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*It is important to remember that **Pilots for Kids** is an international organization. The photos on this page were taken during the annual holiday visit to Guam Memorial Hospital. Coordinators, Chuck & Ivy Heberle advised that their group of dedicated UAL pilots had another very successful visit with young patients on December 23, 2019.*



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President's Corner...

Dear Members,

We just completed a very productive year thanks to the support and generosity of our fantastic members. Last year we visited with thousands of hospitalized children in 59 cities and are planning for more visits this year. Although most of our visits occurred during the holidays, we are now experiencing more visits throughout the year.

Because of our increased visits we have added a third mascot. Captain Baldy, our popular mascot, is a huge hit with the kids & even with many of the hospital staff. It is amazing to see the children's reaction when our 7' American Eagle struts into the room.

Our organization is doing well and we are constantly trying to improve. We are always looking for ways to become more efficient and productive. Improving our organization benefits everyone, but it especially allows us to be more flexible in what we can do for the kids.

Thank you for a great 2019. Your financial and volunteer support made everything possible. We are all looking forward to a very positive and gratifying year ahead for PFK.

With sincere appreciation,

Ed Faath

President, P.F.K.

Bulletin - Chicago - Dec 13, 2019

PILOTS4KIDS Fundraiser.

COUNCIL 12 ACCEPTS COUNCIL 5 CHALLENGE

Chicago, IL. The United Airline Pilots of ALPA Council 12 have answered the New York City United Airline Pilots Council 5 fundraising challenge.

Last week, Council 5 raised \$1,100 (at auction to benefit PILOTS4KIDS) for the socks of NYC Chief Pilot Fabian Garcia. Chicago Chief Pilot, Bo Ellis, graciously added his smelly socks to the auction... Afterwards, Council 5 Chair, Glen Johnson challenged other United Airline ALPA Pilot Councils to step up to the plate and best their efforts.

On Friday evening, the pilots of Council 12 answered Council 5's challenge in spectacular fashion. Chicago Chief Pilot, Captain Bo Ellis, offered up his, not so smelly, Holiday Tie for auction!

The Council 12 pilots literally cut the tie off of Captain Ellis and auctioned it off for an incredible \$4,600 in pledges (besting the total amount raised in NYC of \$3,100). The \$4,600 raised today at auction in Chicago (which also includes donations made by Captains on behalf of Half-Wingers), does not include other personal pilot cash donations, as well as all the donated toys brought to tonight's Chicago Pilot Holiday Party.

Congratulations to the Chicago pilots of United Airlines! They now have official bragging rights of raising more than NYC. Nonetheless, at last count, both Chicago and New York City United Airline Pilots have collectively raised close to \$10,000, In one week!, for PILOTS4KIDS!!! - Well done for the great cause of helping to put huge smiles on hospitalized children across the United States!

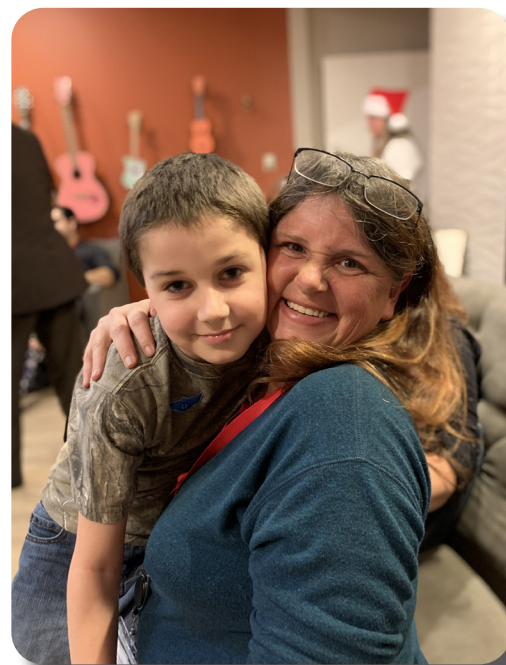


Left, ORD Chief Pilot, CA Bo Ellis donating his tie for auction - of course we used scissors to cut it off!

P i l o t s F o r K i d s O r g a n i z a t i o n



Left and right, PFK volunteers again made the holidays merrier for the families at Ronald McDonald House East in Portland. Everyone had a wonderful day!



CITY: PDX/Portland, OR
COORDINATOR: Christine Dunning
PARTICIPANTS: UPS, ABX, Delta, Alaska & Omni

The 2019 PDX Ronald McDonald House East “annual” PFK Christmas party was a huge success again this year.

The evening began with an “appetizer hour” with interactive events. Great snacks and a very special hot cocoa station direct from the North Pole greeted attendees. Everyone enjoyed sprocket set building, off-road truck and car racing, cowboy/cowgirl corner activities and earning their “First solo PFK Wings” by building and decorating gliders and landing them on (or near) the runway.

Grandma June and her faithful assistant, Shannon McKinzie-Scott, along with a few special PFK elves, served an amazing spaghetti dinner that was enjoyed by all.

A trip to the Music Room allowed everyone to join in the fun of singing some wonderful Christmas songs. As the group was finishing a rollicking version of “Santa Claus is Coming to Town”, that familiar “HO-HO-HO” and lots of jingle bells were heard. Santa arrived with loads of toys for everyone! Hearts were filled with joy and smiles were everywhere! Each family received a small holiday gift and picked a PFK ornament from the tree.

Coordinator, Christine Dunning, again wanted to express thanks to the volunteers who make this all possible.



She also observed, “As I reflect on the many special moments and memories made, it is because of what each of you give of yourselves that truly makes magic happen for so many special kids and families!”

