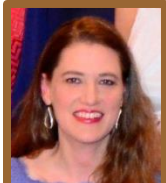


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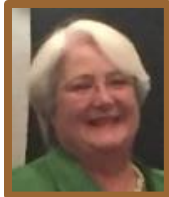
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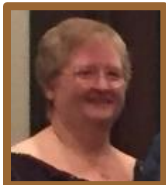
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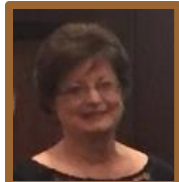
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GOVERNOR CYNTHIA

February is American Heart Month. There is also a very special day this month, in which we show our "Heart" to our loved ones with gifts, cards, and flowers. Our spouses, parents, children, grandchildren, and friends are the recipients of these "Heart" felt gifts of love. Yes, we show our sentiments to these special people every day, but on Valentine's Day, we go the extra mile to let them know how much we love them. This month, let's show some extra care for those in our communities that take care of us- the policemen and firemen. The extra Pick-Me-Ups will be appreciated. There is also a need to show our "Heart" to our fellow Pilots in Adel. This small community in the Southwest Region is reeling from a devastating tornado that killed several people and left a path of destruction in its wake. Our Pilot friends are all safe and helping others. We can help by giving to the Safe Harbor Fund for Disaster Relief through Pilot International. Remember to show "Heart" for our fellow Pilots and members of our community.

A Heartfelt Thank You for all you do in the name of Pilot in the Georgia District.

Cynthia



Some of your DAC/DEC at their mid-year planning meeting



GOVERNOR-ELECT KATHARINE

Happy February!

As I prepare for my year as Governor of the Georgia District, I want to express my appreciation for all of the support that I have received from across the district. I'm looking forward to an excellent year!

I have chosen the theme of "Shining the Light of Service" and the emblem of a lighthouse. Just as the lighthouse shines its light to provide guidance to ships and sailors, we as Pilots provide support and guidance to those in need through the many varied service projects we undertake.

I hope to see you all at District Convention in April, so that we may "shine our light" together!

Katharine





CHAPLAIN'S MESSAGE

THE MISSION OF PILOT INTERNATIONAL 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.

WE FOCUS ON:

- Preparing youth and young adults for service.
- Encouraging brain safety and health.
- Supporting those who care for others.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Feb 1, 2017

Lynda Goodwin Scholarship Award (Non-Anchors) to GPF Rep. Jackie Jones

Feb 3, 2017

District Officer Nomination Form to Louise Shimer (District Nominating Chair)

Feb 16, 2017

Awards Due to Nancy Miller (Awards Chair)

Feb 24-26, 2017

Anchor Convention
Legacy Lodge
Lake Lanier Islands

April 7-9, 2017

District Convention
Hilton Atlanta NE

St. Valentine's Story

Let me introduce myself. My name is Valentine. I lived in Rome during the third century. That was long, long ago! At that time, Rome was ruled by an emperor named Claudius. I didn't like Emperor Claudius, and I wasn't the only one! A lot of people shared my feelings.

Claudius wanted to have a big army. He expected men to volunteer to join and many men just did not want to fight in wars. So they did not sign up and that made Claudius furious. He then had a crazy idea --- He thought that if men were not married, they would not mind joining the army. So Claudius decided not to allow any more marriages! Young people through his new law was cruel (and so do !!)

Did I mention that I was a priest? One of my favorite activities was to marry couples. Even after Emperor Claudius pass his law, I kept on performing marriage ceremonies --secretly, of course. It was really quite exciting. Imagine a small candlelit room with only the bride and groom and myself. We would whisper the words of the ceremony, listening all the while for the steps of soldiers.

One night, we did hear footsteps - the couple I was marrying escaped in time, but I was caught and thrown into jail. I was told my punishment was death.

I tried to stay cheerful. And do you know what? Wonderful things happened. Many young people came to the jail to visit me. They threw flowers and notes up to my window. They wanted me to know that they, too, believed in love.

One of these young people was the daughter of the prison guard who came and visited me in my cell. We spent many hours talking. On the day I was to die, I left my friend a little note thanking her for her friendship and loyalty. I signed it, "Love from your Valentine".

I believe that note started the custom of exchanging love messages on Valentine's Day. It was written on the day I died, February 14, 269 A.D. Now, every year on this day people remember. They think about love and friendship. And when they think of Emperor Claudius, they remember how he tried to stand in the way of love, and they laugh --- because they know LOVE can't be beaten!

May each of you know that you are LOVED - on this Valentine's Day and every day.

