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Secretary Ray LaHood, Port Authority Executive Director Richard Cotton and Aviation Director Huntley Lawrence provide status, recommendations, and future plans for storm situation operations.

The winter storm Grayson caused many problems for airline passengers traveling through JFK as well as JFK workers and staff in January. But out of this disappointing performance emerged one very positive outcome; an Enhanced Operations Center (EOC) function was recommended; and is now operational and already delivering positive results.

It is evident that the Port Authority is taking problems caused by severe storm events very seriously and not looking to paper-over the event and take “a business as usual” approach.

To communicate their progress, The Port Authority of NYNJ conducted a Press Conference on May 30th at the EOC headquarters location with Secretary Ray LaHood, Executive Director Rick Cotton and Director Huntley Lawrence providing an update on status, and highlighting the recommendations made by Ray LaHood and his task force.

The Press Conference was opened by Rick Cotton who described the



(L-R) Huntley Lawrence, Ray LaHood, and Richard Cotton.

difficulties and chaos that resulted from the January 18th snow storm. He formed a task force and directed six working groups to study the problems in detail and review the “shortcomings and make recommendations”. This group put out the initial recommendations in January, which was followed by a second round of recommendations made in March. A cap-sulized description of the recommendations are as follows; a snow window for each storm in which teams would be organized in advance, every airline set up a “baggage service office”, airlines coordinate and mutually assist gate allocations and all terminal operators have ground handling fully manned and ready before the event.

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JetBlue Names New President

CEO to Concentrate On Longer Term Strategy

JetBlue Airways Corp. is promoting **Joanna Geraghty** to president, tasking her with running day-to-day operations while freeing up Chief Executive **Robin Hayes** to focus on long-term planning.

Geraghty, 45, will also oversee the airline’s commercial team, JetBlue said in a statement. Hayes, 51, will manage efforts to improve profit margins and the company’s expansion into related travel and vacation businesses.

Geraghty will take over as JetBlue’s No. 2 executive as the New York-based airline faces a raft of other changes. It is nearing a decision on whether to expand service across the Atlantic Ocean, while also working through a cost-cutting program and contending with the unionization of two critical work groups: pilots and flight attendants.

“It certainly makes sense,” Susan Donofrio, an analyst at Macquarie Group Ltd., said of the management shift. “If anything, it adds more



Joanna Geraghty

to the credibility of the company because they are thinking about the longer-term plan.”

The promotion makes Geraghty, who will also be JetBlue’s chief operating officer, the highest-ranking woman at a large U.S. airline. Tammy Romo serves as chief financial officer at Southwest Airlines Co. and several other women hold executive vice president titles at other carriers. Colleen Barrett was Southwest’s president and chief operating officer from 2001 to 2004.

Geraghty joined JetBlue in 2005 and most recently served as executive vice president for customer experience. She was vice president, chief people officer from 2010 to 2014, and vice president and associate general counsel before that.

She previously shared responsibility for groups involved in running the airline with Jeff Martin, executive vice president of operations. Martin will become a senior adviser, helping with transition following the management

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Secretary LaHood told the audience that the task-force he headed had 50 recommendations but wanted to stress the most important. First, there is the establishment of a permanent EOC office; one that will be fully staffed each day and augmented by 26 specialized aviation staff during storm events. Second, would be to install a best practices model from EOC's throughout the country. And finally, the third key recommendation was to deal with baggage to ensure passengers are united with their baggage as soon as possible.

Director Lawrence responded to questions after discussing the operational mission of the EOC and how it will be installed and enhanced. From Lawrence's presentation, I got the impression that the EOC was not going to be a static function, but one growing and changing.

The speakers also held a Q and A for the media and guests. **JOSEPH ALBA**

JetBlue Names New President

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change. Marty St. George, executive vice president for commercial and planning, will report to Geraghty under the new system.

"A lot of thought was given to the power of having everybody under one umbrella, along with the commercial team, at the core airline," Doug McGraw, a JetBlue spokesman, said in an interview.

The company also announced the retirement of James Hnat, the longtime general counsel, corporate secretary and executive vice president for corporate affairs.

Hayes was named president of JetBlue in 2014 and added the chief executive title a year later. In addition to long-range strategic planning, he will focus on ventures similar to JetBlue Travel Products, which was designed to move the carrier into travel and hospitality ventures.

"You have seen at other airlines that the president is next in line to be CEO, so it provides a little more clarity into the succession planning," said Joe DeNardi, a Stifel Financial Corp. analyst. "I don't think it says much about when Robin may be looking to step down." ■

North Korean Official Lands At JFK for Talks With Pompeo

A senior North Korean official arrived in New York on Wednesday, May 30st in the highest-level official visit to the United States in 18 years, as President Donald Trump and Kim Jong Un sought to pursue prospects for a high-stakes nuclear summit.

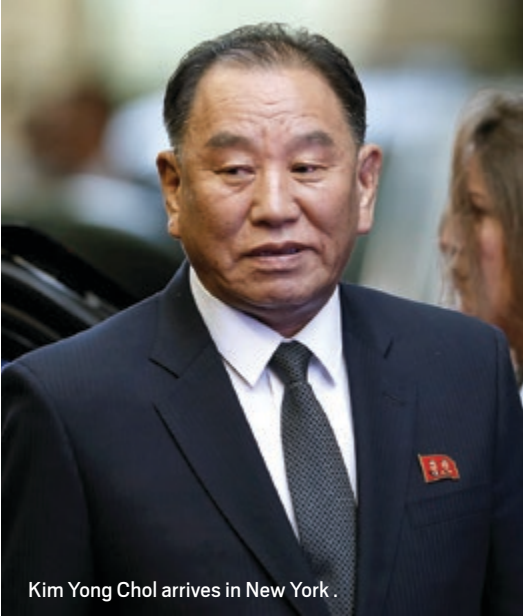
Kim Yong Chol, the former military intelligence chief and one of the North Korean leader's closest aides, landed mid-afternoon on an Air China flight from Beijing. *Associated Press* journalists saw the plane taxi down the tarmac before the North's delegation disembarked at JFK International Airport.

During his unusual visit to the U.S., Kim Yong Chol planned to meet with Secretary of State Mike Pompeo, who was traveling up from Washington. Their talks will be aimed at determining whether a meeting between Trump and Kim Jong Un, originally scheduled for June 12 but later canceled by Trump, can be restored, U.S. officials have said.

The talks come as preparations for the highly anticipated summit in Singapore were barreling forward both in the U.S. and in Asia, despite lingering uncertainty about whether it will really occur, and when.

North Korea's flurry of diplomatic activity following a torrid run in nuclear weapons and missile tests in 2017 suggests that Kim Jong Un is eager for sanctions relief to build his economy and the international legitimacy the summit with Trump would provide. But there are lingering doubts on whether Kim will ever fully relinquish his nuclear arsenal, which he may see as his only guarantee of survival in a region surrounded by enemies.

Trump announced that Kim Yong Chol was coming to New York for talks with Pompeo in a tweet on Tuesday in which he said he had a "great team" working on the summit. That was a shift from last week, when Trump announced in an open letter to Kim Jong Un that he had decided to "terminate" the summit following a provocative statement from the North. **JOSEPH ALBA**



Kim Yong Chol arrives in New York .

Skytyper Tragedy In Melville

On May 30th the tragic crash of a Geico Skytyper plane practicing maneuvers in the Melville area, not far from Republic Airport, was reported. Pilot Ken Johansen was lost in the crash as the plane reportedly broke up while plummeting to the ground in the residential neighborhood of Melville.

Long Island is the Cradle of Aviation, where aviation took root in the United States and is still a vibrant part of their commercial industry. Farmingdale, home to Republic Airport and the Geico Skytypers, remains an active hub for aviation enthusiasts. The Skytypers are a squadron of six aircraft that perform at air shows all over the United States.

The plane was a SNJ-2, World War II trainer plane capable of all the maneuvers of a high performance fighter plane at slower speeds. Although the aircraft are 75 years old, they are considered a testament to the greatest era of aviation engineering.

"A careful and thorough investigation is already underway. We are working with local law enforcement, the Federal Aviation Administration, and the National Transportation Safety Board," a spokeswoman for Skytypers said in a statement. "Our thoughts are with Ken and his family."

According to local officials, no additional injuries or property damage was reported.

The pilot was Ken Johansen. He was a graduate of the United States Naval Academy, a Navy aviator, and a professional pilot according to Skytypers. He leaves behind a wife and two children. ■



Ken Johansen

JFK Airport's Terminal 4 Debuts Security Operations Center

Centralizes security management and enhances technology infrastructure in partnership with Thales

Terminal 4 at John F. Kennedy International Airport opened a best-in-class Security Operations Center (SOC) as part of an extensive security modernization project in partnership with Thales, a world leader in airport security. The SOC and its advanced technology will enhance the terminal's security operations, supporting the growth of Terminal 4 and providing its more than 21 million annual travelers with a safe and secure customer experience.

"We are pleased to partner with Thales to further improve Terminal 4's security operations," said Gert-Jan de Graaff, President and CEO of JFKIAT, the company which operates Terminal 4. "This new Security Operations Center will prove to be an integral component in keeping passengers and employees at Terminal 4 safe and secure. The system will grow with the terminal, as it was designed to allow for expansion both inside Terminal 4 and strategically connect stakeholders outside the terminal facility."

Complete with an Airport Operation Control Center (AOCC) platform and Physical Security Information Management software, the SOC promotes efficiency, effectiveness and situational awareness for T4's security department while significantly improving outcomes through real-time management capabilities. The integrated security control center consolidates all security management and operational tools, providing those operating the system with complete control of



Alan Pellegrini and Gert-Jan de Graaff commemorating the Security Operations Center grand opening.

subsystems and enabling a more timely and accurate response by Terminal 4's security personnel and law enforcement. Processes are pre-programmed, for consistent responses allowing operators to focus on alternate security items.

"Providing a secure and hassle-free airport experience is no small feat in a world that is increasingly fast moving and unpredictable," said Alan Pellegrini, CEO of Thales USA. "Airport security is an important issue and with the capabilities of this new SOC, Terminal 4 can rely on Thales to help provide first class security operations." ■

Vaughn College Graduates 180

On Saturday May 19, families and friends gathered into the William R. DeCota Hangar, waiting for the more than 180 graduating students to walk at Vaughn College's 2018 Commencement Ceremony. The conferring of master's, bachelor's and associate degrees in engineering, technology, management and aviation began with a welcome from Dr. Paul LaVergne, vice president of academic affairs followed by Vaughn President Dr. Sharon B. DeVivo.

Rick Cotton, executive director of The Port Authority of New York and New Jersey (PANYNJ) was awarded an honorary degree by the College and delivered the commencement address.

"To the graduating class...the opportunity and challenge in the fields of aviation and technology could not be greater... The demand for talent has never been higher," said Cotton.

President DeVivo closed the commencement ceremony by thanking the graduates for their contributions to the institution and wishing them well in the next chapter of their journey.

She added; "Remember your alma mater. Your future success and the prosperity of Vaughn are now inextricably linked. We will need your support to thrive and continually enhance the value of the degree you are awarded today. I encourage you to stay connected to Vaughn as you move forward in your careers and reflect on what you can contribute as a member of this community."

Congratulations to the Vaughn College Class of 2018! ■



Port Authority Executive Director, Rick Cotton delivers Vaughn College Commencement address.

Gateway Group Tunnel Project Gets Green Light

From the May 18th daily update on New York *Crain's Review*, it was reported that the government agency charged with overseeing the construction of a new pair of rail tunnels under the Hudson River and other related infrastructure announced that it has received money to push forward on a time-sensitive section of the project.

This project will affect both freight and passenger rail movement between New Jersey and New York and may also have a direct effect on logistics routing after cargo arrives via air.

