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GOVERNOR DURRETT'S MESSAGE

Good Afternoon Pilots –

Today is a glorious day in the Georgia District and each our Pilot Clubs! The sunshine is shining and the future is bright! Each year the governors are asked to make their theme go along with PI President's theme. For most of us that is hard to do as our District Convention is at least a couple of months before PI convention. However, with us, an unexpected blessing occurred as you can Make A Difference spreading Rays of Sunshine or you can spread your Rays of Sunshine by Making a Difference! We have it covered!

President Rhona has also charged us with making a difference with her 777! She would like to see our membership rise to 7000 members, 700 clubs, and 70 Anchor clubs. Once we were there! Now is the time to begin again. Did you know there is a story about John F. Kennedy and his nanny? After the election, she was asked for whom did she vote. She replied, "Not you". In surprise, Kennedy asked why not. Her answer was simply, "I would have but you never asked me to." How many times are we like President Kennedy, we don't ask? We might have a friend waiting or even hoping to be asked, but we won't know until we ask. All is takes is asking. If we ask often enough, we will find the right people who want to be Pilots. So start spreading those Pilot Rays of Sunshine and Make a Difference in your club by asking!

You always get 100 percent of what you DON'T ask for, but if you only get 30, 40, 50 percent of what you do ask for, you are still far better to the good!

Yesterday, I was in the grocery three different times trying to get the correct ingredients for a new dessert I was attempting to make. Each time for whatever reason, I happened to use the same cashier. Each time I thanked her for helping me today and said I hope the rest of your day goes well. The third time, she actually came after me, tapped me on the shoulder, and said thank you. She said she had had some really ugly customers that morning and it was so nice to have me come through her line with a smile and actually thanking her! We never know when we make a difference in someone's day.

Fall Council is on its way! Check your email for more information with a flyer of what is to come. The Fall Council committee is meeting at Sea Palms this Monday to complete our plans. Faye and Diane have some terrific ideas and looking forward to a great time. Also, it is a perfect time for you to consider inviting a friend to come with you – enjoy some "girl time", walk the beach, and show her what Pilot does!!!

Many of you inquired about District shirts. I did not choose to make a t-shirt for this year. However, the source that made my DAC shirts has said he would be delighted to make as many as wanted. The shirts button up the front with a three-quarter sleeve and are a teal blue with the Pilot Wheel on left hand side and 2022-2023 underneath. We can always leave off the date if you prefer. The price is twenty-five dollars. I wear mine more like a jacket with a shell underneath but several of the DEC wore as a regular shirt. The sizes seem to run try to form and my medium is definitely roomy.

Value relationships! Make a Difference sharing your Rays of Sunshine!

Durrett





INSPIRATIONAL MESSAGE



In this summer heat, could watermelon be the answer? It is normally red inside and the color for love! One of my most favorite things about summertime is a cool, crisp, juicy, sweet slice of watermelon. After you eat that slice, it leaves nothing but a big smile on your face.

- W - Whatever you believe creates your reality.
A - Attitude is the magic word. Your greatest asset is your attitude.
T - Together everyone creates more.
E - Enthusiasm is the wellspring of life.
R - Respect yourself, as well as others.
M - Make commitments not excuses.
E - Everyday can be a fun day.
L - Love is the answer.
O - One day at a time. One bite at a time.
N - Never give up and become the best you can be.

Wally Amos (revised last line by GH)

Pilots, we can do at least some of the things mention above and make a difference in our life's and the people around us every day.

Wishing you a great summer! Now go have a slice of Watermelon!

Glynice
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MEMBERSHIP

FISHING FOR MEMBERSHIP

I appreciate Governor Durrett offering me the opportunity serve as Membership Coordinator for GA District. Since 2005 I have been a member of Washington County Pilot Club in Sandersville, Georgia, in all those years it seems that I have always served on the membership division! That doesn't mean I am an expert or anything but that it has always been very special to me.

At the time I joined Pilot, I was relatively new to the Sandersville community. My husband, Marlon Lastinger was the Personnel Director of a major Kaolin company and had been Pastor of First Baptist Church in Sandersville so everyone knew him. I, on the other hand was only know as "Marlon's wife". Therefore I decided to create my own identity which led me to join the Pilot Club of Washington County! There I found many new friends and also found an avenue to serve my community because I was now a PILOT!

