



## SEC-AAAE Journal

### Naples Candidates Discuss Future of Local Airport

A trio of candidates for Naples mayor and city council are working together to try to win the seats in order to save the Naples Airport and property rights, they say.

On Feb. 28, mayoral candidate Gary Price and city council candidates Berne Barton and Tony Perez-Benitoa spent time with airport tenants, friends and flying enthusiasts over food and drink. They then followed their hosts at Elite Jets, Paradise Coast Property Team and Naples Jet Center in speaking about the importance of the local airport to the community.

Read the whole story here 

[Naples candidates discuss future of local airport, support current location](#)

The News-Press

Naples **airport** tenants have started a petition to keep the **airport** at its ... Senior Communications **Manager** Zach Burch presented a report on the ...

March - April 2024

**New interim director named for DeKalb-Peachtree Airport | 404-373-7779 | Georgia**

The Champion Newspaper

... **director** for one of the busiest **airports** in Georgia. On Jan. 8, Thurmond announced the appointment of Hunter Hines ...

**Retired Fayetteville airport director receives highest state service honor - CityView Magazine**

CityView Magazine

Toney Coleman, who retired as **director** of Fayetteville Regional **Airport** at the start of 2024 after 30 years as a city employee...



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## Arkansas airport flight cancellation rates below national average

The Arkansas Democrat-Gazette

... **Manager**, Assistant Property **Manager**. METROPOLITAN HOUSING ALLIANCE in Little Rock AR. Dec. 09, 2023. Power Pallet Jack or Forklift Operator. WEHCO ...

## Nashville Then: 60 years ago in January 1964 - The Tennessean

The Tennessean

A snow plow is clearing the runway of the Nashville **Municipal Airport** on Jan. 1, 1964. The 10-inch snowfall has closed the airport. Eldred Reaney / ...

## St. Thomas airport a gateway to the area - The Hamilton Spectator

The Hamilton Spectator

St. Thomas **Municipal Airport** may be too small to land a Boeing 747, but the former Second World War Royal Canadian Air Force (RCAF) training base ...

## Hickory hired new airport manager

Hickory Daily Record

Chad Hunsucker took over the management of the Hickory Regional Airport on Jan. 2 following the retirement of longtime Hickory **Airport Manager** ...

## Coastal Carolina Regional Airport nears completion of project ahead of schedule - WCTI

WCTI

A \$5 million dollar grant pays for this expansion t rs a new terminal. **Airport Director** Andrew Shorter says it should open in late ...

## Tri-Cities Airport leaders watching airport conflict in Nashville - WJHL

WJHL

Tri-Cities **Airport** Executive **Director** Gene Cossey told News Channel 11 he's been watching the saga of Metro Nashville versus the state over the ...

## Atlanta Airport TSA Manager Arrested After Warrant Discovery - One America News Network

One America News Network

A Transportation Security Administration (TSA) employee "in a **management** position" at Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International **Airport** was taken into ...

## Top boss at Southwest Florida International Airport, Page Field to retire this spring - The News-Press

The News-Press

Lee County Port Authority **Executive Director** and **CEO** Ben Siegel, who oversees Southwest Florida **Airport** and Page Field, is set to retire April 1, ...

## AG Wilson launches human trafficking initiative in partnership with SC airports - WPDE

WPDE

... **Director** of the Task Force said. "We are grateful to the three major **airports** for their help in providing critical information to those traveling ...

## The World's Most On-Time Airports - Conde Nast Traveler

Conde Nast Traveler

“It is clear that airlines' performance is attached to **airport** results and vice versa,” Luis Felipe de Oliveria, world **director** general of the ...

## Forbes: Alabama's Port of Mobile is second fastest-growing in U.S. - Yellowhammer News

Yellowhammer News

... **airports**, borders and ports. They found that the Port of Mobile was the second ... **Director** and **CEO** John Driscoll. “With over \$1 billion in capital ...

## Louis Armstrong New Orleans International Airport's Kevin Dolliole Becomes Chair of ...

Airports Council International - North America

WASHINGTON – Louis Armstrong New Orleans International Airport **Director of Aviation** Kevin Dolliole became Chair of Airports Council International – ...

