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Pilot International has created "International Care and Kindness Week". We will celebrate it the second week of November. This is in keeping with our commitment to Caring for Families in Times of Need. Pilot Clubs should encourage community involvement focused on Care and Kindness. This might be a good time to initiate the Pick Me Ups Program if you haven't started it already. Pick Me Ups is an initiative to promote awareness of the needs of family caregivers. Examples of recognition could be as simple as a flower, a card, a fruit basket or maybe a gift card for lunch at the local restaurant. You could make it formal and invite the caregiver to a program meeting in their honor. Most every family has been touched by a Family Caregiver. Most every Pilot Club has been touched by a member who is a Family Caregiver. Your club may not have anything official planned but YOU can start it by doing some simple act on your own. If each member of each club would perform a simple act we would have 64 clubs in Georgia with each member doing ONE SIMPLE ACT. Sounds like a great strategy for the program and for your club. Check the Pilot International website for more information and ideas. www.pilotinternational.org.

Happy Care and Kindness Week,



Gov. Patricia with PC of Haralson Co. member and a member of Georgia Artist with DisAbilities Sheila Swann at the GAWD Awards Luncheon.



L-R Casey Pruett, Patricia Whatley, Judy Jackson, Moniece Moore, Nylan Hinson at Fall Council.

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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

January 6, 2014 Newsletter Awards Entries to your Lt. Governor

January 7, 2014 Deadline for proposed Amendments to our Georgia **District Standing Rules to** Gov. Patricia

February 14, 2014 Award entries to Louise Shimer

Feb. 28, 2014 - March 2 Anchor Convention Legacy Lodge, Lake Lanier



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What an exciting time it is to be a Pilot! With the implementation of our Do More, Care More, Be More initiatives, Pilot growth is inevitable. When a Pilot Club provides relevant programs, supports club success, and involves the community, greater participation and support will follow.

Increasing membership should be a goal of every Pilot and Anchor. Being a part of an international organization enables us to help others locally and globally. Reach out to local home health agencies or assisted living facilities to share more information about our Pick Me Ups program or contact the local media in showcasing Care & Kindness Week in November. The `community will begin to learn more about Pilot, and all the great work we are doing.

Sharing Pilot Internationals mission, vision, focus is as simple as the "A-B-C's" ... Anchors, Brain Safety & Fitness, and Caregivers. There are so many resources at your fingertips on the Pilot International Website, so check them out today! (http://www.pilotinternational.org) There are opportunities to share our Pilot Story outside the traditional 'Share Pilot', so let others know you'd love to be their speaker or bring a 30 minute program to their office or organization. Many times we just need to

rethink our strategy, and invite potential members or community leaders that support us annually to a project. This allows everyone to see the Pilot International mission in action, and the donor will see firsthand how you are helping the community.

Remember to keep members involved and informed because it enables them to grow. Take time to provide new member orientations quarterly outside of a regularly scheduled meeting. Lastly, stay abreast of the current needs in your community and tailor your clubs opportunities for service accordingly. The members will feel engaged and apart of making the community a better place to live.

Pilots & Anchors, thank you for being successful community leaders, and continue to arow others through vour membership...Remember the most important part of membership is members! Value the members in your club and those who will join you this year! Celebrate the "gift" that each member brings to the organization.

I Am A Pilot!



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GA District New Members.....

<u>PILOT</u>	CLUB NAME	<u>Sponsor</u>
Rebecca Cook	Ocilla Irwin	Lorena Perry
Sonja Gibson	Cochran	Dell Daniel
Valerie Haskins	Manchester	
Karen Beall	Тоссоа	Louise Morris
Patsy Mauldin	Тоссоа	Dale Moseley
Sheryl Farmer	Тоссоа	Virginia Smith
Ashley Youngblood	Washington Co.	Whitney Josey
Stacy Williford	Washington Co.	Whitney Josey
Rollie Green	Eatonton	-



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Dear Pilots,

Sorry, I have been out of touch for a while. Spent some time at Tanner Hospital with my husband, Bob. We are home now and he is resting comfortably. The two valves leading to and from his heart are leaking and because of his age (82) and health, he would not withstand an operation, so we wait and enjoy every moment and pray. Thank all of you for your prayers. I know that is what eases his discomfort.

