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Read about the upcoming north runway upgrades, airport business expansions and more.



*Official Newsletter of Broward County's Fort Lauderdale-Hollywood International Airport*



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## A Message from the CEO

Welcome to NewsFLLash Issue No. 3. We hope you like what you've seen so far and continue to subscribe and share our newsletter with friends, colleagues, and customers. We have many exciting changes on the horizon at FLL and would like to keep you well informed. Among them, road improvement projects designed to make driving more efficient and walking between the garages and terminals much safer.

We are also in the process of changing the way vehicles and pedestrians navigate through FLL to improve the overall travel experience. Over the next few months, the Aviation Department will install traffic lights on FLL's lower roadway to improve vehicular traffic flow and enhance pedestrian safety. Motorists will be required to obey the signalization. Remember, red means stop! It is a model that has been successfully implemented at other U.S. airports to enhance safety, reduce congestion, and improve efficiency. The construction activity for the signalization project will occur primarily during the overnight to early morning hours to minimize any inconvenience to travelers.

We hope you enjoy this edition of NewsFLLash and keep tuning in monthly to monitor our progress and learn about new developments.

**Mark**

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## The Sky's the Limit

### January passenger traffic and 2019 outlook

In spite of dozens of flight cancellations in January due to winter storms across the U.S., which impacted airlines operating at FLL and elsewhere, the month ended on a positive note.

Total passenger traffic in January jumped 6.5 percent to approximately 3.23 million travelers compared with the same month in 2018. Domestic traffic climbed 4.5 percent while international volume rose nearly 13 percent.

Airlines have announced plans to increase international and domestic passenger seats from FLL by an average of four percent between February and June, which should result in a boost in passenger traffic during the first six months of 2019.



## North Runway to Undergo Major Rehab

### Sections of runway built in World War II era

Work is underway to completely rehabilitate the north runway (10L-28R), which began with taxiway construction in late March. At 9,000 feet, FLL's primary and longest runway dates back to 1943. It was built by the U.S. Navy during World War II when the airport served as a Naval Training base. At midnight on June 3, 2019, the runway will be closed for up to four months.

The work is crucial since the runway has not had any major repairs since 2004. Asphalt along the "keel" or center section of the entire length will be replaced with more durable concrete. This design will extend the life of the runway for up to 30 years, rather than the typical resurfacing work that lasts 15 years. Taxiways will be remodeled with more modern and efficient designs, and the FAA will update runway status lights among many other improvements. All flights will use the south runway during this rehabilitation project.

Watch for project updates in upcoming NewsFLLash issues.



Credit: Suresh Atapattu

## New Routes Taking Off

Silver Airways' new flight to New Bight/Cat Island in The Bahamas is expected to take off in May along with Spirit Airlines' nonstop service to Raleigh/Durham, North Carolina.

In June, Spirit also plans to add Charlotte, North Carolina to its FLL route map.

Meanwhile in March, WestJet began seasonal service between FLL and St. John's Newfoundland, Canada and Frontier Airlines resumed service to and from Denver, Colorado.

## HIP 'N COOL HANGOUTS DEBUT



### **New pre-flight bar on tap**

A new pre-flight hangout, **Red Stripe** bar is expected to land in Terminal 1 Concourse B in early 2019. This island-themed eatery and tavern will not only offer the famed Jamaican beer but other iconic concoctions made from popular rums and liquors. Mix in the lyrics of the legendary King of Reggae Bob Marley or serve up some pulsating Caribbean beats and this new spot is sure to be a hit with FLL travelers when it opens in April.

### **Get Your Bling on at Bijoux Ternier**

Travelers now can “Shop Happy” at **Bijoux Ternier** for a colorful and fun assortment of fashion and travel accessories at affordable prices. The newly-opened store in Terminal 4, Concourse G West offers bags, textiles, beach accessories, watches, jewelry, and more.



### **Power up at the gridiron**

The wait is over. **Offerdahl's Off-The-Grill**, a quick-casual restaurant concept created by former Miami Dolphins' linebacker John Offerdahl is now open and serving travelers in Terminal 1, Concourse C. The new eatery – brought to FLL in collaboration with concessionaire HMSHost – is open daily from 6AM-8PM and offers a menu of grilled proteins on salads, grains, and sandwiches.