The Gateway Development Corp. said it had received \$12.5 million from the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey to relocate utilities to make way for the concrete casing that will link to the tunnel and run under the Hudson Yards development on the Far West Side.

Two sections of the casing have been built so far, at a cost of \$250 million, stretching under the east side of the Hudson Yards project. As The Related Cos., the real estate company spearheading the Hudson Yards development, plans to soon begin decking over the western section of the rail yards to undertake the second half of the project, there is growing urgency to build the final leg of the concrete casing.

The last section of the underground casing is expected to cost \$440 million or more, much of that coming from New York and New Jersey or their state-controlled transit agencies, including the Port Authority, the Metropolitan Transportation Authority and New Jersey Transit. Federal dollars will also be required to fund a portion of the casing's cost. In March Congress set aside more than \$540 million for the Gateway project, although it wasn't immediately clear how much of that would be available for the casing. Once the deck is installed, the casing can no longer be built, creating a potentially ominous deadline.

"Finishing the Hudson Yards concrete casing is an essential step toward construction of a new tunnel," John Porcari, interim executive director of the Gateway Development Corp., said in a statement. **JOSEPH ALBA**



dnata Receives Prestigious Awards

dnata Travel picks up two awards at the World Travel Awards Middle East

dnata was recently presented with the two prestigious awards at the World Travel Awards Middle East Gala Ceremony 2018 – for the fifth year running, securing the accolade of ‘UAE’s Leading Travel Agency’ and ‘The Middle East’s Leading Business Travel Agency’.



The World Travel Awards Middle East, presented at a gala dinner in Ras Al Khaimah, in front of the region’s leading travel groups. They are voted on by travel and tourism professionals worldwide. They recognize commitment to service excellence which organizations receiving awards have demonstrated during the past twelve months.

“It’s particularly gratifying to know our hard work and dedication to our customers have been recognized by the World Travel Awards,” said Iain Andrew - Divisional Senior Vice President, dnata Travel. “What sets dnata Travel apart from the competition is exceptional customer service. Above all, dnata is committed to service quality—it’s the foundation of our success and is how we will continue to grow.” ■

PAPD Superintendent Michael A. Fedorko Retires

Statement from Chairman Kevin O’Toole and Executive Director Rick Cotton

“Superintendent of Police and Director of Public Safety for the Port Authority Police Department (PAPD) Michael A. Fedorko announced his retirement from the organization, effective immediately.

“Superintendent Fedorko has served in the role since 2009, leading more than 1,700 uniformed officers responsible for the safety and security of travelers and tenants at all Port Authority facilities including its airports, bridges and tunnels, the Port Authority Bus Terminal, maritime facilities, the PATH rail system – and of course the World Trade Center campus and the extraordinary security measures it requires.



Michael A. Fedorko

“We thank Superintendent Fedorko not only for his service to the Port Authority, but for the dedication of his career to service to our region and country. As Vietnam veteran, he served proudly in the United States Marine Corps from 1966 to 1972, earning a Purple Heart after being wounded in action at Khe Sanh, Republic of Vietnam on March 24, 1967.

He then commenced what would become a remarkable tenure with the New Jersey State Police, beginning as a general duty road trooper in 1969 and eventually rising to rank of lieutenant colonel and being appointed Acting Superintendent of New Jersey State Police by Governor Christine Todd Whitman. He also served as head of the Governor’s security unit during the administrations of Governor Brendan Byrne and Governor Thomas Kean. We wish him well as he begins his next chapter.

“In light of the Superintendent’s retirement, Edward Cetnar will serve as Acting Superintendent of PAPD. Ed has served as PAPD’s deputy superintendent since 2014, prior to which he served as a 27-year veteran of the New Jersey State Police, leading, among other major initiatives, the comprehensive security efforts for Super Bowl XLVIII at MetLife Stadium in 2014.

“We look forward to working with him to maintain a resolute focus on safety and security as our top priority across all of our facilities.” ■



(L-R) Lysa Scully, Melinda Katz, Dolores Hofman, Helene Gibbs, and Bill Huisman.

ASDO 36TH Annual Aviation Networking Event A Big Success

On May 11th the Queens Air Services Development Office, ASDO, held the 36th annual Aviation Networking event at Russo’s on the Bay. Lysa Scully, General Manager of LaGuardia Airport and Melinda Katz, Queen Borough President spoke to the group about the local airports as economic engines for Queens. There are economic and employment opportunities here that don’t exist in other places due to the airports and all the business that exist to support them.



Laura Mannino, Metropolitan Airport News and Mike Garcia, Aqueous Solutions

The event was packed with companies ready to be part of the economic engine and do business in the local aviation sector. Dolores Hofman, the Airport Matchmaker and Bill Huisman, Executive Director of the Aviation Development Council were on hand to make sure the event was a huge success for all those that participated. The reverse trade show had tables of buyers from JFK and LGA based businesses. The businesses looking to develop relationships within the airport community were not disappointed, there was a lot of networking being done.

Congratulations to Dolores, Bill and their teams on a wonderful event that benefits the entire local airport community.

For more information about ASDO, go to www.asdoonline.com ■



Angela Stern, President, Miles Petroleum (left) and Moe A. Hossain, President, RLB General Construction Corp. (right)

Rockaway Development & Revitalization Corporation Builders Awards



It was a beautiful evening at Russo's on the Bay celebrating the 32nd annual Rockaway Development & Revitalization Corporation Tribute and Gala. The event chaired by **Connie DeLaigle**

from the M/WBE Program at The Port Authority of New York and New Jersey honored **Tyler Morse** from MCR Development and TWA Hotel, **Cassandra Hill** from Regional Alliance for Small Contractors and Delta M/WBE

Program, Assemblywoman **Stacey Pheffer-Amato**, and **Ms. Victoria Schneps** from Schneps Communication and Queens Courier. The honorees were presented with Community Builder Awards for their contribution in the Queens area that furthers the mission of the RDRC. The organization works to ensure thriving economic growth and sustainability in this region for today and for the future through a collaborative effort with political and business leaders. They do this by providing leadership, training and financial programs for local youth, small businesses, first time home owners, and entrepreneurs. Congratulations to the honorees on this wonderful achievement and to Kevin Alexander, President of the Rockaway Development



Victoria Schneps, Publisher, *Queens Courier* and Revitalization Corporation and to Connie DeLaigle for the outstanding event. For more information about this organization, go to www.rdrc.org



MCR Team: (L-R) Ed Dougherty, Unity Electric; Connie DeLaigle, PANY/NJ M/WBE Program; Tyler Morse, MCR, Diana Villareal, MCR; Erik Palmer, TWA Hotel; William White, MCR



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Newark Bound Southwest Jet Diverts Due to Cracked Window

A Southwest Airlines domestic flight bound for Newark, New Jersey made an emergency landing in Cleveland, Ohio, on May 2, 2018, after a window pane cracked during flight, airline officials and the U.S. Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) confirmed. No one was injured in the incident.

Flight 957 departed from Chicago Midway Airport and was on route to Newark Liberty International Airport with 76 passengers on board. The Boeing 737-700 was cruising at about 26,000 feet when passengers reportedly heard the window at the middle of the cabin crack.

There was a loud pop and then the pilot came out and then checked things out; and then he announced we had to divert to Cleveland,” passenger Chris Speros, told The New York Post. “It was pretty tense because he announced there was a crack in the window. We still had pressure in the cabin, but he wasn’t sure how much longer we were going to have it,” the passenger added.

According to a Southwest spokesman, the crew had to divert the plane to Cleveland-Hopkins International Airport in order to inspect a layer of a windowpane, Reuters reports. Southwest assured that the cabin did not lose pressure because there are “multiple layers of panes in each window”. Pi-



lots also never declared an emergency before landing at Cleveland.

“The aircraft has been taken out of service for maintenance review,” a spokesman for the airline stated. Southwest also reassured that its maintenance program is approved by the FAA, and that “our established programs and processes are designed to enable us to operate at the highest level of safety,” Bloomberg reports. ■

Air France KLM CEO Resigns and Board Acts to Announce Interim CEO

Air France KLM shares slumped after the company’s chief executive said he would resign following the rejection of a pay deal by the airline’s staff continuing their industrial action in pursuit of a 5.1% pay rise.

A series of Air France strikes—13 one-day walkouts so far in recent weeks—have cost the company at least \$359 million dollars. Meanwhile, the strike prompted the cancellation of about 15 percent of Air France flights worldwide.

Air France employees were given an opportunity to express their opinion on the multi-year pay proposal. Thus, Air France reported that the vote period came to an end on 4 May, 2018.



Jean-Marc Janaillac

“As a result, the pay agreement proposal of April 16 ensuring a 7% wage increase over 4 years, including a 2% increase in 2018, is no longer valid,” the company said, and Air France-KLM CEO Jean-Marc Janaillac is following through on his promise to be personally accountable.

The French government owns 14.3% of the Air France-KLM parent group. Correspondingly minister Bruno Le Maire warned Air France could “disappear”.

The CEO of Air France-KLM, **Jean-Marc Janaillac**, has announced he will quit his position after Air France’s staff rejected a new wage offer in a vote this past week, Reuters has reported.

Air France Names Interim CEO

CFO **Frederic Gagey** will take over as interim CEO after Jean-Marc Janaillac stepped down because of a labor relations crisis.

Air France CEO Franck Turner and KLM CEO **Pieter Elbers** will temporarily serve as deputy group CEOs as part of a management committee of three, with Gagey the committee’s spokesman, the group said.

Air France-KLM also named **Anne-Marie Couderc** as non-executive chairman of the board of directors. She is a former government minister who has also held high-level roles in the publishing industry and was already on Air France-KLM’s board.

The committee will make its decisions jointly, overseeing and monitoring group functions and coordinating strategic matters between the group and its airlines, which, as well as Air France and KLM, also include Transavia, HOP! and Joon.

Elbers said the temporary appointments would give the organization order and stability. “Through this new committee, I will continue to work for the Air France-KLM Group, as well as for the further successful implementation of our KLM strategy, just as Franck Turner will continue to do this for Air France,” he said, adding the appointments would give the board time to figure out a permanent solution. “It is important that, throughout the group, we restore the good spirit, cohesion, and stability that we had in the early days of our partnership. This was demonstrably successful both for Air France and KLM,” Elbers added. ■



JetBlue Hosts Plane Pull for Children With Cancer

On May 21st, JetBlue Airlines partnered up with London’s Metropolitan Police Department for a friendly Plane Pull at JFK Airport. The pull competition was a fund-raising event for the British charity ‘Joining Against Cancer in Kids’ Foundation. (JACK)

JetBlue hosted this annual event for the ninth time. The competition is for a good cause, where “Bobbies” from London’s Metropolitan Police Department (“Brits”) went go head-to-head in time trials against airport crewmembers and other U.S. law enforcement agencies to see which group can pull an Airbus 320 aircraft 100 ft. in the fastest time. The “Yanks” are the defending champions, winning the competition for the past eight years.

JACK was set up in 2008 by Richard and Yvonne Brown, both officers with the Metropolitan Police, to help fund research after their son Jack was diagnosed with the rare form of cancer in 2004. JetBlue Airways provided transportation for Jack to and from his treatment facilities in the U.S. He sadly died from the disease on May 3, 2009, but fundraising efforts continue in his memory to support other families affected by the condition.

The winners were:

1. Nassau County Corrections Dept. (Men’s Team): 29.5
2. Team NYPD: 30.5
3. Nassau County Police Medics: 31.5

To make a donation to the Foundation and to learn more please visit www.j-a-c-k.org ■

After 9/11, A Career Commitment To Aviation Security

BY JOE IORIO

PANYNJ Media Relations Staff

In 2001, Jeanne Olivier had transferred into her 65th floor World Trade Center office to begin a new job with the Port Authority's Aviation Department. Then 9/11 struck, and she realized her life from that day forward would be changed forever.

