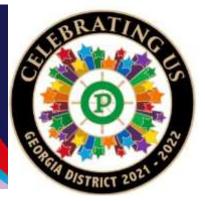


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#### GOVERNOR ROBIN'S MESSAGE

Seasons' Greetings District STARS,

The holidays are upon on us and there is so much to be thankful for. I have fullness in my heart for what we have been able to accomplish this year, as the pandemic still impacts us. Personally, and as clubs, we want desperately to do so much more in our communities, and we won't let COVID stop us!

So far this year, we have seen many changes within our district. We have lost some clubs and members, but we have also added new members. Some clubs have already heeded the call for three new members, and we still have time to grow.

I am very excited about a couple new projects coming at the beginning of the year. I have created a membership tri-fold that I think you will be very excited about making available at your club events. It includes information about Pilot and our District specifically and contains many pictures of our Pilot clubs doing what we do…participating in fundraising events, bestowing scholarships on our students, BrainMinders™, helmet fittings, and more. The trifold will also include a QR code which will take the viewer directly to our District website. Just click and you are there from your smartphone. We hope this will encourage our more tech savvy and younger supporters to "check us out".

I will also be introducing a new fundraising opportunity that will benefit both the district and the clubs. We are putting final touches on the communications pieces that will be released early next year. Be on the lookout for the "*Silver Ribbon*" campaign materials. PG Patricia Whatley, Fundraising Chair, Pat Garner and I have been working on getting this since October.

I am beginning to receive information from Pilot Headquarters regarding next year's PI Convention which will be held in Rochester New York. The committee is planning several fun and exciting free-time events I am sure you will enjoy. I don't think you will want to miss this Convention.

Finally, let me wish each of you and your families a blessed holiday season. The gratitude we show today for our blessings, will come back to us many times over, because we believe in our mission.

Robin





Peachtree Pilot Club welcomed Miriam Garrett at their Club Meeting.

Welcome to the GA District Miriam!





#### INSPIRATIONAL MESSAGE



There is so much more to Christmas than the candlelight, trees, and good cheer. It is the spirit of sweet friendship that brightens all through the year. It is thoughtfulness and kindness - the joy of brightening other lives, bearing each other's burdens, easing other's loads - hope reborn again, for peace and understanding - all of this is the magic of Christmas.

Somehow, now only for Christmas But all the long year through, The joy that you give to others Is the joy that comes back to you. And the more you spend in blessing The poor and lonely and sad, The more of your heart's possessing Returns to you glad.

John Greenleaf Whittier

My holiday wish for each of you is that you will be filled with the peace, hope and joy during this magical time of the year. Each one of you is very special to this family known as "Pllot" - may you have a blessed holiday season surrounded by family and friends.

JoAnn

JoAnn Akers Inspirational leader akersjoann@gmail.com





Pilot Club of Chatsworth's impromptu service project for local Advent Health hospital was carried out in a matter of days. Members answered the call for lunch provided to the medical and nursing staff because the kitchen was overwhelmed with patients' needs due to Covid increases. The twenty-four large pizzas and cookies were much appreciated. Members pictured: Linda Miller, Brenda Chapman, Jan McNeill, and Charlotte Pritchett both delivering and presenting to staff.



Georgia District, Pilot International 2021-22 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.

<u>Pilot</u>	<u>Club</u>
Elise Patterson	Greene Co.

Pilot/Family	<u>Club</u>
Trudy Couch (Cousin)	Gainesville
Vicki Pinson (Cousin)	Gainesville
Shirley Selman (Sister)	Greene Co.



Pilot Club of Gainesville got together to put goody bags together for Fall Council and to celebrate member Linda Chapman (c) for her 50 years of Pilot Service. NE Lt. Gov. Lea Judson (l) and Club President Lesley Congdon (r) presented Linda with her certificate and letter.

