



Monthly Flight Log

From the Staff

3/2/2017

KFDK-KBIV
Nick Jilek
and Mark Nelson
Merlin IIIB

3/2/2017

KMKG-KRST
Nick Jilek
and Mark Nelson
Merlin IIIB

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KARB-KOWD
Nick Jilek
and Mark Nelson
Merlin IIIB

3/3/2017

KRST-KMKG
George Schraft
and Larry Fuerst
Cessna 310

3/6/2017

KRST-KMOP
Chad L.
and Larry Fuerst
Skyknight

3/6/2017

KOWD-KARB
Ryan Veenstra
and Micah DeLeeuw
Socata

3/9/2017

KGRR-KFCM
Drew Grooters
and Larry Fuerst
Chancellor

3/10/2017

KFCM-KGRR
Mike Miller
and Larry Fuerst
Baron

3/10/2017

KLAN-KRST
Drew Grooters
and Larry Fuerst
Chancellor

Mark your calendars now for our 2017 Summer Fundraising Events:

June 10 - Muskegon CareAffaire and [Run For Wings 5K](#) at [KMKG](#) Executive Air Transport



July 15 - Lake County CareAffaire and [Runway 5K](#) at [C81](#) Campbell Airport



August 26 - Holland CareAffaire and [Runway 5K](#) at [KBIV](#) West Michigan Regional Airport/ Tulip City Air

3/13/2017
KGRR-KHOU
Drew Grooters
and Larry Fuerst
Chancellor

3/14/2017
KHOU-KGRR
Drew Grooters
and Larry Fuerst
Chancellor

3/14/2017
KARB-KCMX
Jerry Schmidt
and Scott Roggenbeck
Cherokee 6

3/16/2017
KFDK-KMKG
Bill Klungle
and Mac McClellan
King Air

3/20/2017
KPLN-KRST
David Siegers
and John Hirt
Skylane

3/20/2017
KMKG-KARB
Timothy Brenner
and Terry Lutz
Cirrus

3/21/2017
KRST-KPLN
Charles Binder
and Fred McCaskill
Cessna 310

3/30/2017
KBIV-KBKL
Drew Grooters
and Eric Haney
Chancellor



We would love to see you at a CareAffaire this year! See our [website](#) for more details as they become available.

Patient Update - Emily Dreyer

We are the Dreyer family, and our 21 year old daughter Emily just had her 25th neurosurgery on the east coast.

When she was 10 years old Emily was diagnosed with a connective tissue disorder called Ehlers Danlos Syndrome, as well as several brain and spinal disorders, which have since resulted in needing 14 levels of her spine fused. Since she was diagnosed in 2006 we have made over 35 trips to neurosurgeons, geneticists, and specialists out east.

Following a surgery, when Emily's neurosurgeon gives clearance to travel home, it is always bittersweet because of what it involves to get her home. We are weary mentally, emotionally, and physically after weeks of invasive testing, surgeries, and pain, and it is hard to wrap our heads around the task of returning her safely and comfortably home.

When Judith or Grace call from Wings of Mercy saying, "we have a pilot who is able to come get you", we feel a ton of weight lifted from our shoulders. It is such a huge relief knowing that Emily will be getting home as fast and as comfortable as possible!



This last surgical trip we drove Emily and her numerous medical "paraphernalia" to Washington D.C so we wouldn't have to rent a car (and honestly we weren't sure how we

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would fit everything on a plane). For the trip home after surgery, Wings of Mercy allowed Emily's brother and uncle to "catch a ride" with the pilots to Maryland, which allowed us to fly home with her as her brother and uncle took the 11 hour drive with the car and medical supplies.

The compassion, love, professionalism, and care given by all involved with Wings of Mercy has been one of the biggest blessings we've discovered on this long and dark path, and saying "thank you" simply isn't adequate!

-Marc, Renee & Emily Dreyer

Pilot Information

Wings of Mercy Pilot Kevin Dingman has another article in [Twin & Turbine](#).

You may read it here: [From the Flight Deck: Divine Lines](#).

Wings of Mercy is a volunteer organization that provides free air transportation for people with limited financial means who need treatment at distant medical facilities. Patients are carried on private aircraft by volunteer pilots.

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