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CITY: MCO/Orlando

COORDINATOR: Anchorelle Van Sprang

PARTICIPANTS: Envoy, USAF, Spirit, UAL, Republic, Delta, Fedex, UPS, Southwest, PSA, Netjets, JetSuiteX, JetBlue and a few private companies

The Orlando Pilots for Kids Group had their annual holiday hospital visits on Tuesday Dec 6th, which happened to be on #givingtuesday. What a great day to volunteer and give back! The PFK MCO group delivered more than 300 toys and gifts to 3 Orlando children's hospitals, Orlando Health Arnold Palmer Hospital for Children, Nemours Children's Hospital and AdventHealth for Children. Volunteers played with the kids in the playroom, folded tons of paper airplanes and played a tough game of airplane toss on the PFK runway. The Pilot License Photobooth ensured that all of the kids could receive their official "Pilots License".

Coordinator, Anchorelle Van Sprang observed, "The smiles we received warmed our hearts. Thank you to all who donated and volunteered!! We can look back at a great 2019 for the Orlando Group!"

CITY: LAS/Las Vegas, NV

COORDINATOR: Anthony Turchioe

PARTICIPANTS: Spirit, Delta, XOJet and JetSuiteX

On December 18, 2019, dedicated PFK volunteers brought their Santa Sacks to University Medical Center in Las Vegas. They had the pleasure of meeting with young patients in the Children's Hospital and Emergency Room. The pilots shared their love for aviation and distributed gifts picked out to help the kids pass their time in the hospital with friends and family. The Las Vegas chapter continues to help spread joy during the holiday season and looks forward to growing the organization and their services each year.



Above, left and below, MCO volunteers delivered over 300 gifts to patients at three Orlando area children's hospitals.



Left, LAS volunteers spread holiday cheer to young patients at University Medical Center on Dec. 18th.



Pilots For Kids Organization

CITY: HOU/Houston, TX

COORDINATOR: Bill Bella

PARTICIPANTS: United, Mesa, Spirit, NetJets, JetBlue and ExpressJet

This was the 25th year that the Houston Pilots For Kids have visited children at Texas Children's Hospital in Houston and the first time that they visited all 3 Texas Children's Hospitals in the Houston area during the Holiday Season. This was also their first to Texas Children's Hospital West Campus in Katy.

The pilots and Santa greeted numerous children in the lobby at the West Campus. They distributed toys, spreading holiday cheer while taking family photos with the pilots and Santa. During their visits at the Houston and The Woodlands Campus, the pilot group split into 2 smaller groups in order to visit more children. Each pilot group had a Spanish speaking pilot. The pilots spread holiday cheer to approximately 400 hospitalized children and gave them gifts such as United Aviator Bears, United Pullback Toy Airplanes, United Junior Captain's Hats, Playing Cards and 3 different Children's books that were all signed by the author. United Houston 777 Captain John Stegemoller brought special art gifts from Tokyo as well.

Additionally, the pilots spent time with the children discussing their interests, hobbies, music, sports, art, flying and achieving their goals. The children come from many countries and were grateful that the pilots visited them in the hospital.

"This season we had 7 new Houston Pilots For Kids Members who did an wonderful job bringing much happiness to many hospitalized children." said IAH 777 Captain Bill Bella-Houston Pilots For Kids Coordinator, otherwise known as Santa Bill during the holiday season.

"I am very proud to be a part of this extremely dedicated pilot group representing the Pilots For Kids organization. The pilots have made a positive difference in many children's lives. It's a truly priceless moment when we see the children's faces light up as we enter their rooms to wish them well and a Happy Holiday" said Captain Bill.

"25 years ago we barely had a handful of pilots making one hospital visit per year during the holiday season. The Houston Pilots For Kids group has grown tremendously to over 150 members visiting three Texas Children's Hospital Campuses five times this year! We were fortunate to add two more Texas Children's Hospital Campuses this year at The Woodlands and The West Campus in Katy. Additionally, we held a successful Fundraiser in November at Main Event near The Woodlands! The Houston Pilots For Kids support and donations are a priceless gift for numerous hospitalized children! Donations are accepted and appreciated all year round."

Captain Bella continued, "The Houston Pilots For Kids tremendous support and your generous donations are greatly appreciated by the children, their families, the hospital staff and The Pilots For Kids Organization."



Above, Santa joined 27 HOU PFK volunteers as they visited approximately 400 children at area hospitals.

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CITY: CMH/Columbus, OH

COORDINATOR: Paulette Gilbert

PARTICIPANTS: NetJets, Delta, Republic, Endeavor, JetBlue and Chautauqua

The NetJets Association of Shared Aircraft Pilots (NJASAP) was privileged to support both the Homeless Families Foundation's (HFF) 2019 Christmas Wish List Program and the Ronald McDonald House Charities of Central Ohio (RMHC) in partnership with the Columbus Chapter of Pilots For Kids (P4K:CMH) in December 2019. The annual events grant the gift wishes of area children served by the HFF and spread holiday cheer to families staying at the RMHC.

Pilots dressed in uniform distributed gifts and spent time chatting with the children at the Foundation and RMHC events. On Tuesday, Dec. 12, laughter filled the HFF's Dowd Education Center as children raced remote-controlled cars, unboxed LOL dolls, planned future slime creations and tested their balancing skills on RipSticks.

"The children were quick to express gratitude for their gifts, and we were honored to play a role in granting their holiday wishes," P4K:CMH Chapter Coordinator and NJASAP Vice President Paulette Gilbert said. She continued, "This outreach effort, however, would not have been possible without our members' very generous donations."

