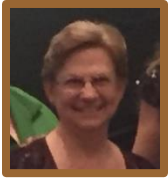
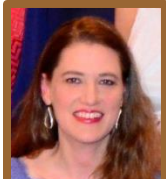


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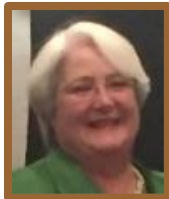
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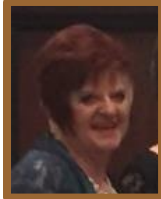
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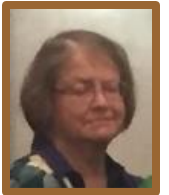
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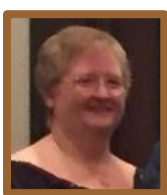
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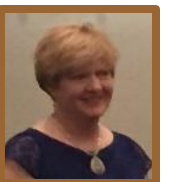
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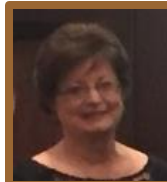
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GOVERNOR CYNTHIA

PI Convention in Montreal was fantastic! After the flag ceremony on Wednesday evening, the opening of Convention got really exciting with a band of drummers that inspired us to explore our inner musician. There was a drum at each person's seat and together we rocked! The total voting strength was 248, and total registration was 604 with four countries represented. The business sessions all went smoothly. The new Executive Committee members were all unopposed except for Vice-President, and Karen Cupit won the election. The Budget was approved and it includes funds to hire an Executive Director. Giovanni Gaudelli inspired us to become the best we can be. Katie Marshall spoke about the importance of communication with each other. Dr. Jeff Milroy talked about sport-related concussions and the importance of developing and fostering a culture of care among young athletes.

Georgia had the largest delegation of attendees- 87. It was wonderful to see all of our pink shirts! It was good to hear that we have 7,331 Pilot Club members worldwide, which is an increase of 630 members. Soon a Pilot Club will be chartered in Australia. There are also 176 Anchor Clubs with 7,339 members.

During the Council of Leaders, I had the pleasure of getting to know my fellow Governors, as well as, Connie Moore, the P.I. President. We are Connie's Champions!

I am truly excited about this year as we "Soar into Service" together.

Cynthia



STOP HUNGER NOW.

I am really excited that we will again be having "Stop Hunger Now" as our District Project at Fall Council. It was so wonderful to see everyone working together last year. We will be asking for donations to pay for the 10,152 meals. More information will be coming in the September Governor's Bulletin... Gov. Cynthia



Governor Cynthia at our Fall Council "Stop the Hunger Now" project last year

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Our Mission: Pilot International's mission 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.



CHAPLAIN'S MESSAGE

With all the unrest and the horrific news that seems to be facing each of us every day take a minute and a deep breath and reflect on these words:

"Remember that a little love goes a long way. Remember that a lot of love goes on forever. Remember that friendship is a wise investment. Life's treasures are peopletogether".

--Alin Austin

Those Pilot friendships are one of the cornerstones of this organization - so reach out to your fellow Pilots and let them know how much you care....remember to reach out to those fellow Pilots that you might not have seen at your meetings/gatherings lately and let them know you care....

There is a Pilot e-mail set up for GA District Pilots to share prayer concerns and praises and if you would like to be included on that e-mail do send me your e-mail to akersjoann@gmail.com.

JoAnn



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

<u>PILOT</u>	<u>CLUB NAME</u>
Odelle Culver	Battlefield

<u>PILOT</u>	<u>CLUB NAME</u>	<u>RELATIONSHIP</u>
Angela Awalt	Haralson Co	Husband
Karen Kilgore	Haralson Co	Son-in-law
Dyann Moore	Macon	Brother
Connie Lynn	Jefferson	Mother

DATES TO REMEMBER

August 15

Audit
Plans of Work
Governor's Cup Award

September 1

Club Budgets/Standing Rules

September 24

GA Artists with DisAbilities
Award Ceremony

Sept. 30-Oct 1

Fall Council
Hilton Atlanta Airport

Feb 24-26, 2017

Anchor Convention
Legacy Lodge
Lake Lanier Islands

April 7-9, 2017

District Convention
Hilton Atlanta NE



Past Governors

Louise Shimer
August 11

Judy Vendrick
August 11

Frances McKibben
August 20

What Happened at the PI Convention

Congratulations!!!

