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"KEEPER OF THE KEYS"

JUDY JACKSON
GA DISTRICT GOVERNOR

Get ready for a great time and great workshops at the 86th Annual Georgia District Convention! To help us kick off Convention with a little fun, come prepared to do a Karaoke Act on Friday evening with a few of your members. The Karaoke song list has been emailed to all Presidents with a Sign Up sheet for acts. You can dress up for your act or just come and entertain us. The list of popular artists and songs is endless, so take a look, select yours, and email your form to Jenni Overbey, who will be emceeing "That's Entertainment."

There are three important items for clubs to bring to Convention: (1) gently used books for children and teens for our District Project--Books for the Zambezi River Region (2) "Dimes for Dollars" water bottles with dimes, cash, or check for PIFF, and (3) GPF Raffle Ticket stubs and money. Thank you for all you are doing to help make these projects a success.

Get your Registrations in by March 19 to avoid the late fee and book your hotel room by March 19 to get our group rate. The code is PILOT. Convention forms are being emailed to clubs with this Bulletin. Pack your formal or semi-formal attire for the banquet and bring other Pilots, Co-Pilots, and guests to the Hilton Atlanta NE on April 10-12 to help us celebrate.

Convention Overview:

Friday April 10: "That's Entertainment" 7:30 pm with hors d'oeuvres, karaoke, and dancing

Marketplace 4:30-10:00, Registration 4:00-8:00

Governor's Suite Open 9:30-11:00

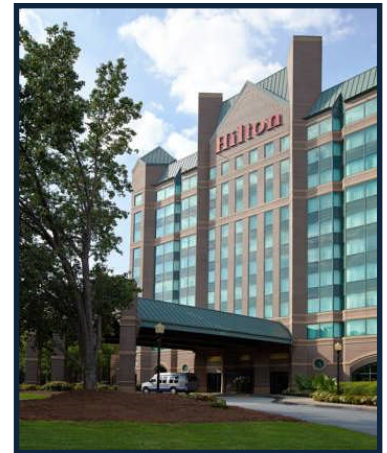
Saturday April 11: Breakfast 7:30-8:30, Registration 7:30-8:30, Convention Opening 8:30, Speaker, Nominees Speeches, Election, Morning and Afternoon Workshops, Awards Luncheon, Business Session, Installation Banquet

Marketplace 8:00-5:00

Governor's Suite Open 9:30-11:00

Sunday April 12: Breakfast 7:00-8:15, Memorial Service 8:30, Region Meetings 9:30-10:30, Closing Session 10:45 Speaker, Convention News and Reports, Door Prizes, Adjournment 12:00 noon

Judy



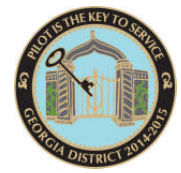
Hilton Atlanta NE
5993 Peachtree Industrial Blvd.
Norcross, GA

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Georgia District Website: www.pilotgeorgia.org



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



February 27 – March 1, 2015

Anchor Convention
Lake Lanier Islands

April 10 – 12, 2015

District Convention
Hilton Atlanta NE, Norcross

May 2, 2015

Region Workshops
NW, EC, SW

May 16, 2015

Region Workshops
NE, WC, SE

July 8-12, 2015

PI Convention
Disney Swan & Dolphin Resort
Orlando, FL



Do you know the power of the letter 'B'? This month, the letter 'B' is honoring our Pilot International initiative for Brain Safety and Fitness. Pilots across the world will be supporting this by planning and attending events during Brain Awareness Week March 16 – 22, 2015.

Fifteen years ago, 1990 – 1999, was declared as the Decade of the Brain. From that presidential declaration, a unique interagency initiative "to enhance public awareness of the benefits to be derived from brain research" through "appropriate programs, ceremonies, and activities" was introduced to the world. In 1992, Pilot International began working with various groups on Brain Related services. Closing out the decade, Pilot International introduced our award winning program, BrainMinders™..Protecting Your Brain for Life. Our signature project continues to be shared worldwide to thousands of young people and even seniors every year. Is your club participating in an event or program during March? If so, consider using #brainweek as you post the event to your Facebook page or Twitter account. More information about Brain Week can be found on the Dana Alliance website at <http://dana.org/baw/>