On Friday, Dec. 13, Rep. Joyce Beatty (D-Ohio) joined NJASAP and P4K:CMH at the RMHC to visit with children and families as well as to present the Executive Board with a certificate of Congressional recognition of P4K:CMH's annual charitable initiatives. "It was my privilege to accept Rep. Beatty's commendation on behalf of the Membership," NJASAP President Pedro Leroux said. "The generosity that continues to distinguish this pilot group has not gone unrecognized, and on behalf of the Executive Board and P4K:CMH, I am very pleased to thank each NJASAP and P4K:CMH member who chose to include P4K in their charitable giving this holiday season."

Left, PFK volunteers at CMH made the holidays brighter for youngsters at the Homeless Families Foundation and Ronald McDonald House Charities in December.



Above, BOI PFK members visited young patients at two facilities in Boise on Dec. 3rd.

CITY: BOI/Boise, ID

COORDINATOR: Alex Macdonald

PARTICIPANTS: Southwest, Skywest, Delta & Horizon

December 3rd was a special day for young patients at St. Luke's Children's Hospital and Saint Alphonsus Pediatric Clinic in Boise. A large group of PFK volunteers visited patients and delivered gifts, spreading holiday cheer at both locations.





Above, although personal visitations weren't allowed due to a flu outbreak at YYZ locations, loads of gifts were delivered to ensure that all young patients received a present on Christmas morning.

CITY: YYZ/Toronto, Ontario, Canada
COORDINATOR: Stacey & Paul Jackson
PARTICIPANTS: WestJet, Jazz, American Airlines, United, and several general aviation pilots

Christmas Eve was a big day for PFK volunteers in the Toronto area as they delivered gifts to the Mississauga Trillium Hospital and Credit Valley Hospital.

The visit was very limited due to a high influx of flu patients on the pediatric ward, resulting in strict quarantine procedures. Thanks to incredible donations, from many volunteers and families, every child received a gift on Christmas morning, something that was not going to be possible until PFK arrived.

Although the visitation was limited, PFK had great support this year and was able to provide a memorable day for many ill children.



Above and right, MSP PFK members held their 30th annual "Fantasy Flight to the North Pole" for area foster children and their families.

CITY: MSP/Minneapolis, MN
COORDINATOR: Chris Rossing
PARTICIPANTS: Delta

On Saturday, 07 December 2019 a large group of PFK volunteers helped to make a difference in the lives of foster kids and families from the Minnesota Children's Home Society and Lutheran Social Services at the 30th Annual Pilots For Kids Fantasy Flight to the North Pole held at MSP airport.

Over 200 foster kids and families came to MSP and experienced some great food, games and entertainment including appearances by local sports mascots. In addition, there were other fun activities including face painting, beading, a candy fishing booth and hands-on science activities presented by the Science Museum of Minnesota as well as a cryogenics demonstration by the 3M Visiting Wizards.

The highlight of the day however was when guests boarded a Delta aircraft for a "flight" to the North Pole that took them on a trip around the airport before arriving back at the gate about 45 minutes later where they found an area that has been magically transformed into the North Pole and where Santa himself was waiting to greet them. Overall it was a wonderful day that helped not only the guests but also volunteers embrace and get in to the holiday spirit early.



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CITY: RDU/Raleigh, NC
COORDINATOR: Ken Worsham
PARTICIPANTS: Various

Pilots For Kids-RDU made their 10th annual visit to WakeMed Children’s Hospital, delivering lots of holiday gifts and cheer.

Coordinator Ken Worsham said, “I would like to thank everybody who has participated over the years to help make this such a great event. I would also like to thank Wakemed, the child life specialists , the nurses and the doctors for inviting us to come back year after year.”



Above, PFK volunteers at RDU visited WakeMed Children’s Hospital to spread holiday cheer for the 10th year.

CITY: SAV/Savannah, GA
COORDINATOR: Doris Jaupi
PARTICIPANTS: Endeavor, PSA, Piedmont, Skywest, Republic and Delta

SAV PFK volunteers visited over 40 hospitalized children at Dwaine & Cynthia Willett Children’s Hospital on Dec. 17th. A great time was had by all.



Above, PFK volunteers at SAV distributed a wonderful selection of gifts to youngsters on Dec. 17th.

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CITY: STL/St. Louis, MO
COORDINATOR: Kaleb Cheek
PARTICIPANTS:

The first PFK event in St. Louis, MO was an enriching and enjoyable time for all. Seven volunteers were able to attend the event with several more unable to attend due to illness. Volunteers visited SSM Health Cardinal Glennon Children's Hospital and had the opportunity to meet with 80+ patients and their families. The team split up into two groups which enabled volunteers to make contact with as many children as possible.



Above, PFK members held their first event in STL. The group was able to visit with over 80 youngsters.

Coordinator Kaleb Cheek described the event, "We met many inquisitive children that yearned to learn more about what it takes to become a pilot. We truly enjoyed sharing our passion for aviation with kids of all ages. Child Life Coordinator, Hannah, was extremely helpful in organizing the event and the entire staff was overjoyed that we were there."

Participants were very pleased with the support of their first ever event and look forward to returning to Cardinal Glennon in the future, and anticipate visiting other St. Louis area Children's Hospitals as well.



