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GAINESVILLE REGIONAL AIRPORT TO SEE INCREASE IN GENERAL AVIATION ACTIVITY THIS WEEK

GAINESVILLE, Fla – Jan. 25, 2007 – Gainesville Regional Airport will see an increase in general aviation activity this week as University Air Center (UAC) hosts a Beechcraft and Cirrus aircraft fly-in beginning today until Sunday, Jan. 28.

UAC expects up to 20 Beechcraft Baron and Bonanza aircraft owners will fly-in to Gainesville Regional Airport from locations across the state. Approximately 40 to 50 Cirrus aircraft owners will fly-in to attend training. Cirrus will have 12 instructors assisting with the training and the aircraft will fly throughout the weekend.

The Beechcraft fly-in is a first for Gainesville and will be entirely social in nature. Baron and Bonanza owners will be gathering to compare notes and share aviation experiences while attending a variety of social functions and enjoying the finest of Gainesville cuisine.

The second annual Cirrus fly-in will include social and instructional events for pilots. Professional training, conducted by factory-qualified instructors, will be conducted in the air and on the ground. Training will range from learning about the state-of-the-art Cirrus “all glass cockpit” and autopilot systems to maintenance and servicing issues. Ground training will take place primarily in University Air Center classrooms.

About Beechcraft and Cirrus Aircraft

The Cirrus and Beechcraft Baron and Bonanza are high-end, personal propeller aircraft that are relatively fast alternatives for personal and family air travel as well as valuable business tools. Cirrus utilizes the latest composite construction technology, resulting in high aerodynamic efficiency as well as cutting-edge electronic navigation systems.



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The Beechcraft Bonanza is a high-end, single-engine airplane, and the basic design has been prolific, remaining in continuous production for 60 years.

For more information about this event and University Air Center, please call Bill Pokorny, general manager of University Air Center, at 335-4681. General aviation constitutes a considerable portion of the airport's annual activity, supporting 135 based aircraft. Approximately 7 percent of the aircraft are stored on paved tie-downs, and 93 percent are in T-hangars or conventional hangars.

About University Air Center

University Air Center (UAC), known for more than 21 years as Gulf Atlantic Airways, is based at Gainesville Regional Airport (GNV). UAC offers a full range of aviation services, including fuel sales, aircraft maintenance, aircraft charters, air ambulance services, flight training, aircraft rentals, aircraft parking, hangar space and other ancillary ground support services. For more information, visit www.universityaircenter.com or contact UAC at (352) 335-4681.

About Gainesville Regional Airport

Gainesville Regional Airport serves North Central Florida and the Heart of Florida through all facets of aviation: general aviation, commercial airlines, military and air cargo. Located in Gainesville, Florida, approximately 70 miles southwest of Jacksonville and just minutes away from the University of Florida, Gainesville Regional Airport provides a close, convenient and competitively priced "gateway" to the Heart of Florida. For more information, visit www.flygainesville.com or contact Michelle Danisovszky at (352) 373-0249.

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