



### Monthly Flight Log

**8/3/2017**  
KIWD-KMSN  
Timothy Brenner  
and Charles Binder  
Cirrus

**8/5/2017**  
KMSN-KIWD  
Richard Terzo  
and John Olson  
Cessna 340

**8/6/2017**  
KARB-KANJ  
Chris Faircloth  
and Greg Johnson  
Comanche

**8/6/2017**  
KCMX-KARB  
Tim Fino  
and William Beecroft  
Seneca

**8/7/2017**  
KARB-KCMX  
George Schraft  
and Kirksey Hagan  
Cessna 310

**8/8/2017**  
KGRR-KFDK  
Ryan Veenstra  
and Larry Fuerst  
Socata

**8/11/2017**  
KTVC-KARB  
Kevin Golsch  
and Kyle Egelski  
Twin Comanche

**8/13/2017**  
KRNP-KRST  
Brad Pugh  
and Philip Cook  
Piper Aerostar 700

**8/15/2017**

### First Annual Pilot Appreciation Dinner a Success



In attendance, standing left to right: D. Siegers, G. VanderVeen, B. Klungle, T. Boer, B. VandenBerge, P. Medenbach, J. Olson, R. Chester, R. Terzo, T. Fino, N. Talsma, F. Honore, K. Jarchow, T. Brenner, S. Inger, R. Klassen, R. Betker, L. Fuerst, B. Pugh, J. Ostrander Kneeling: J. Sorensen, M. Kender, J. Baarman

We had a great turnout for our first annual pilot appreciation dinner. Having so many of the people who make this ministry possible, in the same room, was such a blessing. If you missed this one, don't worry; we have already started planning for 2018!

As a side note, some of you were asking about where you could find a Wings of Mercy shirt. Custom Wings of Mercy apparel is available online by visiting the [Trophy House](#) website. You can order shirts, sweaters, jackets, and hats and have them delivered to your home. You'll be looking good and representing an awesome group of pilots!!

Patient Story: Stephanie Fischer

KYIP-KRST  
David Siegers  
and John Hirt  
Skylane

**8/19/2017**  
KRST-KYIP  
Chad L  
and Richard Klassen  
Skyknight

**8/19/2017**  
KRST-KFNT  
Roland Betker  
and Larry Fuerst  
Eclipse 500 LX

**8/20/2017**  
KMKG-KBKL  
Bill Klungle  
and John Workman  
Chancellor

**8/23/2017**  
KBKL-KMKG  
Josh Szost  
and John Workman  
Chancellor

**8/23/2017**  
KPLN-KRST  
Chad L  
and Richard Klassen  
Skyknight

**8/26/2017**  
KRST-KPLN  
Brad Pugh  
and Randy Pugh  
Piper Aerostar 700

**8/29/2017**  
KFNT-KPNE  
George Schraft  
and Kirksey Hagan  
Cessna 310

**8/30/2017**  
KBFA-KARB  
Jerry Schmidt  
and Thomas Snow  
Archer

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### Current WOM Flight Needs

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solely by individual and  
corporate contributions.

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Pilots Josh Szost and John Workman

Wings of Mercy receives requests for stretcher flights quite a few times in a year. Most of the time the patient needs more assistance than we are able to do so they are referred elsewhere.

With two aircraft (Cessna 414's) that are stretcher-equipped in our pool of volunteers we are limited to how many of these flights we can handle in a year, and yet we still manage to complete most of the approved requested flights.

Stephanie Fischer, from the Grand Rapids area, called last month to see if we could help her get to the Cleveland Clinic. Stephanie has something called Hyperadrenergic POTS (postural orthostatic tachycardia syndrome) which causes her blood pressure to rise when she is standing or sitting up for more than twenty minutes and can cause fainting and migraines.

Stephanie was in need of a flight where she could lay down so we called our volunteers and pilots John Workman and Bill Klungle were available to take N6561C with a stretcher for Stephanie to get to Cleveland and Josh Szost flew with Workman to take her back home a few days later.

Once again our wonderful pilots stepped up when called and helped out in a situation which was only possible with a specific plane.

Thanks to all of you who make situations that seem improbable, possible.

### Pilot Perspective

Wings of Mercy pilot, Kevin Dingman, has two more articles in the September issue of Twin and Turbine.

You may read [Bee Hive Basics](#) to hear his view of the privatization of Air Traffic Control and [Jet Journal: Those](#)

[That Will](#) about making mistakes and a near fatal incident that was averted because one pilot was aware.

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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