## Greater Orlando Aviation Authority to expand opportunities for small minority business

International Airport Review

**Director** General of ACI World, Luis Felipe de Oliveira, announces departure at the end of 2024 ... Nigel Milton, Heathrow ...

## Baton Rouge airport buys shopping center as part of \$54M project to improve aircraft safety

BRProud.com

... **Airport** marketing, public relations and air service development **manager**. Caldwell said the Runway Safety Area/Runway Protection Zone will replace ...

## Memphis airport offering 'behind-the-scenes' tours - Daily Memphian

Daily Memphian

**Memphis International Airport** will offer comprehensive tours 8-10:30. **Memphis International Airport** will offer comprehensive tours 8 ...

## Delta bringing non-stop service from LaGuardia to XNA - 5NEWS

5NEWS

... **Airport** (LGA) in New York and the Northwest Arkansas National **Airport** (XNA), according to XNA's public affairs **manager**. Delta will operate six ...

## Florida's Naples Airport Starts Fly Safe Fly Quiet Program | Aviation International News

Aviation International News

... **airports** during these hours. Top operators will be recognized each ... **executive director** Chris Rozansky. “It's an example of how we strive to ...

## General aviation flies high at ILM - WilmingtonBiz

WilmingtonBiz

Richard Formo, general manager of Modern Aviation Wilmington, stands inside a hangar at Wilmington International Airport. ... **airport's director**. “You ...

# **South Carolina's Departure Media Airport Advertising Celebrates Successful First Year with Kansas City International Airport (MCI)**

Charleston, SC, February 27, 2024 – Airport advertising company [Departure Media](#) is marking the first anniversary of its advertising concession partnership with Kansas City International Airport, as the airport commemorates the first birthday of its new terminal later this month. In August 2022, a ten-year contract was awarded to Departure Media to manage the design, implementation, sales and maintenance of the terminal-wide advertising concession. Within three months of the terminal opening, 34 new advertisers were added to the program. These included a broad variety of businesses, with 85% being local advertisers, offering new opportunities for companies in the area to increase brand awareness, and the remainder being national advertisers.

The new program includes over 80 displays, which feature a carefully curated combination of digital and static advertisements. Departure Media has also designed elements beyond advertising, including the 'Welcome to Kansas City' signage located on the bulkhead soffit seen by passengers on their descent to the lower level. The state-of-the-art advertising program complements the architectural design of MCI's new terminal and supports the Kansas City Aviation Department's vision of promoting a sense of place. Showcasing local art and history was a key part of this vision, and the modernized advertising program provides the perfect accompaniment to the terminal's art initiatives. Prior to the terminal's opening, Departure Media partnered with the Kansas City Public Library to feature historic photography throughout the terminal in addition to the robust advertising program. Kansas City is flourishing as a sports-centric region and the advertising program is poised to offer exciting opportunities during major international events, such as the 2026 FIFA World Cup, along with partnerships among key sports organizations including the Kansas City Chiefs, the Royals, the Current and more.

The project offers to support a number of leading, local woman-owned businesses that include AlphaGraphics Kansas City, a print and marketing firm owned by Haley Harr, general contractor Structure Incorporated, owned by Dorothy Gardner, and cleaning company Immaculate Enterprise, LLC, owned by Jayne Njuguna. Melissa Cooper, Director of Aviation for the Kansas City Aviation Department, said Departure Media had been selected because of its extensive experience with other mid-sized airports in the US, and the MCI's commitment to working with minority and women-owned subcontractors: "Departure Media has a reputation for creating eye-catching advertising displays that draw the attention of passing travelers. These displays aim to heighten the overall travel experience while enhancing the new terminal's unique aesthetics.

Departure Media also focuses on building value for advertisers through individualized account services and customized concepts which provide a revenue stream to the Aviation Department." Leslie Benson, Departure Media's founder, CEO, and SEC-AAAE Corporate member, commented: "This new venture is a testament to Departure Media's growing market share in the Midwest, and our increasing traction in the region. Just as MCI's passenger traffic continues to increase, so does the number of advertisers participating in the program. Creating a new display program for a new terminal with the focus of showcasing the community and welcoming folks to Kansas City has been both a challenge and an honor. Our ongoing success with this project highlights our talent and capabilities in the development of successful airport programs of considerable size and scale."



