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Delta Air Lines, Northwest Airlines Agree to Merge



Delta Air Lines and Northwest Airlines, two long time carriers at LAX, will be consolidating their operations at the airport and nationwide in 2009, according an announcement made Oct. 29. Delta ranks fourth in passengers served at LAX, handling 4.8 million travelers in 2007 at Terminal 5. Northwest is the eighth largest carrier at LAX, serving 2.2 million passengers in 2007 from Terminal 2.

Passengers holding boarding passes and electronic tickets will still have either “Delta” or “Northwest” printed on their documents for the near term. Eventually, flight operations will be operated from Terminal 5. For more information, click on http://news.delta.com/article_display.cfm?article_id=11176

LAX Airport Opens New Restaurants Featuring Popular Southern California Favorites



La Brea Bakery, known for fresh-baked artisan breads matching a variety of breakfast, lunch and dinner menu offerings, has opened in three terminals, Terminal 1, Terminal 2, and Terminal 7. Baja Fresh joins La Brea Bakery at Terminal 7. The Newberry Park-based company offers fresh ingredients in quick, casual Mexican dishes with roots in Southern California. On the Border Mexican Grill and Cantina serves passengers in Terminal 4 with freshly prepared traditional Mexican favorites and mesquite-grilled specialties. For more information on new eateries at LAX, click <http://www.lawa.org/news/newsDisplay.cfm?newsID=1080>

Qantas Creates History with Inaugural A380 Service



Qantas on Oct. 20 became the first airline to operate commercial A380 flights between Australia and the US west coast, when its inaugural A380 service departed Melbourne for Los Angeles. For more information on the A380 Launch, click

<http://www.qantas.com.au/regions/dyn/au/publicaffairs/details?ArticleID=2008/oct08/3837>



Airport Board Approves Increase in LAX FlyAway Bus Fares

The LAX Board of Airport Commissioners approved a new fare structure for the LAX FlyAway bus service, including the addition of discounts for seniors and disabled persons. Union Station and Van Nuys routes will increase to \$6 one-way; the Westwood route will increase to \$5 one-way; and discount fare for persons age 65 or over, disabled, or on Medicare will be \$2. Rides for children under 2 will remain free. For more on the LAX FlyAway rate increases, click <http://www.lawa.org/news/newsDisplay.cfm?newsID=1077>



SLO to LAX Shuttle Service Seeks Permission to Use County Airport Parking Lot

The owners of a daily express bus from San Luis Obispo to Los Angeles International Airport are seeking permission to use the county airport and its parking lot as part of their operation. For more on the daily express seeking to use county parking lot, click http://www.sanluisobispo.com/news/local/breaking_news/story/499658.html

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Airline Schedule Changes at 300 U.S. Airports

USA TODAY analyzed domestic airline schedule data from OAG — Official Airline Guide for November 2008. The data reflects what airlines had reported to OAG regarding their November schedules as of October 13. For more information on the USA Today study, click <http://www.usatoday.com/travel/flights/airline-capacity-map.htm>



Air France Will Refund or Reroute LAX-Heathrow Fliers

Nicolas Petteau, spokesman for Air France in Paris, said the last LAX-Heathrow flight will be Nov. 5 and the last Heathrow-LAX flight will be Nov. 6. He said the airline is contacting passengers booked after those dates and offering them three choices: either fly LAX to Paris with Air France and connect to Heathrow, connect to New York (JFK) or Atlanta (ATL) and then fly to Heathrow with Delta Air Lines, or get a full refund. For more information, click <http://travel.latimes.com/daily-deal-blog/index.php/air-france-will-refu-2984/>



United Airlines to Begin Non-stop Service to Puerto Vallarta at LAX on Dec. 20

United Airlines will start year-round, Saturday only non-stop service between Los Angeles and Puerto Vallarta, Mexico on Dec. 20. Los Angeles will be United's fourth gateway with non-stop service to Puerto Vallarta. The new LAX-PVR flights were offered for sale beginning Oct. 7.