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Southwest Airlines launches service between Memphis and Washington DC

Southwest Airlines has launched its seasonal daily nonstop service between Memphis International Airport (MEM) and Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport (DCA). The route will operate through September 4.

Southwest 

Tickets are on sale at www.southwest.com.

(Hobby), Orlando and Phoenix.

"It's great to see Southwest adding to its number of destinations at MEM," said Michael Keeney, Chairman of the Board of Commissioners for the Memphis-Shelby County Airport Authority. "Washington DC is one of our top destinations and we expect that this will be a popular route this summer."



The updated schedule is as follows (subject to change):

Memphis to Washington DC

- Departs: 8:25 AM (CT)
- Arrives: 11:35 AM (ET)

Washington DC to Memphis

- Departs: 5:05 PM (ET)
- Arrives: 6:20 PM (CT)

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Airport Authority to build new terminal for Charles W. Baker Airport in Millington

The Memphis-Shelby County Airport Authority (MSCAA) has approved a construction project that will replace the terminal at Charles W. Baker Airport in Millington.

The \$2,519,000 project will double the square footage of the terminal, replacing the current 2,400 square foot facility with a 4,950 square foot terminal. Following a bidding process, ViktorHall Construction, LLC was selected for the project, which will consist of both the demolition of the existing terminal and construction of the new facility, as well as improvement of the airport's fuel management system.

Construction is scheduled to begin in late summer 2023 and is expected to be completed in fall 2024. The construction will be phased to limit disruption to existing services, and the current terminal building will remain in operation until the new facility is opened.

Charles W. Baker Airport is a general aviation airport that primarily serves private and business pilots, helicopters, and other non-commercial aircraft. Services include fuel, hangar and ramp space, and aircraft parking. There were 27,900 operations at the airport in 2022.

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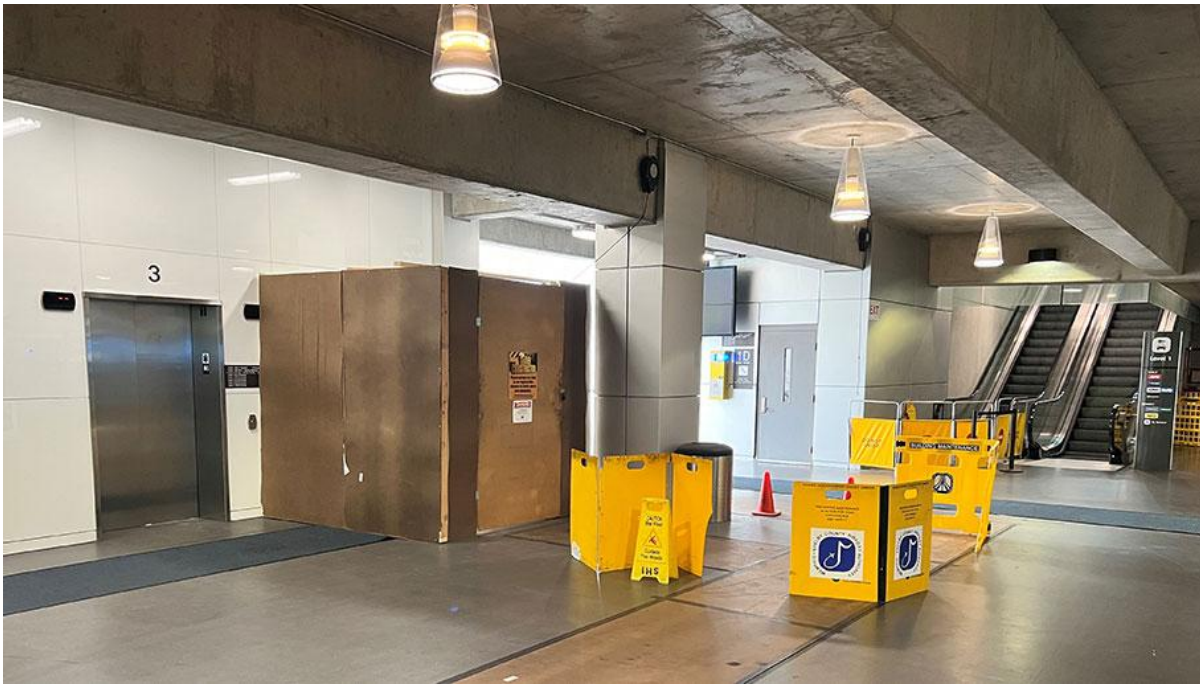


