

# Future USS Wichita prepared for launch

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LCS 13, the future USS Wichita, is moved from an assembly building to the dock at Marinette Marine in preparation for its planned Sept. 17, 2016 launch. (Photo courtesy Lockheed Martin)



MARINETTE (WLUK) - The future USS Wichita, currently known as LCS 13, has been moved into its launch position at Marinette Marine. The littoral combat ship will be launched on Sept. 17.

Lockheed Martin, the general contractor for the project, provided a short time-lapse video showing the ship being moved from an assembly building to the dock.

It will be the sixth LCS launched at Fincantieri Marinette Marine. The ship sponsor is Mrs. Kate Lehrer, wife of former PBS Newshour anchor and Wichita native Jim Lehrer. Sen. Tammy Baldwin will be the principal speaker for the christening.