



# Georgia District

# Governor's Bulletin

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## “Happiness” is Being a Pilot....

Greetings! to all of the newly installed officers in clubs all over Georgia District and to every Pilot member. This is, indeed, an exciting time filled with plans and dreams.....as our wonderful Code of Ethics states “our visions and dreams are the seedlings of reality.” Plans of work are taking shape and should be filled with dreams that will definitely become reality that makes lives better and happier.

I am writing this message to you just after spending most of last week at the South Georgia Methodist Annual Conference. The theme of the conference was – We're Better Together. This sentiment is true of clubs as well as churches. We heard a wonderful lesson each day given by Dr. Christine Pohl. Dr. Pohl spoke on the necessity of community and divided the concept of community into three fundamental parts – Gratitude, Trust, and Hospitality. As I listened to each of her lessons, I was again struck with the idea that these concepts are not only true of churches but of Pilot Clubs as well.

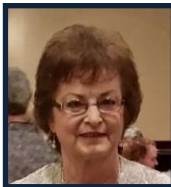
1. Each and every Pilot should develop a spirit of gratitude and express it freely. Ingratitude sucks out our life and turns a person into a “grumble.” Grumbling is contagious and will break a community (club). Its cure is gratitude. Celebrate your gifts and be filled with gratitude for even the small things.
2. No community (club) can exist without trust. It is fostered by truthfulness, making and keeping promises, and being persons of integrity. Each club member is an important part of a community and needs to be one that others can count on.
3. Hospitality is a practice that sustains community and should simply be the way of life for a club. Communities (clubs) are dying if they can't make room for strangers. Oops, this may make changes necessary. In our clubs, all members need to be given a chance to share their gifts. It is terrible to feel unneeded and unwanted.

Yes, Pilots, We Are Better Together. We are not islands in our own communities. We are all part of a bigger entity – Pilot International. Make it a goal this year to be part of your Region, District, and International organization. Each club doing a small part yields big results.

Happiness truly is being a Pilot and Happiness is celebrating the joy of American Liberty. As you enjoy this time of parades, picnics, family, friends and summer vacations, remember that the freedom to do all of these things is a blessing. Be safe, be happy, and, above all, be grateful!  
God Bless America!

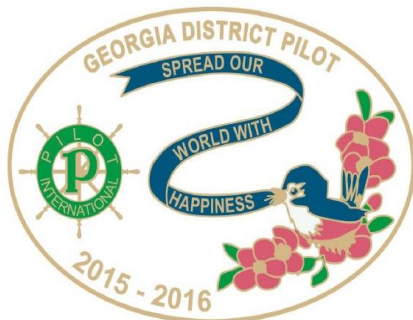
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GA District Governor



**The July Bulletin includes:**

Meet the DAC  
A look at the Appointees  
Spotlight on Leadership, Membership  
and Visibility

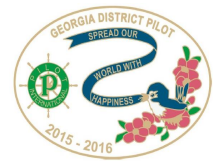


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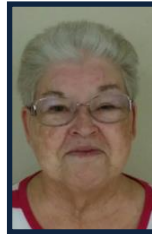
**The Mission of Pilot** is to serve by furthering Pilot International's humanitarian efforts through charitable, educational, and research programs in communities throughout the world.

# "Happiness" is Being inspired....

*"What shall I bestow upon a friend?  
...Laughter to sustain when sorrow  
may bring pain, a bright song of  
life, a belief that winter ends in the  
glory of spring, and prayer of hope  
for peace that will forever stay.".... Leo Palmer*

Joan

**Joan McCannon**  
GA District Chaplain



**Governor Judy's Scrapbook**

Please send all photos for Gov. Judy's Scrapbook to Joan McCannon as email attachments ("jpg" format) by August 31. Send photos to: [mcc46@bellsouth.net](mailto:mcc46@bellsouth.net). For all other correspondence, please use [jmcc47@icloud.com](mailto:jmcc47@icloud.com).

## IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

### July 1

GA District & PI Dues due

### July 8-12

PI Convention  
Disney Swan & Dolphin Resort  
Orlando

### August 15

Audit Report  
Plans of Work  
Governor's Cup  
(These need to be done & postmarked by this date)

### September 1

Budget & Standing Rules due  
Make your Club donations to  
"Stop Hunger Now"

### October 3

Fall Council  
Doubletree by Hilton  
Atlanta-Marietta



*"We, the People, recognize that we have responsibilities as well as rights; that our destinies are bound together; that a freedom which only asks what's in it for me, a freedom without a commitment to others, a freedom without love or charity or duty or patriotism, is unworthy of our founding ideals, and those who died in their defense.".... President Barack Obama*

*"This country will not be a good place for any of us to live in unless we make it a good place for all of us to live in."....Theodore Roosevelt*

*"I believe in America because we have great dreams - and because we have the opportunity to make those dreams come true."....Wendell L. Wilkie*

Beginning July 1<sup>st</sup> please use the 2015-16 forms sent to the new addresses. All forms can be found in your President's Region Workshop folder and also on the GA District website..... [www.pilotgeorgia.org](http://www.pilotgeorgia.org). Add a shortcut to this site to your desktop



God Bless America

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



PILOT	CLUB NAME	RELATIONSHIP
Sharon Brown	Royston-FS	Husband
Susan Harbin	Lavonia	Brother-in-law

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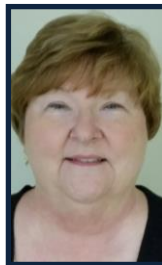




MEET OUR APPOINTEES



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Chaplain & Scrapbook  
Pilot Club of Covington



**NANCY MILLER**  
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Pilot Club of Milledgeville



**JUDY JACKSON**  
Leadership Coordinator  
Pilot Club of Carrollton

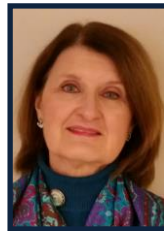


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Parliamentarian  
Pilot Club of Elberton

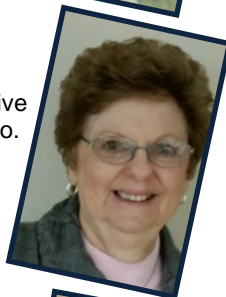
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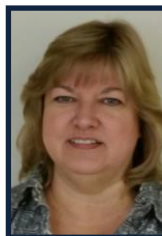
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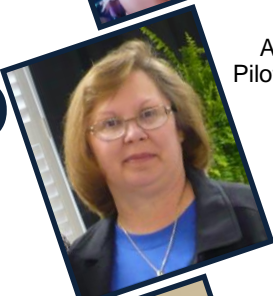


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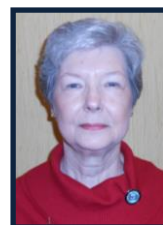
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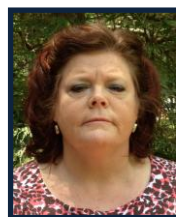


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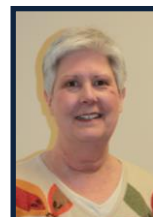
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Pilot Club of Statesboro



**DORETTA BROUGHTON**  
Nominating Committee Chair  
Classic City Pilot Club



**LEA JUDSON**  
2015 Fall Council Chair  
Pilot Club of Gainesville



**KATE CASWELL**  
Fund Raising Coordinator  
Pilot Club of Newnan



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## “Happiness” is Being Good Leaders...

As we begin a new Pilot year, three leadership qualities to build success are:

**Commitment**--By proving your commitment to the mission, vision, and your role, you will not only earn the respect of your team, but will also instill that same hardworking energy among your members. It's important to show your commitment to each project and fundraiser, but also to the growth and betterment of your club. Once you have gained the respect of your team, they are more likely to deliver their best.

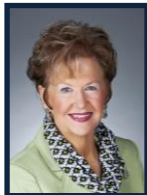
**Positive Attitude**--You want to keep your team motivated towards the continued success of the club, and keep the energy levels up. If your team is feeling happy and upbeat, chances are they won't mind putting in extra time, effort, and resources toward the goal.

**Communication**—Keep the lines of communication open by sending information and email replies quickly. Information and reminders are needed for success in any organization. Newsletters are a great way to accomplish this. Members will know when to expect the newsletter and will have access to important announcements, dates, needs, etc. If you don't have a newsletter, find a member who could make this happen, or use emails to communicate on a regular basis.

Being able to clearly and succinctly describe what you want done is extremely important. You must communicate your vision to your team so that you will all be working toward the same goal.

*Judy*

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Georgia District Pilot Dues are due July 1, 2015. You can find the Georgia District dues forms on the Georgia District website at <http://pilotgeorgia.org/pilot-forms/> Dues are \$18.00 per member.

## “Happiness”

is 100% of GA District dues paid on time!



