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GOVERNOR CYNTHIA

HAPPY SPRING! It is so nice to see all the dogwoods and azaleas blooming. I love all the vibrant colors of Spring. The birds are singing their best songs. The air has a sweet smell of freshness. And it is also the best time for the Georgia District-Convention! Yes, it's that time alright, when we come from across the District and gather together in Friendship. We will have a fun time on Friday evening, business to conduct, workshops to attend, and the installation of the 2017-2018 Officers that will be guiding the ship next year. We have had a great year of "Soaring into Service" and I am so proud of every club and the opportunities they have for service in their communities. It's not too late to join us. Come on and be a part of the community we call the Georgia District.





PG/PI Treasurer Judy Jackson, Governor Cynthia, PI Executive Director Nancy White, PG Louise Shimer & PG/Atlanta Club President Dene' Dixon at the Pilot Club of Atlanta Fashion Show



GOVERNOR-ELECT KATHARINE

This time of year offers many opportunities to learn and grow as Pilots, and to connect with fellow Pilots across the state and beyond. Many of us will be at District Convention in a few days, but many more will be unable to attend. I encourage all of you to attend the Regional Workshops being held throughout the state, on April 29 and May 6. You'll receive the details from your Lt. Governor; if you can't attend the workshop for your region, try to attend one for another region. All Pilots are welcome at all workshops! And let's not forget the Pilot International Convention & Leadership Conference on July 6 - 9. Las Vegas is calling!

Katharine





THE MISSION OF PILOT INTERNATIONAL IS: to

influence positive change in communities throughout the world.

TO DO THIS, WE: come together in friendship and give people an outlet for service.

WE FOCUS ON:

- Preparing youth and young adults for service.
- Encouraging brain safety and health.
- Supporting those who care for others.

DATES TO REMEMBER

April 7-9, 2017

District Convention Hilton Atlanta NE

April 29, 2017 NW, SW, EC Workshops

> May 6, 2017 NE, SE Workshops

> > July 6-9, 2017

96th Annual Convention Leadership Conference Paris Hotel, Las Vegas



CHAPLAIN'S MESSAGE

This is an oldie, but a goodie and well worth remembering again and again...At this time of District Convention and the installation of our new district officers, let each of us take these words to heart:

Believe in Yourself and Your Dreams will Come True
-- Susan Polis Schutz

Know what you can and want to do in life Set goals for yourself and work hard to achieve them.

Strive to have FUN every day
Use your creativity as a means of expressing your feelings.
Be sensitive in viewing the world.

Develop a sense of confidence. Be honest with yourself and with others.

Follow your heart and adhere to your own truths. Know that the more you give the more you will receive.

Believe in yourself and your dreams will come true.

JoAnn

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In Loving Remembrance! The Georgia District extends our deepest sympathies to those who have lost loved ones.

<u>PILOT</u>	CLUB NAME
Linda Yawn	Eastman
Lynda Turner	Washington Co
Janet (Gay) Crawley	Classic City
Bobbie Nell Wynn	Ocilla-Irwin
Evelyn Gaines	Toccoa
Gail Lewis	Gainesville
Annette Johnson	Milledgeville
Edna Thigpen	Peachtree

<u>Рігот</u>	CLUB NAME	RELATIONSHIP
Deb Beusse	Chatham	Mother

Past Governor

Dene' Dixon 95-96 FL District April 23

NW Lt. Governor

Robin Williams
April 12

Cindy Weaver
April 10



Past Governor/PI President
Cindy Weaver

Pilot Club of Jones Co.'s PI Club Ambassador for 2016-2017 Beth Coon. She is very deserving of this honor. She was a member of this club several years ago and rejoined in 2014. Since rejoining, she has been actively involved in all aspects of our club. Beth's mother, Miriam Etheridge was also a Pilot and was responsible for chartering the Pilot Club of Jones.



It will be soon time to start working on Governor Cynthia's scrapbook. Please send your pictures with description to Emily Jorgenson (emiljorg@bellsouth.net) or if you would like to mail her pictures, her address is:

Emily Jorgenson 5824 Tattersall Terr Sugar Hill, GA 30518

We would like to have ALL clubs represented in her scrapbook. Please email Emily if you have any questions.....

Thanks...





APRIL 2017 GOVERNOR'S BULLETIN



HUMMING ALONG WITH PROJECTS & VISIBILITY

Spring is here and most of us are busy with our spring activities. This is a prime time to enhance The Pilot Club's visibility with our community activities, both our projects and our fundraising events. The Cancer Society, the Brain Injury Association, The Heart Fund and numerous groups are holding special events and we can gain visibility by participating in these events.

Serving on planning committees, selling tickets, providing resources and volunteering for the event are all ways to participate. We increase public awareness of our organization and our purpose by serving with these community events. We make new friendships and have the opportunity to invite people to join our club. We are then able to share the Pilot story with our current and new friends. Partnerships with these groups may result in future joint projects that will benefit both groups.

