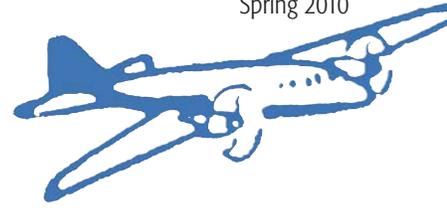


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Hometown Airline Begins New Chapter

After months of partnering with Frontier Airlines, it was recently announced that Kansas City favorite Midwest Airlines will change its name to unite the two carriers. Now under the name of Frontier Airlines, Midwest was purchased last July by Republic Airways Holdings, Inc., an aviation holding company that also owns Chautauqua Airlines, Republic Airlines and Shuttle America.

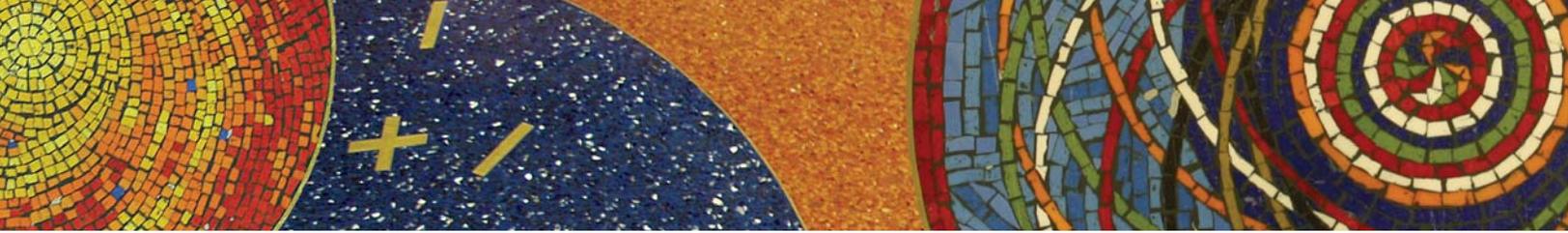
Republic later purchased Frontier in October with the goal of eventually integrating it with Midwest into one airline. Now, the famous "spokesanimals" will be the face of the unified branded airline.

"This decision was an emotional one for everyone involved," said Bryan Bedford, president, chairman and CEO of Republic Airways Holdings, Inc. "While the research showed that customers preferred the Frontier brand, they also expressed a strong loyalty to both brands based on affordability, convenience, destinations and delivery of a differentiated experience. As we work to integrate these two brands into a unified Frontier Airlines, you can expect to see a lot of influence from the Midwest brand. This will include the introduction of the iconic Midwest Airlines chocolate chip cookie on all Frontier flights this summer." Bedford went on to say, "This airline is now bigger and stronger, with an immense opportunity for sustainable, profitable growth...across our network."

In fact, growth is already occurring at Kansas City International Airport with several new schedule updates. Midwest, under the Frontier brand, is adding new nonstop service from Kansas City to Columbus, OH and to New Orleans. Frontier is adding an extra flight to Denver for the summer months and is also extending its seasonal service to Cancun, Mexico through August. As a combined carrier, Frontier offers 21 flights per day to 10 cities.

Over the next 12-18 months, Republic will work to integrate the customer experience and cultivate the attributes that will set Frontier Airlines apart in the industry. A website has been developed to communicate with the public throughout this process at www.frontiermidwest.com. The site will include a timeline of all the major milestones that the company will achieve throughout the integration, including the move to one Web site, one frequent flyer program and the implantation of new product attributes.





Airport Tenants Continue Path Of Success



Several tenants at Kansas City International Airport are enjoying milestones and growth.

Smith Electric Vehicles recently announced that the U.S. Department of Energy had selected the company to receive \$32 million in grant funding toward the production of all-electric, zero emissions commercial trucks. The grant will be used to help offset the company's future vehicle development costs and to incentivize Smith's customers around the country to participate in a data gathering program.

Jet Midwest has signed leases to consolidate its multiple U.S. locations and relocate to the KCI Overhaul Base. Founded in 1997, Jet Midwest,

Inc. is a commercial aircraft supplier that provides parts, engines and aircraft sales, leasing and management. It also has performed maintenance, repair and overhaul in Arizona, New Mexico and California.

National Beef Co. is located at the Ambassador Building and will be expanding its current office space from 23,279 square feet to 26,893 square feet in June. The company has experienced many successes including having one of their divisions named "2010 Burger Bracket National Champion" by www.burgerbusiness.com.

