



# Georgia District

## Governor's Bulletin

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**“Happiness”** is being Thankful and Giving...

This week I took a few days off to visit with family in the mountains of North Carolina. On the Blue Ridge Parkway we stopped to enjoy the scenery along the way. I felt a renewal of spirit as I looked out over the cloudless blue sky surrounding the majestic mountain tops clothed in the glorious colors of autumn foliage. I never get tired of looking at this vast beauty that seems to magnify my sense of gratitude for all of life's blessings. My list is long and includes the blessing of being a Pilot with many Pilot friends sharing my love of being a servant to others. What overwhelming joy and happiness this brings to my life!

In a recent article, Dr. Hal Brady, retired Sr. Pastor of St. Luke UMC in Columbus, GA wrote that happiness is not a goal in itself; but, it is a by-product of something else. He lists these things as -

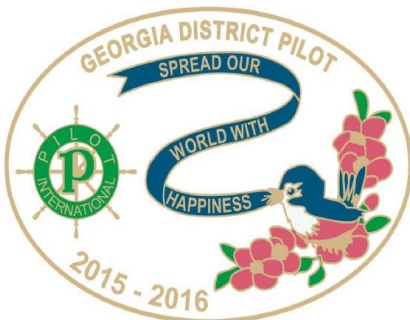
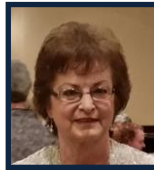
- 1) Happiness is a by-product of a life of meaning.
- 2) Happiness is a by-product of a life of service.
- 3) Happiness is a by-product of right relations.
- 4) Happiness is a by-product of a vital faith. It seems to me that this about sums up the blessings of being a Pilot.

Pilot most definitely gives meaning to our lives and the opportunity to serve others. It gives opportunities for close and meaningful relationships with other Pilots who share a similar commitment to doing for others. And, through our work in Pilot we exemplify what Jesus meant when He said, "It is more blessed to give than to receive."

During this November and the season for Thanksgiving, we celebrate with hearts of gratitude and that prompts us into action as we Be More, Care More and Do More to make this a world where all are valued. Let's all Spread Our World with the Happiness of Thanks and Giving.

*Grace*

**Grace Crittenden**  
GA District Governor



**SPOTLIGHT for November**

Projects  
Visibility  
Nominations  
Awards

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**IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER**

**January 6, 2016**

Newsletter Competition due to your Region Lt. Governor

**February 1, 2016**

Deadline for Pacesetter, 250 Club & member contributions for recognition at District Convention

**February 3, 2016**

District Officer Nomination Form Due to Doretta Broughton, District Nominating Chair

**February 14-20, 2016**

Random Acts of Kindness Week

**February 26 – 28, 2016**

Anchor Convention Lake Lanier Islands

**February 16, 2016**

District Awards due to Gail Sharber, Awards Chair

**“Happiness”** is Being inspired....

**T**here is nothing you can dream that you can't achieve

**H**ave the courage to go after your dreams and believe

**A**lways remember you are beautiful and unique

**N**ever give up when going after what you seek

**K**eep reminders around to remind you of your dream

**S**avor the present for it goes quicker then it seems

**G**ive more to others then you receive

**I**nspire others with all that you achieve

**V**alue yourself, you are perfect for you

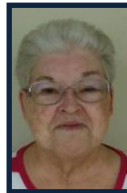
**I**ndividuality is important so let it shine through

**N**otice the small miracles all around you

**G**reatness starts from within and is all you can do

*Joan*

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

PILOT	CLUB NAME
Maureen Morrison	Americus

PILOT	CLUB NAME	RELATIONSHIP
Barbara Smith	Dublin	Husband

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

**Happy Birthday!**

**EC Lt. Governor**

**Ileane Slocum**  
November 16

**Past Governors**

**Flo Prestridge**  
November 1

**GA District Secretary**

**Shelby Holland**  
November 12

**Patricia Whatley**  
November 28



Pilot Club of Eastman celebrated 94 years of Pilot at their special Founder's Day program. Lt. Gov Maureen Stoy, from the PC of Cochran, installed our newest member, Alicia Simmons. The club also celebrated 51 years since the club's chartering on Oct. 19, 1964. Frances Giddens, charter member, was the club's special guests for the evening.

Group photo-L-R- Mallory Guyton, Alicia Simmons, Maureen Stoy, Lt. Gov., Miranda Atkinson, Frances Giddens, Andrea Yawn, Cierra Ciucevich, Gloria Clay, Nylan Hinson



**November 9 – 16, 2015**

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# "Happiness" is Clubs Doing Projects Together ...