The Pilot International Executive Committee invites you to attend the 2015 Pilot International Convention and Leadership Conference in Orlando, Florida, July 8 - 12. Plans are well underway for a magical event. We have exciting speakers lined up and great workshops planned to help you bring back new ideas to your clubs. You can find more information online and registration information for Pilots and Anchors can be accessed here:

Pilots: <http://tinyurl.com/2015Pilot>

Anchors: <http://tinyurl.com/2015Anchor>

There is still time to nominate qualified leaders for service at the International level for the 2015-2016 year. Contact Nomination, Bonnie Millirans, Pilot International Club Services bonnie@pilothq.org for more information.



In Pilot Friendship,
Faith

GA District ECR

"When you believe in a thing, believe in it all the way, implicitly and unquestionable."

-- [Walt Disney](#)



Welcome! GA District New Members.....

| <u>PILOT</u> | <u>CLUB NAME</u> | <u>SPONSOR</u> |
|--------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| Karen Smith | Carrollton | Judy Jakson |
| Hannah Clements | Chatham Co. | Katy McKenna |
| Jenna Kullman | Chatham Co. | Pam Kullman |
| Ben Gloves | Chatham Co. | Beverly McKenna |
| Amber Johnson | Chatham Co. | Tammy Johnson |
| Sylvia Wilson | Chatham Co. | Tammy Johnson |
| Tiffany Villanueva | Chatham Co. | Era Hall |
| Teri Reilly | Chatsworth | Jan McNeill |
| Sandy Jarrett | Cochran | Nan Anderson |
| Alice Mullis | Cochran | Maureen Stoy |
| Brenda Phillips | Royston-FS | Shirley Rosenberg |



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Past Governors

Lothair Allen
March 4

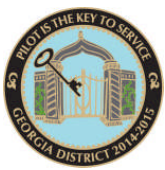
Linda Buffington
March 17

Patti Klein
March 23

Lynda Goodwin
March 27

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"KEYS FOR KINDNESS"
JAYNE LACKEY
PROJECTS COORDINATOR



Spring is around the corner or upon us, according to what the weather is doing the day you read this article. Let us continue to spring into action with our project plans of the current Pilot year and don't let our keys get rusty with discouragement or because as a club we may become "tired" in our efforts. Projects keep the club going and keep you in the thoughts of your communities as they see you out and about helping and when they read about the many successful projects.

Remember, people in your communities remember what you have written about in your local papers with pictures showing your work and success.

Be thinking about the projects your club has done this year and what you would like to see the club working on for next year. It won't be long until it's time to plan for the next **EXCITING** Pilot year and you want to be **INVOLVED** and not **LEFT OUT**.

Don't forget to send in your registration for District Convention and continue to collect books for the Zambezi Schoolbook Project. We're looking for another great showing of books at Convention.

Remember this: **"Alone we can do so little, together we can do so much."** --Helen Keller

Jayne - jlackey@uga.edu



"UNLOCKING THE VAULT"
AMANDA MCCOY
FUND RAISING COORDINATOR



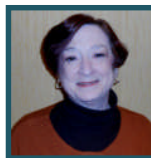
Looking for a fast and easy fundraiser? Look no further than the good ole 50/50 raffle! How do you operate a 50/50 raffle? You sell tickets for a predetermined amount for a period of time. Then draw a winner and split the proceeds down the middle. It's that easy! If you don't like the 50/50 raffle, go with a traditional raffle where you sell a chance to win an item. Work with local businesses to see if anyone is willing to donate something as advertisement. The possibilities of items are endless!

Run an article in your community paper about the raffle. Be sure to list contact information so those reading the article can reach the club to purchase tickets. Have a place for the ticket purchasers to fill in his/her name, address and phone number. Once the raffle is over, you will have the means to send those individuals thank you notes for participating **and** a brochure about Pilot. What a wonderful way to attract new members and raise money!

