

November 2008

# CONNECTIONS

**BARKLEY REGIONAL AIRPORT (PAH)**

## Delta-Northwest Team Up To Create Largest Airline

Delta Air Lines has begun a 12 to 24 month process of integrating Northwest Airlines, which is now a wholly owned subsidiary of Delta. Air travelers will begin to notice changes as a result of the merger in the first half of 2009.

Delta's planes, staff uniforms and onboard amenities will be introduced on NWA aircraft beginning in spring 2009. The carriers' websites and frequent-flyer programs will be joined by summer of next year.

At Barkley Regional new signs announcing the merger and creation of the new premier airline went up last week. Although the airline serving PAH will now be called Delta Connection, no changes are planned for Barkley staffing.

"We are expecting a smooth transition here in Paducah. This should be an exciting time for the airline industry," said Randy Crain, local Northwest AirlinK manager.

The two companies' pilots began working under a joint Air Line Pilots Association contract last week.



**The Blue Star Memorial marker by the terminal front entrance is wreathed for celebration of Veteran's Day. The marker and its decorations are provided by Open Gate Garden Club of Paducah each Memorial and Veteran's Day.**

## Travel Tips for Thanksgiving

Make Thanksgiving travel easier by following these tips:

⊙ Arrive at the airport 75 minutes prior to departure for domestic flights and 90 minutes prior for international flights.

⊙ A valid government-issued photo ID is required for passengers over the age of 18. A driver's license or passport is acceptable.

⊙ TSA requires all carry-on liquids, gels, and aerosols must be 3.4 ounces or less and placed in one, one-quart sized, clear, plastic, zip-top bag.

⊙ A \$15 fee must be paid at check-in for the first piece of checked luggage. The second piece of luggage fee is \$25, and \$100 is required for the third.

⊙ Check [tsa.gov](http://tsa.gov) for the latest list of prohibited and allowed items for carry-on and check in.

⊙ Limit your carry-on luggage. Northwest Airlines allows one personal item and one small bag that must fit in the overhead bin or under the seat.

⊙ If security screeners cannot determine the contents of a wrapped package, the package will be opened.

## Best Fares For Travel on December 5

PAH >

Chicago	\$233
New Orleans	\$205
Kansas City	\$224
Philadelphia	\$237
Raleigh/Durham	\$246
Detroit	\$261
Dallas/Ft. Worth	\$261
LaGuardia	\$220
Baltimore/Washington	\$278

Fares are quoted as of November 11 and do not include taxes or fees.

Tickets can be purchased on line at  
[www.nwa.com](http://www.nwa.com)

## Need a newspaper?

Terry Simmons takes a look at the local, regional, and national newspapers now available at the airport. *USA Today* and *New York Times* are for sale inside the terminal while *St. Louis Post Dispatch*, *Southern Illoisan*, and *Paducah Sun* are outside. All are in vending racks daily except for the *New York Times*, which will not be offered on Sundays.





## Future Firefighters Get Instruction At The Airport

Students from the Fire Science Degree Program at West Kentucky Community and Technical College were given an orientation tour of the

airport facilities and fire station. Part of the essential curriculum for the course requires basic firefighting skill training that includes airports.



**Airport Fire Chief Doug Smith showed off the new state of the art cascade system that fills self-contained breathing apparatus for firefighters.**

Paducah Fire Department firefighter Steve Kyle is the instructor for the course. He was assisted during the airport visit by Joe Fowler, Director of Airfield Services for Barkley Regional, and Troy Newcomb, Industrial Coordinator for the State Fire Rescue Training.

The goal of the visit was to provide an overview of operations as well Barkley Regional demographics, history, and FAA regulations. During a tour of the fire station, students observed three firefighting trucks and equipment and saw a turret demonstration by one of the rescue vehicles.

“We hope this is a stepping stone for further instruction opportunities with the college system,” said Fowler.