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Helping Hospitalized Children Since 1983

Newsletter

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Anchorage pilots, headed by Christopher and Amy Carman, get together with Fedex pilots, spouses, and friends before visiting the Providence Alaska Medical Center, the Alaska Native Medical Center, and the Clare House which is an emergency homeless shelter for women with children and expectant mothers.

“100% of our donations go to the kids”

visit us at: pilotsforkids.org

President's Corner...

Dear Members,

Pilots For Kids started with a shared vision of becoming a unique organization that helped hospitalized children. We wanted to become an all volunteer charity that relied heavily on our multi-talented membership to provide the work required to function as a charitable organization.

The end result is the organization that we have today. Without our volunteers we would be burdened with the additional expense of hiring staff. That, as you can imagine, would be expensive. Fortunately, we are not in that position, and are functioning nicely without any paid staff.

Our organization can be called unique and our members talented. However, calling us an organization of pilots with a shared vision would describe us best.

Thank you to all who help year after year.

Best wishes to all this holiday season!

Ed Faath

President, P.F.K.

CITY: DFW

COORDINATORS: Wayne Morrison

The active PFK group in the Dallas area has five visits planned for 2010 where they expect to see over 800 children. Their schedule is:

Dec. 1 10 a.m.	Cook Children's Hospital Fort Worth, TX
Dec. 6 2 p.m.	Children's Medical Center Dallas, TX
Dec. 8 9 a.m.	Texas Scottish Rite Hospital for Children
Dec. 13 3 p.m.	Our Children's House at Baylor Hospital
TBD	Ronald McDonald House Dallas, TX

Please contact Wayne via e-mail at Wayne_Morrison@verizon.net or call him at (972) 596-8685 if you are interested in helping this great group.

Happy Holidays!

*Add a new tradition
to your holiday celebration.*

*Join your friends at PFK
and share the
Spirit of the Season
with those who
are less fortunate.*

*Contact your area coordinator
to volunteer.*

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*The joy you bring to others
will come back to you
again and again.*



Peter Suek during a recent hospital visit in Guam. He and his wife, Teresa, are the 2010 Pilots for Kids Award winners.

2010 Pilots for Kids Award

Peter and Teresa Suek have been the volunteer coordinators for the Guam chapter of Pilots for Kids for the last 10 years and are leaving the Guam base, thus ending their tenure as coordinators. From the beginning, they did this together, enjoying not only the interactions with the children, but the support of the Guam based pilots for both Continental Micronesia and Cape Air.

Guam is a small island, with a small hospital, so in addition to the hospital visits during Christmas time, they took the program to other areas of Guam that provided services to Guam children, such as the local shelter or girls club. It was their goal to make the children happy as well as to help the programs out by assisting with whatever the staff needs were or even assisting with improvements to the clubhouse or shelter. They consulted with the staff at these various programs to determine the best way to spend the Guam pilot's generous donations. They also included the Guam pilots as much as they could, with clubhouse events and parties that the pilots were invited to attend. One year they coordinated donations of items and money in the name of Pilots for Kids after a devastating typhoon hit the island. In conjunction with other charities on Guam, they coordinated pilots and their families to not only give donations during this time, but to receive assistance if needed.

The volunteer coordinator from the Guam Memorial Hospital always looked forward to working with Peter and Teresa because she knew the visit would not only be well organized, but welcomed by the staff and children at the hospital. The pilots always appreciated showing up to the visit and having a variety of toys and gifts available for them to give out, so their focus could be on the children. Donations were given partly due to the Suek's involvement, as pilots knew the money would be well spent and the children of Guam would be cared for. Thank you to the Suek's for their years of generous service and ***congratulations to our 2010 PFK Award winners.***



Photo above shows Delores Pavletic, Steve Gramley and Sharon Maddock Nader (left to right) during a visit to Advocate Hope Children's Hospital (ORD) on March 17th.

Chicago Tribune Recognizes PFK Visit

Although March is usually reserved for shamrocks and leprechauns, an exceptional group of volunteers from the Starlight Children's Foundation and ***Pilots for Kids*** organizations teamed up with the staff at Hope Children's Hospital to lift spirits and deliver plenty of magic as part of a special Child Life Week celebration on Wednesday, March 17. In support of their mission to provide hope and support for hospitalized children, magicians from the Starlight Children's Foundation performed a special magic show for patients and families. Additionally, volunteer pilots representing two major airlines delivered toys and other special treats to pediatric patients at the hospital.

