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AIRSHOW TO RETURN TO GREATER ROCHESTER INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT IN 2014

Airshow Will Feature United States Air Force Thunderbirds

Monroe County Executive **Maggie Brooks** today announced that the United States Air Force Thunderbirds will take to the skies at the Greater Rochester International Airport (ROC), Saturday, August 16th and Sunday, August 17th for the 2014 Airshow.

"We are thrilled that the Airshow is returning to Monroe County in 2014 and our community is very fortunate to have the opportunity to welcome back the Thunderbirds," said **Brooks**. "The Airshow contributes greatly to our community's impressive line-up of summer events for 2014 and is sure to provide outstanding family entertainment for residents of all ages."

The Thunderbirds were the featured act at the ROC Airshow in 2005 and 2008; 2013's show was cancelled due to federal budget sequestration. This will be the third time in the last nine years ROC has been chosen to host the Thunderbirds.

The Thunderbirds are the official air demonstration team of the United States Air Force. They are stationed at Nellis Air Force Base in Nevada. The team released their 2014 schedule yesterday at the International Council of Airshows in Las Vegas, Nevada.

The last Airshow held at ROC was held in 2011 and featured the United States Navy's Blue Angels.

Further details on the 2014 Airshow will be available early next year and can be found at <u>www.rocairshow.info</u>

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