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The **Vision of Pilot** is to achieve universal awareness and prevention of Brainrelated Disorders and Disabilities. "Seasons of Service - Be Inspired"

Hello, Pilots!

Has Spring arrived in your area, it has here in Middle Georgia. What beauty has awakened from its short winter's nap. I know it is really Spring when the pine pollen starts turning everything yellow! And the accompanying sneezes. Even with these challenges, Spring is still my favorite time of year.



Don't forget to get your registrations in for District Convention. Have you contacted the hotel, Gwinnett Place Marriott, to reserve your room? Be sure to let them know you are with the Pilot District convention. If you go to our website, pilotgeorgia.org, click on the Events tab you will see a link to the hotel reservation system and you may register there with no problem. Make sure you enter the correct dates in the reservation area of the on-line form. **Also, all clubs must submit at least one full registration fee, per District Standing rules**. We have had several folks who can only stay for one day and we do realize that folks are very busy, but we have committed to the hotel for food and rooms and they are reliant upon are attaining these set goals. The full registration fee covers all meals and costs associated with providing materials to the delegates.

I hope by now, that you have had your nominating committee working hard to present to your clubs a slate of officers for the coming year. There is a form, in the club manual, that must be submitted to PI that lists those new officers for the 2012-2013 club year. This form is to be mailed into Pilot International by April 30, 2012.

Also, PI Headquarters will be closed Friday, April 6 for Good Friday observance.

REMINDER: Do not forget to file your club's corporation fee for the year with the Secretary of State's office. This can be done over the internet, but even if you use snail mail, it needs to be done by April 1, to avoid a penalty.

On March 25, 2012, I e-mailed out again the flyer and forms to donate to PIF during PI convention in Las Vegas. Please share this info with your club members. Even if they don't attend the convention, their continued support of PIF is needed and the BONUS is they too might win some money!!

In closing, I hope many of you will be with us at District Convention. This is a time to learn

new information, renew old friendships and make a few new ones and to help the District as a whole to welcome our newest members and support them on their journey of learning how great it is to be a Georgia District Pilot.

Yours in Pilot, *Nancy Miller*, Georgia District Governor

Please remember to visit the Georgia District website at <u>www.pilotgeorgia.org</u>.



CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

Pilots, sit back and read this quietly -

To realize The value of a sister/brother: Ask someone

Who doesn't have one.

To realize The value of ten years: Ask a newly Divorced couple.

To realize The value of four years: Ask a graduate.

To realize The value of one year: Ask a student who Has failed a final exam.

To realize The value of nine months: Ask a mother who gave birth to a stillborn.

To realize The value of one month: Ask a mother Who has given birth to A premature baby.

To realize The value of one week: Ask an editor of a weekly newspaper.

To realize The value of one minute: Ask a person Who has missed the train, bus or plane.

To realize The value of one second Ask a person Who has survived an accident.

Time waits for no one.

Treasure every moment you have.

You will treasure it even more when You can share it with someone special

To realize the value of a friend or family member:

LOSE ONE.

Remember......Hold on tight to the ones you love! Let them know that you love them!

Pilots, on this the eve of our District Convention, we have lost many Pilot sisters and countless special family members, and we will remember them in the Memorial Service Sunday AM.

Know that each one of those that have been lost is a special treasure and they will be sorely missed.

We lift up all of our Pilot brothers and sisters and their families and just know that each of you is special!

Blessings always, JoAnn

If you would like to be included on the GA District prayer board, please send me your name and e-mail address. My address is jrakers@bellsouth.net.

Blessings always, JoAnn Akers



GREETINGS FROM THE GEORGIA DISTRICT ECR

Welcome, Spring! What better time to celebrate Pilot friendships than at District Convention! Pilots who attend a convention for the very first time are

usually amazed as a "wider world of Pilot" is revealed to them!

Pilot International will provide beneficial training for Club Presidents and Presidents Elect at the upcoming Pilot International Annual Convention and Leadership Conference in Las Vegas, July 16-18, 2012. An "Enhanced Club Visit" format will be introduced and discussed. The purpose of the enhanced format is to streamline the required paperwork and provide a workable flow of information so that district officers can more efficiently address the needs of the clubs. As you elect your new club officers for the coming year, make sure you have transition meetings from the old to the new officers so that useful information can be passed along. It is also helpful to "train" your appointees in their responsibilities. Encourage Pilots to access information after the international convention through our PI Website at www.pilotinternational.org.

