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**01.09.2007 | Campus and Community** The new Courtyard by Marriott at the University of Dayton, a four-story, 101-room riverfront hotel co-owned by UD, is scheduled to welcome its first guests in early February and is accepting reservations.

Across from UD Arena and just off Interstate 75, the hotel is the latest phase of the sports complex on Edwin C. Moses Boulevard and the first hotel development in the city in more than 20 years.

"The Arena Sports Complex is an important gateway to the University and to the city of Dayton," said Daniel J. Curran, UD president. "The new hotel enhances this focal point with a beautiful facility that takes advantage of a memorable riverfront site and builds on the excitement generated by the sports facilities."

Timothy J. O'Connell, director of UD Arena and the sports complex, said the new hotel includes upscale amenities geared to University visitors and general business travelers, such as vibrant color schemes, contemporary décor and is one of the first Courtyard hotels to feature 32-inch flat-panel, high-definition televisions in every guest room.

Many guest rooms offer views of the Great Miami River and Carillon Park. The hotel will feature 13 suites, some equipped with whirlpool baths.

The hotel's public space will have a dedicated business library with WiFi high-speed Internet access and other business services. Other features include the Courtyard Café, a hot breakfast buffet offering eggs cooked to order, space for social gatherings and lounge service along with The Market, an around-the-clock, self-serve pantry, offering gourmet snacks and light meals.

"We are very excited about the addition of a new hotel in Dayton," Mayor Rhine McLin said. "The location of the hotel reinforces the University of Dayton's efforts to create a gateway into the city of Dayton and the University's campus. With the hotel being so close to the University of Dayton's growing sports complex, it will also serve as an excellent draw for people visiting our community."

UD, a private, Catholic university, owns the hotel in partnership with Concord Hospitality Enterprises Co., which constructed and will manage the hotel. Concord, headquartered in Raleigh, N.C., was established in 1985 to develop and manage full- and limited- service hotels. Concord operates 46 hotels in 10 states and two Canadian provinces for combined revenues of approximately \$200 million.

The multimillion-dollar Arena Sports Complex includes five athletic venues used by UD teams, including basketball, baseball and softball. The arena has hosted national, regional and local events and tournaments. The new hotel is expected to increase the appeal of the complex for additional sporting events.

Through February, reservations for the hotel can be made by contacting the hotel directly at 937-220-9060. Starting March 1, guests can make reservations online here (url: <http://marriott.com/hotels/travel/dayud-courtyard-dayton-university-of-dayton/>) or through the Marriott reservation line at 800-321-2211.

Grand opening ceremonies will be scheduled later in the year.

Contact Penny Riggs, general manager, at 937-220-9060.