### Please bring some of the following items to PI Convention for Pilot and Anchor Projects:

- ❖ **Small gift items for active duty military: snacks, toiletries, paperback books, notepads, inspirational cards for Military Mamas Network-- Anchors will pack in shoeboxes**
- ❖ **Gently used or new books for ages 5-13 or new workbooks, puzzle books, coloring books and school supplies for Zambezi Book Project**
- ❖ **Gently used baby clothes for Twice Loved**
- ❖ **Members not attending Convention may send their donations. Thanks so much for your help.**

## “Happiness” is Making New Friends Through Pilot...

We all know someone who brings a smile to our face when they enter the room. It's because they are happy, cheerful people and their happiness is contagious. Who doesn't want to be happy? When we feel happy, we have more energy and are more motivated to do more, care more, and be more helpful to people in our communities and around the world. When prospective members see your pilot club as a group of happy enthusiastic people they will be more inclined to join in the fun of being a pilot. As you do your Plans of Work for 2015-2016 be sure to remember that October and March are the official membership months. Plan a share pilot day during these two months. Some suggestions are to have a picnic and invite new families in the neighborhood or invite new residents and a couple of pilot buddies over for coffee at your house. You club might host a covered dish dinner with a special guest speaker. Think about having a Saturday brunch for local teachers. Remember those third grade teachers that you work with through the dictionary project if your club does this. Remember, you do not have to wait for those two months. For more information on finding, recruiting and retaining members go to the Pilot International website and look under membership

*Beverly*

**Beverly McKenna**  
Membership Coordinator  
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Chatham Co. member Katy McKenna (r) sharing pilot information with Sharon Walpole (l)

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**Past PI Presidents & Governors**

**Pat Jarvis**  
**July 3**

**Ann Adams**  
**July 16**

**Governor-Elect**  
**Cynthia Spearman**  
**July 22**



**Past Governor**  
**Jacque Kristoff**  
**July 9**

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To begin this new Pilot year, I want to share a few remarks of introduction about myself and family. My high school sweetheart, Ron Holland, and I are both natives of Toccoa and have been married 39 years. We have been blessed with a wonderful daughter and son-in-law. Ron and I are crazy about our Yorkie, who is our second so-called child that keeps us entertained. Our family life revolves chiefly around church where we both serve on the Church Council.

I have been a member of the Pilot Club of Toccoa since 2005, when my good friend Betty Poole invited me to a Share Pilot Meeting. I was privileged to serve as Club President during 2013-2014. I was Georgia District Membership Coordinator during 2014-2015 club year. My experiences as a Pilot as well as the friendships made since 2005 have meant so much to me.

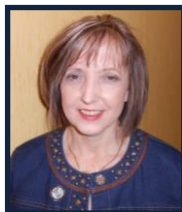
Since 2005, I have been employed as an Executive Administrative Assistant at Patterson Pump Company in Toccoa and enjoy working with former Georgia District Treasurer, Susan Harbin, who is the bright spot of happiness in my day.

It is the simple things in life that make me the happiest. As I have discovered, my happiness is receiving dues on time. I was thrilled to receive my first 2015-2016 Annual Dues Report from the Pilot Club of Evans County. I cannot imagine how excited I am going to feel when I receive my first new member dues from a club. Also, it will be exciting to see which Pilots have sponsored new members throughout the year.

I am excited about serving with each of you during this coming year and getting to know your clubs. I will value this time as a learning opportunity and want you to know I am only a phone call away if you have questions. I look forward to seeing many of you in Orlando during July at the Pilot International Convention and Leadership Conference and end with a quote from Walt Disney – "The way to get started is to quit talking and begin doing." - a very good suggestion for our new 2015-2016 Pilot year!

*Shelby*

**Shelby Holland**  
**GA District Treasurer**



My name is Cynthia VanScoy Spearman and I'm excited about serving as the Georgia District Governor-Elect for the upcoming year.

I was born in Clarksburg, West Virginia. My father served in the Air Force for 22 years so I've lived in several states and in Germany. I'm the oldest of 4 siblings, 2 sisters and a brother. I graduated from Georgia College in Milledgeville in 1970 with a B.S. degree in Social Studies. My husband, George, and I have been married for 45 years. Our daughter, Michelle, lives in Claremore, Oklahoma with her husband, Don, and our grandcats, granddogs and grandhorses. We moved to Covington in 1972 and I worked as a preschool teacher at the First United Methodist Preschool for 5 years and in retail sales for over 25 years. In 2001, I joined the staff at Oak Hill Elementary School as a paraprofessional. For the last 8 years I have worked as a Special Education Co-Teacher. On June 1<sup>st</sup> I officially retired. I joined the Pilot Club of Covington in July, 1988, and have served as president 3 times, and as the Lt. Governor 3 times. My favorite hobby is making cards and I recently became a Stampin' Up demonstrator.

