, Lakewood, Hampshire and surrounding communities have benefited from top-notch health care and wellness services right in their own backyard. We have those residents in mind as we propose this hospital, and with the resources of an integrated health system, state-of-the-art specialty care is always on hand.

Centegra Health System currently employs more than 3,700 associates and will welcome 1,100 more with this hospital. This project would have an economic impact of \$152 million and bring more than 800 new construction jobs to the community. We also are proud to be a leading provider of charity care in the area, and we also provided more than \$53 million in community benefits to the region in fiscal 2010.

Centegra already has received approval from the village of Huntley to build a hospital on our campus. With state approval, we will immediately proceed with final engineering and design components. We want to be smart with your health care resources, spending them only when they are needed. Our timeline for construction is a realistic one, and we anticipate seeing our first patients in 2015.

We look forward to being on the leading edge of medical advancements in this region for many years to come. On behalf of the entire Centegra family, it is our privilege to serve you and your family.

For more information, visit [www.CentegraHospitalHuntley.org](http://www.CentegraHospitalHuntley.org).

Michael S. Eesley is CEO of Centegra Health System.

# Daily Herald

## New Huntley hospital a boon for area

Article updated: 4/26/2011 7:45 AM

I would love for the new hospital to be built in Huntley. I have an elderly mother and in-laws who live nearby, and having a hospital close by would help make it easier to get the medical care they need as well as for my own family.

There have been plenty of times while raising my kids that I asked, "Where should I take them?" when we've had small emergencies. The population in this area has grown so much and the traffic has increased so much, trying to get to emergency medical care has become much more difficult when you have to travel all the way to Barrington, McHenry, Woodstock or Elgin.

Having a new hospital in Huntley would be beneficial to my family as well as the entire surrounding community.

Karen Dowell  
Lake in the Hills

# NORTHWEST HERALD

## Approve Centegra plan

Tuesday, April 26, 2011  
5:30 a.m. CDT

To the Editor:

I enthusiastically support Centegra's proposal and plan to build a hospital in southern McHenry County, and particularly in Huntley. As the county continues to grow, and with Huntley as a projected core growth village, having a local hospital and emergency room centered within the village lines that serves Huntley and the surrounding communities is a defineable benefit, and an asset for the families and businesses the area seeks to draw. I encourage the state review board to approve Centegra's proposal and enable this project to become a reality.

Keith Steen  
Huntley

# CourierNews

## **Centegra hospital in Huntley would be community benefit**

April 28, 2011

I enthusiastically support Centegra's proposal and plan to build a hospital in southern McHenry County, and particularly in Huntley.

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I encourage the Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board to approve Centegra's proposal and enable this project to become a reality.

Keith Steen  
Huntley

# Daily Herald

## New hospital needed in Huntley

Article updated: 5/3/2011 7:10 PM

I enthusiastically support Centegra's proposal and plan to build a hospital in southern McHenry County and particularly in Huntley.

As the county continues to grow, and with Huntley as a projected core growth village, having a local hospital and ER centered in or near the village is a definable benefit and an asset for the families and businesses the area seeks to draw.

I encourage the review board to approve Centegra's proposal and enable this project to become a reality.

Keith Steen  
Huntley

# NORTHWEST HERALD

## Supports Huntley hospital

Created: Thursday, May 5, 2011 5:30 a.m. CDT

To the Editor:

We live in Sun City, Huntley, along with 10,000 other seniors. We have been here for almost 11 years now. Needless to say, it would be a godsend to have a hospital here in town, close to where we live. We could give you 10,000 reasons for that. But let's keep it short.

The rest of the population in Huntley would certainly like to have a hospital close by also. They project our area to grow to 50,000 people in the future. This is one more reason to build a hospital here.

Harvey and Rita Gascon  
Huntley

# NORTHWEST HERALD

## Centegra's proposal is best for county

Created: Friday, May 6, 2011 5:30 a.m. CDT

Centegra Health System and Mercy Health System propose building new hospitals in McHenry County.

Centegra seeks state approval to build a 128-bed hospital near its existing health care campus in Huntley. Mercy has filed with the state to build a 128-bed facility on Route 31 in Crystal Lake.

With the rising costs of health care and complex federal reform on the way, providers are tasked with working to keep costs down by streamlining services, eliminating waste and avoiding duplication of services within markets. But they also must work to meet an area's existing health care needs.

In Illinois, health care systems work under Certificate of Need guidelines, meaning they must prove to a state panel – the Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board – that there is a need to build a new hospital, or add onto an existing one, before moving forward.

Centegra and Mercy each filed a Certificate of Need application on the same day in December. On June 28, the state review board is scheduled to consider their proposals. The board can approve both, which is unlikely. It can approve one and deny the other. It can deny both. Or it can ask for more information and defer its decisions.

