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## ***Awesome Lineup and Mild Weather Draws Strong Crowds to Air Show***

*Dayton, Ohio* – An all-star lineup headlined by the U.S. Air Force Thunderbirds and Brazilian Smoke Squadron together with cooler than normal weather drew big crowds to the 2009 Vectren Dayton Air Show presented by Kroger. An estimated 80,000 spectators attended the 35<sup>th</sup> annual show held at Dayton International Airport.

“We are thrilled with the outcome of this year’s show,” stated Michael Emoff, Chairman of the United States Air & Trade Show Board of Trustees, producers of the show. “Despite the economy we experienced very good attendance. The lineup was awesome and the weather was very comfortable. This, combined with people staying closer to home, produced positive results for the show.”

In addition to the two military teams, the show featured National Aviation Hall of Fame Enshrinees Sean D. Tucker and Patty Wagstaff along with many other top military and civilian performances. On Friday SOAR and Special Wish programs hosted over 1,000 children.

The Vectren Dayton Air Show presented by Kroger is Dayton’s premier summer event. Planning is well underway for the 2010 show tentatively scheduled for July 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup>. Organizers plan to continue the Dayton tradition of producing one of the nation’s most prestigious air shows.

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*Founded in 1975, the Vectren Dayton Air Show Presented by Kroger is one of America’s premier air shows. The Air Show showcases world-class aerobatic champions, military jet demonstrations and entertainment for the whole family celebrating Dayton’s aviation heritage as home of the Wright Brothers, National Museum of the US Air Force and Wright Patterson AFB. For more information visit [www.daytonairshow.com](http://www.daytonairshow.com)*