Another opportunity to gain visibility is to sponsor a student for one of the Pilot Club scholarships. Through the process of contacting principals and guidance counselors to distribute the applications, we introduce them to the Pilot story and mission. The students who apply also learn about The Pilot story and are able to share it with their friends and family. We can invite these students to visit our meeting to become acquainted with us and our activities.

Spring is the time to put on our best smiles and share "The Pilot Story" with the world.

Beth

Beth Copeland Projects & Visibility Coordinator mcnair.copeland@comcast.net





GA District New Members...

<u>Рігот</u>	CLUB NAME	Sponsor
Holly Anne Robinson (College Student)	Cedar Valley	Bobbie Cuzzourt
Susan Browning	Dublin	Melissa Stephens
Whitney Hobbs	Dublin	Elsie Stevens
Lorraine Stuckey	CSRA	Ann Stevens
Robert Stuckey	CSRA	Ann Stevens
Jenny Banner	CSRA	Transfer PC of N. Augusta
Shirley King	CSRA	Transfer PC of N. Augusta
Vickie Ethridge	Jones Co	Reinstated
Karen Westbrook	Madison Co	Karen Fitzpatrick
Cindy Hyde	Monroe	Lynn Warren
Erica Shepley	Winder	Victoria Patrick
Paula Boyer	Bainbridge	Missy Belcher
Pamela Howard	Bainbridge	Catherine Catledge
Candice Miller	Bainbridge	Catherine Catledge
Esther DeVore	Ocilla-Irwin	Lorena Perry



KEEP FUNDRAISING HUMMING

Spring is here in all its glory of new growth and freshness! Spring comes with the urge/need for planting and nurturing not only our gardens and yards but our Pilot Clubs. We need money to plan and nurture project ideas for our clubs. Here are some ideas for club fundraising that have been successful.

The Pilot Club of Eastman (Southeast) raffled a beautiful sapphire ring for Mother's Day 2015. They advertised in the local newspaper, club newsletter, and Governor's Bulletin. The Club worked with a local jeweler who gave a discount and they sold tickets for 2 months at \$5 each. Photos of the ring were posted in several local businesses in town which helped sell tickets. Club members went to the local Recreation Department and sold tickets during ball games on week nights and weekends during tournaments.

The drawing was held at the jewelry store the week before Mother's Day. After paying for the ring the Club cleared \$3,290. This was a great fundraiser with high visibility in the community.

The Pilot Club of Atlanta (Northwest) does an Annual Fashion Show. The Club spends months planning and preparing a fabulous Afternoon Tea featuring clothing from Dillard's, fun door prizes, raffle item, silent auction and specialty vendors. Local students, Anchors and Pilots are the runway models. Proceeds from the Fashion Show benefit Relay for Life of Hall County in honor and memory of Dottie Adams. Generally the fundraiser nets \$1,500 -\$2,000. A fantastic idea for any club - use a local Specialty Dress Shop unique to your area that would appeal to and focus on community involvement between the Pilot Club and local business.

Another successful fundraiser was a Raffle done by the Pilot Club of Jefferson (Northeast). They sold tickets for a \$500 Wal-Mart Gift Card and netted about \$6,000. Wow!

Think about the fundraising ideas these three clubs used and expand on them or let their ideas challenge your Club to explore new ideas that will benefit your club and community.

Joyce Reynolds Fundraising Coordinator

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVE

Hello Pilots.

District convention is just around the corner! Pilots come together to handle their business, share information, and explore ideas. Let's not forget the friendship that we share along the way!

Each year, Pilot districts have the responsibility to elect new officers, accept a budget, and handle other necessary business items. These actions are part of what active organizations do. Yes, having elections is healthy for an organization! They also need to have time to share what they have done – the things that worked and the things that didn't. One club's sharing may influence another club. We also have to look beyond what "we have always done" and "the tried and true" to see new paths in accomplishing our goals.

District Convention can be seen not only as a responsibility but also as an opportunity. We get the opportunity to learn new things. Think about what you have learned while attending district convention. Think about the guest speakers, the workshops, and the training sessions. Have you taken some of that learning back to your club and put it to work? Yes, district convention is a time for learning and growing. We also have the opportunity to talk with other Pilots from the district and share a bit of Pilot friendship.

I look forward to attending your district convention. I will be sharing with you an update from Pilot International as well as inviting you to our 2017 Pilot International Annual Convention and Leadership Summit to be held in Las Vegas. We will be handling our business, and we are going to have some fabulous speakers and workshops. I think you are going to love the service project that we will be doing!

I hope you are planning to come to Vegas. Registration is open now. The hotel is taking reservations. Don't miss out on this opportunity to meet with Pilots from throughout our international organization. There's no telling what you will learn!

