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December 31, 2023- By the early 1990's, Mesa had replaced their entire fleet with stand-up cabin Beechcraft 1900D's. This 1900D, N32YV, is seen wearing the final livery and is parked at the Albuquerque Sunport's commuter gate in the mid-2000's. Mesa's last independent flight on December 31, 2007 operated to Farmington where they were headquartered. Mesa went on to fly as America West Express, US Airways Express, and American Eagle to Phoenix and now as United Express to Houston. Mesa has also flown as United Express from Albuquerque, Santa Fe, and Farmington to Denver.



December 31, 2023- In 1986, Mesa began operating the larger 19-passenger Beechcraft 1900C. Seen here is a 1900C, N154YV, parked at the commuter gate at the Albuquerque Sunport in the late 1980's. Mesa's initial route between Albuquerque and Farmington, New Mexico had grown with flights operating every hour.

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December 31, 2023- Mesa Airlines began in 1980 as a commuter airline flying from Albuquerque to over a dozen cities throughout New Mexico and Colorado. Seen here is a Mesa Beechcraft 99, N191YV, parked on the ramp at the Albuquerque Sunport in the mid-1980's. Mesa's service within New Mexico ended on December 31, 2007, 16 years ago. Mesa still operates today but only as United Express between Albuquerque and Houston.

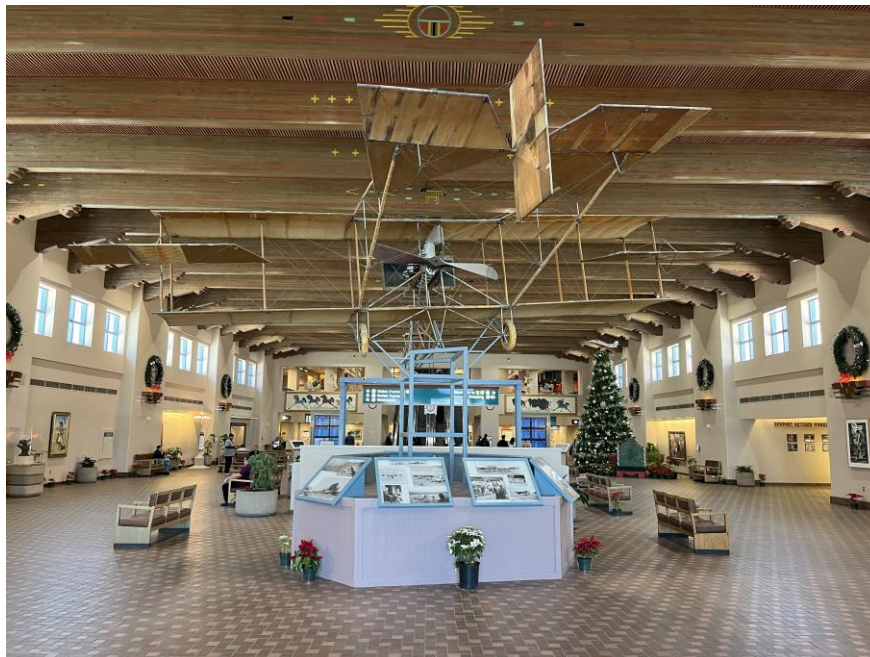


December 25, 2023- This TWA MD-80, EI-BWD, "The Wings of Pride" was sponsored by the Employee-Owners of TWA and wears a reverse livery from the standard livery worn at the time. The aircraft was acquired from Guinness Peat Aviation, an Irish aircraft leasing company, hence its registration. When TWA merged into American Airlines in 2001, this aircraft was repainted with the standard AA livery and went on to serve with American as N948TW until it was retired in 2014. It was then acquired by the TWA Museum in Kansas City, Missouri where it is currently on display. The aircraft is seen here parked at gate 14 on the former west wing of the Albuquerque Sunport circa 1990.

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December 25, 2023- As promised, we have more photos of Albuquerque's grandfather airline, TWA. This MD-80, N956U, wears the double red stripe livery worn by TWA from 1975 through 1995. The aircraft is seen taxiing for departure from the Albuquerque Sunport circa 1990.



December 25, 2023- Merry Christmas from Cavalcade of Wings! Here is a photo of the Great Hall at the Albuquerque Sunport all decorated for the season. This photo was taken last year on December 8, 2022 featuring the Ingram-Foster Bi-plane in the foreground which is where the new Cavalcade model display will be located. As of now, the display will stay at its current location until the new display area is completed, now targeted for October 2024.

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December 20, 2023- American Eagle carrier Envoy Air flew the shorter Embraer 170 into Albuquerque on the Chicago flight on Saturday's only for the first half of December. This Eagle Embraer 170, N637RW, is seen on approach to land on runway 08 at the Albuquerque Sunport on December 16, 2023. Effective today, December 20, 2023, American Eagle is now flying the Embraer 170 on one daily flight between the Santa Fe Regional Airport and Dallas/Fort Worth.



December 20, 2023- American Eagle now flies the Canadair CRJ-700 on many flights between Albuquerque and both Phoenix and Los Angeles as well as on most Eagle flights at Santa Fe and Roswell. The CRJ-700's are operated by SkyWest Airlines and this CRJ-700, N708EV, was caught landing on runway 03 at the Albuquerque Sunport on August 29, 2023.

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December 20, 2023- American Eagle flew the smaller Canadair CRJ-200's at Albuquerque, Santa Fe, and Roswell, New Mexico through much of the 2010's decade. This CRJ-200, N492SW, was captured taxiing into gate B4 at the Albuquerque Sunport on February 6, 2016. The CRJ-200's were flown by both SkyWest and ExpressJet Airlines.



December 15, 2023- And this US Airways Airbus A319, N838AW, wears the second retro livery of America West Airlines worn from 1996 until their merger into US Airways in 2007. The photo was taken at the Albuquerque Sunport on March 10, 2009. US Airways then merged into American Airlines in 2015 and American retained this aircraft with this retro livery until the aircraft was retired in 2023. American has now painted an Airbus A321 with this America West retro livery but it has not yet visited Albuquerque.

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December 15, 2023- This US Airways Airbus A319, N828AW, wears a retro paint scheme of the original America West Airlines livery worn from 1983 through 1996. This photo was taken at the Albuquerque Sunport in the late 2000's.



December 15, 2023- The Fresno State Bulldogs arrived in Albuquerque for this year's New Mexico Bowl on two Allegiant Air charter flights on the evening of December 12, 2023. One was an Airbus A320, N260NV, and the other was an Airbus A319, N311NV. The A319 looks similar to the one seen here, N323NV, which was caught arriving at the Sunport on October 4, 2021. The game will be played on December 16, 2023 against the New Mexico State Aggies at the University of New Mexico Football Stadium.

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December 8, 2023- UPS has also added extra flights to Albuquerque to accommodate holiday demand. This Boeing 757-200, N444UP, is seen on final approach to runway 03 at the Sunport on February 2, 2023.



December 8, 2023- This FedEx Douglas DC-10, N390FE, is seen on final approach for landing on runway 21 at the Albuquerque Sunport on August 29, 2017. FedEx now operates mostly Boeing 767-300's at Albuquerque and has added a third daily flight from its hub at Memphis, Tennessee for the holiday season. The DC-10 shown here was retired in 2020.

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December 8, 2023- This Sierra Pacific Boeing 737-500, N709S, is seen on final approach for landing on runway 08 at the Albuquerque Sunport on July 19, 2019. This same aircraft visited Albuquerque more recently on December 7, 2023, the 82nd anniversary of the attack on Pearl Harbor. The 737-500 arrived from Sierra Pacific's base in Tucson, Arizona and departed to the Miramar Marine Corps Air Station near San Diego, California.



December 4, 2023- This TWA Boeing 727-200, N54308, is seen parked at gate 4 of the Albuquerque Sunport in June, 1973. The Sunport's current terminal only had eight gates at the time. All gates were ground level and stairs had to be used for each aircraft as none of the gates had jetbridges. Thank you to Michael Bernhard for supplying this photo.

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December 4, 2023- This TWA Boeing 727-100, N9515T, is seen taxiing for departure at the Albuquerque Sunport on January 27, 1969. TWA served Albuquerque with 727's, from 1965 through 1998 using both the -100 model and the longer -200. Thank you to Jon Proctor for supplying this photo.



December 4, 2023- This TWA Boeing 707-131, N737TW, is seen landing on the former Runway 17 at the Albuquerque Sunport in June, 1969. The north-south runway, 17-35, was closed and dismantled in the 2010's. TWA flew Boeing 707's through Albuquerque from 1961 until 1983 with both the -131 model and the longer -331 Intercontinental model. Thank you to Bob Polaneczky for the use of this photo.

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December 1, 2023- Seen here was TWA's ticket counter at the Albuquerque International Sunport shortly before service ended in 2001. Cavalcade of Wings will be providing many more photos of TWA and their history at Albuquerque in the days ahead.



December 1, 2023- Another view of TWA's last arrival into the Albuquerque Sunport, an MD-80 # N902TW, as it taxis into the gate. Albuquerque was an important stop on TWA's transcontinental route between Los Angeles and New York until airline deregulation was established in 1978. Up until then TWA provided daily nonstop service from Albuquerque to Phoenix, Tucson, Las Vegas, Los Angeles, Amarillo, Wichita, Kansas City, Oklahoma City, Chicago, and New York-JFK airport.

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December 1, 2023- December 1, 2001 marked the end of service by Albuquerque's "Grandfather" airline, TWA, abbreviation for "Trans World Airlines". TWA began service to Albuquerque in 1929 as Transcontinental Air Transport and served the city continuously for over 72 years. The carrier was providing service to their major hub at Saint Louis, Missouri using MD-80 aircraft when they were merged into American Airlines on December 2, 2001. Seen here is TWA's final arrival into Albuquerque with MD-80 # N902TW receiving a water canon salute.



December 1, 2023- America West introduced a new image in 1996 and also began flying the larger Boeing 757 to Albuquerque that same year. This 757, N910AW, is seen at the Sunport in the late 1990's. America West would continue to serve Albuquerque until 2007 when they were merged into US Airways. US Airways was subsequently merged into American Airlines in 2015. American's hub at Phoenix today was initially created through America West Airlines and American continues flying many former America West Airbus A319's and A320's with registrations ending in "AW".

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December 1, 2023- America West began flying the Airbus A320 on their flights between Albuquerque and Phoenix in 1993. This photo from the mid-1990's shows an A320, N624AW, ready to taxi at the Albuquerque Sunport.



December 1, 2023- America West Airlines began serving Albuquerque on December 1, 1983, 40 years ago today. The airline had just begun operations four months prior building a hub at the Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport. America West first flew the Boeing 737-200 and introduced the new 737-300 within two years. This was their first 737-300, N150AW, seen at the Albuquerque Sunport circa 1985. America West added "Nite Flights" to Las Vegas in 1986.

