



# Georgia District

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## “Happiness” is Being a Pilot....

### *Happiness is a PI Convention at the “Happiest Place on Earth”*

A very exhausted Governor Grace arrived home Sunday but I was still feeling “pumped up” about all the great things I had learned at the PI Council of Leaders and from the wonderful speakers who were featured at the convention this year. It was especially exciting to lead all of the Georgia delegates into the convention hall as part of the flag ceremony 'cause we had the most Pilots attending the convention of any District. The clubs not sending a delegate are really missing out on a wonderful opportunity to improve its leaders and enrich the club.

At the Council of Leaders your Georgia officers had the opportunity to spend time with the officers in the same “jobs” representing the 20 Pilot districts. What a great experience it was to hear what is happening in other places. I thoroughly enjoyed the time I spent with the COED Governor (*Clubs Outside Established Districts*) Merrily Burns, from Honolulu, HA. COED holds its district meetings with Skype! As you know, its newest club is in Pretoria, S Africa and Irene Neumann-Klosson's mother, Hennie Neumann, was there as were two very handsome Anchors, Vander and Rick. Efforts are being made to start a Pilot club in Australia! One of the governors came to the installation of the board of Governors via Facetime. What amazing things technology is enabling us to do — by all means embrace it!

We had two days that business sessions finished at around 4 p.m. Since this was my first trip to Disney World Resort, I just had to visit some of the parks. I visited Magic Kingdom and had a truly terrific time; however, I found that the most “magical” of all the things I brought home with me were the new ideas and information I learned.

Jim Van Allan, our featured speaker at both COL and during the convention, gave an overview of two books written by Jon Gordon that I would place on the list of “must reads” for all leaders. The books are The Energy Bus and The Carpenter. Both

contain so much good “stuff” about what needs to be the focus for good Pilots. I can't tell you everything in the books in a brief article but I want to share a few of the “magical jewels” found within the pages.

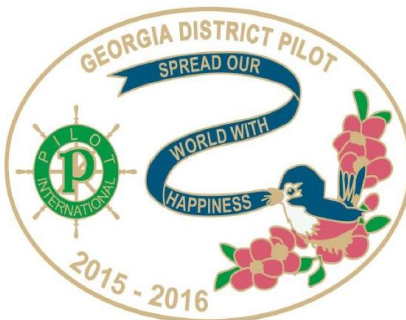
- When you love the work you do, you will do great work.
- Value your work as the gift you are giving the world.
- Adopt a “too blessed to be stressed” attitude. Focus on “get to” instead of “have to”.
- A positive attitude can give you power to overcome obstacles.
- Do not be afraid to fail, it is a gift that builds strength.
- To achieve genuine success, you must help others. The most successful people . . . stand out by finding unique ways to show they care. Let people see that you care in every detail of what you do from start to finish by giving your very best to the project at hand.

The world considers greatness to be measured in human achievement, wisdom, power and money; but, in the world of Pilot, greatness is found in selflessness, humility, compassion, love and the happiness we bring to others. Pilots, let's keep on Spreading Our World with Happiness! One person at a time we will change the world and make it a place where all are valued.

Wishing you lots of Happiness,

*Grace*

**Grace Crittenden**  
GA District Governor



### Featured in This Bulletin

Projects for Fall  
Fun Fundraising Idea  
Anchors  
News from the NE Region



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Georgia District Website: [www.pilotgeorgia.org](http://www.pilotgeorgia.org)



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**Our Mission:** Pilot International transforms communities by developing youth, providing service and education, and uplifting families.

**IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER**

**August 15**  
 Audit Report  
 Plans of Work  
 Governor's Cup  
 (These need to be done & postmarked by this date)

**September 1**  
 Budget & Standing Rules due  
 Make your Club donations to "Stop Hunger Now"

**October 2-3**  
 Fall Council  
 Doubletree by Hilton  
 Atlanta-Marietta

**"Happiness"** is Being inspired....

**Freedom's Price**

Today we celebrate freedom thanks to those who came before. Those brave men who fought and died in each and every war. Freedom always comes at a price, And while we celebrate We should tip our hats to the heroes who made our country great.

**Red, White and Blue**

*Joan*

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



PILOT	CLUB NAME	RELATIONSHIP
Bernie McKeon	Marietta	Son
Kirsten Jorgenson	Atlanta	Great-Nephew
Emily Jorgenson	Atlanta	Great-Nephew
Emily Andrews	Cuthbert	Husband

**Breaking News**



Battlefield Pilot Club installation of officers was held at the home of member Kay Cooke on June 4, 2015. After food and fellowship the outgoing President of the club Patsy Stickel was recognized for her year 2014-2015 as president she was presented with a past presidents pin. Patsy Stickel was also recognized for being elected the Georgia District Secretary. Battlefield is very proud of her. Pictured seated left to right Patricia Cooke treasurer, Barbara German, Betty Geary Projects Coordinator, Brenda Noblitt Secretary, Helen Oliver, Jenny Vowell President Elect, Dr. Barbara Autry, Kay Cooke President, Patsy Stickel Membership Coordinator, and GA Dist. Secretary. All members serve on various committees. Battlefield is looking forward to a great year 2015-2016.

