



# Georgia District

# Governor's Bulletin

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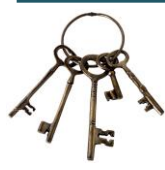
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**"KEEPER OF THE KEYS"**  
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GA DISTRICT GOVERNOR

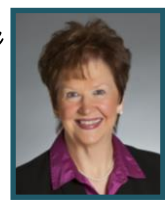


December is a special month for all Christians and families everywhere. It's a worshipful and reflective time, as well as a time to be together with loved ones. As we celebrate the meaning and spirit of the season, let's remember those who need assistance in our communities and those who need a call, card, or visit.

Every month brings something new and rewarding in Pilot, and December is no exception. Your four District Officers and convention chair will be working on District Convention in December as we meet with our convention hotel to make plans to accommodate our meetings, workshops, and activities. Many of our clubs will help needy families with food, clothing, toys, and gifts during December. We will also share special times together with our club members and friends at our Christmas events. We will visit nursing homes and senior centers to brighten the holiday season for others. Some clubs are selling Christmas poinsettias to raise funds for their projects and others are baking for their local Hospice holiday food sale.

Thank you to GA Pilots for all you do each month and especially in December to help others as you "Do More, Care More, and Be More." Christmas blessings to each of you and warm wishes for the New Year!

Judy



Classic City President Marie Moran, Governor Judy and Corresponding Secretary Mary Jones welcomed approximately fifty Pilots and guests at the Classic City Founder's Day event in Athens. Governor Judy presented the program with a trip through the Decades. Six NE Region clubs were represented.

# Happy Birthday!



**Governor**  
**Judy Jackson**  
**December 17**

**Past Governor**  
**Gail Sharber**  
**December 21**



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**"KEYS OPEN DOORS TO THE LIGHT"**  
**STEPHANIE RICHMOND**  
 DISTRICT CHAPLAIN



*The Light of the World is Jesus and by following him we have the key that can open many doors/areas in our lives to bring success and peace in our lives.*

*For unto us a child is born, Unto us a Son is given, And the government will be upon His shoulder. And His name will be called Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.....Isaiah 9:6*

By touching lives of others, we can truly show that we care more, do more and be more. During the holiday season, reach out to others and you will have everlasting peace and know the real meaning of Christmas. Have a joyous Christmas and a prosperous New Year!

*Stephanie*



**A Pilot Christmas - 2014** *By Chaplain Stephanie Richmond*

The season with a reason, a time we adore,  
 The glitz and surprises, Share Pilot and more.  
 Carols and packages, lights on the tree  
 The Babe in the manger, born to save you and me.

A visit to our club from Governor Elect Grace,  
 Showed us how to make Pilot a familiar community face.  
 We've had a great year thus far – where we've been, who we've seen,  
 Now, we bid a farewell to Two Thousand and fourteen.

Pilot projects keep us busy with true dedication,  
 Tirelessly we serve without hesitation.  
 Zambezi School Books makes everyone a better scholar,  
 Soldiers' Angels, Pick Me Ups and don't forget Dimes to Dollars.

We're active in fundraising, week in and week out,  
 Pilot's a commitment -- Brain disorders are what we're about!  
 From Alzheimer's to BrainMinders, Memory Walks and more,  
 Becoming a Pilot, you will never be bored.



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

PILOT	CLUB NAME
Nell Sims	Atlanta

PILOT	CLUB NAME	RELATIONSHIP
Angela Brown-Gillis	Peachtree	Mother-n-law
Tricia Scoggins	Commerce	Uncle
SW Lt. Gov. Emily Andrews	Cuthbert	Sister-n-law
Patricia Campbell	Marietta	Mother
Hallie Campbell	Marietta	Grandmother

GA Governor Judy Jackson, Keeper of the Keys, Has given us ideas and resources to meet all our needs. If you have a question and she doesn't know the solution, She will definitely pursue until she finds a resolution.

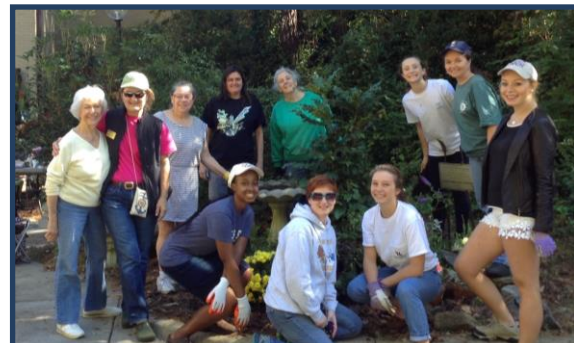
In February, the Anchors look forward to going to Anchor convention, And afterwards, Mary Turner thinks she could use an intervention. We also celebrate and dote on our PI Sweetheart, And show her that our club couldn't do without her part.