My Happiness is spending time with family and friends.

*Cynthia*

**Cynthia Spearman**  
**GA District Governor-Elect**



I am Patsy Stickel and am proud to be a member of the Battlefield Pilot Club in the far northwest corner of Georgia. My mom passed away with Parkinson's disease and when I heard about Pilot and what it is about, I knew that this was an organization that I wanted to be a part of. I have now been a member for 8 years.

I have been widowed since 2004 and have 3 children, 4 grandchildren and the most precious great-grandson ever. Happiness is receiving a text message with a new picture of Cash. It melts my heart and brightens my day.

After 38 years in the IT business, I retired and am currently working 2 part time jobs. I am an Assistant Major Gift Officer at Covenant College and an Associate at Canaan Group and Associates. I work to keep my mind active and to be around people. I am happiest when I am busy and sharing life with others.

One of my goals for this year is to steward the minutes of Georgia District. Also, I am membership coordinator in my home club this year and I have a personal goal to help grow our club by 30% -40% this year.

Do More, Care More, Be More is my motto. I hope each of you adopt this motto as we work together this year. If you see me around, please come up and introduce yourself.

*Patsy*

**Patsy Stickel**  
**GA District Secretary**



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# "Happiness" is Telling Our Success Stories...

Just in case you didn't notice, Visibility is a new area for GA District Pilots, and you might be asking "...just what does the word *Visibility* mean?" In my mind, it represents a less formal way of saying "advertising", but in our district, it will be more like "bragging". As I try to develop this area, I will throw out a few ideas on how we can do that with very little funding...at least as we get it started.

When an organization such as Pilot wants to advertise, we have to think about what we are selling. We all know too well, that Pilots are not selling anything, but their happy smiles, their willingness to help and educate, and as our motto states *Do More, Care More and Be More*. So how are we going to do this? Let's take a look at our first steps.

At our District Convention in April, at the Project Workshop, I handed out some forms I called the Visibility Coordinator Tool. (I'm going to brag on the Pilot Club of Toccoa for getting theirs back to me already.) I asked for information about your local TV, radio, newspapers and any other local publications you might be able to promote your club in. I hope the members of your clubs who were in the workshop, shared those with their incoming presidents. The goal for me, is to create the district database, gathered from that information, so when we get ready to publish something about your club, I will already have all the contact information I need on where to send it. If you didn't get the forms, please email or call me and I will get them out to you.

Our first press releases will focus on sending a picture and article about your newly elected club officers.

What better way to let your communities and neighbors know about your leadership and how much you cherish the traditions of Pilot. Your picture should identify each person by first and last name and their club office they were elected to, when and where your Installation Ceremony took place, and a how long your club has been serving their community.

Throughout the new Pilot year, I will focus on creating an article for each of our regions, highlighting upcoming activities in your clubs and communities. We will highlight awards your clubs have received, within and outside of Pilot. I will ask that you solicit testimonials or comments from people who have participated in your events or received benefits from those events. I will ask that you take photos of your Pick-Me-Up events. I will ask that you send me a list of your clubs Projects, whether it is a first time project or annual event. I will ask that you send pictures of your new members. You will find the forms I created will make it easy for you to "give me facts" and let me do the rest.

I will be discussing establishing a District FaceBook page with our District Leadership, where we can post all kinds of photos and announcements about upcoming events. This will work so well with our many club projects and District events.

I welcome your ideas and hope that with your help, we can continue to grow our clubs and district.

Let's getting the bragging underway!!!

*Robin*

**Robin Williams**  
Visibility Coordinator  
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Pilots: This beautiful quilt made by Pilot Club of Atlanta member Dottie Adams will be raffled off at the PI Convention in Orlando. Tickets will be on sale at the Marketplace at the Convention.

**Tickets: \$3 each or 8 for \$20**



## GA District New Members.....

<u>PILOT</u>	<u>CLUB NAME</u>	<u>SPONSOR</u>
Ann Hartman	Adel	Debbie Purvis
Gina Miller	Gainesville	Lea Judson
Glenda Pierce	Gainesville	Lea Judson/Susan Wiggington
Cherry Lobe	Gainesville	Lea Judson
Betty Harrison	Toccoa	Martha Mitchell/Linda Elrod
James Vance Rose	Winder	Karen Rose



### GA District Hands-On Project for Fall Council

Remember to send your club or individual contribution to Shelby Holland before Sept. 1<sup>st</sup>.

The District goal to fund our food packaging event is \$2950.

Every Georgia club doing its small part will yield big results and reach the goal.

Plan now to come and join the fun at Fall Council

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