I had a message from Sherry McDuffie that June Robertson from the Classic City Pilot Club, has suffered a stroke. She had no paralysis, but has brain issues. She was moved from Clearview Hospital in Monroe to Park Place for rehab. Tom is having a very difficult time dealing with this as he has major health issues of his own. They both need our prayers. Cards may be sent to 155 Cedar Creek Drive, Athens, GA 30605.

Gwen Yarbrough's husband's brother passed away October 15th. Cards may be sent to Bob and Gwen at 201 Niver Rd, Statesboro, GA 30458

Angie Hall, president of the Pilot Club of Carrollton, became a new grandmother to Dottie Hall on October 15 weighing in at 8 pounds, 3 ounces and 20.5 inches long. Our best wishes to Angie, Tony, Aubrey and Wynn.

Evelyn McCain could use some TLC from her Pilot family. Please keep her in your thoughts and prayers. Cards may be sent to 102 Skyway Drive, Warner Robins, GA 31088.

The son of Virginia Aultman of the Pilot Club of Jefferson, Wayne Anglin, passed away and I know Virginia could use some prayers and cards may be sent to 27 Pinewood Drive, Jefferson, GA 30549.

MAY YOU ALL HAVE LOVE TO SHARE, HEALTH TO SPARE AND FRIENDS THAT CARE!

May God Bless all of you,

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

<u>Pilot</u>	CLUB NAME	RELATIONSHIP
Aldene Lee	Blakely	Sister
Christine Nolly	Heard Co.	Mother
Julie Pope	Heard Co.	Mother
Gwen Yarbrough	Statesboro	Brother-n-law
Bob Yarbrough	Statesboro	Brother
Virginia Aultman	Jefferson	Son
Ileane Slocum	Greene Co.	Husband
Pam Howland	Covington	Mother

LOUISE SHIMER AWARDS JURY CHAIR

GEORGIA DISTRICT AWARDS

Thank you to those who sent entries for the Governor's Cup. The response was fantastic.. It is exciting to read about all of the wonderful projects and fundraisers you are doing in your communities.

Now, it is time to begin working on the other Georgia District Awards.

The **Newsletter Award** entry must be postmarked on or before **January 7, 2014**, and sent to your **Regional Lt. Governor**. This and all of the award forms and requirements can be found on the Georgia District website – <u>www.pilotgeorgia.org</u> Click on "forms" and scroll down to Awards Forms.

The Ann Adams Attendance Award, Edwina Gill Growth Award, Elizabeth Green Safety Award, Vivian Hartman Memorial Award and the Nancy Henrick Friendship and Service Award must be postmarked on or before February 15, 2014. They are to be mailed to me at 4046 Bethelview Rd., Cumming, GA 30040. Copies also need to be sent to the Governor, Governor-Elect and your Region Lt. Governor.

I would like to mention another award that was created last year. It is the Lynda Goodwin Volunteer Scholarship awarded to a graduating senior within the Georgia District. Pilot Clubs that do not sponsor an Anchor Club can submit one application per club. Look on our website under forms to find out more information and requirements.

I am looking forward to receiving entries from every club in our district. GOOD LUCK TO EACH OF YOU!!

