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MESSAGE FROM OUR GOVERNOR

First let me say I hope each of you and your families are doing well. We are certainly in times that have been uncharted for Pilot and our lives. We will stay on a true and steady keel as we sail on safe to harbor keeping a course that's ever true. We will continue to work and live for others always following through and always helping someone who is in need.

As Pilot members and Pilot Clubs we have made many changes in club and Georgia District activities and fundraisers during March and continuing into April and we are not sure if this will be pushed further. Having the health of our membership at the forefront is most important and we can handle any changes we have had to make.

Please be on the lookout for announcements coming out that will need to be forwarded to each club member so everyone will have all the needed information regarding how we will be handling the changes.

Some of the items we would normally have handled at District Convention such as Awards Luncheon, Installation, 250 Awards, Region Meetings will be taken

GOVERNOR-ELECT MESSAGE

In light of our "social distancing", I hope each of you have heard that we will not have our Georgia Region Workshops this spring. I am sorry that we will not get together to fellowship within our regions, but this is YOUR Clubs opportunity to show your MENTORING skills and to support your incoming leadership team.

Each current club officer - as you pass your files to the person that is succeeding you, please be extra diligent in sharing information. Talk about creating the club agenda. Give tips on what you learned in holding your office. Be there to mentor your successor as they take on their new office. Working together, our clubs will continue to be strong. Your knowledge is treasured during this time of transition. This time of social distancing will pass and we can again enjoy activities and friendships in person. In the meantime call your Pilot brothers and sisters and be present to uplift those who might not have strong social networks. Pilot friendship is one of the jewels in our crown.

Many clubs have ordered swap pins. Treasurer Cathy has given me that list and I will be mailing swap pins to the contact person on the swap pin order form. If you have not placed your order, please go ahead and

care of during our "Restructured Fall Council" with more information to follow as plans are made. This will be a great time to help each other as we shop Market Place tables to make up for fundraisers that had to be cancelled.

I appreciate all the encouragement I have received during this time as we continue to "Walk Together" but keeping our "social distance" during this time.

Governor Tayne



If you have any questions or concerns call me. I am always available and would love to hear from you.

Blessings to all.

Governor-Elect

Susan

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Governor-Elect Susan working on an Anchor project at the Anchor Convention



INSPIRATIONAL MESSAGE



Pilots across the GA District....with all the uncertainty and confusion and concern surroundings us these days, just wanted to reach out to let you know that your Pilot family cares about each one of you.

Would love to suggest to each of you to take this time to just be still - and to listen to all the sounds around you that usually we don't even hear, the birds, rustling of the trees, soft rain falling, and even those pesky pets begging for more food!!! Step outside onto your patio or take a walk in the neighborhood (remember to use social distancing!!!) and look at all of God's masterpieces around you. Reach out to your neighbor with a phone call and perhaps drop a roll of toilet paper off at their door! Send a letter or a phone call to a friend that you haven't been in touch with in forever....dust off those puzzles and word games...But most importantly, go to your God with your thoughts and concerns. No matter what those concerns are...He is there for you..

Let me share these words of wisdom that were found in the purse of a sweet and dear Pilot friend:

God be in my head and in my thinking

God be in my eyes and in my looking

God be in my mouth and in my speaking God be in my heart and in my discerning.

GOD IS GREATER THAN ANY PROBLEM THAT I HAVE

The power of God surrounds me
The love of god enfolds me
Wherever I am, God is.

Blessings to each of you and know that we care...

JoAnn

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OUR ECR MESSAGE

The ECR message planned for this month was a preview of Pilot International Convention. While I have every hope that you will still get to read the article and attend our convention in Atlantic City in June, now is not the time for that. So I am preempting your regularly scheduled ECR message for this special message from the President of Pilot International.

As you know, the entire world is struggling with COVID-19. In the Pilot world, our District conventions have been cancelled, our staff is working remotely, the Headquarters building is closed to the public, and the status of our Pilot International Convention in Atlantic City in June is uncertain. How long this will last and what the future holds no one knows.

Even so, Pilot friendship and service prevail. Our staff continues to work from their homes to serve the needs of our membership. The COED District will hold its convention via Skype, the others will do business via email and possibly hold delayed installations at Pilot International Convention or District Fall Councils. Planning for the International convention continues, and Pilots continue to register. And although Pilots cannot come together physically in friendship, we come together as we can, through Facebook and Pilot Saturday, through phone calls, texts, What's App, and even old-fashioned snail mail.

Tips from your Inspirational Leader:

Please either email me or send me the memorial form with any prayer requests that you or a fellow club member might have. I send out periodically a group email to anyone within the GA District that might like to receive notifications of prayer needs and/or praises. This email is also sent out to the PI Inspirational Leader who posts it on the Pilot International Prayer and Praises board which then goes out to all Pilots. If you or a club member would like to be included to receive those prayer and praise messages please send me the following: name and the appropriate email listing

Prayer is at the heart of everything and together as Pilots we can show how we care more for each other.