Our District Convention in April, a statewide meet, We all get together and share hotel suites. Lots of teamwork makes this convention a success, Meeting new friends and truly getting blessed.

As this year winds down and comes to a close, Pray a prayer for our country and remember those, Who give of themselves and tirelessly serve, Lord, give them protection as our freedoms they preserve.



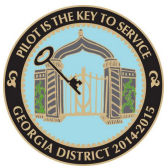
Pilot Club of Atlanta members helped celebrate 1986-87 Past GA District Governor Bernyce Stickle's 93<sup>rd</sup> birthday at their October meeting. Pictured with Bernyce (centered) is: President Dottie Adams, Katharine Banning, Betty Dailey, Erin Kett, Jacquie Foster, Karen Walker and Betty Austin



"Make A Difference Day" as Pilot Club of Atlanta Pilots and friends helped clean up the grounds of Villa International

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



**January 6, 2015**

Newsletter Competition  
3 Consecutive newsletters to your Lt. Governor

**February 3, 2015**

District Officer Nominations due to Jacque Kristoff

**February 14, 2015**

District Awards Entries due to JoAnn Akers

**February 28 – March 2, 2015**

Anchor Convention  
Legacy Lodge, Lake Lanier Islands

**April 10 – 12, 2015**

District Convention  
Hilton Atlanta Northeast

**July 8-12, 2015**

PI Convention  
Disney Swan & Dolphin Resort  
Orlando, FL

**GRACE CRITTENDEN  
GA DISTRICT GOVERNOR-ELECT**

The holiday season is here at last and I love the excitement! I am thankful for all of our Georgia Pilot club members who have done and are doing so many wonderful things for the communities in which they live. These accomplishments are things for which we can all be proud! To help us attract those new members needed by all clubs, let everyone around us know what we are doing as Pilot Clubs. Why not be as vocal as a "rooster at sunrise" and sing out to the world our Pilot accomplishments? Come on, Pilots, let's learn to "Crow and Grow." Pilots, you are part of something big and wonderful and that is why it is super important for each individual club to participate in the District and International projects and tell everybody what we do. With clubs big and small all over "Pilotdom" working together, we can continue to do phenomenal things like those from the past. To learn about our Pilot past, go to the PI website and find in the menu "Past PI Presidents." There is a page of history about each President's year in office and things that were accomplished. Did you celebrate Founder's Day and pass some of this information on to all of your club members? At this time, clubs everywhere are making history focusing on the Pilot ABC's:

- A -** To date we have more **Anchor** members (youth volunteers) than Pilots, (future Pilots?)
- B -** Pilots have educated more than a million children since 2001 through **BrainMinders™** "Protecting Your Brain for Life," and we are still going.
- C - Caregivers** everywhere are being remembered with Pilot "Pick Me Ups."

Have you prepared your club's list of accomplishments yet? Use that awesome list as you share the wonderful things you do with others you want to join your club. If you have not made your list, get busy. **Visibility** is one **key** to success in attracting those new members who will keep your club going and growing. No one wants to join a club that is doing nothing. Now go to it! "Crow and Grow."

One of the ways to "Crow" is with a club **Newsletter**. Clubs who have been publishing Newsletters should apply for a District Newsletter Award. You can't get an award if you don't enter. Go online to [pilotgeorgia.org](http://pilotgeorgia.org) and click on the "forms" heading. Once you pull up the list of forms, click on Newsletter Award. Print out the form and read the instructions very carefully then follow them. Three consecutive issues of your newsletter and the completed 2014 form should be sent to your **Region Lt. Governor** postmarked by **January 6<sup>th</sup>**.

I look forward to the fun I'll have helping you "crow" about your accomplishments at the District Convention in April. I hope to hear from the Awards Jury that there are lots of entries from lots of clubs. (Goodness Gracious Grace, what creature will you talk about next?)

I wish you all a Very Merry Christmas and a Grateful Heart for Pilot!

*Grace*



**Club photos needed for Governor Judy's Digital Scrapbook**

This year Joan McCannon is doing a digital scrapbook for Governor Judy's year. This means that only emailed photos can be used. Please email photos of your club's major service projects/events with a few sentences identifying your club, the project/event, and the Pilots pictured. There will not be room for paragraphs or articles. You can email your photos to Joan at [mcc46@bellsouth.net](mailto:mcc46@bellsouth.net).

