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LEBANON VA MEDICAL CENTER HOSTS CREW of the USS CONSTITUTION

Rear Admiral Scott Weikert and several sailors from the USS Constitution visited patients and staff at the Lebanon VA Medical Center to kick off Navy Week in Central Pennsylvania. Admiral Weikert is a native of York, Pennsylvania and currently serves as the Deputy Commander of the 1st Naval Construction Division located in Norfolk, Virginia. Admiral Weikert and the sailors from the USS Constitution, the oldest naval vessel afloat in the world, met with medical center leadership and gave small gifts of appreciation to the patients.

Lebanon VA Medical Center Director, Robert Callahan, gave a presentation that included the announcement of the new Consolidated Patient Account Center (CPAC) that is slated to open in 2011 and will bring 508 new jobs to Lebanon County; making the Lebanon VA Medical Center the County's largest employer. The CPAC will perform the business functions for all of the VA medical centers from New England, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, and Delaware. Mr. Callahan also briefed Admiral Weikert about the new Rehabilitation Medicine building that will be completed in late 2010. "We are growing everyday to fulfill the needs of our Veterans. We are building state-of-the-art facilities to provide the best care for our heroes," Callahan said.

As a token of the Navy's appreciation to the Lebanon VA Medical Center and for the excellent service the Medical center provides to America's Veterans, Lt. Commander, Christopher Cook, Executive Officer of the USS Constitution, presented the Lebanon VA Medical Center a shell that was commemoratively fired from the ship.

