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2016 Air Show to Go Full Throttle

Historic Line-up of Performers and Ground Attractions for the Whole Family

CLEVELAND, OH (August 24, 2016) - The 2016 Cleveland National Air Show presented by Discount Drug Mart will go full throttle Labor Day Weekend (Sept. 3, 4 & 5) at Burke Lakefront Airport in downtown Cleveland. The action packed weekend will include ground based attractions including Shockwave Jet Truck, pyrotechnics, more than 30 unique display aircraft and entertainment for the whole family.

The world famous Shockwave Jet Truck is the most impressive jet ground vehicle on the planet. Shockwave is a triple jet-engine truck that currently holds the Guinness-record for top jet-truck speed at an incredible 376 mph. Shockwave will scream down the runway racing an airplane that is flying above it at 300mph.

The Mad Bomber will add a little kaboom to the Air Show with a compilation of heart pumping, ground shaking simulated bombing runs and a massive wall of fire. Spectators inside the gates will feel the heat and smell the smoke at this once-a-year experience.

The Air Show is an aviation theme park with unique display aircraft including military, vintage and commercial planes. Air Show visitors will have the chance to go inside the planes, meet the pilots and explore aviation first hand. Military display aircraft include: U.S. Coast Guard MH-65C Helicopter, U.S. Air Force C-130 Hercules, U.S. Air Force C-17 Globemaster, U.S. Air Force A-10 Thunderbolt II, U.S. Navy E-2C Hawkeye, U.S. Army UH-60 Blackhawk, U.S. Army CH-47 Chinook, and Canadian CF-18 Hornet.

Also on display and making its first appearance at the Cleveland National Air Show, will be the WWII B-25 Mitchell Bomber "Georgie's Gal". The North American B-25 Mitchell is an American twin-engine, medium bomber manufactured by North American Aviation. The Liberty Aviation Museum in Port Clinton, Ohio has lovingly completed extensive mechanical and cosmetic restorations to the aircraft.

The U.S. Air Force Performance Lab will feature a futuristic experience full of challenges and self-discovery, all wrapped in innovative technology. Each challenge lets the participants see how he/she stacks up against fellow competitors and even real Airmen. The interactive NASA Glenn Research Center display grants unique insights into the past, present and future of air and space travel. And Glenn staff will be on site to talk about Cleveland's role in building the next-generation of manned spacecraft.

The Cleveland Aeromodeling Society will have a large exhibit of model aircraft on the show grounds and spectators will be able to try their hand at flying model aircraft in a simulator. The Kiddie Hawk exhibit will have small flight trainers for children which will give them their first feeling of piloting an airplane. Dronewerx will have a drone display that highlights the amazing world of unmanned aircraft systems technology. And Career Eagles Aviation in collaboration with The Ohio State University will host an Air Show Scavenger Hunt.

Headlining this year's show are the U.S. Navy Blue Angels. They will be joined by the U.S. Air Force's F-22 Raptor Demonstration and F-35 Heritage Flight. Cleveland will be the first civilian Air Show in the United States to host both the F-22 Raptor and F-35 Lightning II in a heritage flight. The historic line-up also includes the BATCOPTER and BATMOBLIE AirShow, U.S. Army Golden Knights parachute team, world aerobatic champion Matt Chapman, Third Strike Wingwalking and more.

Advance General Admission tickets are \$21 for adults, \$14 for children ages 6-11 (\$2 more at the gate) and free for children 5 and younger. Advance General Admission Tickets and Reserved Box Seat Tickets are available online. For more information, please visit www.clevelandairshow.com or call (216) 781-0747. Advance General Admission Tickets are also available at local Discount Drug Mart stores.

The Cleveland National Air Show has been Northeast Ohio's Labor Day Weekend Tradition since 1964, attracting 60,000 to 100,000 visitors to Burke Lakefront Airport and making it one of the region's largest annual events. It is produced by Cleveland National Air Show, Inc. a 501(c)(4) not-for-profit Ohio corporation that relies on sponsorship and community support to offset the costs of producing the event. The Air Show has an annual economic impact of \$7.1 million+ on the City of Cleveland.

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