You may begin sending her photos when you have good ones; be sure to identify your club and the event. There should be room for about 6 photos per club; be selective and send those that represent your club year best.



Pilot Club Eastman participates in the proclamation signing for Pilot International's 93rd Birthday. Seated: Bea Edge, Eastman City Manager and Bobby Peacock, Dodge County Manager Standing: Eastman Pilots Linda Yawn, Club President Doris Joiner and Nylan Hinson

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**"THE KEY TO THE FUTURE"**  
**MARY TURNER**  
**ANCHOR COORDINATOR**



It is hard to believe that December is here. I hope that all Anchor clubs have sent in their Georgia District dues and Pilot International dues. I have received confirmation from several clubs concerning payment of dues. Please let your club advisors know that when they send me a copy of the treasurer's form they may use a legal size envelope or they may email me a copy. This will save the club postage.

I hope your Anchor clubs are making plans to attend Anchor Convention this year. The theme for this year's convent is "Anchors around the World." The Anchor board has planned some informative as well as fun workshops for this year's convention. Registration and hotel information can be found on the Georgia District website. The information was sent out with the November issue of *Anchors Aweigh*. Please make sure your advisors are aware of the January 28, 2015 cutoff date for room reservations. We have several service projects for this year's convention. We are collecting books for the Zambezi Book Project, and toiletry items to be distributed to homeless veterans. Each region was assigned an item to bring.

Please encourage Anchors to apply for the scholarships awarded by the Georgia District. The Georgia District Anchor Scholarship is open to all eligible Anchors in the Georgia District. The Georgia Pilot Foundation scholarship is open to one Anchor from each club. These applications were sent out with the November *Anchors Aweigh*, and may be found on the website.

All advisors and coordinators should have received the November *Anchors Aweigh* by now. If you did not receive one, please let me or Kirsten know so that we can check to see if we have the correct information.

In Pilot Friendship,

*Mary* — turnerma@elberton.net



NE Region Lt Gov Jenni Overby, Winder and Classic City Pilots attended the Classic City's Founder's Day meeting along with 38 guests from NE Region clubs



*Patricia*

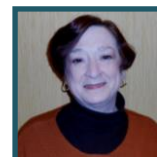
Pilot Club of Carrollton recognized and honored caregiver Ann Varner (l). She is pictured with Projects Committee member Carole Reeves (r) who presented her with a gift basket during the club's dinner meeting. Varner has been caring for family, friends, and community members for 20 years. The Pilot Club of Carrollton recognizes a family or community caregiver each month with dinner and a Pick Me Up basket. Caregivers are recommended by Pilots, friends, and community members.



Pilot Club of Newnan members delivered 7 very full fruit baskets for International Care & Kindness Week! Pictured is President Elaine delivering a basket to Savannah Court. They also took baskets to Avalon Health & Rehabilitation, Temple Ave Police/Fire station, Vital Care EMS, City of Palmetto Fire Station and All Pro EMS. Harriet Steele took one basket to her parents. Deborah Buchanan took the left over fruit to Meals on Wheels. Please continue to spread the care and kindness of Georgia Pilots!!



**"LEADING THROUGH THE GATE"**  
**PATRICIA WHATLEY**  
**LEADERSHIP COORDINATOR**



"The world is moving so fast these days that the man who says it can't be done is generally interrupted by someone doing it." By Elbert Hubbard  
 How true this is. We often talk about projects or fundraisers that we would like to do one day and then we drop the idea because we think we cannot do it.

Optimism is a useful leadership trait that enables you to be hopeful and show confidence in a successful outcome. Blind optimism is not good; you must be realistic, but an optimistic leader can inspire and motivate the team.

Discernment is the ability to judge well. You must take time to understand the situation and not jump in headfirst. Thinking critically will give you the best options.

Encourage your team with positive reinforcement. Review all the outcomes and determine the possibility of putting your plan into action, but do not delay longer than possible--that clock is ticking. Success is achieved when you use the leadership skills of optimism and discernment. Most of you possess them; use them.