Georgia District, Pilot International 2019-20 Memorial Forms need to go to:



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Lt. Governor (for your region)

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

Pilot/Family

Avaline Adams (Mother-in-law)

<u>Club</u> Lavonia

<u>Pilots</u>, with the revamped Fall Council there will be a time for the Memorial Service. At that time we will remember and honor all of the Pilots and others that have "finished their tasks" during this 2019-2020 Pilot Year.

And even though it has taken on a different character, we continue to serve, calling and writing to shut-ins and those who are locked down in nursing homes without family or visitors, sewing masks for healthcare workers, and doing pick me ups as we can for those who need them. We may not be able to do our service together by District or by club, but each of us is a Pilot, and, that means we serve, together or individually.

This will not last forever. The time will come when we can once again have meetings, host fundraisers, and do projects. We will come together again in friendship and service and we will celebrate the opportunity to gather and improve our communities. And until then we will maintain our friendships from a distance, and as Pilots, we will work in the ways we can to serve others.

I look forward to the day we will once again reach out and hug our fellow Pilots, and until then, stay safe, stay healthy, and wash your hands!

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Cindy Weaver April 10

Past Governor

Dene' Dixon (1995-96 Florida District) April 23





Battlefield Club Ambassador & President Betty Geary with Patsy Holsonback







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THE MISSION OF PILOT INTERNATIONAL IS: Pilot International's mission is to influence positive change in communities throughout the world. To do this, we come together in friendship and service, focusing on encouraging brain safety and health and supporting those who care for others.

DATES TO REMEMBER

May 1, 2020

New Officers Form PI Headquarters, 2020-21 Governor, Governor-Elect, Region Lt. Governor, District Secretary & District Treasurer

June 24-27, 2020

PI Convention & Leadership Conference Atlantic City, NJ





RUNNING TO MEET YOUR CARING GOALS THRU PROJECTS

The Pilot year is almost over and everyone is knee deep in projects. Most clubs do Brain Minders, projects with nursing homes, and/or veterans. What about other projects involving children especially those with various types of challenges? Some clubs participate in types of food bags for children. Other clubs have events for special kids either on their own or with the school system. What about a project reading to children in school or at the library or anywhere children can gather? These projects could be a new and different project for your club to try.

Pick Me Ups are gaining steam as more and more clubs start trying to do a Pick Me Up at least once a quarter. If you are a larger club, you may be able to do one every month. It doesn't have to be something extravagant. It can be a casserole for a caregiver with a family member that is ill (maybe in the hospital or on hospice) or has dementia. It could be a gift card for gas if they have to travel a lot to care for their loved one. It could be relieving a caregiver for a few hours. Think outside the box. You need to try and talk to the caregiver and get a few ideas of things they would do or want if they had the time, then surprise them with one of those ideas. If they keep saying they don't need anything, you can still surprise them with flowers, maybe

silk so they don't have to water them, or a basket of gift cards

and other items. Just sign the card from friends and not list

individual names or the club name so the person is not

Keep up the GREAT job you are doing!!!! I hope you are already thinking about next year.



embarrassed.

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Mayor Betty Cason proclaimed March as Carrollton Pilot Club Month; the club celebrates its 75th anniversary this month. The Proclamation reads in part, "In recognition and appreciation for its outstanding commitment to education, prevention and cures for brain related disorders, and for vastly improving the quality of life for so many, the Mayor and City Council do hereby congratulate the Pilot Club of Carrollton on its 75th Anniversary and proclaim March 2020 as **Carrollton Pilot Club Month** in the city of Carrollton, Georgia".

The Proclamation was made and presented in the Stallings Community Center where the Pilot Club has funded several projects including building renovations to the Pilot Auditorium, named for the club, and the installation of a chair lift. Pictured are Jan McLemore, Deborah Wilson, Mayor Cason, President Rosanne Godsey, Susan Weems, and Judy Jackson.



Peachtree Pilot Club had their first "BRAINO" presentation at Adult Day of Dunwoody yesterday to 15 of their clients. BRAINO is a brain focused version of bingo teaching senior safety while socializing. Everyone was a winner as we presented each client with a little gift of candy, note pads and pencils. Pictured: Club member Robin Williams



LACING OUR SHOES WITH LEADERSHIP

Greetings Pilots,

John Quincy Adams states, "If your actions inspire others to dream more, learn more, do more, and become more, you are a leader." Although Pilots are great leaders by nature, here are some key reminders"

Empower others. This will create an environment that reminds people of their many capabilities and motivates members to continuously strive for improvement. Always express confidence in others and demonstrate enthusiasm as you explain the importance of goals for your club, Georgia District and Pilot International.

Communicate well and listen intensely. Steven R. Covey states to "seek first to understand, then to be understood." Yes, one of the most important leadership attributes to possess is the ability to communicate effectively so that you can create clear understanding between yourself and others. Remember to regularly ask members how they are progressing with set goals and ask what you can do to help.