New Essential Service Provider Named

The Department of Transportation announced its selection of SeaPort Airlines as Salina, Kan.'s new essential air service provider. SeaPort Airlines is slated to provide Salina with three nonstop roundtrip flights Sunday through Friday and one outbound flight on Saturday to Kansas City International Airport. The flights will be made on a 9-seat Pilatus PC-12 aircraft with a first-year subsidy of \$1,489,435 and a second year of \$1,493,381. SeaPort replaces service provided earlier by Great Lakes Airlines. People traveling from KCI Airport to Salina will depart at the Executive Beechcraft facility in the general aviation area near Mexico City Avenue and Bern Street.

Travel through SeaPort Airlines is available for booking by calling 888.573.2767 or through www.seaportairlines.com. For information regarding travel already booked with Great Lakes Airlines please call 800.554.5111 or visit www.flygreatlakes.com. All public information associated with this selection may be accessed online at www.regulations.gov by entering "DOT-OST-2002-11376."



Renovations Take Shape

Work on a \$1.2 million expansion of KCI Airport's Conoco Service Station has picked up pace with the warmer weather. At this time, the majority of the grading for the maintenance and customer parking areas has been completed. Additionally, footings have been poured for an improved sign on Paris Street and elevated signage on Cookingham Drive. Forms have also been poured for curb areas.

In the coming weeks, the project is expected to reach many milestones. The parking expansion to the west should be completed, including the placement of sod. The existing building will be demolished and utilities for the new building will roughed-in. The placement of footings and floor slabs is also anticipated, as are the continuation of site improvements in lighting, signage and curbs.



Components of the expansion include plans for a modern convenience store offering a much larger array of food and products. The current maintenance bays will stay, however the service parking area will be nearly doubled in size. A new fueling configuration that includes 10 gas pumps will improve the traffic flow around the facility.

Self-Service Fuel Popularity On The Rise

The new, KCAD-owned self-serve aircraft gas station has been open for a few weeks at the Charles B. Wheeler Downtown Airport, and officials have found pilots to be very happy with the new addition. In fact, aircraft have begun landing daily at the airport with no other business but to just fuel up.

The station features Avgas 100 octane low-lead fuel, and pilots simply taxi up to one of the two pumps and attach their bonding wire. They pay by credit card and then pump the fuel into their aircraft much the same as automobile drivers do. Fueling fire safety, however, is much more stringent and safety devices include an emergency fuel shutoff, fire alarm, an emergency telephone, as well as numerous fire extinguishers and placards with emergency instructions.

Department Receives Awards

Kansas City International Airport was recently given an "Award For Excellence" by Air Cargo World, a leading aviation trade publication. KCI's cargo operations were compared to other U.S. airports that transported a range of 100,000 to 499,999 tonnes annually. The airports were all rated by the airlines that serve them in four areas: performance, value, facilities and operations.

Charles B. Wheeler Downtown Airport was honored with a "Capstone" award in the infrastructure category for the hangar and support pavement renovations. Capstone awards are given annually by the Kansas City Business Journal to recognize outstanding real estate development projects and transactions throughout the community.





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First Retail Area Added Inside Security

The Paradies Shops, the retail operator for Kansas City International Airport, is opening the first-ever shopping area inside a departure lounge. Travelers flying on Frontier Airlines will now have access to a kiosk that will initially provide products such as magazines, newspapers, gourmet treats, beverages and other sundries. The new operation is ideal because travelers will not have to leave the secure area if they need to shop for any necessities. Paradies officials say that establishing the operation was only possible through their valued partnership with Frontier, KCI and the TSA. No seating areas were sacrificed to make room and the operating hours are generous: 5 a.m. until the last flight of the day.

The Paradies Shops operates more than 500 stores in over 70 airports and hotels across the United States and Canada, serving more than a half-billion customers each year. The company also operates retail locations at the Gaylord Palms Resort and Convention Center, Tropicana Hotel, the Casino and the Hilton Americas Hotel and the Georgia Aquarium in Atlanta. Airport Revenue News, the industry's leading publication, has named Paradies the nation's "Best Airport Retailer" for 15 consecutive years.

Aviation Department Arrivals

The Kansas City Aviation Department salutes its new, transferred and promoted employees...

Abu Koroma
Bus Operator, Parking and Bus Service Division

David Schaumburg
Airport Operations Agent, Operations Division

Margaret Scherschel
Bus Operator, Parking and Bus Service Division

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