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## Message from the Governor

The Pilot Clubs of Metropolitan Atlanta founded Georgia Artists with Disabilities (GAWD) in 1985. Disabled artists throughout

Georgia have the opportunity to display and sell their original art, and are eligible to compete for awards and the opportunity to have their artwork displayed in a statewide tour and exhibit. Many mediums of artwork are included in the show, such as pottery, painting, sculpture, woodcarving, photography weaving, and others. Their main goal over the years has been to identify those disabled citizens of Georgia who are creative, capable, and talented in the

arts, so that their achievements and talents can be recognized.

I encourage each and every club to support this worthwhile organization. If you are interested in supporting an artist, or attending the annual Awards Luncheon on September 23, please contact Tammy Goodwin at [tammygoodwin8792@gmail.com](mailto:tammygoodwin8792@gmail.com).

Please continue to share your successful service projects and fundraisers with the rest of Georgia District. Other clubs will be inspired by your successes.

*Katharine*

## Message from the Secretary

I hope that all of you are have a fantastic summer and are busy working on projects to showcase our theme, "Shining the Light of Service". As the new secretary, I am committed to providing you up-to-date information on membership and those things directly impacting our district. I am a retired educator and served as a club president for three years. To that end, I am proud to report that we have 865 active members in our district. This number reflects a loss in membership and a loss of five clubs in our district. This is not a dramatic loss but it reflects a trend among districts.

During the international convention, I

attended several meetings and workshops with a resounding message of increasing membership. We provide many services and support .many projects that make an impact around the globe. However, we face an identity crisis in some areas. People don't know who we are or what we do. We must let our light shine with service and use new venues to inform the public of our services and to increase membership. Several suggestions were made: the use of webpages and social media such as Facebook, Twitter, and SnapChat; working with other service groups to increase our realm of services; and networking with agencies to promote our programs. Also, we

were encouraged to align ourselves with news and media outlets, not just for publicizing what we do; but to also become allies and supporters for our programs and services. It was also suggested that we use reverse training and let our new/newer members serve as trainers for us in the use of technology and networking to help develop new projects that reflect our goals.

We make a positive difference in the lives of others. Let's employ some new and innovative techniques to let our light shine.

*Bessie Brown*

**Georgia District Anchors**

I am looking forward to working with each and every club to embrace Governor Katharine's vision of "Shining the Light of Service". This year promises to be one of growth and recognition for our District Anchor clubs. Our Anchors are enthusiastic and hard working. More importantly, they are the future of Pilot. I was recently asked how to grow membership in local clubs. I responded by stressing the importance of investing in the future: Anchors! Anchors want to continue their path of service

beyond their middle and high school years. Make sure you support your local Anchor clubs or consider chartering one! They are energetic, innovative, and truly desire to help others. Just talk to them. You'll be impressed!

Our Georgia District Anchor President, Susanna Grafton, was recently awarded a \$5000 scholarship by PI President, Connie Moore, at convention. (An anonymous donor was so impressed with her after her participation in the flag ceremony.) I was so proud of her and all of the Georgia Anchors at our annual Anchor Leadership

Summit in Las Vegas. They represented our district well. Anchors participated in a Square One project packing meals for over 60,000 needy children. They tried out the new skits for our BrainMinders program and learned about honing their leadership skills. Most importantly, they made new friends and embraced a lifelong desire to serve. I challenge each of you to reach out to your Anchor Clubs and light a pathway of service for them. You'll be glad you did!

*Kerrin Daniel*  
Anchors Coordinator

**Gardening God's Way**

Author Unknown

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 be faithful  
Lettuce be kind  
Lettuce be obedient  
Lettuce really love one another

No garden should be without turnips:  
Turnip for meetings  
Turnip for service  
Turnip to help one another

Water freely with patience and cultivate with love.

There is abundance in your garden... because you reap what you sow.

To conclude our garden, we must have thyme:  
Thyme for God  
Thyme for study  
Thyme for prayer.

*Anchor Leadership Summit in Las Vegas, July 2017.*



**Chaplain's Message**

September is Pilot International Founder's Fund month. Thru PIFF, Clubs provide financial support for scholarships, grants and Safe Harbor Disaster Relief. Clubs have the opportunity to contribute to the fund by selecting an outstanding Pilot as their PI Ambassador. Please select your Ambassador in

August and support this worthy fund. Our contributions are a way to sow the seeds of love to improve the lives of others in our communities and the world.