I want to share with you the great news about our **Stand Up for Stand Down** project that my club, Peachtree Pilot Club and Pilot Club of Atlanta collaborate on. This year, we sorted approx. 7,500 pounds of personal care items, and were able to make 1,500 individual "Comfort Bags". We likely could have made more, but we ran out of bags!!! What a good problem to have. That is 650 more bags than we made last year. The homeless veterans will receive the items on Oct 17th at the Atlanta Stand Down. Pilot International was highlighted in 38 news and on-line publications between July 4th and Sept 11th, and they covered most all of North and Central GA. I don't take credit for the publications, but the services availed to me through my employer make this a "Win-Win" for both organizations. I took over 70 phone calls about the project at my home, which gave me an opportunity to talk about Pilot. Peachtree Pilot Club will host a "Share Pilot" in February 2016. We had a lot of interest resulting from our event. [This is one example of what clubs can accomplish when they join hands and do projects together.]

Now I'll take a few minutes to highlight a wonderful project that we all can get involved in each year. **The 31<sup>st</sup> Annual Georgia Artists with DisAbilities Exhibit and Awards Luncheon** has already taken place. This is a project everyone can feel good about. (45) Award Winning pieces of art has begun its tour providing statewide visibility to the talented artists. Why not consider getting members of your community prepared to participate next year. There is no cost to enter this exhibit for the artists. Perhaps you can connect with your local county government to see if they would like to sponsor the exhibit in your county. Keep in mind, the exhibit's dates fill quickly and you do not want to miss out on this exposure not only for your artists, but for your Club as well. [This is a second example of clubs joining together to complete a big project.]

I, as projects coordinator, and Governor Grace join in promoting the idea of clubs working together to accomplish bigger things than one club can do alone. Try it, you might just like it.

*Robin*



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# "Happiness" is Sharing in your "Thanks" and "Giving"! ...

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What a great way GA District Pilot shared in "Thanks" and "Giving" during our Fall Council Project benefiting "Stop Hunger Now". Many "thanks" to Governor Grace for bringing this fabulous hands-on service project to our attention and what fun we had.

I know I saw lots of cameras clicking and hope that you shared your photos and press release with local media. There is no better way to brag about what our Pilot Clubs are doing and how they make a difference not only in their communities, but in the world.

I feel that one of the best ways to get publicity for your club is to just keep sending your local newspapers, magazines and radio stations news about everything your club is doing. When other people see the importance that your club places on your community work, at some point, they are going to become interested and want to know more about Pilot.

**When you are looking through your local newspapers, whether on paper or on-line, look for the name of the contributing editor or story writer for the local "feel good" stories. Send photos and articles to them every time your club is involved in a club project or even a county wide activity.**

**It helps for you to align yourself with other major events taking place.** If your club is handling registration for a local or national event, tell the newspaper. Contact the local chapter of a national organization and ask if you can help with refreshments or desserts at a local event...then tell the newspaper what your Club will be doing. It doesn't matter how big or small the club participation...tell the local media.

Oct 24<sup>th</sup> was National **Make A Difference Day**. Did your club take part? If so...tell your local newspaper.

Yes, it takes a little bit of work up front to find the right contact at that newspaper, but be persistent. Keep sending your good news. Your communities will soon be "Thanking" you for all the "Giving" they see our clubs doing in their communities.

I'm wishing each of you a wonderful beginning to the sharing season.

*Robin*

### Stand Up for Stand Down Project

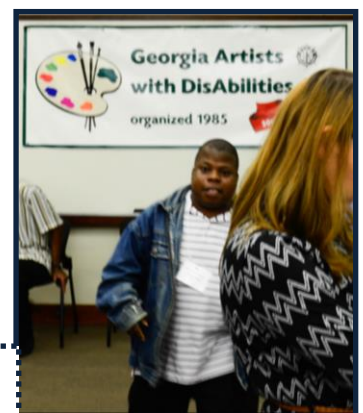


Pilots & Centennial Anchors separated and filled bags

### Georgia Artists with DisAbilities

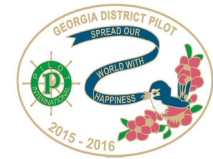


GAWD Chair Ann Brooks standing at the Chairman's Award "The Barn"



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# "Happiness" From Our Nomination Chair...

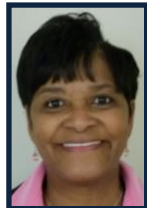
Georgia District is very fortunate to have a body of leaders who continue to mentor, inspire and empower other leaders who now serve in their local clubs, Georgia District and Pilot International.

GA District Convention is scheduled April 8-10 2016. District Officers for 2016-2017 will be elected and installed at the convention. I am asking that you take a moment and think of a Pilot Candidate you would like to nominate to serve as a District Officer (Governor-Elect, Secretary, Treasurer and Lt. Governor). This pilot may be a member of your pilot club or any club in the Georgia District. Your Club President will soon receive an email explaining 'Qualifications for Nominees for District Offices' and 'Procedures for Nominating District Officers.'