Leslie Benson Departure Media Founder & CEO

## [Louisville airport receiving \\$13 million from US Department of Transportation for upgrades](#)

Spectrum News

... **airports**,” said Dan Mann, **executive director** of the Louisville Regional **Airport** Authority. "SDF has experienced record-setting growth, and these ...

## [What are the most effective ways to develop your leadership skills in airport management?](#)

LinkedIn

Learn how to improve your leadership skills in **airport management** with these six tips. Enhance your operations, safety, security, and customer ...

## [Shreveport Regional Airport is celebrating it's 70th anniversary](#)

Shreveport Times

Shreveport Regional **Airport** marketing **manager** Mark Crawford. Stan Carpenter/ The Times. Construction work on the ...

## [Myrtle Beach airport getting new nonstop flights to Cleveland from carrier Frontier](#)

Post and Courier

“It's wonderful to see Frontier expanding their presence at MYR,” said Judi Olmstead, Horry County's **director of airports**, in a news release. “As ...

## [Hartsfield-Jackson to restrict unauthorized access to terminal 24/7 - The Atlanta Journal-Constitution](#)

The Atlanta Journal-Constitution

The Atlanta **airport** plans to expand its hours of restricted access, saying the **airport** will be closed to the general public 24 hours a day, ...

## [Golden Triangle airport partners with Beta Technologies and Avflight on Mississippi's first ...](#)

Vertical Magazine

Beta's charging stations are multimodal and interoperable, capable of powering electric aircraft (eVTOLs) and ground vehicles alike.

## [The Biden administration is allocating \\$50m to improve Fort Lauderdale's airport - WLRN](#)

WLRN

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## [Roanoke-Blacksburg Regional Airport introduces Airport Ambassador Program](#)

WSLS 10

The ambassadors are a team of 20 volunteers who staff the information booth in the **airport** lobby six days a week. The program has been around for ...

## [Wilmington Airport gets \\$5.6 million in federal money to expand terminal - Delaware Online](#)

Delaware Online

The Wilmington Airport had missed out on two previous rounds of federal airport funding, according to Stephen Williams, **director of airports** for ...

## FAA sends MEM \$16M for **airport** improvements - Daily Memphian

Daily Memphian

Funds will be divided between three local airports, with the lion's share going to **Memphis International Airport's** terminal modernization project.

## Memphis International Airport appoints trio of high-level executives - The Business Journals

The Business Journals

The appointments are part of a leadership transition at MEM since Terry Blue assumed the position of MSCAA president and CEO this year.

## Closure of some McGhee Tyson **Airport** parking signals start of expansion efforts - WATE

WATE

To meet the growing traffic at East Tennessee's biggest **airport**, part of McGhee Tyson **Airport's** ...

## Big changes coming to Huntsville International **Airport** - WAFF

WAFF

Mary Swanstrom, ...

## 1,000-pound bomb uncovered at Florida **airport** prompts half-mile evacuation, cops say

Yahoo News

1,000-pound bomb uncovered at Florida **airport** prompts half-mile evacuation, cops say ...

## Officers chase woman in **airport**, then she spits on them and strips in custody, cops say

Columbus Ledger-Enquirer

Rowdy traveler detained at **airport** and pees, spits: **GA** cops | **Columbus** Ledger-Enquirer ... A chase after a rowdy traveler at a **Georgia airport** led to a ...

## Chattanooga Leaking **Air** Passengers To Atlanta, Nashville, But City Getting More Seats

Chattanooga.com

Michael Lum, managing partner at Voltaire **Aviation** Consulting, presented research results at the **airport's** February commission meeting Monday. The ...

## How CLT **CEO** Haley Gentry approaches running one of the world's busiest **airports**

The Business Journals

CLT **chief** Haley Gentry shares her thoughts on how to get the most out of people — and it includes looking beyond the C-suite.