Calcutta winners from Georgia

Ann Hunt- PC of Toccoa
Claudia McCartney- PC of Toccoa
Carol Jackson- Kettle Creek PC
Lea Judson- PC of Gainesville
Katharine Banning- Governor-Elect, PC of Atlanta

PI Scholarship Winners

Bob King- Sagarika Reddy, \$1,500
sponsored by PC of Milledgeville
Pilot International- Taylor Thomas, \$1,050
sponsored by PC of Eastman
Ruby Newhall- Maria Benites, \$1,500
sponsored by PC of Americus



2016-2017 Bainbridge Pilot Club Officers

Seated: Gail Sharber , President, Carolyn Thompson, President –Elect. Standing: Shea Campbell, Secretary, Anjannett Griffin, Director, Catherine Catledge, Treasurer, Missy Belcher, Director





HUMMING ALONG WITH PROJECTS & VISIBILITY

Show Your Colors

Visibility is a major need for many of our Pilot Clubs. It is being known and recognized in our community for the service we provide. When people hear the name, "Pilot Club," they should be able to say, "That is the club that does . . . in our community." Being visible helps in recruiting members and resources for our projects.

Publicity in the media provides public recognition of our activities. This is easy to achieve in some locations and more difficult in others. When it is not easily obtained in your community, the club will need to put extra effort into explaining to the public about the mission, goals, and projects.

One method of increasing visibility is fund raising activities. When we ask someone to purchase a ticket to the raffle or event, we can share our mission and activities in serving the community. All signage needs to include the Pilot logo and our name prominently. Display of the club banner aids in recognition for our club. All Pilots involved in a public event need to display some form of Pilot identification. Wearing clothing with Pilot insignia at other times also gives us the opportunity to explain our mission to people.

As the Projects and Visibility Coordinator for the District, I will be sharing tips and ideas that I have learned that may be helpful for your club. I have been a Pilot for 31 years in a total of 4 different clubs. I understand that each club has different needs and resources available. Communities differ in their needs and the availability of media outlets. Building strong relationships with media sources does help when the club has a need to publicize an event or activity. By far though, the best method of public awareness is word of mouth with our friends and associates. Our activities in Pilot are visible to all even when we are not aware of it. We can "show our colors" in our daily schedule and make Pilot Club more visible to all.

Beth
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Pilot Club of Carrollton, in its focus on brain safety and health, presented 124 bike helmets to Sand Hill Elementary for all first grade students. Pictured receiving the helmets from Pilot Club member Deborah Wilson is Staci Owens, first grade teacher and team leader, along with two first grade boys, Jack Goolsby and Tyler Clotfelter, who were representing all first graders.



KEEP FUNDRAISING HUMMING

Is your Pilot Club searching for a winning fundraiser? Do you like to shop for great bargains? You may be interested in participating in the Belk Charity Sale Event which takes place in the Fall (usually early November) and Spring (usually late April). The event serves as a fundraiser for non- profit organizations. Participating non- profit organizations raise money by selling tickets at \$5.00. Proceeds from each \$5 ticket is retained by the non- profit. Tickets purchased at the Belk Store will be equally divided among participating non- profit organizations in each local store.

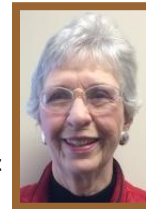
Your customers will receive the following with \$5.00 donation:

- 1) A ticket admitting them to a private 4 hour sale giving merchandise discounts from 20%-70%.
- 2) \$5.00 off of first purchase of \$5 or more.
- 3) The first 100 customers at each Belk Store will receive a free gift card valued from \$5.00 to \$1,000.00.

Several clubs shared their success with this fundraiser at District Convention Workshop.

