

CONTACT: Wendy Fresorger 248-528-2800 Wendy.Fresorger@marriott.com

Courtyard Detroit Troy Hotel Transforms With Near \$1 Million Makeover

Renovation project includes reimagined lobby, addition of The Bistro, new amenities in guest rooms and extension of Wi-Fi's reach around property

Troy, MI – In keeping with the spirit of Troy, the Courtyard Detroit Troy has maintained its hometown charm while elevating its vibrancy within the community with a \$977,000 remodel project that reveals the hotel of tomorrow ... today.

The Troy, MI, hotel's renovations to all of its public spaces emphasize Marriott's commitment to refreshing the Courtyard brand and providing comfortable, flexible areas



for visitors to eat, drink, work, socialize and sleep.

From the second guests walk into the new state-of-the-art lobby they will see and feel a difference. Friendly and courteous staff now welcome guests from semi-private pedestals rather than the traditional front desk, providing more personable experiences during the check-in and checkout processes. Media pods strategically placed throughout the lobby provide comfortable

seating and work tables for guests to watch their favorite shows on flat-screen TVs with personal remotes while they work or surf the Internet on laptops, tablets or smart phones using the hotel's free wireless Internet access.

A focal point in the new contemporary welcome center is an interactive GoBoard, a 52inch LCD TV where visitors can find driving directions, get the latest news and weather information for any city in the country, scope out things to do in and around Detroit and check flight information from Coleman A. Young International and other airports in the United States. A nook known as the Boarding Pass Station allows visitors to print their boarding passes for more convenient traveling.

Situated just feet from the reimagined lobby is the highlight of the makeover: The Bistro. The café-style restaurant sports a large communal table where guests can relax and enjoy breakfast or dinner with fresh seasonal fruits, pizzas, salads, soups and house-

made sandwiches on the menu. Diners also can sit at comfortable bar seating or additional tables to imbibe on a number of craft, domestic and imported beers or have an attentive bartender whip up a custom cocktail or two. The Bistro also serves a variety of Starbucks drinks including a coffee of the day, white chocolate mochas, cappuccinos and espressos. A 24-hour Market provides a convenient venue for travelers to grab a quick snack or drink when a late-night craving strikes.

Guest rooms at the Troy, Michigan, hotel also have received facelifts with modern carpets, freshly painted walls and new drapes. New shower curtains in bathrooms complement the hotel's curved rods and designer shower heads. Comfortable bedding features pillow-top mattresses with cotton-rich sheets, custom duvets and plenty of fluffy pillows. Chairs and mini-refrigerators (to be added in 2013) are among upgraded amenities that already include 37-inch flat-screen TVs with complimentary HBO, in-room coffeemakers, irons and ironing boards and Paul Mitchell products in bathrooms.

Other highlights around one of the newly renovated hotels in Troy, Michigan, include new carpet, chairs and technology in the two meeting rooms with 1,274 square feet of flexible space and the addition of modern outdoor furniture in the Terrace, where Wi-Fi access has been expanded.

About the Courtyard Detroit Troy

The Courtyard Detroit Troy is near the Detroit Zoo, Oakland Mall and several downtown Detroit attractions. The hotel features a reimagined, state-of-the-art lobby along with 133 rooms and 14 suites, two meeting rooms with 1,274 square feet of flexible space, The Bistro restaurant, a 24-hour fitness center and an indoor pool and whirlpool. For information, visit www.marriott.com/DTTTR.

Courtyard by Marriott offers a refreshing environment that helps guests stay connected, productive and balanced. Intuitive services and design accommodate guests' needs for choice and control. With more than 860 locations in 30 countries, Courtyard is Marriott's largest brand. All Courtyard by Marriott hotels participate in the award-winning Marriott Rewards frequent travel program that allows members to earn hotel points or airline miles for every dollar spent during each stay. For more information, including guest guided video tours of the new lobby and the latest brand information, visit <u>www.gocourtyard.com</u>. For reservations, go to <u>www.courtyard.com</u> or contact a travel professional

Click here for Marriott International, Inc. (NYSE: MAR) company information.

For daily company news and information, visit <u>www.MarriottNewsCenter.com</u>.

###