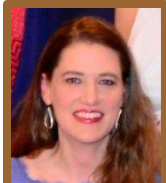


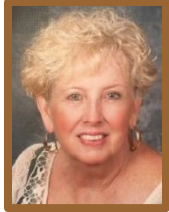
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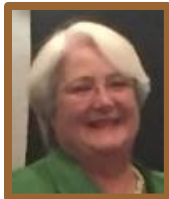
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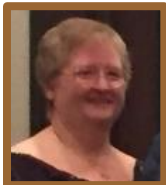
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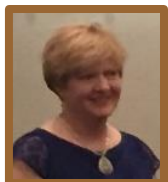
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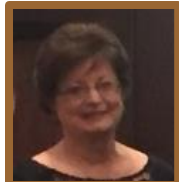
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GOVERNOR CYNTHIA

Fall is here, the leaves are turning to the beautiful reds and yellows, the air is nice and crisp. Thanksgiving will soon be here. A time of year for family gatherings and lots of good smells coming from the kitchen. This will be a perfect time for our Clubs to be thinking about the caregivers in our communities. Do you have a list of Caregivers? Ask your friends and neighbors for names. As you are busy in the kitchen, remember to do some extra baking. The members of your Club can get together and fix baskets of goodies for those who are unable to get out or to do much cooking because of demands of taking care of a loved one. You can go to the grocery store and pick up items that would be easy to fix for a meal. I know that there are several clubs that fix casseroles to take to caregivers. Remember it is the holiday season, so let's "Soar Into Service" to help others in our communities.



Happy Thanksgiving!

Cynthia



Lavonia Pilots, Avaline Adams, Eleanor Ragsdale & Susan Harbin with Governor Cynthia attended the Classic City's Founder's Day.



GOVERNOR-ELECT KATHARINE

Share the News!

Does your club have a newsletter? If so, consider entering it in the annual Georgia District Newsletter Award competition! All newsletters are eligible — it doesn't matter if yours is black-and-white or in color, or if it's 4 pages or 14. The entry form can be found on the Georgia District Pilot website (pilotgeorgia.org) on the "Forms" page.

To enter: just send in 3 consecutive issues with the entry form to your Regional Lt. Governor. Entries must be postmarked on or before January 7, 2017. Complete rules and suggestions for newsletter content can be found on the entry form. I've read many newsletters during the last few months, and I've enjoyed them all.

Remember: you can't win if you don't enter!

Katharine

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

DATES TO REMEMBER

Jan 6, 2017

Newsletter Competition
3 Consecutive copies to your Lt. Governor

Feb 1, 2017

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

Feb 3, 2017

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

Feb 16, 2017

Awards Due to Nancy Miller (Awards Chair)

Feb 24-26, 2017

Anchor Convention
Legacy Lodge
Lake Lanier Islands

April 7-9, 2017

District Convention
Hilton Atlanta NE

As we prepare to celebrate our holiday known as Thanksgiving, let me share this poem:

But read these words from the introduction:

For The Garden Of Your Daily Living

Plant three rows of Peas
Peace of Mind
Peace of Heart
Peace of Soul

Plant four rows of Squash
Squash Gossip
Squash Indifference
Squash Grumbling
Squash Selfishness

Plant four rows of Lettuce
Lettuce us be Faithful
Lettuce be Kind
Lettuce be Patient
Lettuce really Love one another

No garden without Turnips
Turnip for Meetings
Turnip for Service
Turnip to Help one another

To Conclude our Garden, we must have Thyme
Thyme for Each Other
Thyme for Family
Thyme for Friends

Water freely with patience and cultivate with Love. There is much fruit in your garden because you Reap what you Sow.

Even though this is not the season to plant...it is always the season to give thanks ---- so go reflect on "spices of Thyme" and the "Squash Casseroles" along with the "Peas" that go into making up your Thanksgiving Dinner. Let's pause and say Thanks for all of the many blessings that are in each of our lives.

JoAnn



CHAPLAIN'S MESSAGE



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

PILOT	CLUB NAME	RELATIONSHIP
Henrietta Royal	Statesboro	Sister
Amelia Player	Americus	Daughter

Governor-Elect Katharine's Fall Council Workshop **"Positive Communication"** is available on the GA District website under Workshops.