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November 25, 2023- US Airways also honored National Football League teams at some of its hub cities. This US Airways Airbus A319, N837AW, was seen at the Albuquerque Sunport on April 18, 2008 as it honors the Arizona Cardinals. Other teams represented by US Airways on A319's during the 2000's and 2010's, were the Carolina Panthers, the Philadelphia Eagles, and the Pittsburgh Steelers.



November 25, 2023- This US Airways Airbus A319, N822AW, commemorates the State of Nevada and was captured at the Sunport on June 13, 2007. US Airways inherited hubs at Phoenix, Arizona and Las Vegas, Nevada after its merger with America West Airlines in 2007.

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November 25, 2023- While US Airways served Albuquerque between 2007 and 2015, several aircraft would come through the Sunport wearing special liveries. This Airbus A319, N826AW, commemorates the State of Arizona and was seen at the Sunport on June 25, 2007.



November 21, 2023- This VistaJet Bombardier BD-700-1A10 Global Express, 9H-LXX, was captured at the Albuquerque Sunport on September 12, 2021. The 9H-registration comes from the country of Malta.

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November 21, 2023- This VistaJet Bombardier Challenger 300, N548XJ, is seen taxiing to runway 08 at the Albuquerque Sunport for departure to Portland, Oregon on November 11, 2023.



November 21, 2023- This Alaska Boeing 737-990ER, N493AS, was recently repainted having formerly carried the red, pink, purple, blue "More to Love" special livery adopted when Alaska merged with Virgin America in 2018. Cavalcade of Wings posted a photo of this same aircraft with the More to Love livery back on October, 11, 2022. This updated photo was captured at the Albuquerque Sunport on November 13, 2023.

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November 17, 2023- And this JSX Embraer 145, N937JX, required a fuel stop at the Albuquerque Sunport on November 17, 2023. The flight normally operates nonstop from Dallas Love Field to Las Vegas, Nevada, however strong headwinds enroute on this day made the necessary fuel stop.



November 17, 2023- This JSX Embraer 135, N268JX, wears a new livery after the carrier was rebranded from JetSuiteX. It is seen taxiing for departure at the Albuquerque Sunport on September 3, 2020.

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November 17, 2023- This JetSuiteX Embraer 135, N252JX is seen taxiing for departure from the Albuquerque Sunport on March 1, 2017. JetSuiteX would rebrand to simply JSX in 2019.



November 17, 2023- This Royal Canadian Air Force Lockheed Martin CC-130J, 130616, is seen taxiing to runway 08 for departure from the Albuquerque Sunport on November 17, 2023.

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November 17, 2023- This Sun Country Boeing 737-800, N837SY, is seen holding short of runway 08 at the Albuquerque Sunport on November 17, 2023. The aircraft is transporting the University of New Mexico Lobo football team to Fresno, California for their game against Fresno State on November 18. Note the banner stating "40 Years of Flight" commemorating Sun Country's 40th anniversary since the carrier began operations in 1983.



November 16, 2023- On November 3, 1973, just over 50 years ago, this National Airlines McDonnell Douglas DC-10, N60NA, made an emergency landing at the Albuquerque Sunport after the number three engine exploded inflight over an area near Datil, NM. Shrapnel shattered one fuselage window and the passenger seated by that window was sucked out to his death by the resulting decompression. The aircraft was enroute between Houston and Las Vegas at the time of the incident and the photo was taken at Albuquerque after the engine was replaced.

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November 9, 2023- This American Airlines Boeing 767-200, N320AA, adopted the name "Flagship Independence" and is seen being serviced at the gate at Dallas/Fort Worth International Airport (DFW) on August 30, 2011.



November 9, 2023- This American Airlines Boeing 757-200, N690AA, carries the name "Flagship Freedom" and is seen taxiing for departure at the Dallas/Fort Worth International Airport (DFW) on July 14, 2009. Note the yellow ribbons on the winglets as well.

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November 9, 2023- This American Airlines Boeing 737-800, N905AN, is seen on approach for landing at Dallas/Fort Worth International Airport (DFW) on January 17, 2009. This aircraft was named "Flagship Liberty".



November 9, 2023- During the late 2000's and early 2010's, American Airlines and American Eagle painted yellow ribbons on several aircraft "In support of all who serve". This American Eagle Embraer 140, N818AE, is seen on approach for landing at the Dallas/Fort Worth International Airport (DFW) on March 6, 2012.

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November 4, 2023- Occasionally US Airways would operate its own mainline jets on flights from ABQ. This Airbus A319, N747UW, was photographed at the Albuquerque Sunport on April 21, 2015. US Airways was then merged into American Airlines on October 17, 2015.



November 4, 2023- US Airways returned to the Albuquerque Sunport for the second time on November 4, 2007, 16 years ago today, when it merged with America West Airlines. US Airways also served ABQ from 1988 through 1997 and was known simply as USAir at that time. The carrier mainly flew from ABQ to Phoenix, a hub created by America West, and mainly operated US Airways Express flights flown by Mesa and SkyWest Airlines. This US Airways Express Canadair CRJ-200, N907SW, was operated by SkyWest and was caught at the Albuquerque Sunport on May 30, 2015.

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November 4, 2023- Boutique Air operated its last flight at the Albuquerque Sunport this morning, November 4, 2023, as its subsidized service to Carlsbad, New Mexico which has been operated since 2015, came to an end. The Essential Air Service contract has now been awarded to Advanced Airlines which will begin service between Albuquerque and Carlsbad tomorrow, November 5. Advanced Air already flies from Albuquerque to Las Cruces and Silver City with its fleet of Beech King Air 350's. The final Boutique Air flight was operated with a Pilatus PC-12, N111WG, however the above photograph is of a similar PC-12, N670WH, which was taken at the Albuquerque Sunport commuter gate on February 15, 2017. Boutique also served Clovis, Los Alamos, and Silver City in New Mexico as well as Alamosa, Colorado during its nearly nine years of service.



November 3, 2023- Amazon Prime Air, operated by Sun Country Airlines, marks its first anniversary of service at the Albuquerque Sunport on November 3, 2023. The carrier began a single daily flight one year ago on a Cincinnati - Albuquerque

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- San Bernardino, California routing using a modified cargo version of the Boeing 737-800. This 737-800, N7949A was photographed on July 16, 2023 while taking off from ABQ. Note the Amazon name on the belly of the aircraft.



November 2, 2023- This Omega Air Boeing 707-368C was captured at the Albuquerque Sunport on October 31, 2023. Omega Air provides commercial in-flight refueling services to the United States Armed Forces and its allies. The Boeing 707, first introduced in 1959, was one of the first jets used for commercial air travel and used extensively by major airlines all over the world through the 1960's and 1970's. The aircraft seen here, N707MQ, was one of the last produced in 1977 and is still powered by the original Pratt and Whitney JT3D-3B engines.



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November 1, 2023- Another view of Alaska Horizon Embraer 175, N662QX, as it taxis into the gate at the Albuquerque Sunport after a flight from, Portland, Oregon on October 31, 2023.



November 1, 2023- Horizon Air, operating as Alaska Horizon, has begun painting some of its Embraer 175's in liveries commemorating Universities in larger cities that they fly to. This Embraer 175, N662QX, honors the University of Washington and is seen on final approach for landing at the Albuquerque Sunport on October 31, 2023.



November 1, 2023- Eastern Airlines was the second new carrier to begin service to Albuquerque after the Airline Deregulation Act took place in 1978. Eastern began its service on November 1, 1979, 44 years ago. The airline provided the

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first nonstop service from the Albuquerque Sunport to Atlanta, Georgia and also flew to Dallas/Fort Worth, Kansas City, Phoenix, Tucson, and El Paso during their service which lasted until 1988. Eastern, once one of the largest airlines in the United States, then closed up and went out of business in 1991. Seen here is an Eastern Boeing 727-100 in the livery used when the carrier first began service to ABQ. The photo is from the photographers collection and taken at an unknown location in the 1970's.

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October 29, 2023- Western Airlines also served the Albuquerque Sunport with the Boeing 737-200 as seen with this example of N4516W, taken by the late Jon Proctor at the Las Vegas, Nevada airport in 1981. Western also served Albuquerque from Las Vegas, Los Angeles, San Francisco, Phoenix, El Paso, and Houston during their time here.



October 29, 2023- Western Airlines served the Albuquerque Sunport in the 1980's beginning on October 25, 1981. Western created their main hub at Salt Lake City and merged into Delta Airlines in 1987 which continues to operate a major hub at SLC. This photo of a Western Boeing 727-200, N289WA, shows the aircraft type and livery worn by Western when it began serving the Sunport 42 years ago. The photo comes from the photographer's collection and was taken at an unknown airfield in the 1980's.

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October 29, 2023- JetBlue has now begun its annual suspension of service to the Albuquerque Sunport for the winter however they now plan to return on February 15, 2024 rather than in late March as per the original plan. They also now plan to return using an Airbus A220-300 aircraft. Normally JetBlue uses the Airbus A320 as seen with this photograph of aircraft N565JB taken at the Sunport on January 30, 2016.

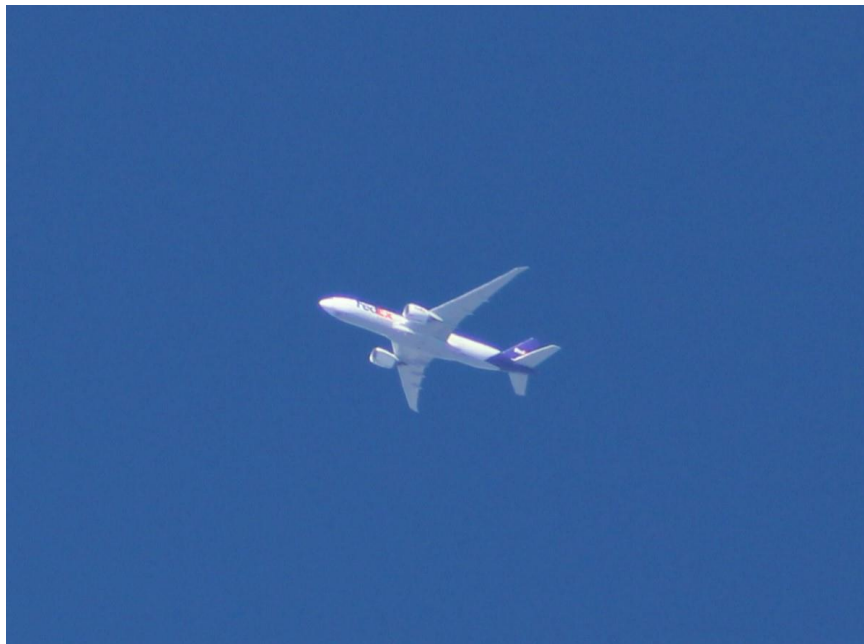


October 20, 2023- This Southwest Boeing 737-700, N945WN, carries a livery commemorating the State of Florida and is called "Florida One". It is seen taxiing to the gate at the Albuquerque Sunport on July, 23, 2023.