## **Airport Businesses Digging Deep**

### **Groundbreaking for new Bell Customer Service Facility**

Airside Fort Lauderdale broke ground on Feb. 5 on a new 31,000 square-foot customer service facility for its tenant Bell, a Fort Worth, Texas-based supplier of helicopters and related spare parts and services.

Located at 1800 S.W. 34th Street, the new facility will feature a 21,000 square-foot hangar, offices, maintenance shops, storage, and large dedicated ramp area. Bell will offer a full range of solutions for all current production commercial helicopters, including complex maintenance, repair, and overhaul services when the facility opens in late 2019.

Broward County Vice Mayor Dale Holness and Commissioner Tim Ryan participated in the ceremonial dirt toss with executives from Bell, Airside's owner, the Lynxs Group and general contractor Clear Span Structures of Riviera Beach.



## **Construction begins on Jetscape's new FBO Terminal**

On January 25, FLL CEO/Aviation Director Mark Gale shared in groundbreaking festivities for fixed base operator (FBO) Jetscape's new 25-acre terminal/office/hangar facility now under development along Lee Wagener Boulevard. The multimillion-dollar project, pending final approvals, is expected to debut in 2020.

Congratulations to one of our oldest FBO partners.



## **Reimagined United Club Opens**

United Airlines newly-renovated 5,000-square-foot United Club opened in February in Terminal 1, Concourse C near Gate C1. It was the first of four new United Club facilities the Chicago-based airline plans to open in 2019 to join a network of more than 50 locations nationwide. The United Club lounges feature complimentary high-speed Wi-Fi access, wellness rooms and curated local food and beverage options.



## **CLEAR Expands at FLL**

CLEAR, a secure identification program in use in more than 35 airports and stadiums nationwide is now accepting travelers in Terminals 1 and 2.

In February CLEAR expanded operations to Terminal 1 after initially launching in Terminal 2 in October 2018. Terminal 1's airline roster includes Southwest, United, Alaska, and Allegiant. Meanwhile, Terminal 2 is home to Delta and Air Canada.

The subscription-based program uses biometrics, including fingerprints and iris scans, to verify identities of enrolled members, before expediting them through a dedicated security checkpoint lane to physical Transportation Security Administration screening.

# PUBLIC ART SPOTLIGHT



## Florida landscapes brighten walkway

Immerse yourself in the natural wonders of Florida's landscapes as depicted through the magical lens of artist Clyde Butcher. Two of Butcher's black and white photographic images "Shell Key 2" and "North Fork New River" are now on display in a new home in FLL's "art connector" walkway between Terminals 3 and 4.

## Colorful welcome in Terminal 2

A new children's art exhibition titled "Florida Nature Prints" is now on display for airport guests and employees to enjoy in Terminal 2 before the security checkpoint. The artwork depicting various animal shapes was created by children ages 4-10 participating in the Roosevelt Gardens Park Summer Camp Program in the Broward Municipal Services District. This is the latest installment of En Plane Air, a rotating art exhibition showcasing the creative talents of Broward County students.





## Photo Props Delight at Expo

Kudos to BCAD sign shop technician Robert Luce for creating the vintage airplane-themed photo props and backdrops that were a big hit at a recent City of Miramar Aviation Expo.

After seeing an example of a kid's photo booth, Luce worked part-time over four weeks to create four large hand-held airplane props, 60 face props, and other Expo design elements that had attendees raving.

"The photo booth was a lot of fun, and I loved how the kids enjoyed it so much," Luce said. "But the smiling parents had those pictures posted on social media in minutes."

Luce, who joined the Aviation Department in July 2017, has been designing signage since he was 12 years old growing up in Dayton, Ohio helping out in his family's sign shop.

For his professional work and creativity, Luce was nominated for a "The Sky's The Limit" BCAD award, which recognizes employees who have gone above and beyond.