If anyone would like to receive notices of prayers/celebrations from your fellow Pilots do send me your email address and I will be glad to add your name to the listing.

JoAnn

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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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GA District New Members...

PILOT	CLUB NAME	SPONSOR
Gay Crawley	Classic City	Reinstated as Active-Emeritus
Pauline Rowlands	Classic City	Doretta Broughton
Paula Preston	Macon	Reinstated
Jennifer Collins	Eatonton	Glenda Ridley
Zelina (Lina) Hines	Eatonton	Elaine Uhler
Kaitlyn Daniel	Statesboro	Kerrin Daniel
Sandra Whitworth	Toccoa	Joyce Dooley

PILOT	CLUB NAME
Virginia Brock	Bainbridge

PILOT	CLUB NAME	RELATIONSHIP
Elizabeth Towler	Monroe	Brother
Mysteris Brown	Peachtree	Sister
Angela Gillis	Peachtree	Aunt





HUMMING ALONG WITH PROJECTS & VISIBILITY

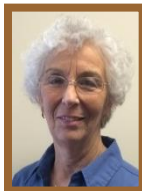
As I write this article I am overwhelmed by the many activities of our Pilot Club occurring at this time. I feel as if I barely have time to think. But isn't that what Pilot is about - Sharing our knowledge and skills with the community? We are in the midst of our BrainMinders presentations in the schools and it seems every day is filled with preparations, phone contacts, or presentations. I love every minute of it. Wise Old Owl is now my best Buddy. We have several schools booked for our programs.

I am serving on the PI committee to rewrite the scripts for BrainMinders to present a more updated message. We are including new topics about safety with a few new characters. The current characters are all being preserved. The script will be flexible with multiple choice options for the topics presented. This will allow Pilots in a variety of environments to find relevant topics for their location and age levels. We are also revising and adding to the scripts for seniors to allow for a wider use with the public. A technology team is creating a webpage for information and activities to teach skills, and they are sponsoring a contest for Anchors to create a safety video. New activity books are also being developed to coordinate with the new script. The new materials will be presented at PI Convention in Las Vegas in July. We are excited about these new possibilities for our public image.

Remember to log your service hours each month. PI needs to know about our many projects of service. Keep up the good work, Pilots.

Beth

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Past Governors

Melodie Smith
February 8

Esther Foster
February 20

Grace Crittenden
Past Governor
SW Lt. Governor
February 8



KEEP FUNDRAISING HUMMING

Is your club anticipating the completion of fundraising activities for the 2016-2017 year and looking for future fundraiser ideas? Think Auction!

Classic City PC has held an Auction in April each year as an ongoing Fundraiser for 19 years. The auction date and time is set a year in advance with the venue secured, auctioneer booked and the hors d'oeuvre menu selected.

Throughout the year auction items are solicited and collected because like many Fundraisers getting commitments early is very important. Since the auction is held annually in April businesses can be contacted in January when company donation decisions are being made for the year.

Days prior to the auction club members submit collected items to be listed by name and number in computer system by the Fundraising Committee. The day of the auction all members help with displaying items.

The auction begins at 6:00 p.m. with heavy hors d'oeuvres, the opportunity to view live auction items and to bid on silent auction items until 7:00 p.m. when the silent auction is closed and live auction begins. The auctioneer is very entertaining as he efficiently auctions 100+ items in about 1 and 1/2 hours. PC members assist by writing bid number and amount on item card and hand to auctioneer staff. The auctioneer staff compiles bidder totals for checkout and collects money to conclude a successful event.

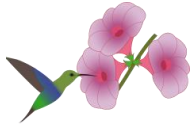
Classic City PC holds a smaller in-house Holiday Auction in November where members serve in all capacities - auctioneer, assistants and recorders of bid and bid numbers and collecting money. This project allows Pilots to participate at their own comfort level. The Holiday auction features homemade cakes, pies, cookies and candies, crafts, Christmas themed oil paintings and numerous other gift items. The proceeds are clear profit as there are no extra costs involved since it is during a regular meeting. The profits for either type auction will depend on the quality of items donated and the number of people who attend.

An auction is a great way to fund projects and provide club visibility which in turn spotlights club projects in the community. Classic City service projects have made an impact in the community therefore fundraising efforts are supported by the community.

Joyce

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVE

February conjures up visions of hearts, flowers, candy and all things loving!

Do you remember when making valentines was a special time of construction paper, glue and glitter? The people you created those "works of art" for were so happy to receive them. You felt good about knowing your gift represented love and helped to create a happy moment.



