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Media Advisory Ohio National Guard to break ground on new facility

The Ohio National Guard, in conjunction with the City of Marysville, the Union County Family YMCA and the Union County Commissioners, will conduct an official groundbreaking ceremony July 17, 2007, for the Marysville Training and Community Center.

The new \$8.2 million facility will encompass nearly 41,000 square feet situated on about 20 acres and will replace aging facilities in Delaware and Bellefontaine. The center will accommodate more than 200 Soldiers from two Ohio Army National Guard units—the 585th Military Police Company and Battery C, 1st Battalion, 174th Air Defense Artillery Regiment—and will share space with the Union County Family YMCA located adjacent to the property. Shared space will include an assembly hall large enough to accommodate basketball and volleyball activities, as well as classrooms suitable for a variety of instructional and recreational activities. The two facilities will be linked by an enclosed corridor to facilitate easy access to the shared spaces.

The training and community center was funded by the federal government, the State of Ohio and the Union County Family YMCA. The land was purchased by the State of Ohio with considerable assistance from the Union County Commissioners.

These new combined training and community centers are part of an Ohio National Guard initiative to better integrate into the local communities.

WHO: The Ohio National Guard, City of Marysville, Union County Family YMCA and Union County Commissioners

WHAT: Official groundbreaking ceremony

WHEN: 9:30 – 10:00 a.m., Tuesday, July 17, 2007

WHERE: 1150 Charles Lane, Marysville, OH 43040 (behind the YMCA building)

HOW: If you plan to attend, please contact the Ohio National Guard Public Affairs Office at (614) 336-7000 or Staff Sgt. Kimberly Snow at (614) 336-7125, or email kim.snow@tagoh.gov.