



### Monthly Flight Log

**2/1/2016**

KMDW-KGRR  
Drew Grooters and  
Jason Blair  
Chancellor

**2/7/2016**

KGRR-KRST  
Richard Terzo and  
John Olson  
Cessna 340

**2/9/2016**

KMKG-KRST  
Timothy Talsma and  
Nicholas Talsma  
Navajo

**2/11/2016**

KRST-KGRR  
Mike Miller and  
Larry Fuerst  
Baron

**2/13/2016**

KY70-KRST  
George Schraft and  
Lina Nowland  
Cessna 310

**2/20/2016**

KRST-KY70  
George Schraft and

### A Patient Story

A note from recipient, Lori Winske.

*"Dear All,*

*As I write this we are filled with hope at the sacrifice made by our 4 pilots, their families, the staff and the donors of time and finances to have such an 'idea' to help us. We are home safe and sound, and changed, to have been so powerless with illness and even more tired with figuring out how to get there, answered.*

*Thank you doubly. I have never been on a small plane and we are humbled with appreciation.*

*Lori Winske and Paul Hazlett  
Houghton, Michigan"*

Lori will be going back to Ann Arbor in a couple weeks for a surgery but will require her to to drive because of the drain they will put in her neck.

Thank you to pilots Brad Pugh and Chad Pugh, and Jerry Schmidt and Scott Roggenbeck for flying Lori.

We look forward to helping her in the future as she fights



Larry Fuerst  
Cessna 310

**2/21/2016**

KMKG-KRST  
Richard Terzo and  
John Olson  
Cessna 340

**2/22/2016**

KBIV-KBKL  
Timothy Brenner and  
Caleb Zandstra  
Arrow II

**2/23/2016**

KBKL-KBIV  
George Schraft and  
Larry Fuerst  
Cessna 310

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**From the Staff**

VP or SIC?

How many Vice Presidents can you name? Most people can't remember too many. Do you know about Hannibal Hamlin? He was VP to Abraham Lincoln from 1861-1865, but it was Andrew Johnson who was the VP and then President after the assassination. What about Alben Barkley? He was Truman's VP, but not notable. The most memorable VP's are those that had to fill in for the President who died or resigned. We learn about our historical Presidents, but we don't remember the second in command until times of trouble.

Similar to the VP, the SIC is the unsung hero.

We are often asked by pilots why we insist on having two for every flight. Other public benefit flying organizations use only one pilot so why does Wings of Mercy have two? The answer is that safety is our main goal. We require higher hours than other organizations and we have two pilots on every mission for safety. When flying patients we want to make sure that every measure is taken to insure their well-being.

Like the Vice President, the SIC's job is to be able to take over for the PIC if needed. Therefore, the SIC has to know the plane and be competent to fly and land it upon request. Just like the back-up Quarterback on the football field, you need to know the plays and how to execute them.

So this month we would like to salute our SIC's: the pilots who assure our patient's safety!

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