## Charlotte Douglas International **Airport** expects to reach several construction milestones in 2024

The Business Journals

Brent Cagle, the former city **aviation director** and current interim **CEO** of Charlotte Area Transit System, told CBJ last month that getting any ...

## [Charleston International Airport marks record-breaking year](#)

Charleston Regional Business Journal

"The year-end numbers demonstrate why CHS is South Carolina's favorite **airport** among airline passengers," said Elliott Summey, executive **director** and ...

## [JetBlue and Spirit Airlines say they will appeal a judge's ruling that blocked their merger](#)

WREG.com

... **Airport** in Fort Lauderdale, Fla. JetBlue and Spirit Airlines are appealing ... Sign up for WREG's Newsletter · WREG. News Channel 3 - **Memphis, TN** News ...

## [Louisville airport sees record breaking passenger numbers in 2023 - The Courier-Journal](#)

The Courier-Journal

"None of this happens by accident," said Dan Mann, executive **director** of the Louisville Regional **Airport** Authority. "We have to be very ...

## [Norfolk International Airport sees 10 percent increase in 2023 | WAVY.com](#)

WAVY.com

... **airport** parking road (Courtesy:Norfolk **Airport** Authority). Norfolk. Norfolk ... **director** of the ACLU of Nevada, responds to a question during. Rifts ...

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## [Charlotte airport getting \\$27M grant to fund new projects](#)

Charlotte Observer

... **airports** will receive bigger awards. ... 'Bidenomics' isn't the solution to Americans' economics hardships—it's the cause," state **director** Tyler Voigt ...

## [\\$10M grant will go toward Myrtle Beach airport expansion - MyHorryNews.com](#)

MyHorryNews.com

"Due to the rapidly growing demand for travel, the additional gates are a necessary upgrade," Horry County **Director of Airports** Judi Olmstead said.

## [RDU to get \\$12 million in federal funding for Terminal 2 improvements - ABC11](#)

ABC11

... **Executive Director** for the Regional Transportation Alliance. ALSO SEE: Raleigh-Durham International **Airport** adds yet another non-stop **flight**. The ...

## [New rules would prevent non-flying public from accessing the Atlanta airport terminal](#)

WABE

... **airport**," Hartsfield-Jackson senior deputy general **manager** Michael Smith said. **Airport** officials instituted a policy in 2018 of limiting access to ...

## [Aging Jackson airport receives an \\$8 million federal grant to upgrade equipment](#)

The Clarion-Ledger

The Jackson-Medgar Wiley Evers **International Airport** generates \$2 billion annually for the state. It received an \$8 million grant, ...

## [Arkansas Airports Receive \\$30.275 Million for Modernization - BNN Breaking](#)

BNN Breaking

The Bill and Hillary Clinton National Airport in Little Rock, Texarkana **Regional Airport** ... For airports like Hope **Municipal Airport**, the allocated ...

## [Jacksonville International Airport announces Summer 2024 internship program](#)

Yahoo News

... Internship Program for 2024, offering opportunities in Marketing, **Airport** Operations, General Aviation, and **Airport Facilities Management**.

## [Louisville airport will use \\$13 million in federal funding to transform security checkpoints ...](#)

WDRB

"The \$7.5 million was really instrumental in helping us do this without accruing more debt and finding other sources," Dan Mann, **executive director** of ...

## [Key West International Airport has record start to 2024 | News | keysnews.com](#)

Key West Citizen

... **Airports Director** Richard Strickland. More than 20,217 more passengers came through the **airport** during the same month in 2023, bringing the total ...

## [Miami-Dade begins historic parking facility, infrastructure, and maintenance project at MIA](#)

WSVN

So, the time when the **airport** was actually slower, they were prohibited from doing work at that time," said Jimmy Morales, **Chief Operating Officer** of ...



## Orlando International **Airport** introduces advance parking reservation program

Click Orlando

Mount Dora ... The **airport** said the new program is in response to increased traffic ...