My career as a nurse has been very rewarding over the years but my time as a Pilot Club member has its own set of rewards in a very different setting. I have served in many capacities as an officer, committee chairperson and three terms as President. It is very heartwarming to see the smiles of the special needs kid or other children when we share the BrainMinders Puppet presentations. Or the expressions of gratitude when we deliver gifts to caregivers of those who are unable to care for themselves! All these feelings

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

Table with 2 columns: Pilot, Club. Rows include Helen Faser (Atlanta), Joann Pruett (Jones Co.), Connie Warren (Newnan).

Past Governor

Louise Shimer
(2009-2010)
August 11

District Governor

Durrett Moerman
August 10

Table with 2 columns: Pilot/Family, Club. Rows include Lanette Bryant (Sister, Jones Co.), Ellen Lashley (Sister, Jones Co.), Stephanie Stalcup (Husband, Elberton), Boots Hendricks (Son, Monroe), Keri Rowe (Brother, Monroe).



and experiences are the types of things we need to share with people to whom we come in contact on a daily basis. Many folks are looking for a chance to serve others and to be a part of caring, loving individuals as found in Pilot Clubs all over the world! This, Ladies & Gentlemen is what membership & recruitment are all about! Sharing what you know and sharing how serving others make you feel. And this is how we can "Make a Difference" in all of our communities!!

I want to make sure each of you is aware of the changes in PI membership fees that were voted on at the recent Pilot International Convention in Rochester, NY. The initiation fee has been removed from the PI budget. The total dues required to join Pilot International is now \$66. The revised Membership Information Form and the Notification of Change in Membership Form can be found on the PI website. Georgia District dues remain unchanged and will be in addition to PI dues when new member forms are submitted to PI.

As we 'fish for Membership" this year, I would like to encourage each club's membership division coordinator to join me in sharing ideas & plans thru emails & text messages. As we collectively share our thoughts and ideas, we all will benefit. The area of retaining current members is a high priority. So let's get those creative juices flowing and start fishing for ways to keep our members engaged and satisfied! I look forward to working with each of you. Please contact me at annlastinger@gmail.com so we can get started 'fishing' together to Make a Difference!

Ann

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MESSAGE FROM OUR DISTRICT SECRETARY

Club Secretaries are entrusted with keeping accurate records which preserve the history of their Club. Taking minutes of Club business and maintaining accurate membership rolls and timely submission of any membership changes are primary responsibilities.

My goal is to continue keeping these records for the Georgia District by taking minutes at official district meetings and keeping accurate membership information. Georgia District Treasurer Genia Mitchell and I will work together on membership information as we strive for accuracy and to "match" membership numbers as recorded by Pilot International.

Club secretaries must send in a Notification of Change in Membership Form whenever there is a change in membership. This includes new members, resigned members, status changes and deaths. The form is mailed to Pilot International and copies to Georgia District Treasurer, Governor, Governor Elect and Secretary. If a new member has been added then dues should be mailed with the form to PI and to the GA District Treasurer. When possible email copies to save time and money.

Note that Pilot International recognizes (counts) five types of members: regular members, emeritus, fifty year, students and dual. Emeritus, fifty year and students do not pay dues. Dual members pay dues to their Primary Club and are counted on that Club's membership. A few Clubs have opted to have "emembers"; if they pay dues then they count as (regular) members.

Club secretaries please note that both the Membership Information Form and the Notification of Change in Membership Form were revised 7/2022 to reflect a new Bylaw change that says there is No \$25 Initiation Fee and No Reinstatement fee.

Together we are "Making A Difference" in the great Georgia District and doing our best "Spreading Pilot Sunshine" for Pilot International.

Donna

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ANCHORS...MAKING A DIFFERENCE IN OUR COMMUNITY AND OUR WORLD

With a new Anchor year beginning I am excited about the opportunities afforded to us to be a part of our Anchors and how we can make a difference in our communities and our world. I encourage each Pilot to make it a goal to invest yourself in some way in Anchor Youth Leadership this year. I know you will be blessed!

As we start this New Year together, you are asked to make sure you let Kirsten Jorgenson and I know if you have a new Anchor Coordinator in your Pilot Club or a new Anchor Advisor at your high school. If the Pilot Clubs are not familiar with the Anchor Advisors in your school(s), please make it a point to get to know them. Invite them to your meeting. Build a relationship. We wish to make sure we are communicating well and with the correct people.