"People lost family members – friends, brothers, sisters, daughters. And I lost colleagues, many of whom I knew since I started with the Port Authority in 1984," Olivier recalled. "So, from that moment, I planned to invest my life's energy in aviation security, working to prevent anything like it from happening again."

Today, that investment is paying dividends. Olivier is the Port Authority's assistant director of Aviation Security Operations, a woman whose drive and ability has earned her prestigious industry honors. The most recent is her April appointment as chair of the 5,700-member American Association of Airport Executives (AAAE), the industry's largest

professional organization. She is only the sixth woman in its 90-year history to serve as chair.

In her Port Authority role, Olivier leads a multi-year Aviation Department capital program to reinforce the existing physical, operational and technological security infrastructure. She's also responsible for working with local and federal authorities on policy and funding matters for aviation security and ensuring Port Authority compliance with regulations.

Humble by nature and reluctant to blow her own horn, Olivier nevertheless has a powerful and inspiring story of dedication to public service, and how she took the lessons of 9/11 and put them to work on a global scale. Hoping to make a real difference after the attacks, Olivier volunteered to help rebuild war-damaged airports in Iraq in 2006-2007, after they were almost completely destroyed. She was the lead technical advisor on aviation facilities in the northern half of the country.

The strategic mission was to convince the Iraqi people of U.S. efforts to get the country



Jeanne Olivier pictured with AAE President & CEO Todd Hauptli

and its people back on their feet in the midst of war by restoring a functioning aviation system. For her work in Iraq, Olivier received the U.S. State Department's Meritorious Honor Award.

Reflecting on her time in Iraq, Olivier recalled witnessing atrocities and surviving her tour while staying in a temporary embassy, located in one of Saddam Hussein's former palaces. She saw everything from mortar strikes

on their camp to kidnappings of colleagues and public executions. Yet Olivier considers the experience one of her most rewarding, as she also lived and worked beside courageous individuals willing to risk everything for their country.

"I sacrificed nothing, but I learned and saw examples of people who sacrificed everything," she said. "I'm proud to have had the opportunity to serve in Iraq, but I'm also moved by the memories of everyday people doing extraordinary things to help others. I will never forget what I saw there."

With these life-changing experiences having reshaped her career, Olivier plans to continue her work at the Port Authority, and as the AAAE chair, by encouraging others to get involved with aviation management and public service. During her year-long appointment, she plans to address critical issues such as the current shortage of pilots, find more creative revenue sources for airports, and continue to promote AAAE's educational programs.

"Over my 34 years at the Port Authority, dramatic social, political and technological advancements have redefined aviation's importance to our society," she said. "I hope to have an impact on future industry employees by setting enduring priorities to meet the exciting challenges of tomorrow and beyond." ■



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Farewell to Gert-Jan de Graaff from JFKIAT

A reception was held for departing President and CEO of Terminal 4 JFKIAT Gert-Jan de Graaff. Gert-Jan is transitioning to a new role as the President and CEO of Brisbane Airport in Australia. The farewell celebration was well attended by colleagues, partners and friends who were there to wish him well in his next chapter. The new President and CEO of Terminal 4 JFKIAT is Roel Huinink who was also in attendance.

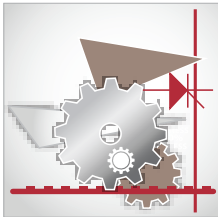
The *Metropolitan Airport News* wishes Gert-Jan good luck in his future endeavors and welcomes Roel to the JFK community.



Roel Huinink, incoming CEO of Terminal 4 and Gert-Jan de Graaff



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Port Authority Police Academy Class: Learning from the Past

During a recent meeting with recruits in the current Port Authority Police Academy class, Deputy Inspector James McSorley asked them if they knew about the Holocaust. McSorley was surprised when only about one-third of the class raised their hands.

Given the reaction, McSorley decided to implement for the first time a Holocaust awareness program because he felt it important for his recruits to know the history and understand anti-Semitism as it may possibly impact their work in such a highly diverse region.

“To know the future and know what your job entails, you have to have a pretty good idea of what the history is,” said McSorley, who has been with the PAPD for seven years and in charge of the academy for the past three and a half years.

Last week, an hour-long training session was led by Port Authority Police Rabbi Mendy Carlebach and Holocaust survivor Ed Mosberg, a developer who lives in New Jersey. Mosberg recently returned from Poland where he led the “March of the Living,” the annual educational program on the Holocaust that examines the roots of prejudice and intolerance. His wife is also a Holocaust survivor.

“I don’t have to go to Germany or to Poland, I find anti-Semitism in the United States,” Mosberg told the recruits. He shared his experiences with the class, showing the uniforms that he and his wife wore while in concentration camps, as well as a whip used to inflict beatings on him. He was 13 years old when the war started, and he lost his entire family to it. **LENIS RODRIGUES, Media Relations Staff**



Left to right: Deputy Inspector McSorley, Lieutenant Scot Pomerantz, Holocaust Survivor Ed Mosberg, Rabbi Mendy Carlebach and Detective Henri Portner

Stewart International Airport Hosts Multi-Agency Emergency Response Drill

Stewart International Airport hosted an emergency response drill on Saturday, May 5. The exercise, which simulated an aircraft incident, had no impact on flight operations, but airline passengers and motorists saw smoke and rescue vehicles in and around the airport during the exercise.

The Port Authority, in conjunction with the New York Air National Guard and local mutual aid services, is conducting the drill to test coordination and enhance response procedures. Other drill participants included members of the Orange County Department of Emergency Services, New York State Police and federal law enforcement agencies ■

JFK Cargo Expo 2018

The JFK Air Cargo Association Expo was held at Russo’s on the Bay on May 17th. There were many tables set up for vendors seeking to network with the airport community. The panel discussion was moderated by Brandon Fried, Executive Director of the Airforwards Association. The discussion was quite candid and informative. The overall message received was regarding the challenges that are faced by the industry today.

Particularly noted was the difficulty of doing business at JFK due to poor signage, aging infrastructure, minimum wage requirements, driver shortage, traffic congestion and heavy regulations. While the future is bright for our local airports due to investments in infrastructure, some of these other issues are just inherent while doing business in the New York metro area. The participants all agreed it was worth it to continue to grow the business here in the City of New York during this current phase of growth and renewal. ■





Sonia Saleh, JFK Rotary; Edward Rivera, Executive Director CNSF; Genevieve Zdrojeski CNSF; Frank McIntyre; Ed Dougherty; Tammy Card, JFK Rotary.

JFK Rotary Dinner Highlights Plight of Iraqi Homeless

The Rotary had their monthly dinner meeting on May 1st. The guest speaker at the meeting was **Edward Rivera**, Executive Director of the Critical Needs Support Foundation, (CNSF) and fellow Rotarian.

CNSF works with local organizations and other humanitarian actors in Iraq to provide emergency assistance and support to communities impacted by the conflict in the middle-east.

Under most difficult situations, CNSF has helped rebuild 1200 homes in East Mosul, providing work and training for the inhabitants, has set up 120 communal water tanks, and distributed clothing, heaters, blankets and other necessities to widows and orphans living in East and West Mosul, all with the help of Iraqi and American volunteers.

Since his first visit to Iraq in August 2014, during the height of the ISIS expansion, Ed has been back five times, staying a month to three months on his last visit. His plan is to return in August for three to six months to continue the work of CNSF. Mr. Rivera and the Critical Needs Support Foundation truly exemplify the Rotary's goals of improving peoples' lives locally and globally through service. To learn more or contribute please go to www.thecnsf.com

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4th Annual Global Foundation Golf Outing

The Global Foundation for First Responders held its annual Golf Outing on May 21st to raise funds and awareness for our nations fallen first responders and their families. The golf outing took place at the beautiful Stonebridge Golf Links & Country Club in Smithtown, N.Y.

Board members, participants, and volunteers gathered for a moment of silence to recognize the sacrifice that has been made by the men and women we have lost in the line of duty before setting off onto the links. "The momentum is building for this great event. The

response each year is overwhelming and greatly appreciated. This year all funds are going towards the organizations we have partnered with to distribute monies to further the educational needs for the survivors of the fallen," explains William McGuire, Executive Director, Global Foundation for First Responders.

The golfers were treated to massages, high end sponsors, wonderful food, and comradery all for the benefit of the Global Foundation for First Responders. For information about the charity, go to www.globalfirstresponders.org



(L-R) Freddy Cantonese Sr, Airway; Brian Davis; Will McGuire, Global Elite; Katie Artz, Global Elite; Joe Scarano.



William McGuire, President & CEO of Global Elite Group, was awarded the Young Professional of the Year Award by the Long Island New York Chapter of ASIS International, the global security professionals organization.



(L-R) Joe Morra Sr, Nancy Lupo, Joe Morra Jr., Frank McIntyre, Ulysses, Dr. Ray Kayume

A New Voice for Port Authority Veterans

At the Port Authority, a new employee resource group has formed to not only advocate for the recruitment of veterans but, more importantly, to give them a lasting support system once they're hired.

Started in November 2017, the Port Authority Veterans Association (PAVA) represents an active community of Port Authority professionals, both military veterans and supportive colleagues, who led efforts to help retired, active duty and reserve members of the U.S. armed forces.

The group's 80 members are led by the association's inaugural president, Sean Kazmark. He is assisted by PAVA Vice-President Sam Orlan, Treasurer Ryan Flanagan and Secretary Francis Caponi.

"When military veterans begin their transition to civilian life, many struggle with finding a career that has adequate resources to represent their interests and concerns," said Kazmark, who works with Port Operations and is a Petty Officer 1st Class in the U.S. Navy.

Understanding the value of vets to the

agency, the Port Authority recently launched its most comprehensive veterans' recruitment plan ever, with the goal of U.S. military service vets making up 5 percent of the PA's workforce by 2020. Adopted in December 2017, the new policy is expected to contribute greatly to the agency's efforts to continually diversify the workplace.

The idea for PAVA surfaced in 2013, when Flanagan, now a Port Department employee and then a Port Authority Leadership Fellow, was working with the Human Resources and Marketing Departments to roll out a new veterans' recruitment program. Although Flanagan isn't a veteran, he was committed to helping vets join and thrive at the Port Authority.

"As we worked to improve this system, it became more obvious that the agency also needed an internal resource group for the growing number of veterans already working for the agency," Flanagan said.

On November 8, 2017, after years of planning and preparation with assistance from Kazmark and Orlan, PAVA became a reality with a



Sam Orlan, Ryan Flanagan, former Port Authority Aviation Director Thomas Bosco, and Sean Kazmark

kick-off event at the Port Authority's 4 World Trade Center headquarters.

"The Port Authority is a great place for veterans to start their civilian careers because it allows you to be part of something bigger than yourself," said Orlan, a retired U.S. Army captain who works with the Tunnels, Bridges & Terminals department.

On May 24th, the New York State Senate presented Orlan with the Liberty Medal, one of the highest civilian honors a New Yorker can receive. The award is given to individuals

meriting special commendation for exceptional, heroic, or humanitarian acts and achievements on behalf of fellow New Yorkers. Orlan was honored for distinguished service while deployed as a scout platoon leader in Afghanistan.

"Many veterans feel a sense of missing purpose when they leave the military, but I think that the mission of this agency is a rewarding alternative because we work to achieve a greater good for the region," he said. **JOE IORIO**, PANYNJ Media Relations Staff ■

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Juan-Carlos Capelli VP & Head of Marketing, Longines, Erik Lindbergh

Longines Honors Lindbergh at Manhattan Award Ceremony

On May 21, 1927 Charles Lindbergh completed the first transatlantic solo nonstop flight from Roosevelt Field, Long Island to Le Bourget, Paris. This historic feat was officially timed and certified by the renowned Swiss watchmaker, Longines. Shortly after his crossing, Lindbergh approached Longines to create a watch that would respond to his aviation needs, and thus the Lindbergh Hour Angle Watch was created and became the true watchmaking icon that it is today.