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October 20, 2023- This Boeing 737-400 Combi (half passenger, half freighter), N980ST, is operated by the U.S. National Nuclear Security Administration and was captured on final approach of runway 08 for landing at Kirtland AFB in Albuquerque on October 15, 2023.



October 20, 2023- This FedEx Boeing 777-200 was caught flying over Albuquerque on October 15, 2023 at a rather low 32,000 feet. It was determined to be N850FD operating FedEx flight 948 from Memphis to Honolulu.

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October 16, 2023- This United States Navy Beech T-44A King Air, registration 160855, was one of three to depart the Albuquerque Sunport on the afternoon October 15, 2023.



October 16, 2023- On the right side of Alaska's 737-900, N492AS, is a quote from Nelson Mandela stating "Education Is The Most Powerful Weapon We Can Use To Change The World". The aircraft is seen taxiing to runway 08 at the Albuquerque Sunport for a flight back to Seattle on October 15, 2023.

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October 16, 2023- This Alaska Boeing 737-900, N492AS, carries a special livery commemorating UNCF and contains famous quotes on both sides. The left side is a quote from Dr. Martin Luther King JR, "The Time is Always Right To Do What Is Right. The aircraft visited the Albuquerque Sunport on October 15, 2023.



October 11, 2023- This Alaska Horizon Embraer 175, N652MK, wears a retro livery used by Horizon Air in the 1980's. It is seen at the Albuquerque Sunport on October 10, 2023 taking off on runway 21 for a flight back to Portland, Oregon. Alaska Air Group, owner of Alaska Airlines, bought out Horizon Air in 1986.

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October 11, 2023- This Cessna 208 Caravan, N208HF, operated by Team Fastrax is seen returning to the Albuquerque Sunport with the main doors open after dropping off a skydiving team for their performance at the Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta's opening day on October 7, 2023.



October 8, 2023- This privately owned Dassault Falcon 7X, VP-CBY, has a registration associated to the Cayman Islands and was seen at the Albuquerque Sunport on October 7, 2023.

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October 8, 2023- This Embraer 175, N170XY, is owned by Occidental Petroleum and is primarily used for transport between Houston and Midland/Odessa, Texas. It will also travel to Carlsbad, NM three days per week. The aircraft made a quick trip to the Albuquerque Sunport on October 7, 2023 and is seen here exiting runway 03 after a flight from Houston.

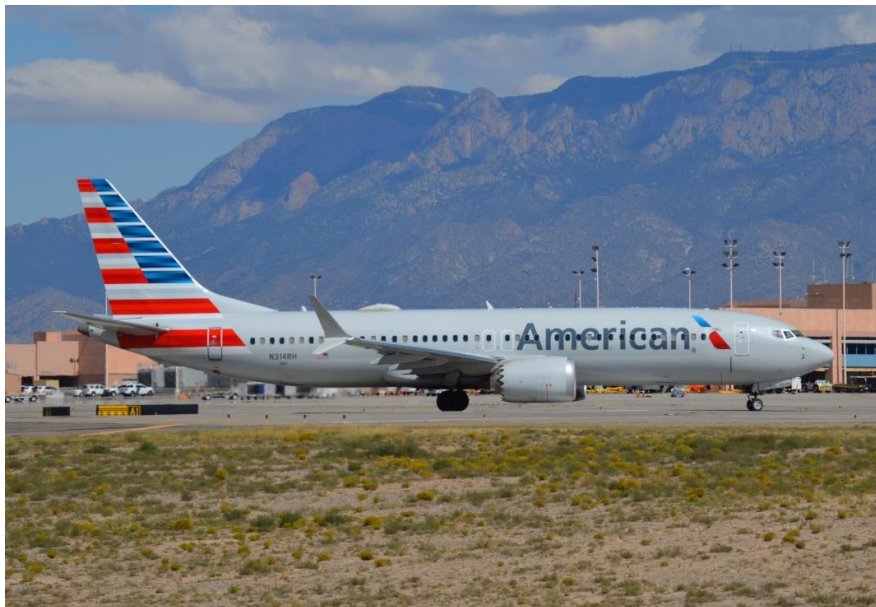


October 8 2023- Southwest Airlines now has a Boeing 737-800 in the livery of California One after the original 737-700 was retired. N8653A is seen rotating off runway 21 at the Albuquerque Sunport on October 7, 2023 for a flight to Dallas Love Field.

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October 6, 2023- This Alaska Boeing 737-900, N303AS, is one of only three that does not have winglets. Alaska was one of the first airlines to fly to 737-900 and acquired some prototype aircraft that were not able to be equipped with winglets. This aircraft is seen at the Albuquerque Sunport on October 5, 2023 taxiing to runway 08 for a flight to Seattle.



October 6, 2023 - American Airlines began regular daily service with the Boeing 737-8 Max to the Albuquerque Sunport on October 5, 2023 with one of two daily flights to Chicago. American has already flown a few of these aircraft through ABQ on equipment swaps including this example when N314RH came through on October 3, 2021.

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October 6, 2023 - As travelers swarm into Albuquerque for Balloon Fiesta, most airlines have added extra flights and larger aircraft to accommodate the demand. United Airlines has added by far the most extra service from October 5 through 16 including nonstop flights to Newark, NJ and Washington D.C., Dulles International Airport. This United Boeing 737-8 Max, N27292, is seen taking position on runway 08 at the Albuquerque Sunport for takeoff to Newark on October 5, 2023.



October 3, 2023 - This Alaska Horizon Embraer 175, N661QX, received a special livery commemorating Washington State University and is seen taxiing to the gate at the Albuquerque Sunport on October 3, 2023. Horizon prides itself on decorating many of its aircraft honoring Colleges and Universities in the Pacific Northwest. This is the first of many Embraer 175's to receive this livery. Previously Horizon decorated 12 Dash-8-Q400 aircraft as well as several CRJ-700's in University liveries, all of which are now retired.

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October 1, 2023 - Alpine Air Beechcraft 1900C, N219VP, is seen parked at the Albuquerque Sunport on May 12, 2017. Alpine performed an airfreight flight between ABQ and Sierra Vista/Fort Huachuca, Arizona for several months in 2017.



October 1, 2023 - Ameriflight Fairchild Swearingen SA-227AC Metro III, N426MA, is seen taxiing at the Albuquerque Sunport on August 12, 2022. Ameriflight flies daily between ABQ and Phoenix, Arizona providing airfreight lift for DHL cargo flights at Phoenix.

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October 1, 2023 - Alaska Embraer 175, operated by Horizon Air, N651QX, wears a special livery "Honoring Those Who Serve" along with a special decal at the front entry door and a fallen soldier near the rear door. The aircraft is seen taxiing after landing at the Albuquerque Sunport after a flight from Portland, Oregon on September 30, 2023.

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September 25, 2023 - The Cavalcade of Wings table display at the 2023 LOEFI. This year's theme was the impact on the Albuquerque Sunport after the airlines were deregulated in 1978. Models from the 13 airlines that began providing service to the Sunport throughout the 1980's were on display.



September 25, 2023 - An overview of the tarmac at the annual EAA Land of Enchantment Fly-In, LOEFI, held on September 23, 2023 at the Double Eagle II Airport on the west side of Albuquerque.

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September 25, 2023 - A US Air Force Sikorsky HH-60G Pave Hawk, 14495, assigned to the 58th Special Operations Wing's 512th Rescue Squadron at Kirtland Air Force Base, is on display at the LOEFI on September 23, 2023.



September 25, 2023 - A restored 1951 US Army Cessna 305A, N219TH, "Saigon Tea", was on display at the LOEFI on September 23, 2023.

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September 25, 2023 - A restored 1943 US Army Interstate S-1B1,N48652, is on display at the LOEFI September 23, 2023.



September 25, 2023 - A Stoddard-Hamilton SH-4 GlaStar, N505KS, is on display at the LOEFI on September 23, 2023.

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September 25, 2023 - A John A Ramsey Steen Skybolt, N117JR, was on display at the LOEFI on September 23, 2023.



September 25, 2023 - A Christen Eagle II, N2031C, along with a model replica, N14LA, was on display at the LOEFI at Albuquerque's Double Eagle II Airport on September 23, 2023.

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September 25, 2023 - A CSI Aviation Beech 350 Super King Air, N571AW, was flown into the Double Eagle II Airport for display at the LOEFI on September 23, 2023.



September 25, 2023 - A Cessna T206H Turbo Stationair, N604CP, was flown into the Double Eagle II Airport by the Civil Air Patrol for display at the LOEFI on September 23, 2023.

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September 25, 2023 - A Cessna 206 Stationair, N5716J, owned by Failte Corp. and flown for Fly Taos Sky scenic tours on display at the LOEFI on September 23, 2023.



September 25, 2023 - The Albuquerque formation flying team, "Chile Flight" taxis to the apron after landing following their opening ceremony performance at the Double Eagle II Airport.

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September 25, 2023 - A fleet of seven experimental aircraft known as “Chile Flight”, an Albuquerque formation flying team, perform a fly-by for the opening ceremony at the LOEFI on September 23, 2023 at the Double Eagle II Airport.



September 25, 2023 - The Color Guard performs the opening ceremony for the Land of Enchantment Fly-In (LOEFI) held Saturday, September 23, 2023 at Albuquerque's Double Eagle II Airport. This annual event is presented by the Experimental Aircraft Association (EAA) local Chapter 179.

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September 18, 2023 - This view of the EAA Ford Tri-Motor shows the three Pratt and Whitney R985 engines that power the aircraft. Although the aircraft can accommodate twelve passengers, it could only take off with seven at Santa Fe due to the very high elevation of the airport, 6348 feet above sea level.



September 18, 2023 - This Ford F-5AT Tri-Motor, NC8407, operated by the Experimental Aircraft Association, or EAA, was on display at the Santa Fe Regional Airport September 14-17, 2023. The aircraft has the markings of Eastern Air Transport which was one of the pioneer air carriers of the United States nearly 100 years ago.



September 18, 2023 - Cavalcade of Wings will be participating in the EAA Chapter 179's annual "Land of Enchantment Fly-In" September 23, 2023 as an exhibitor.

The theme of this year's display will be "Airline Deregulation and the Albuquerque Sunport", showcasing the airline's that came and went during the 1980's.

