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**Delta-Northwest
Merger - How Will it
Affect AVL
Passengers?**

Have you booked a ticket with Northwest Airlines? Are you wondering how the merger is going to affect your travel plans? No need to worry! Here is some information:

QUESTION: Will flights I've already booked through Delta or Northwest be affected by the merger?

ANSWER: No. Current flight schedules will not be changed. Delta plans to unveil a new worldwide flight schedule before Summer 2009.

Q: Why will it take so long?

A: Many factors go into merging two major airlines, including combining staffs, operation manuals, reservation systems, aircraft, flight schedules and more. It's a complicated process, but one that Delta promises will be "thoughtful."

Q: Can I still book flights with Northwest?

A: Yes! Passengers may book airline tickets with either airline without worry.

Q: Doesn't this merger mean that Delta will be the largest airline in the world?

A: Yes. Delta will offer 16,000 flights a day to 375 cities in 66 countries.

Q: Can I keep my frequent flier miles?

A: Yes! The Delta SkyMiles and Northwest WorldPerks programs will be merged into one reward program. Passengers will not lose any miles.

Q: Where can I get more info?

A: You can stay up to date by visiting either of the airline's websites at <http://www.nwa.com> or <http://www.delta.com>.



Book Your Holiday Travel at
www.flyavl.com!

With just 9 days until Thanksgiving and 37 days until Christmas, this is the perfect time to book your holiday travel. There are some great low fares still available, and if you haven't checked fares from Asheville Regional

Airport lately, we encourage you to do so through our website, www.flyavl.com.

Did you know you can also book car rentals and hotel stays, in addition to airline tickets, at www.flyavl.com? Just use the booking engine on the home page (sign up once -- it's free -- and you're set for life) to find the lowest fares from Asheville to any destination in the world. Or you can use Airfare Watchdog -- another great tool to help you find flights from Asheville at the lowest prices.

Book your holiday travel now!

Vote for Your Favorite Holiday Display!

Passengers traveling through Asheville Regional Airport this holiday season will notice displays throughout the terminal, including trees and Menorahs, decorated in a variety of styles. These displays are part of the Asheville Regional Airport's 3rd annual Holiday Decoration Contest.

Participating businesses have each selected a charity and sponsored and decorated a display. Based on your votes, the charities associated with the top four displays will receive donations of up to \$2000! Voting will continue through December 18.

View and vote for your favorite display by visiting www.flyavl.com starting **December 1**.



New Art Exhibit Open

Friday marked the opening of the seventh *Art in the Airport* exhibit at the airport. The new show, which runs through March 3, 2009, showcases the artwork of eight artists from

Buncombe, Mitchell, Rutherford and Yancey Counties.

For the first time since the program's inception, artwork will be displayed in other areas of the terminal and in the dedicated gallery space. Passengers will be able to enjoy artwork after proceeding through the security checkpoint.

On display in this exhibit are 38 original pieces of artwork, including steel sculpture, acrylic paintings, hand-woven fabric, woodcuts and more.

The *Art in the Airport* gallery is located on the pre-security side of the airport terminal and is open to the public during the airport's hours of operation.

Art in the Airport spotlights the work of local artists on a rotating basis, with exhibits lasting approximately 120 days. The application deadline for the next exhibit is February 6, 2009. Interested artists may visit www.flyavl.com or e-mail art@flyavl.com for more information.