CITY: BIS/Bismark, ND
COORDINATOR: Steven Schaffner
PARTICIPANTS: Delta and FedEx Express

The inaugural season for the Bismarck Pilots for Kids chapter started on a very high note. On December 23rd, the group visited both the local hospitals in Bismarck. One hospital, Sanford Health, donated their EC145 Helicopter to transport the pilots, Santa, and the presents to both of the hospitals in town. About a dozen kids enjoyed some personally delivered gifts from Delta Air Lines and FedEx Express. Visits were made to both children's center's and oncology.



Above, Santa and volunteers in BIS made their first ever visit to both children's hospitals in the area. Sanford Health donated their helicopter and crew to transport volunteers.

"We are very appreciative of Sanford for donating their aircraft, pilots, and mechanic who volunteered to be Santa Claus. The bar was set high, but next year we look forward to visiting multiple times to engage more children and to increase membership in the new chapter." said Coordinator Steven Schaffner.

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CITY: SFO/San Francisco, CA
COORDINATOR: Kim Gabrelcik
PARTICIPANTS: Alaska, United, Skywest & Horizon

Volunteers in the San Francisco area made Easter and Christmas visits to the young patients at John Muir Children’s Hospital in Walnut Creek, CA.

Volunteers had lots of aviation-oriented supplies to supplement the gifts. A great time was had by every-one.



CITY: RSW/Fort Myers, FL
COORDINATOR: Peter Cappio
PARTICIPANTS: Allegiant Air



This years PFK RSW chapter visited Johns Hopkins All Children’s Outpatient Care in Fort Myers, FL on December 10, 2019. It was a fantastic day filled with presents, children’s smiles and laughter with Santa.

The RSW chapter raised over \$1,000 this year and was able to give gifts to all the children at Johns Hopkins that day, including a few future pilots who were thrilled to talk all things airplanes with the pilot group.



Pilot wings were also given out to every kid, making the entire group honorary pilots for the day! It truly was such a special day, one that the patient representative supervisor said the kids would be talking about for a very long time!

Above, PFK volunteers in SFO spread lots of cheer as they visited patients at John Muir Children’s Hospital..

Right, young patients in Fort Myers enjoyed the PFK visits. Santa was even able to take time from his busy schedule!



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CITY: NYC/New York, NY

COORDINATOR: Morgan Proffer

PARTICIPOANTS: Republic, JetBlue & Emirates

On Tuesday, February 4th, 2020, nine pilots banded together at NewYork-Presbyterian Morgan Stanley Children in Manhattan to spend two hours with dozens of children and their families. While none of the pilots were flying that day, the “Junior Captains” and their families were transported far away from the thought of being in a hospital, if only for an afternoon. From building balsa wood flyers, flying distance competitions and performing mini magic shows, to painting, the PFK pilots had hours of fun giving back to those who needed it most. Tuesday turned out to be a huge win for the kids and PFK network; hopefully the start of many more to come!

Coordinator Morgan Proffer expressed appreciation, “A special thank you to those that showed up and donated, making this inaugural NYC event one to remember! We have also secured a partnership with Mount Sinai Kravis Children’s Hospital with events starting in March.”



Above, volunteers in DFW distributed gifts to over 720 hospitalized children in December culminating another very successful year.

CITY: DFW/Dallas, TX

COORDINATOR: Andrew Brigman

PARTICIPANTS: Alaska, American, Delta, Southwest, Envoy, Spirit, Jet Linx, NetJets, Monarch & Mesa



Above, PFK members in NYC visited patients at NewYork-Presbyterian Morgan Stanley Children’s Hospital in Manhattan on February 4th.

DFW Pilots for Kids visited four children’s hospitals in the month of December 2019. Over 100 pilots, flight attendants and sponsors volunteered, providing over 720 children with remote controlled helicopters, Melissa and Doug toys, Pillow Pets, wireless ear buds, and restaurant gift cards for the NICU families. Over 1000 fun balloons were distributed as well. Children’s book author, Janet Sever Hull, was on hand to autograph her children’s books. PFK made several room visits and children who were mobile participated in great arts and crafts. Volunteers visited two NICU’s that were very busy with over 145 infants. PFK provided the families with gift cards to a local restaurant so they could get away from the hospital and have a meal. Thank you to all the volunteers and sponsors for making this a successful Pilots for Kids season.