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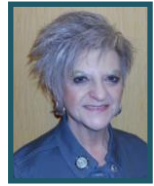




**"OPENING THE GATES"**  
**BRVERLY MCKENNA**  
**MEMBERSHIP CO-COORDINATOR**



**"KEYS FOR KINDNESS"**  
**JAYNE LACKEY**  
**PROJECTS COORDINATOR**



**Make a Great First Impression**

Be enthusiastic as you share your club's success stories and your enthusiasm will rub off on new members. Develop a plan to make new members feel welcome. Be sure you have an orientation session to help them understand Pilot goals. Also, be sure to get to know your new members. Find out what skills they have and what motivated them to join your Pilot Club. Communication, guidance, and mentoring can have a huge impact on retaining members. Do not burden new members by making them new officers, but do give them a role and explain the importance of this role as part of your team. Then recognize their efforts. During a club meeting recognize all members who have recently helped with a project or fundraiser with either a verbal "thank you" or a certificate or small gift. Remember that club members and other volunteers (who may decide to join your club) are the lifeblood of your organization and positive experiences will motivate them to be active, committed club members.

The Pilot Club of Chatham County recently hosted a Breakfast at Fatz Fundraiser (Photo below). We signed up three new members! Two were volunteers who helped serve breakfast and one was a person who came in to eat breakfast while her car was being washed next door.

*Beverly*

Pictured are Jimmy Johnson, Era Hall, Helen Winstead, Katy McKenna, President Nina Dasher, Beverly McKenna, and Tammy Johnson at the breakfast fundraiser for the Chatham County club.



*Jayne*



**Congratulations!**

Pilot Club of Carrollton recognized member Margaret Perkins (center) for her 60 years of continuous active membership in the club. President elect and program chair Jo Farish surprised Perkins with a framed original poem in her honor, while GA District Governor Judy Jackson of Carrollton presented her with a letter of congratulations and a certificate from the GA District of Pilot International, signed by Jackson and a 60 year certificate from Pilot International signed by International President Sherry Johnson. Jackson also shared congratulatory emails from two past International Presidents and friends. Club President Deborah Wilson recognized Perkins with a gift from the club and presented a gift from the GA District to commemorate the 60 year milestone. Perkins was presented a gift from visiting Lt. Governor Pat Garner of Douglasville, on behalf of the NW Region. Membership coordinator Deborah Cogburn presented Margaret with flowers.

Pictured is Perkins (center), Newman Striplin (l), guest, and club member Carole Reeves (r).

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# GA District New Members.....



**"UNLOCKING THE VAULT"**  
**AMANDA MCCOY**  
FUND RAISING COORDINATOR



<u>PILOT</u>	<u>CLUB NAME</u>	<u>SPONSOR</u>
Tammie Rowe	Eastman	Lynn Brown
Cierra Ciucevich	Eastman	Nylan Hinson
Crystal Livingston	Eastman	Nylan Hinson
Shea Campbell	Bainbridge	April Floyd
Linda Grisham	Carrollton	Judy Jackson and Carole Reeves
Amanda Hines	Carrollton	Frances Ann Macy
Juanita Parrish	Jones Co.	Nancy Jacobs
Tammy Clay	Jones Co.	Cheryl Thomas
Jenna Greene	Jones Co.	Cheryl Thomas
Debbie Farnsworth	Jones Co.	Jody Faulkner and Beth Coon

Christmas time is here! It's a great time for fundraising! Something as simple as an ornament is a great fundraiser. There are so many options at craft stores. They have clear ornament balls that can be filled with charms to suit hobbies and interests such as soccer, football, and dance to name a few. They can also be painted or filled with confetti with school colors. Think about your local school colors or even college. The great part is, all the supplies to do this are very inexpensive. That means you can put a great price that people will be happy to spend. These make great little gifts that can be perfect and personalized. As always, have fun with these projects!

Have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

*Amanda*



Pilot Club of Carrollton recognizes a community caregiver each month as a part of Pilot International's Caring for Families in Time of Need. The October caregiver and her guest are pictured here with Pilot Club member Martha Sanders who presented a gift basket. The Club also treated the honoree and her guest to dinner.

Pictured are (l to r): Lynda Nauright, guest; Christine Daniel, caregiver; and Martha Sanders, Pilot Club Projects Co-Chair.