What a wonderful opportunity to be a part of the process in which excellent and effective leaders continue to develop and membership continues to grow and flourish. Please feel free to notify a Nominating Committee member from your region with any nominations and/or questions. Contact information for Nominating Chair and the other Committee Members listed below.

Sincerely, *Doretta*

**Doretta Broughton Nominating Chair**



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# "Happiness" is a Strong Foundation ...

If you were unable to attend Fall Council or if you did not pick up your club's tickets for the GPF district fundraiser they have been mailed to the club president. The 2015- 2016 District GPF fundraiser – "Happiness is a Strong Foundation" will be for \$2,000 in cash awards – eight "Bluebirds" worth \$250 each. The drawing will be held at our Georgia District Convention on Saturday, April 9, 2016 at the Hilton Atlanta Northeast in Norcross. The number of tickets given to each club this year is just 40. Tickets will sell for \$10 each or 4 for \$20. Each club is being asked to sell at least \$200 in tickets for the foundation. With the reduction in the number of tickets we are depending on all Georgia District Clubs to participate.

In order to award the same number of GPF Scholarships this year, we will again be dependent on your club including a donation from your club request to GPF. Our budget is for each club to make a donation of at least \$100 to the GPF scholarship fund. You are encouraged to do this donation in honor of your Anchors if you sponsor an Anchor Club or maybe a donation to honor someone special in your club. Many clubs do a monthly raffle and designate a portion of the raffle proceeds to GPF. The new GPF donation form is available on the Georgia Pilot website. Donations should be sent to the GA District Treasurer, Shelby Holland.

The GPF scholarship application will be e-mailed to all Club Presidents and Anchor Advisors with the District Anchor Fall Newsletter this month. The Lynda Goodwin Volunteer Scholarship application will be e-mailed to all club presidents. Both applications will also be available on the Georgia Pilot website – [pilotgeorgia.org](http://pilotgeorgia.org).

Thank you for your continued support of GPF and our district Anchors and student volunteers. Investing our time, our energy and especially our resources in these students is not only an investment in our communities future leaders but also in our future Pilots.

*Nancy*

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## GA District New Members.....

PILOT	CLUB NAME	SPONSOR
Denise Stewart	Blakely	Dot Willis
Joyce Wortham Hamilton	Classic City	Joyce Reynolds
Janann B. McClinnis	Classic City	Sara McNamara
Marlene Davis	Statesboro	Helen Winstead
Evelyn Jones	Statesboro	Cendra Brown
Kathy Reising	Oconee Co.	Pam Crawford
Susan Ruter	Oconee Co.	June McKenzie
Nancy Watkins	Oconee Co.	Pam Crawford

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# "Happiness"

From Our Awards Jury Chair ...

## AWARDS! AWARDS! AWARDS!

This Pilot year is off to a great and fast start. Now is the time for ALL Pilot members to review the Pilot Awards, where each of us can help build enthusiasm and work toward accomplishing the goals outlined in the awards. These awards are offered to help improve our clubs. So I challenge each of you to become familiar with the awards where you can do your part as a team. The awards are posted on [www.pilotgeorgia.com](http://www.pilotgeorgia.com), under forms and all forms can be found in the folder of information prepared for your club president and received at the region workshop.

**February 15, 2016 is the deadline for the Vivian Hartman Memorial Award, Nancy Henrick Friendship & Service Award, Edwina Gill Growth Award, and Ann Adams Award.**

These awards should be sent to:

**Gail Sharber, Awards Jury Chair  
204 Sharber Road  
Bainbridge, GA 39817**

A copy should be sent to the Governor, Governor Elect, and Region Lt. Governor. You Can't Win if You Do Not Enter!



**AND THE WINNER IS ..... (ALL Pilots)**

*Gail*

**Gail Sharber  
Awards Jury Chair  
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## Our ECR...

As we have in years past, Pilot International will sponsor International Care and Kindness Week, the second week of November. While Pilot already focuses on acts of support and kindness for caregivers through our Pick-Me-Ups, this week provides Pilots a special opportunity to show how small acts of kindness can change a person's day, life, or even the world. How can you participate? For this week, make a point of engaging in random acts of kindness. Open a door for someone. Pay for a stranger's coffee or meal. Let the person behind you go first. How can your club participate? Make a point of doing a Pick-Me-Up or maybe even one each day. Make a meal for the staff at a rehab facility or the guests at a Ronald McDonald House. Take cookies or snacks to a local firehouse, police station, or the 911 dispatchers. Read to preschoolers or kindergartners. Finally, we can all participate by paying attention to each other. Put a basket on the dinner table, and make certain all put their phones in it. Make one meal a day an electronics-free meal, with no phones, tablets, TV or other distractions.