Centegra and Mercy each opposes the other's proposal. Neighboring hospitals – namely, Advocate Good Shepherd in Barrington, Sherman Hospital in Elgin, and St. Alexius Medical Center in Hoffman Estates – oppose both proposals, arguing that either would drive up their costs and, ultimately, consumers' costs, by creating unnecessary duplication of services.

In December, the Northwest Herald's Editorial Board endorsed Centegra's Huntley hospital plan. That endorsement came before Mercy made it known that it again was going to pursue a Crystal Lake hospital. (Mercy was unsuccessful in its attempt to build a Crystal Lake hospital in 2003-2005.)

Over the past several weeks, members of the Northwest Herald Editorial Board have studied the competing hospital plans.

We reviewed the hospitals' Certificate of Need applications to the state. We examined current demographic information for the county, and growth projections for the next several years. Editorial Board members sat down with officials from Centegra and from Mercy. We also met with representatives from the competing hospitals that are opposed to both proposals.

During our review, we've tried to answer these questions:

Is there a need for one or both new hospitals? If there's a need for just one, which proposal is best suited to

address the long-term health care needs of McHenry County residents?

The answer to the first question is clear cut, as we also determined prior to our December endorsement.

McHenry County is the most underserved area in the state of Illinois with regard to the number of available hospital beds per capita.

According to the Illinois Department of Public Health, McHenry County, known by the state as Planning Area 10, will need 98 new hospital beds by 2015 to properly serve its residents. That does not include 20 new beds that Centegra received state approval to add in 2008 for a women's pavilion at its Woodstock campus, additions it has since abandoned. With those beds included, the county will be in need of 118 hospital beds.

The state uses a complex analysis of health care and demographic data to determine needs. Of the 40 planning areas in the state, only three show a need for any new hospital beds. McHenry County has the biggest need.

Given that state-identified need, and projections that the county's population will continue to grow once the country moves on from the recent economic recession, it's difficult to argue that a new hospital isn't needed. And because each respective hospital proposal on its own will address the state's identified need, two new hospitals aren't necessary.

So which proposal is best for the area?

Mercy's plan is to build a hospital in Crystal Lake, in the middle of the county's current population center. But it also is less than 10 miles from three other hospitals. Advocate Good Shepherd is about 6 miles east; Centegra McHenry is about 7 miles north; and Centegra Woodstock is about 8 miles west.

Centegra's proposed hospital is located in the fastest-growing area of the county. The closest hospital to Centegra's proposed Huntley location is Sherman in Elgin, which is about 11 miles southeast. And while the state says McHenry County's planning area has the greatest need for more hospital beds, the second greatest need in the state is for 61 beds in Planning Area 11, which covers northern Kane County. Centegra's Huntley Hospital would be located just 2 miles north of the Kane County border, and would serve as part of its market residents of Hampshire, Carpentersville, West Dundee and Gilberts, all in Planning Area 11.

As part of its Certificate of Need filing, Mercy included dozens of letters from its own physicians who stated they would transfer their patient referrals directly from competing hospitals such as Centegra, Good Shepherd and Sherman to the new Crystal Lake facility. Such a practice would have a drastic impact on these competing



hospitals, potentially hurting health care services in Woodstock, McHenry, Cary and other areas.

By contrast, more of Centegra Huntley's patients would come from new growth expected in the area. The Huntley proposal also is better located to serve the state's identified, underserved areas located in Planning Areas 10 and 11. Although any new hospital opening will have some impact on nearby competitors, Centegra's proposal demonstrates that it would have less of an impact than Mercy's.

Centegra also notes that its Huntley campus would complement the services provided at its Woodstock and McHenry hospitals. With its proximity to the other hospitals, Centegra would be able to create efficiencies that would lower – not raise – health care costs.

"We wouldn't open a new hospital that would increase our costs [at our other hospitals] and put us out of business," Centegra CEO Michael Eesley told Editorial Board members.

Centegra and Mercy already provide fine health care services to McHenry County residents. Each also has been a good corporate citizen in the county, providing charity care to those in need and participating in a number of other community functions.

But Centegra, because it is based in the county, is the county's largest employer, and conducts all of its business here, has shown that McHenry County is the focus of its future.

For these reasons, we endorse Centegra's plan to build a hospital in Huntley.

## Build a new hospital where it's needed most: In southern McHenry County

By Michael Eesley CEO, Centegra Health System  
May 6, 2011 2:34PM

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Michael S. Eesley is chief executive officer of Centegra Health System.

# CourierNews

## **Southern McHenry County is in need of a new hospital**

May 8, 2011 4:30PM

I know many letters have been sent from Del Webb's Sun City residents, so I'm just enhancing the comments and wish to state that a new hospital is needed for southern McHenry County.

It's obvious — with the senior population of Sun City and surrounding communities of Lake in the Hills, Marengo, Hampshire, etc. — that this hospital would be well-suited for the Huntley complex at Haligus and Algonquin roads.