Lastly, remember to take time to unwind. Try doing some activities you enjoy such as, eating healthy, getting plenty of sleep, connecting with others and reading a book. As leaders, we tend to give so much of ourselves day by day. I encourage all of us to practice balance. Take care of yourselves, so that we may continue to take care of others.

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ANCHORS WALKING THE PATH TO BE MORE

We had over 170 Anchors and Pilots participating in this year's Georgia District Anchor Convention. The 2019-2020 Georgia District Anchor Board did a fantastic job with everything from planning the menu, handling the registration, leading the meetings, to conducting the workshops. Their extra effort really showed throughout the weekend.

Congratulations to the newly elected 2020-2021 Georgia District Anchor Board President – Sarah Justice, Franklin Co. HS, President-Elect Lizbeth Suarez, Rabun Co. HS, Secretary, Simon Burger, Franklin C. HS, Convention Chair, Abigail Page, Rabun Co. HS, Southwest Region Chair, Viviana Schulyer, Bainbridge HS, Southeast Region Chair, Makayla Sears, West Laurens HS, East Central Region Chair, Sydnee Belle Eubanks, Gatewood HS, Northeast Region Chair Perrin Floyd, Franklin Co. HS and Northwest Region Chair Collin Burdett, Roswell HS.

Congratulations to the award winners. Scrapbook winners were as follows: 1st Place – West Laurens HS, 2nd Place – Franklin Co. HS, 3rd Place – Elbert Co. HS. Community Service Award winners were: 1st Place - Franklin Co. HS, 2nd Place-West Laurens HS. Anchor Club of the year 40 and under Franklin Co. HS, and Anchor Club of the year 41 and over West Laurens HS.

This year the Anchors assembled bags for the campers at Camp High Five. The Anchors brought toiletry items for the bag and the Anchor District furnished the other requested items. We were able to complete 80 bags. The extra toiletry items were also sent to the camp. We also collected pull tabs for the Ronald McDonald House. Thanks to April Rowland for delivering these tabs to the Ronald McDonald House in Macon.

The recipients of the 2019 Georgia District Anchor Scholarship were as follows: Madison Brown, Elbert Co. HS, Anna Mathis, Washington Co. HS, Carsyn Smiling Rabun Co. HS, and Makenzie Thomas, Dodge Co. HS. The recipients of the 2019 Georgia Pilot Foundation scholarship were as follows: Drew Harpe, Dodge Co. HS, Allison McGarity Elbert Co. HS, Julianna Nichols, Madison Co. HS, and Kennedy Williams Franklin Co. HS.

I hope everyone is already looking forward to attending next year's convention February 26-28. We will be back at Great Wolf Lodge for the 2021 convention. It's been a great year! Thanks to all who have given their time and talents to support our Anchors!

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Welcome New Members

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Elizabeth Grilli Manchester-WS

Pamela Tibbitts Eatonton

Linda Trahan Hartwell

Susan Dyer



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April Rowland from the Pilot Club of Lavonia delivered approximately 68 Gallon jugs collected by Georgia District Anchors at the Anchor Convention to the Ronald McDonald house in Macon, GA

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Elbert Co. HS Anchors Lila Higginbotham, Haley Maurinch & Pilot Club President Connie Dixon



Elbert Co. HS Anchors Liberty Burnette and Chesnee Brown



Pilot Club of Elberton recently held their annual Chicken Salad Bag Lunch Fundraiser. The event takes the entire club working hard over several weeks in preparation. However the final three days of the event, you will have members working lots of hours.

The bags sold for \$7 and consist of a chicken salad sandwich, chips, fruit and dessert.

In preparation of the event, letters and order forms are prepared to be sent/delivered to businesses and individuals (return customers) to let them know the date, times, cost and what they will receive in their bag. The letter also has information on our club. These letters are delivered by our members.

The fundraising committee then sets about purchasing the ingredients and items needed to prepare the bags. This consist of purchasing the chicken, mayo, pickles and other ingredients needed to make the chicken salad. They also are purchasing the brown bags, chips, napkins, sandwiches bags and food work gloves. Our members also get started baking pound cakes to be used as desserts in the bags.

A follow up visit or call is made the week of the fundraiser to see how many sandwiches are needed at their place of work. The invoice and money is collected at that time (when possible).

The final 3 days consist of dedicated Pilots getting together at a local church to cook and mix up the chicken salad, wash and bag the grapes, and slice and bag the cakes. The day before delivery, the club members get together and prepare the bags with everything except the sandwich. THE FINAL DAY, our members are busy making the sandwiches, putting them in the bags, and delivering them to businesses. Since most of the money was collected ahead of time, we are only running in and dropping off their bags.

With smart shopping for sales, selling 650 + bags and hard work this fundraiser has been a successful one for our club.

