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Pilot Newsletter

December 2017



Monthly Flight Log

11/2/2017

KRST-KPLN
Roland Betker
and Larry Fuerst
500 LX

11/4/2017

KMKG-KRST
Bill Klungle
and John Workman
Chancellor

11/7/2017

KGRR-KONZ
Ray Chester
and Ryan Veenstra
Socata

11/11/2017

KRST-KMKG
Roland Betker
and Jeff Priebe
500 LX

11/11/2017

KMKG-KRST
Roland Betker
and Jeff Priebe
500 LX

11/13/2017

KPLN-KRST
Jerry Schmidt

From the Board President

As we look ahead to 2018, I'd like to thank you, the pilots, for an awesome 2017. After 26 years, it still amazes me the number of volunteer hours you give to Wings of Mercy. What is equally amazing, you do it with a smile on your face and a level of customer care and service that the airlines would envy!!

Our Recipients are always put at ease when they get in your airplane. This is so important during an already stressful time for them. Thank you all. It is a pleasure serving with you.

Now 2018.

We want this to be a big year for Wings of Mercy. In order to accomplish that we want to recruit more pilots and have all our pilots fly at least two additional missions. Sound good? I hope it does. Another goal is to assist you anyway we can. We would love to have your feedback and comments letting us know how we can be of more help to you. There must be ways to do this better and I can't think of a better source to ask than the pilots. You can phone, text, email, write a letter, etc. whatever it takes. Please let us hear from you. We are here for you as you are for our recipients.

Have a blessed Christmas! Together we will make 2018 an outstanding year.

and Roderic Tinney
Cherokee 6

11/14/2017

KRST-KMKG
George Schraft
and Sam Galanis
Cessna 310

11/14/2017

KMBS-KRST
George Schraft
and Sam Galanis
Cessna 310

11/15/2017

KRST-KMBS
Mike Miller
and Larry Fuerst
Baron

11/16/2017

KBIV-KRST
Nick Jilek
and Mark Nelson
Merlin IIIB

11/16/2017

KBIV-KRST
Nick Jilek
and Mark Nelson
Merlin IIIB

11/19/2017

KRST-KMKG
John Olson
and Richard Terzo
Golden Eagle

11/20/2017

KPLN-KRST
Tim Fino
and Shawn Haley
Seneca

11/20/2017

KBIV-KBKL
John Laws
and Brett Milford
Baron

11/21/2017

KMSN-KMKG
George Schraft
and Larry Fuerst
Cessna 310

11/21/2017

KMKG-KMSN
George Schraft
and Larry Fuerst
Cessna 310

11/22/2017

KRST-KPLN

God bless you all.

Terry Boer



President, Board of Directors

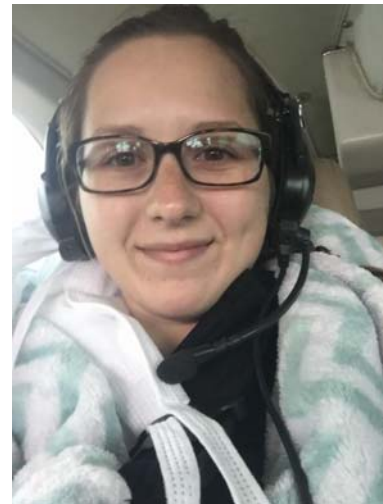
Patient Story: Allie Emery

When Allie Emery was 14 years old she had a biopsy on her lymph nodes which resulted in a clipped spinal accessory nerve in her neck. Since then she has had to deal with the loss of movement of her right arm and shoulder as well as constant pain.

After finding a specialist at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Allie and her family drove back and forth for her appointments until a friend told her about Wings of Mercy.

Allie first flew with Wings in July of 2015 and most recently this past November. Pilot teams Vern Eliason/Robert Seidl, Chad L/Larry Fuerst, Rick Terzo/John Olson, George Schraft/Sam Galanis, and Mike Miller/Larry Fuerst have all flown Allie.

"I wouldn't be able to have all my surgeries and doctor's appointments if it wasn't for you guys! There is nowhere that I could receive better care for my condition. I am still not fixed and I still suffer with pain everyday but I am trying my hardest to still live a normal life and go to college to get my degree. I will not let this defeat me. The pilots that I have had are absolutely amazing; they go out of their way to make sure that you feel comfortable. I can say thank you over and over again. One pilot in particular that will forever hold a spot in my heart is Sam. I really hope that he is able to read this letter; he is such an inspiration to me. Thank You SO



Mike Miller
and Larry Fuerst
Baron

*much Wings of Mercy, thank you for making it possible
for me to travel back and forth to my doctor
appointments." Allie Emery*

11/24/2017

KBKL-KBIV
Mike Miller
and Christopher Gottwald
Baron

Pilot Perspective

11/25/2017

KRST-KBIV
Roland Betker
and Milford Russell
500 LX

11/25/2017

KBIV-KRST
Roland Betker
and Milford Russell
500 LX

11/26/2017

KMKG-KTEB
Joshua Feldkamp
and Shawn Haley
Cessna 340



Santa Kevin Dingman

11/28/2017

KTEB-KMKG
Shawn Haley
and Micah DeLeeuw
Socata

Wing of Mercy pilot, Kevin Dingman, has a timely
article in Twin and Turbine this month.

Check out [From the Flight Deck: One Foggy Night.](#)

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