## How Spirit Airlines' uncertain future could add cost and stress to travel across America

CNBC

It's also a potential economic shock for small **airports** such as Arnold Palmer Regional **Airport** ... **executive director** of the **airport**. Spirit has trimmed ...

## PIE shatters annual passenger record, notches busiest year in **airport** history

I Love the Burg

**Airport Director** Tom Jewsbury said "We have an incredible team at PIE including our **airport** employees and volunteers, airlines, concession ...

## **Airline** to offer new, affordable direct **flight** from Myrtle Beach. Here's where you can fly

Myrtle Beach Sun News

... flights are an excellent, much-needed option for travelers," said Judi Olmstead, **director of airports**.  
Profile Image of Emalyn Muzzy · Emalyn Muzzy.

## Construction expected to begin in July on Concourse B at Jacksonville International **Airport**

Jacksonville Daily Record

... **Airport**. JAA CEO Mark VanLoh told authority board members Jan. 22 that final ... Balfour Beatty Construction LLC of Orlando is the construction **manager** ...

## Charlotte **airport** kicks off new development plans for its 'front door' | WFAE 90.7

WFAE

Known as the "Destination District," Assistant **Airport Director** Stuart Hair said the first phase of the development will include a hotel and retail — ...

## St. Pete-Clearwater **airport** embarks on \$110M terminal expansion amid stellar growth

St Pete Rising

... **flights** with Allegiant **Air** [the leading **airline** at PIE], we are very fortunate to see such a recovery post-pandemic," said **Airport Director** Tom ...

## Rocky Mount-Wilson Regional **Airport** explores growth opportunities after flights quadruple ...

WRAL.com

Rocky Mount-Wilson Regional Airport went from 10172 flights in 2021 to 45794 in 2023. Interim **Airport Director** Jarrett Moss said the airport is ...

## Roanoke-Blacksburg Regional **Airport** celebrates 91 years of commercial flights - WDBJ

WDBJ

The first commercial ...

# Retired President of Metropolitan Knoxville Airport Authority Inducted into Tennessee Aviation Hall of Fame

Murfreesboro, TN – January 4, 2024- William F. (Bill) Marrison, the retired president of the Metropolitan Knoxville Airport Authority, and past president of the SEC-AAAE, was honored with induction into the prestigious Tennessee Aviation Hall of Fame during a Gala held in Murfreesboro, TN. Marrison's remarkable career spanning 50 years was celebrated by the aviation community, marking him as the 85th inductee since the Tennessee Aviation Hall of Fame was designated by the 102 General Assembly as the Official State Aviation Hall of Fame and Repository and Archive for Aviation History in Tennessee.

Marrison's exceptional contributions to the aviation industry were recognized at the induction ceremony, where attendees highlighted his notable achievements, including being named the 1991 Recipient of Airport Manager of the Year for the State of Tennessee by the Tennessee Department of Transportation, and receiving the 1985 Distinguished Contribution to the Nation's Energy Efficiency award from the United States Department of Energy.

Other accolades include the 2011 American Association Distinguished Device Award, the 2015 Tennessee Aeronautics Commission Award of Excellence for his Career Contributions to Aviation, and serving as the former President of the Tennessee Association of Air Carrier Airports. He has also held significant leadership roles, including Past Chairman of the Blount County Chamber of Commerce, Current Chairman of the National Safe Skies Alliance, and Past President of the Kiwanis Club of Maryville, TN.

A key figure in the aviation community, Marrison served as the Past President of the Southeast Chapter American Association of Airport Executives and was honored with the FAA Master Pilot Award. His 38 years of service to the Metropolitan Knoxville Airport saw the successful completion of major projects, including Parking Facilities, various Roadway improvements, and terminal enhancements. Notably, Marrison played a pivotal role in the recruitment of Cirrus Aircraft to McGhee Tyson Airport.

Reflecting on his induction, Bob Minter, Executive Director of the Tennessee Aviation Association, stated, "Bill Marrison's dedication and leadership have left an indelible mark on the aviation landscape in Tennessee. His achievements, commitment, and passion for the industry make him a deserving inductee into the Tennessee Aviation Hall of Fame."