The current Anchor forms are available on the district website. The forms will also be emailed out to the advisors and coordinators. Pilot International Anchor dues are \$14 and Georgia District Anchor dues are \$8.00 per Anchor. Both are due by November 1, 2022. Please keep in mind that only clubs that pay dues will be recognized as active clubs.

Pilots and Anchors alike are invited to start making plans now to attend the annual Georgia District Anchor Convention to be held at Great Wolf Lodge in LaGrange, Georgia on February 24-26, 2022. Now is the time to motivate your Anchors to begin fundraising in order to cover costs. Convention is a very important part of being an Anchor as opportunity is given to learn more about leadership, networking, extend friendship, and learn about each other and other Anchor Clubs and how they serve in their communities.

I am convinced that those who role modeled to me and invested in teaching me made a worthy impact on my life. I am honored to serve and pay it forward. I am looking forward to "Making a Difference" in Anchor with you this year. I welcome your input and feedback. Please feel free to contact me at tdalton12967@gmail.com or call me at 706-614-6144.

Tammy

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Meet our GA District ECR.....

I live with my partner of 28 years, Jim, our six month old kitten and three month old black lab - some serious playtime happening! My daughter, Allison, a social worker, and her husband, J.J., live in Springfield, Massachusetts. My three granddaughters are all in college: Brianna, a senior at the University of Alabama, Amanda, a sophomore at Smith College, and Sammie, a freshman at Westfield State University.

I was very fortunate to have a career I loved - nineteen years as a middle school reading teacher and fifteen as a principal. I was also an adjunct professor at Dowling College and, in retirement, a Project Manager for Literacy Collaborative in Suffolk County for three years. My current employment is as a Water Aerobics instructor at the Patchogue YMCA.

My volunteer work is multi-faceted. I am the President and Treasurer of a consortium of four soup kitchens. I cook weekly, at one, for approximately 80 guests. For my church, I volunteer weekly in their Thrift Shop which just reached the \$100,000.00 mark in the three years it has been open.

My Pilot journey has been soul satisfying. I was a member in the early '90s, but had to leave due to the demands of my career. I was reinstated in 2013 and rapidly gained experiences at the club and district levels. As a member of Karen's Krewe, I began to see the larger picture and eventually accepted positions on the International level. My passion, since its inception, has been the Pick Me Up initiative; I love seeing how a small gesture can be so deeply appreciated by the recipients. I treasure the work we do and relish the fact that we do make a difference.

Susan Kahl, 2022-23 Pilot International Secretary





MESSAGE FROM OUR ECR

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

August 15, 2022

Financial Records Audit Audit Committee (Club & District)

August 15, 2022

Plans of Work Governor, Governor-Elect, Region Lt. Governor

August 15, 2022

Governor's Cup Awards Lorena Perry (Awards Jury Chair) 610 W. Pine St. Fitzgerald, GA 31750

Copy to: Governor, Governor-Elect, Region Lt. Governor

September 1, 2022

Club Budgets & Standing Rules Copy to: Governor, Governor-Elect, Region Lt. Governor

September 20, 2022

Q1 Club Report Copy to: Governor, Governor-Elect, Region Lt. Governor

September 30, 2022

Club Ambassador Selection Pi Headquarters (\$25 fee) Copy to Governor Durrett



All Forms are on the GA District Website under Forms www.pilotgeorgia.org

The 2022 Pilot International Convention was full of great energy and equipped its attendees to take back to their clubs and districts. Approximately 650 Pilots, Co-Pilots, Anchors, Compass members, and guests participated in various convention activities. We are anxiously waiting for the convention photographs to be available on the PI website. To access all the great workshops and videos of the sessions click on: https://www.pilotinternational.org/conventionresources/ . Also, if you attended the convention, please complete the post-convention survey. The results will be used to plan the 2023 Convention in Bellevue, Washington, from June 28 – July 2, 2023.

Our new membership challenge is an exciting one! President Rhona is challenging our organization to reach 777 in membership numbers! 7,000 Pilots, 7,000 Anchors, and 70 Compass members! And it comes with a huge reward! Every time a Pilot joins, their sponsor gets their name put in a special drawing for a trip to the 2023 Albuquerque Balloon Festival or a \$500.00 cash prize! The drawing will be held at the 2023 PI Leadership Conference in Bellevue.