If any local plane spotters are attending, please stop by the table to say hello.

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September 18, 2023 - Alaska Airlines also occasionally flies the Boeing 737-9 Max into the Albuquerque Sunport. This aircraft, N979AK landed at ABQ on September 6, 2023 for a planned fuel stop while on a flight between Dallas Love Field and Seattle. Fuel stops are very uncommon today and this one was necessary due to extreme heat in the Dallas area which causes aircraft takeoff performance to be greatly reduced.



September 18, 2023 - And the largest version, the Boeing 737-900ER, is seen here as N285AK taxis to the gate at the Albuquerque Sunport on June 11, 2023. The "ER" is noted for "Extended Range" and Alaska primarily flies the -900ER on their route from ABQ to Seattle today. Alaska also began service to Portland, Oregon in 2017 but primarily uses Embraer 175 regional jets on those flights.

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September 18, 2023 - The next larger version of the Alaska Airlines Boeing 737 is the -800 model. N577AS is seen taxiing back to the gate after landing on runway 21 at the Albuquerque Sunport on July 23, 2023.



September 18, 2023 - Alaska Airlines began service to the Albuquerque Sunport with a daily flight to Seattle on September 18, 2014, nine years ago today. Alaska flies several versions of the Boeing 737, the smallest of which is the -700 model as seen here when aircraft N619AS landed at ABQ on April 14, 2022.

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September 12, 2023 - This JetBlue Airbus A320, N627JB, made a rare daylight appearance at the Albuquerque Sunport on September 6, 2023. The scheduled flight to New York JFK at midnight was cancelled the night before and this aircraft was ferried in from Los Angeles to take the passengers onto JFK.



September 12, 2023 - The Civil Air Patrol also operates several other aircraft types including this Gippssland GA-8, N614CP, which was photographed inside a hanger on Kirtland AFB, New Mexico on December 7, 2018.

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September 12, 2023 - The Civil Air Patrol operates a large fleet of Cessna 172's including this model 172P Skyhawk, N98456, which was captured at the Taos Regional Airport on July 27, 2023.



September 6, 2023 - This Alaska Horizon Embraer 175, N630QX, is seen taxiing to runway 03 at the Albuquerque Sunport on April 9, 2018. Alaska Horizon will return service to ABQ today, September 6, 2023, with a flight to Portland, Oregon after an 18 month hiatus.

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September 6, 2023 - This Southwest Boeing 737-700 N946WN is dedicated to the State of Louisiana and is named "Louisiana One". The aircraft is seen over the numbers of runway 08 while landing at the Albuquerque Sunport on September 5, 2023. The banner painted on the fuselage reads "Union Justice Confidence" as it does on the state flag. The bird nests on the engines are an added feature to the aircraft livery.



September 6, 2023 - This Southwest Airlines Boeing 737-800 N8619F carries the livery of the Illinois state flag and the name "Illinois One". It is seen while landing on runway 03 at the Albuquerque Sunport on August 29, 2023 with full flaps down and thrust reversers deployed.

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September 2, 2023 - Also observed on August 30, 2023 was this Guardian Air Pilatus PC-12 air ambulance, N62GA, taxiing to runway 08 at the Albuquerque Sunport for a flight to Show Low, Arizona. The aircraft had previously flown in from Show Low, Flagstaff, and Window Rock, Arizona earlier that day.



September 2, 2023 - The second firefighting tanker, C-GQBK, Tanker 247, landed at the Albuquerque Sunport about ten minutes later. Both tankers have decals near the back stating "County of Los Angeles, California" and "Fire Department". This was the same type of aircraft used in June, 2022 to scoop water from Heron Lake in northern New Mexico to battle the Calf Canyon/Hermit's Peak fire in that area.

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September 2, 2023 - On August 30, 2023, two Canadair CL-415 firefighting Super Scoopers operated by the Government of Quebec, Canada landed at the Albuquerque Sunport while on a trek from Quebec City, Quebec to Van Nuys, California. The first, seen here, is C-GQBI, Tanker 246. Their journey started on August 29 and stops were also made at Saginaw, Michigan and Wichita, Kansas.

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August 28, 2023 - This American Airlines Boeing 767-300, N354AA, made an unscheduled landing at the Albuquerque Sunport on June 30, 2016. All of American 767's, 757's, and MD-80's have since been retired and were parked at the Roswell International Air Center in southern New Mexico.



August 28, 2023 - American Airlines would occasionally fly the Boeing 757 into the Albuquerque Sunport during the 1990's and 2000's as seen with this aircraft, N696AN, parked on the apron on August 30, 2008.

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August 28, 2023 - American Airlines flew the McDonnell Douglas MD-80 through the Albuquerque Sunport for over 34 years from 1985 through 2019, mostly on flights to Dallas/Fort Worth or Chicago. This MD-80, N484AA, is seen taxiing into gate B-4 at the Sunport on March 14, 2016. None of the MD-80's were ever repainted into the current American livery.



August 20, 2023 - In 2016, Southwest Airlines painted this Boeing 737-700, N931WN, as the new Lone Star One replacing the former 737-300 that was retired. The aircraft is seen departing the Albuquerque Sunport for a flight to San Diego, California on August 15, 2023.

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August 20, 2023 - Southwest Airlines first painted a Boeing 737-300, N352SW, as "Lone Star One" in honor of the great State of Texas. The aircraft is seen here, backed off the gates at the Albuquerque Sunport on October 23, 2015. When this aircraft was retired several years ago, Lone Star One was assigned to a newer 737-700.



August 20, 2023 - Southwest Airlines Boeing 737-300 N409WN, "Triple Crown One" is seen departing the gate at the Albuquerque Sunport on June 11, 2017. Southwest won the Triple Crown award in 1997 for Customer Service, On time Performance, and Baggage Handling. Originally a 737-300 received the Triple Crown livery until replaced by the newer 737-700 in 2015. Triple Crown One is still flying in this livery today.

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August 13, 2023 - Southwest Airlines “Colorado One”, a Boeing 737-700 N230WN, is seen about to touch down on runway 08 at the Albuquerque Sunport amidst developing storm clouds after a flight from Burbank, California on August 13, 2023.



August 7, 2023 - Southwest Airlines retired the original Boeing 737-700, “New Mexico One”, which carried the livery of the New Mexico State Flag, and replaced it with a new Boeing 737-800. The new Southwest Airlines “New Mexico One”, N8655D, is seen after landing on runway 03 at the Albuquerque Sunport on August 6, 2023, after a flight from Los Angeles, California.

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August 7, 2023 - Southwest Airlines' Boeing 737-700, N955WN, wearing the livery and title of "Arizona One", was captured taxiing to the gate at the Albuquerque Sunport on August 4, 2023 after a flight from Dallas Love Field.



August 5, 2023 - On July 24, 2023, this Spirit Airlines Airbus A321, N658NK, was diverted to the Albuquerque Sunport from Denver, Colorado due to thunderstorm activity. The aircraft had to remain overnight in Albuquerque and is seen departing the next day for a flight to Denver.

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August 5, 2023 - Spirit Airlines Airbus A320neo, N919NK, is seen after landing on runway 21 at the Albuquerque Sunport on July 23, 2023, with the Manzano Mountains providing a spectacular backdrop on a beautiful New Mexico summer evening.



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August 5, 2023 - Spirit Airlines marked its first anniversary serving the Albuquerque Sunport after beginning service on August 3, 2022. The carrier normally flies the Airbus A320neo on its single daily flight to Las Vegas, Nevada, but on July 21, 2023, the smaller Airbus A319, N523NK, is seen arriving at the Sunport.

July 2023



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July 27, 2023 - Since Cavalcade of Wings had waited so long to photograph Southwest Airlines Freedom One arriving at the Albuquerque Sunport on July 26, 2023, we decided to also photograph the aircraft as it departed the Sunport for a flight to Dallas Love Field a short time later. This beautiful aircraft is definitely worth a second look.



July 27, 2023 - Freedom One, Southwest Airlines Boeing 737-800, N500WR, is finally captured arriving at the Albuquerque Sunport on July 26, 2023 after a flight from Denver, Colorado. While Freedom One has been to the Sunport many times, this was the first time it was photographed by Cavalcade of Wings. Thank you Fred for documenting this wonderful aircraft!

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July 27, 2023 - This Advanced Airlines Beechcraft 350 King Air, N575RD, is seen arriving at the Albuquerque Sunport on July 26, 2023, after a flight from Silver City, NM. The aircraft, wearing a new livery, departed 30 minutes later for a flight to Las Cruces, NM.



July 24, 2023 - Southwest Airlines is currently flying two aircraft as “Tennessee One”. On July 18, a photo of the Boeing 737-700, N922WN, was posted. On July 23, 2023, Southwest Airlines Boeing 737-800, N8620H, the newest “Tennessee One “ seen here, was unexpectedly diverted to the Albuquerque Sunport on a flight from Las Vegas, Nevada to Denver, Colorado due to bad weather.

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July 24, 2023 - On July 12, 2023, a photo of the right side of Southwest Airlines' Boeing 737-700, N280WN, Missouri One was posted. Here is a photo of the left side of the aircraft after its arrival at the Albuquerque Sunport on July 23, 2023. "United We Stand" is displayed on the left side and "Divided We Fall" is on the right side.



July 24, 2023 - This United States Navy UV-18A, 76-2256, is a converted DeHavilland DHC-6-300 Twin Otter. It was captured landing at the Albuquerque Sunport on July 23, 2023 after a flight from Marina, California with a stop in Sedona, Arizona. The aircraft, equipped with weather research equipment, overnighted at the Sunport before leaving today for the Sherman/Dennison Airport in Texas.

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July 18, 2023 - This Southwest Airlines Boeing 737-700, N922WN, known as “Tennessee One”, wears a special livery commemorating the State of Tennessee. The aircraft is seen on final approach for landing on runway 08 at the Albuquerque Sunport on August 7, 2017.



July 18, 2023 - This Southwest Airlines Boeing 737-700, N280WN, known as “Missouri One”, wears a special livery commemorating the State of Missouri. The aircraft is seen taxiing to the gate at the Albuquerque Sunport after a flight from

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Austin, Texas on July 12, 2023.



July 18, 2023 - This Southwest Airlines Boeing 737-700, N214WN, wears a special livery commemorating the State of Maryland and is identified as "Maryland One". The aircraft is seen taxiing to the gate at the Albuquerque Sunport on July 18, 2023 after a flight from Kansas City, Missouri.



July 10, 2023 - The National Nuclear Security Administration has recently acquired this Boeing 737-700 from Delta Air Lines and reregistered it as N970ST. It was spotted at Albuquerque on June 28, 2023 while taxiing to the apron on Kirtland Air Force Base. This aircraft has also been converted to a "combi" half passenger, half freighter configuration.

