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   WRAL.com
   During his tenure, RDU evolved from a mid-sized regional airport to an American Airlines hub to a thriving airport with flights that stretch coast to coast and include several international destinations. RDU Airport Director John Brantley.
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Chattanooga Airport Adds Solar Generation to TVA Renewable Power
Power Engineering Magazine
The Chattanooga Metropolitan Airport Authority has signed an agreement with TVA and EPB, the Chattanooga electric utility, to provide up to one megawatt of solar power under TVA's Renewable Standard Offer initiative. The electricity generated by the

UPS to move regional sorting operation to Pensacola airport
Pensacola Business Journal
Pensacola Mayor Ashton Hayward, at lectern, announces that UPS will be moving their regional sorting facility to Pensacola Gulf Coast Regional Airport. / Gary McCracken/gmccracken@pnj.com Pensacola Mayor Ashton Hayward announced today that

Key West Airport Approved To Offer Flights To Cuba
Huffington Post
On Oct. 4, federal authorities approved Key West International Airport, a destination only 90 miles from the Caribbean island, as the third Floridian city to host charter flights to Havana, The Miami Herald reports. The approval doesn't come without

New Orleans airport open to Cuba flights
CNN
By the CNN Wire Staff (CNN) -- An airport in New Orleans has received approval to join the ranks of US airports hosting flights to and from Cuba, officials said Wednesday. Louis Armstrong New Orleans International Airport received permission from the

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Police seize name-brand knockoffs valued at $31000
Gaston Gazette
The Federal Aviation Administration estimates that 2 percent of the 26 million airline parts installed each year are counterfeit, which equals about 520,000 parts. - In 2003, the Motor and Equipment Manufacturers Association cited safety violations due ...
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Tampa airport's new director says he's fixing problems
Tbo.com
The Hillsborough County Aviation Authority – Lopano's boss – meets Thursday to talk about his contract and whether to put a bonus clause in his contract. In his self-evaluation, Lopano wrote that "operational metrics such as passengers, revenues and ...
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Investigation: FAA romance led to $970 million contract award, 3300-percent ...
Daily Caller
That change was likely the result of an FAA contracting shuffle orchestrated by an FAA official and her lover — a former FAA official who worked for Raytheon at the time the contract was awarded. Raytheon won the contract, worth nearly $1 billion. ...
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Slideshow: Memphis airport unveils new tower, third tallest in US
Bizjournals.com
Memphis International Airport and the Federal Aviation Administration are showing off the new $72.6 million air traffic control tower Thursday for local officials, media and dignitaries. Although the tower has the latest and greatest technology, ...
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TSA Doing Random Truck Searches On Tennessee Highway
Slashdot
OverTheGeicoE writes "TSA is expanding its presence to the American road system. As part of its Visible Intermodal Prevention and Response (VIPR) program, TSA agents are now working at 5 weigh stations and two bus stations in Tennessee. ...
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Airport chief’s bonus pay still on hold
Tampabay.com
By Steve Huettel, Times Staff Writer The debate over giving Tampa International Airport CEO Joe Lopano more money is still unresolved — and still contentious. The airport's governing board was scheduled to discuss a bonus for Lopano at a workshop ... See all stories on this topic »

Direct Roanoke-to-LaGuardia flights assured, Goodlatte says
Roanoke Times
Bob Goodlatte, R-Roanoke County, announced this morning that Delta Air Lines has agreed to maintain direct flights between Roanoke Regional Airport and New York LaGuardia Airport. Moreover, Delta has said the flight will be jet service, Goodlatte said, ... See all stories on this topic »

Lafayette Regional Airport launches mobile site
The Daily Advertiser
The Lafayette Regional Airport has launched a new mobile website designed to provide airport and airline information to travelers with mobile devices. The mobile website complements the airport's main website and is designed specifically for iPhones, ... See all stories on this topic »

Director excited about airport
Branson Tri-Lakes news
By Mindy Honey | 0 comments While Branson Airport hasn't seen the number of passengers originally anticipated, executive director Jeff Bourk said they still have a lot to be excited about. “We opened up in mid-2009 in one of the worst recessions and we ... See all stories on this topic »

Pensacola airport gets new name
Pensacola News Journal
Mayor Ashton Hayward this morning joined local business leaders and airport officials today in announcing that Pensacola Gulf Coast Regional Airport is now Pensacola International Airport. Despite the fact Pensacola offers travelers no international ... See all stories on this topic »
AIR-TRANSPORT IT SERVICES, INC. ANNOUNCES THE MONTGOMERY REGIONAL AIRPORT AS THE NEWEST AIRPORT TO CHOOSE THE AIRIT EASE™ VIRTUALIZED MULT-SIDED INFRASTRUCTURE TO DELIVER COMMON USE FUNCTIONALITY TO THEIR FACILITY

October 13, 2011, Orlando, FL – Air-Transport IT Services, Inc. (AirIT), a key provider of diversified information technology products and services to the air transportation industry, announced their selection to provide the EASE™ common use solution to the Montgomery Regional Airport. AirIT’s common use system, EASE (Extended Airline System Environment), is a cornerstone of the platform that ultimately allows any equipped ticket counter or gate podium to be utilized by any airline operating on the system.