# **RevJet and 1200.aero announce partnership to manage airport leases and airport operations tracking and billing services.**

In an exciting development for the aviation industry, RevJet and 1200.aero have joined forces to create a synergistic partnership that promises to transform airport lease management and operations tracking. This collaboration brings together RevJet's leading-edge airport lease management platform with 1200.aero's advanced automated airport operations data collection and analytics system.

Through this innovative partnership, airports utilizing 1200.aero's services will now have the opportunity to integrate RevJet's comprehensive cloud-based lease management platform. This integration will streamline the management of airport lease agreements and compliance documentation, significantly enhancing efficiency and accuracy. RevJet's platform will utilize the rich operations data provided by 1200.aero to optimize airport revenue generation, reducing the workload for Fixed Base Operators (FBOs) and airport staff.

Conversely, RevJet's existing and future client airports will gain access to 1200.aero's cutting-edge real-time data analytics platform. This platform expertly aggregates ADS-B data from both airborne and ground traffic, melding it with live Air Traffic Control (ATC) audio and FAA scheduled arrival and departure information. This integration is key to supporting airport billing and minimizing revenue leakage by meticulously logging aircraft movements, including landings, take-offs, and apron usage, alongside duration of stay data. The comprehensive data provided is also invaluable for supporting airport improvement projects and enhancing live operational situational awareness.

Furthermore, 1200.aero's clients will benefit from the ability to transition from traditional spreadsheet-based hangar lease management to RevJet's sophisticated cloud-based platform. This shift promises a significant reduction in the time and resources required to manage lease compliance documents, such as insurance certificates, lease agreements, and maintenance requests, thereby streamlining overall airport operations. Jay West, CEO of RevJet, highlights the significance of this partnership: "Since the lockdown, airports have been grappling with the challenge of maintaining adequate support staff. The RevJet-1200.Aero partnership is a timely solution, merging state-of-the-art ADS-B data with intuitive cloud-based property management software to create a user-friendly, affordable 21st-century platform. This revolutionary approach not only simplifies revenue collection but also significantly reduces the staff time needed to increase in revenue collection efficiency will more than compensate for the monthly subscription cost, leading to tangible improvements in the bottom line. This partnership enables airports to achieve more with fewer resources."

Ivan Vasquez, Founder & CEO of 1200.aero stated, "We are thrilled about the RevJet-1200.aero partnership. Both companies are backed by decades of enterprise IT experience, we share the same vision and passion for simplifying airport operations and making airports self-sustainable. Through this partnership, we will be able to integrate 1200.aero's operational data, such as auto-discovered based aircraft and surface utilization statistics, right into RevJet's management features to include revenue collection to prevent leakage."

This partnership between RevJet and 1200.aero marks a significant milestone in the aviation industry, setting a new standard for airport lease management and airport operational efficiency. Airports worldwide stand to benefit immensely from this collaboration, heralding a new era of streamlined operations and enhanced revenue generation.

## [New Bern, North Carolina Announces First Low-Cost Nonstop Flights in the Region ...](#)

Bluefield Daily Telegraph

"Breeze Airways opens exciting new opportunities for the region by offering direct and easy access to some of our top markets," said **Airport Director** ...

## [Nashville International Airport welcomes new satellite concourse - WKRN](#)

WKRN

(WKRN) — As Nashville continues to grow, so does the city's **airport**. "This ... **Manager** fails. 54 mins ago. Woman shot in East Nashville. 55 mins ago ...

## [Nashville, TN mayor's vision for airport transit as satellite concourse opens at BNA - WKRN](#)

WKRN

... **airport** to the city easily," said O'Connell. "It is definitely on our ... **Manager** fails. 3 hours ago. Woman shot in East Nashville. 3 hours ago ...

## [Breeze Airways Confirms Transition to Exclusive Airbus A220 Fleet by End of 2024, Orders ...](#)

Aviación Online

Its current network includes flights to Akron, OH; Burlington, VT; **Charleston, SC**; Charleston ... The Civil **Aviation Authority** of Colombia has green- ...