**"Happiness"** is Region Success Stories ...

It is my privilege to be serving as Lt. Governor for the NE Region again this year. Not only have I made many new friends in the NE Region, but also across the State. Georgia Pilots are kind, compassionate, hard-working people who are full of energy and ideas, to make their clubs, communities and the world a place where all are valued. I am always amazed to see what each club is doing and what goals are being reached.

As we look forward in our new Pilot year, be sure to mark your calendar for October 2-3 for Fall Council at the Doubletree by Hilton Atlanta-Marietta. The NE Region will be hosting Fall Council and our Fall Council Chairman, Lea Judson, from the Pilot Club of Gainesville, has been working hard to make sure this will be a great event. We hope you can come on Friday to join us Friday evening in the ballroom for hors d'oeuvres, music, and entertainment. This will be a special time to congratulate our new Pilot International Treasurer, Judy Jackson and to meet our new ECR, Karen Cupit from Crowville, LA.

There is excitement stirring about Governor Grace's Fall Council project, a **Stop Hunger Now** meal packaging event. We also plan to offer great workshops for you to attend. Plan to join us and bring new Pilots with you. What a great introduction to our organization it will be for them to attend Fall Council. Start making your plans now!!

*Jenni*

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# "Happiness"

is Projects That Make A Difference ...

**Project** – (prōj' ēkt) – a noun, definition – 1) In contemporary business it is defined as a collaborative enterprise that is carefully planned to achieve a particular aim. 2) An undertaking requiring concerted effort. 3) A large or important undertaking. Maybe we should add a number 4) "See GA District Pilot International Clubs". Who knows more about projects than our fantastic clubs! Over the next two months, the district has "Projects" that deserve attention. Now is the time to help meet the particular aim of these projects.

The first project "calendar wise" is **Georgia Artists with DisAbilities. GAWD** is a non-profit organization, founded and operated solely by volunteers from Pilot Clubs, since 1985. The organization reaches out to disabled citizens of Georgia who are creative, capable and talented in the arts, so that their achievements and talents can be recognized. The art is displayed and judged by qualified jurors and cash awards are given to the winning artists. The winning pieces are then taken on a year-long tour throughout the state giving the artist more exposure. Plus, if their art sells, all of the proceeds from the sale go directly to the artist.

Here's where you come in...The 31<sup>st</sup> Annual **GAWD** Awards Program and Luncheon is scheduled for September 26, 2015. The artists pay no entrance fee and no lunch fee. To offset expenses associated with this organization **GAWD** relies on donations and sponsorships. Expenses to take the art out on tour are almost \$4,000 each year. We hope that your club will consider adding this project to your plans of work or maybe purchasing Awards Luncheon tickets to help pay for the artists

# "Happiness" is Making Money for Service ...

Fund Raising! Just hearing these words often strikes fear in the heart of even the most dedicated Pilot! We all have to raise money, but we don't always have fun in the process. My goal this year is to share with you some of the different ways Pilot Clubs in Georgia raise money and how they are happy and having fun along the way.

The Pilot Club of Newnan is having a "Princess Tea" on Saturday, September 12, 2015, from 2-4 P.M. in the Newnan Presbyterian Church fellowship hall, 38 Greenville St., Newnan, GA 30263. Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$5 for children.

The Newnan Club is working with another non-profit, Princesses with a Purpose, to hold our 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Tea. The Princesses come dressed up. The club decorates the hall with flowers in tea pots and lots of balloons; they serve finger foods and punch. The children are able to talk with the "real live" princesses, take photos and get autographs. This year the club is providing each child with a small autograph book for them to collect their signatures.

For ticket information, please contact Jacki Parker at [jparker@bankofgeorgia.com](mailto:jparker@bankofgeorgia.com).

If your Club has an upcoming Fund Raiser you would like to share please send the information to me, and I will try to include it in the next Governors Bulletin.

lunches. (\$20/each) For more information contact: Emily Jorgensen at 404-372-2726 or at [emiljorg@bellsouth.net](mailto:emiljorg@bellsouth.net)

In October, at Fall Council GA District's Hands-On Project will be a food packaging event to help **Stop Hunger Now**. [The event will be tons of fun!] **Stop Hunger Now** is an international, hunger relief, non-profit organization that coordinates the packaging and distribution of food and other life-saving aid to people in impoverished nations. Since founded in 1998, they have provided over 180 million meals in 65 countries. This year, they will package 45 million meals, and ship over \$9 million in donated aid, mainly vitamins and medical supplies.