Pilot Club of Adel



Twila Davis received a certificate and gold pin for 50 years of membership



Pilots recognized for 25 years of membership include (left to right) Twila Davis, Sissy Hull, Laura Hill, Tammie Nix, Debbie Purvis, and Beverly Garden. Not pictured: Jere Anna Hargett, Linda McClain, Debra Register, Mary Sue Ward, Mildred Wood, and Mary Evelyn Spearman (deceased).



President Linda Purvis presents the Pilot of the Year Award to Jo Holt.





HUMMING ALONG WITH PROJECTS & VISIBILITY



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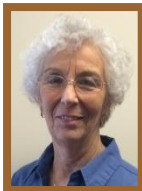
Pilot Clubs can give service to the community by partnering with other organizations. This is especially helpful for smaller clubs because fewer hours are needed to organize and publicize the event. By partnering with other groups, such as Safe Kids, Alzheimer's Association, and Brain Injury Association, we can contribute volunteer hours and assist with a joint project that can have a much greater impact than working alone. Here are some examples of what Georgia clubs have done.

- Partner with Safe Kids in their Bike Rodeo by presenting BrainMinders and serving as instructors with the activities.
• Present BrainMinders at community functions such as the cancel walk, the Brain Injury Walk and Very Special Arts.
• A partnership with the local schools can be beneficial in providing assistance with special events such as field days, Special Olympics, special needs activities.
• The special education department of local schools must provide information to parents about their services, so sponsoring Parent Education Forums is a great way to give service and receive public visibility with the teachers and parents involved.
• Provide lunch for Habitat for Humanity volunteers once a quarter
• Ring bell for Salvation Army at Christmas
• Provide school supplies for students in need. These can be given to the local schools in appropriate districts.
• Fingerprinting with the sheriff's department
• Assist the schools with a summer program for special needs children. A club can also help with the Halloween and Christmas dances with decorating, food and supervision.
• Provide refreshments, flowers and corsages for a special education prom at the school.

There are numerous other ideas for projects. Just look around your community for groups that have similar goals. Put the mission statement on every poster or handout so the public will learn who we are.

Beth

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The Pilot Club of Macon celebrated Founder's Day October 18, 2016 at Parish Restaurant in Macon, GA.



GEORGIA ARTISTS WITH DISABILITIES

On September 24, 2016, artists, along with many artists, family members, Pilot Club and Anchor Club members, and friends witnessed the 32nd anniversary of Georgia Artists With DisAbilities art exhibition, awards program and luncheon. The art exhibit was open for viewing and congratulating the winners. It also gave artists a time to confer with other artists. Approximately 181 pieces of art was on exhibit.

The awards presentation was chaired by Ann Brooks, Pilot Club of Covington. Governor Cynthia Spearman gave inspirational thoughts to the assembly. Micah Goguen, an artist from Warner Robins, gave a remarkable talk on "Art as Communication." It was about his life coping and struggling with his inability to have his sight and what he has attempted to accomplish thus far. JoAnn Akers gave a memorial tribute to Ruth Salley and Catherine Kimmel, Pilots, and Mildred Backus and Neal Pickett, artists, who died during the year.

The most important part of the program was when each artist received a Certificate for Participation. All art was judged by jurors and awards were given for twenty (20) Honorable Mention, fifteen (15) Distinguished Merit and ten (10) Best of Show. For the first time in several years, we had Students to enter his or her exhibit. From the Student category, one was judged to be Honorable Mention, one was judged to be Distinguished Merit and one was judged to be Best of Show. As customary, the Chairman picks one exhibit defined as "Chairman's Award." A total of forty-nine (49) pieces of art are now on our State-wide tour until July 14, 2017.

The tour is presently in Brunswick, Georgia at the Ritz Theatre Gallery until November 23, 2016. The next tour date will be December 1 until December 31, 2016 in Monroe, Georgia. Please try to make a point to see the exhibit in your area.

GAWD would like to say a big thank you to all Pilots Clubs and members, Anchor Clubs and members, and many volunteers and donors for assisting us in this year's exhibit. Many artists continue to let us know that if it was not for GAWD, they could not exhibit their work and how much they deeply appreciate us. This is truly a service project as we care so much for our talented disabled artists.

Ann

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DISTRICT NOMINATING COMMITTEE

It is time to begin the process of nominating our 2017-2018 District Officers. Our District Officers will be elected and installed at our District Convention, April 7-9, 2017. Please take the time to look around your own club or the fifty-six other clubs in our District. There are many Pilot Members who are qualified and only need to be asked. **ASK THEM!!** Don't assume someone is too busy or not interested.

