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FLOYD BENNETT MEMORIAL AIRPORT UPGRADES FACILITIES

Airport provides year-round access to Lake George Area in New York's Adirondacks

Warren County, NY – The Floyd Bennett Memorial Airport, in Queensbury, NY, has completed upgrades that make it an exceptional year-round facility for aircraft ranging from Piper Cub to C5A Galaxy, including during the winter months when many smaller airports in the Northeast are closed due to snow.

A favorite of pilots for its state-of-the-art facilities and easy access to year-round recreational activities, Floyd Bennett Memorial is the perfect location from which to explore unsurpassed natural beauty found in the many lakes, streams, mountains and picturesque towns of the Lake George Area in New York's Adirondacks. On any given day, it is common to see everything from King-Airs to Citations, Lears, Sabreliners and the Falcon series flying in and out of the Warren County airport.

The airport is known for its instrument landing system that allows for landing in cloud cover as low as 250 feet. This feature is atypical at airports of comparable size. The next closest airport with this capability is approximately 60 miles away at Albany International Airport or approximately 95 miles away to Burlington International Airport. The ability to land at the Warren County airport under such conditions makes the trip from Manhattan to the Lake George Area a 45-minute commute.

Recent airport improvements include three new jet hangars, a new aircraft maintenance facility, recently rehabilitated runways and taxiways, state-of-the-art snow removal equipment and crew, on-site jet fuel sale, and an airport café – home of the "\$100 hamburger" (fuel and landing costs included). Car rental service is available through prior arrangement.

In addition, more upgrades and expansions are planned for 2008, including a full rehabilitation of its secondary runway and a new jet hangar.

"Floyd Bennett Memorial is a terrific airport," says renowned Albany Attorney Terry Kindlon, an avid pilot who has landed there more than 50 times in the past 20 years. "It has superior facilities, great runways, an instrument landing system, taxiways, hangars, and a fine new FBO with a good restaurant."

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In the winter, the airport is frequented by recreation-seekers who come for the long list of nearby activities, including lakes and ponds for ice fishing, hundreds of miles of groomed snowmobile trails, snow tubing parks, ski resorts and millions of acres of magnificent scenery. In addition, warm inns, B&B's, lodges, cabins, hotels and resorts present the perfect places to relax after a day in nature's paradise.

During warmer weather, visitors enjoy swimming and water sports in the spring-fed lakes, including Lake George itself, a 32-mile long jewel; miles of mountain trails; rivers for rafting, tubing, fishing and kayaking; golf, tennis and uncongested country roads to explore. There are even activities for those looking for "extreme" adventures, such as shooting Class V rapids, spelunking, and mountain and road biking.

Corporations also take advantage of the easy access the airport provides to major metropolitan areas, holding corporate retreats and conferences at The Sagamore Resort, Fort William Henry Resort and Conference Center, the Queensbury Hotel, Roaring Brook and many other conference facilities elsewhere in the region. Among the corporations that use the airport regularly are International Paper Company, General Electric Company, Aetna Insurance, and Travelers Insurance, to name a few.

The airport is also ideal for touring artists performing at nearby Saratoga Performing Arts Center and for motion picture crews and actors filming in the area.

With several new facility upgrades completed, and more on the horizon, this small but strategically located airport is one of the best-kept secrets in the Northeast.

For more information about the Floyd Bennett Memorial Airport visit www.warrencountypw.com/Airport/ or call (518) 792-5995. To request more information about the airport, please contact Kate Osterhout at osterhoutk@sawchukbrown.com.

The Lake George Area in New York's Adirondacks is an easy-to-reach, affordable vacation destination for the whole family. Among the many winter activities available are indoor amusements, museums, exhibits, galleries, theater, and shopping and antiques. There is a wide range of lodging and dining options, with easy access off I-87. For free information on the Lake George Area as a travel destination contact the Warren County Tourism Dept. at 800-365-1050 x5100 or online at www.VisitLakeGeorge.com. For a PDF of the winter brochure, or to be mailed the winter brochure or travel guide, contact Kate Osterhout at osterhoutk@sawchukbrown.com.

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