"This visit is part of our commitment to help lift the spirits of all Chicagoland pediatric patients," said FedEx pilot and volunteer, Captain Delores Pavletic. "It is a magical experience, kind of like flying, our visits take these kids to a special place far and away from their illness for a few moments of complete joy and you see it in all their faces."

Child Life Month is designed to honor child life specialists as they work to ensure quality, family-centered, and developmentally appropriate care for children. Hope Children's Hospital is proud to team up with the National Child Life Council to educate health care professionals and the public about the psychosocial needs of children in pediatric settings.

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POSITION: WEB SITE ADMIN.

Seeking a volunteer with a strong background in web site administration. If interested, please call Ed Faath at (407) 791-3790.

CITY: IAD**COORDINATORS: Eddy & Julie Callens**

Three hospital visits are planned for the Washington, DC area this year.

Dec. 15 2 p.m. Loudoun Hospital

Dec. 16 1 p.m. Georgetown Hospital

TBD (12/8 or 12/9) Fairfax Hospital for Women and Children

Please contact the Callens' via e-mail at dullespfk@aol.com if you are interested in joining in the holiday festivities. It is a very worthwhile and memorable endeavor.



American and United pilots take a quick photo break during a 2009 hospital at Luthern General in Parkridge, IL.

Join fellow PFK members and make 2010

our best year ever!

SPECIAL GIFTS

Looking for a few pilot related gifts? It is as easy as shopping at our website to select just what you need. Visit us at "The Store" at pilotsforkids.org & pick out some of our unique gifts.

PFK Merchandise:**Sport Sweatshirt**

The ideal garment for any season.

Choose your sweatshirt from white, ash or royal blue.

Sizes: White and Ash -

Youth Large, M, L, XL, 2XL

Royal Blue - L, XL \$16.00

**PFK Merchandise**

Pilots For Kids items, including: sweatshirts, polos, T-s, ball caps, travel mugs and luggage tags are available.

Visit *The Store* at Pilots For Kids.org or contact our Merchandise Coordinator, Carol Stocker at cmstocker@roadrunner.com



T-shirts \$10.00



Ball caps \$7.50, & \$10.00



Travel Mugs \$9.00

**WELCOME
NEW MEMBERS!**

Chuck & Ivy Heberle

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Linh Bui

Adam Haugene

Thomas Witts

Jason Douthitt

Russell Griffith

Stewart Zitner

Adalbert Doles

Arthur Goodel

Rob Linn

Paul Gomez

Erin Recke

Ryan Baker

John Antolos

Andrew Brigman

Donald Christy

Christopher Kucmierz

Grant Fitzer

Matt Mulcan

Matthew Dobro

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Express Jet

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Hawaiian

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JetBlue

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Private pilot & member
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*In Memory...**April 17, 2010**Dear Mr. Faath,*

