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GAIL SHARBER - GA DISTRICT GOVERNOR

Happy Valentine's Day! The month of February offers great opportunities to show how much Pilots care for one another. Please take the time to celebrate with those in an assisted living facility, nursing homes, or special needs homes. Sending Valentine Cards is another way to extend our love and concern should schedules not allow time for a party.

The DAC/DEC met at St. Simons Island for the Midyear Planning meeting on January 18th - 20th. Plans were finalized for the remainder of the year. We are excited about the Georgia District Convention, Region Workshops, and Pilot International Convention.

Georgia Pilot's Call to Convention April 5 - 7, 2013 at Marriott Atlanta Gwinnett Place, Duluth, GA. The hotel registration is on the website, <u>www.pilotgeorgia.org</u>, under the Events tab. Room rates are \$96/night plus taxes. We have contracted for 100 rooms to be blocked for Friday and 100 rooms for Saturday night. Clubs we are encouraging you to stay both nights. Room quota was not met last year and you will see in the upcoming budget a loss for District Convention in 2012.

Included with this bulletin are the forms for Registration, Market Place, and Friday Night Events. After the Opening Session on Friday Night we will have fun as our talent show takes place - "Pilots Got Talent". These Pilots will be "jugging" for your votes. So please bring plenty of dimes since you can vote more than once. All "votes" (dimes) will be donated to GPF. Your talent can be a reading, singing, skits, and list goes on. Remember to send in your entry form. We will have turkey and ham sliders, along with a chocolate fountain on Friday night. Market Place will be available on Friday night. The forms are also on the GA District website.

The speaker for Saturday morning will be 12 year old Aidan Hornaday. This amazing young man really understands the meaning of helping others as he has started his own foundation - Aidan Cares - check him out on facebook. Aidan is in the process of helping a young child with brain cancer.

The speaker for Sunday morning will be Donna Drakes with HERO for children. We will collect items as a District Project to support the children for camp. The list will be sent to the club presidents in my Monday Creativi-tea. Check out the website -<u>www.heroforchildren.org</u>.

I am looking forward to a great District Convention and meeting with everyone again. Make plans now to Join the fun, serve our District, elect the DAC/DEC, attend workshops, donate to HERO, listen to our speakers, and welcome Governor Elect, Patricia Whatley as she will be installed as 2013-2014 Georgia District Governor.

Yours in Pilot Friendship, Gail



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The Mission of Pilot is to serve by furthering Pilot International's humanitarian efforts through charitable, educational, and research programs in communities throughout the world.

DATES TO REMEMBER

February 4, 2013 District Officer Nomination Forms Due

February 15, 2013 GA District Awards Due

March 1-3, 2013 Anchor District Convention Legacy Lodge, Lake Lanier

March 14 District Convention Registration Deadline

April 5-7, 2013 GA District Convention Marriott Gwinnett Place Duluth

Clubs: We want to highlight special events in your club in our newsletter. Please send your pictures and a brief description to Governor Gail at gsharber@gmail.com.





"MAY YOUR TEA-KETTLE SING" ERA HALL DISTRICT CHAPLAIN



friend of mine sang way back in the day when I was girl scout: "Make new friends and keep the old, one is silver and the other is gold!'. May you be the silver and the gold to your many Pilot friends and future Pilot friends.

February is international friendship month!

My challenge to you is to make seven new friends in

honor of the seven continents of the earth. As one dear

Love always, *Era*



NE Lt. Governor Joyce with the Pilot Club of Winder.

Congratulations!

Our own Past Governor JoAnn Akers was recently awarded the honor of being named Volunteer of the Year for her church - Dunwoody United Methodist Church.

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"GOVERNOR'S BULLETIN"



"Make it Strong" <u>Nancy Miller</u> Leadership Coordinator

Hello Pilots,

I recently read an article concerning Leadership styles. Three researchers were named who shared their observations into leadership styles and how they work and whether they were effective or caused negativity. So, for the next three articles I'll be sharing briefly their findings and how that may affect you in how you lead your Pilot club, how you as a Pilot club coordinator may lead your division team and/or how you lead in your everyday life.

Our first researcher is Kurt Lewin. He categorized the environments in which people experience leadership into three different approaches. These approaches depend on the style of the leader and the result determines what Lewin described as the "leadership climate" of an organization. The three different styles or climates he outlined were: Authoritative, Democratic/participative and Delegative. In an authoritarian leadership style the leader makes the decisions with little or no input from the people who will be doing the actual work. Lewin's study found that this leadership style led to the most discontent and produced the least creative solutions.

