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# Airport Operation Transfers from City of Syracuse to SRAA

Efforts to move Syracuse Hancock International Airport from a municipality to an authority had been in the works since 2009. However progress really began with the enactment of enabling legislation by the State of New York in August 2011 creating the Syracuse Regional Airport Authority (SRAA).



After a few years of hard work and lots of paperwork, the FAA issued the Operating Certificate on March 1, 2014, making the Syracuse Regional Airport Authority officially in charge of the airport. To honor such a milestone there was a press event held on March 3, 2014 in the center terminal. In attendance was Mayor Miner, Chairman of the SRAA William Fisher, Executive Director of the Airport Christina Callahan and Frank Loprano from the FAA. After a few words Mayor Miner officially presented the certificate to William Fisher and gave her congratulations to the Airport.

Becoming an Authority will allow the SRAA to run the airport more like a business. Some of the goals of the SRAA include lowing airfare through increased non-aeronautical revenue as well as increasing air service development.

# Let SYR Take YOU out to the Ballgame!



Join your co-workers and friends for an evening of Syracuse Chiefs baseball on Thursday, June 26<sup>th</sup> at 7pm. All airport employees can purchase \$6.00 discount tickets to watch the Syracuse Chiefs take on the Scranton/Wilkes-Barre Railriders. For game details and ticket information, please contact the Department of Aviation office.

# Honor Flight-Mission 3 Accomplished

On Saturday, April 5<sup>th</sup> another Honor Flight mission from Syracuse to Washington D.C. was accomplished. This is the third time the Honor Flight organization has sent veterans from SYR to visit monuments in Washington D.C., this time focusing on WWII and Korean War veterans. Once the 65 veterans returned home, they were treated to a Welcome Home reception. Thank you to everyone in the airport community that made this mission possible! The next Honor Flight mission is scheduled for October 4, 2014.



### Allegiant Announces Additional SYR Service!

We are very excited to announce that beginning May 29, 2014, Allegiant Airlines will offer non-stop service from SYR to Myrtle Beach, S.C. twice a week. The service will be seasonal, running from May 29<sup>th</sup> through August 12<sup>th</sup>, on Mondays and Thursdays. Allegiant Airlines started service at the airport in November with service to Clearwater-St. Pete's. This is the only direct service from Syracuse to South Carolina. The airport will be hosting an event to celebrate the inaugural flight on May 29<sup>th</sup> at 5pm. Please be sure to join us for fun and prizes!!



Your favorite airport is now on Instagram, Facebook and Twitter! That's right; you can now be with us at all times!

Facebook: Syracuse Hancock International Airport

Twitter: @SyracuseAirport

Instagram: syrairport

### **Community Events!**

#### Downtown Farmers Market

Beginning June 10<sup>th</sup> through October 14<sup>th</sup>, the Downtown Farmer's Market will be back in Clinton Square every Tuesdays from 7am until 4pm. Presented by the Downtown Committee of Syracuse, the market features over 50 farmers and produce dealers, selling fresh seasonable vegetables, fruits, flowers, baked goods and much more.

For more information, visit <u>www.downtownsyracuse.com</u>









#### Taste of Syracuse

Friday, June 6<sup>th</sup> through Saturday, June 7<sup>th</sup>, Clinton Square will be the venue for the 2014 Taste of Syracuse. Stroll the streets of historic Clinton Square and beyond, while enjoying delicious \$1.00 samples from some of the area's best restaurants. Choose between three stages of continuous live music with something for everyone. Blues Traveler will be headlining the event with a show on Saturday night. Bring the kids to the Family Zone for a pint-sized good time.

For more information, visit <u>www.tasteofsyracuse.com</u>

### **Concession Update**

Creative Food Group and Parodies Shops began operating the restaurants and retail shops located in the airport on April 1, 2014.

Coming soon:

- Dunkin Donuts kiosk-open for business
- South Market Express-open for business
- North Market Express-June 1, 2014
- Jamba Juice kiosk-**June 1, 2014**
- Middle Ages-Mid-July 2014
- NY Times and Books and News-Mid-July 2014

### Summer Projects at SYR



Due to the limited amount of good weather in Central New York, summer months are a busy time for construction projects at the airport. Please see the list below highlighting the various projects.



- Concession Build-out
- Gate Electrification Project
- Parking Garage Structural Repairs
- Snow Removal Equipment Building
- RON Apron
- EOC Design and Build
- Sand Storage Building

### "Name Our Space" Contest

Please help us name our new conference room. We would like the airport community to submit aviation related ideas to name the large conference room located in the Center Terminal overlooking the apron on the first floor. The room is used for large meetings and community events. Please be creative and submit your entries at the DOA office or via email to <u>mcintyrej@syrairport.org</u>, please be sure to include "Name Our Space" in the subject line. The winning entry will be awarded on June 16<sup>th</sup> and the winner will receive free parking in the garage for one month and of course BRAGGING RIGHTS!

