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BROOKS ANNOUNCES US NAVY BLUE ANGELS WILL RETURN FOR 2011 AIRSHOW

Exciting Headliners Will Help to Mark Centennial of Naval Aviation

Monroe County Executive **Maggie Brooks** announced that the United States Navy's famed precision flying team, the Blue Angels, will return as the major act for the 2011 airshow. Show dates are planned for July 16th & 17th, 2011 at the Greater Rochester International Airport (GRIA) where the Blue Angels will be flying F/A-18 Hornets.

"Monroe County is thrilled that the Blue Angels have selected the Greater Rochester International Airport as one of their show sites across the United States for 2011," Brooks said. "This marks the sixth time that our community has had the privilege of hosting the high speed, action packed aerobatic show. The Blue Angels renowned six-jet Delta formation certainly promises to keep our spectators and their families on the edge of their seats."

Recently, the United States Navy approved a two-year scheduling process in coordination with the International Council of Airshows (IACS) to assist Navy recruiting while also affording the industry more time to plan for future airshows. GRIA was hand picked by the Blue Angels to be a performance site for 2011 as part of this new scheduling process.

2011 marks the Centennial of Naval Aviation. A celebration of this milestone will become a central part of next year's highly anticipated Blue Angels performance theme. The team is stationed at the Forrest Sherman Field Naval Air Station in Pensacola, Florida. The squadron spends January through March training pilots and new team members at Naval Air Facility El Centro, California. Since 1946, the Blue Angels have preformed for more than 463 million fans.

Patrons anticipating the 2011 airshow can expect future announcements regarding the many static display, civilian and military airshow performers, and family entertainment venues that will be offered next year. For more information and updates, please visit the airshow website at www.rochesterairshow.com.

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