Envision 100, Celebrating 100 years...Charting a course to award 100 Grants and Scholarships provided us with the opportunity to be a part of an exciting and historic initiative that will allow us to Do More, Care More, and Be More through our Pilot International Founders Fund Goals for Grants and Scholarships. Pilots, Clubs, and Districts were encouraged to help make this campaign a success by designating contributions for Envision 100. We surpassed the \$150,000 goal by contributing \$178 305.00! Thank you so much.

July 1 marked the beginning of a new Pilot year and new opportunities. A great way to start the New Year is to select a Pilot Ambassador for your club. Guidelines for choosing an Ambassador may be found on the PI website under Top Member Resources. The name of the Pilot International Club Ambassador and a minimum donation of \$25 should be sent to Pilot

International and postmarked by September 30 to ensure listing in the Winter issue of The Pilot Log. Donations for Club Ambassador help support the Pilot International Safe Harbor Fund. The Safe Harbor Fund provides financial assistance to Pilots who suffer losses from natural disasters.

The New Year also brings the opportunity to apply for Pick Me Up and matching helmet grants. Both of these are awarded quarterly. September 15 is the deadline for the first grant cycle. Applications and additional information are available on the PI website under Top Member Resources.

The Pick Me Up program is designed to brighten the day of caregivers by providing random acts of kindness in recognition of the care or service they provide for others. Clubs are eligible to receive one Pick Me Up grant each Pilot year, not to exceed \$200.

The Helmet Matching Grant Program allows clubs to participate in Pilot's Signature Project. Matching Helmet Grants will award \$300 for the purchase of 25 helmets. Clubs will be responsible for purchasing 25 additional helmets for \$12 each for 50 to complete the matching grant criteria.

Participating in the grant programs and supporting the Pilot International Founders Fund will allow you to make a Pilot difference in your communities and throughout Pilot International.

I am looking forward to working with your District this year. Let's spread our Pilot sunshine! Use #SpreadingPilotSunshine on all your social media posts!

Susan

Susan Kahl GA District ECR/2022-23 PI Secretary sakprin@aol.com



Georgia Artists with DisAbilities is proud to announce that we will host our 37th Annual Art Show and Tour in September 2022. The Art Show will be held virtually again this year. Artists can submit photos of up to three pieces of artwork to be judged for the show. There will be a virtual presentation of the winning artwork on Sept. 24th via Zoom. GAWD would like to encourage all Pilot Clubs to seek out and help disabled artists in your community to participate in our Art Show. The submission form is due Aug. 15, 2022 and photos are due by Sept. 2, 2022. If you are interested in helping to facilitate the Art Tour visiting your community, please contact Theresa Shields at gaartistsdisabilities@hotmail.com or 404-309-1798 to discuss the possibilities.

GAWD appreciates the volunteers and donations that many Pilots and Clubs have contributed in the past. We could not continue to work with artists and provide opportunities to share their art without your help. Donations can be made online or sent to Theresa Shields at 190 Autumn Ct., Covington, GA 30016. Also, please check out and share our Facebook page and website, georgiaartistswd.org.

Theresa

Theresa Shields GAWD Chair theresashields84@hotmail.com





Spotlight the Northeast Region

Lavonia Pilots PG Susan Harbin and Eleanor Ragsdale delivering a little "Pick-me-up" lunch and gift to our Emeritus Member Sue Maret to celebrate her birthday.

We want our Emeritus members to know that even though they are unable to be active with the club now, they are still loved & missed.



NE Pilots with two Co-Pilots at the PI Convention in NY, attended Casa Larga Winery



Back to School time with our Pilots and our BrainMinder Puppets. Madison Co. Pilots Karen Fitzpatrick, Amber Gaddis, Kathy Ferguson & Karen Westbrook attended the Madison Co. Area Job Fair at Madison Co. Middle School



Pilot Club of Elberton served lunch on Monday to Friends Helping Friends Bible Camp. Thanks to all of our members who participated in this project.



Toccoa installation with Mary Weaver, emeritus, presiding. The theme was "making a difference" one at a time. Everyone was given a starfish accompanied with the story of a man returning starfish to the ocean, making a difference one at a time.



NE Region Lt. Gov. Mary Turner installed the new Classic City Officers



Welcome New Members

New GA District Pilots

- Wanda Beard (Hartwell)
- Roseanna Prado (Hogansville)
- Andy Willingham (Hogansville)



Pilot Club of Gainesville's installation meeting. Outgoing NE Lt. Gov. Lea Judson installed the new officers.