Louise



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"ALL HANDS ON DECK" GAIL SHARBER LEADERSHIP COORDINATOR



LEADERSHIP EXERCISE for CLUB

- 1. Separate club into three teams. Have each Team count off. (allow time for count off)
- 2. Let person number three act as the "team" president. The president will be the spoke person for the team later during discussion.
- 3. Pass out one coloring sheet (example of coloring sheet - fall leaves, pumpkin, BrainMinder Buddie, etc) and a "baggie" of crayons (6 or 8) for each team. (one bag should have all the same colors of crayons)
- Tell the teams they should now complete the "project" 4 of coloring the page. (no further instructions) ALLOW around 10 minutes for completion.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- 1. Did the "president" of the team offer guidance?
- 2. Did the president appoint a Project Coordinator?
- 3. Did the entire "team" discuss ways to complete the project?
- 4. Did the team allow each member to complete a portion of the project?
- 5. Did all members participate?
- 6. Did a member decide not to help "color" the project?
- 7. Did each member only color one section of the project?
- 8. Did any member complete more than one section?
- 9. Did each member stay completely in the lines?
- 10. Did you think outside the box and color outside the lines?
- 11. Did each member use only one color?
- 12. Did you add to the project by drawing other pictures?
- 13. Did you add your "team" name to the project for recognition in your community?
- 14. Did any team ask for assistance from another team? (borrowing crayons)
- 15. The team with "all" the same color what was your plan? Did you ask for assistance from another team?
- 16. Did your team offer assistance to another team?
- 17. Have the "team" picture that thought outside the box by adding to the "project" show their completed page.

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Virginia Locke (SE Lt. Governor) November 12







The Pilot Club of Macon celebrated their 92nd birthday with a presentation of an original skit written exactly as the hand written minutes of September 7, 1921 through October 18, 1921 stated. These minutes were obtained from the Georgia Archives several years ago by a member of the club. Mayor Robert Reichert presented a proclamation proclaiming October 18, 2013 as Pilot Club of Macon Founder's Day. Other honored guests were Georgia District West Central Region Lt. Governor Linda Jones and Misty Cline, Operations Director of Pilot International, along with guests of Pilot members.



The Dodge County HS Anchor Club entered a float in their homecoming parade on Friday, October 11 in Eastman. The Anchor Club of Dodge County High School was chartered April 17, 1975, currently has some 25 members, and is sponsored by the Pilot Club of Eastman.

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"Steam Ahead with Service" Judy Vendrick Projects Coordinator



Last month I said that I would share with you the "Pick Me Ups" project my club has started and encouraged you to write me with your club ideas.

Eleanor Ragsdale from the Pilot Club of Lavonia writes, "We will be furnishing a homemade treat to the Lavonia Police, the EMT'S, and Volunteer Fireman during the month of November. Though they are not exactly a family caregiver, they are our community caregivers." And I would certainly agree – they are very important and necessary caregivers in every community. The Lavonia Pilots are continuing to brainstorm the Pick Me Ups initiative while acknowledging their own Pilot caregivers. Thanks Lavonia Pilots for thinking outside the box!

That's pretty much how my club is starting with this initiative, too. At our last meeting we honored Roni May, who has been a caregiver to her husband, Sam, a traumatic brain injury victim, since 2010. Roni and Sam attend our meetings as often as they can and they bring our members much joy and inspiration, despite their circumstances. Roni was presented a "Box of Sunshine" containing things that are yellow, bright and cheery as her

Pick Me Ups gift to let her know that she is and will always be a "Box of Sunshine" to all Catoosa County Pilots and our community.

Let me hear how your club is "steaming ahead with service". All Aboard!!

Judy judyingeorgia@comcast.net





Gavin Wright with his Service Dog- Caspian suffers from nonverbal autism. Eastman Pilots along with friends and family pushed the Challenge to make this a Reality. Fundraisers were held as Gavins' mother Brooke speaks out to tell of their experience of Autism. The Wrights left their home town to get to facilities which could better Help in this area of Gavin's' education. Caspian will not only be a Service but a Friend. We could never imagine the life of Autism- yet; we can join together to make Life Better for them and family.

CAROL STOKES NW REGION LT. GOVERNOR

Pilot has been a part of my life for the past 31 years. During that time, I have served the Pilot Club of Haralson County as Secretary, Treasurer, Director, President-Elect and President (6 times). I have also served as Georgia District Safety and Health Area Leader. This is my first term as Lt. Governor for the NW Region.

When I think back as to why I joined Pilot, I remember the wonderful lady who encouraged me join the organization. She was the caregiver for my two sons at the time and knew that I was so dedicated to my family that I found it hard to find time to do things for myself. Pilot has allowed me to grow personally and make many lifelong friends. My joy in life is to give to others and Pilot afforded me this opportunity in my local community.

