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Ohio National Guard celebrates 225th birthday

COLUMBUS, Ohio — Maj. Gen. Deborah A. Ashenhurst, Ohio adjutant general, and other senior leaders helped celebrate the Ohio National Guards' two and a quarter centuries of service today, at the Maj. Gen. Robert S. Beightler Armory, 2825 West Dublin Granville Road, Columbus, Ohio 43235.

"The Ohio National Guard has a rich history of serving the community, state and nation, since the very beginning our country's existence," Ashenhurst said. "Our 15,000 Citizen-Soldiers and -Airmen in today's force are carrying on that tradition of service, based on our organization's core values including excellence, reliability and global teamwork."

The Ohio National Guard has been rooted in the English and early colonial tradition of Citizen-Soldiers providing local protection beginning July, 1788 in Marietta, Ohio. Military representation throughout the years include: The War of 1812, Mexican War, American Civil War, Mexican Border Crisis, World Wars I and II, Korea, Vietnam, Desert Storm, the peacekeeping support in Bosnia and Kosovo, and the Global War on Terrorism, including Iraq and Afghanistan.

For more Ohio National Guard history, go to the Ohio National Guard website at:
http://ong.ohio.gov/information/history/history_index.html

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