Amanda - amanda.mccoy213@yahoo.com



"LEADING THROUGH THE GATE"
PATRICIA WHATLEY
LEADERSHIP COORDINATOR



"There are two kinds of people-- them that's going nowhere and them that's going somewhere." This has always been a favorite quote of mine. You may remember it from "Paint Your Wagon." This is not only true in the movies but in our lives every day. Many people wander from place to place, job to job and even from one relationship to another. What is it that makes people this way? It is the lack of goals. This is a leadership quality that we should all strive to achieve, the ability to set goals.

We all need to have desires, visions, and goals because they guide us to success. Building a goal starts with having a desire and then visualizing the results of your desire. Focusing on what you want to achieve is much more important than focusing on what you cannot do. Each day set aside ten minutes to focus time on your goal. After the focus time, you will find yourself thinking about your goal during the day. Your thoughts will create the positive focus you need. This will not be constant, but it will keep the goal foremost in your mind. These positive thoughts will help create the path to achieving your goal.

Visualize your desires and set your goals. This is the first step. Next, set aside ten minutes to focus on your goal and last, keep positive thoughts about accomplishing your goal. If you follow these easy steps you will have the best chance of accomplishing something that you once thought you could not accomplish. This is a technique that is used by many leaders. Try it if you want to be in the group of people going somewhere.

Patricia

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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.

"Seek ye first the kingdom of God and His righteousness and all these things shall be added unto you." Matthew 6:33

Sometimes our priorities go askew and we wonder what went wrong. If we keep our focus on God, He will see that our everyday needs are met. This story of a cardinal shows what happens when we get our perspectives out of sequence.

There was a beautiful cardinal, a handsome strong red bird who was offered some of his favorite food for feathers. After pondering the proposition, he looked at his life and thought to himself, "Things are not so bad, but there must be something better than spending my time and energy working for food." The daily routine (of flying around from place to place; and searching for flower buds, seeds, berries, fruit and an occasional insect) wasn't all that bad, but now it was time to do something different. The cardinal decided to give up a few of his beautiful red feathers, maybe two or three for some food. He made his first exchange, ate a delicious meal, and spent the day flying around. The first day went well so he went back and traded again. The cardinal began to spend his time going to the beach, playing in birdbaths, and relaxing in the sun. He thought he had missed the brighter side of life by being so involved in the monotony of responsibility. In the back of his mind, he kept hearing a small voice warning him about giving feathers, but he wasn't doing anything wrong - - he was just having fun. So began the process. After a time, it became difficult for him to fly - - but it didn't matter. He simply started walking to get his food and stayed close to his food supply. Then, one day the cardinal woke up and looked at himself in the mirror. His beautiful red feathers were gone and he looked old and ugly. He went outside and frantically flapped his wings - - he could not fly at all. The cardinal became hungry and went to get some food but no one was willing to give a featherless bird food for nothing. He had given away his power to fly and his ability to care for himself. He was earth-bound and limited.

Diligently pursue God's best and do as Ralph Waldo Emerson suggests, "Spend yourself on the work before you, well assured that the right performance of this hour's duties will be the best preparation for the hours and ages that will follow it." Make Pilot a priority! Come and strut your feathers at District Convention. A Hasidic proverb states, "Everyone should carefully observe which way his heart draws him, and then choose that way with all his or her strength." I hope your heart is drawing you to District Convention in April. Hope to see you there!

Stephanie



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



| PILOT | CLUB NAME |
|----------------|-----------|
| Rachel Chapman | Hartwell |

| PILOT | CLUB NAME | RELATIONSHIP |
|----------------|---------------|----------------|
| Dyann Moore | Macon | Son-in-law |
| June McKenzie | Oconee Co. | Brother-in-law |
| Carole Simmons | Dublin | Husband |
| Nancy McGhee | Conyers | Husband |
| Monica Nix | Warner Robins | Husband |
| Laurie Higgins | Warner Robins | Mother |
| Peggy Vivori | Warner Robins | Mother |



GRACE CRITTENDEN
GA DISTRICT GOVERNOR-ELECT

GA Pilots, some **key** opportunities are coming your way! During March newly elected club officers should make plans to attend the Georgia District Convention in April at the Atlanta Hilton in Norcross. There will be all sorts of things for Pilots to do and so much to learn from the activities. Whether first-time or experienced, Pilots can always learn something new in the workshops. New division coordinators (my "bluebirds of happiness"), are planning to bring you information and ideas with a focus on the diversity of the clubs in Georgia --looking at ways to help clubs with a small membership and/or in a small town as well as learning what our big clubs can do. I am most excited about the banquet for Saturday night. The ballroom will be decked out in spring as we install our officers for the 2015-16 Pilot year and theme, "**Spread Our World with Happiness**". Get out your dressiest outfit in the colors of spring and join in the Pilot spirit of happiness.