All clubs may submit a qualified nominee from any club for Governor Elect, Secretary and Treasurer. Only clubs within a region may nominate persons for that region's Lt. Governor. The five regions are: Northeast, Northwest, Southeast, Southwest, East Central.

Your Club President will receive an email soon explaining in detail, "Qualifications for Nominees for District Offices" and "Procedures for Nominating District Officers." You can also find the Qualification Form for District Office in your club manual. Duties of District Officers are outlined in the Pilot International Bylaws – Article XVII. **Postmark deadline is February 6, 2017.**

It is a wonderful experience to serve at the District level. Learning new leadership skills, making new and long lasting friendships, learning more about the clubs in our district, and the satisfaction that comes from helping our district reach its goals. Please notify a Nominating Committee member from your region with any nominations and/or questions.

Contact information for Nominating Chair and the other Committee Members are listed below.

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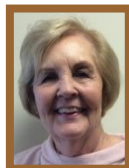
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PILOT	CLUB NAME	SPONSOR
Stacy McCullers	Monroe	Linda Everett
Cheryl DeLeo	Marietta	Kelly Johnson
Keith Beckworth	Eastman	Lynn Brown
Lea Hazel	Adel	Reinstated/Jo Holt



NW LT. GOVERNOR

It certainly has been a very busy first quarter for the clubs in the NW Region. The project lists I received in the 1st Quarter report were full and from what I have seen or heard from the NW clubs, the second quarter will be just as busy. It looks like most of our clubs choose projects that serve those let fortunate, like the Marietta Club, who takes a meal, cake and presents to the Children's Center for birthdays, or the "Take Me Home" packets prepared by the Haralson Club members and delivered to Haralson Community Services. Conyers is very involved with their local Alzheimer Unit and Rockdale Health Care bingo. Seems they like ice cream in Rockdale County. Chatsworth loves our military overseas and the Readers to Leaders project. And then Atlanta and Peachtree are heavily involved in the **Stand Up for Stand Down** toiletry collection for homeless veterans, and **Georgia Artists with DisAbilities**, (GAWD), two district-wide opportunities for Pilots to be involved in. I know you will read more about GAWD in this month's bulletin. Whether it is your time or your dollars, both projects benefit tremendously from district participation.

Everyone is gearing up for their major fundraising efforts in the second quarter. This is the time of year when Pilot certainly "Do More and Care More" as most of our project focus on "giving".

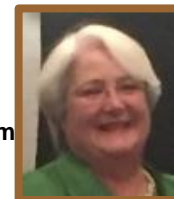
If you missed attending Fall Council, you probably heard what a fun time we had. Friday night's Welcome Party was quite entertaining. I think the DJ had as much fun as we did.

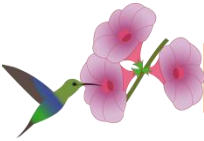
Jayne Lackey, Lt. Governor for the NE region and I had an opportunity to meet with our District ECR, Elena Lara-Ramon and get a better understanding of the changes regarding the Pick-Me Up Grants that I shared with the NW region clubs before FC. The take-away was, be sure to review the criteria to receive the grant, and if you don't get it one quarter, refine you application and apply again for the next quarter. PI wants to award these grants, but because of stricter IRS reporting, the projects must meet the criteria and the Pilot mission. The criteria information is on the PI Website with the application. And remember, the grant is not intended to reimburse you for expenses already incurred, but to help defray expenses to complete your project. The grant will not awarded on projects already completed.

I hope all district clubs have a successful second quarter and out do themselves in giving. There are so many less fortunate then us, and this upcoming season is living our motto... **Doing More, Caring More and Being More.**

Robin

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVE

November 6-12 is International Care & Kindness Week created by Pilot International. This is a week-long public awareness campaign designed to share with others how simple acts can change a day, a life, or the world by simply showing someone you care. During this special week, reach out to a neighbor or co-worker you rarely see. Offer to help someone who could use an extra hand or allow someone to go ahead of you in line. Share a smile and a kind word with all!

November is a great time to do Pick Me Ups for community workers and family caregivers. It's also a good time to encourage families to "Get Real!" by putting their devices down during mealtimes. This is a Pilot initiative to spread the news that caring for others means really engaging with others. Encourage everyone to put down their phones and pick up someone's hand. Your club may want to partner with a local radio/TV station to do public service announcements about International Care and Kindness Week or "Get Real!"