Congratulations! Linda



Pilot Club of Macon collected over 30 small luggage items for foster children as our September project. The luggage was distributed between the Methodist Children's Home and NECCA. Shown left to right: Kathy Jones, Surelle Pinkston, Dyann Moore, Carolyn Glover, Pat Vickers, Bettye Middlebrooks, Joan Burney and Monica Nix



#### **Past Governors**

Judy Jackson (2014-2015)

Dec. 17

Gail Sharber (2012-2013) Dec. 21

Katharine Banning (2017-2018) Dec. 30

SE Lt. Governor
Sandy Jarrett
Dec. 20





On September 18th members of the Pilot Club of Greene County hosted a penny auction at Savannah Court. Sixteen residents attended. Bidding wars occurred with some items but we had learned from past experience to try and always bring more than one of the same item. Several asked us to come back before Christmas. It seems a good time was had by all. While there we discovered that one of the residents in attendance was actually a charter member of our club - Ms. Dorothy Key.





#### "CELEBRATING ANCHOR... YOUTH LEADERSHIP IN ACTION"

It is hard to believe that December is already here! Anchor Convention is just right around the corner. We are excited about this year's convention! The Anchor Board selected "Ohana No Anchor Left Behind" as the theme. The weekend will be packed with activities and informational workshops. I hope some of our Pilots will be able to attend and support our Anchors. If you are not able to attend the whole weekend maybe you can come for the day on Saturday! The dates are February 25- 27, 2022. The deadline for registration is January 25, 2022.

Please encourage Anchors to run for office. Please encourage your Anchor Clubs to enter the awards. We have several awards that are given each year at convention. All of the awards can be found on the Georgia District webpage. The Anchors are planning on several service projects for this year's convention. They will be collecting pull tabs for the Ronald McDonald house. We are asking that clubs bring them in gallon jugs. The Anchors will also be collecting breakfast items to be given to Ronald McDonald House.

Please check with your Anchor Club and make sure they have mailed their Anchor dues to Georgia District and to Pilot International! They were due November 1!

Please encourage your Anchors to apply for the Georgia District Anchor Scholarship. Remember that each Pilot Club that sponsors an Anchor Club can send in one application for the GPF scholarship. The deadline for both scholarships is January 24. These applications can also be found on the website.

Please let me know if your Anchor club needs anything or if your Pilot club would like to start an Anchor club.

**Mary Turner Anchor Coordinator** turnerma@elberton.net





Pilot Club of Monroe provided the food for Side by Side guests to prepare their Thanksgiving meal. This project services both our mission goals - caregivers and traumatic brain injuries.



#### "VISIONS & DREAMS AND **CHAMPAGNE THEMES**"

#### Fundraising - Great News . . .

Our Governor Robin has sparked with the vision of raising funds for both the District and individual clubs while promoting a keystone mission of Pilot! We are all familiar with the awareness ribbons and now Pilots can begin to draw attention and help promote our mission supporting brain health with the silver

The silver ribbon represents the fight against Brain Disorders, Brain Disabilities, and Disorders affecting Children, among others. As we step forward together into this new awareness campaign, remember that if we use the passion that this project inspires, we will inspire others, helping to educate and prevent brain injury and inspire brain health for everyone.

Pat

Pat Garner **Fundraising Coordinator** patgarner@pilotclubofsweetwater.org





#### "CELEBRATING TOUCHING LIVES... ONE AT A TIME"



#### **Share the Warmth**

January, February and March are usually the coldest months in Georgia. We, as Pilots, are concerned about our communities especially during this time of year. You know your community and what its needs are.

#### Here are some suggestions on how to "Share the Warmth":

- Do a coat drive (you might check with your schools, too, for kids' coats)
- Socks, blankets, gloves, knit or crocheted hats, fleece scarves, sweat pants and shirts, thermal underwear are all good items for the homeless shelters.
- Help with the soup kitchen.
- Make "power outage" boxes with candles, matches, or a flashlight, bottled water, a couple pop top cans of food, granola bars, etc.
- Your local animal shelter is usually in need of used extra blankets and towels in the cold weather.