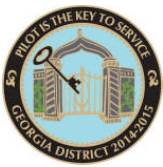
In May, grasp the opportunity to go to a Region Workshop for each officer to get detailed training. One of your District Officers will be present in each of the six regions. On May 2nd I will instruct club presidents at East Central hosted by Kettle Creek PC in Washington; Susan Harbin will instruct treasurers at Northwest hosted by PC of Sweetwater in Whitesburg; and, Robin Williams will instruct secretaries at Southwest hosted by PC of Americus in Americus. On May 16th Northeast Region goes to Winder with Robin Williams as their DAC representative; at the West Central Region in Warner Robins I will be the DAC representative; and, Southeast Region meeting in Cochran will be honored with a visit from Governor Judy Jackson who will instruct presidents. You will be getting your invitations from the host clubs in the very near future. Don't let any of these opportunities get by without taking advantage of the training you can obtain. Participation in District and Region activities is one very important **key** to a successful club and club year.

I hope to see you all in Norcross in April!

Grace

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"THE KEY TO THE FUTURE"

SHERYL MERREY
ASSISTANT ANCHOR
COORDINATOR



"OPENING THE GATES"

SHELBY HOLLAND
MEMBERSHIP COORDINATOR



The theme of Anchor Convention, "All Around the World," is most fitting this year as the Anchors have taken on projects with global impact. They have shared a wealth of books with children in remote villages in Zambezi and sponsored a new Anchor Club in Pretoria, South Africa. They have also raised money for filters and water to send to those living in underdeveloped countries without a source of fresh drinking water. During a recent Skype session with Cape Good Hope Anchors, our local students found much in common with their peers across the ocean, including a shared goal to make the world a better place.

Anchors also appreciate there is much work to be done in their own communities, and have embraced projects that provide at-risk children with food, clothing, and toys. Several clubs have made BrainMinders™ presentations, sharing our safety program with young audiences. Anchors have made a difference in the lives of veterans by visiting local VA hospitals and listening to their stories, in addition to providing toiletries and blankets. Certainly that personal interaction is mutually inspiring!

Seniors have been busy mentoring rising students to ensure their legacy of service continues after they graduate. As the year winds down, we are so grateful for the times we've had and the maturity they have gained as Anchors and citizens of the world.

We look forward to celebrating the accomplishments of all the amazing Georgia Anchors, and hope they leave Lake Lanier refreshed, rejuvenated and ready to share new insights and enthusiasm with their clubs.

Special heartfelt thanks to all who are working to complete the final details of Anchor Convention. Their efforts are truly a labor of love. Convention is a sweet reward for their dedication and excellent work!

Sheryl

I hope this March Bulletin finds you healthy and staying warm, as we look forward to the arrival of spring. Remember to change your clocks before going to bed Saturday evening on March 7th as Daylight Saving Time begins March 8th.

Graeme Edwards offers us this thought – **"It is not the plan that is important, it's the planning."** How true these words are when members plan their club year with membership in mind. Does your club invite prospective members to your meetings and let them know how excited you are to have them? Do you have mentors available to make new members feel like they are a part of the team and guide them through their first club year? Are new members encouraged to move up and take on a leadership position?

For a meeting timesaver, does your club send out minutes before the meeting through email or the club newsletter? Could a short hands-on project be added to the end of your meeting to make it more meaningful? Could you possibly add a "social" time before or after the scheduled meeting to allow members to get to know one another or are your meetings all work and no play?

With January and February's chilly weather behind us, it may be time for an "ice breaker" at your next meeting. Consider a game time to help everyone get to know each other better.

Also, another way to include new members would be to encourage them to attend the upcoming Georgia District Convention with you in Atlanta during April 10-12. Attending District Convention would not only be a time for learning about Pilot but also a fun way for a new Pilot to get to know other club members.