**Galatians 6:7** *Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap.*

*Carol Stokes*



Collett Cross  
Pilot International  
Director  
Pilot Club of New Albany  
(Mississippi)

## Meet Our ECR

Hello Georgia Pilots,  
I feel very fortunate to be selected to serve as your ECR. Obviously, you have a rich Pilot history and have provided continuous leadership since 1921. I look forward to being involved in your district this year.

Governor Katharine provided me with several district documents, which will help me to study and get to better know your district. I am very impressed with your District's Long Range Plans. They are very much aligned with PI goals; by staying

focused and working together, I am confident many will be achieved this year.

I would appreciate receiving your club newsletters or other communications regarding club events and activities. I may be contacted by email at [cbcross@bellsouth.net](mailto:cbcross@bellsouth.net), telephone/text at 662-316-0808, and U.S. mail at P. O. Box 882, New Albany, MS 38652. I will communicate with you each

month through the Governor's Bulletin with an ECR message to share information from Pilot International.

If I can be of assistance to you this year, please do not hesitate to contact me. I am excited to be working with you as your ECR, and I am certainly looking forward to attending the Georgia District Convention!

*Collett Cross*



**Georgia Pilots at  
PI Convention's  
service project for  
"Clean the World"**

## ECR's Message from Pilot International

What a wonderful week we had in Las Vegas! Some of you won big at the slots and tables. We all came out winners at the Pilot International Annual Convention and Leadership Conference. We're now ready to "Explore the Possibilities" of Pilot.

The week started out with our District Leaders attending Council of Leaders. From receiving specific officer training to learning more about parliamentary procedure to developing leadership skills, these officers had two days of training that they will be bringing back to your district. Everyone attending convention was able to learn from our guest speakers who challenged

us to be innovative and get beyond what we've always done as we move our organization to our future. The workshops gave ideas and information that can be brought back to our clubs.

The updated BrainMinders program was presented in both the general session and workshops. You will want to learn more about the new snip-its and characters that are being introduced. New student books are being printed, and bookmarks and stickers will be available for order.

The Compass Club manual and new logo were unveiled as well. Approved at a previous convention,

Compass Clubs are for young adults ages 18-26 (in Japan the ages are 18-28). The manual will be available on the PI website for download. Pilots can start working on a Compass Club now!

Those planning to attend the next PI Annual Convention and Leadership Conference should go ahead and mark their calendar for June 27 - July 1, 2018 (yes, the last week of June!). We will be at the Gaylord Opryland in Nashville, Tennessee. More information to come!

President Faith has challenged us to "Explore the Possibilities" this year. Are you ready for the adventure?

**New Members**

Sarah Andrews	Atlanta
Colleen Lambert	Atlanta
Cindy Saylor	Atlanta
Kim Powell	Bainbridge
Beth Smith	Bainbridge
Valerie Jackson	Hogansville
Cindy Crane	Jefferson
Rhonda Howington	Jefferson
Cathy Huska	Jefferson
Patsy Lawson	Jefferson
Shelia Martin	Jefferson
Sherri Smith	Jefferson
Marcy Crews	Ocilla-Irwin Co.
Lindy Lively	Oconee Co.



**An Angel in Pink**

Pat Vickers, member of the Pilot Club of Macon, came to the rescue of an injured bicyclist and her friend. The story can be found on the [Macon Telegraph](#) website.



Pilot Club of Lavonia's installation of 2017-18 officers. Pictured (left to right): Susan Harbin, Pam Stone, Sue Heath, Virginia Richey, Nancy Miller, Barbara Eavenson, Vonnie Brown, April Rowland, Gina Chappelle



Maureen Stoy and Lisa Chastain (Pilot Club of Cochran) pose with the new puppets in the BrainMinders Workshop in Las Vegas.

**Prayer Board**

As your District Chaplain, I would like to include the needs of your members in the Prayer Board.

JoAnn Akers sent emails to those who want to be included in this prayer group last year to advise them of members who are ill or have passed away or have members of the family with family issues.

We also want to celebrate joyful events with our fellow Pilots!

Please include addresses and/or email addresses to allow your Pilot family to send cards of condolence, sympathy or joy as the occasion warrants.

If you would like to receive these emails, please send a request to me at [carolystokes@bellsouth.net](mailto:carolystokes@bellsouth.net).

*Carol Stokes*

**In Memoriam**

**Pilots:**

Mysteris Brown (Peachtree-Atlanta)

Gwen Collier (Peachtree-Atlanta)  
Verna Polnaszek (Warner Robins)

**Family:**

James Weaver, brother of Avaline Adams (Lavonia)