The implementation in Montgomery will include full common use functionality to accommodate airlines including, American, Delta and US Airways. Importantly, this project will replace an existing legacy common use system with an airline-friendly alternative that will allow them to utilize their own proprietary business-optimized applications and not require the airlines to develop any new software, as is required by competing common use solutions. Betros Wakim, AirIT CEO says, “AirIT is proud to be able to deliver technology to airports that fosters beneficial partnerships between the airport and their airline tenants. Only the EASE™ solution can enable airports to create true facility flexibility while simultaneously allowing the airlines to use their own software that supports their distinct business processes.

Airports that perform the necessary due diligence on common use options quickly realize that airlines have an overwhelming preference to use their own software, not some feature-limited variant that was the norm in legacy common-use systems. In Montgomery, this fact is borne out by our selection to replace their existing system and deliver true application autonomy back to the airlines.”

The EASE™ virtualized technology delivers true flexibility and cost savings airports can pass on to their airline partners. Because this contemporary solution allows airlines to operate in their own native system environment, airlines like American, Delta and US Airways will be able to seamlessly use any gate in Montgomery with all of the business capabilities resident in their own proprietary applications.

About Air-Transport IT Services, Inc.

Air-Transport IT Services, Inc., with corporate offices in Orlando, Florida, offers airlines and airport IT systems that enable them to deliver, display, manage and employ information that improves operations, customer satisfaction and revenue generation. The company’s airport operational, passenger processing and revenue management solutions are the most comprehensive offerings available to the global air transportation industry. In addition to its product offerings, AirIT also provides consulting services, networking and installation and 24 x 7 support. AirIT is proud to be one of the top 100 best companies to work for in Florida, according to Florida Trend Magazine’s annual issue of “Florida’s Best Companies to Work For.”

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(Article provided by AirIT)
Southwest Florida International Airport to renovate flight info displays
The News-Press
Updating display systems at the international airport is one of many initiatives the port authority is putting forward to make a lasting impression on visitors to the region. In the past year, the airport has made renovations to the food and beverage ... See all stories on this topic »

Zephyrhills brownfield proposal draws residents' ire
Tbo.com
By GEOFF FOX | The Tampa Tribune Tempers flared at a city council meeting after a Pasco County planner presented information about establishing a brownfield district around Zephyrhills Municipal Airport. Melanie Kendrick, the county's senior planner ... See all stories on this topic »

Hendricks not seriously hurt in crash
ESPN
The Gulfstream 150 aircraft ran off the runway at the Key West International Airport Monday at 7:45 pm Rick and Linda Hendrick, a pilot and co-pilot were all taken to Lower Keys Medical Centers. The Hendricks had minor injuries and the pilot and ... See all stories on this topic »

TSA glossed over cancer risk of X-ray scanners
The Tennessean
Today, the Transportation Security Administration has begun marching millions of airline passengers through the X-ray body scanners, parting ways with countries in Europe and elsewhere that have concluded that such widespread use poses an unacceptable ... See all stories on this topic »

Sarasota-Bradenton airport chief on international board
Sarasota Herald-Tribune
Frederick "Rick" Piccolo, president of the Sarasota-Bradenton International Airport, is joining the CEO of the airport in Athens, Greece, in leadership positions for an international airport executives group. Piccolo will serve as vice chairman of the ... See all stories on this topic »

September was busy month for McGhee Tyson
Knoxville News Sentinel
The airport serving the Knoxville area reports a 7.8 percent increase in passengers for September, to 152233 travelers, over September 2010, making it the busiest September in McGhee Tyson's 74-year history. Metropolitan Knoxville Airport Authority ... See all stories on this topic »