MEM shares summer parking update, tips for travelers

This summer, Memphis International Airport has seen a significant uptick in passenger traffic. In July, a total of 262,230 people passed through the TSA security checkpoint at MEM, making it the busiest month since July 2008. That total represents a 16.6% increase compared to July 2022 and a 9.9% increase compared to July 2019. The heavy passenger traffic is reflected in the airport's parking, with lots periodically reaching capacity since May.

Following are some tips for passengers:

- Parking has yet to reach full capacity at any point this summer and passengers have the option of parking at any open lot at MEM. However, throughout the summer, various lots have closed periodically as they filled to capacity and then reopened as arriving passengers depart the lots.
- To help increase capacity, MEM recently completed a project that added approximately 300 parking spaces in its yellow overflow lot. A second phase of the project will add another 300 spaces later this summer. In addition, the airport runs shuttles to/from the terminal and our overflow surface parking lots and is adding shuttles to its fleet.
- MEM continues to work on improvements to signage, staffing and logistics in order to make parking as efficient as possible for passengers. Additional long-term parking improvements are also underway.
- One way that passengers can prepare is arrive at the airport at least two hours prior to your scheduled departure time to allow adequate time to park, check in and go through security. In addition, drivers parking in the overflow lot may want to drop off luggage and other passengers at the terminal before parking.

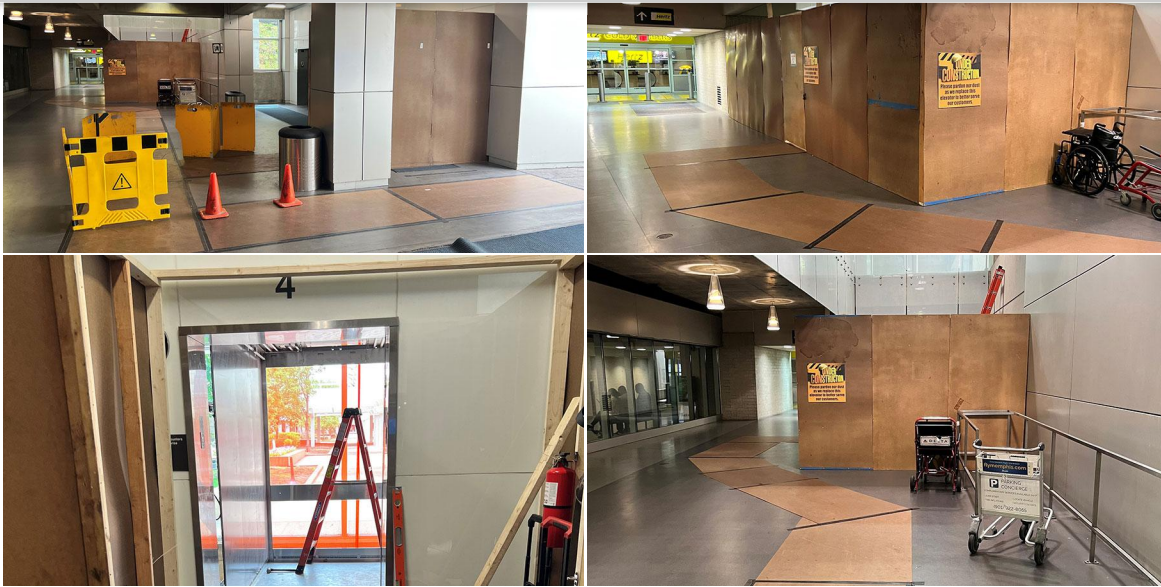


Parking garage elevator replacement project continues progress

MEM has begun its elevator replacement program in the economy parking garage. The elevators have experienced frequent outages and maintenance issues over the past couple of years, and the replacement program will result in significantly more reliable equipment and service.

Elevators will be replaced one at a time and it is estimated that each unit will take approximately four months for removal of the old unit, installation of the new one, and testing/commissioning after each replacement unit is received. The overall project is expected to be completed by summer 2024.