So my question to you is: Have you loved Pilot lately? Your contribution to Pacesetter and the Grants and Scholarship programs is your expression of love for this exceptional Organization we are all an important part of- PILOT INTERNATIONAL.

Please look over the list below as a reminder of some of the fantastic ways Pilot International shares our "Friendship and Service" and determine how you can share in the giving and through your clubs activities in spreading the PILOT LOVE.

PACESETTER CONTRIBUTIONS are used to raise funds for the Annual Fund. The Annual Fund is unrestricted and is used to operate Pilot International with all the support activities that we as members can benefit. All clubs are asked to contribute \$10 per ACTIVE member.

The Bob King Co-Pilot Scholarship was established by the Co-Pilots in Bob's memory to provide financial assistance to graduating high school seniors and/or undergraduate students preparing for a career that furthers Pilot International's mission. Scholarships are based on community service, financial need, academic success, and application contents. Scholarships are awarded for one academic year. Award amounts may vary, but will not exceed \$1,500 per year for full time students and \$750.00 for part time students.

It will be soon time to start working on Governor Cynthia's scrapbook. Please send your pictures with description to Emily Jorgenson (emiljorg@bellsouth.net) or if you would like to mail her pictures, her address is:

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We would like to have ALL clubs represented in her scrapbook. Please email Emily if you have any questions.....

Thanks...

Pilot International Founders Fund Matching Grants are available for:
Anchors: Youth Development & Leadership
Brain Safety & Fitness
Caring for Families in Times of Need

SAFE HARBOR FUND raises emergency funds for individual Pilot members affected by disasters. Funds are generated through the Club's Ambassador Contributions and Pilot members and supporters.

Pick Me Up Grants are to provide additional care and kindness to caregivers, individuals and groups so we can realize our vision that all are valued

Our members and their talents are the "glue" that keeps us moving forward as an important force of community service worldwide. Our financial support is the "glitter" that adds the ability to Do More, Care More, Be More.

Contributing your time, talent, and financial support to your Club, your District and Pilot International as we wind up our current Pilot fiscal year will put the finishing touches on a job well done. Then let's continue to create a stronger more meaningful experience for our members and the recipients of our efforts as we start to plan for next year accomplishments.

This month show Pilot some of your well-deserved love!

Elena

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SOARING INTO ANCHOR SERVICE

Wow! It's hard to believe that Anchor Convention is coming up the end of February. This year's Anchor Board has been hard at work planning convention. I think the Anchors will really enjoy their convention this year. I hope to see some Pilot's at convention this year. Please encourage your Anchor Clubs to participate in convention. We would love to have another record attendance this year.

I am looking forward to reviewing all of the scholarship applications. It is always interesting to see what the Anchors are doing in their community. I can't wait to see the scrapbooks at convention as well. I hope to see a lot of scrapbooks this year.

Now is the time to start thinking about sponsoring an Anchor Club for next school year. We have lost several Anchor clubs over the past several years due to sponsors retiring and Pilot clubs disbanding. I would love to see the number of clubs increase over the next several years. If I can be of assistance to you please let me know.

Mary

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"Spotlight Our Clubs"



Pilot Club of Cochran Georgia presented to the local Police Department and Sheriff's Office goody bags and fruit in appreciation for their service. With the Officers is Cochran members Daphne Jones, Neta O'Berry, Melinda Jo Brant and Sandy Jarrett.

Local Oconee County author, Mandi Mathis, recently spoke to the Pilot Club of Oconee County about her recent book, *The Littlest Inventor*. Her beautifully illustrated picture book features an intelligent, sensitive boy with sensory issues and how the tools of knowledge and confidence can make life more enjoyable.

(Left to right-Author Mandi Mathis and Pilot Club of Oconee County member Dennise Grayson)



Pilot Club of Monroe and Monroe Area HS Anchors enjoyed a fun filled night learning some basic Yoga moves from Amanda with Ebb and Flow Yoga Studio in Loganville.



Pilot Club of Madison Co President Jane Tippen(I) and Club's PI Ambassador, Jackie Duncan.

Jackie Duncan was recently selected to represent the Pilot Club of Madison County as the 2016 Pilot International Ambassador. Club members select by secret ballot a person who actively promotes and supports the club's mission and vision, is faithful in attending meetings, and gives generously of his/her time to service projects and other club activities. Jackie has been an active member of the Pilot Club of Madison County since 1995.



Dublin PC members Kay Hughes, Carole Simmons & Joan Brantley at the Veterans Day Program at the VA Hospital in Dublin

