

FAIRBANKS INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

FALL 2019



# American Airlines to Offer New Summer Seasonal Service to Dallas and Chicago in 2020

Beginning in May 7, 2020, Fairbanks residents and visitors alike will be able to catch American Airlines flights out of Fairbanks International Airport seven days a week.

The flights connecting Fairbanks to Chicago O'Hare International Airport and Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport will run every day of the week between May and October, adding flight options for visitors and locals.

Airport Manager Angie Spear said service from American Airlines has been long in the works.

"We've been working with American Airlines for many, many years to get them to initiate service into Fairbanks, so this is really exciting," Spear said Friday. "The timing was right for them and for us, so this really is just a culmination of a long process."

Spear said the airport is always getting requests from Fairbanks area residents for additional flight options, and those requests combined with working with Explore Fairbanks will provide locals and visitors with additional choices.

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## Thank you for your State Service

We were fortunate to have these men as a part of the FAI team, happy retirement and happy trails filled with fish and moose!

Tim Doval, Equipment Maintenance Foreman
David Darrow, Equipment Operator (Former Foreman)

#### Welcome new members of our team!

Jennifer Rust, Office Assistant II
Adina Johnson, Office Assistant II
Jessica Johnson, Accounts Payable Tech
Casie Cullen, Accounts Receivable Tech
Tony del Rosario, Airport Police and Fire Officer I
Gavan Eaker, Airport Police and Fire Officer I
Katrina LeMieux, Environmental Program Manager
John Lutchkoff, Seasonal to Full-Time Equipment Operator
Hayden McKenzie, Equipment Mechanic

## New and Improved East Ramp Pilot's Lounge

We heard from many requesting improvements to the lounge. After a renovation, including a new window and Wi-Fi ,we are ready to show it off! Located on the east side of the airport, near the base of the control tower, is the public use Pilots Lounge. This facility has a restroom, shower and TV/DVD for viewing FAA safety videos. The lounge is provided for the comfort of general aviation pilots and their passengers









The Silver Spitfire team visited FAI as part of their expedition to fly around the world!

"In the great tradition of exploration, we seek to challenge ourselves by setting out to complete a trip that has never been attempted. By pushing the boundaries of what's possible in this iconic single-engined aircraft we hope to climb 'a pilot's Everest'."



Fairbanks International Airport (FAI) has prepared the FAI Eastside Master Plan Update, with the help of DOWL, an airport planning firm. The Master Plan maps out a 20-year plan for airport development..

The final FAI Eastside Master Plan is available at: http://www.faieastsidemasterplan.com/fbclid=IwAR2PEAtYiUO4u7mjokHKIFLN2JTOOW30tHrv870VYkDZN9--QYKTZ3jfNLY



DOT &PF Deputy Commissioner for Aviation John Binder and Fairbanks International Airport Manager Angie Spear welcomes conference attendees

FAI pulled out all the stops and Northern Lights to host the 2019 NWAAAE annual conference. The attendees varied from Alaska, Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Montana, Wyoming, Colorado and the Canadian provinces of British Columbia, Saskatchewan, Alberta, Yukon, and Northwest Territory. Special thanks to Explore Fairbanks our partners in bringing this group of 200 to Fairbanks!

### JAL Charters

FAI welcomed two charters from Japan Airlines (JAL). Fairbanks spectacular fall weather and aurora viewing bring JAL charters to Fairbanks numerous times through out the aurora season.



Introducing the new Fairbanks North Star Borough Metropolitan Area Commuter System (MACS) bus route. The MACS yellow line will now drop off and pick up at the "East Ramp Parking Lot #2". Great news for East Ramp businesses and visitors.

## Alaska Airlines presents Fall Soldier Cart to FAI

A very special evening gathered together Airport personnel and Alaska Airlines as the "Fallen Soldier Cart" was handed over to Airport Manager Angie Spear. The cart will bring home the remains of soldiers and veterans to FAI with immeasurable respect. The cart, designed and housed by Alaska Airlines, is available to all air carriers for use.