Naked man walks around terminal of Washington-area airport; taken to hospital ...
Washington Post
A man has been taken to a hospital for evaluation after he was spotted walking naked around Washington Dulles International Airport. Airport spokeswoman Kimberly Gibbs says the adult male was walking around the main terminal Monday morning and was not ... See all stories on this topic »
Historic plane crash at the Richmond airport changed how the military flies
WTVR
Anthony Dowd, the airport manager, was at home, blowing out the candles on his birthday cake when the phone rang with the news. “The control tower knew that the it was a Lockheed Constellation, four-engine civil transport, with 79 souls on board,” Dowd ...
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Runway Lights Stolen from the Memphis International Airport
WREG
“We're in the process of moving all the excess equipment they didn't take to a secure area,” said Vice President of the Airport Authority John Greaud. Michael Hardimon and Settle Moss are accused of taking used runway lights and scrap metal from the ...
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Mayor, airport director reject airline proposals
WTVA
(WTVA) -- Two bids from two separate airlines -- which would provide service to the Tupelo Regional Airport -- have been rejected, according to Tupelo Regional Airport executive director Josh Abramson. Reasoning behind the decision, he says, ...
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Angry Wife + Husbands Work Hours = Airport Bomb Threat
According to the report, Soraya Evette Billing called the authorities at Southwest Florida International Airport from her cell phone and stated she did not want her husband working late at night because she did not like being home alone. ...
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Newport News-Williamsburg Takes Off to Family Fun in the Florida Sun
"We are extremely excited to welcome Allegiant to our community as a new business partner," stated Ken R. Spirito, Executive Director of the Newport News/Williamsburg International Airport. "Allegiant's travel packages and low air-fares will be an ...
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RIC's September passenger traffic down 6.4 percent
September's traffic at RIC was down 6.4 percent compared with the same month last year, the Capital Region Airport Commission reported. Some of the drop-off still comes from JetBlue Airways' withdrawal last year from the Richmond-New York market, ...
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Norfolk International airport "well served," expert says
And Norfolk International Airport “is very well served,” Michael Boyd, president of Boyd Group International Inc., told a gathering of business and community leaders of the Hampton Roads Norfolk Airport Task Force. Norfolk has direct connections to 10 ...
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Transportation bill would expand board of Metropolitan Washington Airports...
Washington Post
A move by Congress may allow members of the board that oversees Reagan National and Dulles International airports to be removed by their appointing bodies and increase the size of the panel, which is supervising the construction of the Metrorail...
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Owensboro Airport Offers New Long Range Flight Options
SurfKY News
Cape Air announced Monday that it will be starting flight service between the Owensboro-Daviess County Regional Airport and Lambert-St. Louis International Airport. Cape Air will operate year round in Owensboro. Enthusiasm in Owensboro is apparent...
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Southwest Georgia Regional Airport name change?
WALB-TV
By Ashton Pellom - bio | email The Southwest Georgia Regional Airport may get a new name in honor of a civil rights trailblazer. City Commissioners are considering renaming the airport after the late Johnnie Johnson. Johnson sued the city in 1972 and...
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Profiling Patrick Graham
WSAV-TV
On of the eve of Leadership Savannah's Golden Anniversary Gala, we profile Patrick Graham, Executive Director of the Savannah Airport Commission and outgoing President of Leadership Savannah. Graham talks about the past, present and future of the...
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Progress continues with terminal expansion at Myrtle Beach International Airport
Myrtle Beach Sun News
By Brad Dickerson - bdickerson@thesunnews.com Work on the terminal expansion project at Myrtle Beach International Airport continues toward its November 2012 completion date, as the contract for a new passenger baggage system has been awarded and the...
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Augusta Regional Airport starts traveler loyalty program
The Augusta Chronicle (blog)
It is going to be managed by the company that runs the parking there, Republic Parking, and airport officials are soliciting participation from local businesses. Shoppers who go to those businesses, which already includes the shops, food and parking at...
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Airport manager is fired
Monroe News Star
Ron Phillips, the airport marketing manager, will serve as interim airport manager. Mayo said there will be a national search for the next airport manager. "We will be putting that together very soon," he said. Public Works Director Tom Janway said two...
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Tallahassee Airport Invites Customers to Experience New Enhancements
WCTV
If air travel is part of your holiday plans this season, or you have business travel plans, the Tallahassee Regional Airport (TLH) wants to make the experience even better with newly implemented customer focused amenities and terminal improvements. ...
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Airport Authority "cleaning house" in light of state audit findings
WNCT
We first told you about former Pitt-Greenville Airport Director Jim Turcotte's hefty pension paycheck last February. Public outcry brought on a state audit that found he was giving himself unauthorized pay raises. Now, the Airport Authority is changing ...
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Former JAA executive director John Clark under fire again at new job for ...
Florida Times-Union (blog)
A former executive director of the Jacksonville Airport Authority is under fire at his new post at the Indianapolis Airport Authority, according to Indianapolis' Fox affiliate, WXIN-TV Fox59. Fox59 reports the Indianapolis International Airport has ...
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Golden Triangle aviation history told in new book
Washington Examiner
Somehow, Stuart Vance of Starkville knew that recording the history of aviation in the Golden Triangle region was going to be his "thing." As a founding commissioner of the Golden Triangle Regional Airport (GTRA), Vance has been both advocate and ...
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Airport gets new manager
Carroll County News
His pending retirement was announced at a Carroll County Airport Commission meeting last Thursday. Also announced was Sheila's request to step into the post. She has worked side-by-side with Perry the past seven years, the first five as a volunteer and ...
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Ex-official at Blue Grass Airport gets shock probation
Lexington Herald Leader
Slone and the airport's former executive director, Michael Gobb; former operations Gobb was indicted on nine counts of felony theft by deception. ...

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