With its historic ties to aviation, Longines chose to celebrate the anniversary of Lindbergh's flight by creating the Longines Lindbergh Award. On May 21, 2018, at the headquarters of the New York Times, the newspaper that so passionately covered Charles Lindbergh's exploits, the first Award was granted to Erik Lindbergh, the grandson of the famed aviator.

Erik Lindbergh, an artist and designer, has been involved in a number of projects in the field of space tourism and ecological airplanes. In May 2000, during the 75th anniversary of Charles Lindbergh's historic flight, Erik followed in the footsteps of his famous grandfather and performed the same solo Atlantic crossing, in a small single engine airplane, from Long Island to Le Bourget. In recognition of his many achievements Mr. Juan-Carlos Capelli, Longines VP and Head of International Marketing presented Erik Lindbergh with the Longines Lindbergh Award, which comes with \$25,000 (the sum Charles received after his flight), and the Lindbergh Hour Angle Watch, the watch designed by his grandfather.

The event, which brought together representatives from the aviation sector, members of the media, and the Lindbergh family, celebrated Longines historic involvement in the field of aviation.

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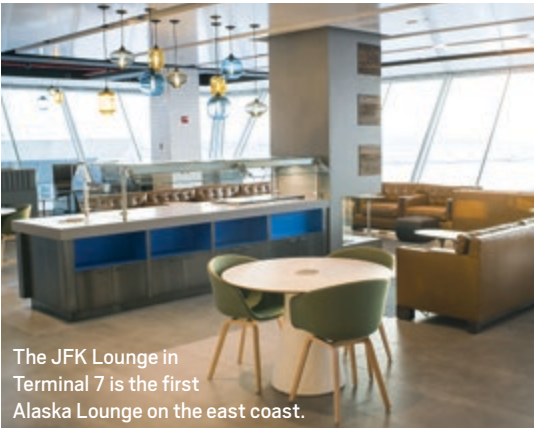


Roberta Dunn and Erik Lindbergh

Alaska Airlines Opens New Airport Lounge at JFK

Alaska Airlines has announced the debut of its first Alaska Lounge on the East Coast, opening at John F. Kennedy International Airport (JFK). The new, reimagined lounge brings to life the company's West Coast vibe with a cool, comfortable space to work or relax while traveling through JFK.

Alaska's newest lounge features a living room-esque design with multiple seating areas designed with business and leisure travelers in mind. The lounge includes Starbucks-trained baristas who will create custom handcrafted espresso beverages and full-leaf tea beverages for guests. Travelers will have access to complimentary fresh foods including oatmeal and yogurt bars in the morning and salad and soup in the afternoon and evening. Guests can also enjoy a wide-selection of microbrews, West Coast wines or a signature cocktail from the lounge's welcoming bar.



The JFK Lounge in Terminal 7 is the first Alaska Lounge on the east coast.

"We're always looking to create warm, welcoming experiences for our guests," said Brett Catlin, managing director of guest products at Alaska Airlines. "Our newest Alaska Lounge at JFK reflects the future of our lounge offering – a signature West Coast vibe, unique beverage selections and a focus on fresh, healthy food options. We're also thrilled to be the first domestic lounge to introduce a full menu of barista-pulled handcrafted espresso beverages."

The Alaska Lounge is located on the mezzanine level of Terminal 7 at JFK. It is accessible to Alaska guests traveling through or out of Terminal 7 who have purchased a day pass or lounge membership or are flying First Class. All paid First-Class guests receive complimentary access to the lounge, a benefit only offered by Alaska compared to other domestic carriers. In addition to the new JFK lounge, Alaska has lounges in Anchorage, Los Angeles, Portland, Oregon and three in Seattle, the airline's largest hub.

To become an Alaska Lounge member, visit alaskaair.com/content/airport-lounge/join-renew or purchase a day pass for only \$45. In addition to the new lounge at JFK, Alaska Lounge membership provides access to over 90 airport lounges worldwide in cities like Chicago, London, Tokyo, Sydney, and Paris. This includes access to select Admirals Club locations when arriving or departing that day on a purchased or redeemed-mileage ticket on Alaska Airlines or American Airlines. ■

JetBlue Airlines Save A Seat Honors POW/MIA Veterans

Many airlines offer veterans discounts including JetBlue which supports U.S. Active Duty Military, Retired Military, Veterans, National Guard and Reserve, and their families enrolled in Veterans Advantage with a 5% discount on everyday JetBlue travel to 85+ destinations across the United States, the Caribbean and Latin America.

Veterans Advantage members are also allowed to check two (2) bags at no additional cost. JetBlue went a step further this Memorial Day by marking the day by "saving a seat." The airline posted an image on Facebook of an empty airplane seat lined with a special cover. The seat cover was imprinted with an image and message to honor prisoners of war and those missing in action: "You are not forgotten." There was an American flag on the seat. JetBlue wrote on Facebook, "Saving a seat in remembrance of our heroes." ■





Blue Angels Light Up the Sky at Republic Airport

In preparation for the Bethpage Air Show at Jones Beach

BY JOSEPH ALBA
Editor in Chief

Memorial Day is celebrated in many ways; parades, picnics, quiet visits to Veterans cemeteries, annual memorial events by numerous veterans' organizations across the United States and of course there are the exciting air shows that are held in almost every metropolitan area across the United States.

The annual air show at Jones Beach is one of the biggest and this year's shortened event welcomed a combined 275,000 "air show enthusiasts" to Jones Beach for the rehearsal on Friday and the first day of the event on Saturday. Sundays events had to be cancelled due to unsafe flying conditions.

There are a number of flying teams that perform at this air-show; including Geico Skytypers, Royal Canadian Snowbirds, US Air Force Thunderbirds, a B-17 flyover and Republic Airport's Air Power Museums Vintage aircraft.

Which brings us to the Blue Angels, the vaunted Naval flying team that is perhaps the best-known flying team in the world, and a headline performer at the Long Island show. The Blue Angels is the United States Navy's flight demonstration squadron, with aviators from the Navy and Marines. The Blue Angels team was formed in 1946, making it the second oldest formal flying aerobatic team (under the same name) in the world, after the French Patrouille de France formed in 1931.

The Blue Angels arrived at Long Island's Republic Airport early Thursday morning on May 24th. The aircraft they fly, an early version of the F-18 Hornet, could now almost be considered "vintage" when you think about the major technical, engine advances, armaments and

avionics improvements made to the F-18 modified fighter aircraft since 1978. But the big advantage these F-18s brings to the table is their amazing maneuverability and steadiness.

Following the six F-18 Hornets landing at Republic's 6,800 foot runways was the much larger, less speedy and ungainly aircraft called "Fat Albert".

Fat Albert is a C-130 which is an integral part of the Blue Angels. Much as the mega speakers at a Rock concert are as important as the musical instruments; the C-130 performs a vital function; carrying spare parts, tools, the pilots, mechanics and administrative team along with everyone's personal effects.

The F-18 is a singular looking airplane with its' V tail configuration and sharply sloping nose from the canopy to the nose tip. McDonnell Douglas rolled out the first F/A-18A on 13 September 1978, in blue-on-white colors marked with "Navy" on the left and "Marines" on the right. Its first flight was on 18 November. In a break with tradition, the Navy pioneered the "principal site concept" with the F/A-18, where almost all testing was done at Naval Air Station Patuxent River, instead of near the site of manufacture, and using Navy and Marine Corps test pilots instead of civilians early in development.

Ed Garcia, my co-worker and friend at *Metropolitan Airport News* and I were met at Republic Airport's main terminal by our host, Colonel Paul Zuckerberg of the Civil Air Patrol. The responsibility of the Civil Air Patrol relative to air show is to control and monitor access to buildings, ramps and tarmac, as well as continuing security in the immediate area, as well as access to media and other key administrative functions while the various flying teams



The Blue Angels performing for the crowds below at the Bethpage Federal Credit Union Air Show at Jones Beach.

US NAVY/BLE ANGELS (2)



Blue Angels pilots on the tarmac at Republic Airport.



Blue Anges Poised for take off.

are in Long Island. It's the kind of job that when you do it well, no one notices but if you make a mistake in the security process, your organization could end up on page one of the local newspapers. Paul took us to the rear of the terminal where an access door took us outside to the viewing area where I saw the aircraft.

The time devoted at Republic Airport for the Blue Angels is critical since it is the place where engines, communications and control systems are tested, and mechanics check and recheck systems and pilots perform practice runs several of which I viewed.

Prior to testing, from the time the aircraft is first fired up with ignition, until the time they taxis to the end of the runway took 20 minutes; a standard safety-first check is conducted before take-off.

As a US Marine, on one of my duty tours I was stationed on a carrier and had the unique experience of once serving guard duty on the "island" the structure housing command and control on a carrier and actually viewed a take-off and landing exercise. This was before the advent of catapults and vertical take-offs so the fighters had a short run from one end of the carrier to take off point and the jets in those days seemed to be bigger than the F-18. This was in the mid-60s. When the F-18's wound their turbines and then accelerated down Republic's tarmac, the distance before lift-off also seemed short.

The Blue Angels took off in a group of three then followed by a tandem of two planes. When I looked up to watch, I got the sensation that this air practice exercise seemed to be just for me. There were only a few people in the viewing

area, the sky was a vivid blue and the air maneuvers were marvelous. These guys are good! Then I recalled this dialog in the movie "Field of Dreams": "Is this heaven" asked on the ball players; "No, it's Iowa" said Kevin Costner. And I thought to myself, is this heaven? no, it's Farmingdale.

During the afternoon, we also saw the Canadian show-team, the Snowbirds make a flyover. The Geico Skytypers, by the way, have their home base right on Route 109 in Farmingdale, only minutes from Republic Airport.

Just think; watching this sensational and impromptu airshow without any parking problems and a personal guide.

The F-18's landed and taxied to the tarmac area right in front of us, the pilots exited the aircraft gave us a friendly wave, and off they went

to take a break before they engaged in more practice runs later that afternoon.

When I got in my car to head to my home in Orange County, it was disappointing to think there would be no "wheels up" for this arduous 2 1/2 hour journey.

The Bethpage Air Show at Jones Beach was held on May 26th, and cancelled on May 27th.

I would like to express my thanks and appreciation for the assistance of the Civil Air Patrol for making the day possible. And of course, the thanks of all at *Metropolitan Airport News* staff for the men and women serving in our armed forces. ■

For addition information about the Civil Air Patrol, visit them online at www.gocivilairpatrol.com. The CAP Falcon Squadron is located at JFK Airport, www.falconsquadron.org.



Fat Albert lands at Republic Airport



Civil Air Patrol Col. Zuckerberg and Metropolitan Airport News Editor in Chief, Joe Alba posing in front of one of the many displays located at the main entrance of Republic Airport.



Norwegian Airlines Says No To Takeover Bid By IAG

Norwegian’s Oslo Gardermoen, says it has rejected a takeover bid by IAG International Airlines Group on the grounds that it had undervalued the Scandinavian budget carrier.

In a disclosure to the Oslo bourse, Norwegian said IAG had submitted two separate conditional proposals for the acquisition of 100% of its share capital. “These proposals were reviewed in conjunction with NAS’ financial and legal advisers; and were unanimously rejected on the basis that they undervalued NAS and its prospects,” it said. “The Board of NAS remains fully committed to delivering on its stated strategy, for the benefit of all NAS shareholders.”

CEO Bjorn Kjos has, however, hinted at a potential willingness to sell off Norwegian. In an interview with Sweden’s Dagens Industri newspaper, he stated that while the airline’s board could not endorse an agreement to the current value of Norwegian, a sale could still be done, for the right price.