If your club is interested, please contact your local Belk Store as soon as possible to receive all information and publicity for the Fall Sale Event.

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**2016-2017 Pilot
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Our Vision: Pilot International envisions a world where all are valued.

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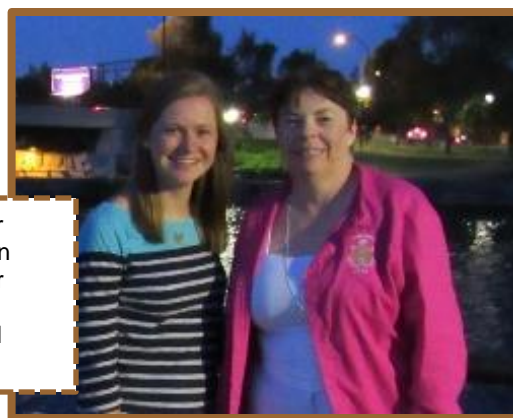
GA District New Members.....

<u>PILOT</u>	<u>CLUB NAME</u>	<u>SPONSOR</u>
Shamekia Davis	Kettle Creek	Carol Jackson
Sharon Vreeland	Kettle Creek	Helen Homes
Hannah Sifre	Kettle Creek	Helen Homes
Paige Rogers	Kettle Creek	Amanda Robb
Christina Ogletree	Kettle Creek	Carol Jackson
Angel Williford	Washington	Donna McNair
Malissa Hill	Gainesville	Lea Judson
Emily Jorgenson	Gainesville	Transfer from Atlanta
Kirsten Jorgenson	Gainesville	Transfer from Atlanta
Audrey Spivey	Toccoa	Transfer from Madison Co
Janet Burroughs	Elberton	Pat Jarvis
Haley A. Black	Elberton	Pat Jarvis
Jean Brizzi	Covington	Jane Woodward
Mary Cook	Covington	Sharon Leduc
Harry Plunkett	Covington	Sharon Leduc
Gloria Plunkett	Covington	Sharon Leduc
Patrick Martin	Heart of Gold	Jackie & Randall Townley
Mercedes Benites	Americus	Millie Trussell
Shannon Davis	Cochran	Melinda Bryant
Pam Waller	Manchester-WS	Reinstated Member
Sallie Rudderman	Manchester-WS	Michelle Shohfi
Jacqueline Lay	Conyers	Mickie Smith



PG JoAnn Akers installed the 2016-2017 Peachtree Pilot Club Officers.

Sitting: Robin Williams & Denise Williamson
 Standing: JoAnn Akers, Chanta Whitlow, Nancy Shealy, Genia Mitchell, Marcelle Watkins, Glynice Hayes & Angela Gillis



GA District Anchor President Cathleen Mellor with Anchor Coordinator Mary Turner in Montreal



SOARING INTO ANCHOR SERVICE

It is hard to believe that it is time to start a new year in Pilot. We had a wonderful time at Anchor Summit in Montreal. Georgia had a total of five Anchors attending Anchor Summit. The service project this year was painting murals. The Anchors painted two murals that were donated to a local children's library. They participated in a True Colors workshop where they identified their primary and secondary color. They then went to the park and tie-dyed their Anchor shirts. On Thursday afternoon they participated in the annual cultural exchange. The Pilots were encouraged to attend this activity. On Friday the Anchors participated in an Instagram scavenger hunt. They were allowed to go out into the city with an adult chaperone. In addition to the hands on activities the Anchors heard two wonderful speakers, Dr. Jeff Milroy and Katie Marshall. Saturday morning Anchor awards were distributed. Congratulations to the following clubs on awards: Madison County Anchor Club Adviser Christie Haggard received second place Adviser of the Year, and John Milledge Academy Adviser Cindy Nunn

received third place Adviser of the year. John Milledge Academy received the Community Service and Visibility award. On Saturday the Anchors had a pizza luncheon with leftover pizza. Our Georgia District Anchor President Cathleen Mellor, and four other Anchors decided to go through Montreal and hand out pizza to the homeless. I had the privilege to walk around with them and capture photos of this activity. It was very humbling to see the faces of these men light up, and to watch our Anchors smile and hand them slices of pizza. As you can see the Anchors were kept busy during the week. I would like to see Georgia district take more Anchors to Las Vegas next year.