In Participative leadership this leader consults with the group in order to make decisions. The leader is still heavily involved in guiding the decision and usually retains the right to override team made choices as necessary. Most people are happiest with a participative leadership and it usually produces the greatest motivation and creativity.

Lewin's last style is Delegative. This style is characterized by leaders who leave most of the decision making process up to their teams with very little input and take a hands-off approach. This style is generally less effective than the participative style.

As you can see, there are different styles to Leadership, and as we go through the next few months, we'll see that as an effective leader, our styles may go in different directions as the situations change.





"Your Cup Runneth Over with Membership" <u>Cindy Tatum</u> Membership Co-Coordinator

February is the month of love when we celebrate Valentine's Day. For that reason, I decided to share the top ten reasons that I <u>love</u> Pilot.

- 10. The opportunity to be part of an organization that is international in scope.
- 9. Pilot was started in Macon, Georgia, not in some city and state far away.
- 8. The outstanding leadership and educational opportunities provided at district and international conventions.
- 7. The large number of scholarships that are awarded every year.
- 6. The large number of grants that are awarded each year to Pilot clubs in order to help them improve life in their communities.
- Our beautiful Code of Ethics that provides guidance on not only how to be better Pilots, but also how to be better human beings.
- 4. Our focus on brain-related disorders. We have all been

touched in some way by at least one brain-related disorder, and that makes us want to do more for others who suffer from a brain injury or illness.

- 3. The thousands of opportunities every Pilot club has to be of service and meet the needs of their individual communities.
- 2. Anchor Clubs!!! How wonderful it is to be able to assist Anchors with their projects and to benefit from their assistance when we need their help. Anchors are AWESOME!!!
- 1. The friendships I have made in my own club, in the Georgia District, and in Pilot International. Pilots are "forever friends," and we are extremely lucky to have them.

As you tell your loved ones this month how much you love them, please also remember why you became a Pilot and why it means so much to you.



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"CUP"...Could U Please GLYNICE HAYES PROJECTS COORDINATOR

"Could U Please"...Sow wildflowers the fun way with seed bombs! This is an easy and cheap spring project that would be fun to do. See if your Anchor Clubs would like to participate. The "bombs" are balloons stuffed with a mixture of wildflower seeds, fertilizer, potting soil, and water -- are an eco-friendly innovation designed to encourage the spread of wildflower gardens.

Some folks are also using them to "regreen" ugly and neglected urban landscapes such as roadsides. Dispatch in empty lots, garbage dumps, or areas along sidewalks that are overrun with weeds or garbage or are otherwise unattended. Do not deploy in landscaped areas, in parks, or on private commercial or residential property. Observe safety precautions. Sure beats a bunch of barren concrete, don't you think?

Here's what you'll need: wildflower seeds of your choice, 1 funnel, 1 pack of water balloons, fertilizer pellets or powder, peat moss or peat-based potting soil, and water. Use the funnel to hold the neck of each balloon open while you stuff in the "ingredients". Add the dry items first, and then make sure to add enough water to make the whole mixture nice and wet. Next, tie the necks closed and shake and knead the balloon a bit to ensure everything is well-mixed. Finally, it's time for the fun part: "exploding" them. Throw your little seed grenades with all your might. Balloon will burst on impact if you use a forceful over-arm throw.



"OPERATION SUCCESS DORETTA BROUGHTON FUNDRAISING COORDINATOR

I applaud each club as you continue sponsoring your fundraising events during these economically challenging times. Local businesses and individual sponsors are often willing to assist in underwriting costs in exchange for recognition and/or advertising. Donations and supplies (no matter how limited) are also a big help to the bottom line. Local businesses or Pilot members can donate prizes for raffles and auctions rather than purchasing them.

Following are some fundraising ideas that may stand alone or enhance your existing fundraising event: 1. Glamour Photos-Coordinate with a local photographer to offer glamour photos for sale. This fundraiser maybe good to plan for Valentine's Day, Tips to consider:

- Use seeds that are indigenous to your state/locale. Anything that grows wild in your <u>landscape</u> without human help is probably adapted for that area and tough as nails. For example, black-eyed Susan (*rudbeckia*) grows well in the South.
- 2) Consider the weather. Down here in the South, gardeners have more flexibility and can plant just about any time of year, particularly fall and spring.
- Consider the location. Most wildflowers thrive in full sun and will fail when scattered in shady locations. Choose an open, exposed area. Do not bother sowing seeds underneath <u>trees</u> or up against the sides of buildings.
- 4) Try and explode your seed bombs when rain is forecast. That way Mother Nature can encourage the germination process. Note: by "rain" I mean some regular or gentle rain. I don't mean thunderstorm weather. That kind of heavy rain will wash the seeds away. Oops.
- 5) Be smart. Be considerate. Keep well away from private property and from public areas that have already been landscaped. You might even check with your City or County Extension Agents for appropriate areas.
- 6) Finally, retrieve all of your spent balloons and dispose of them in the trash if possible.

