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3...2...1 – Racers Count Down to Mini Indy

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St. George, UT, March 7, 2008 – Mini Indy racers are counting down the days to the checkered flag, less than a week away! March 13 -15, 2008 marks SkyWest Airlines' annual charity event, bringing hundreds of racers from around the world to participate in an adrenaline-pumping race benefiting United Way Dixie.

"With race day just around the corner, the excitement is mounting for another successful Mini Indy," said Mini Indy chairman Todd Wilkinson. "It's a ball for everyone involved, and it's all in the name of charity."

Mini Indy revs up on Thursday, March 13 when sponsors join in a private, shotgun-style golf scramble at Entrada golf course. Race practice heats, pit stop competitions, a charity banquet and auctions heighten the action on Friday, March 14. And the event culminates with the much anticipated checkered flag at 10 a.m. on Saturday, March 15, where nearly 45 teams hit the streets at Dixie State College's Encampment Mall in competition for the coveted Mini Indy Championship.

Mini Indy brings the community, SkyWest's vendors and employees together for fun, food and charity. It's an event that attracts sponsors year after year.

"There are many reasons why we return to the Mini Indy year after year," said Fred Reina, team captain of Brazil's Embraer racing team. "We come for the very worthy charity event, the camaraderie among the folks we deal with in the aviation business – and of course, for the adrenaline rush we feel racing our little Indy cars around the track."

Mini Indy is the single largest contributor to United Way Dixie, and last year's event raised nearly \$80,000. Now in its eighth year, Mini Indy has generated more than \$380,000 to benefit the local community programs of United Way Dixie. To learn more, visit www.miniindy.org.

About SkyWest Airlines

SkyWest Airlines, a wholly-owned subsidiary of SkyWest, Inc. (NASDAQ: SKYW) is the world's largest independently-owned regional airline. SkyWest was awarded the FAA's AMT Gold Award for maintenance training in 2004 and 2005, and the AMT Diamond award in 2006. System-wide, SkyWest employs more than 11,000 aviation professionals and serves a total of 155 cities in 43 states, five Canadian provinces and Mexico with more than 1,700 daily departures.

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