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July 10, 2023 - This Southwest Airlines Boeing 737-800, N8646B, was recently repainted as “Nevada One” as the previous Nevada One, a Boeing 737-700 has been retired. The newer aircraft was seen departing the gate at the Albuquerque Sunport on July 10, 2023 for a flight to Kansas City, Missouri.



July 10, 2023 - Amazon Prime Air provided service to Albuquerque on July 10, 2023, using a widebody Boeing 767-300 operated by Air Transport International (ATI). This aircraft, N307AZ, was captured taxiing to the Amazon freight terminal at the Albuquerque Sunport after a flight from Cincinnati.

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July 7, 2023 - On October 5, 2007, American Airlines flew its fully restored Douglas DC-3, NC-9645, the “Flagship Detroit “ to the Albuquerque Sunport. The aircraft, seen parked at Cutter Aviation, is in the second livery used by American from 1934 through 1943.



July 7, 2023 - In the Spring of 2002, Delta Air Lines flew a restored Douglas DC-3, NC-28341, to the Albuquerque Sunport. The aircraft was painted in the original Delta livery used from the 1930's until 1948. Visible in the photo are the West wing gates that were used at the Sunport until 2007.

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July 7, 2023 - On July 7, 1929, 93 years ago today, the first coast to coast air/rail passenger service began when Transcontinental Air Transport, "TAT", using Ford F-5 Tri-motor aircraft, in coordination with two railroads, initiated 48 hour continuous day and night service. The original Albuquerque Airport was a scheduled stop for these flights. Seen here is an original Ford Tri-motor, NC-9645, in full TAT livery at the Albuquerque Double Eagle Airport on April 7, 2017. This aircraft wears the name "City of "Wichita" which was also an original stop for TAT. TAT later merged with Western Air Express and eventually became Trans World Airlines, TWA".

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June 27, 2023 - This Spirit Airlines Airbus A320, N621NK, made yet another unscheduled landing at the Albuquerque Sunport on October 16, 2019, wearing the latest 2014 yellow and black “banana” livery. The black lettering in this early livery sports rough edges and light tears in the background. The airline has since modified the font to a solid black block style.



June 27, 2023 - This Spirit Airlines Airbus A320, N616NK, also made an unscheduled stop at the Albuquerque Sunport several weeks later on March 15,

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2016. The aircraft still wears the “Skittles” livery which was used from 2007 until 2014.



June 27, 2023 - This Spirit Airlines Airbus A319, N531NK, is seen wearing the second “pixel” livery after making an unscheduled landing at the Albuquerque Sunport on January 29, 2016. Although Spirit introduced new liveries in 2007 and 2014, the aircraft had yet to be repainted with either one.



June 20, 2023 - This Alaska Airlines Boeing 737-700, N607AS, wears a special livery promoting the Portland Timbers soccer team as it pushes back from the gate at the Albuquerque Sunport for a flight to Seattle, Washington on February 14, 2015. Alaska had not yet begun nonstop flights from the Sunport to Portland,

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Oregon at this time. The aircraft has since been repainted with the carrier's standard livery.



June 20, 2023 - This Alaska Airlines Boeing 737-900, N318AS, features a special livery promoting the Disneyland Resort as it arrives at the Albuquerque Sunport from Seattle, Washington on October 27, 2015. The aircraft has since been repainted with the carriers standard livery.



June 20, 2023 - This Alaska Airlines Boeing 737-800, N570AS, has a special livery promoting the Disney movie "Cars" as it prepares to depart the Albuquerque Sunport on October 10, 2014 for a flight to Seattle, Washington. The aircraft has since been repainted with a new special livery, "Honoring Those Who Serve."

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June 20, 2023 - This Alaska Airlines Boeing 737-800, N590AS, sports a Hawaiian lei around the neck of the Eskimo while still wearing the carrier's old livery as the aircraft arrives at the Albuquerque Sunport on July 18, 2015 after a flight from Seattle, Washington. The aircraft has since been repainted with Alaska's current livery without the lei.



June 15, 2023 - One of the newest additions to the United Airlines' fleet is this Boeing 737-9 MAX, N37530. It is seen taking position on runway 08 at the Albuquerque Sunport for a flight to Chicago O'Hare on May 20, 2023.

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June 15, 2023 - United Airlines began service to the Albuquerque Sunport 41 years ago on June 15, 1982 with flights to Denver using Boeing 727-100's and 727-200's. This 727-200, N7270U, is seen at the Sunport in this undated photo wearing the Saul Bass "Tulip" livery that United used from 1974 to 1993, one of United's longest lasting livery designs.



June 15, 2023 - Pacific Southwest Airlines (PSA) began service to the Albuquerque Sunport 40 years ago on June 15, 1983. The airline flew nonstop to Los Angeles and San Francisco using Boeing 727-200's and McDonnell Douglas MD-80's. Here is an MD-80, N933PS, taxiing to gate 15 at the old west wing of the

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Sunport in this undated photo. PSA served Albuquerque for five years before merging with USAir (later US Airways) in 1988.



June 12, 2023 - This Volaris Airbus A320neo, N533VL, was seen at the Albuquerque Sunport on December 22, 2018, when the carrier briefly served Albuquerque with nonstop flights to Guadalajara, Mexico. A Volaris Airbus A320neo, XA-VRD, in route from Guadalajara to Denver diverted to Albuquerque on June 12, 2023 due to the weather at Denver.



June 12, 2023 - This Spirit Airlines Airbus A320neo, N980NK, is seen taxiing after landing on runway 21 at the Albuquerque Sunport after a flight from Las Vegas,

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Nevada on June 11, 2023. Spirit is now painting a black “eyeliner” around the flight deck windows.

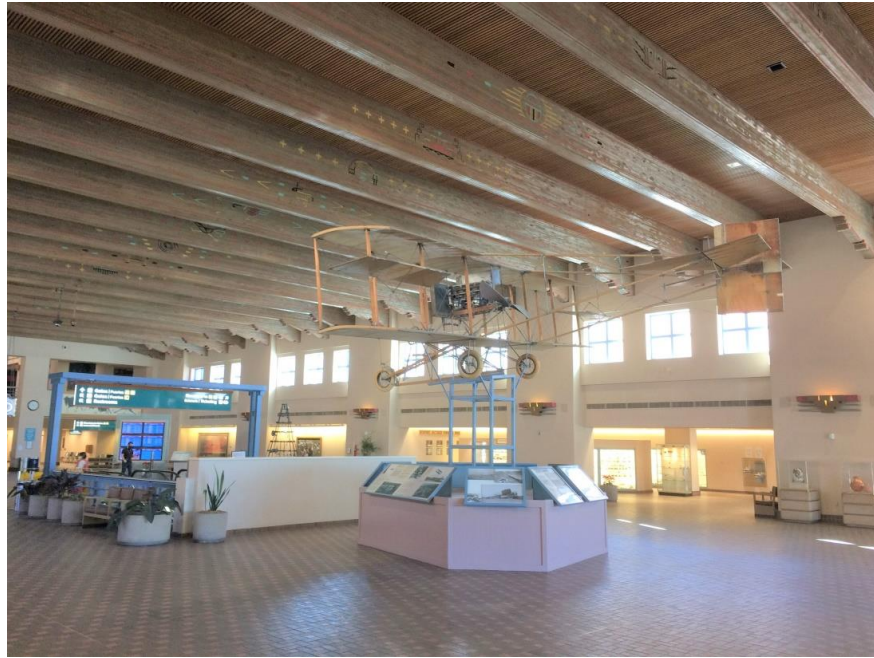


June 12, 2023 - This Ameristar Douglas DC-9-15F freighter, N784TW, is seen taxiing after landing on runway 21 at the Albuquerque Sunport on June 6, 2023. Arriving from Lafayette, Indiana, this 56 year old DC-9 was delivered new to Continental Airlines in 1967 as N8906 and has served eight other companies before flying with Ameristar. The aircraft departed for Baton Rouge, Louisiana later in the day.



June 10, 2023 - An aerial view of the Albuquerque Sunport was taken on January 6, 2020 during a takeoff on runway 03. Note the aircraft taxiing out on the left is the American Airlines Boeing 737-800 in the special livery of AirCal.

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June 10, 2023 - This is a view of the Albuquerque Sunport's iconic "Great Hall" taken on November 30, 2020 and features the Ingram-Foster bi-plane display. The current location of the Cavalcade of Wings aviation history museum is seen brightly lit up beyond the base of the bi-plane.



June 10, 2023 - Here is the Albuquerque Sunport that is referenced in almost every post. This view of the Sunport's terminal building was taken from the top floor of the adjacent Sheraton Hotel on July 25, 2008.



June 7, 2023 - Our new website is now online. All airport and airline content by Board member and principal photographer Fred DeGuio, website designed by LionSky of Albuquerque. Much more information to come. Comments are welcome.

Michael Howell-Chairman

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May 27, 2023 - This Eurocopter AS-350 B3, N807LF, owned by Air Methods Corporation and part of the Life Flight Network, is captured taking off from the Albuquerque Sunport's General Aviation ramp on May 27, 2023.

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May 27, 2023 - A very dirty US Navy Hawker Beechcraft T6-B Texan II turboprop trainer, 166177, is parked at the Albuquerque Sunport's General Aviation ramp on May 27, 2023.



May 27, 2023 - This beautiful Gulfstream Aerospace G-IV, N163MD, owned by ARAD Energy LLC of Conroe Texas, is seen parked at the Albuquerque Sunport's General Aviation ramp on May 27, 2023.

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May 27, 2023 - This North American B-25J, N125AZ, “Maid in the Shade”, owned by the American Airpower Heritage Flying Museum and flown by the Commemorative Air Force Arizona Wing, will be at the Albuquerque Sunport’s General Aviation area for public tours and flights over the Memorial Day weekend, May 27-29, 2023. The aircraft flew combat missions in 1944 and converted into a pesticide sprayer in 1960 before being restored over 28 years to its original wartime condition.



May 25, 2023 - American Airlines’ Boeing 737-800, N917NN, is decorated in the retro livery of Air Cal, which merged into American in 1987. This aircraft had just pushed back from the gate at the Albuquerque Sunport and prepares for a flight to Dallas/Fort Worth, Texas on June 8, 2017.

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May 25, 2023 - This American Airlines Boeing 737-800, N916NN, wears a special livery commemorating Reno Air, which merged into American in 1999. The aircraft is seen beginning a takeoff roll on runway 08 at the Albuquerque Sunport for a flight to Dallas/Fort Worth, Texas on November 10, 2016.