Welcome New PFK Members

Joshua Adams	SkyWest Airlines	Sean Chuplis	United Airlines
Andrew Ahel	Mesa Airlines	Michale Cippant	PSA Airlines
Andrew Akins	Republic Airlines	Dave Clavey	United Airlines
Whitney Alexander	SkyWest Airlines	Alex Coletta	Republic Airways
David Allan	Unites Airlines	Matt Collins	PSA Airlines
Daniel Andrews	Air Methods	Taryn Colson	SkyWest Airlines
Mckenley Andrews	Robinson Mesa Airlines	Dan Cook	United Airlines
Lisa Archibald	Delta Air Lines	Marcus Cooper	Spirit Airlines
Jared Armstrong	United Airlines	Marcus Cooper	United Airlines
David Aronstam	SkyWest Airlines	Cisco Cristobal	NetJets
Steven Arroyo	United Airlines	Sal Crocker	United Airlines
Anthony Arzave	Air Wisconsin Airlines	Veronika Csanyi	Mira Vista Aviation
Dustin Autry	Delta Air Lines	Sean Curnow	PSA Airlines
David Bailey	Envoy Airlines	Daniel Curran	Republic Airways
Tyler Bailey	Republic Airways	Brandon Daniele	Envoy Air
Adam Baker	Endeavor Airlines	Cari Davidson	United Airlines
Brendan Baldonado	Piedmont Airlines	John Davison	ExpressJet Airlines
Annie Barre	SkyWest Airlines	Andrew Dean	SkyWest Airlines
Antonios Batson	Republic Airways	James DeNigris	JetBlue
Kevin Behnke	Compass Airlines	Brian Depuy	Envoy
James Bell	United Airlines	Curtis Detzer	American Airlines
Matt Bell	United Airlines	Robert Devadason	JetBlue Airways
Guilherme Benette	Republic Airways	Sheldon Devantier	Republic Airways
Karen Bennett	Alaska airlines	Ian Ditty	Compass Airlines
Ben Bigelow	American Airlines	Kate Donovan	Republic Airways
Shane Bise	Netjets	Matthew Eager	SkyWest Airlines and USAFR
Zachary Blake	SkyWest Airlines	Hady Eltokhy	Republic Airways
Noel Blake	NetJets	John Eskuri	United Airlines
David Bloxsom	Spirit Airlines	Justin Ettlinger	Compass Airlines
Nick Bolander	FedEx	William Fahan	Republic Airways
Sean Bowen	ExpressJet	Jillian Fontaine	Endeavor Airlines
Skyler Breitenstein	Southwest Airlines	Brandon Fontaine	JetBlue Airways
Ian Briskey	SkyWest Airlines	Dakota Foster	Republic Airways
Christopher Broderick	Piedmont Airlines	Wyatt Fuehrer	Indiana State University
Dallas Brown	Envoy Air	Tracey Fulford	United Airlines
Logan Brown	SkyWest Airlines	Tomasz Gaj	SkyWest Airlines
Ryan Brown	Southwest Airlines	Colby Galbreath	Republic Airways
Eric Burns	SWA ret	Vikram Ganti	Endeavor Air
Heather Burton	Trans States Airlines	Cristian Garcia Dickens	Republic Airways
Heather Buxton	American Airlines	Bradley Gatheridge	Delta Air Lines
Seth Byerley	unk	Jared Germain	SkyWest Airlines
Keenan Cadman	Delta air lines	Kimberly Gibson	Delta Air Lines
Michael Cahill	unk	Lenue Gilchrist	United Aitline
William Carrigan	United Airlines	Amanda Glover	SkyWest Airlines
Shelley M Cesulka	Southwest Airlines	Jeffrey Grainge	Republic Airways
Michael Chiou	Alaska	Taylor Gray	Piedmont Airlines

Welcome New PFK Members (cont.)

Gianluca Grilli	Envoy Air	Rg Lutz	United Airlines
Wil Grimshaw	Compass Airlines	Donley Lytle	unk
Christian Grobe	Republic Airways	Scott Mabrey	United Airlines
Mel Gross	Republic Airline	George Maciak	SkyWest Airlines
Michael Groux	Mesa Airlines	David MacInnes	Alaska Airlines
James Gursky	Corporate	Dave Manning	United Airlines
Jeffrey Guynes	Delta Air Linez	Christopher Manto	Endeavor Air
Osman Hammoud	unk	Anthony Martin	Jet Linx
Chad Hampton	AT&T	Robert Maslar	United Airlines
Matthew Harlin	JetBlue	Lindsay Mason	PSA Airlines
Janis Harrington	USN	Anthony Mast	Alaska Airlines
Cody Helton	Republic Airways	Aren Mattens	SkyWest Airlines
Anders Herjander	Compass Airlines	Jim McClung	PSA Airlines
Tracey Hogan	Delta Air Lines	Kevin McCunney	Endeavor Air
Pete Hooper	United Airlines	Duff McElligott	United Airlines
Stephen Houk	Delta Air Lines	Michael McGough	Delta Airlines
Aaron Hovde	Skywest	Kristin Mckenzie	Southwest Airlines
Christopher Hughes	PSA Airlines	Drew McKinney	Republic Airways
Samantha Huie	PSA Airlines	Sean McLean	Republic Airways
Sajjad Husain	Mesa Air	Marcus McNeace	unk
Alex Illes	Compass Airlines	Joshua Mekata	Skywest Airlines
Kelsey Irwin	SkyWest Airlines	Daniel Mello	SkyWest Airlines
Kevin Jo	Envoy	Catherine Miller	United
Thomas Johnson	SkyWest Airlines	Don Miller	unk
James Jossierand	SkyWest Airlines	Karen Mitchell	Netjets
Bryan Keeney	Mesa Airlines	Joe Moore	Piedmont Airlines
Jim Kelley	United Airlines	Edward Morawski	unk
G William Keyes	Retired/UPS	Austin Mormando	Endeavor Air
Do Youn Kim	Skywest Airlines	Joe Morowitz	United Airlines
Shawn Kinmartin	Trans States Airlines	Nickolas Murray	Delta Air Lines
Kathryn Rose Kirby	Delta Air Lines	Ricky Myers	Envoy Air
Sergey Kireyev	L3Harris Airline Academy/En- voy Air	Thomas Nielsen	Spirit Airlines
Jason Kirkman	GoJet Airlines	Evan Noah	Envoy Air
William Kirkpatrick	PSA Airlines	Hanna Oberst	SkyWest airlines
Jesse Kirvan	Delta Air Lines	Merritt Oder	PSA Airlines
Austin Kisling	Endeavor Air	Brendan ODonnell	Alaska Airlines
Erica Koehler	Republic Airways	Parrish Olmstead	Delta Air Lines
Amy Kohlhase	Alaska Airlines	Yamila Ortiz	Piedmont Airlines
James Larkin	Delta	Max Osswald	Skywest Airlines
Alan Larsen	United Airlines	Glenn Ott	Alaska airlines
Ryan Lase	Endeavor Airlines	Jose Paniagua Zamora	unk
Eric Laue	Compass Airline	Rachel Paukowits	UAL
Chao Li	Envoy Air Inc	Nicholas Pavia	Endeavor Air
Michael Lockard	Republic Airline	Derek Pegram	Skywest Airlines
Marc Lowe	United	Chris Pennington	Envoy Air
		J.B. Pensis	Netjets Aviation

Welcome New PFK Members (cont.)

