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DINOLFO OPENS NEW DINER, SPORTS BAR AT AIRPORT

New Flight Deck Diner open in Concourse A, On the ROCs Sports Bar open in Concourse B; Establishments named through recent public naming contest

Monroe County Executive **Cheryl Dinolfo**, the Greater Rochester International Airport and SSP America today held an official grand opening and ribbon cutting for the new diner and new sports bar at the recently renovated ROC Airport. These establishments were named previously as part of a unique public naming contest by residents with local ties; they are the **Flight Deck Diner** and **On the ROCs Sports Bar**.

"When we asked travelers what they wanted to see in our transformational ROC Renovation Project, new and improved dining options were at the top of the list," said **Dinolfo**. "Delivering on our promise, today we are opening two outstanding new eateries that will help to enhance the airport experience and assist our efforts to attract more visitors and jobs to Monroe County. The next time you visit the Airport, I hope you'll drop by the Flight Deck or On the ROC's for a meal, which are conveniently located next to our new Strong National Museum of Play exhibits as well."

The new **Flight Deck Diner**, located near Concourse A, includes 50's theme décor and features a signature red racing plane built in 1949 by local residents Richard Ohm and Gordon Stopplbein. The ROC Airport has been home to the Ohm Special for a number of years, on loan from the Glen Curtiss Museum.

The new **On the ROCs Sports Bar**, located near Concourse B, includes local sports memorabilia and décor representing Rochester's most popular sports teams: the Rochester Red Wings, Rochester Americans and Rochester Knighthawks.

Both establishments are operated by SSP America, a leading operator of food and beverage brands in travel locations worldwide. SSP America's corporate chefs travel 50 weeks a year training employees all over the country. In February of this year, SSP America was named by Airport Experience News as the 2018 Best Overall Restauranteur in North America.

"SSP America has a passion for bringing a 'taste of place' to the airport, and we couldn't be more excited to bring these two unique brands to Rochester given the naming contest and ties to the community. We believe Rochesterians are in for a treat as they depart for their travels." said **Bob Stanton, SSP America** Vice President of Business Development.

Full menu's for both establishments are attached.

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