## [Morgantown Municipal Airport hits passenger record, hopes to expand in coming years](#)

WDTV

This beat their 2022 ...

## [Birmingham Airport celebrates 5 million passenger milestone with easyJet](#)

Regional Gateway

... **Manager**. She also reiterated easyJet's focus will remain on: "offering great value fares, convenient connections and more choice for our customers ...

## [Texarkana Regional Airport flies high in January; terminal ribbon cutting June 28](#)

Texarkana Gazette

The 2,777 enplanements, or passenger boardings, were a 21% increase over January 2023. Executive **Director** Paul Mehrlich shared the statistic Thursday ...

## [V.I. Port Authority Advances Airports P3 Project with Multiple Proposals Received](#)

The Virgin Islands Consortium

VIPA, led by **Executive Director** Carlton Dowe, will retain ownership and control of both **airports**, ensuring eligibility for FAA grants. Mr. Dowe ...

## [New tech in Virginia airport may eliminate need for boarding pass | NewsNation](#)

NewsNation

Norfolk International **Airport** started implementing a new technology that ... **manager** Jurgen Klopp celebrates with his players after they won the ...

**See You in Birmingham!**

## Daytona Beach International **Airport** joins blue lightning initiative to fight human trafficking

Observer Local News

... **Airport Director** Karen Feaster said. "Our employees and partners have undergone training to help identify indicators of human trafficking and are ...

## Southwest Airlines is reporting a loss, and American expects to start the new year with a loss

WRBL

... **Airport**, June 2,. FILE – Southwest Airlines Boeing 737 lands at ... Make-A-Wish **Georgia** grants **Columbus** girl's Disney ... Saraland 5-star WR ...

## Huntsville International **Airport** broke travel record in 2023 - al.com

AL.com

"Our leisure markets are moving up," added Mary Swanstrom, **airport** public relations **manager**. "Of course, D.C. is king (because of government ...

## Jacksonville International **Airport** sees record number of passengers

The Florida Times-Union

Passengers wait to get into the security line at Jacksonville International **Airport** as they head to. In 2023 a record number of passengers passed ...

## How McGhee Tyson **Airport** rallied to help 600 stranded passengers: Dolly, diapers and de-icer

Knoxville News Sentinel

... **airport's** senior **director** of facilities took action. He loaded her car seat into an **airport** vehicle and safely took the pair to their hotel.

## Boca **Airport's** 75th Year Soars With A Hangar Party - Boca Raton Tribune

Boca Raton Tribune

... **Airport's** 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary than in Signature **Aviation's** ... A commercial jet sat behind a stage, where **airport executive director** Clara Bennett received ...

## Blasting starts for Morgantown **Airport** runway extension project - WDTV

WDTV

... **Municipal Airport**. ...

## Northwest Florida Beaches International **Airport** in Bay County has record year in 2023

Panama City News Herald

"We knew that we had been busy, but you never want to start predicting the future," said Parker McClellan, executive **director** of the **airport**.

## Augusta Regional **Airport** announces new flights during Masters Week 2024 | WJBF

WJBF

This growth and usage are essential to help secure permanent flights to more destinations." Herbert Judon Jr. **Airport Executive Director**. Visit www ...

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[Daytona Beach International Airport passenger numbers pass pre-pandemic tallies - Click Orlando](#)

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Passenger traffic at Daytona Beach International Airport for 2023 surpassed that of 2019, the airport announced Wednesday ... **airport manager** for air ...

[Photo memories of Memphis Airport in its golden years - A Visual History of the World's Great Airports](#)

radiozona.com.ar

**Memphis International Airport** announces winners of 16th Annual · Northwest Airlines:: The First Eighty Years · Arts in the Airport 2023: Photos - ...

[Atlanta airport official files restraining order against outspoken critic | FOX 5 News - YouTube](#)

YouTube

... **director** of Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International **Airport**. He says it is an effort to silence him. Jai Ferrell says he is stalking her and ...

[Ex-senior Boeing manager warns flyers to avoid 737 Max 9 jets - New York Post](#)

New York Post  
... Published Jan. 31, 2024, 9:14 a.m. ET. Boeing jet loses front tire before takeoff from Atlanta **airport**. More Videos. 0 seconds of 58 seconds.