It's never too early to be looking ahead to your club plans for the coming year. Does your club have a strategic plan in place? Have you reviewed and updated it? Have you set a goal for growth in membership? As your club starts to create your Plans of Work for the coming year, make sure you are evaluating your current projects and fundraisers. Do you have too many? Not enough? Are they effective? Do you need to address some new needs in your community? Do your efforts in membership growth need to be up-scaled? Are you addressing the five divisions (Membership, Leadership, Projects, Fundraising, and Anchor) through active committee assignments? As you make critical decisions for the future of your club, remain focused on the mission of Pilot and on your



purpose for service in the community. Let this drive the work of your club.

Wishing you much success, and looking forward to seeing many of you at convention!

In Pilot Friendship, Sherry Johnson, ECR Georgia District



FUNDRAISING INVITATION Norma McKellar

"Doctors" Norma McKellar and Doretta Broughton invite you to

OPERATION FUNDRAISING

Planning and carrying out a successful fundraiser can be quite an operation requiring a well-organized team. Why it sounds a little like a team of doctors and nurses preparing for a surgical procedure. Or maybe we could compare all the steps in preparing a great fundraiser to the steps in making a great pot of tea. With that all in mind, "Doctor" Norma and "Doctor" Doretta invite you to attend our workshop at this year's District Convention. We will lead you in transplants, biopsies, reductions and reconstructions...whatever it takes to revive your moneymaking events. We might even repair any broken funny bones or wish bones we might find.

We hope to see you in the operating room!



FROM YOUR MEMBERSHIP CO-CHAIR

Pat Jarvis, Membership Co-Chair

Okay, here come the sports (it's almost baseball time, but this is NOT a baseball quote!!) "You miss 100% of the shots

you never take." - Wayne Gretzky.

The question becomes, "How does that quote relate to Pilot or more importantly, to membership?" I'm glad you asked!

We have spent much ink this year talking about club membership and why membership is so important! But, for this month, let's talk extension. It has been requested that each district charter a new club. However, we are not limited to just one club per district. New information has been developed to assist clubs in club building. A new Club Building Plan was adopted by the Executive Committee at their winter meeting in this detailed plan you will find all the information needed to build clubs within our districts.

The first step is to survey your surrounding communities. Is there a nearby community in need of an organization to bring an awareness of brain related disorders and services to those who are diagnosed with a brain related disorder? The answer to this is a resounding "YES!" The next step is to begin searching for members by finding at least two key people in the community who can assist by recommending prospective Pilots. Other information is included in the new Club Building Plan. A copy, along with CD-R's, has been distributed to our District Governor as well as District Membership Division Coordinators.

Now, to answer the question, "How does the above quote relate to Pilot?" Well, if you don't take the shots at building clubs, you will miss **100%** of the great experiences of organizing a new club; and communities will miss having the friendship and service that only Pilot can bring. It is time to TAKE THE SHOTS and begin building Pilot clubs.



PROJECTS Angela Gillis, Projects Coordinator

This month I am teaming up with the 2012-2013 Projects Coordinator Glynice Hayes in presenting the Projects Workshop at the District Meeting on Saturday, April 14th.

We invite each club to send a representative to the Projects Workshop Because we are offering members a CUP......a CUP of ideas and

"Could You Please" (CUP).....bring your project ideas!



This will be a workshop filled with ideas for new projects. You don't want to miss it!

Club Highlight:

The Atlanta Area Pilot Clubs annual Georgia Artists with Disabilities project has sent out the Call for Art seeking disabled artists who live in Georgia to participate in the 28th GAWD Annual Art Exhibition. The awards program & luncheon will be September 22nd at Georgia Power Company in Atlanta.

If you know of artists that might be interested in participating this year please contact, GAWD chairman Nancy Shealy at 404 377-1892 or email her at <u>NNancyas@aol.com</u>.