See you at convention!

Elena

Elena Lara-Ramon GA District ECR elena.pcdallas@gmail.com





Pictured (I to r): Ann Connelly, Elizabeth Copeland and Jenny Banner. Ann is a member of the North Augusta PC in SC. Jenny just transferred to the CSRA club from the North Augusta PC because they just disbanded



SOARING INTO ANCHOR SERVICE

We had a great Anchor Convention this year. We had 160 in attendance. This number includes Anchors, Advisers, Pilots and Guests. The theme for this year's convention was "Anchors Swingin on A Star." The convention started on Friday night with a game of Clue. The Anchors enjoyed trying to figure out who killed me. They finally figured out that I was murdered in room 224 with a knife. After they spent time getting to know each other over the game they were able to spend time in the hospitality room painting hospital art. The Anchor board selected two patriotic art pieces for this year's convention.

On Saturday morning we conducted the business of Anchor. We elected officers for the coming years, and heard from Cindy Saylor about the new adventure between Partnership for Success clubs and Anchor Clubs. Our luncheon speaker was Tim Tyson from the Ronald McDonald House. Mr. Tyson told us the story of how Ronald McDonald house came about. After the luncheon the Anchor's presented Mr. Tyson with 20 gallons of pull tabs to take back with him. During the afternoon the Anchor's participated in workshops. They were able to work off their lunch with Zumba and Self-Defense. After those two workshops they were able to attend Personality Traits, Improv, or Internet Security (Cyber Bullying). Two of the workshops were led by members of the Anchor Board. The Internet Security workshop was led by Pilot Pat Garner.

On Saturday evening Governor Cynthia installed the Anchor Officers for 2017-2018. The officers are as follows: Northwest Region Chari: Anna Hovater, Roswell High School; Southeast Region Chair: Kayley Perry, West Laurens High School; East Central Region Chair: Olivia Ryals, John Milledge Academy; Southwest Region Chair: Yasmin Guzman, Bainbridge High School; Northeast Region Chair: Anna Grace Tompkins, Franklin County High School; Secretary: Abbi Crosby, Rabun County High School; Convention Chair: Olivia Salter, John Milledge Academy; President-Elect: Eliza Kate Floyd, Franklin County High School; President Susanna Grafton, Rabun County High School.

The Anchors brought scrapbooks to the convention that chronicled their activities and service projects throughout the year. The scrapbook winners were as follows: 3rd Place: Madison County High School, 2nd Place: West Laurens High School, and 1st Place: Franklin County High School. The winners of the service project were as follows: 3rd Place: Elbert County High School, 2nd Place: Madison County High School, and 1st Place: Brentwood High School.

Each year we award three \$500.00 scholarships. The money for this scholarship comes from their Georgia District dues. This year's recipients were Dishae Patel, West Laurens, Cathleen Mellor, Roswell, and Kylie Bruce, Franklin County. After the awards banquet we closed out the weekend with a dance. If you have never experienced a weekend with Anchors I encourage you to come to Anchor Convention next year.

Mary Turner
Anchor Coordinator
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"Spotlight Our Clubs"

Mrs. Leslie Jacobs (shown above) from Jacobs' Ladder Therapeutic Riding Center in Hahira recently provided an informative program for the Pilot Club of Adel. She explained how horseback riding helps improve posture, coordination, and muscle tone in special needs students. Working with and caring for the horses also increases the children's self-esteem, and it can even encourage non-verbal students to begin to communicate with the horses and the adults assisting them. Jacob's Ladder is one of the many community projects you help support through your generous contributions to the annual Pilot Club Salad Luncheon and Light of Love Christmas Tree campaign.

Pilot members, Cindy Nunn, Betty Ivey, June Henson and Jean Hall with our award winner from the GA War Vets home and her painting that won at GAWD. Our club always holds a reception after the GAWD in Atlanta. Our folks don't get to attend so we party with them to honor their work.







Pilot Club of Winder recently celebrated Love Your Pet Day by inviting local Animal Control Shelter director to speak at club meeting then presented her with "shelter shower" gifts of food and supplies for the animals at the shelter. Pictured (I-r): Victoria Patrick, Cheekia Cromer, Animal Shelter Director, Jackie Fryman, Carol Glass, Jenni Overbey, Sue Leger and Marilyn Lee.

Pilot Club of Carrollton was named Volunteer Organization of the Year for 2016 by the Carroll County Training Center. Kimberly Green(r), Training Center Program Coordinator presented the award to the Club. Accepting the plaque is Projects Chair Rosanne Godsey at the club's January meeting. Members of the PC of Carrollton volunteered at the Center's Hall of Trees Christmas event which relieved the Center's staff to spend that time visiting with their clients and families. Pilot Club members arrived early and stayed late greeting, taking visitor information, providing instructions/directions, distributing tickets for voting on trees, and helping serve refreshments.

