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## COMMUNITY NEWS Now Boarding at Flight Path Learning Center & Museum

Fentress Architects, designers of the new Tom Bradley International Terminal (TBIT), have partnered with Flight Path to feature the *Now Boarding* exhibit on display thru August 25.

You will experience the rich past and promising future of LAX. Take a trip back in time to aviation's Golden Age to view early travel posters, elegant airline dinnerware, and vintage designer flight attendant uniforms. Artifacts from LAX's past and the architect's large-scale model of the new TBIT make this an exhibition not to be missed. Museum hours are from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday.



*Now Boarding* has companion exhibitions at the Museum of Flying in Santa Monica and the A+D Architecture and Design Museum in Los Angeles. The Museum of Flying is the first-ever international museum exhibition examining the past, present, and future of airport design. A+D Museum presents a look at the future of flight through the minds of the designers.

## 7th Annual Police & Fire Appreciation Day

Airport Police Officer Cipriano Montes was among the recipients honored in the January 16 ceremony hosted by the Inglewood Chamber of Commerce and Rotary Club. The five-year veteran was recognized for his leadership, mentoring, and inspirational qualities. The other honorees included Inglewood Police Crime Analyst Gina Quinones and LA County Firefighter Paramedic Henry Navaez.

## Supporting Our Communities

LAX is a proud supporter of civic, educational, and community programs via our partnerships with local chambers and service clubs. To learn about our sponsorships, contact Community Relations at (424) 646-7450. LAX supports...



- **March 5** Rotary Club of Inglewood Meeting at Flight Path
- **March 23** El Segundo Run for Education
- **April 25** Inglewood State of the City Address
- **July 19** 19th Annual Inglewood Chamber Golf Classic

## Transportation Tips

Help reduce traffic congestion in and around LAX by considering the following transportation choices: take public transportation to/from LAX, including the inexpensive and convenient LAX FlyAway® nonstop bus service at Union Station, Van Nuys, and Westwood.

In February, the Board of Airport Commissioners approved a \$7 one-way fare for the new LAX FlyAway bus service between the Metro Rail Exposition Line rail station at La Brea Avenue and LAX. To encourage ridership, the Board also approved an introductory fare of \$6. Service is expected to start on July 1.

When picking up passengers, park your vehicle and wait inside the terminal or use our free waiting lot. The LAX Cell Phone Waiting Lot can easily be found at the intersection of 96th Street and Vicksburg Avenue. Don't make yourself dizzy driving around the Central Terminal Area. For more helpful tips, visit our website at [www.lawa.org](http://www.lawa.org).

## COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS



## Rotary Meeting & Bradley Tour

The Rotary Club of Inglewood held its first Tuesday meeting in March at the Flight Path Museum. Due to popular demand, the club was treated to an airfield tour of the new Tom Bradley International Terminal (TBIT) and two airport speakers. TBIT expert Eleanor Ginsberg was the group's tour guide and environmental specialist Peggy Nguyen (pictured above) provided a historical update on the LAX/El Segundo Coastal Dunes. Thank you Eleanor and Peggy!

## Employees Volunteer for Health Expo



The day before the City's official marathon, airport employees volunteered in the annual L.A. Marathon Health Expo on Saturday, March 16. Volunteers distributed bibs and t-shirts, provided marathon information, and assembled goody bags for registered runners. The LA Convention Center was host to this year's expo featuring health and nutrition vendors.



## LAX CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS Traffic Advisory & Construction Alerts

To help ease your next trip to LAX, check the up-to-date construction alerts showing Central Terminal Area (CTA) roadway lane restrictions and sidewalk closures at [www.lawa.org/laxdev/RoadAlerts.aspx](http://www.lawa.org/laxdev/RoadAlerts.aspx) and [www.la-next.com](http://www.la-next.com). A construction hotline is also available for your convenience at (310) 649-LAWA or (310) 649-5292.



Traffic alerts and current airport conditions also are posted on LAX's social media sites at [www.Facebook.com/LAInternationalAirport](http://www.Facebook.com/LAInternationalAirport) and [www.Twitter.com/LAX\\_Official](http://www.Twitter.com/LAX_Official). Real-time traffic conditions in airport surrounding areas is available at <http://trafficinfo.lacity.org/html/lax.html>. Thank you for your patience during our construction and renovation phase. We can't wait to show-off our new look!

## Terminal Renovations

In addition to construction projects, LAX also is undergoing a series of renovations inside some of the airline terminals. The following list will provide you with some insight on what the airport is doing to better serve your traveling needs...

**Terminal 1:** Upgrades to the fire/life safety equipment as well as improvements to the flight information display screens. Upon approval by the Los Angeles City Council, the terminal will soon undergo a \$400-million renovation.

**Terminal 2:** Upgrades to the fire/life safety equipment are completed. Renovation of the Upper/Departures Level corridor between Terminals 2 and 3 is in the final phase, requiring passengers to be rerouted to the sidewalk.

**Terminal 4:** American Airlines is upgrading its flight information display systems and improving passenger amenities in its American Eagle remote-gate facility.

**Terminal 5:** Delta Airlines is upgrading its passenger boarding bridges, remodeling its Sky Club lounge, and reconfiguring elevators and escalators in its arrivals lobby. The improvements are part of the \$229-million renovation of Terminal 5, the airline announced on April 4.

## LAX Unveils State-of-the-Art Aircraft Gates

Airport officials unveiled the north concourse and three gates of the New Tom Bradley International Terminal on March 6. Nine of the 18 gates can accommodate the larger, new-generation aircraft, such as the Boeing 747-8 Intercontinental and Airbus A-380. All 18 gates will use state-of-the-art, laser-based, visual guidance docking systems. Computerized passenger boarding bridges automate the operations between the terminal and aircraft doors.

The airport is installing three passenger boarding bridges at all of the new A-380 compatible gates, which will greatly improve the amount of time to load and unload an aircraft. At the boarding gates, electrical outlets and USB ports for charging personal electronic equipment are installed at each bank of seats. For passenger convenience, free Wi-Fi service – already accessible throughout airport terminals – also is available.

To view pictures of the New TBIT's interior, visit [www.lawa.org](http://www.lawa.org), click on the Airports Development icon, and select Photos. For more information about the New TBIT, contact Community Relations at (424) 646-7450.

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**Q: In 1930, the Postmaster General engineered the merger of several carriers to create a national air system. Can you name the four U.S. carriers the merger created?**



**A:** TWA, American Airlines, United Airlines, and Northwest Airlines. It was in 1930 that Congress passed legislation that allowed President Hoover's Postmaster General, Walter F. Brown, to reshape the air routes. The U.S. Post Office was one of the first federal agencies to recognize the value of airplanes.

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