**TRI Accounting Department Receives GFOA Award**

*Blountville, TN –* For the 18th consecutive year, the Tri-Cities Airport Authority has been awarded a certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting by the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) for its Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR). The Certificate of Achievement is the highest form of recognition in the area of governmental accounting and financial reporting, and its attainment represents a significant accomplishment by a government and its management.

An award of Financial Reporting Achievement was also presented to Rene Weber, Tri-Cities Airport Authority’s Director of Finance, for his role in preparing the award-winning CAFR.

“We are pleased to be recognized by the Government Finance Officers Association for our Annual Financial Report. I especially appreciate the effort and attention to detail that Rene Weber and the finance staff exhibit daily when managing the Airport’s finances.” said Patrick Wilson, TCAA Executive Director.

Tri-Cities Airport (TRI) is a full-service commercial airport serving Northeast Tennessee, Southwest Virginia, Western North Carolina, and Eastern Kentucky. TRI offers non-stop flights to four hubs (Atlanta, Charlotte, Orland/Sanford, and St. Pete/Clearwater/Tampa) on Allegiant, American, and Delta. For more information about Tri-Cities Airport, visit [www.TRIflight.com](http://www.TRIflight.com).

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ROA Announces New Travel Booking Service

This new booking system allows for an expedient process for booking travel

Roanoke, VA. June 22, 2017 - The Roanoke Regional Airport Commission is announcing an exciting new service allowing customers to search for the best fares on the Internet when planning their next trip. The Commission now offers a booking service that compares fares from multiple airlines all on one page.

By visiting flyroa.com/book-trip, a customer can simply enter the destination and dates of travel. The website will aggregate available fares and show the best price from all travel booking websites and airlines that serve the Roanoke-Blacksburg Regional Airport. This page allows for a more efficient use of the customer’s time searching for the best fare. In addition, the page offers hotel bookings and car rental services.

“The Commission understands customers today are price conscious and have a busy lifestyle, “ said Timothy T. Bradshaw, A.A.E., executive director of the Roanoke Regional Airport Commission. “This service allows today’s travelers to book directly from the airport's website and compare fares in one easy step.”

In order to use this service, customers should visit flyroa.com/book-trip and enter the destination, and dates of travel. The Commission provides an online community of vendors to streamline the customer’s search for travel products. The booking system searches the lowest fares from all competitive booking systems in the industry.
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Arkansas lawmakers announced Tuesday that 15 airports, including some in Region 8, will receive nearly $3 million in FAA grants to make ...

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U.S. News & World Report
ROGERS, Ark. (AP) — An Arkansas airport will briefly close to allow for a $6.6 million construction project for runway, lighting and drainage ...

Birmingham-Shuttlesworth International Airport shows off energy-efficient features

Alabama NewsCenter
For travelers using Birmingham-Shuttlesworth International Airport over the last three years, the difference between the recently renovated and ...

Huntsville International Airport seeks input as master plan update continues

whnt.com
HUNTSVILLE, Ala. - Huntsville International Airport leaders are seeking your input as they, along with consultants, continue developing the master ...

Orlando International Airport service dog receives retirement party

AOL
Gema was treated to a crown, a bone and a visit from her doggie best friends. The airport Twitter account shared adorable photos of the party:

Airport ready to take new steps toward improvements

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Organizers of the plan will look at the current facility, aviation industry changes and FAA standards to analyze what we already have in place, and see ...

Improvements Coming to 11 NC Airports

NCDOT News Release
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Northwest Arkansas Democrat-Gazette
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WSB Atlanta
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Coastal NC airport ramps up for bigger jets, seeks more recognition
Triangle Business Journal
Beach commuters pass it every weekend: Coastal Carolina Regional Airport, just off Highway 70 in New Bern. Airport director Andy Shorter bets most ...

Here's why traffic is down at Columbia's airport in 2017
The State
Slightly more than 211,000 passengers have taken flights from the airport ... see is a slight uptick in fares," airport Executive Director Dan Mann said.

Man pranks airport travelers with fake power outlets, goes viral
Atlanta Journal Constitution
The power outlets dispersed throughout airports can be life savers. But one man thought it would be a good idea to get a few people's hopes up with ...

Savannah airport sets new record for passenger numbers
Savannah Morning News
Savannah/Hilton Head International Airport welcomed 236,923 passengers in May, breaking last month's record for April of 223,402 and setting an ...

Incentives approved to attract airlines, new routes to XNA
Northwest Arkansas Democrat-Gazette
Acknowledged the service of Barb Busiek former director of construction and grant administration at the airport. Busiek was with the airport for more ...

New TSA rules under President Donald Trump order take effect
FOX 5 DC
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NASHVILLE — Nashville International Airport (BNA) was recently named the fastest growing airport of its size and awarded the Airport Traffic Growth Award from anna.aero, an industry news and analysis organization dedicated to outstanding airline network planning intelligence. The award recognizes BNA’s remarkable 11.2 percent growth in passenger traffic in 2016 in the mid-sized airport category (5 million – 20 million annual passengers).

The Airport Traffic Growth Award is presented by anna.aero annually in recognition of the fastest-growing airports as measured by percentage growth in actual passenger numbers in four different size ranges.

“BNA, like Nashville itself, is on a pace of rapid growth, and all projections indicate that trend will continue,” said Rob Wigington, Metropolitan Nashville Airport Authority president and CEO. “The robust increase in travel demand underscores the need for BNA Vision, our dynamic growth and expansion plan designed to keep Nashville International Airport a world-class facility for today and beyond.”

In 2016, more than 12.9 million passengers traveled into and out of BNA, setting an all-time passenger record for the fourth consecutive calendar year. And the record pace continues. Given current growth trends, BNA is expected to surpass that figure in 2017 by more than a million passengers.

In January 2017, MNAA kicked off the BNA Vision by breaking ground on a new six-level, 2,000 space parking and transportation center slated to be complete by the summer of 2018. Additionally, construction of the interim International Arrivals Building (IAB) is underway, designed to accommodate immediate needs for additional international capacity while the new, permanent IAB is designed and constructed. For more information and updates on BNA Vision, visit: BNAVisionNashville.com.

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Patch.com
Oaktree secured a contract to run Westchester County Airport in New York and is hoping to do the same in St. Louis. In April, the United States ... 

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WMFE
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USA TODAY
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PR Newswire (press release)
... and its new route to MIA," said Miami-Dade Aviation Director Emilio T. González. ... Miami International Airport offers more flights to Latin America and the ... MIA, along with its general aviation airports...
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Doug Stevens, husband of Susan M. Stevens, AAE and long-time friend of the Southeast Chapter - AAAE, passed June 11, 2017. Doug was the official “spooce” (spouse) of the Chapter and was well known for his outgoing personality and antics during Chapter events. He will be greatly missed by his many friends and associates. Sympathy may be expressed to Ms. Stevens at 4 Family Circle; Charleston, SC 29407.

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