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Pilot Newsletter February 2018



John Olson and Rick Terzo brave the winter chill to get Mark and Jean to Rochester on the first leg of a double mission. Thanks guys, we couldn't do it without you!

Monthly Flight Log

From the Staff

1/2/2018
KBIV-KTEB
Bob VandenBerge and
John Van Baren
Citation

1/4/2018
KTVC-KARB
George Schraft and
Frank Clark
Cessna 310

1/6/2018
KARB-KTVC
George Schraft and
Frank Clark
Cessna 310

1/7/2018
KTVC-KRST
Jason Morford and
Don Brandes
Conquest

1/9/2018
KGRR-KONZ

Ryan Veenstra and
Ray Chester
Socata

1/13/2018
KRST-KTVC
Roland Betker and
Jeff Priebe
500 LX

1/13/2018
KBIV-KRST
Roland Betker and
Jeff Priebe
500 LX

1/14/2018
KBIV-KHOU
Tim Fino and
David Garland
Seneca

1/16/2018
KTEB-KBIV
Gary VanderVeen and
Andrew Gibson
Bravo

1/16/2018
KZ98-KFDK
Timothy Talsma and
Nicholas Talsma
Navajo

1/18/2018
KHOU-KBIV
Tim Fino and
David Garland
Seneca

1/18/2018
KCMX-KPTK
George Schraft and
Kirksey Hagan
Cessna 310

1/19/2018
KPTK-KCMX
John Sorensen and
Kim Gary
Cirrus

1/19/2018
KSAW-KPTK
Bob VandenBerge
and John Workman
Chancellor

1/21/2018
KRST-KGRR
Gary Sage and
Jeff Ostrander
Golden Eagle

1/21/2018
KGRR-KRST



Patient Story: Kolten Mead

Kurt and Shayla Mead welcomed their quadruplets into the world on March 12, 2015. All 4 kids were born with complications and needing special care. Kolten's issues include having a short gut (intestines) and liver damage.

On Wednesday, January 31, pilots Tim Fino and Tim Brenner flew Kolten, his mother Shayla and her mother to Boston so he could meet with the specialists. Due to a poor weather report for the return on Friday the Tims were not able to fly so we called Bob VandenBerge and Larry Fuerst to take the Citation out to Boston to bring the little guy home.

You can read more about the amazing Mead family on their Facebook page, [Four of a Kind - The Mead Quadruplets](#) which incidentally, is how they found Wings of Mercy. If you are on Facebook, please share our posts and like our page so your friends and family can help us spread the word about Wings of Mercy...because it works! [@wingsofmercy.inc](#)

Gary Sage and
Jeff Ostrander
Golden Eagle

1/21/2018
KGRR-KRST
Gary Sage and
Jeff Ostrander
Golden Eagle

1/26/2018
KFDK-KGRR
Ryan Veenstra and
Micah DeLeeuw
Socata

1/26/2018
KRST-KGRR
Chad L and
Larry Fuerst
Skyknight

1/28/2018
KTVC-KRST
John Olson and
Richard Terzo
Golden Eagle

1/31/2018
KGRR-KBOS
Tim Fino and
Timothy Brenner
Seneca

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Kolten with his mom and grandma

We are again so grateful that you, our pilots, step up and help children like Kolten get the medical care they need to grow.

You may hear the latest update about all of the kids in Shayla's video [HERE](#).

Pilot Perspective



Wings of Mercy pilot Kevin Dingman has an article in Twin & Turbine Magazine this month. You may read [Control Freaks here](#).

Kevin Dingman has been flying for more than 40 years. He's an ATP typed in the B737 and DC9 with 23,000 hours in his logbook. A retired Air Force major, he flew the F-16 and later performed as an USAF Civil Air Patrol Liaison Officer. He flies volunteer missions for the Christian organization Wings of Mercy, is employed by a major airline, and owns and operates a Beechcraft Duke.

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