Zachary Peterson	Republic Airways	John Sommers	Endeavor Air
Andy Pfeiffer	Compass	Gabriel Soto	JetBlue
Robert Picard	Jetblue Airways	Chris Squillaciotti	FEDEX
Anthony Piland	Republic Airways	Michael Stauter	Kalitta Air LLC
Ryan Pinto	Republic Airways	Andy Stevens	Spirit Airlines
Spencer Plattner	SkyWest Airlines	Marcin Sudo	Republic Airways
Taylor Potter	United Airlines	Paul Sweet	Jetblue
Harish Prasad	Republic Airways	Raven Talbot	Compass Airlines
Stephen Price	Envoy Air	Mark Tatum	United Airlines
Luis Prieto Fuenmayor	Expressjet Airlines	Courtney Tatum	United Airlines
Morgan Proffer	Republic Airways	Brian Teague	PSA airlines
Jeremy Prussman	Republic Airways	Blake Terry	United Airlines
Greg Radun	Delta Air Lines	Daniel Thangavelu	CommutAir
Stephen Ray	American Airlines	Craig Theisen	United Airlines
Zach Rea	Endeavor Air	John Tonielli	Envoy Air
Lisa Reeder	Republic Airways	Alex Torres	United Airlines
Aubrey Reel	Endeavor Air	Peter Treichler	United Airlines
Jonathan Reigle	Envoy Air	James Tullos	Southwest
Austin Richter	PSA Airlines	Drew Tuminello	Republic Airways
Maria Rinaldi	SkyWest Airlines	Jonah Van der Werff	Horizon Air
Sean Roach	Republic Airways	Giacomo Ventimiglia	SkyWest Airlines
Jarid Roan	Trans States	Wesley Viilo	Delta Air Lines
Lisa Roberts	Netjets	Matt Ward	Envoy Air
Romy Robinson	SkyWest Airlines	James Wasef	SkyWest Airlines
Mike Rooney	Southwest Airlines	James Weatherford	Envoy Airlines
Tj Rose	Spirit Airlines	Eric Weber	Southwest Airlines
Joachim Roselio	Kalitta Air	Devin Weller	SkyWest Airlines
Vlad Rus	SkyWest Airlines	Angela Wendel	Skywest
Dave Samuels	Net Jets Avn	Jerome Williams	Mesa Airlines
Scott Sauers	Compass Airlines	Alexander Williams-Hoffman	SkyWest Airlines
Coleman Schelitzche	Delta Air Lines	Ryan Wisniewski	Delta Air Lines
Alec Schoedel	Republic Airways	Christopher Wulle	FedEx Express
Shane Schuster	SkyWest Airlines	Christine Zavodnik	Republic Airways
Jeff Schweitzer	Delta Air Lines	Christopher Zoppi	Republic Airways
Jeana Shindo	SkyWest Airlines	Mark Zust	Spirit Airlines
Riley Shipe	Endeavor Air		
Charles Shirley	Spirit		
Aaron Shotts	Envoy		
Riley Silberman	Compass Airlines		
Wyatt Sinko	Republic Airways		
Richard Smith	Compass Airlines		
Steven Smith	Spirit Airlines		
Mindy Smith	N/A		
Kyle Soffin	MI Air National Guard/Sky West Airlines		
John Sokol	Compass Airlines		



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CITY: SLC/Salt Lake City, UT

COORDINATOR: Bill Patterson

PARTICIPANTS: Delta, SkyWest, Southwest, Compass, Frontier and PSA

Volunteers in SLC made four visits this holiday season, meeting with patients at The Children's Center-Salt Lake City, The Children's Center-Kearns, the YMCA in Ogden, UT., and the Shriner's Hospital in SLC. Everyone had a wonderful time!



Above, MEM volunteers spread joy as they visited patients at Le Bonheur Children's Hospital.

CITY: MEM/Memphis, TN

COORDINATOR: Paul Sanchez

PARTICIPANTS: USAF, FedEx

Joined by local pilot's, including their children and members of the Memphis USAF ANG 164th AW & 155th AS, PFK volunteers brought some sunshine, Christmas cheer and presents to some beautiful children at Le Bonheur Children's Hospital in Memphis, TN. Thanks to our men & women of the armed forces for their service, but mostly for their ability to give a top performance of Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer that was filmed and broadcasted on closed circuit TV to all 255 rooms in the hospital.

As in years past, PFK volunteers give hope to children who are sick and are spending their Christmas in a hospital, or to a school child whose family has had difficulties and isn't able to provide gifts or celebrate during the holiday season.

Thank you to all of the volunteers for spending their time and making generous donations. This help brings a positive change to a child's life.



Above, SLC volunteers made four hospital visits during the holiday season, distributing gifts and spreading good cheer.

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Above, PFK volunteers in Rochester, NY distributed gifts to children at the local "Winter Wonderland" event on December 20th.

CITY: ROC/Rochester, NY
COORDINATOR: Cody Murphy
PARTICIPANTS: Various

The Pilots for Kids group in Rochester, NY spent time on the evening on December 20th at a "Winter Wonderland" event, spreading holiday cheer throughout the evening. Volunteers handed out goodie bags, played games and took pictures with the children. It was a great time with plenty of smiles!