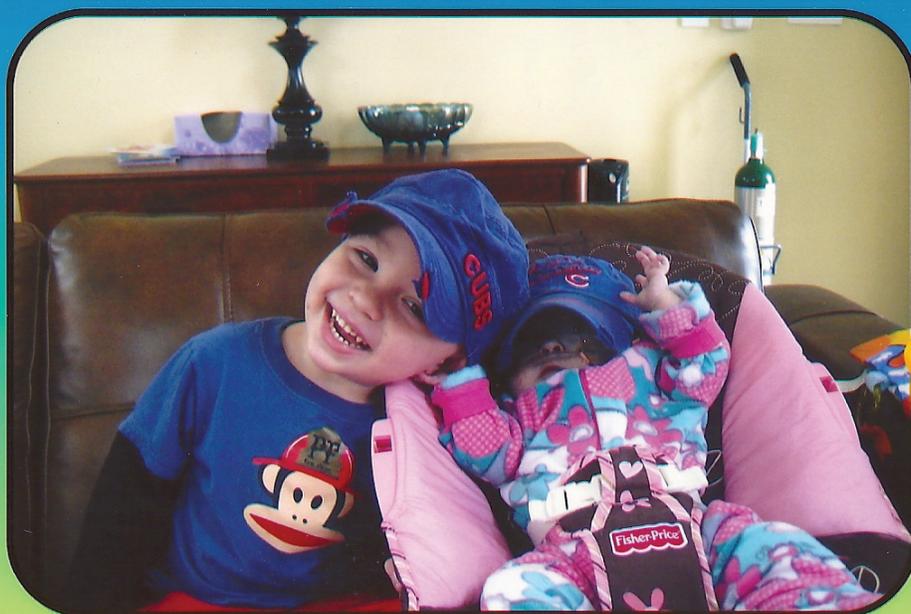
The enclosed donation for PFK is made in memory of my "flying" friend, Mrs. Rita Stec. The mother of six, grandmother of nine and a great-grandmother of, I am not sure how many, encouraged me to continue with flight lessons and when that private pilot license was in my hand, I promised to take her for a "\$100.00 hamburger." But, as fate would have it, at 2000' pattern altitude, my door came ajar. So we landed, secured the door again and took off just to have a repeat of the door incident. We flew just a few more minutes to discover some of the scenery at 2000' and then landed. We never got to fly again because she was diagnosed with pancreatic cancer and passed to new horizons on April 13th. I made the decision to donate to PFK since Rita has been involved with children/youth since I've known her. Please let the family know that a donation has been made in memory of her.

Wishing that the donations to PFK totally exceed your expectations!

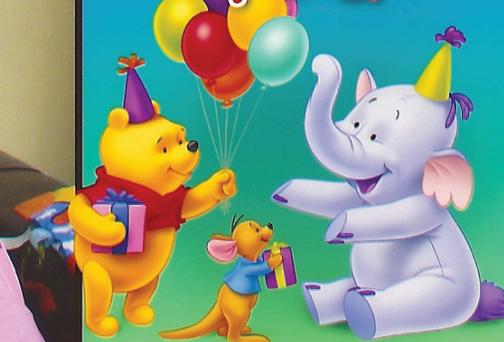
*Sincerely yours,**Mrs. Nancy Matras (CLE)**PFK...**Another way to
Share the Spirit***Golfers...**

**Keep your eyes open
for the Spring
Pilots For Kids
Golf Tournament
in the Dallas area.
Full details will
be available
in the March
PFK Newsletter.**

**Hope to see
you there!**



**Thank
You**



**THANK YOU FOR HELPING
MAKE OUR BIRTHDAY SPECIAL
AND UNFORGETTABLE.
WE LOVE YOU,
NICHOLAS AND MADDY**

A special thank you note from the family of Madison Romza who was visited at Hope Hospital (ORD) on March 10, 2010.



"Captain Baldy" is joined by a few friends during a March, 2010 visit to Advocate Hope Children's Hospital (ORD).

PFK
**Call your nearest area coordinator
 to join in this great holiday tradition!**
Share the Spirit

CITY: BIL

COORDINATORS: Heather Pfancook

Although dates have not yet been set for holiday visits in Billings, two locations have been selected: St. Vincent's Hospital and Billings Clinic.

Please contact Heather via e-mail at hpfancook@gmail.com if you are interested in joining in the holiday festivities. The Billings PFK group is always happy to have fellow members participate.

Web access: If you are a current PFK member, your username and password are: Username: **pfk** Password: **1983**

Address Change: If you have a change of address please complete the form on the back of this newsletter & mail to: Pilots For Kids, PO Box 620052 Orlando, FL 32862-0052.....Thanks!

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Pilots For Kids members include airline crewmembers, corporate, military, private, and aviation enthusiasts.
See membership form on back cover.

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PFK Mascot, Capt. Baldy

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Complete the attached membership form and return it with your tax deductible \$15 annual dues which will help fund our organization.

By becoming a member, you will receive a membership card, lapel pin, flight bag decal, luggage tag, our Pilots For Kids newsletter and most importantly, an opportunity to help hospitalized children.



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Please check here if this is a mailing or e-mail address change.

Member Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

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E-mail Address: _____

Airline/Other: _____

Please return your membership application along with your annual dues of \$15.00 to:

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Make checks payable to: *Pilots For Kids*

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