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Ohio National Guard announces 37th Infantry Brigade Combat Team individual unit deployment recognition ceremony times

COLUMBUS, Ohio — The Ohio Army National Guard's 37th Infantry Brigade Combat Team will hold six deployment recognition ceremonies in October and one in December at various locations for about 1,475 Soldiers who served in Afghanistan for Operation Enduring Freedom.

The public is invited to attend the ceremonies listed below:

Ceremony Information	Unit Information	Unit Location
Oct. 14, 9:30 a.m. Sawmill Creek Resort 400 Sawmill Creek Drive West Huron, Ohio 44839	Headquarters and Headquarters Company, and Company A, 1 st Battalion, 148 th Infantry Regiment (2 units)	Walbridge
	Company C, 1 st Battalion, 148 th Infantry Regiment	Tiffin
	Company E, 237 th Support Battalion	Lima
Oct. 20, 4 p.m. Crowne Plaza Hotel – Dublin 600 Metro Place North Dublin, Ohio 43017	Headquarters, 37 th Infantry Brigade Combat Team	Columbus
Oct. 21, 4 p.m. Crowne Plaza Hotel – Dublin 600 Metro Place North Dublin, Ohio 43017	Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 1 st Battalion, 134 th Field Artillery Regiment	Columbus
	Battery A, 1 st Battalion, 134 th Field Artillery Regiment	Marion

Oct. 21, 4 p.m. Hope Hotel – Dayton Bldg. 823, Area A Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio 45433	Battery B, 1 st Battalion, 134 th Field Artillery Regiment	Piqua
	Company A, Special Troops Battalion, 37 th Infantry Brigade Combat Team	St. Marys
Oct. 27, 4 p.m. John S. Knight Center 77 East Mill Street Akron, Ohio 44308	Headquarters and Headquarters Company, and Company A, 237 th Support Battalion (2 units)	Cleveland
	Company B, 237 th Support Battalion	Youngstown
	Company C, 237 th Support Battalion	Akron
	Company G, 237 th Support Battalion	Medina
Oct. 28, 4 p.m. Sawmill Creek Resort 400 Sawmill Creek Drive West Huron, Ohio 44839	Company B, 1 st Battalion, 148 th Infantry Regiment	Bowling Green
	Company D, 1 st Battalion, 148 th Infantry Regiment	Sandusky
Dec. 2, 4 p.m. Marriott Columbus Northwest 5605 Blazer Parkway Dublin, Ohio 43017	Headquarters and Headquarters Company, and Company C, Special Troops Battalion, 37 th Infantry Brigade Combat Team (2 units)	Springfield

Prior to the Oct. 14 ceremony at 9:30 a.m., Spc. Corey Brinkman and Pfc. Jacob Williams from the 1st Battalion, 148th Infantry Regiment, 37th IBCT will be awarded the Bronze Star Medal with “Valor” device for action during Operation Enduring Freedom in Afghanistan.

On July 23, 2012, Brinkman heard gunfire from the entrance to Combat Outpost Ghormach, where he was assigned. Brinkman moved to the entrance, where he saw an Afghan National Army Soldier attacking U.S. Soldiers with a machine gun. Brinkman, a Columbus Grove, Ohio, resident, quickly killed the enemy and moved to protect the entrance from further attack.

On April 4, 2012, Williams was on a patrol in the city of Maimana, Afghanistan. While moving through a city park, the patrol was attacked by a suicide bomber, killing three Soldiers and wounding Williams and five others. Williams, a Trenton, Ohio, resident, began administering first aid to his fellow Soldiers, called for assistance through a hand-held radio and organized the defense of the wounded. Once assistance arrived, Williams refused medical treatment until all other casualties were treated and critical equipment was evacuated from the scene.

The Bronze Star Medal is awarded to any person who distinguished themselves through heroic or meritorious achievement/service in connection with military operations against

an armed enemy. The “Valor” device is worn to denote participation in acts of heroism involving conflict with an armed enemy.

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