Kjos added, “What I have said is that at today’s level I do not think you will find many Norwegian owners willing to sell. But sure, if the price is right, it’s clear that everything is for sale.” In the time that IAG has expressed an interest in Norwegian, Kjos added that the carrier has received bids from other “very serious and professional” airline groups. ■

Delta Hosts Relay for Life for the American Cancer Society

Delta came through once again in support of their employees and the American Cancer Society at JFK International Airport. The employees raised over \$57,000 for the charity making possible the support of programs in research, education, advocacy and service—locally, statewide, and nationally. Terminal 4 came alive with inspiring speeches and many employees sharing their journey about how cancer has touched their lives.

Delta at LaGuardia Airport also held a Relay for Life event held in Terminal C. The LaGuardia teams raised nearly \$25,000.

It was a great day for Delta to come out and show their employees dedication and inspiration. Over \$75,000 raised for the American Cancer Society is an outstanding achievement by our local Delta teams. Congratulations to all those that participated. ■



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Cargologicair Delivers Bikes for Giro d'Italia Race

CargoLogicAir, the British all-cargo airline, helped ensure competitors taking part in the historic 101st Giro d'Italia bike race reached the starting line in Israel on time.

For the first time, the race started outside of Italy with individual time trials for riders in Jerusalem. In total, CLA transported 1,263 pieces of cargo — including bicycles and equipment used by the supporting teams — onboard a Boeing 747-8F charter flight from Milan Malpensa.

CargoLogicAir has been a regular all-cargo operator to and from Israel since Q4 2017, when it launched a weekly Tel Aviv service providing a direct link with Europe and connecting services to the Americas and Asia Pacific.

Sonigo International Shipping, Packing & Moving, the logistics company coordinating the start of the 2018 race, joined forces with freight-forwarding company Vector and cargo handler Alha Group to ensure all of the strict timelines as well as complex preparation and transportation processes were successfully met.

Meeting the delivery deadline required close coordination among the CargoLogicAir, Vector and Alha teams. Due to the stringent security measures and the value of the bikes and equipment being transported, the project required an operational commitment involving more than 65 staff and 23 trucks. Following the time trials, the bikes and equipment were returned to Italy for the Catania and Caltagirone stage of the Giro d'Italia. The race ended in Italy on May 24. ■



Single Pilot Cargo Aircraft Concept Riles Pilot's Union

US pilot unions have hit out at Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) plans to conduct a study into the use of single pilot cargo aircraft.

Contained within the FAA Reauthorization Act of 2018 is a program that would see the FAA, in consultation with NASA and other agencies, establish a research and development program in support of single-piloted cargo aircraft assisted with remote piloting and computer piloting.

Initially the parties will conduct a review of FAA research and development activities in support of single-piloted cargo aircraft and, within six months of the enactment of the act, will file a report on the possibility.

The study, listed in section 744 of the act, was opposed by pilots on safety grounds.

In a joint statement, Air Line Pilots Association, International, the Independent Pilots Association, and the International Brotherhood of Teamsters Airline Division said: "The professional cargo pilots of our collective airlines strongly oppose Section 744 and implore Congress to reject this provision without delay."

By endorsing language that promotes single-operator commercial cargo aircraft, Congress will undermine years of safety and security measures currently in place and put lives at risk. "For many years, aviation has been the safest form of transportation in the US; and this is by no means an accident; it is the result of a strong regulatory framework built over time, paired with an ongoing airline system safety culture that is one of the most ambitious in our nation's history."

"Attempts to roll back safety regulations in such a way are counterproductive, and unacceptable to the common good."

"With the increasing frequency and severity of reports regarding computer hacking, accidents in current military and civilian drone operations, and mounting reports of autonomous vehicle accidents, we think any serious consideration of this technology is premature at best."

Air cargo carriers continued to see airfreight rates improve in April compared with a year earlier. ■



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Lufthansa Changes Livery and Tests Design On 747

Lufthansa is testing some adjustments to its new livery, including a brighter blue color than the one originally chosen and a larger crane logo on the aircraft tail.

A Boeing 747-400 featuring the scheme arrived in Frankfurt yesterday and will be used to operate a Toronto service. The German carrier describes the updated color as "optimized blue". It appears to have a purplish tinge.



Cargo Rates Increase As Demand Continues To Ramp Up

According to the latest figures from data provider Tac Index, carriers offering cargo capacity on services from Hong Kong to North America saw prices increase by 14.8% year on year in April to \$3.65 per kg.

While prices on the trade improved compared with a year ago, they were flat on March levels, a reflection of the sector entering the summer quiet period before demand ramps up again in late summer ahead of the peak season.

Prices on this trade are also ahead of the level recorded in both April 2016 and 2015, reflecting the continuing strength of demand over the past couple of years.

It was a similar story on services from Hong Kong to Europe where there was a 14.1% year on year increase in April's average prices to \$2.50 per kg. This is also a slight improvement on the \$2.44 per kg achieved in March – a reflection of seasonal trends – and is up on April 2016 levels. However, it is seven cents behind the \$2.57 per kg levels reported by Tac Index in April 2015.

Finally, the Frankfurt-North America trade saw prices increase by 13.3% year on year in April to \$2.90 per kg.

This is down on the March figure, which reflects carriers beginning to increase capacity on the transatlantic for the passenger season while demand remains flat during the summer period. ■

Silkways West Adds Freighters To European Service

Silk Way West Airlines is taking on two additional 747 freighters and increasing its European services.

The Azerbaijan airline received a former Malaysian Airlines Cargo 747-400F in mid-May and has a second arriving in June. The carrier also announced that it had started twice weekly flights into Liege in April, and it also relaunched operations into Budapest after a two-year hiatus.

"The aim is to further knit our European network by adding more destinations and maintaining a denser schedule in order to offer our customers the highest flexibility," said Wolfgang Meier, President and CEO.

Silk Way West currently operates to some 45 destinations. ■



TSA Prepares for a Record-Breaking Summer Travel Season

Agency expects to screen nearly 4 percent more passengers than last year

The Transportation Security Administration (TSA) is preparing for another record-breaking travel season this summer, as 243 million passengers and crew are projected to pass through security checkpoints nationwide between Memorial Day and Labor Day.

Last summer, TSA screened more than 239 million passengers and crew during the same period, which included four of the top 10 busiest days in the agency's history.

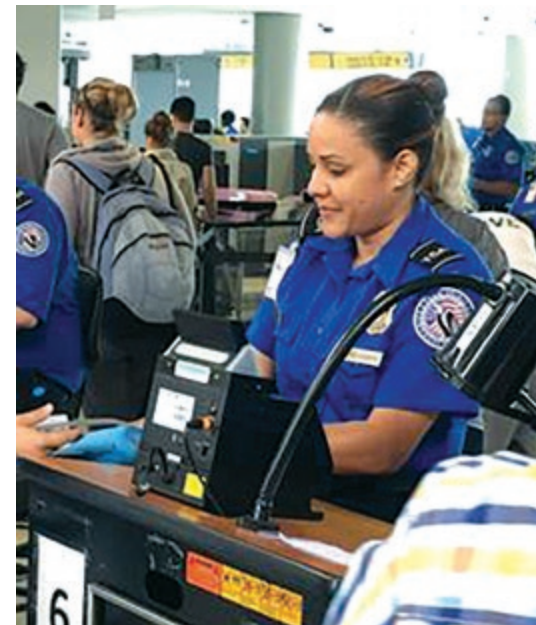
To support this surge, TSA began planning with airline and airport partners to increase screening capabilities earlier this year. The agency has also increased its checkpoint staff by more than 600 officers since the beginning of the year and expects to increase by another 1,000 officers before the peak of this year's summer travel season. Additionally, TSA plans to have approximately 50 more Passenger Screening Canine (PSC) teams operational this summer.

"TSA screens over 2 million passengers on an average day throughout the year and expects to screen over 2.6 million a day during peak periods of the busy summer travel season," said TSA Administrator David Pekoske. "Our officers are committed to ensuring the highest level of security for the traveling public even as passenger volume increases year after year."

As a reminder, TSA recently completed the roll-out of enhanced screening procedures and there are a few things passengers can do to assist TSA with keeping wait times to a minimum this summer:

- Check personal belongings/carry-ons for prohibited items before going to the airport.
- Check with the airlines and airports to determine wait times during peak periods.
- Pack your carry on so it can be easily screened.

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Blockchain Is The Future of Logistics Says FedEx CEO

Blockchain is a process that uses computer code to record every step of a transaction and delivery in a permanent digital ledger, providing transparency. The ledger can't be changed unless all involved agree, reducing common disputes over issues like time stamps, payments and damages. — The Editor

FedEx is on the blockchain train, with Bloomberg reporting the company is testing the tech to track large, high-value cargo. Chief executive Fred Smith calls it “the next frontier” and believes it will



Fred Smith

“completely change” supply chains. He warned those that didn't keep up would face “extinction”. And FedEx has become part of the Blockchain in Transport Alliance (BiTA), which has set itself the target of developing transport industry blockchain standards.

“We're quite confident that it has big, big implications in supply chain, transportation and logistics,” Chief Executive Officer Fred Smith said at a blockchain conference in New York. “It's the next frontier that's going to completely change worldwide supply chains.”

FedEx's interest in blockchain and the Internet of Things are part of the company's strategy to improve customer service and fend off competition, Smith said. FedEx is working with an organization called the Blockchain in Transport Alliance that is attempting to set industry standards for using the technology in transportation.

Blockchain has the potential to lower transaction costs, speed up processes and free up working capital, according to the alliance.

FedEx is also experimenting with a small bluetooth-based, low-energy tracking sensor called Tron, Chief Information Officer Robert Carter said at the conference. The company has taken out more patents on Tron than any other technology in the company's history. FedEx is also part of a team announced that will test small drone flights at the Memphis International Airport. ■

WOW Air to Launch Flights to New Delhi from Newark, Chicago, Los Angeles

Wow Air announced earlier this year, plans to launch new service from nine U.S. cities to New Delhi, India, with a stopover in Reykjavik; and now, that plan is being put into action.

The carrier will offer flights to the Indian capital from Newark, Boston, Baltimore, Chicago, Pittsburgh, Detroit, San Francisco, Los Angeles, and St. Louis.

Wow will use Airbus A330neo aircraft on the new flights. The planes will be outfitted with the carrier's new Wow premium seats, with 37" legroom. ■

Canada's Westjet Unveils New Livery for Dreamliner

WestJet unveiled its new Boeing 787-9 Dreamliner livery, logo and cabin interior including the airline's first-ever business class cabin. The reveal is part of WestJet's lead-up to the arrival of its Boeing 787-9 Dreamliners in early 2019.

“The introduction of Boeing's 787-9 Dreamliner, a state-of-the-art aircraft, is the dawn of a new era for WestJet and the next step in our transformation to a global network airline,” said Ed Sims, WestJet President and CEO. “The updated livery is modern and dynamic while the interior is world-class, distinctly Canadian and uniquely WestJet. Both reflect WestJet's transition from a regional airline in 1996 to a new era of connecting Canada with the world and bringing the world to Canada.”

WestJet has firm orders of 10 Boeing 787-9 Dreamliner aircraft and options for another 10, all of which will feature the new livery, logo and interior. The WestJet Boeing 787-9 Dreamliner features a three-class cabin including business class seating, premium economy and economy seating. The design was created by PriestmanGoode, a design consultancy firm located in London, England, specializing in transportation and travel branding. ■



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Air Italy Gets Delivery of First 737 MAX 8

The first-ever Boeing 737 MAX 8 delivered to an Italian carrier has finally arrived at Air Italy's new operational base in Milan-Malpensa. Following a 12-hour delivery journey from Paine Field in Seattle, the plane flew non-stop to Shannon, Ireland for a refueling stop, before completing the trip with a two-hour, twenty-minute hop to Milan.