Your club can pick one or more of these ideas to do during these cold months or come up with something that your particular area needs. We'll share our successes possibly at our Spring Convention.

Claudia

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Karen



Karen Beall

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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**

#### December 15, 2021

PI Pick-Me-Ups, Helmet Grant Applications, & Garden Bricks orders are due

#### January 5, 2022

Newsletter Competition Form due to Region Lt. Gov.

#### **January 24, 2022**

Lynda Goodwin Volunteer Scholarship & GPF Scholarship due to:

Faye Worthen (GPF Rep.) 2462 Browns Chapel Rd. Union Point, GA 30669 CC: Governor, Governor-Elect, Region Lt. Governor

#### **January 24, 2022**

District Officer Nomination Form due to:

Era Hall (Dist. Nominating Chair) 124 E 44<sup>th</sup> Street Savannah, GA 31045

#### January 24, 2022

GA District Anchor Scholarship

Due to:

Mary Turner (Anchor Coordinator) 417 Elm St. Elberton, GA 30635

#### January 25, 2022

Deadline for Anchor Convention Registration

#### February 1, 2022

2021-2022 Anchor Club of the Year & 2021-2022 Community Service Award due to: Beth Coons (Awards Jury Chair) 135 Ridgecrest Place Gray, GA 31032

#### February 5, 2022

District Awards due to: Beth Coons (Awards Jury Chair) 135 Ridgecrest Place Gray, GA 31032

#### February 25-27, 2022

GA District Anchor Convention Great Wolf Lodge, LaGrange



All Forms are on the GA
District Website under Forms

# Welcome New Members

<u>PILOT</u>	CLUB NAME
Teresa Wilson	Jones Co.
Karen Harrington	Jones Co.
MaryLee Carter	MAL (transfer from Warner Robins)
Kay Murphy	Toccoa
April White	Lavonia



Pilot Club of Eatonton doing their BrainMinders program





NE Lt Gov. Beverly Garner visited the Battlefield Pilots.

**Congratulations!** to Kay Cooke who received their Club Ambassador award here with Club President Patsy Holsonback



Pilot Club of Dublin had a great time helping the Salvation Army distribute Thanksgiving meals.

Pilot Club members - Carole Simmons, Beth Bozeman, Joan Brantley, and Kay Donaldson

It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas! Pilot Club of Washington member Karen Scott decorated the Pilot Club's tree this morning at Oconee Fall Line Technical College. Visit the Festival of Trees display and vote for your favorite tree. Voting begins today until December 14.





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## Spotlighting the Northeast Region



To celebrate "Care and Kindness Week", Toccoa Pilot Club provided lunch to a sweet group of clients at Avita. Pizza and Little Debbie cakes were a big hit. Although only 3 Pilots were able to go, many more participated providing drinks and Little Debbies! Pictured are Claudia McCartney, Darlene Johnson, and Karen Bennett Beall



Pilot Club of Gainesville at Fall Council Club President Lesley Congdon, NE Lt. Gov. Lea Judson, Cherry Lobo & Sherrill Day



Pilot Club of Jefferson provided refreshments for the Jackson County High School Veterans Day Program..



NE Pilots, Gary Jarvis (Elberton) & PG Jayne Lackey (Madison Co.) at the PI 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

NE Platter Chatter Raffle winners Claudia McCartney (Toccoa)flowers, Mary Ogletree (Classic City)-blanket and arrangement, Eleanor Ragsdale (Lavonia)- cake made by Karen Beall (Toccoa) All proceeds go to GPF







Madison County Pilots Karen Westbrook, Tammy Dalton, Jayne Lackey and President Karen Fitzpatrick at Belk Charity Sale Fundraiser



Every year, for International Care and Kindness Week, members of the Lavonia Pilot Club bake, assemble trays and deliver Sweet Treats to our area First Responders and Public Service workers. It is a small way for us to show how much we all appreciate their service and commitment to our community.



Classic City Pilots at their Founders Day event.