I was born and raised in Bremen, a small town in West Georgia. My father was an Optometrist and my mother a stay at home mom who dedicated her life to looking after me and my sister. I was very fortunate to be able to share Pilot with my mother after she became a member of our club. One of my most fond memories was traveling to Atlanta to the District Convention with her before her death. We have had our convention at that same hotel several times since then and I always remember how much she enjoyed the beds of pansies that were in bloom the year we attended together.

I attended West Georgia College in Carrollton, Georgia, where I received a Bachelor of Business Administration degree with a major in Accounting/Finance. It seems like I have worked all my life since I started working for an insurance agency before I graduated from High School. During that time I obtained my state insurance agent's license and continued to work in that industry for many years. Currently I am the Human Resource Manager at TydenBrooks in Tallapoosa, GA. While this occupation is very stressful at times, I enjoy working with the people and helping them when I can.

My family is my pride and joy. I have three sons, two grandsons and a granddaughter. My life had been blessed with boys, so when I found out we were finally having a girl, I said if she didn't play with trucks I wouldn't know what to do with her! We figured it out and she and I have lots of fun doing "girly" things. I am also blessed to have two wonderful daughter-in-laws, one who is President-Elect in my home club. My youngest son will be getting married next Spring and we will be adding another beautiful daughter-in-law and two more grandsons to the clan.

As Lt. Governor this year, I have thoroughly enjoyed visiting the clubs in the NW region. It is very interesting to learn about the work each of these clubs is doing in the name of Pilot. It also provides many opportunities to make new friends and reconnect

with old ones.

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JUDY JACKSON **GA DISTRICT GOVERNOR-ELECT**

Newsletter Awards Entries:

It will soon be time to submit three consecutive issues of your newsletter to your Region Lt. Governor by January 6, 2014. The criteria and entry form are available on the District website, pilotgeorgia.org. These will be entered in both the Region and I've enjoyed reading your District newsletter competitions. newsletters and have seen so many good ones that you certainly need to get yours in to be considered for the awards. Presidents, please remind your editors to compile their best three consecutive issues and get these mailed by the deadline.

Other awards competitions are the Ann Adams Attendance Award, the Edwina Gill Growth Award, the Nancy Henrick Friendship and Service Award, the Safety and Service Award, and the Vivian Hartman Memorial Award for contributions to the Pilot International Founder's Fund. The deadline for these awards is February 14, 2014. These are opportunities for your club to be recognized for its outstanding work in each of these areas. These entry forms go to Louise Shimer, District Awards Jury Chair, Governor, Governor Elect, and Region Lt. Governor.

Fall Council Memories:

What wonderful memories we have of our 2013 Fall Council from the overwhelming success of our scarf and toiletries projects for homeless veterans and other veterans to take back with them after



ARE YOU A LEADER

DO YOU KNOW A LEADER?

It's that time again....time for Georgia District Pilots to elect our leaders for the 2014-2015 Pilot year. The Georgia District is looking for Pilots who will serve us as Governor-Elect, Secretary, 6 Lt. Governors and Treasurer. There are 64 clubs in the Georgia District - there should be at least 62 dedicated Pilots who would willingly serve in at least one of these positions! To serve as a District officer gives you the opportunity to visit other clubs, make new and lasting friendships. This is one of the gratifying experiences of serving as a District Officer - knowing YOU can and are making a difference in our communities.

Governor Patricia has set a postmark deadline of February 3, 2014 to get your nominations in to me. However, to be able to review ALL the nominations thoroughly, I would prefer that you get them to me as early as possible. Mail your completed nomination to me - Jacque Kristoff, 342 Log Cabin Road, Apt. 39A, Milledgeville, GA 31061 as soon as possible. Remember, you can go to our Pilot web site for the nominating procedures. That web site is, of course, pilotinternational.org.

Look around in your clubs and nominate someone for each of the offices. The only restriction is a nominee for Governor-Elect must have served as Lt. Governor for at least 1



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attending the Stand Down event or visiting the facility! We had 150 scarves and 500 bags stuffed in our afternoon work session, and the Peachtree Club of Atlanta had just filled 180 bags the week before for an Atlanta event that preceded Fall Council. We sent Fall Council bags of toiletries to Veterans Facilities in Atlanta, Dublin, Augusta, and Carrollton. Thanks to the Pilots who volunteered to deliver these bags.