Flight Meridiana 2060 departed Seattle crossing Canadian airspace before entering central Greenland, southern Iceland, and reaching the Northern Irish coastline for its scheduled stop in Shannon the following morning. The aircraft was officially delivered at Boeing's Delivery Center in Paine Field Airport (PAE) Everett, Washington on May 11, at an event where Qatar Airways Group Chief Executive, His Excellency, Mr. Akbar Al Baker, granted Airways a one-on-one interview revealing his thoughts on his new Italian venture.

This Boeing 737 MAX 8 for Air Italy is the first of a batch of 50 brand-new Boeing jets that will be changing the aviation landscape of the Italian airline industry in the upcoming years.

The plane comes fitted with spacious, modern cabins, including a Business Class that will differentiate themselves from its competitors in the European marketplace.

According to Al Baker, the 20 new 737 MAX 8s will replace the current 737NGs that the airline currently operates. New planes will join the fleet through 2022, guaranteeing continuous growth.

Onboard the delivery flight was Al Baker with the Chairman of Alisarda and AQA Holding, Mr. Marco Rigotti; Director of Aga Khan Fund for Economic Development and AQA Holding Board Member, Mr. Sultan Allana; and Chairman of Air Italy, Mr. Francesco Violante.

Upon landing in Milan, the plane was greeted with the traditional water cannon salute, followed by a ceremony in which Al Baker cut the ribbon to mark the start of his new Italian venture.

Already announced, the carrier plans to launch long-haul flights from Milan to New York (JFK), Miami (MIA), Bangkok (BKK), and Mumbai (BOM). ■



Boeing vice president of sales Ihssane Mounir (left) congratulates Qatar Airways CEO Akbar Al Baker on his acceptance of Air Italy's first Boeing 737 Max 8.

Japan Airlines to Launch Long Haul Low Cost Carrier In 2020

Japan Airlines (JAL) will establish a new Tokyo Narita-based low-cost unit focused on long-haul routes that will start operations in 2020.

The Oneworld carrier says the as-yet unnamed carrier will operate two Boeing 787-8s and fly to destinations in Asia, Europe and the Americas. It adds that the unit's long-haul focus will complement the domestic and regional international services of Jetstar Japan, in which it holds a 47.1% economic interest and 33.3% voting stake.

"When JAL establishes the new LCC business, the company aims to create new demand, working along with the successful services provided by Jetstar Japan, which features domestic and short-haul international flights," a spokesperson said.

Qantas holds an equal interest in Jetstar Japan, with Century Tokyo Corporation and Mitsubishi making up the remainder.

The company that will operate the new low-cost carrier will be established in June, with details on its capitalization to be announced at a later date. It will be a consolidated subsidiary of JAL group, and fits with its strategy of developing new business streams.

JAL's announcement of the new carrier follows a report in Bloomberg last week quoting a senior executive who said that the premium carrier was analyzing launching a new low-cost unit. At that time, JAL said that no decision had been made, and that the analysis was part of its usual course of business.

The launch comes as rival ANA Holdings prepares to merge two of its budget brands – Vanilla Air and Peach – ahead of a planned launch on medium-haul routes in 2020. ■



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The Fuel of The Future?

It's plentiful, it's sustainable and it produces energy without emissions. Then, what's the catch? Why is hydrogen not tops on the list of alternate fuel choices?

My reasons are somewhat on the cynical side; there are no hydrogen fuel cell or pure hydrogen manufacturers with a sack of campaign donation money to give to a politician as there are with wind turbines and solar panels. And even when today's so-called alternate power companies go bankrupt for example, Solyndra which received 535 million dollars in so-called stimulus money in 2009, all parties in the deal still made a lot of money.

Think hydrogen power, and you might flash back to images in history books of the Hindenburg disaster. But the technology for liquid hydrogen is mature and extremely safe, an industry spokesman said, with existing use cases in food purification and coolants.

The technology is spreading to the auto industry, with manufacturers developing hydrogen fuel cell vehicles (FCVs) and hydrogen fueling stations appearing in Europe and California. While the environmental impacts of FCVs are similar to those of electric vehicles

(EVs) (both are zero emission), fuel cells offer a few benefits to logistics providers looking to adopt the technology in their fleets.

EVs can only travel as far as their electric charge range. But increasing the range on FCVs is as simple as adding an additional fuel cell.

"We were able to put the fuel system into the truck without sacrificing any of the space inside the truck," Skidmore said of Plug Power's project with FedEx. Optimizing van space was critical for FedEx to ensure it didn't have to reduce its parcel volumes per truck.

Fueling FCVs Is Similar to Filling a Tank at a Gas Station

A larger range means reaching more customers along a single delivery route, putting a 3PL ahead of its competitors. In addition, logistics providers don't have to wait eight hours to recharge an electric battery. Refueling FCVs is very similar to filling a tank at the gas station and takes just a few minutes.



One of the most appealing advantages for logistics providers; the fuel cells help their bottom line. "It's more cost effective to buy a fuel cell and operate it than it is a battery," Skidmore said.

But both EVs and FCVs are still more expensive than combustion engines. In addition, hydrogen infrastructure is in the early stages,

which makes fueling stations sparse. If the "goal is green," however, Skidmore said fuel cells offer great benefits to carriers as well as shippers.

"You've chosen to put money into a vendor that has a green infrastructure," he said, which can boost sustainability goals and brand reputation for the shipper. **JOSEPH ALBA**



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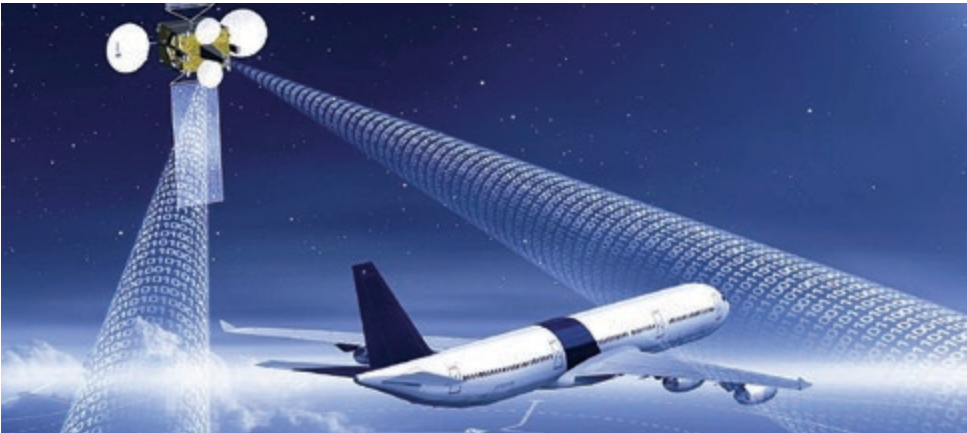
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Inflight Connectivity A Hot Topic At Singapore IT Summit

Shops doing modifications to install or upgrade inflight connectivity are likely to stay very busy for quite a while. Katrina Korzenowski, vice president of SITAONAIR in Asia Pacific, told attendees at SITA's recent Singapore IT Summit that connectivity continues to expand rapidly.

According to SITA's latest IT Survey, 37% of responding airlines operate connected aircraft now. A higher portion, 45%, are either operating or now taking delivery of connected aircraft. That portion rises to two-thirds when carriers that will take connected aircraft by the end of 2019 are included.

The SITA survey also revealed airline's priorities in connecting aircraft with the ground. A strong 71% of respondents are investing in installation of electronic flight bags, and another 21% have major research and development programs going in EFBs.

The numbers are only slightly lower for providing wireless in-flight services for passengers. More than half, 52% of airlines, are investing in installing such systems, and another 28% are researching installation.

Next in priority is providing wireless services for aircraft crew, both cockpit and cabin. Slightly less than half, 49% of airlines, are spending money on a major program here, but 30% are looking into this option.

The prominence of EFB programs is important. EFBs are preconditions to electronic technical logs, which are in turn often an early step to a paperless maintenance system. Even as they seek to please passengers, airline managers are also looking for more efficient maintenance and operations. And although connectivity is not strictly necessary, it improves the opportunities for better aircraft health monitoring.

Connectivity is the clear wave of the future for full-service airlines flying mainline aircraft. The only hesitation is among some very cost-conscious LCCs and many ULCCs and regional carriers that fly small aircraft on short segments, over which passenger appetite for connectivity is not as intense as on long flights. Vendors are offering these carriers wireless cabin solutions, often portable 'Wi-Fi in a box' entertainment, that does not need connectivity, fixed installation or supplemental type certificates. ■

Port Authority's New Storm Rules for JFK Seeks to Avoid Chaos

The Port Authority released a slew of new regulations for Kennedy Airport, seeking to avoid the chaos that greeted passengers' months ago when snowstorm stranded travelers on the runways for hours; and canceled nearly 100 flights and led to extensive baggage issues.

The new measures address everything from better scheduling for incoming flights, ensuring the terminals can handle baggage services and requiring more high-speed snow removal equipment.

Airlines will have to receive prior permission before even taking off if they are scheduled to land in a specific "storm window," according to the agency. They will need to receive confirmation from the terminal operator that there is a gate available for them, a step that the Port Authority said was implemented during Winter Storm Skylar on March 13.

Terminals are operated independently. But the new regulations mandate terminal operators to check in with the Port Authority to find alternative gates when planes will be sitting for more than 90 minutes on the tarmac because of backups. The Port Authority can then determine whether disembarking passengers and busing them to a terminal is a more efficient option.

Stephen Sigmund, the executive director of the Global Gateway Alliance, called the steps the Port Authority is taking very necessary and said they go a long way toward ensuring coordinated communication.

"To me that seems a world better than a situation like you had in January," he said. "I know that it's certainly smart and necessary steps to some of the criticisms that have been levied."

The recommendations come after a January storm resulted in a ream of canceled flights, frozen baggage claim machines, two planes that clipped each other, and a water main break that flooded Terminal 4 with three inches of standing water.

An independent investigation into past storm failures is being led by former Transportation Secretary Ray LaHood, according to the Port Authority. ■



ICAO Inspects New Route Between South and North Korea

In a move that may further signal normalization between the two Koreas, two officials from the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) departed from Beijing to Pyongyang on March 7, 2018. They will start discussion soon on opening a new route between Pyongyang and Incheon, after a request was sent by North Korea.

As reported in the AeroTimes blog on May 11th, in February 2018, a request was sent by North Korean government to the ICAO regional bureau in Thailand to open a new route between Suvarnabhumi International Airport, the airport of North Korea's capital Pyongyang, and Incheon International Airport, the biggest airport of South Korea.

Direct flights between the two Koreas have been very limited since the end of the Korean War in 1953. Only a few charter flights have been recorded. The last one happened in the early 2000s when South Korea's "Sunshine policy" allowed relatives from both sides to visit each other. But following the missile crisis of 2006, the policy was aborted, and so were the charter flights.

Everything began to change around the time of Pyeongchang Winter Olympics. An Airbus A321-200 of Asiana Airlines took South Korean skiers to a training session in North Korea, before flying back carrying the skiers and the North Korean Olympic delegation. Adding to this momentum was the breakthrough in harmonization between the two countries highlighted by the U.S. - Korea peace talks in Singapore.

This new route is under consideration by the ICAO and its representatives will discuss aviation safety and outline the proposition further with the North Korean officials. ■

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Air Cargo Industry Still Pushing Paper

The air cargo industry could save billions of dollars in costs if it automated transactions between various players in the supply chain, according to one speaker at the Air Cargo China event.

During a panel discussion on the future of air cargo, Lufthansa Cargo chief commercial officer Alexis von Hoenbroech said he believed around 70% of transactions could be automated using robotics or artificial intelligence.

He gave the example of a shipper emailing a group of forwarders asking for a price on a particular route, each of the forwarders then emailing all their airline partners for a quote and then reviewing the various prices before sending them back to the shipper who would then review the various offers from the forwarders before making a decision.

He said that there were existing systems that could review the emails, recognize whether any necessary information is missing, request that information and then automatically generate a quote.