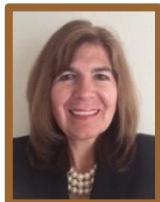
November is also the month all US Pilot clubs are required to file with the IRS form 990, 990EZ, or the electronic 990N by November 15. The filing of the form is based on your club's annual gross income. The IRS website (www.irs.gov) has a chart to show you the correct form to file. Be sure that you are using your club's EIN number and not that of Pilot International. Once you have completed the filing of the appropriate 990, print a copy of the form or confirmation that you have filed and keep a copy with your treasurer's records.

Most importantly, November is a very special time of giving thanks! We are thankful for our 95th year of Pilot International, our founders, and our dedicated Pilots over the years. We are thankful for our club and district leaders who step up to give of themselves to make our organization stronger. We are thankful for Pilots who spread friendship and service as they work to recruit new members across our organization. We are most thankful for the opportunities we have as Pilots and to be able to share those opportunities with others! It's great to be a Pilot!

Happy Thanksgiving to each of you!

Elena

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Pilot Club of Marietta put Halloween goodie bags together for the GAWD Luncheon table favors



MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Recruitment Techniques

Members matter! Whether you are part of a large or a small Pilot Club, members make the club. It is important to recruit new members and retain the old; rejuvenate, replenish, and reenergize! These are things that we all know, but the "how do we do that" question must get answered.

Begin with a plan, a date, a place, a purpose. Decide if you want the event to coincide with a regular meeting day or make a special "Share Pilot" meeting. Choose a venue that can be easily accessible and a date and time that appeals to your target audience. Brainstorm with current members and come up with a list of potential invitees. Do not be afraid to invite a large number because, unfortunately, only a small percentage will actually attend. Send out invitations at least a month before the meeting and include all pertinent information needed. Let the invitee know that they can bring a friend, which might make them feel more comfortable. Sometimes a personal touch is just what is needed to encourage a new member to join your club. A ride to the meeting or a reminder call makes them feel wanted and needed.

When preparing for the event, inform members of the invitees and encourage members to share their Pilot experiences with the newcomers. Keep the event short, informative, and interesting. Consider holding a dedication or an awards ceremony in conjunction with the event. This can show the prospective member causes that are supported and that members are appreciated. Have a greeter at the door, name tags available and a sign in book for guests. Ask each attendee to introduce herself and share information about her life. Make them feel welcome and thank them for attending. Try to create an open environment for all who want to join your club. Have membership forms available and an outline of dues and fees needed to become a member. If possible sign them up right then! For those that need to think about it, do not forget them...they may need a follow up call, an email message, or an invitation to come to another meeting or event. Holding special events and recruiting new members can rejuvenate an old club and inspire ideas to capture some enthusiasm for projects.

Maureen

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SOAR INTO SERVICE WITH BETTER LEADERSHIP

In the early 90's the Pilot Club of Cuthbert took a leadership role in collecting the matching funds for a Georgia State Grant to build a new library for Randolph County. We organized the Parade and Rally to Kick Off the Fund Drive in a very big way, The theme for the parade was "Readers Are Leaders so Follow the Reader". Leading the parade was a very tall man dressed as the Pied Piper who was reading from a large book. Behind him followed dozens and dozens of children dressed like storybook characters, floats, bands and even a very large bookworm stretched over umbrella toting Pilots with black legs and colorful feet. What a fun memory.

As I was looking through materials on leadership I began finding references to the fact that reading is very important in developing our leadership skills. How delighted I was to find Michael Hyatt's article, "5 ways Reading Makes you a Better Leader." If you want to lead, you simply must read. It's one of the surest ways to develop the qualities that will make you stand out and simultaneously equip you to lead as your influence grows.

Pollsters say that reading is in decline. A readership crisis is a leadership crisis. Mr. Hyatt has been a serious reader for decades. He says, "It's a part of who I am and it's enabled me to become the leader I am."

Here are five ways reading can uniquely develop and empower leaders:

1. Reading Makes us Better Thinkers

Reading is one of the most efficient ways to acquire information and upgrade our analytical tools, especially our judgment and problem-solving abilities.

2. Reading Improves Our People Skills

Stories give us an opportunity to walk in other people's shoes and see the world through their experiences and with their motivations. One CEO states that the insights about human nature in fiction and poetry has made all the difference in understanding and relating to her people.

3. Reading Helps us Master Communication

Reading uniquely expands our vocabulary. Books, magazines and other written texts will familiarize us with far more words than what we hear on television. With a better vocabulary a leader will have better communication that helps be more persuasive and motivate others.