May 25, 2023 - This American Airlines Boeing 737-800, N915NN, wears a special livery commemorating Trans World Airlines, TWA, which merged into American on December 2, 2001. This photo was taken at the Albuquerque Sunport on April 5, 2017 as the aircraft prepares to taxi for a flight to Dallas/Fort Worth Texas.

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May 21, 2023 - American Airlines Airbus A319, N742PS, is seen taking off on runway 21 at the Albuquerque Sunport on March 10, 2018. This aircraft wears a special retro livery for PSA, an airline that merged with USAir in 1988, which then merged with American Airlines in 2015. N742PS was recently repainted with the standard American Airlines livery but American plans to paint an Airbus A321 with a retro PSA livery later in 2023.



May 21, 2023 - JetBlue's Airbus A320, N763JB, is seen taking position for takeoff on runway 08 at the Albuquerque Sunport on November 20, 2020. This aircraft wears a special retro livery commemorating the New York International Airport which was renamed the John F. Kennedy International Airport in 1963. JetBlue recently celebrated their 10th anniversary at Albuquerque since beginning service on April 22, 2013.

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May 13, 2023 - Cavalcade of Wings has a new logo. The redesigned logo is in advance of a new website that will be announced soon.



May 9, 2023 - This Bellanca 8GCBC, N8587V, owned by the Caprock Soaring Club in Lubbock, Texas, was flown into Cannon Air Force Base on April 21, 2023. The aircraft was used to tow a USAF Academy glider for an aerial demonstration along with being on static display for the Wings Over Cannon air show.



May 9, 2023 - This Piper PA-60-602P Aerostar, N700LD, aka Ted Smith Aerostar, owned by Northstar Consulting Enterprises LLC, was flown into Cannon Air

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Force Base on April 21, 2023, for static display at the Wings Over Cannon air show.



May 9, 2023 - This Denver Air Connection's Embraer-145, N970DC, operated by Key Lime Air, was flown into Cannon Air Force Base from Denver, Colorado on April 21, 2023 for static display at the Wings Over Cannon air show. Denver Air Connection services Clovis, New Mexico with direct flights to Denver and Dallas.



May 9, 2023 - This HC-130J, 17-5903, demonstrates air refueling for two CV-22 Ospreys at a preview for the Wings Over Cannon air show on April 21, 2023.

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May 2, 2023 - This U.S. Army Eurocopter UH-72B Lakota, 21-7241, is seen on static display prior to the Wings Over Cannon air show on April 21, 2023.



May 2, 2023 - This U.S. Air Force Pilatus U-28A (PC-12), 08-0519, is seen on static display before the Wings Over Cannon air show on April 21, 2023.



May 2, 2023 - This U.S. Air Force General Atomics MQ-9A Reaper, 19-387 is seen taxiing to the apron after landing following an aerial demonstration prior to the Wings Over Cannon air show on April 21, 2023.

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April 28, 2023 - This Bell Boeing CV-22 Osprey, 02-0025, is on static display for the Wings Over Cannon air show on April 22, 2023.



April 28, 2023 - This AC-130J Ghost Rider “Gun Ship”, 55-0825, is on static display at the Wings Over Cannon air show on April 22, 2023.



April 28, 2023 - This Lockheed Martin F-35A Lightning II, 15-5135, is on static display at the Wings Over Cannon air show on April 22, 2023.



April 28, 2023 - This North American P-51, 463187, named “Bum Steer”, is flown by Charles “Tuna” Hainline while practicing for the Air Force Heritage Flight prior to the Wings Over Cannon air show on April 21, 2023.



April 28, 2023 - A Fairchild Republic A-10 Thunderbolt II, 81-0949, is seen with a North American P-51, 463187, in a Heritage Flight practice run prior to the Wings Over Cannon air show on April 21, 2023.

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April 23, 2023 - Captain Lindsay "Mad" Johnson poses in front of her A-10, 81-0949, after completing a practice run prior to the performance at the Wings Over Cannon air show on April 21, 2023.



April 23, 2023 - Captain Lindsay "Mad" Johnson is seen inverted in her A-10 Thunderbolt II, 81-0949, as she flies over the runway at Cannon Air Force Base on April 21, 2023. Captain Lindsay and the A-10 Thunderbolt II Demonstration Team performed a practice run prior to the Wings Over Cannon air show.

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April 23, 2023 - This Fairchild Republic A-10 Thunderbolt II, 81-0949, taxis to runway 22 for takeoff from Cannon Air Force Base, New Mexico for a practice performance prior to the Wings Over Cannon air show on April 21, 2023. The pilot, Captain Lindsay M. “Mad” Johnson, is seen waving to the members of the media and Cavalcade of Wings as she passes by.



April 15, 2023 - Elite Airways Canadair CRJ-700, N78EA, is seen taxiing to the gate at the Albuquerque Sunport after arriving as a charter flight from Laughlin, Nevada on March 9, 2017. Elite also operated extensive charter flights to Las Cruces and to the Spaceport America in southern New Mexico from 2020 through 2022.

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April 15, 2023 - This SkyWest Canadair CRJ-700, N752SK, also wears the SkyWest house livery. The aircraft was operating a flight for American Eagle when it was seen arriving at the Albuquerque Sunport on April 23, 2018.



April 15, 2023 - This SkyWest Canadair CRJ-200, N702BR, is seen arriving at the gate at the Albuquerque Sunport on January 30, 2016. SkyWest operates code-share alliances for American, Delta, United, and Alaska Airlines and paints several of their aircraft in the company's neutral house livery so the aircraft can fly for any of these alliances.

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April 9, 2023 - This Advanced Air Beechcraft 350 Super King Air, N395AA, is seen at the Silver City-Grant County Airport taxiing to the gate after a flight from Phoenix, Arizona on April 6, 2023. Advanced Air serves Silver City from both Albuquerque and Phoenix through a subsidy from the federal Essential Air Service program.



April 9, 2023 - This Advanced Air Beechcraft 350 Super King Air, N395AV, is seen at the Las Cruces International Airport preparing to taxi for a flight to Albuquerque on April 6, 2023. Advanced Air serves Las Cruces from Albuquerque with a subsidy from the Rural Air Service Enhancement program administered through the State of New Mexico.

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April 4, 2023 - The “Wings Over Cannon” Air Show is coming April 22, 2023, to Cannon Air Force Base, outside of Clovis, New Mexico. Headlining the event will be the Air Combat Command’s A-10C Thunderbolt II Demonstration Team. Up to nine Aerial Demonstrations and 20 Static Displays are planned for the event. Cavalcade of Wings will be traveling to Cannon AFB to photograph the show. Hopefully other plane spotters and aviation enthusiasts from Albuquerque will be there too.



April 3, 2023 - This Southwest Airlines Boeing 737-8 MAX, N871HK, is seen arriving from Dallas Love Field and taxiing to gate A-10 at the Albuquerque Sunport on March 31, 2023. The aircraft wears the retro Desert Gold livery used by Southwest during the 1980’s and 1990’s and is named for the company’s co-founder and long-time CEO, Herbert D. Kelleher. Southwest will be observing their 43rd anniversary at ABQ today, April 3.

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April 3, 2023 - Southwest Airlines Boeing 737-500, N522SW, is seen arriving at the Albuquerque Sunport on January 16, 2016. The 737-500 was a shorter version of the 737-300 and was introduced to the Southwest fleet in 1990. This aircraft was one of the last of its type to visit the Sunport before Southwest retired the -500 fleet.



April 3, 2023 - Southwest Airlines began servicing the Albuquerque Sunport 43 years ago today, April 3, 1980, with four daily flights to Dallas Love Field in Texas using the Boeing 737-200. Three of the flights were turn-arounds with only ten minutes scheduled between the arrival and departure. This Southwest Airlines Boeing 737-300, N649SW, is seen wearing the previous Canyon Blue livery while departing the Sunport on April 21, 2015. The 737-300 was introduced in 1984 and was a real game changer in performance over its predecessor, the 737-200.

March 2023



March 29, 2023 - This PHi Air Medical Eurocopter AS-350-B3, N394P, is seen parked on the General Aviation ramp at the Albuquerque Sunport on March 22, 2023.

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March 29, 2023 - This United Airlines Airbus A320, N482UA, arriving from Denver, Colorado, is seen on final approach to runway 21 in strong headwinds at the Albuquerque Sunport on March 22, 2023.



March 29, 2023 - United Airlines Airbus A319, N819UA, arrives from Chicago's O'Hare and is seen over the numbers while landing on runway 21 at the Albuquerque Sunport on March 22, 2023.

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March 24, 2023 - This Estafeta Carga Aerea Boeing 737-400, OO-TNQ, arrived at the Albuquerque Sunport on March 22, 2023 after a trip from Shannon, Ireland with stops at Keflavik, Iceland and Bangor, Maine. The aircraft was previously operated by ASL Airlines of Belgium and is now leased to Estafeta, based in Mexico City. The plane departed the Sunport on March 23 and flew to the Goodyear Airport at Phoenix, Arizona.



March 24, 2023 - This Mesa Airlines Canadair CRJ-900, N246LR, operating as United Airlines flight 6016, is seen preparing for takeoff on runway 21 at the Albuquerque Sunport for a flight to Houston, Texas on March 22, 2023. The aircraft had been flying for American Eagle with an American Airlines livery until

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February 13, 2023. It was then transferred to fly for United Express but was repainted in the Mesa Airlines livery instead of the United Airlines livery.



March 24, 2023 - This Southwest Airlines Boeing 737-800, N8560Z, is caught landing on runway 21 at the Albuquerque Sunport during strong winds on March 22, 2023. The aircraft, arriving from Phoenix, Arizona, made a previous landing attempt but was unable to touchdown with enough runway remaining and had to go-around for this successful second attempt.



March 21, 2023 - This Swift Air Boeing 737-400, N438US, wears the third livery for the airline and is seen taxiing for immediate departure from the Albuquerque

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Sunport as the skies opened up after a heavy downpour on August 29, 2017. Swift Air began operating as iAero Airways in 2019.



March 21, 2023 - This Swift Air Boeing 737-400, N441US, is seen wearing the carrier's second livery while taxiing to runway 08 for departure from the Albuquerque Sunport on February 22, 2017.



March 21, 2023 - Swift Air, a charter airline based in Phoenix, Arizona, operates Boeing 737-300's and 737-400's. This 737-400, N420US, is seen arriving at the gate at the Albuquerque Sunport on July 4, 2016 wearing the first livery for the airline.

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March 18, 2023 - This CSI Aviation Beechcraft 350 Super King Air, N571AW, was featured during the EAA's annual Land of Enchantment Fly-In at Albuquerque's Double Eagle II Airport on September 21, 2019.



March 18, 2023 - This CSI Aviation Beechcraft 200 Super King Air, N505AW, is captured at the Albuquerque Sunport taxiing to runway 08 for departure on November 20, 2020.

