

Status Update: Spirit adds Phoenix route in SNA debut; Broken Yolk completes remodel in Orange



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The airline launches its daily flights Nov. 17 to Vegas (LAS) and twice-daily service to Oakland (OAK).

An online search last week landed on a selection of flights to Las Vegas from JWA on Nov. 29, returning Dec. 2, for roughly \$25 each way, minus any extras. Spirit is known for its low-low prices, but there's always a catch. If a traveler wants to pick a seat and bring aboard a personal item (like carry-on luggage), they'll pay an extra \$45 — each way.

Orange County recently awarded Spirit additional takeoff and landing rights for 2021, which made room for a second daily flight to Las Vegas and nonstop service to Phoenix (PHX), each of which starts Jan. 6.

"People are ready to travel again, and we are excited to expand our service portfolio from John Wayne," said John Kirby, a Spirit Airlines vice president.

Book a Spirit flight at spirit.com/book/flights

BYC ready for dine-in customers

The Broken Yolk Cafe in Orange has reopened its dining room after an extensive remodel.

The restaurant at 2810 E Chapman Ave. has updated its seating arrangement with new booths and banquets, installed larger windows and added a new color and design scheme.

The renovation included implementing COVID-19-related health and safety protocols for diners and employees. Guests are now able to dine in throughout the interior or on the patio, order online for curbside pickup, and order for delivery.

EBT for hot meals

CalFresh households can now buy hot, prepared foods using their California Golden State electronic benefit transfer (EBT) card through Nov. 22.

The request was made to help residents impacted by recent wildfires and power outages who may not be able to store food or have access to cooking facilities. The hot food waiver applies to 35 California counties, including Orange County.

CalFresh recipients can check for authorized retailers at fns.usda.gov/snap/retailer-locator.

For more information, or to check an EBT balance, call the CalFresh Benefits Helpline at 877-847-3663 (FOOD).



On the move

Dr. Coleen Cunningham, a professor of pediatrics and pathology from Duke University, has accepted a dual appointment position as both the chair for the UCI Department of Pediatrics and as senior vice president and pediatrician-in-chief for CHOC. She will be responsible for leading UCI's Department of Pediatrics and its 16 divisions. At Duke University, she served as a professor with tenure in the division of Pediatric Infectious Diseases, as chief of Global Health, and vice chair for research in the Department of Pediatrics.

Dr. Suresh Magge has been named co-medical director of the CHOC Neuroscience Institute and neurosurgery medical director. He previously spent an 11-year tenure at Children's National Hospital in Washington, D.C., where he started the medical center's neurosurgery fellowship training program and was the director of medical student education in pediatric neurosurgery. Magge's special clinical and research interests include brain and spinal tumors, especially diffuse intrinsic pontine gliomas; minimally invasive craniostomosis surgery; and pediatric neurovascular disease, including arteriovenous malformation and Moyamoya disease.

On board

Santa Ana-based Orangewood Foundation has added three people to its board of directors. Fermin Glasper is vice president of mapping at McCarthy Building Companies Inc. in Newport Beach. Kimberly Kirksey is CEO and president of Kirksey & Co. in Irvine. Casandra Williams is owner of A-Tech Consulting in Orange.

CoolSys in Brea has appointed Chris Schulken as chief operating officer. He will oversee day-to-day administrative and operational functions at CoolSys and serves as a member of the executive management team. He previously worked Johnson Controls Inc. where he was responsible for the company's Northeast territory.

Good works

The nonprofit Waymakers raised \$11,500 at its Way2Go! Virtual 5K on Oct. 24 and 25. The money will benefit Waymakers' programs and essential services available during the COVID-19 pandemic including counseling, therapy, conflict resolution, support services for victims of crime, and prevention and education programs.

Blind Children's Learning Center and partner 19th Hole Golf Productions raised \$90,000 to support children with visual impairments at the annual Dr. Frank Villalobos Fall Golf Classic at the Aliso Viejo Country Club.

The Orangewood Foundation's 23rd Annual Ambassador Luncheon raised \$95,000 at the event, with another \$68,000 in pre-event donations and a \$100k match from the Lyon Family. Joe and Sonya Lozowski also were presented with the General William Lyon Crystal Vision Philanthropy Award.



Mitsubishi Electric America Foundation celebrated its 30th anniversary by organizing a company-wide volunteer day. On Oct. 24, more than 1,000 Mitsubishi Electric employees in the Americas walked, ran and skated in a safe, physically distanced 5K to raise funds for organizations focusing on empowering youth with disabilities. Keijiro Hora, president and CEO of Mitsubishi Electric US, and his wife Fumino Hora, participated in the companywide volunteer day.

Coming up

Alzheimer's Orange County will host the fundraiser Walk4ALZ & Run4ALZ on Saturday, Nov. 14, hoping to raise \$535,000.

There is no cost but participants are encouraged to fundraise by giving a donation of at least \$50 to earn an event T-shirt. Every dollar raised from Walk4ALZ & Run4ALZ stays in Orange County to directly fund services and programs to help local families battling dementia.

Each registered walker or runner will be given a virtual treasure map to direct them to the event's vendor's websites for the chance to learn more about them and to win prizes.

Registration is free. Go to alzoc.org/walkrun to sign up.

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