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Orthman Community YMCA Announces Opening Date

LEXINGTON – A new era of building a stronger, healthier community begins Oct. 20 with the opening of the new ORTHMAN COMMUNITY YMCA in Lexington.

“We are so excited to finally open the doors of the new state-of-the-art YMCA to the public,” said YMCA Site Manager Katie Bohnhoff. “I think everyone will be impressed with the new space. We’ll have so much more room to introduce more members of our community to ways to live healthier and become more connected.”

Construction on the \$4.8 million facility began two years ago. The YMCA is connected to the Lexington Middle School and was part of a joint project featuring a middle school renovation and addition and the new Y. The middle school project was completed in time for school to begin in August.

The current YMCA facility at 103 E. 10th St. will close for good at 9 p.m. October 15 so that equipment can be moved and staff can prepare to open in the new location at 1207 North Grant.

The public is invited to tour the new facility and purchase memberships the weekend of Oct. 18-19. Tours will be offered from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 18, and from 1-4 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 19. Anyone may also purchase memberships and tour the facility at any time once the new Y is open.

The new facility features a large gymnasium shared with the school; an indoor walking track; 5,000-square-foot wellness center with weights and cardio machines; a spacious group exercise room; men’s, women’s and family locker rooms; a fun and educational child watch room with separate spaces for infants and older children; a game room shared with the school and a comfortable social lobby with a fireplace and free Wi-Fi access.

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The new facility is named the Orthman Community YMCA because of a generous \$2 million gift from Orthman Manufacturing in Lexington. In addition to the Orthman gift, the Y project was funded with donations from many community members and businesses.

The new Y will open to members on Oct. 20 at 5 a.m. Hours for the new facility will be 5 a.m.-10 p.m. Mondays-Thursdays; 5 a.m.-9 p.m. Fridays; 7 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturdays; and 1-6 p.m. Sundays. Non-members may also exercise at the Y by purchasing a day pass.

The Y is a non-profit organization focusing on strengthening the community through youth development, healthy living and social responsibility. For more information, please contact the Y at (308) 324-1970.