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March 18, 2023 - CSI Aviation is based at the Albuquerque Sunport and provides a variety of services with a fleet of Beechcraft King Air's. This Beechcraft 90A King Air, N591AW, is seen taxiing for takeoff at the Sunport on February 24, 2020.



March 13, 2023 - A second view of all four 10 Tanker Air's DC-10s are seen along with a Prime Air Boeing 737-800, N8011A, from the southwest side of Albuquerque Sunport's cargo ramp looking northeast on March 11, 2023.

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March 13, 2023 - All four 10 Tanker Air McDonnell Douglas DC-10's were captured at the Albuquerque Sunport on March 11, 2023. From left to right we see Tanker 912, N522AX, Tanker 911, N17085, Tanker 914, N603AX, and finally Tanker 910, N612AX.



March 13, 2023 - This Alaska Airlines Airbus A321neo, N930VA, traveling from Newark, New Jersey to Los Angeles, California had to make an unscheduled landing at the Albuquerque Sunport the evening of March 9, 2023. It stayed here until it departed on March 11, 2023.

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March 11, 2023 - This Alaska Airlines Airbus A321neo is a rare sight at the Albuquerque Sunport. This A321neo, N925VA, was captured arriving at the Albuquerque Sunport on May 14, 2019. Alaska Airlines is now rapidly retiring or divesting their remaining Airbus fleet and returning to all Boeing jets.



March 11, 2023 - This Alaska Airlines Airbus A320, N845VA, is seen arriving at the Albuquerque Sunport on May 18, 2019.

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March 11, 2023 - Alaska Airlines flew an all-Boeing aircraft fleet until it merged with Virgin America in 2018. At that time Alaska inherited an Airbus fleet consisting of A319's, A320's, and A321's. This Airbus A319, N529VA, was captured arriving at the Albuquerque Sunport on October 9, 2019. Alaska also introduced its latest livery in 2016.



March 8, 2023 - This iAero Boeing 737-400, N803TJ, was photographed on the ramp at the Albuquerque Sunport on October 16, 2019. An identical aircraft N804TJ, arrived at the Sunport today, March 8, 2023, from Fayetteville/Bentonville, Arkansas, also transporting athletes to Albuquerque for the NCAA Indoor Track and Field Championships.

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March 8, 2023 - This iAero Boeing 737-300, N397SW, was photographed departing the Albuquerque Sunport on July 26, 2020. An identical aircraft, N625SW, arrived at the Sunport today, March 8, 2023, from Austin, Texas. iAero is one of four charter airlines transporting athletes to Albuquerque for the NCAA Indoor Track and Field Championships.



March 8, 2023 - This Breeze Airways Embraer 190, N128BZ, arrives at the Albuquerque Sunport today, March 8, 2023, after a flight from Gainesville, Florida. The aircraft is transporting athletes to Albuquerque for the annual NCAA Indoor Track and Field Championships to be held here on March 10 and 11, 2023.

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March 6, 2023 - Alaska Airlines original Boeing 737-900's were not "ER"s (extended range) and were not retrofitted with winglets as seen with this aircraft, N302AS, as it gets ready to taxi for departure from the Albuquerque Sunport on April 23, 2016.



March 6, 2023 - Alaska Airlines flies all versions of the Boeing 737 to the Albuquerque Sunport including this -700 model, N619AS, seen here pushing back for departure from the Sunport on October 24, 2014.

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March 6, 2023 - Alaska Airlines commenced service to the Albuquerque Sunport on September 18, 2014 with one daily round-trip flight to Seattle, Washington. At that time, Alaska was still operating the Boeing 737-400 with this one, N797AS, seen beginning to push back at the Sunport for departure on November 6, 2014. This aircraft was converted to a freighter in 2018 and is now flown by ASL Airlines of Belgium.



March 2, 2023 - This Canadian WestJet Boeing 737-800, C-GKWJ, was in route from Toronto to Los Angeles, California, on August 3, 2018 when it was diverted to the Albuquerque Sunport for mechanical issues.

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March 2, 2023 - This Air Canada Airbus A321, C-GJWN, came through the Albuquerque Sunport on May 12, 2017, for an unknown reason.



March 2, 2023 - This Air Canada Boeing 767-200, C-GDSY, came through the Albuquerque Sunport on October 30, 2008 on its way to retirement at Roswell, New Mexico.

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February 28, 2023 - This Convair 580 freighter, XA-UPL, arrived at the Albuquerque Sunport last night (Feb 27) from Brownsville, Texas and departed this morning (Feb 28) for Ogden, Utah. It is operated by Personas y Paquetes Por Aire from Zapopan, Jalisco, Mexico. This aircraft was delivered new in 1951 as a Convair 340 to Hawaiian Airlines. It then flew for Allegheny Airlines for several years in the 1960's and was converted to a Convair 580 that same decade. After many other ownerships, it still flies today, 72 years later.

February 25, 2023 - This USAF CV-22 "Osprey" model is the first to be donated to Cavalcade of Wings for the new display of Kirtland Air Force Base's current flying mission, the 58th Special Operations Wing, to be located at the Albuquerque Sunport. The CV-22 is assigned to the 71st Special Operations Squadron and the model was built by a member of the Albuquerque Scale Modelers club.

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February 25, 2023 - A huge thank you goes out to the 58th Special Operations Wing, based at Kirtland Air Force Base in Albuquerque, for donating these unit patches to the Cavalcade of Wings aircraft model display located at the Albuquerque Sunport. Cavalcade of Wings is in the process of creating a new display showcasing the 58th Special Operations Wing's current operations and contributions to the aviation history of Kirtland Air Force Base.

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February 24, 2023 - This Ameriflight Beechcraft 1900C, N718AF, is seen arriving at the Albuquerque Sunport from Phoenix, Arizona on April 5, 2021. Ameriflight continues to fly a single daily flight to the Sunport on a separate service providing feed for DHL at Phoenix.



February 24, 2023 - This Ameriflight Beechcraft C-99, N225BH, is seen arriving at the Alamogordo/White Sands Municipal Airport, on May 5, 2020. Ameriflight ended their feeder services for UPS within New Mexico later in 2020.

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February 24, 2023 - Ameriflight formally provided feeder service for United Parcel Service from smaller cities around New Mexico to Albuquerque. This Piper PA-31-350 Navajo Chieftain, N3548B, is seen arriving at the Tucumcari, New Mexico airport on November 3, 2017.



February 21, 2023 - Albuquerque's KRQE TV Channel 13, the CBS affiliate, uses a Eurocopter AS350 B2 Ecureuil, N134TV, for local news coverage, is seen parked on a platform at the Albuquerque Sunport's general aviation ramp on April 28, 2022.

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February 21, 2023 - Albuquerque's KOAT TV Channel 7, the ABC affiliate, uses a Bell 206-L4 helicopter, N7QN, called "Sky 7" for local news coverage, is seen parked on the pad outside the KOAT facility in Albuquerque in February 2023.



February 21, 2023 - Albuquerque's KOB TV Channel 4, the NBC affiliate, uses a Bell 206B helicopter, N453RA, called "Chopper 4" for local news coverage, is seen parked at the Albuquerque Sunport's general aviation ramp on September 6, 2022.

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February 18, 2023 - Delta Airlines current livery began in 2008 and is seen on this Boeing 717, N915AT, as it is taxiing from the gate at the Albuquerque Sunport for a flight to Salt Lake City, Utah, on May 14, 2016.



February 18, 2023 - Delta Airlines third livery began in 2000 and is seen on this Boeing 767-400, N834MH, when it made an unscheduled landing at the Albuquerque Sunport in the mid-2000's.

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February 18, 2023 - Delta Airlines has changed their livery three times since beginning service to the Albuquerque Sunport in 1983. The first was a short lived livery in the late 1990's as seen on this McDonnell Douglas MD-88, N904DL, parked behind the gates at the Sunport. (Delta classified their MD-80's as MD-88's)



February 15, 2023 - Delta Airlines, as with most other airlines, occasionally has unscheduled landings around the country. This Delta Lockheed L-1011 Tristar, is seen parked at the gate after an unscheduled landing at the Albuquerque Sunport in 1996. Registration number is unknown.

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February 15, 2023 - Delta Airlines, after beginning service to the Sunport on February 15, soon began flying the Boeing 737-200 on flights from the Albuquerque Sunport to Atlanta, Georgia later in 1983. This undated file photo, shows aircraft N308DL, also in the original livery, on approach to land at DFW.



February 15, 2023 - Delta Airlines began service to the Albuquerque Sunport on February 15, 1983, 40 years ago today, using the Boeing 727-200 in the original livery seen here. Delta began with three flights per day to the Dallas/Fort Worth Regional Airport, now the DFW International Airport. This undated photo is of aircraft N831WA, which was acquired when Delta merged with Western Airlines four years later.

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February 12, 2023 - This New Mexico Official Scenic Historic Marker recounts Walker Air Force Base which operated from 1941 through 1967 as a Strategic Air Command installation on the grounds of what is now the Roswell International Air Center.



February 12, 2023 - Ten Canadair CRJ-200's, recently operated by Air Wisconsin for United Express, have recently been retired and are seen parked at the Roswell International Air Center awaiting final disposition on February 10, 2023.

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February 12, 2023 - This Mesa Airlines Canadair CRJ-900, N955LR, is seen on the ramp at the Roswell International Air Center on February 10, 2023. This aircraft was operating as an American Eagle flight to Dallas/Fort Worth, Texas. Mesa's contract as American Eagle will end on April 3, 2023, and several aircraft have already been repainted with the Mesa Airlines livery.



February 7, 2023 - Miami Air Boeing 737-800, N734MA, is seen parked on the ramp at the Albuquerque Sunport on May 24, 2008.

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February 7, 2023 - World Atlantic McDonnell Douglas MD-83, N807WA, is seen arriving at the Albuquerque Sunport on April 11, 2018.



February 7, 2023 - Global X, short for Global Crossing Airlines, Airbus A320, N279GX, is seen arriving at the Albuquerque Sunport from Yuma, Arizona on February 4, 2023. The aircraft continued on to Fayetteville, Arkansas later in the day.

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February 3, 2023 - This FedEx Feeder Cessna 408 Skycourier, N734FX, operated by Empire Airlines, visited the Albuquerque Sunport from February 1st to 3rd, 2023. This is a new type of aircraft which did several tours of airports around New Mexico during its stay in Albuquerque. It is captured parked on the cargo ramp at the Sunport on February 3, 2023.



February 3, 2023 - The Vaerus DC-3, also known as a “gooney bird,” is seen taxiing out from the Albuquerque Sunport to continue its flight to the Phoenix-Goodyear airport in Arizona. The DC-3 was first manufactured in 1937.