[Tri-Cities Airport breaks passenger record in 2023 | News | applevalleynewsnow.com](#)

Apple Valley News Now

The previous record was set back in 2019 with 870,890 passengers. According to Tri-Cities **Airport Director** Buck Taft, some of the growth wouldn't have ...

# In Memory of SEC-AAAE Charter Member Iray Ledoux, AAE

Iray Ledoux passed away on January 2, 2024 at the age of 91. He was born in Opelousas, LA on August 23, 1932 to Etta & Yves Ledoux. Iray graduated from AIC Catholic High School in Opelousas and received a sports scholarship to USL in Lafayette, however his education was interrupted due to his enlistment in the US Air Force / Korean War. It is while in the Air Force that he gained aircraft / aviation experience, which led to a lifelong career in the aviation industry. While in the military he was able to continue college and received a degree in Aeronautics. In addition he attended and completed many courses at the Southwest Texas Teachers college in San Marcos, Texas as well as Louisiana State University.

After his military commitment Iray was a helicopter mechanic with PHI in Lafayette, LA. While in Lafayette he met his wife (Lorena Cali Ledoux) on a blind date. The two got married on July 24, 1955. They had two sons (Marque and Craig) and built a long and happy life together for 60 years until the love of his life made her Heavenly journey home on June 29, 2015.

Iray was an airplane mechanic in Patterson, LA from 1956 to 1973 at which time he and his family relocated to Baton Rouge for a position he was appointed to by then Governor, Edwin Edwards. He served as the Deputy Assistant to the Secretary in the Office of Aviation for the State of Louisiana. In 1977 the Baton Rouge Mayor and Council appointed him as the Director over the Baton Rouge Airport in which he served in this capacity until 1995. While at the airport he supervised all facets of administration, management, maintenance and operations of the airport facility. During his tenure he managed millions of dollars in capital improvements at the airport and handled contract negotiations. In addition he developed one of the first noise mitigation programs enacted by the Federal Aviation Administration in the Southern region.

Upon his retirement from the airport in 1995 Iray formed his own company specializing in land acquisition and noise mitigation. In 2005 he sold his company to a national company specializing in the same and remained working until 2017 at which time he fully retired at the age of 85.

In addition to the above he was a licensed real estate broker in the state of Louisiana and held a private pilot license. He served on the board of directors of airport council international from 1989 to 1992. He was also a member and served on many of the aviation association boards throughout the United States. He received numerous awards and special mentions with the most recent being presented to him in December 2023 from the Louisiana Airport Manager's and Associates for the Emeritus Award in recognition of his outstanding contributions to LAMA and Louisiana Aviation.

Iray was very fortunate that he and his wife had the opportunity to travel the world extensively. They made many memories during their travels and enjoyed sharing them with friends and family. Iray had a strong faith in God and always looked forward to attending mass at St. Joseph Cathedral of which he was both a member and avid supporter.

He was preceded in death by his wife of 60 years, Lorena Cali Ledoux; mother and father, Etta and Yves Ledoux of Opelousas, LA; sisters, Beulah Landreneau of Ville Platte, LA and Barbara Manuel of Baton Rouge; as well as countless relatives and friends.

He is survived by his two sons, Marque Ira Ledoux and wife Eleanor of Fredericksburg, VA and Michael Craig Ledoux of Baton Rouge; grandchildren, Jessica Ledoux of Richmond, VA and Alex Ledoux of Washington DC; and a grand dog, Jackie Ledoux of Baton Rouge. Iray has many relatives and friends all of whom will miss him deeply.

The family would like to thank Williamsburg Retirement Facility, Sunrise Retirement Facility and Hospice of Baton Rouge for the attentive and loving care they gave our father. In lieu of flowers please donate to St Jude Children's Hospital; Memphis, TN or locally to St Joseph Cathedral, Baton Rouge, LA or Hospice of Baton Rouge.



**Iray Ledoux, AAE**

**August 23, 1932 - January 2, 2024**



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