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#### COMMUNITY NEWS

#### 200 Military Heroes Honored at USO

The first-ever, community-sponsored "Lunch with Our Heroes" event acknowledging military heroes at the Bob Hope USO brought airport employees, tenants, chambers of commerce, and service clubs together to celebrate a patriotic deed on July 1.



Approximately 200 Marines from Twentynine Palms and Camp Pendleton arrived at the USO. Without missing a beat, they quickly formed a line to check-in and store their luggage before walking into the USO's family room to view the tail end of the USA soccer game. Even though the US team lost, they returned outside to be greeted by warm, smiling volunteers who served Italian subs, chips, cookies, goody bags and ice cold drinks. Despite the warm L.A. weather, the Marines enjoyed their meals under the sun before venturing off sightseeing or catching another flight.

LAX Community Relations Division staff initiated and coordinated the event. Due to local support, "Lunch with Our Heroes" was a rousing success and, in so doing, it strengthened our friendship and partnership with the USO.



The airport and the Bob Hope USO staff wishes to thank and acknowledge the following sponsors:

- AAE (LAWA Association of Airport Employees)
- Inglewood Chamber of Commerce members Delian Music; Faithful Central Bible; South Bay West Investment Board;

McCormack Mortuary; Southern California Edison; IUSD Board Member Carol Raines-Brown; and Wise Tire

- Rotary Clubs of El Segundo, Inglewood, and Westchester
- · Culver City Chamber of Commerce

The Bob Hope USO is located on the lower/arrivals level in the Central Terminal Area of LAX across from Terminal 2. To learn more about the USO, visit our website and select passenger info and services at www.lawa.aero.

#### **Local Support**

LAX is a contributing member of the local area and is proud to sponsor civic, community, and educational events and programs. The following list is a sample of our community support. To learn more about the airport's outreach programs, visit www.lawa.aero and select Community Relations.

- 6/21 19th Annual Lennox Family Festival
   6/26 Inglewood Chamber of Commerce's 93rd Installation of Officers Ceremony
   7/18 Inglewood Chamber of Commerce's 19th Annual Golf Tournament
- 7/30 El Segundo Chamber of Commerce's Installation & Awards Dinner



Residents, Bill & Evelyn Alexander, attending the annual Inglewood Chamber of Commerce's Installation & Awards Ceremony.

### COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

#### **New Santa Monica FlyAway Bus Service**

As of July 15, LAX is offering a new, low-cost FlyAway bus service to and from the City of Santa Monica. The daily service between LAX and Santa Monica will operate hourly from 5:45 a.m. to 11:45 p.m., including weekends and holidays. The fare is \$8 one-way and the designated area to board the bus is in front of the Santa Monica Civic Auditorium.

The new FlyAway bus service at Santa Monica joins four other routes already in operation and a sixth, in Hollywood, is scheduled to begin service in September. Based on the percentage

of LAX passengers originating from the Santa Monica area, LAX officials anticipate first-year ridership from this location to exceed 100,000 passengers. To learn more about the FlyAway service or to order your bus tickets online, visit www. lawa.aero/FlyAway.

#### **Summer ACE Update**

The LAX-sponsored educational summer program, ACE (Aviation Careers Education), is a favorite among middle school students wishing to learn about aviation and aerospace. The popular week-long program, hosted in July, includes information about jobs and careers offered at both LAX and Van Nuys Airports. To learn how your child can participate in this program, contact the ACE coordinator at (424) 646-7450.



Van Nuys Airport Duty Manager Brian Pecenka explains how the facility, Airport Response & Coordination Center (ARCC), functions.

#### "Salute to the Sixties" Gala Theme

The Flight Path is hosting its18th annual fundraiser on Wednesday, October 1, at the Proud Bird Restaurant. The gala begins at 5:30 p.m. and will present a "Salute to the Sixties" theme, showcasing a time of spectacular growth in airport and aviation history including music, exhibits, and crew uniforms from that era. For ticket and event information, call (424) 646-7284.

#### **Airport Awareness Tip**

Travelers are encouraged to report all suspicious activity to Airport Police at 310-646-4268 or at 877-A-THREAT/877-284-7328. If you "See Something, Say Something. Security is Everybody's Business."

Airport Police has enhanced its deployment of uniformed officers in and around LAX. Officers will be highly visible on foot, motorcycles, and bicycles including patrol vehicles and managing traffic.

Be aware that LAX is expected to experience a record-breaking summer travel

season. Passengers should expect busy terminals and flights as airlines report load factors of 95 percent or higher on most domestic flights, especially those of less than two hours duration. For helpful tips on how to navigate your way in and out of LAX, visit www.LAXisHappening.com.

## LAX CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS Travel Construction Reminders

With the summer travel season in full force, travelers and visitors are reminded that LAX's multi-billion-dollar modernization program is still in progress and should allow extra time for busy terminals and traffic delays. Expect traffic-lane and sidewalk restrictions due to construction work on roadways, parking structures, and sidewalks. For real-time LAX traffic and road-closure maps visit www.LAXisHappening.com.

#### **Terminal 4 Connector Project**

With traveler ease, convenience, and flight connections in mind, this \$115-million Terminal 4 Connector project consists of the design and construction of a multi-use, multi-level facility providing a secure connection between Tom Bradley International Terminal (TBIT) to Terminal 4. Connecting the two terminals will allow passengers easier access to those needing to reach connecting flights.

The new space will include a Checked Baggage Inspection System, South Matrix Interline Baggage Transfer facility, and a five-lane Passenger Security Screening Checkpoint. A South Terminals Passenger Bus Port is also being added for convenience of all travelers connecting to flights in Terminals 5, 6, 7 and 8. An Upper Level World Way Public Plaza also is being designed for outdoor seating. To view design renderings of the project, visit the www.LAXisHappening.com website.

#### **Construction Industry Awards**

The New Tom Bradley International Terminal (TBIT) has garnered awards for architecture, engineering, construction management, and other fields. These awards include:

**2014** Engineering News Record (ENR) awards Roger Johnson, Deputy Executive Director for LAWA and Program Director for the Airports' Development Group, as an ENR Top 25 Newsmaker, one of the

construction industry's most prestigious honors

**2014** Airport Revenue News awards LAX with Best Concessions Program Design, Large Airport Division, for the concessions program in TBIT

**2013** Mayor's Award for "Most Outstanding Float Entry by a City" from the Pasadena Tournament of Roses (Parade)

**2013** Gold Award in Commercial Real Estate for "Best Public Project" from the Los Angeles Business Journal

**2013** Los Angeles Architectural Award for "Under Construction" from Los Angeles Business Council

**2013** American Institute Architects/Los Angeles Presidential Award for "Building Team of the Year: LAX TBIT/CTA Renovation Phase 1"

To view additional accolades including construction project fact sheets, visit our www.LAXisHappening.com website.

#### "Gab's Corner"

Q: How many daily nonstop flights to 85 cities in the U.S. does LAX offer?

A: LAX is the sixth busiest airport in the world and third in the United States. LAX offers 692 daily nonstop flights to 85 cities in the U.S. and 928 weekly nonstop flights to 67 cities in 34 countries on 64 commercial air carriers.

LAX also ranks 14th in the world and fifth in the U.S. in air cargo tonnage processed, with over 1.9 million tons of air cargo valued at over \$86.9 billion. An economic study in 2011 reported that operations at LAX generated 294,400 jobs in Los Angeles County with labor income of \$13.6 billion and economic output of more than \$39.7 billion. This activity added \$2.5 billion to local and state revenues.

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