CITY: ANC/Anchorage, AK
COORDINATOR: Matt & Rose Colbern
PARTICIPANTS: FedEx, ALaska and USAF

The Anchorage Pilot for Kids event on December 17, 2019, was one of the most wonderful times of the year. The cold winter Alaska day did not keep seventeen pilots and organizers from attending the annual PFK event with open arms and Christmas cheer. None of this would be possible without the time, commitment and heart that goes into making this event so wonderful. Their presence at these hospital visits is one every child looks forward to.

Santa and the pilot group gave out over 150 gifts to those children admitted at Providence Alaska Medical Center and Alaska Native Medical Center. In addition to the children's gifts, parent bags, sibling gifts, candy canes and cookies for the nurses stations were also given out. All the children were welcomed by the amazing "Midnight Sons" Barber Shop Quartet, that so willingly give their time and beautiful voices to be heard by all.

Anchorage Pilots for Kids also helped make Christmas a little brighter for five young boys living in the Charlie Elder House. Charlie Elder House is a voluntary, long-term residence for homeless teenage boys, twelve through nineteen. These boys learn to live independently, achieve academic success, maintain positive relationships and contribute to the community. It was an honor to be part of these young boys lives again this year.

"Thank you also the incredibly loyal elves that help make this wonderful event possible. Thank you Amy Carman, Martha Carver and Kim Meeds for your endless time and help. You are all amazing!" from Coordinators Matt and Rose Colbern.

Left and right, ANC volunteers distributed over 150 gifts to youngsters at Providence Alaska Medical Center and Alaska Native Medical Center again this holiday season.



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CITY: PHX/Phoenix, AZ

COORDINATOR: Win Copeland

PARTICIPANTS: American, Delta, Southwest, United, Compass and Envoy

The Phoenix Pilots for Kids volunteers gathered at Phoenix Children's Hospital on December 13th for their annual visit. This year was special as the group celebrated 30 years of visiting with their special friends at the hospital. The hospital has grown and changed dramatically over the years from 30 kids at a shared facility with Good Samaritan Hospital in 1989 on the first visit, to their current facility in central Phoenix with a census of 450 kids for this year's visit.



PCH does a remarkable job of caring for the precious children entrusted to their care as well as the parents who find themselves in the hospital with their little ones when they should be at home celebrating this special time of the year. Pilot's for Kids holds a special place at the hospital and each year they remind the group of how much their visit means to the parents and especially the kids. The hospital even asked PFK to sign their "Hall of Fame" wall this year.



In 1989 when PFK started their visits, the group was primarily represented by America West pilots and mostly all male pilots. As you can see from this year's photo, that too has changed dramatically.

Below, PFK volunteers in Phoenix celebrated 30 years of visiting Phoenix Children's Hospital by distributing gifts to about 450 children.

Above, TUS PFK members visited with about 30 children at Banner Diamond Children's Hospital in early December.

CITY: TUS/Tucson, AZ

COORDINATOR: Keaton Galbraith

PARTICIPANTS: Compass and United

On December 10th, PFK volunteers visited the kids at Banner Diamond Children's Hospital in Tucson, AZ. The small group of volunteers visited roughly 30 children and handed out airplanes, slime, and many other kid-friendly gifts.



P i l o t s F o r K i d s O r g a n i z a t i o n



CITY: EWR/Newark, NJ

COORDINATOR: Brian Heron

PARTICIPANTS: United, Delta and CAE Citation Jet Training

PFK volunteers again visited St. Joseph's Children's Hospital in Paterson, NJ. This year was their thirteenth time doing the PFK event in the north Jersey area with visits to St. Joseph's for the past eight years or so. In addition to the toys delivered to patients, the group left plenty of extra toys and gifts for the other children and siblings.



There were several new volunteers this year and it was a special experience for them. The group was also joined by Steve Baskis, Founder & President of Blind Endeavors. Steve is a Veteran who was injured in the Middle East by an IED. He's completely blind and has a remarkable spirit and attitude. He has climbed several of the tallest peaks since his injuries. He is a Purple Heart recipient as well.



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January 21, 2020

Mr. Brian Heron
Pilots for Kids

Dear Brian and Pilots for Kids Friends,

This letter is being sent with many thanks to you for remembering the pediatric patients who were hospitalized at St. Joseph's Children's Hospital this past holiday season. Our Child Life Department feels so fortunate to have had you as a partner in helping us brighten the holidays for our children and families.

Your friendly presence and the gifts you so generously donated and gave to our pediatric patients during their hospital stay helped our children cope with the hospital stay, brought normalcy to the hospital environment and celebration to the holiday season at the hospital. Our Child Life Department is responsible for these extremely important social and emotional aspects of health care. We would not have been able to accomplish our mission without your help.

We are grateful for you reaching out to us again this past holiday season and truly hope you continue to keep our pediatric patients in mind for future donations throughout the year. We wish you all the best, thank you for the smiles you brought to the faces of our children and families, and hope to hear from you again this December!

Kind Regards,

Tiffany Shevchik

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Long-time Coordinator, Brian Heron, relayed one of the memorable experiences, "The Child Life Specialist leader had one particular patient who was a teenage boy about 14 years old. He very specifically wanted to meet me and the Delta Captain, Dave. We gave him a B-747 die cast model mounted on a ramp scene. He wanted us to sign his model so we got a Sharpie and signed each wing of his 747. He asked us some really great and thoughtful questions. We really remember the children that stand out and this young man was our special guy this year!"