Don't forget to send me a recap of your special project. Just summarize your project telling who benefited, how many, how many members participated, cost involved, etc. E-mail to: afbrown@southernco.com





GEORGIA PILOT FOUNDATION PILOT INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION FUNDRAISERS

Pilots, we are down to the wire with our GPF/PIF fundraiser as we continue our Seasons of Service, Be Inspired. District

convention is April 13-15 at the Gwinnett Place Marriott. Here's what we need to do. Please continue to buy or sell your tickets. Many of the clubs have already turned in their ticket stubs and money to Robin. If your club will not be represented at convention, Robin has asked that all money and ticket stubs be mailed to her by April 7. At convention, we will need to collect it from you Friday night or first thing Saturday morning as we are doing the drawing at the awards luncheon on Saturday, April 14. We will have a table set up Friday night. So far Robin has received \$1,530 in ticket money from Governor Nancy Miller, Past Governor Helen Winstead, Atlanta, Cherokee, Gainesville, Griffin, Heard County, & Madison County. We still have a long way to go. Don't forget to bring your tickets and money.

We would still like for each Pilot to buy or sell \$20.00 worth of tickets and we will do very well. Last year we split \$9,700 between the two foundations, but we can do much better.

\$3,000 in prizes will be awarded from the fundraising proceeds. We will be drawing for nine baskets or bags to help you celebrate the "Seasons of Service". There will be eight seasonal bags with \$250 in cash and one bag to celebrate all the seasons with \$1,000 in cash.

We are asking all clubs to please use the \$50 previously used for purchasing gift cards to instead purchase additional tickets for the fundraiser in your clubs' name. This could be a great opportunity for your club to win cash to use for one of your community projects.

The tickets will sell for \$10.00 each or 4 for \$20.00 which is a half price savings. The drawing will be held at the Georgia District Convention Awards Luncheon on Saturday, April 14, 2012 at the Atlanta Gwinnett Marriott in Duluth.

Also, don't forget your club donation of \$100 or more for GPF. We have received \$100 or more from Adel, Atlanta, Bainbridge, Battlefield, Conyers, Dublin, Gainesville, Heard County, Jones County, Milledgeville, Moultrie, and Newnan with \$200 each from Statesboro and Classic City of Athens. Many smaller donations in honor of Pilots and family members have been received from Americus, Bainbridge, Blakely, Brunswick, Classic City, Gainesville, Haralson County, Statesboro, & Toccoa. I hope this is in your budget and you will send it to Robin or bring us a check at convention April 13-15. Please remember that Robin is handling all donations to GPF and for this fundraiser. Her information is below.

Again, thanks for your continued support of our fundraisers and the Georgia Pilot Foundation.

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

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		Elinor Bond		Hartwell	
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	Pilot		Pilot Club		Relationship
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WELCOME OUR NEW MEMBERS

The Georgia District would like to welcome all the newest members to our organization! WELCOME!!

New Member	Člub	Sponsor	
Linda K. Purvis	Adel		
Patricia Padgett	Adel		
Allison Gatliff	Warner Robins	Virginia Brand	
Dorethea Scott	Warner Robins	Beulah Lowder & Linda Harris	
Joann Harrell	Warner Robins	Helen Jackson	
LaWonda T. Revere	Atlanta	Lasean Abney	
Betty Bielen	Oconee Co.		





DATES TO REMEMBER

District Convention, Gwinnett Place Marriott, Duluth, GA -April 13-15, 2012 Region Workshops (NW, EC, SW) – April 28, 2012 Region Workshops (NE, WC, SE) – May 5, 2012 PI International Conv., Bally's Hotel, Las Vegas, NV – July 18-21, 2012

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

Past Governors Lucy Kachmarik, 5th Cindy Weaver, 10th Dene' Dixon, 23rd

From the Pilot Club of Moultrie... You are invited to our 70th Anniversary Celebration Thursday, April 19th 5:30 - 7:00PM The Museum of Colquitt County History 500 Fourth Avenue SE Moultrie GA For more information call Norma McKellar at 229-985-0148.





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BE INSPIRED

The Georgia District will be holding a joint fundraiser for the Georgia Pilot Foundation and Pilot International Foundation. Over \$9,700 was raised with last year's Angel Baskets with \$4,852 going to GPF and \$4,852 to PIF.

The funds donated by the Georgia District to the Pilot International Foundation allow all our local clubs to help with needs in our communities through PIF Grants and Scholarships as well as helping to insure that the Georgia District is a \$250 District with Pilot International.

