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CONNECTIONS

BARKLEY REGIONAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY



Hunter Wright, a student at Livingston Middle School, played and sang a variety of country songs as the quilters arrived.

Quilters Get Entertained

In keeping with Barkley Regional being one of the friendliest airports around, volunteers provided entertainment for Quilt Show passengers as they arrived last week.

Monday's entertainment was all about music as Sheri Gudgell sang contemporary songs in the morning and Hunter Wright played and sang a variety of country songs in the afternoon.

Decorative Artists of Paducah had members show off their work and answer painting questions. Glenda Banks, Judy Poole, and Wanda Stephens also brought along samples of products they use to show the quilters on Tuesday.



Decorative Artists of Paducah members Glenda Banks and Wanda Stephens demonstrated several painting techniques.



Gerry Montgomery was one of the Ambassadors and members of the Paducah Hospitality Association who handed out treats to passengers.

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Entertainment

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The sounds of an ancient psaltery greeted the quilters on Wednesday. Mike Vessells is a master at playing the instrument, which is an ancestor of the dulcimer. Carolyn Roof demonstrated chair yoga relaxation techniques to the afternoon arrivals.

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Northwest Earns Top Quality Ratings

Northwest Airlines was recently ranked highest among the legacy carriers in the 18th Annual National Airline Quality Ratings Study.

Northwest is the only legacy carrier among the top four winning airlines: AirTran, Jetblue, Southwest, and Northwest. Rankings for other legacy carriers are Continental #5, United #7, American #8, Delta #9, and US Airways #10.

The Airline Quality Ratings as an industry standard provides consumers and industry watchers a means to compare quality among airlines using objective performance-based data on 15 elements important to consumers when judging the quality of airline service. In all, 16 airlines were studied.

An airline report card is available at www.aqr.aero.

Local Contractor Wins Award for Work at the Airport

The National Asphalt Pavement Association named Jim Smith Contracting the 2007 Quality in Construction Award winner for excellence in construction of an asphalt pavement.

Smith Contracting won the award for the resurfacing of runways 4-22 and 14-32 at Barkely Regional. State-of-the art paving equipment, including a custom laser supplemented screed control, a vehicle transfer device, and a fleet of rollers, was used for the project.

According to Brian McReynolds, General Manager for Smith Construction, one of the requirements for winning the award is that a project had to use 50,000 tons or greater of asphalt. "Since 2001 I only know of one other job we've done that's qualified for this award," McReynolds said.



Brian McReynolds, General Manager of Smith Construction, presented Airport Manager Richard Roof with the NAPA Quality Award.

Armed Forces Readiness Center/ Field Maintenance Shop



The walls are going up on the National Guard Readiness Center on the northwest corner of the airport. Tilt wall and structural steel construction is being used so that large sections of the 70,000 square foot building can be erected quickly.

According to Bill Boyd, Project Manager, this is a designed built project planned by the National Guard and A&K Construction.

When completed it will house the National Guard, Army Reserve, and Civil Air Patrol.

Information You Need Before You Fly

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