**Battlefield Pilot Club presents**

*2014 Christmas Tour of Homes*

**December 7, 2014**  
2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.  
\$10 per person, pre-tour  
\$12 per person, day of tour

**Tour Sites:**

**Robert & Clara O'Kelley**  
136 Cloudcrest Drive  
Rossville, GA 30725

**Bill & Theresa Smith**  
57 Zackry Trace  
Flintstone, GA 30725

**Tony & Elizabeth Sturdivant**  
34 Walker Street  
Ringgold, GA 30736

**For further information, contact**  
**Patricia Cooke -- 423-309-9979 or**  
**Brenda Noblitt -- 706-639-7001**



Pilot Club of Washington County hosted an Officer Installation luncheon for Anchor Clubs from Brentwood School and Washington County High School. Officers from both schools were installed for the 2014-15 school year

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**"OPENING THE GATE TO THE FUTURE"**

**JACQUE KRISTOFF**  
**NOMINATING COMMITTEE CHAIR**



***"If your actions inspire others to dream more, learn more, do more and become more, you are a leader."*** -- John Quincy Adams

Look around your club...who has served as President and you have felt inspired to follow up with what they have asked you, as a member, to do. I am not necessarily talking about your current President, what about past presidents? Did they lead you into that really tough fund raiser; did they 'flip pancakes' when someone did not show up; were they there from sun-up to set-set for 'car seat safety check?' And, did they lead your meetings in a professional, yet inspiring, manner.

Now, I bet you thought this was a column on leadership! WRONG! It is time to start thinking about the leaders of the Georgia District (i.e. District Officers) for the upcoming Pilot year. We need nominations for all offices except Governor – Grace Crittenden, 2014-2015 Governor-Elect, will automatically be installed as Governor at District Convention in April. All other offices MUST have nominations.

The nominee for Governor-Elect MUST have served as a Lt. Governor at some point and be willing to give of his/her time and energy to prepare to lead the District in 2016-2017. This nominee should be ready to attend Pilot International Leadership Training in July in Orlando in July, 2015.

A nominee for the 6 Lt. Governor positions MUST have served as president of his or her local club. They must be willing to give of their time to assist clubs in their Region and be willing to attend Pilot International Convention Leadership Training in July.

A nominee for the office of Treasurer should possess a good knowledge of accounting and bookkeeping. Take a look at the member who is serving as your current treasurer or who, in the past, has done an

outstanding job at this position. Also, I know there are a number of accountants, CPAs, etc. who are members of our organization. Please ask if they would serve on the District level.

A nominee for the office of Secretary should be able to take accurate minutes (notes) of all the meetings of the District and the District officers and be able to correctly transcribe and present to the governing body of the District and Pilot International.

These are "Qualifications in a Nutshell" for our District to run smoothly. I look forward to hearing from a number of clubs with nominations for Governor-Elect, Lt. Governor, Secretary and Treasurer. Look around you – see who in your club or a neighboring club would make a GREAT District officer and nominate that person.

In order to nominate someone you need to send them a letter stating that you wish to nominate them for whatever office you are proposing they serve and send a copy of that letter to me – my address is at the end of this article. They, in turn, will respond with their answer (hopefully yes, they will serve if elected) and also send a copy of that letter to me. Following their acceptance, they will complete the Nomination Form found in the District Manual on Pages 81-82 and submit a Vision Statement for their particular office related to Georgia District, Pilot International.

Please begin your nominating process now, since it takes some time. **All nominations from clubs, acceptance letters, and Nomination Forms need to be received by me by February 3.**

All letters and forms should be sent directly to me and I will see they are sent to the respective members of the Nominating Committee and the ECR. I do, gladly, accept these by e-mail as well – [jacque\\_kristoff@yahoo.com](mailto:jacque_kristoff@yahoo.com). If you send via e-mail please make sure you show the subject as District Nomination. I need to receive all nominations by February 3.

*Jacque*



**Pilot Club of Cochran** welcomed two new members during a **Founder's Day Tea**. **Melinda Bryant**, membership chair, assumed the personality of **Elizabeth Leonard**, one of the founding sisters. Melinda, dressed for the 1920s which is the time period of the birth of Pilot Club, presented a share pilot discussion involving other club members as they explained the historical perspective of PI as well as the Pilot Club of Cochran, projects which Pilot supports and a personal account of an individual's journey. The newest members are both retired educators and will be assets to the Pilot Club of Cochran: **Sandy Jarrett** and **Alice Mullis**.

Pictured: Sandy Jarrett, Melinda Bryant (membership chair), Alice Mullis

Pilot Club of Eastman celebrated the 93<sup>rd</sup> PI birthday at their October meeting. SE Region Lt. Gov. Maureen Stoy, one of their club's charter members, Frances Giddens and three Anchors attended.

Standing back row: L-R Anchors: Autumn Glover, Maritza Martinez, Meredith Bearden, Pilots: Lynn Brown, Casey Pruet, Nylan Hinson

Front row: L-R Pilots: Doris Joiner, president, Maureen Stoy S.E. Reg. Lt Gov., Frances Giddens, charter member, and Eastman Pilot, Linda Yawn

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