The Georgia Pilot Foundation uses the proceeds to help fund scholarships to deserving Anchors. Along with the \$100 donations made by clubs and individual Pilots, we were able to award \$9,000 in scholarships last year. With the current increase in the cost of tuition for our college students, our district scholarships are needed more than ever by our future leaders.

To encourage greater participation by the Clubs we have made changes to this year's fundraiser. We <u>are not</u> asking clubs to donate cards or cash for the prizes. \$3,000 in prizes will be awarded from the fundraising proceeds. We will be drawing for nine baskets or bags to help you celebrate the "Seasons of Service". There will be 8 seasonal bags with \$250 in cash and one bag to celebrate all the seasons with \$1,000 in cash.

We are asking all clubs to please use the \$50 previously used for purchasing gift cards to instead purchase additional tickets for the fundraiser in your clubs' name. This could be a great opportunity for your club to win cash to use for one of your community projects.

Each Pilot Club will be given 60 tickets. Tickets will sell for \$10 each or 4 for \$20 which is a half price savings. Tickets will be distributed to the Club Presidents at Fall Council held in Macon on Saturday, October 8, 2011. Drawing will be held at Georgia District Convention on Saturday, April 14, 2012 at the Atlanta Gwinnett Marriott in Duluth.



Georgía Pílot Foundation, Inc.



CONTRIBUTION FORM

The Georgia Pilot Foundation, Inc. is a non-profit, charitable foundation, which currently provides post secondary education scholarships to Georgia District Anchor Club members, as well as to benefit people with disabilities and brain related disorders.

Please	e send your gift,	along with this	completed form to:	ROBIN PERRY GPF CO-REPRESENTATIVE PO BOX 1427 DUBLIN, GA 31040
Enclosed is a gift of \$		as a:		
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Pilot International



Georgía Dístrict Pílot Roundup

Howdy Georgía Dístrict Pilots!

Mosey on over to our District Convention

Fríday, Apríl 13th ís the date We'll begín at sundown (that's 7:30 p.m. for you cíty folk) So get your wiggle on! See you ín the Continental Ballroom Gwinnett Place Marríott Duluth, Georgía

Wear your cowgírl/boy boots and hats It's a bíg deal, we're just kíckíng up our heels

Bring lots of Pilot Cowgirls with you And money for BINGO too!

> We'll have a grand old tíme See you soon!

February 14, 2012

Dear Pilot Member,

It has been an interesting and productive year for Pilot, as we push ahead and put plans in place that will take us to new levels of volunteer success. Our Foundation has been steadfast in its role as the charitable, fund raising arm of Pilot...and *your member support and 'can-do' spirit* through some of the toughest economic times non-profits like ours have ever faced, has been truly invaluable.

Our PIF Fundraiser, an annual event that goes far each year in helping our Foundation achieve its goals while infusing energy and fun into the Pilot year, culminates in an exciting convention celebration of success. This year's event is aptly named: **What Happens in Vegas...Goes Home from Vegas!**, which -- broadly translated -- means that participants can go home from Vegas with a big win. But what makes this year's event really unique is its "win-win" scenario for everyone: individuals who give tax-deductible donations to this fundraiser, and the Pilot Districts they belong to. Plus, early bird donors receive a special bonus. Check the attached flyer for details.

I hope you will consider participating, and help us get the word out to others -- in your family, through your workplace, your church or synagogue, your social sites, and everywhere you go in your community. It's a perfect way to support the Foundation and give back to your district, all at one time! As always, I know I can count on you.

Remember: What Happens in Vegas...Goes Home from Vegas!

Best wishes,

Beverly

Beverly Wilkes PI President/PIF BOT Chair

DONATION FORM

What Happens in Vegas...Goes Home from Vegas!

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Donate: <u>www.pilotinternational</u>			
All donations are tax deductible	e! Thank you for	supporting Pilot Internat	tional Foundation!

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or Complete enclosed form and fax to 478-477-6978,

or Mail to: PIF, 102 A Preston Court, Macon, GA 31210

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Club Presidents: Please pass on a copy of the Governor's Bulletin to EACH member of your club. If lack of money for photocopying is a problem, bring a few copies of the Governor's Bulletin to your meeting and pass them around for everyone to read. Have each member initial it when he/she has read it.

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