Please remember to make sure I have the current contact person for your Anchor club. I need the Anchor Coordinator as well as the Anchor Adviser. Please know that I am here to help in any way that I can. My email is turnerma@elberton.net.

In Pilot Service,

Mary

Mary Turner
Anchor Coordinator
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MEET OUR ECR- ELENA LARA-RAMON

Born, raised and educated in Mexico City, Elena Lara-Ramón immigrated to the United States in 1982 with a Bachelor's Degree in Journalism from the Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México which to this day remains the longest continuously operating university in North America.

She continued her education on a full-time basis and earned a second Bachelor's this time in Computer Science with a Minor in Business, as well as a Master's in Computer Science from the Corpus Christi campus of Texas A & M University.

In addition to her academic activities, Elena has been a life-long sports enthusiast. While in high school, Elena was a member of the first National Women's Soccer Team of Mexico, a sport in which she actively participated up until 1998 with the Dallas Women's Soccer League in the "Open Division." She was also an avid mountain climber and bowler before moving to the US. While at A & M, she won numerous trophies for racquet ball and competitive-level volley ball. She has participated in a number of bicycle and running marathons and remains an active runner to this day.

It was during her time in Corpus Christi, that Elena was introduced to Pilot International, a passion that would follow her up through today. Upon graduating from A & M, she was recruited by JCPenney Corporation for a position at their corporate offices in Plano, TX. Shortly after her move to the Dallas area in 1995, she was contacted by the Pilot Club of Dallas and became an active member.

Today, Elena is a web-based software developer and analyst for Hewlett Packard Enterprise. Her life's joys remain her granddaughter, Gisele, her son and daughter-in-law Luis and Deborah, and of course, living a life of service that is Pilot International.

Elena

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Governor-Elect Katharine highlights her attending the PI Convention"..... I attended a workshop about Interpersonal Skills. I learned some great pointers on how to communicate, and skills to interact with different personalities.



SW LT. GOVERNOR

This month I am writing for the Governor's Bulletin as a Lt. Governor for the Southwest Region. I am grateful that I can still serve Georgia District in yet another capacity as we work in a transition year from six to five regions. The nine clubs presently in SW region are doing really meaningful service in each community they serve and I look forward to my opportunity to know each member of "my" region better.

There is not very much about me that you do not already know from my last two years as Governor and Governor Elect. At my installation you met my brother & wife, sister & husband, three children & spouses and four of five grandchildren. You know I began my career as a teacher and ended my employment after 22 years as a full line insurance agent. I live in a very small town and belong to Cuthbert UMC where I wear many hats. So what don't you know. What made me want to be a Pilot!

Easy answer. I was constantly seeing articles in the local newspaper and hearing about all the things Pilot Club of Cuthbert was doing. I wanted to be a part of that kind of service club. But why? What motivated me to become a Pilot serving others? I think most likely it was the influence of my parents. My father, a member of the Thomson Lions Club for thirty-five years, actively worked in community service and fundraising for the Lion's project of providing eye glasses for those who are unable to purchase them. My mother was active in her church WMU circle with missions as its focus. I went to many meetings with her. Then my upbringing in Baptist Girls Axillary with a strong focus on mission work and meeting missionaries at G A Camp Pinnacle added to my love for helping others less fortunate. Thinking of this has made me realize that right now my children and grandchildren are being influenced by what I am doing. (I know that my granddaughters are active in their church youth groups.)

This represents the cliché "ripple effect" that we start when we impact the life of someone else- be it a good thing or even a bad thing. Think how contagious a smile can be (or a frown.) Pilots, every single one of us is making a difference somewhere in the life of someone else. Someone is watching what you do. You are being the example for someone else to follow. Pilots must all set a "True Course Ever" and keep our wonderful organization visible and growing.

Keep on Soaring into Service with Happiness!

Grace

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