Left, EWR volunteers delivered toys again this year to St. Joseph's Children's Hospital in Patterson, NJ. As usual, it was a very special experience for everyone involved.

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CITY: ORF/Norfolk, VA

COORDINATOR: Kristin Burke

PARTICIPANTS: Various

On December 11th, PFK volunteers in the Norfolk/Virginia Beach area (ORF) again delivered donations to CHKD (Children's Hospital of the Kings Daughters) in Norfolk, VA. This was the 2nd Annual ORF PFK Christmas Toy Drive held for CHKD and the ORF PFK chapter donated over \$2400 worth of toys this year thanks to the generous members. These toys went to the children and families of children that spent the holiday in the hospital.



Above, ORF volunteers delivered over \$2400 worth of toys for distribution to patients at the Children's Hospital of the Kings Daughters in Norfolk.



Above, Seattle volunteers celebrated their 26th year visiting hospitalized children in the area.

CITY: SEA/Seattle, WA

COORDINATOR: Barry Sacks

PARTICIPANTS: Delta, Alaska and partner airlines

Seattle area PFK had another great holiday visit. This marks their 26th year of visiting with hospitalized children and their families in the Seattle area. PFK members spent several hours visiting patients at Mary Bridge Tacoma Children's hospital handing out gifts, taking "polaroid" pictures, and visiting with patients and their families.

Long-time Coordinator Barry Sacks pointed out, "It is the high point of the holiday for all of us. We could not do this without the support of the hospital staff and their generous donation of their time."

CITY: IAD/Washington, DC

COORDINATOR: Julie Callens

PARTICIPANTS: United, Republic, JetBlue, Alaska, Delta, PSA, Envoy and Atlas

The Washington DC chapter of PFK had another stellar year! The group continued to expand their outreach and provided a brunch for families of patients at the Childrens Inn at the National Institute of Health in March. A group of pilots and flight attendants prepared breakfast for over 50 people that morning!

The staff at ALPA National Headquarters held a MASSIVE toy drive benefiting Pilots for Kids. Volunteers were able to pass out toys at 4 local hospitals and visit over 125 patients. PFK's visit to Georgetown University Hospital followed a visit by the Washington Capitals hockey team and many of the nurses mentioned that the pilots were more popular than the Stanley Cup!!!

Coordinator Julie Callens expressed her appreciation, "We would like to thank all of those who volunteered or donated to make this year so successful."

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CITY: PIT/Pittsburgh, PA
COORDINATOR: Ryan Zapko
PARTICIPANTS: Republic, UPS, American and Southwest

PFK volunteers from Pittsburgh had their yearly “Party with Pilots” gathering at UPMC Children’s Hospital. The visit was another great success! Thirty-six feet of tables were required to hold all of the toys. The children and volunteers all had a wonderful time!



Above, PIT volunteers held their “Party with Pilots” event at UPMC Children’s Hospital, delivering loads of toys to hospitalized patients.

CITY: ORD/Chicago, IL
COORDINATOR: Kathi Hurst
PARTICIPANTS: Various

On December 9th, PFK volunteers from the Chicago area gathered to hand out gifts to children at Lutheran’s Children’s Hospital.



Above and right, a dedicated group of PFK volunteers from the Chicago area visited patients and distributed gifts at Lutheran’s Children’s Hospital.



Above and right, PFK members distributed gifts to patients at Sanford and Avera McKennan Children’s Hospital during the holiday season.



CITY: FSD/Sioux Falls, SD
COORDINATOR: Casey Delaney
PARTICIPANTS: Delta, Skywest, UPS and United

Pilots from Sioux Falls Pilots for Kids visited Sanford and Avera McKennan Children’s Hospital to hand out toys and share some Christmas cheer with kids and their families.



Pilots For Kids Organization



Enjoy this collage of 2019 Pilots for Kids photos. They are representative of events happening everywhere that our pilot volunteers visit!



P i l o t s F o r K i d s O r g a n i z a t i o n



Subject: *Thankfulness*

Hello my name is Marissa Gutierrez and my daughter is Julissa. She is a 17 year old young lady who has suffered all her life with many, many issues, physical as well as mental. She is a fighter though. She has been suffering with chronic pain for most of her young life and this time around she ended up at CHOC needing pain control and a revision of her vp shunt that goes into her brain. She has suffered tremendously this time around. I wanted to tell you a little bit about her because your sweet gift of Woodstock and the gift card put a smile on her face and let me tell you, I don't get many of those. So thank you, may God bless each and every one of you for your generosity and for giving me the gift of a smile from my daughter. May God repay you a millionfold.

*Sincerely,
Marissa Gutierrez*



*It's what we do...
And why every visit is special!*





In Memoriam

On January 28, 2020 hospitalized children and our organization lost a true friend. On that date our long time PFK Vice President Captain Jack E. T. Saux Jr. passed away.

Captain Saux pretty much dedicated himself to helping others. Whether it was his family, his church, his Delta pilot group, the ALPA National Board, or in our case, hospitalized children, he was there to lend a hand. In most cases that meant sage advice typically interjected with priceless one liners that kept you laughing long after the conversation ended. Jack's commitment, dedication, and contributions to PFK helped shape our organization. He will always be remembered and appreciated by all of us who had the pleasure and good fortune to have known him.

Rest in peace Captain Saux!

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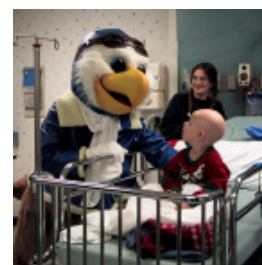
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