This idea was compiled, copied and edited from different websites. Please let me know your results. If your club decides to do this project.

Enjoy a cup of tea today,

Glynice



Mother's Day or Father's Day. Your Pilot Club keeps a portion of each photo. 2. Celebrity Item Auction- Write a celebrity and ask them to donate autograph items to be auctioned off. This will need to be initiated well in advance of event. 3. Day of Beauty- Ask a local beautician to donate a portion of a day of service. Sell raffle tickets for \$2-\$3. The winner is pampered (ie... facial, message, manicure).



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"BREWING THE FUTURE" PATRICIA WILKINSON ANCHOR COORDINATOR

I want to thank all of the Anchor Advisors for sending in their dues for the Ga. District and Pilot International. There are a few that I still need to hear from. If you are having problems please let me know and I will try to help.

The Anchor Convention is coming up fast. Hotel reservations need to be made by **January 30, 2013**. Send your convention registration and check to Ga. District Treasurer Merlene Burgess and send a copy to me. The Registration form is in the "Anchors Aweigh" newsletter. The Anchor board has been working on the plans for the convention. They have a lot of great things planned. Don't forget to bring your soda tabs in a gallon jug.

I know you have Anchors in your club that would make a great District Officer. Please encourage them to run. We need officers for the coming year. The nominations form when out in the "Anchors Aweigh".

I will be going to Freedom Foundation Feb.21-24, 2013. I have enclosed the flight information so if there are any Anchors and Advisor that would like to be on the same flight.

I will be flying Delta, Flight number 1561, it will leave Atlanta at 11:15am and arriving in Philadelphia at 1:20pm. The return flight is Delta Flight 1561, leaving Philadelphia at 2:15pm and arriving in Atlanta at 4:32pm. Please let me know if you are going and would be on this flight. I hope we have a large group from Georgia at Freedom Foundation.

If you have any question please contact me. I would be glad to help.



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

<u>PILOT</u>	CLUB NAME	RELATIONSHIP
Emily Jorgenson	Atlanta/Cherokee Co.	Aunt
Kirsten Jorgenson	Atlanta/Cherokee Co.	Aunt
Jacquie Foster	Atlanta	Uncle
Linda Buffington	Gainesville	Uncle
Ginger Folger	Gainesville	Great-Uncle
Trish Solorio	Sweetwater	Husband



GA District New Members.....

<u>PILOT</u>	CLUB NAME	<u>Sponsor</u>
Judy Marable	Oconee Co.	
Elaine Neal	Oconee Co.	
Lacey Paul	Oconee Co.	
Linda Stokes	Jones Co.	Cheryl Thomas
Denise Partee	Jones Co.	Janice Roberts
Linda Murphy	Jones Co.	Wanda Bush

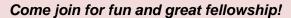
In Pilot Friendship

Patricia



Heart of Gold Pilot Club's 1st Annual Chili Cook-Off

Saturday, February 9, 2013, 6:30 p.m. Roy Ash Community Center 89 Jarrard Street, Cleveland



Come and vote for the best people's choice chili for only **\$5.00** and then stay and have dinner -- Chili of your choice with salad, corn bread, tea or coffee for only **\$5.00**. Great desserts available for just **\$2.00**

We will also have a Silent Auction so come and see what great items we have for you!

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVE (ECR) JUDY LANGLEY

CONTINUES is an appropriate time to show our love for our communities. As Pilots and Anchors, we unite to serve those in our communities in heartfelt ways. We can also plan to celebrate and serve alongside our outstanding youth at their Georgia District Anchor Convention March 1-3, 2013 at Lake Lanier Islands.

District Anchor Convention provides a great opportunity for Pilots to spend valuable time with Anchors and to immerse ourselves in "their" world for a short period of time. While many dedicated Pilots annually attend District Anchor Convention, I can't help but envision the impact if ALL Pilots participated in a District Anchor Convention this year! It is a great way to see what the Anchor Program is all about and to be energized by the enthusiasm of an outstanding group of young people. I would like to express my sincere gratitude to the PI Anchor Coordinator and all of the District Anchor Coordinators, DAC/DEC Members, Anchor Sponsors and sponsoring Pilot Clubs for your commitment of time, energy, and leadership in working with Anchors. Your dedication to our Anchors is to be commended. Thank you!