4. Reading Helps us Relax

Reading has been found to be the most effective stress reliever of all. Reading is "an active engaging of the imagination as the words on the printed page stimulate your creativity and cause you to enter what is essentially an altered state of consciousness.

5. Reading Keeps us Young

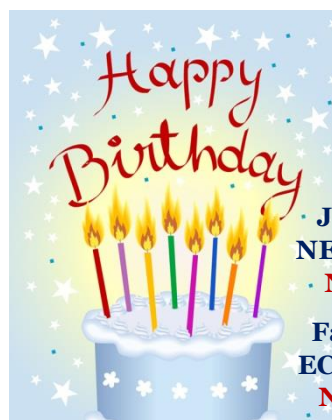
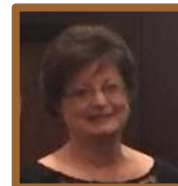
Reading has been shown in research by Keith E. Stanovich to keep us mentally sharp as we age. By exercising our brains with books and other reading we might even be able to prevent dementia in later years.

Mr. Hyatt says, "Reading is probably not the first thing many will think of but it's one of the best in my experience. I cannot think of any other single activity that can produce this list of positive effects. Being a serious reader is an increasingly unique way to develop insights and qualities essential for leadership."

If you want to lead, you simply must read; so every so often, crack open a book and try it.

Grace

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Past Governors

Flo Prestridge
November 1

Patricia Whatley
November 28

Jayne Lackey
NE Lt. Governor
November 4

Faye Worthen
EC Lt. Governor
November 12

Shelby Holland
GA District Treasurer
November 12



DISTRICT AWARDS

Hello Pilots,

I'm sure all of you have been very busy during this Fall season. Many of you are working hard on fund raisers and festival participations.

This is a reminder to not miss deadlines for several Awards. I have received Governor's award submissions that were due way back in August. Your newsletters need to be sent in to your region Lt. Gov. by January 6, 2017 and the other awards need to be submitted to me by U.S. Mail February 16, 2017. I hope you will have someone to help your club President with these awards. This should not just fall on her/his shoulders.

Wishing everyone a blessed Thanksgiving and Christmas holiday.

Nancy Miller
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"Spotlight Our Clubs"

Pilot Club of Carrollton and Physiotherapy Associates partnered to do a Concussion Awareness and Brain Safety booth at the Carroll County Fall Festival. Pilots talked to children and families using the BrainMinders puppets and handed out information bags. They distributed laminated Concussion Diagnosis cards with a Concussion Quick Reference Guide on the back. Also participating were two junior high school students learning more about Pilot and Anchor.

Pictured are students Riley Wallace, Kirsten Nalley, and Carrollton Pilots Cassie Wright, Deborah Wilson, Deborah Cogburn, Rosanne Godsey, and Judy Jackson. Wright is also a physical therapist with Physiotherapy Associates.



Battlefield Pilot Club honored the Georgia Highway Patrol Station in Lafayette, GA. This State Patrol Division covers Walker, Catoosa, Dade and Chattooga counties in Northwest Georgia. We feel the GSP are certainly caregivers to our local citizens when covering wrecks and other needed interventions. By furnishing items for the GSP they will be equipped with need items such as: hand sanitizers, paper towels, medical emergency kits, blankets, water, Gatorade, food, toys for the children that are involved in the automobile accidents and perhaps domestic violence, and other much need items for their patrol cars. These items are usually purchased by the Patrolmen and are not furnished by the GSP. We appreciate our State Patrolmen as they serve our counties and are caregivers to our citizens.

Pictured with their PI certificates for 25+ years of Pilot service and friendship are the following members of the Pilot Club of Chatsworth: (L to R): Jan McNeill, Ruth Ann Holcomb, Ethel Jones, Ann Baynes (charter member), Edna Young (charter member), Rachel Ridley, and Marcell Prickett. Not pictured are Wanda Poteet (charter member) and Eugenia Cavender (51-year member). We celebrated these members at our September meeting. Congratulations!



Pilot Club of Cairo had their Share Pilot meeting on October 3, 2016 to promote Membership Month. One of their own Charter Members, Mary Jo Harrell, shared why she became a Pilot member in 1979 and what Pilot means to her.

Front row: Hazel Burbridge, La Donnia Humphries, Sally Miller
Back row: Jean Marshall, Theresa Lamoute, Shirley Smith, Maurica Rykard

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