For many of us, gratitude is the focus of the month of November. Many places around the world celebrate a Thanksgiving Day, including the

# "Happiness"

From Our Governor-Elect ...

It's time to think about the Newsletter Award! I have enjoyed reading the Club Newsletters and seeing all the different activities that our Clubs are doing. With that being said, I hope you will consider entering your Newsletter.

**TO ENTER:** Send one copy of three (3) consecutive newsletters, dated February 2015 to January 2016 with the ENTRY FORM to your **Region Lt. Governor**

**DEADLINE:** All entries must be postmarked on or before **January 7, 2016**

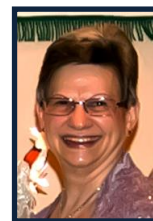
**JUDGING:** The judges will be professionals in the field of journalism and/or well-qualified Pilots. Newsletters will be judged on format, contents, layout, and general suitability to Pilot and individual clubs.

I hope to see a lot of Newsletters submitted.

Cynthia Spearman, Governor-Elect

*Cynthia*

**Cynthia Spearman  
GA District Governor-Elect**



United States, Canada, and Japan. It is a time to celebrate our good fortune, the blessings we have received and historically, a successful harvest. What better way to express gratitude, and celebrate our good fortune, than to be kind to others? And what better time to truly focus on being kind and showing Pilots care than during International Care and Kindness Week? Don't forget to record your club's acts of kindness and submit them for publication in the Log or on Facebook.

If you haven't applied for your passport, please do. You'll need it to travel to Montreal, Canada, for the 2016 Pilot International Convention and Leadership Conference, July 6-9 at Le Centre Sheraton Montreal. Room rates are \$162 CAN and exchange rates can be found at <http://www.xe.com/>. Rejoignez-nous, s'il vous plait. (Join us, please.)

Happy Thanksgiving!

*Karen*

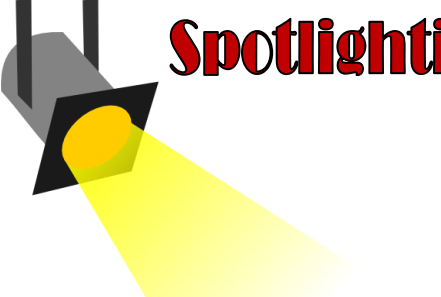
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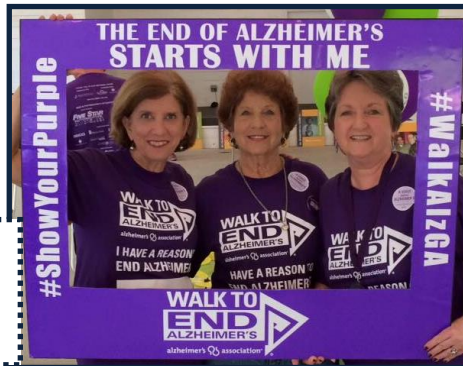
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# Spotlighting Our Clubs.....



Cochran Pilots raised \$2500 walking for the Alzheimer's Walk. Pictured: Maureen Stoy, Neta O'Berry, and Dr. Julia Lucas



Classic City Pilot Club members Joyce Reynolds (l), President and Doretta Broughton (r), Projects Coordinator showing the finished products for the Pick-Me-Up Project. These gift bags will be given to our caregivers for Project Lifesaver in Clarke County and the Social Club that we established many years ago.

Ambassador for Battlefield: Kay Cooke (President), Betty Greary & Patricia Cooke (PIFF Rep)



The Pilot Clubs of Hartwell, Elberton, Lavonia, Royston-Franklin Springs, Madison and Toccoa meet monthly on the 4th Wednesday. Our Platter Chatter group of Pilots discuss Pilot business and announcements from each club and then enjoy a meal together. We rotate restaurants so that all clubs have a chance host. The September meeting was held at Cornerstone Restaurant in Toccoa with 21 attending.

Judy Jackson and Jo Farish of the Pilot Club of Carrollton delivered Pick Me Ups to the Dept. of Family and Children's Services for caseworkers who work with children in foster care. Members of the Pilot Club packed the gift bags for the caseworkers. Accepting the Fall bags of home baked cookies, snacks, and gifts are Renee Huber, Social Services Administrator and Debbie Lazar, Protect and Placement Supervisor.



The Pilot Club of Madison County and the Madison County High School Anchor Club worked together to assist and serve with the Madison County Special Olympics held at Hull-Sanford Elementary School. There were 13 Pilot Club members present that came out to provide and serve refreshments to all the participants. They were joined by 7 members of the MCHS Anchor Club, three Anchor Advisors and 2 Anchor Coordinators from the Pilot Club who helped in different areas of the competitions during the Special Olympics.

This event is near and dear to our hearts as we gather to celebrate and cheer on the competitors.



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