**FLL BY THE NUMBERS (JANUARY 2019)**

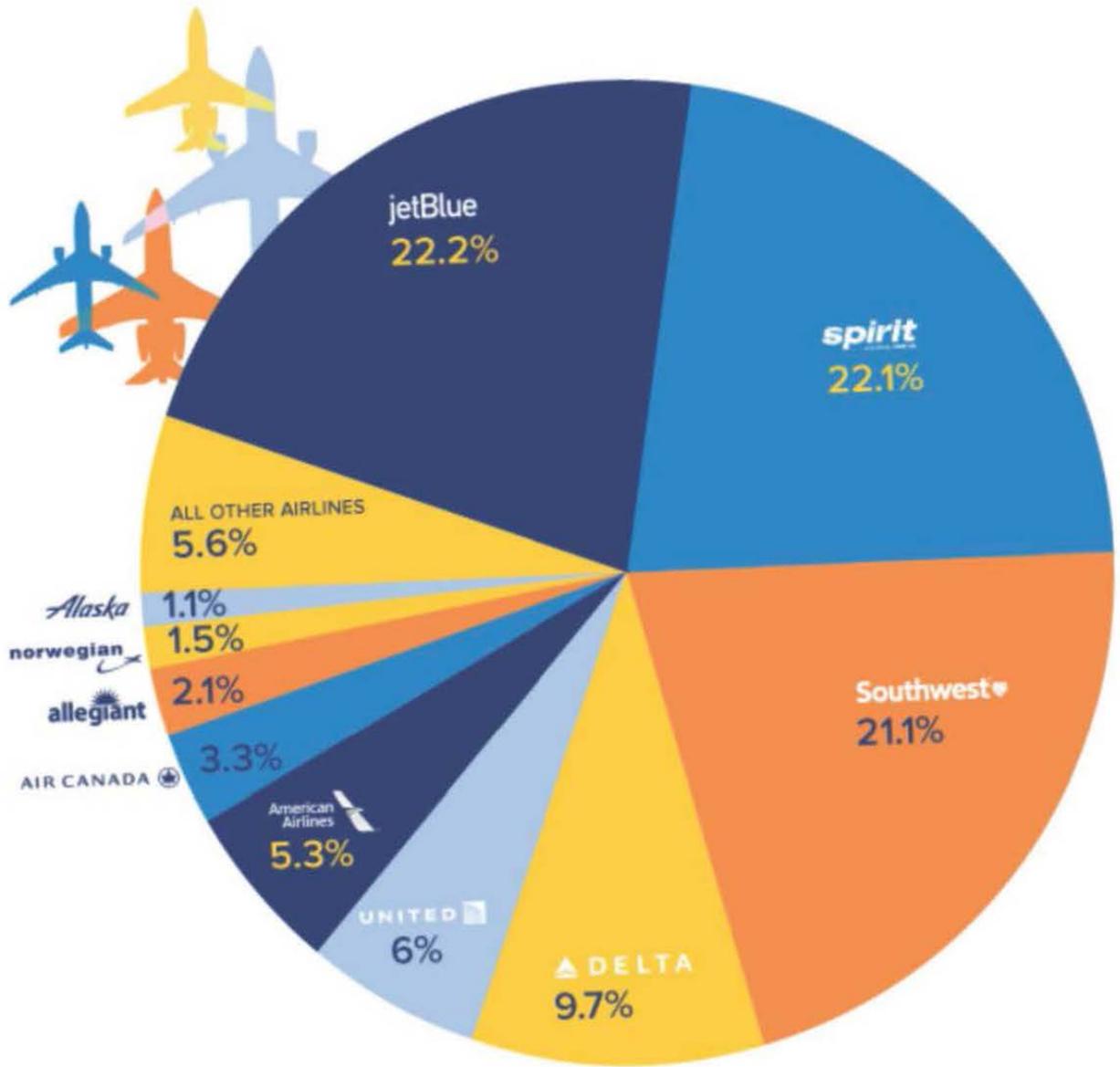
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**TOTAL TRAFFIC WAS**  
**3,227,766** **UP 6.5%** OVER THE  
**SAME TIME LAST YEAR**



**DOMESTIC**  
**TRAFFIC**  
**2,408,152**  **UP 4.5%**  
**OVER LAST YEAR**

**INTERNATIONAL**  
**TRAFFIC**  
**819,614**  **UP**  
**12.8%**  
**OVER**  
**LAST YEAR**



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