Henry Ford states, "Obstacles are those frightful things you see when you take your eyes off your goal." Let us remember our goal of increasing the Pilot Georgia District membership, while KEEPING those members we have in our clubs!

We want to hear from you! Please share your success stories with me and with Beverly McKenna, Membership Co-Coordinator at sholland@windstream.net and bmckenna@georgiasouthern.edu.

REMEMBER – Membership begins with **ME!**

Shelby



GPF Raffle Tickets

See your club President to purchase your raffle tickets for a chance to win one of the 8 \$250 prizes to be given at Convention. Monies benefit Anchor scholarships.

CLASSIC CITY PILOT CLUB

You are cordially invited to a reception to celebrate our 40th Charter Anniversary

Sunday, March 22, 2015

2:00 pm to 4:00 pm

Light Refreshments

First Baptist Church

355 Pulaski Street

Athens, GA 30601

RSVP by March 15, 2015

Email: Sandy Walker (kimwalker1946@bellsouth.net)

Phone or text: Diane Roberts (706-202-8552)



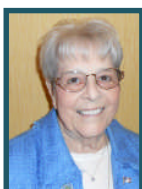
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"KEY TO SHARING OUR RESOURCES"

Jo FARISH
PIFF CO-REPRESENTATIVE



The time is drawing near for District Convention and your PIFF Coordinators have some exciting news for you!

It is so important that you bring your bottles with Dimes for Dollars to the convention with you containing \$90 or more. We will have a banner on the wall reading "PIFF HONOR WALL".. When you deliver your gift for Scholarships and Grants, you will be presented a certificate and we will take a picture of each club president and however many members you want in front of the banner. The picture will be e-mailed to the president to be used for some wonderful publicity in your local newspapers and for your scrapbooks.

We will have an "Immediate Release" article available to go with the picture to the newspaper, explaining what PIFF is all about to which you may add more information on your clubs' other activities in your community.

See you all in April!

Jo

Pilot Club of Atlanta is raffling a chance to win this beautiful Pilot Quilt made by Dottie Adams, President of the Atlanta club at District and PI Conventions.

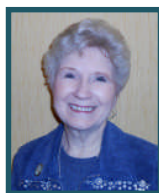
Tickets are: \$3 for 1 or \$20 for 8



Dimes to Dollars for PIFF Grants & Scholarships



Please collect your Dimes to Dollars for PIFF Grants and Scholarships. Our District PIFF Rep. has challenged us to collect dimes in an empty water bottle at each meeting between now and convention and bring our bottle to the PIFF table at convention. Each bottle holds \$90-\$100 in dimes. Clubs may bring rolls of dimes or turn their change into bills or checks before coming to Convention on April 10.



PAT JARVIS
GA DISTRICT PARLIAMENTARIAN

Now is the age of technology!! I think some of us have been pulled "kicking and screaming" into this age, but we are here. How does this affect your club? Good question!

What is the correct protocol for **electronic voting** when a vote on an item of business needs to be taken before the next meeting? Consulting with our Pilot International Parliamentarian and others, it was noted that the procedure for electronic voting is included in the newest edition of *Roberts' Rules of Order*.

Pilot International Bylaws only address this issue as it pertains to the International Administrative Council where it states that electronic voting may be used; therefore, this method of voting will not be in conflict with PI Bylaws. It is suggested that all members should be advised of any vote being taken by this method, and this can be done by calling or emailing each member prior to the vote being sent so they will be prepared to respond. Also, any member not receiving email should be sent a paper ballot. As with any item of business, caution and common sense should be used.

It is suggested that clubs should consider having members vote as to whether they would like this method of voting utilized if needed between meetings. If so, a suggestion would be to include this item in their Standing Rules.

Pat

**Pilot Club of Atlanta
22th Annual Fashion Show Luncheon**

Net proceeds to Benefit Project LifeSaver and Relay for Life

Saturday, March 14
11:00AM – Tickets: \$50

The Metropolitan Club
5895 Windward Parkway
Alpharetta, GA 30005

Please RSVP by March 5
To Emily Jorgenson (kajorge@yahoo.com)
Call: 404-372-2726



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