Gary Egan  
Huntley

# Daily Herald

## 10,000 reasons for Huntley hospital

Article updated: 5/11/2011 5:39 PM

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Harvey and Rita Gascon  
Huntley

# Daily Herald

## Huntley needs own hospital

Article updated: 5/15/2011 7:54 PM

A Centegra Hospital is sorely needed in Huntley. The closest hospital is at least 20 minutes from our community. Being home to one of the largest Del Webb communities and having a parent living there, it is all that much more important to have a hospital facility close by.

Jeff Buczkiewicz  
Huntley

# NORTHWEST HERALD

## Close by

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# Daily Herald

## Southern McHenry needs hospital more

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We have those residents in mind as we propose this hospital and even greater access to our integrated health care system.

We look forward to being on the leading edge of medical advancements in this region for years to come. For more information, visit [CentegraHospitalHuntley.org](http://CentegraHospitalHuntley.org).

Michael S. Eesley  
CEO Centegra Health System  
Woodstock

# CourierNews

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

May 20, 2011 2:17AM

Huntley area needs hospital in the immediate area

We look forward to the proposed Centegra hospital in Huntley. It is a necessity for residents of southern McHenry and northern Kane counties. We live in northern Kane and will feel more comfortable with a qualified hospital nearby.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley J. Austerter  
Huntley



# NORTHWEST HERALD

## Build it in Huntley

Created: Saturday, May 28, 2011 5:30 a.m. CDT

To the Editor:

As recently stated, Huntley's population is supposed to grow to about 50,000 people in a few short years. Considering Sun City being within Huntley, it's imperative that we have help for the many people of that age group nearby. When it's a matter of life and death, time is not on your side.

With Route 47 being widened and old buildings being knocked down, it's only logical to help Huntley move forward with a more modern building such as a hospital for such a growing and thriving area.

Not only will it help the community members, but also it will boost job growth and availability, which we need so badly. Also, many volunteers will help this local hospital, with Huntley High School being in the same town. Speaking from experience, Huntley High School has many volunteer programs in which high school students love to participate because it helps them get into college.

This hospital should not be built in Crystal Lake. They have many outpatient buildings already, and Centegra Hospital - Woodstock and Centegra Hospital - McHenry are not far. Also, Crystal Lake does not have a large retirement community such as Sun City. Those members need it the most.

Samantha Malinowski  
Lake in the Hills

# Daily Herald

## Look forward to Huntley hospital

Article posted: 5/31/2011 4:00 AM

We look forward to the proposed Centegra hospital. It is a necessity for residents of southern McHenry and northern Kane County. We live in northern Kane County and will feel more comfortable with a qualified hospital nearby.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley J. Austerter  
Huntley

# CourierNews

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

May 29, 2011 12:16AM

Centegra hospital in Huntley would be community benefit

I enthusiastically support Centegra's proposal and plan to build a hospital in southern McHenry County, and particularly in Huntley.

As the county continues to grow, and with Huntley as a projected core growth village, having a local hospital and ER centered within the village lines that serves Huntley and the surrounding communities is a definable benefit, and an asset for the families and businesses the area seeks to draw.

I encourage the Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board to approve Centegra's proposal and enable this project to become a reality.

Keith Steen  
Huntley

# NORTHWEST HERALD

## Huntley needs hospital

Created: Thursday, June 2, 2011 5:30 a.m. CDT

To the Editor:

In response to the May 25 letter opposing a new Centegra Huntley Hospital because of the new Sherman Hospital: I feel the opposition is totally incorrect. I also live in Huntley, actually Del Webb's Sun City.

Our retirement community has approximately 9,500 residents. Many of them do not like to travel the toll road, especially when ill, and I agree with them. Some will not even take the toll road when they are feeling good – just a phobia of driving the toll road and all the crazy drivers.

A hospital on Haligus Road between Reed and Algonquin roads would be much closer for any type of hospital service, emergency or just to visit loved ones at the hospital, with no need to drive so far and not driving the toll road.

Sherman might be great for those living in Elgin, but not for those living in Huntley, especially in Sun City.

Retirement communities have a higher percentage of residents with illnesses and emergencies than those living in communities with younger families. A closer hospital could save a life.

We need a hospital close to our community, and not just in Elgin. I believe many living in Sun City feel as I do. Why drive all the way to Sherman when we can have a hospital in our backyard?

Jim Bartunek  
Huntley

# NORTHWEST HERALD

## Hospital blessing

Created: Friday, June 3, 2011 5:30 a.m. CDT

To the Editor:

I need a hospital near my home. I am 71 and I am active in my community where I live. Centegra Hospital would be a blessing, so please give Centegra Hospital the approval to build our community a wonderful hospital in Huntley.

Robert Chrisman  
Huntley