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Millen Air To Cut Ribbon for New Fixed Base Operation at Downtown Airport

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Shreveport Mayor Cedric B. Glover, members of the City Council, the Shreveport Airport Authority, and the Greater Shreveport Chamber of Commerce will join Millen Air for a ribbon cutting and grand opening ceremony at 10 a.m. Thursday, January 6, 2011.

The ceremony will be held in the Downtown Airport Terminal, 1550 Airport Drive, Shreveport 71118.

Local businessman Mike Millen, who owns Smith Oil, began flying about a year ago and discovered that opening a fuel-sales and service business would be “a natural fit” so he successfully opened Millen Air, a Fixed Base Operator, at Shreveport’s Downtown Airport in November of 2010.

“We wanted to create a full service Fixed Base Operator (FBO) with all the amenities. The Downtown Airport was the ideal location since is the busiest general aviation airport in Louisiana with over 280 aircraft based there,” he said.

“The City of Shreveport wishes to thank Mr. Millen for his capital investment and investment in creating six new jobs with Millen Air,” said Shreveport Mayor Cedric B. Glover. “Downtown Airport has a rich aviation industry and Millen Air will help pave the way for future growth.”

“Millen Air provides another high-quality aviation industry in Shreveport,” said Keith Gamble, Chairman of the Shreveport Airport Authority. “We want to thank Millen Air, the North Louisiana Economic Partnership and the Greater Shreveport Chamber of Commerce for working with us on this project.”

Mr. Millen is planning to market the FBO to the military and make their operation at the Downtown Airport a destination site.

“We considered this a diamond in the rough and Camille Millen of Camille Millen Designs transformed the space into a showcase. She oversaw the design of the new facility which included the décor, lighting, etc. Many local companies were employed to make the transformation,” Mr. Millen said. “The reaction of people when they enter the new FBO from the street is humorous because they go back out the door and come back in and are in awe of the transformation. We see the same reaction from people arriving airside.”

The new full service FBO facility provides first-class amenities including a passenger waiting area, pilots lounge with serenity room, catering preparation area, X-box games, wireless internet access, exercise room with shower, and complimentary refreshments.

Millen Air also provides refueling, crew cars, aircraft/car rentals, and a complete flight planning room. For additional information or to make online reservations, visit their website <http://www.millenair.net>

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