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February 3, 2023 - This vintage Douglas DC-3, N345VJ, owned by Vaerus Jet Sales, made a fuel stop at the Albuquerque Sunport on February 3, 2023 while in route from Topeka, Kansas to Phoenix, Arizona.



February 3, 2023 - American Airlines "Flagship Valor" is seen beginning the rollout after landing on runway 03 at the Albuquerque Sunport after three days of weather shutdown at DFW. This aircraft was also flown to Oshkosh, Wisconsin on July 29, 2022 to be featured at the EAA Air Venture Oshkosh 2022.

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February 3, 2023 - American Airlines “Flagship Valor” was unveiled at DFW on March 26, 2022. It is dedicated to the recipient’s of the Medal of Honor, celebrating American Airlines partnership with the National Medal of Honor Museum in Arlington, Texas.



February 3, 2023 - “Flagship Valor,” an American Airlines Airbus A321, N167AN, is seen on first contact with runway 03 while landing at the Albuquerque Sunport after arriving from Dallas/Ft. Worth on February 2, 2023.

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January 30, 2023 - This US Airways Express Canadair CRJ-900, N930LR, operated by Mesa Airlines, is seen taxiing away after pushback from gate B4 at the Albuquerque Sunport on January 28, 2016.



January 30, 2023 - This US Airways Express Canadair CRJ-200, N27191, operated by Mesa Airlines, is seen at gate B4 at the Albuquerque Sunport on February 2, 2008.

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January 30, 2023 - US Air Express Beechcraft 1900D, N242YV, operated by Mesa Airlines, is at the commuter gate at the Albuquerque Sunport on October 8, 2007. This aircraft was actually operating for Mesa's independent flights in New Mexico at the time, not as a US Air Express flight. In addition, this aircraft was still carrying the livery of US Air which had changed to US Airways in 1997, ten years earlier.



January 27, 2023 - US Airways Airbus A319, N747UW, arrives at the gate at the Albuquerque Sunport after a flight from Phoenix, Arizona on April 21, 2015.

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January 27, 2023 - US Airways Boeing 737-300, N308AW, is caught departing the gate at the Albuquerque Sunport for a flight to Phoenix, Arizona on March 15, 2008. This aircraft was formerly flown by America West Airlines until the two companies merged in late 2007.



January 27, 2023 - US Airways Airbus A321, N189UW, is parked behind the gates at the Albuquerque Sunport on March 22, 2007, after it was diverted from

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Phoenix, Arizona. This aircraft wears an old livery used prior to US Airways merger with America West Airlines later in 2007.



January 26, 2023 - United Express Canadair CRJ-700, N164GJ, operated by GoJet, is seen at the Albuquerque Sunport on July 28, 2016. GoJet operated United Express flights to the Albuquerque Sunport from 2014 until early 2020.



January 26, 2023 - This United Express Embraer 170, N645RW, operated by Shuttle America, is captured at the Albuquerque Sunport on October 31, 2013. Shuttle America merged into Republic Airways in 2016 and continues to operate for United Express.

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January 26, 2023 - United Express Canadair CRJ-200, N956SW, operated by SkyWest and wearing the former Continental Airlines livery adopted by United, is seen at the Albuquerque Sunport on January 6, 2012, one month before the two carriers completely merged.



January 24, 2023 - This United Express Embraer-145, N17984, operated by ExpressJet, is taxiing to the gate after arriving at the Albuquerque Sunport on March 21, 2017.

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January 24, 2023 - This United Express DeHavilland Dash-8-Q400, N209WQ, operated by Republic Airways, is seen parked off the gate at the Albuquerque Sunport on March 5, 2015.



January 24, 2023 - This United Express Embraer-135, N16525, operated by Express Jet, is parked off the gate at the Albuquerque Sunport on September 20, 2014.

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January 20, 2023 - Advanced Air's Beechcraft 350 Super King Air, N395AA, departs the commuter gate at the Albuquerque Sunport for a flight to Las Cruces, New Mexico on January 19, 2023. Advanced Air began service to Las Cruces on January 16 and is the first commercial air service to the city in over 17 years.



January 20, 2023 - Berry Aviation's Embraer 120 Brasilia, N235SW, is seen parked on the apron at the Albuquerque Sunport on January 4, 2019. Berry is an airfreight company that occasionally flies to ABQ on demand.

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January 20, 2023 - Denver Air Connection's Embraer 120 Brasilia, N366DC, operated by Key Lime Air, is seen parked on the apron at the Albuquerque Sunport on February 25, 2017.



January 18, 2023 - Denver Air Connection's Fairchild Swearingen Metro 23, N882DC, operated by Key Lime Air, is seen parked on the ramp at the Albuquerque Sunport on November 13, 2017.

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January 18, 2023 - Denver Air Connection's Fairchild Dornier 328Jet, N394DC, operated by Key Lime Air, is seen departing from the Carlsbad Cavern City Air Terminal in New Mexico, for a flight to the Denver Centennial Airport early in the morning of July 19, 2022.



January 18, 2023 - Denver Air Connection's Embraer 145, N973DC, operated by Key Lime Air, arrives at the Clovis Regional Airport in New Mexico after a flight from Dallas/Fort Worth on July 18, 2022.

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January 16, 2023 - United Express Canadair CRJ-700, N760SK, operated by SkyWest Airlines, still wears the old United livery four years after the new United/Continental livery was started in 2011. As possibly the last aircraft to wear the old livery, it is parked at Gate 2 at the Albuquerque Sunport on August 4, 2015. This aircraft was soon transferred to American Eagle.



January 16, 2023 - United Airlines Airbus A320, N475UA, sporting United's retro "Friendly Skies" livery from the early 1970's, is seen taxiing to the gate after arriving at the Albuquerque Sunport on September 29, 2016.

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January 16, 2023 - United Airlines Boeing 737-900, N75436, wears a retro 1950's "Blue Skyway" livery commemorating Continental Airlines which merged with United in 2012. This aircraft is seen taxiing to the gate after arriving at the Albuquerque Sunport on September 29, 2015.



January 13, 2023 - This Wheels Up Cessna 750 Citation X, N902UP, is seen parked at the Albuquerque Sunport on March 10, 2020.

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January 13, 2023 - A Wheels Up Cessna 560XLS Citation Excel, N513UP, is seen taxiing to the ramp after landing at the Albuquerque Sunport on December 17, 2022.



January 13, 2023 - This Wheels Up Beechcraft 350 Super King Air, N817UP, was captured while parked at the Santa Fe Regional Airport on July 14, 2018.

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January 12, 2023 - This NetJets Cessna 560XL Citation XLS, N576QS, is parked on the apron at the Albuquerque Sunport on March 19, 2020.



January 12, 2023 - NetJets Cessna Citation Longitude, N814QS, taxis to the terminal after landing at the Albuquerque Sunport on April 14, 2022.

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January 12, 2023 - NetJets Bombardier Challenger 350, N791QS, taxis out for departure from the Albuquerque Sunport on April 14, 2022.



January 7, 2023 - This FedEx Feeder Cessna 208B Grand Caravan, N876FE, is taxiing to the ramp at the Farmington Four Corners Regional Airport after a flight from Albuquerque on May 22, 2022.

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January 7, 2023 - Great Lakes Airlines Embraer 120 Brasilia, N108UX, is ready for departure from Farmington, New Mexico to Los Angeles, California with a stop in Prescott, Arizona on March 13, 2017. Great Lakes ended service to Farmington in the fall of 2017.



January 7, 2023 - Great Lakes Airlines Beechcraft 1900D, N201GL, is seen departing Farmington, New Mexico for a flight to Denver, Colorado on March 13, 2017. The snow capped La Plata Mountains in southwest Colorado are in the background.

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January 6, 2023 - This American Airlines Airbus A319, N744P, is wearing a special livery of Piedmont Airlines which merged into US Airways in 1989 and then into American in 2015. It is seen entering runway 08 for departure from the Albuquerque Sunport on March 11, 2020, the day before the United States began shutting down from the COVID-19 pandemic.



January 6, 2023 - This American Airlines Airbus A319, N838AW, retains the final livery of America West Airlines which merged into US Airways in 2007. US Airways then merged into American Airlines in 2015. The aircraft is seen taxiing to the gate after arriving from Chicago, Illinois, landing at the Albuquerque Sunport on runway 21 on January 4, 2023.

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January 6, 2023 - This American Airlines Airbus A321, N838AW, retains the US Airways livery, now as a retro livery, after the two carriers merged in 2015. The aircraft is taxiing to runway 08 at the Albuquerque Sunport for departure to Dallas/Ft Worth, Texas on January 5, 2023.



January 4, 2023 - This Southwest Airlines Boeing 737-700, N7859B, is showing the LUV after taking off from runway 26 at the Albuquerque Sunport destined for Burbank, California on January 4, 2023, by displaying the heart logo on the belly of the aircraft.

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January 4, 2023 - This American Airlines Boeing 737-800, N835NN, is seen shortly after takeoff from runway 26 at the Albuquerque Sunport for a flight to Phoenix, Arizona on January 4, 2023.



January 4, 2023 - This Delta Airlines Airbus A321, N395DZ, sporting the Delta name on the belly of the aircraft, is seen taking off from runway 26 at the Albuquerque Sunport for a flight to Atlanta, Georgia on January 4, 2023.

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January 2, 2023 - This AeroMexico Connect Embraer-145, XA-CLI, with an older livery, was seen at the Albuquerque Sunport on February 9, 2009.



January 2, 2023 - AeroMexico Connect, operated by Aerolitoral, served the Albuquerque Sunport in 2009 with three flights per week to Chihuahua Mexico using this Embraer-145, XA-TAC, seen at the Sunport on May 18, 2009.

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January 2, 2023 - This AeroMexico Boeing 737-800, N950AM, on a flight from Mexico City to Denver, Colorado, was diverted to the Albuquerque Sunport on January 2, 2023 due to freezing fog at Denver. It is seen at the Atlantic Aviation ramp ready for departure after refueling.



January 1, 2023 - This Frontier Airlines Airbus A320neo, N308FR, featuring “Flo” the Flamingo, taxis away from the gate at the Albuquerque Sunport on December 29, 2022.

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January 1, 2023- Frontier Airlines flight 1934 is taxiing to gate B6 at the Albuquerque Sunport for the last time on January 1, 2023. This flight normally operated using an Airbus A320neo however it was upgraded to an A321 for today only.



January 1, 2023 - Frontier Airlines flight 1934, an Airbus A321, N723FR, is landing on runway 08 after arriving from Las Vegas, Nevada on January 1, 2023. This aircraft, featuring "Gordon" the Golden Eagle, is Frontier Airlines last scheduled flight to the Albuquerque Sunport.