He said: "In my opinion 70% of the quotes we give out today are available for such robotics and artificial intelligence and I think that if we could get that then we could save a huge amount of manual work and this could cut \$1bn-2bn from the air cargo supply chain just by optimizing this type of transaction, so there is huge potential."

However, he said this did not mean that all humans would be replaced by automated systems. "I am also convinced that even in 20 or 30 years when robotics and artificial intelligence are hopefully implemented in our industry, we will still have humans that take care of all the complex stuff. This is a people business and it will stay a people business."

He urged the industry to increase its use of e-AWBs as a first step to further digitization of air cargo that would yield real benefits and efficiencies for the industry. ■

JetBlue Announces Pilot Agreement Update

JetBlue announced it has reached an agreement in principle with the Air Line Pilots Association (ALPA) regarding JetBlue's pilots. The agreement is subject to a ratification process which includes final documentation, review, and consideration by the ALPA Master Executive Council before being distributed to JetBlue pilots for final ratification.



Jeff Martin, JetBlue's Executive Vice President Operations, issued the following statement on the news: "We are pleased that we have reached an agreement in principle with ALPA. I want to thank both negotiating committees for their hard work in coming to this agreement."

Warren Christie, JetBlue's Senior Vice President Safety, Security and Air Operations added: "We appreciate our pilots' continued professionalism and commitment to safety and look forward to continuing to work together to deliver the JetBlue experience every day." ■

JetBlue Salutes Boston Celtics With New Livery

JetBlue announced its first co-branded livery dedicated to a team in the NBA when the airline revealed its new Boston Celtics-themed plane.

JetBlue became the official airline of the Celtics in 2016 and the new branded livery will elevate the partnership to new heights and take the Boston brand around the carrier's network.

In a ceremony at Boston Logan International Airport, the Airbus A320 adorned with Celtics colors and Lucky the Leprechaun logo was celebrated by JetBlue executives, NBA officials and 24 students from Winthrop Middle School's STEM Club.

The Celtics design, dubbed Lucky Blue, is representative of both brands' diverse and loyal fan bases and the shared brand values that resonate with the Boston community. The plane is bright green and features team logos throughout the design.

"JetBlue and the Celtics play in the same backyard, and as the largest carrier in Boston, we want to support the teams that our neighbors are passionate about," JetBlue executive vice president Marty St. George said in a statement. "This partnership is core to what it means to be a part of this great city and we're excited to see this livery take our relationship to new heights – both literally and figuratively."

"It's great to be able to extend our partnership with JetBlue with the development of this unique co-branded aircraft," Celtics team president Rich Gotham said. "Celtics fans are everywhere, and it will be a special thrill for them to board this aircraft, sporting the iconic Celtics logo and colors."

In addition to the livery reveal, the middle school students in attendance also enjoyed a tour of the JetBlue terminal and got a behind the scenes look at the airline's ground operations and the inside of an aircraft. ■



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Air Canada Edmonton-San Francisco Flight Powered By Biofuels

Air Canada's 2nd May flight from Edmonton to San Francisco was powered by biofuels, the airline has announced. The 146-seat Airbus A320-200 aircraft was flying the trade delegation led by the Government of Alberta, the City of Edmonton and Edmonton area businesses, to California. According to a representative from Air Canada, the biofuel used in the flight came from the Alt Air facility in California. The Air Canada representative told Biofuels International the fuel was a 70:30 blend - 70% conventional jet fuel and 30% "derived from the biofuel."

"Air Canada is proud to partner today with the Edmonton International Airport (EIA) to operate today's flight with biofuel. Air Canada continues to support and advocate for the development of biofuel in Canada to become commercially viable; a big step towards creating more sustainable aviation in Canada and internationally," said Teresa Ehman, director of Environmental Affairs at Air Canada.

"This is our eighth biofuel-operated flight since 2012. The result of today's biofuel use reduces this flight's carbon emissions by over 10 tons, which represents a 20% reduction in net carbon emissions for this flight."

President and CEO of Edmonton International Airport Tom Ruth said: "This biofuel demonstration flight reflects our combined commitment to bring forward low carbon, renewable fuels into the aviation and airport sectors. Air Canada's leadership in the renewable resource sector strongly aligns with EIA's commitment to regional economic development and sustainability, while reducing the long-term carbon impact of airport operations."

Back in February, Air Canada was named 2018 Eco-Airline of the Year by airline industry publication Air Transport World, who cited the airline's commitment to emissions reductions through supporting the development of alternative fuels and its numerous green programs and partnerships.

The airline is also a research partner on the Green Aviation Research Development Network (GARDN), a non-profit organization which funds collaborative projects aiming to reduce the environmental footprint of the next generation of aircraft, engines and avionics systems developed in Canada. ■

Royal Rumble Pinned By Saudia

Saudia Cargo had to grapple with a special cargo operation recently when it was tasked with transporting equipment for wrestling organization WWE's Royal Rumble event.

The airline used one of its widebody Boeing 747Fs to haul in tons of production equipment, including the wrestling ring, from New York to Jeddah on behalf of Saudi General Sports Authority to help create the spectacular wrestling show.

Omar Hariri, chief executive of Saudia Cargo, pointed out their team is delighted to have been tapped to carry out this freight and logistic mission to ensure the successful hosting of the WWE Greatest Royal Rumble, a much-awaited event in the Kingdom.

WWE presented the Greatest Royal Rumble event at the King Abdullah Sports City in Jeddah, with 50 wrestling superstars. ■



Airbus CFO Resignation Follows CEO In Chaotic Airbus Executive Ranks

On May 14, 2018, Airbus announced that its Chief Financial Officer (CFO) **Harald Wilhelm** decided to leave the company in 2019. The long-standing finance chief is following the footsteps of Airbus Chief Executive Officer (CEO) **Tom Enders**. Will this create a vacuum in the top ranks of the European plane maker's management?



Harald Wilhelm and Tom Enders

Announcing his departure, Wilhelm stated: "After 18 years at the Airbus finance function, next year will be the right time for me to move on. Until then, I remain committed to the performance of the company and I will work with the management to ensure a smooth transition to the next Airbus CFO."

Wilhelm held the role of CFO of Airbus Commercial Aircraft since February 1, 2008, and was the CFO of Airbus since June 1, 2012, as well as being a member of the Group Executive Committee.

"Harald is an extraordinary CFO with an extraordinary finance team, second to none in the industry," CEO Tom Enders commented, adding that, "I commend Harald for his outstanding contribution to the Company and I would like to also thank him for his willingness to stay on board until my own retirement in spring next year."

A few months ago, Enders announced he will seek no further mandate beyond April 2019. Airbus Chief Operating Officer (COO), strategy chief and head of sales already left the company, Bloomberg observes.

In February 2018, COO and President of Airbus Commercial Aircraft Fabrice Brégier stepped down reportedly due to an internal power struggle. Both the group's sales chief John Leahy, who had spearheaded the company's sales campaigns for decades and was dubbed as "Mr. Airbus", as well as Head of Engineering Charles Champion also recently retired.

And there are more of such announcements expected in the coming months - by COO of Airbus Commercial Aircraft Division, Tom Williams, and Didier Evrard, Head of Programs at the same unit. With the latest departure, more than half of Airbus executive team is going to be renewed since 2017. It certainly seems that the veterans are ready to go.

But the question is, who else will be able to one up a person with such a thorough understanding of the manufacturing giant's various businesses and operations? Before rising to the highest positions, Wilhelm was the Chief Controlling Officer (CCO) of Airbus Commercial Aircraft and deputy to the CFO, a position to which he was appointed on January 1, 2007.

Prior to this, he was Senior Vice President, Airbus Commercial Aircraft Financial Control, a role he held from 2003 to 2006. Wilhelm joined Airbus Commercial Aircraft in 2000 as Senior Vice President, Accounting, Tax and Financial Services. All in all, the well-respected company executive served Airbus and its predecessor companies for 27 years in various finance roles. ■



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Anti-Terror Conference Convenes In France

More than 70 countries commit to combat terror financing

Participants attended the “No money for terror” conference at the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) in Paris.

More than 70 countries committed to bolster efforts in the fight against terrorism financing associated with the Islamic State group and al-Qaida.

Participants at an international conference in Paris agreed to “fully criminalize” terror financing through effective and proportionate sanctions “even in the absence of a link to a specific terrorist act.”

The two-day event was convened by French President Emmanuel Macron to coordinate efforts to reduce the terror threat in the long-term. U.S. Treasury Secretary Steven Mnuchin, IMF chief Christine Lagarde, Saudi Foreign Minister Adel Al-Jubeir and Qatari Foreign Minister Sheikh Mohammed bin Abdulrahman Al Thani were all present.

Daniel Lewis, executive secretary of the

intergovernmental Financial Action Task Force, said he is hoping that words will be put into action. “When we have information - for example the U.N. list of individuals and entities financing terrorism - we need to make sure measures like asset freezing are implemented fully and quickly,” Lewis told *The Associated Press*.

Participants called for better information-sharing between intelligence services, law enforcement, financial businesses and the technology industry. They also agreed to improve the traceability of funds going to non-governmental organizations and charity associations. Participants included countries that have accused each other of funding terrorism, notably in the Persian Gulf.

Terror groups don’t only rely on the cash economy - they’re using increasingly hard-to-track tools like prepaid cards, online wallets and crowd-funding operations.

The IS group has also invested in businesses and real estate to ensure its financing. Islamic State revenues alone were estimated at \$2.5 billion



between 2014 and 2016, according to the French president’s office.

Though most of the attacks in Western countries do not cost a lot of money, a French official said terror groups “behave like big organizations” in that it “costs a lot to recruit, train, equip people and spread propaganda.” The official was speaking anonymously under the presidency’s customary practice.

Funding to extremist groups in the Middle East once flowed freely across the region’s informal money-transfer shops and in donations made in

mosques when traveling clerics issued special appeals during sermons.

In recent years, the U.S. and other Western nations have encouraged Middle Eastern nations to close off such sources. However, allegations over extremist funding in part sparked a near-yearlong boycott of Qatar by four Arab states. Qatar denies funding extremists, though it has faced Western criticism about being lax in enforcing rules, as has Saudi Arabia.

Participants agreed to hold a similar conference next year in Australia. ■

Nope; Ups Did Not Relocate Its’ Headquarters

Man changed address of UPS
headquarters to his own apartment

The UK’s *Guardian* Newspaper reported an ingenious scheme in which thousands of mail items rerouted to Dushaun Henderson-Spruce’s home address in Chicago, including corporate credit cards. Evidently, no proof of identity was needed to change the HQ address of UPS to an address in Chicago.

Dushaun Henderson-Spruce, 24, has been charged with mail theft and fraud in an alleged scam that saw items including American Express cards in the name of the chief executive and other board members being delivered to his address in Rogers Park.

So much mail was arriving at his seven-story building that the carrier had to leave it in a US postal service tub because there was no room in the mail box. Henderson-Spruce spent a brief period in 2012 working as a package handler for UPS at the company’s sorting facility in Hodgkins, Illinois.

The scam began when Henderson-Spruce submitted a post office change of address form on 26 October to switch the company’s official address from 55 Glenlake Parkway NE in Atlanta, Georgia to his apartment at 6750 North Ashland Avenue, according to the charges.

To make matters worse, Henderson-Spruce did not have to give any proof of his identity in order to carry out the scheme. The initials “HS” were written on the signature line; but were then scratched out and replaced with “UPS”, according to the charges.

A UPS security coordinator discovered the change after three months’ worth of mail had already been delivered. Eventually, inspectors retrieved about 3,000 pieces of mail from the apartment, the complaint said. The correspondence included letters addressed to the company’s CEO and executives, sensitive documents with personal information and corporate cards and cheques.