The delicious brownies made by Governor Patricia and the penny Poker, spoon games, and more on Friday evening were a great way to begin. The informative and touching message of Governor Patricia's son in law on managing his own traumatic brain injury (TBI) brought us to tears and made us appreciate our active military and our veterans. GAWD artist and Pilot Sheila Swann spoke beautifully on what the Georgia Artists with DisAbilities has meant to her and shared some of her paintings with us.

The marketplace was alive and buzzing with new and favorite items made and sold by talented Georgia Pilots, as well as other unique and useful items.

Thanks to those who donated to the GPF and PI Founder's Fund. The door prizes were fun, but it's our GA Anchor Scholarships and our PI Grants and Scholarships that will benefit from your generosity!

Many thanks to all workshop leaders, Fall Council chairs, committees, and the 196 attendees who made this year's Fall Council a most rewarding one!



Governor Patricia joined members from the Peachtree Pilot Club to delivered toiletries to the Veterans Hospital.





"All Abroad GA District" <u>Pat garner</u> Membership Coordinator



Title: Part of the Plan

We often don't know where a good idea comes from, it's just there! And along with it is a bubbling up of natural enthusiasm and a desire to share it. Isn't that wonderful? Imagine if we had a great idea and didn't even care??? Part of the magic of Pilot is that we all have good ideas, and 'yes' we want to share them!! And why? Because Pilots care!! We care about others and we care about ourselves. We want to be the best we can be and to encourage others to be the same - and did you know it is those very characteristics that are most attractive to potential members? When people are around Pilots, they see happy people, laughing, telling stories, enjoying one another -- and that is special.

We need to be aware that other people will not only be attracted to our positive attitudes, they will want to be around and to find out more about us. Positive energy encased in kindness is the very definition of a Pilot in action! Building membership in our clubs is simply an outcome of our sharing our ideals and visions for a better community and being ourselves.

We must have confidence that the projects we undertake are not only fun but of value and that by joining together and encouraging others to help out, we have one of the strongest recruiting tools easily at hand. Why? Because people love to be asked to help. Pilots certainly do!

Engage others in your projects by talking about them. Be proud of what you are working on and share with enthusiasm - remember, it's contagious!! The projects you have completed and the ones you have planned are great topics for your Share Pilot events. And we must remember we can engage others quickly by simply asking for help. Didn't someone ask you?



Statesboro New Members: Governor Elect Judy Jackson (center) meets two new members who are already busy working and serving in the Pilot Club of Statesboro. Amy Roberts (left) is heading up the club's work with the Walk to End Alzheimer's and Cendra Brown (right) reported on attending her first Fall Council where she represented her club.



Eastman: On October 17 Pilot Club of Eastman members and guests celebrated Founder's Day and hosted Governor Elect Judy Jackson who spoke on membership and visibility in the community. President Moniece Moore is holding the Founder's Day cake.



"DON'T DROP THE ANCHOR" MARY TURNER ANCHOR COORDINATOR



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Thanks to everyone who bought tickets at Fall Council to support our Anchors. We raised enough money to give away an additional \$500.00 scholarship. Through the raffle we raised 863.00. The money that was left over will be used to help with convention.

Please make sure your Anchor Clubs have paid their Georgia District dues and Pilot International dues. These were due on November 1. Several clubs have asked if the insurance fee is optional. The insurance fee is not optional. All of the new forms are on the websites. Please make sure that I receive a copy of the dues form, and officer's form.

We have a new Anchor Club of the Year award form and a new Advisor of the Year Award. These were sent out in an email. If you did not receive them please let me know and I will make sure you get them. Please look over them and let me know if you have any questions.

Our district Anchor convention is February 28, 2014 – March 2, 2014 at Legacy Lodge, Lake Lanier Islands. We would love to have some Pilot's come and join us for the weekend.

If you have any questions please contact me and I will try and help you in any way that I can.

In Pilot Friendship,

Mary

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