The airport's contractor, Kone, has removed the first elevator and is in the process of installing the new one. The first installation should be complete this fall, at which point Kone will immediately begin on the second unit.



Time to Tee Up for the 22nd Annual MSCAA Charity Golf Tournament!

Memphis-Shelby County Airport Authority (MSCAA) will once again host its Annual Charity Golf Tournament on **Saturday, Sept. 23 at the [Links at Galloway](#)**. This is the 22nd year that we've hosted the golf tournament as a means of supporting Oakhaven Elementary, Middle and High Schools. Over the years, the support from sponsors like you has allowed us to award \$300,000 and more than 200 academic scholarships for qualified graduating seniors.

In addition to scholarships for graduating seniors, these funds will be used for donated school supplies, books, hygiene products, and Top-Of-The-Class



careers that are available to them.

Changes for 2023

As players and sponsors, we obviously couldn't support these schools without your contributions and we thank all of you for your support for the past 22 years. In response to feedback we've heard from you, we've implemented a number of changes this year in order speed the pace of play:

- The number of teams has been reduced to 27 (down from 36).
- Each player's maximum hole score will be bogey.
- One mulligan per team.

Other changes:

- \$125 per player/\$500 per team
- A raffle for door prizes will replace our traditional silent auction. Each player will receive a complimentary raffle ticket and additional tickets can be purchased for \$5 each.
- **All registration will be online at <https://flymemphis.com/mscaa-charity-golf-tournament-registration/>.** You will also have the opportunity to pay in advance for mulligans, raffle tickets, closet to the pin, longest drive and putting contest (onsite payment will also be allowed for the raffle and ancillary contests).

With fewer teams competing this year, our tournament will fill up fast, so please register ASAP!

Please join us again at the beautiful Links at Galloway, 3815 Walnut Grove Rd., on Saturday, September 23, 2023. Registration begins at 7 a.m. and the start time is 8 a.m. Following play, participants can enjoy a lunch catered by Leonard's BBQ while the winners are announced.

Enter to Play in the Charity Golf Tournament Here



FlightPath 3D promotional spot for WhereWeFly on flymemphis.com

New promotional spot highlights WhereWeFly interactive tool on flymemphis.com

MEM and FlightPath 3D, creators of the WhereWeFly, have teamed up to feature the interactive nonstop destinations web tool in a new promotional spot.

This interactive tool allows website visitors to explore each nonstop destination flying out of MEM in a new and exciting way. Users can plan their trips by exploring each destination's top attractions through photos, videos, and travel tips. The tool also allows for easy viewing of available flights and direct links to book tickets. The WhereWeFly tool is accessible on MEM's website at flymemphis.com/where-we-fly.



MEMSoar Academy gives students the opportunity to explore aviation careers

MEMSoar Academy is a program for high school students interested in learning about careers in aviation. This program is a partnership between Memphis International Airport, MSCAA's Community Foundation, and Southwest Tennessee Community College's Aviation Operations Technology department.



Students applied to participate and a small group was selected for the program. They took tours of the new concourse, airfield, and FedEx operations. They also had an opportunity to engage with various professionals in the aviation and airport industry. To cap off the program, students visited the Luke Weathers Jr. Flight Academy at the Olive Branch Airport for aviation programming, including flying with an instructor on a 30-minute Discovery Flight.

Feedback from students and parents alike has been very positive, as evidenced by this quote from the parent of one of the student participants:

Just wanted to thank you for all you did exposing these young people to careers in aviation.

As an aviation professional myself, I'm excited to see our industry promoted to the nations youth. We will certainly need a lot of fine people in many fields as I'm sure you know and many high school students are not aware of the various careers there are.

My son is on fire for a career in aviation and he really enjoyed the program learning a lot about all of the coordinated effort it takes to

Thanks again for this excellent program!



**Memphis-Shelby County Airport Authority
(MSCAA) is hiring for several positions**

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- Administrative Support Specialist (2 positions available)
- Engineering Project Manager
- Painter
- Line Service Specialist
- Steam & Refrigeration Engineering Operator
- Building Maintenance Electrician
- Maintenance Service Technician
- Airfield Electrician

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