If your Club does not sponsor an Anchor Club or your district has not yet established an Anchor District, I encourage you to investigate the possibilities! All the procedures and documents



you need are provided on Pilot International's website. Visit an existing Anchor Club or attend a nearby District Anchor Convention, and you will be amazed at the commitment of these young people and their passion for serving others.

In the coming months, Pilots will see a renewed sense of energy and commitment from Pilot International to our beloved Anchors. Through development of strategic curriculum and new marketing initiatives, Pilot International is dedicated to transforming the now 8,500 member-strong Anchor Clubs into the premier youth service organization. The leadership skills and love of service that the Anchor Program instills in young people today will bear great fruit in communities now and in the future. It will also ensure that Pilot International continues to grow and thrive. After all, "Today's Anchors are Tomorrow's Pilots!" Let's see how many Anchors we can get to attend the Pilot International Annual Convention and Leadership Conference July 10-14, 2013 in fabulous New Orleans! There will be great training, activities, and service projects for Anchors...so Pilots, make it a priority to bring your Anchors along!

Because I care,

Judy







Pilot Club of Eastman's Valentine's Raffle

Pilot Club of Eastman is raffling off a diamond ring for Valentine's. It retails for \$450.00 from Smith Jewelers. The diamonds on each side are very nice. It's very pretty and would make a great Valentine's Day gift for someone.

If anyone is interested in purchasing some \$5 tickets and helping out the club with this great fundraiser, please contact Nylan Hinson (<u>nah74@hotmail.com</u>).

Thanks for your support of this fundraiser.



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GPF REPRESENTATIVE- ROBIN PERRY

GEORGIA PILOT FOUNDATION

District Convention seems a long way off each year until the calendar turns to January and then you realize it'll be her in just a couple of months.

The Pilot Club of Eatonton has sold all 60 of their tickets -1 hope tickets sales are going that good in all our clubs. Several of our clubs pass a basket around at their meetings to collect money and use the funds to buy the tickets in their club's name. If you still have tickets left to sale try this. We have had four clubs win raffle money to help fund their club service projects over the last two years.

The drawing for the nine "Foundation Tea Pots" will be at the Awards Luncheon at District Convention on April 6th. There will be nine tea pots with a total of \$3,000 in cash. If you have sold your tickets and would like to get your checks cleared before April you can mail the tickets and stubs or just the checks to me and bring the stubs to Convention. Sending your checks in early saves you from standing in line to turn in the money at convention and it also keeps you from forgetting to pack them when you come to convention. Each year we have Club Presidents who forget and leave their money and tickets at home. In order to be able to fund all our scholarships this year, I am hoping you have included a GPF donation in your club budget this year. If so, February is a great time to remind your treasurer to mail in your club's donation. Clubs who have made donations are recognized in the March Governor's Bulletin before convention. The GPF donation form is available on the Georgia Pilot website – pilotgeorgia.org.

I hope all clubs are making plans to send in a GPF scholarship application. Georgia District Clubs that sponsor Anchor Clubs may submit one Anchor Scholarship application for each Anchor Club. The new Lynda Goodwin Volunteer Scholarship is available to all Georgia District Pilot Clubs that do not sponsor an Anchor Club.

Both applications are available on the website or e-mail me at <u>perryco@bellsouth.net</u> and I will send you the application. What better way for a service club to get publicity than by recognizing your local students for their volunteer efforts. Postmark due dates for both applications is February 1st, 2013.



Pilot Clubs.....

Joan McCannon is looking for pictures from your club to put in Gov. Gail's scrapbook. Please contact Joan (<u>mcc46@bellsouth.net</u>) if you have any questions.



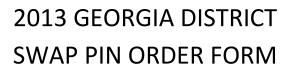
Inspiration

Life is a lot of work. What is it that gives us the strength to continue when we are tired burned out? Sometimes and an inspirational idea can help us renew ourselves and be filled with strength to fulfill our life's purpose. Inspiration comes in many forms. However, the root of all inspiration is the idea that our lives are meaningful. Inspiration is knowing that what I do matters deeply to the universe. When you have the feeling that your actions are meaningful, you will become filled with strength and vigor to fulfill your life's purpose.

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