GA District Pilots will prepare the minimum 10,152 meals at \$0.29 each. That means we need to raise \$3,000 for this project. We can and will do this with the help of all GA Pilots. If GA Pilot members donate at least \$3.00 each, we will have all the expenses covered. If your club is financially able to contribute more, please do so. All extra money collected will be given to the organization for additional medical aid. Individual and club contributions should be marked **Fall Council Project** and sent to District Treasurer, Shelby Holland before **Sept 1, 2015**.

Read more information about **Stop Hunger Now** on their website at [www.stophungernow.org](http://www.stophungernow.org)

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{Thanks, Kate! Now Pilots, that sounds like a fun fund raiser that spreads a lot of Happiness!}

*Kate*

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## Past Governors

**Louise Shimer**  
August 11

**Judy Vendrick**  
August 11

**Frances McKibben**  
August 20



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## “Happiness” is Successful Anchor Clubs ...

Georgia District was well represented at Anchor Summit in Orlando, Florida with Anchor Officers Sagarika Reddy and Anahit Mehranian from John Milledge Academy. Joining them were two Anchors from Sandersville; Jessica Boatright and Mabri Jordan. Mabri attends Washington County High School and Jessica attends Brentwood School. Mom, Cindy Boatright is the busy Anchor Coordinator for both schools and VP for her Pilot Club of Washington County. The girls were so excited to meet and work with Anchors from across the country and the world. This was truly a Global gathering with Anchors from Japan, the Bahamas and our newest club in Pretoria, South Africa. Together, they worked on several service projects; collecting and packing baby clothes for “Twice Loved”, toiletries, puzzle books and treats for “Military Mamas” and books for the “Zambezi Schoolbook Project”. We were all astounded at the outpouring of generosity and goodwill from Pilots and Anchors!

I'm looking forward to the planning meeting for the upcoming year, August 1<sup>st</sup> at Pilot Headquarters in Macon. Georgia District Anchor Convention will be organized, and Anchors will meet the new GA District Administrative Committee. Anchor Convention will be held at Lake Lanier's Legacy Lodge, February 26 – 28, 2016. As you plan your new year, please promote strong attendance from your clubs, the experience is priceless!

Please make sure your Pilot Anchor Coordinator and Anchor Adviser info is current and correct, as there is a flurry of paperwork that needs attention as the new school year begins. The Photo Release and Youth Protection Policy are to be completed and kept on file at school. These forms are on the PI website. Georgia District Dues in the amount of \$8.00 per member, sent to GA District Treasurer, Shelby Holland, and Pilot International Dues (including \$4.00 for insurance) in the amount of \$14.00 per member are to be sent to PI Headquarters with their corresponding forms found on GA District ([www.pilotgeorgia.org](http://www.pilotgeorgia.org)) and PI websites ([jack@pilothq.org](mailto:jack@pilothq.org)).

Jack Henson is the new Anchor Specialist at Headquarters and immensely helpful with all things pertaining to Anchors. Please check out the website to find new Anchor membership forms. Also please remember to send me a copy of dues and membership forms for my records.

I am honored to serve as Anchor Coordinator this year and so grateful to Mary Turner for sharing her experiences and expertise! Please contact me if you have any questions or Anchor ideas to share.

*Sheryl*

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Anchors Rick Jansen & Zander from Pretoria, SA Packing books for Zambezi at PI Convention in Orlando



GA Anchors & SA Anchors, Sagarika, Jessica, Mabri and Anahit, Rick, Zander and guest speaker Survivor winner, Ethan Zohn



### CASINO EQUIPMENT FOR SALE

#### A GREAT FUNDRAISING OPPORTUNITY FOR YOUR CLUB

The Pilot Club of Marietta has casino equipment for sale that we have previously used for fundraising. We have held many very successful casino night fundraisers, but feel it is time for a change and want to offer the equipment to another Pilot club. We have eight padded blackjack table toppers, two wood craps table toppers, a small roulette wheel, multiple poker chip holders, card shufflers and plenty of nice wooden poker chips. The equipment is enough to host an event for at least 200 people. A club can easily profit several thousand dollars from a casino night. The club is asking \$599 for all of the equipment. If you are interested or would like any further information feel free to contact **Kelly Johnson at [rhuelj@bellsouth.net](mailto:rhuelj@bellsouth.net)**.



