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AND THEY'RE OFF!

It seemed everyone wanted to celebrate the inaugural flight of Allegiant Air from SBRA to Las Vegas—even Elvis. Sure enough, Elvis (in the guise of impersonator James Love Rompel) joined a Vegas showgirl and a large crowd on August 5 at SBRA, where the festivities included cake and punch.



Approximately 135 of the 150 seats on the first flight were booked, and as the plane left the gate, it drove under an arc of water generated by an airport fire truck. On board, the passengers were entertained by the Vegas celebrities with games, trivia quizzes and special prizes.

An Allegiant spokesperson said the airline has sold more tickets in South Bend than in any other market since September. With the continued success of the Las Vegas flights, Allegiant has said it may begin direct flights to other cities, such as Orlando, Fla. Airport officials are also working to establish direct flights to New York City and Dallas/Fort Worth.

To learn more about the Las Vegas flights, visit www.allegiantair.com or www.sbnair.com for details.

RESTFUL RESTROOMS

Public restrooms at the South Bend Regional Airport have undergone a dramatic facelift. The new atmosphere is soothing, comforting and much more restful than the previous environment.

The multi-month project involved each restroom being stripped down to its shell and completely redone with new fixtures, retiled floors and walls, new lights, and fresh paint on the ceiling. The restrooms now feature automatic sinks, and both the men's and women's rooms have diaper-changing facilities. As before, the restrooms are ADA-compliant.

"Too many public restrooms have an industrial, stark feel. We want our travelers to know that we are continually making efforts to enhance their overall travel experience," said John Schalliol, Executive Director.

NEW MILITARY MUSEUM

The Military Honor Park on the campus of SBRA has a glorious addition—a new museum that is the only site in this area to honor all five branches of service: Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines and Coast Guard. The museum also offers a 900-book library on military subjects, a small "theater" that will feature military documentaries and movies, and a gift shop.

Construction and operating costs for the museum have been obtained solely by fund raisers and private donations. All staff are volunteers.

Adjacent to the Military Honor Park, which began in 1995, the museum is open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturdays and from noon to 5 p.m. on Sundays. To gain admission, just bring \$3 per person—and an abiding sense of respect.

COWORKERS SAVE LIFE OF EMPLOYEE

Airport police are used to responding to emergencies at SBRA. This time, they put their skills to use for one of the airport's own.

On June 2 shortly after 4 p.m., airfield maintenance lead David Joachim suffered a heart attack while at work. His symptoms weren't typical, but Richard Buzalski, an airfield maintenance mechanic, was nearby and knew something was wrong. Buzalski quickly alerted his supervisor, who called airport police. Three officers responded—Matt Willis, Carl Stopczynski and Kevin Szucsits. The officers used a defibrillator to revive Joachim's heart and called an ambulance. Joachim later underwent heart surgery and now continues his recuperation at home.

The four men were honored by the airport for saving the life of a coworker.

"You go through training and go through training, and when the time comes that something happens, the training is worth it," Airport Authority President Robert Henry told the men.

"David is 24-year employee of the airport," said John Schalliol, Executive Director. "We're so pleased—and relieved—that our staff was there and trained to do the right thing."



(l-r): Matt Willis, David Joachim and Carl Stopczynski.

HOMES USED FOR FIRE TRAINING

The expansion of the airport across Lincolnway West is bringing an unexpected benefit to the community. Local township fire departments are using the homes that are scheduled for demolition as fire training centers. At some of the homes, the Center Township Fire Department had scheduled a class on firefighter rescue training, and the German Township Fire Department will be hosting a class on fire investigation this fall.

"We strive to be a good corporate citizen in this community," said John Schalliol, Executive Director. "Providing these homes to the fire departments is just one way we accomplish that."

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