Fifth Third Bank investigators found that more than 10 cheques addressed to UPS totaling more than \$58,000 were deposited into Henderson-Spruce’s account, the charges said.

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On May 15th, 2018, the Snug Harbor Cultural Center & Botanical Garden and The National Organization of Italian American Women (NOIAW), partnered to present a very informative and enjoyable evening held at the beautiful Tuscan Garden in Snug Harbor, Staten Island.

It is through cultural events such as this one, that NOIAW promotes the unity and connection of women of Italian descent while highlighting and celebrating their achievements.

On this day, NOIAW recognized Rossella Rago, a second generation Italian-American of Brooklyn, NY. Rosella holds a B.A. in Italian Literature, is the host of her own web series and cooking show, and is author of the cookbook *Cooking with Nonna*.

The inspiration *Cooking with Nonna* came from the years Rosella's spent with her grandmother and it is with her very words that she opens the book.

"Ricordati una cosa a'nonna, un giorno la nonna non ci sara piu. E voglio che tu devi saper

fare tutte le cosi che fa la Nonna." Translation: "Remember one thing my darling, one day your grandmother will no longer be here and I want you to know how to do all the things that your grandmother knows how to do."

The book is a collection of recipes from twenty-five "nonne" (Italian Grandmothers), all hailing from various regions of Italy. In addition to learning how to prepare some of their delicious dishes, readers are given a glimpse into the lives of these magnificent women whose personal accounts of their struggles, achievements and family demonstrate that behind every dish is a story. Three of those nonne, Nonna Romana Sciddurlo, Nonna Iliana Barone and Nonna Angelina Purpura, were celebrated alongside Rosella at the event.

Romana Sciddurlo, Rossella's Nonna, from Mola di Bari, shared her story of being a widow and single mother in America.

Iliana Barone, from Palermo, Sicily, lives by the Italian saying "There is only once in a lifetime that fortune knocks at your door, and if



(L to R) Nonna Iliana Barone, Nonna Angelina Purpura, Nonna Romana Sciddurlo, and Rossella Rago

you are able to understand it and embrace it, then you will succeed."

Angelina Purpura, my mother, from Carini, Sicily, tells of how at 18 years of age and after only two weeks of marriage, she came to America without her husband to help her sister, whom had also only recently emigrated to America and was at the time pregnant with twins and no longer able to work.

The *Cooking with Nonna* cookbook pays

tribute to the Italian heritage and culture while honoring those that are a true representation of it's values in family, love, and unwavering spirit.

Thank you Rossella for opening our hearts and minds, sharing their stories and preserving the time-honored traditions and customs of which we are so proud.

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It is difficult to comprehend how an airplane weighing 280 tons can load a rotor and allied equipment weighing over 108 tons on board for a 3500-mile flight, but the Antonov 124-100 aircraft is built to do it.

The Loadstar Cargo blog reported on May 17th that Antonov Airlines has transported a power plant rotor from Genoa, Italy to Karachi, Pakistan on board one of its seven AN-124-100 aircraft. The cargo weighed a total of 108 tons.

“Careful planning was necessary to guarantee the safe loading and unloading of the rotor, and this was only possible thanks to the seamless collaboration between Antonov Airlines, Italian freight broker Compagnia Merci Aeree and the shipper, Fracht It,” said Martin Griffiths, Antonov commercial manager.

Antonov Airlines has upgraded two of its AN-124-100 aircraft, allowing them to operate at their designed maximum payload of 150 tons. **JOSEPH ALBA**



FAA Expands Checks On CFM56-7B Engines

A new FAA Airworthiness Directive (AD) responding to the recent engine failure on a Southwest 737 will require initial and repetitive inspections of the fan blades in CFM56-7B engines, based on the accumulated fan-blade cycles, the FAA said.

The AD (PDF), scheduled to be published, aims to “address the risk of fan-blade failure for the entire CFM56-7B fleet.” The FAA had issued an NPRM, prior to the recent failure, to address an unsafe condition based on a similar event that occurred in 2016. That proposal will be withdrawn, the FAA said, because the new action “represents a more comprehensive corrective action plan than previously proposed.”

The new AD requires operators to perform detailed inspections of each fan blade before the fan blade accumulates 20,000 cycles since new, or within 113 days from the effective date of the AD, whichever occurs later, then repeat the inspection after no more than 3,000 cycles.

The required inspections will take about two hours, the FAA said, and if a fan blade needs to be replaced, it will cost about \$8,500. The FAA estimates the AD will affect 3,716 engines installed on U.S.-registered airplanes. The AD is in addition to one that was issued recently in response to the Southwest accident. ■



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LaGuardia Airport Announces Artist Residency Program At The Marine Air Terminal

From April through June: Landing Pages is a project by **Gideon Jacobs** and **Lexie Smith** that delivers stories to travelers in flight.

From April to June 30th, 2018, passengers boarding a plane at LaGuardia Airport's Marine Terminal (Terminal A) can visit the Landing Pages kiosk and drop off their flight number and phone number or email. Once their plane is airborne, Smith and Jacobs will have the duration of their flight to write them a story. These stories may take many forms—prose, poetry, illustration, and



Gideon Jacobs



Lexie Smith

more—but all stories will arrive on the passenger's phone when their flight touches down and they regain cell service. If a passenger isn't comfortable giving their contact information, they can find their story at **www.Landing-Pages.nyc**, which will serve as a public archive for all the stories written.

The Landing Pages kiosk will also serve as a workspace for Jacobs and Smith and exist as a living archive for the project. Every story will be printed and displayed in real time, and copies will be made available for all visitors to take home as a free souvenir.

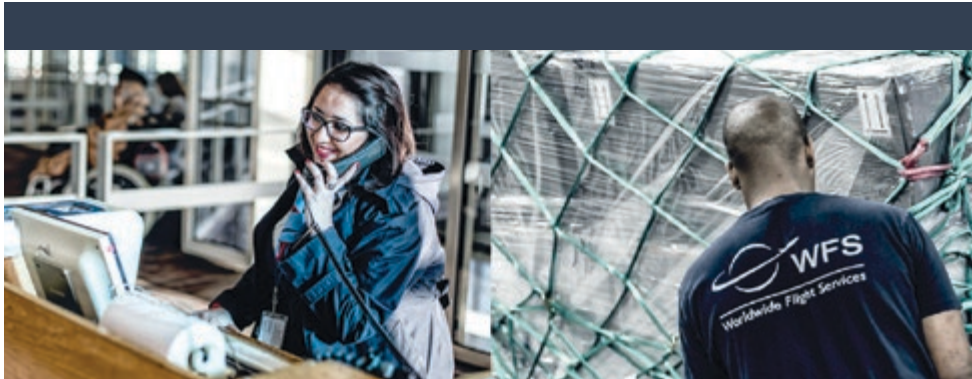
Advancing its commitment to the local community, LaGuardia Airport is partnering with the Queens Council on the Arts to offer five Queens-based artists the opportunity to showcase their work in the historic Marine Air Terminal (Terminal A).

The program, known as 'QCA ArtPort,' will invite each artist to spend a three-month period in residency, where they will hold regular open studio hours and invite travelers to view and discuss their work. The artists will receive a \$3,000 stipend and have access to a 110-square-foot studio in the terminal's rotunda.

"We're thrilled to partner with the Queens Council on the Arts in welcoming our passengers with an exciting artistic experience that reflects the borough's diverse culture," said LaGuardia General Manager Lysa Scully. "Travelers will gain an appreciation for the greater Queens community and the values that represent LaGuardia's identity in the region."

"We are delighted to provide travelers with an unexpected space where a working Artport residency artist can add a creative moment to their journey," said QCA Executive Director Hoong Yee Lee Krakauer.

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Recently unveiled by OTG Management and

star architect David Rockwell, who is known for his theatre set designs on Broadway and sleek interiors in well-known restaurants like Nobu and the W Hotels, the Global Food Bazaar transforms the terminal into a space that can accommodate the needs of hungry travelers whether it's for Breakfast, Lunch or Dinner.

Rick Blatstein, CEO for OTG boasts of its

unique and immersive design, intuitive technology and of course, the great food that can be found in venues like *Creperie Juliet*, which features both sweet and savory crepes; *Wabi Sabi*, with its Dim Sum, Lo Mein and scallion pancakes; *Eggy Weggy* for a vast array of breakfast options; *Philly Cheesesteaks*, for a taste of Philadelphia and *Tsukiji Fishroom*, a new outpost of Tokyo's famed Tsukiji Fish Market featuring freshly made sushi made on-site with fish flown directly from Japan on United Airlines.

Plus OTG's self-checkout systems within the Bazaar makes it easy for travelers on the go, and Mileage Plus program members can use their reward miles as a form of payment for food, drinks or retail purchases.

While over a quarter of Terminal C's travelers are passing through around breakfast hours, its emphasis still features time-specific food concepts whereby the space is transformed to accommodate lunch and dinner crowds as well.

So grab your appetite and head on over, where you're sure to find the food to fit your mood! ■



'Wings for Autism' Takes Off from LGA

In recognition of April as National Autism Month, the fourth annual 'Wings for Autism' event recently took place at LaGuardia Airport in partnership with The Arc, a non-profit organization dedicated to promoting equal life opportunities for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities and their families, Delta Airlines, the TSA, and the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey.

Specifically designed for individuals with autism spectrum disorders and their families, 'Wings for Autism' is also a airport "rehearsal" for aviation professionals, with the aim of alleviating the stress of air travel by familiarizing the protocols prior to takeoff and after landing.

The recent event had children from New York City AHRC (Association for the Help of Retarded Children) schools and their families arriving at LaGuardia around noon to go through the typical process of getting a boarding pass, going through security check, then walking to the departure gate before boarding. And even though the plane never left the ground, the Delta crew went through the usual pre-takeoff safety drill, just like on a regularly scheduled flight.

Employees from the Port Authority, TSA and Delta Airlines were all on hand to help guide the children and their parents with the exercise. After disembarking the plane a small reception with snacks was provided, and a good time was had by all!

To find out if 'Wings for Autism/Wings for All' is coming to an airport near you, or learn more about the organization go to: www.thearc.org/wingsforautism

Norwegian Air Increases Service at SWF

Just before peak summer travel season begins, Norwegian Air has announced it is doubling its flight service from New York Stewart International Airport to Dublin, Ireland, one of the airline's popular routes to Europe that debuted in 2017. These two daily departures now give travelers the choice of departing at 12:25pm or 8:30pm.

And with Express Bus service to the airport provided by Coach USA from the Port Authority Bus Terminal in Mid-town Manhattan, the approximately 90-minute commute is quick and easy.

Norwegian also announced its winter schedule (October 28, 2018 – March 31, 2019) which will increase its service at Shannon Airport from two flights per week to daily service; and flights to Edinburgh will increase to daily service from three flights a week.

All flight service will be aboard Norwegian's brand new fleet of Boeing 737Max aircraft which have a capacity of up to 189 seats.

Since last summer when the airline first introduced routes to five European destinations: Belfast, Northern Ireland; Bergen, Norway; Dublin, Ireland; Edinburgh, Scotland, and Shannon, Ireland; passenger volume at Stewart Airport has risen over 60% from the previous year.

And 2017 was also a record setting year for all Port Authority airports, with a total of 132.6 million passengers; including New York Stewart International, which saw its most international travelers ever at 141,000.

As a result of this massive jump in ridership, terminal expansion as well as the construction of a 20,000 square-foot permanent U.S. Customs inspection area is planned to start next year, and in an effort to increase its visibility among travelers to the New York City metropolitan area, the airport was recently renamed

New York Stewart International Airport.

Port Authority Executive Director Rick Cotton said: "Studies have shown rebranding the airport with 'New York' in the name raises the geographic profile of the airport and its visibility, particularly among foreign travelers. While preserving the airport's history, the goal is to bring more flights and tourism dollars to New York, and ultimately more jobs to the region."

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