



FLIGHT LINES

FAIRBANKS INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

Summer 2016

New Beginnings

By Sean Martines, Chief

Change is inevitable and 2016 has brought many new beginnings for the Fairbanks International Airport Police and Fire Department's (APF) command staff. The APF recently promoted two new sergeants, Roger Stevener and Daniel Pratt; deputy chief, Aaron Danielson; and chief, Sean Martines. Sergeant Stevener has been with the department since 2008. Sergeant Pratt has been with the department since 2009. Deputy Chief Danielson has been with the department since 2007 and Chief Martines has been with the department since 1997.

With a promotion comes a job opening which has allowed the APF to add three qualified individuals who each bring unique skillsets with them. The new recruits are excited and eager to begin their roles with the APF and the Fairbanks International Airport (FAI).

The first recruit hired was Officer Paul Dick. Officer Dick was born and raised in Fairbanks where he enjoys spending time with his family and engaging in multiple outdoor activities. Dick graduated from the University of Alaska Fairbanks in 2003 with a bachelor's degree in Justice. He was a police officer for the City of Fairbanks.

The next recruit that APF hired was Officer Wesley Louis. Officer Louis was born and raised in Florida and moved to Glennallen in 2009. In 2015 he was hired by Copper River Native Association as a Village Public Safety Officer (VPSO) and served the communities of Gakona, Kluti-Kaah (Copper River), and Chitna. Officer Louis' previous service included search and rescue (SAR), police, fire, and emergency medical services (EMS) duties.

The most recent recruit hired was Officer Zachary Hughes. Officer Hughes was born and raised in Anchorage. He moved to Fairbanks to pursue a career in fire and EMS. He attended the University of Alaska Fairbanks to pursue an associate degree in Fire Science as well as a bachelor's degree in Emergency Management. He brings prior firefighting experience with him from the Steese Volunteer Fire Department.

The APF and FAI are excited to have these new recruits join their team and look forward to what their education, skills, and previous experience contributes to the team.



Photo Credit: AP&F

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The Heart of FAI



Photo Credit: Sammy Loud, AMO

The FAI field and equipment maintenance department added new equipment to their fleet. The recently added sanders and broom will help increase productivity and decrease wait times in the event of a rain or de-icing situation. The liquid tanks hold twice as much de-icing solution and the sanders have a spray bar as well as a pre-wet system. The new runway broom is replacing a 12-year-old broom and is more cost effective and more easily maneuverable.

Fire Training

The Airport Police and Fire Department conducted hydrocarbon live-fire training earlier this summer in accordance with 14 CFR Part 139 training requirements. Hydrocarbon live-fires are mandated by the FAA to ensure that the airport's aircraft rescue firefighters are proficient extinguishing fires normally associated with aircraft emergencies. Large columns of black smoke were observed on the south side of the airport.



Photo Credit: Sammy Loud, AMO

Smoking Relocation

FAI relocated its designated smoking areas from the north and south ends of the terminal to one convenient location on the west side of the passenger pick-up lanes across from the arrival doors and baggage claim. A glass smoking shelter has been added for comfort and convenience.

For additional information please click [here](#) to view FAI's smoking policy.





Summer Charters

FAI would like to thank our scheduled summer charter services for another amazing season!

Air North partners with Holland America Princess and provides direct flights daily from Dawson City from May 29th to September 11th.



Photo Credit: Mike Thomas, Omni

Condor provides flights from Frankfurt, Germany to Anchorage to Fairbanks and back to Frankfurt every Thursday from June 16th to September 8th.



Photo Credit: Airport Operations

FAI looks forward to our continued partnerships with Condor and Air North.

WeChat

FAI has partnered with Skylar Travel to open a WeChat account. WeChat is widely used around the world but is one of the few social media outlets available in China.

FAI works in conjunction with Explore Fairbanks to market the interior as a year-round travel destination. WeChat will assist in bridging the gap while enabling us to reach this particular market.



Upcoming Airport Projects

FAI is set to host a public meeting regarding upcoming airport projects Tuesday, August 30, 2016 from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. in the Noel Wien Public Library. The two projects include airport security and baggage system upgrades.

The airport security project, focused on minor infrastructure changes, has little to no impact on the traveling public. Construction begins October 2016 and is estimated to end September 2017.

The checked baggage system upgrades are expected to increase baggage screening efficiency and reliability. The project is 100 percent funded by the TSA. A temporary screening machine will be placed in the lobby where passengers will drop their baggage off to. Passengers can expect slight delays and are encouraged to arrive earlier for check-in. Construction starts in August 2016 and is expected to be completed by February 2017.

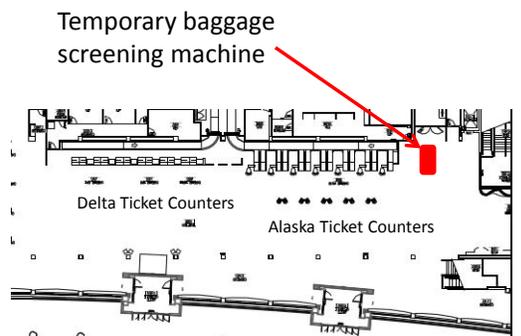


Photo Credit: FAI Engineering

Fall Charters

- **All Nippon Airways:** 8/29/16
- **Uzbekistan Airways:** 9/1/16, 9/2/16 & 9/9/16
- **Japan Airlines:** 9/6/16 & 9/15/2016
- **China Airlines:** 9/28/16, 11/29/16 & 12/3/16



Arrivals & Departures

New Employees:

Paul Dick, Airport Police & Fire
Michael McDade, Terminal Services
Victoria Justice, Terminal Services
Wesley Louis, Airport Police & Fire
Zachary Hughes, Airport Police & Fire
Jason Reudgen, Terminal Services
Keith Anderson, Network Specialist

Promotions:

Sean Martines, Airport Police & Fire, Chief
Kimranie Vidal, Building Maintenance
Aaron Danielson, Airport Police & Fire, Deputy Chief
Daniel Pratt, Airport Police & Fire, Sergeant

Left Service:

Dan Buchholz, Network Specialist
Mike T Gervais, Field & Equipment Maintenance
Christopher Lopez, Terminal Services
Zoe Gruben, Terminal Services
Shelina Turner, Dispatch

Aviation Enthusiasts

United Kingdom photographers, John Allen and Mike Kemp, visited FAI on June 28th and spent an hour with Airport Operations, where they toured and photographed old aircraft.



Photo Credit: Airport Operations

IT Support

Please take a moment and welcome FAI's Network Specialist, Keith Anderson. He comes to us from the City of Fairbanks with a wealth of knowledge and experience in IT support. His contact information is 907-474-2526 or keith.anderson@alaska.gov. Welcome, Keith!

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The Local Grand Opening

FAI and HMSHost celebrated the grand opening of The Local @ FAI, June 21st. The celebration included a ribbon cutting ceremony, food sampling and native dancers.

Cutting the ribbon from left to right: Stephen Douglas, Vice President of Business Development, HMSHost; Jeff Roach, Airport Manager, FAI; Theresa Harvey, Chief of Leasing, FAI; and Dennis Michel, American Mechanical.



Photo Credit: Sammy Loud, AMO

Certified Sprinkler ITM Specialist

The National Fire Protection Association thanked FAI's Building Maintenance Foreman, Dana Bowen, for participating on a volunteer committee that assisted in developing the Certified Sprinkler ITM Specialist for Facility Managers Certification. Bowen, along with other committee members performed a job task analysis, determined the exam weighted criteria and created the exam content. For more information click [here](#).



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