### GA District New Members.....

PILOT	CLUB NAME	SPONSOR
Gwen Kennedy	Eatonton	
Lynn Grant	Eatonton	
Brenda Gammons	Covington	Cynthia Spearman
Debora McCullough	Covington	Cynthia Spearman
Betty Bailey	Covington	Bernice Bailey
Marguag Prada	Dublin	Joan Brantley
Irene Neumann-Klossmon	Atlanta	Reinstated
Mark Avery Gunter	Heart of Gold	Randall Townley
Donna Lane Gunter	Heart of Gold	Randall Townley
Cindy Tori	Statesboro	Helen Winstead

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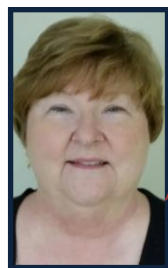
# "Happiness"

is a Strong Foundation ...



Hello Pilots, I hope you are having a great summer and are ready to get to work on our new Pilot year. I want to remind you not to forget our **Georgia Pilot Foundation** and the great work that it has been doing for quite a while. Your club's funds to support the foundation are much needed and appreciated by all of the students that have received our scholarships. I hope that your club has included in your budget a \$100 or more donation to **GPF** for this year. The Anchor and Lynda Goodwin Volunteer scholarships are very important and we want to continue this tradition of excellence here in the Georgia District. The updated contribution form can be found on the GA Pilot website [pilotgeorgia.org](http://pilotgeorgia.org).

If you have any questions or would like for me to come to your club and speak about GPF, I would be thrilled to come and share our story.



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## ANNOUNCING- FALL COUNCIL MEAL PACKAGING EVENT CONTEST

**HOW TO ENTER:** Send in your club donations before September 1, 2015. Then bring as many club members as you can to Fall Council to take part in the meal packaging event. Club Members should wear your club shirt, apron, badge or any other item you use to identify your club at your local projects.

**RECOGNITION:** A certificate and prize ribbon will be awarded to the top two clubs in the following categories: *(to be announced at lunch)*

1. Club with the most participants
2. Highest percentage of club members participating
3. Club with the largest donation per member
4. Club with the largest donation

And the  
**Winners**  
 are...



***(This will be a great photo op for publicity about your club and Pilot. There will be a Press Release in your Fall Council packet for you to use.)***

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# Meet Our ECR...

Hello, Pilots!

I am Karen Cupit, Pilot International 2015-2016 Secretary. I am so excited and honored to be serving as your Executive Committee Representative (ECR) this year.

First of all, I would like to introduce myself to you. I live in the small rural community of Crowville, Louisiana. It's in the northeast part of the state. I lived here most of my growing up years. Six years ago, I moved back when I purchased my grandmother's house.

I share my house with two of the most spoiled cats ever. Their names are Jack and Sam.

I am a member of the First United Methodist Church in West Monroe, LA. I am in the Ed Stinson Sunday School class. My membership in this class surprises people because the typical member is about 75 years old and older. However, I feel right at home.

For the last twenty-two years, I have been employed by the Ouachita Parish Police Jury, a local governmental body. I started working here while in my senior year in college. My degree is from Northeast Louisiana University, and is a Bachelor of Business Administration in accounting. I am currently the Assistant Treasurer at the Police Jury. A few years ago, the duties of recording secretary were given to me as well.

Pilot International became a part of my life in 2002. I jumped right on in as I joined in February, went to district convention in April, and went to Toronto for international convention in July. I think that jumping in there has really helped me because I saw the levels of the organization early on and was able to start understanding how things worked.

That brings us to today which is a pretty good day. I was just elected to serve a third year on the Executive Committee, and I am going to serve as your Executive Committee Representative!

What an AWESOME convention, in one of the most magical places on earth, Orlando, Florida! We were able to get a Disney Experience and a Pilot Experience in one trip! During our convention we had many outstanding speakers and FANTASTIC workshops to highlight our ABC initiatives.

The PI Budget and PI Bylaw addition for Compass Clubs were passed. Compass Clubs are clubs which allow college age students and young professionals in the age range of 18-26 to continue community service in a new club format designed to fit their lifestyle and time constraints. As this year progresses, I look forward to hearing the wonderful success stories from your District.

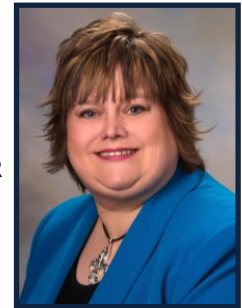
Your District leadership was trained in Orlando on the 501(c) (3) Application for Clubs, Portal Buzz and the new and improved Pick Me Up Manual. I encourage you to embrace the information they bring back to your clubs. All of the presentations given in Orlando will be available on PI Website for your information.

Thank you all for supporting Pilot International through the years. Please know that I am looking forward to serving your District, and would be happy to hear from you if there is any way I can assist you.

In Pilot friendship,

*Karen*

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You did it!  
*Congratulations*

**Past Georgia District Governor**  
**Judy Jackson**



**2015-2016 Pilot International Treasurer**

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