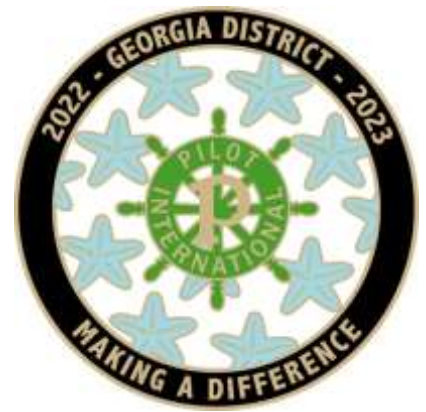


# Georgia District

# Governor's Bulletin

October 2022 – Number 4



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## GOVERNOR DURRETT'S MESSAGE

Happy Fall Pilots!!

I, along with many of you, were so disappointed when Sea Palms called to initiate the canceling of our District Fall Council. Then, it was an even more of a letdown to have it be a non-event here in the Golden Isles and Saturday turn into a beautiful fall day. However, it is not for us to understand the Lord's ways and definitely He did not want us to have Fall Council that weekend. In the meantime, your DAC is talking and working with Sea Palms to decide the next step.

October is a busy, busy month for Pilots everywhere! It is a month full of activities and opportunities for Pilots to Make A Difference spreading Pilot Rays of Sunshine. October 2<sup>nd</sup> is Pilot Walk, October 15<sup>th</sup> is the Reception for the Georgia Artists with DisAbilities Art Tour at Alpharetta City Hall from 2-4pm, October 18<sup>th</sup> is Founder's Day, and October 22<sup>nd</sup> is Make a Difference Day! Our PI and Georgia District websites are full of great information on how to celebrate these special days. Use these opportunities to share our wonderful organization with your family, friends, and community by putting your Pilot club front and center. Who knows the awesome new member it might bring into Pilot. Make October a month-long time of sharing Pilot: not just a few days! I hope our November bulletin is full of pictures showing your club using these days to promote Pilot Making A Difference!

The Georgia District of Pilot International has a rich legacy that we must not forget. We now have to ask ourselves is what kind of legacy do we want to leave for those Pilot members in the years to come. Just as we have changed over the years (going from voting on members in a secret ballot to shouting from the rooftops join Pilot, from only in person meetings to zoom, from snail mail to text) so has our world...we not only live in a technological age, we are the technology. Making A Difference and Spreading Rays of Sunshine, our International theme for this year identifies our most important element in ourselves. We believe in Pilot, Friendship and Service. The friendship is first for a reason. If we don't reach out in love and friendship, we cannot serve. The Lord says to serve with a cheerful heart. We must show a passion, a strength for what we have accomplished the past 101 years, celebrate who we are, and make a difference in every act of every day. Use this month of October (if not every month!) to show how being a Pilot is one of the best avenues of Friendship and Service around!

On a side note, this Friday I had the pleasure and not so pleasurable task of attending the funeral of one of my best friend's son. It was heartbreaking to know of the passing of one so young (and I know many of you can identify). My friend did not know for sure I was coming. When I walked into the church and she saw me she literally cried out "you came, you came" and ran to me. How we hugged, cried, and laughed together. The pleasure was in renewing old friendship and visiting with family was so awesome even in this time of death. We shared story after story and memories galore. Truly it made a difference in both our lives not just for that day but forever. Today she called to say she was not sure she could have made it through the funeral except knowing that so many cared. Please take a moment to hug your loved ones, call that child/mom living in another town or even down the street, write a note to a friend, say hello to neighbor, and share a smile with a stranger. You NEVER know what a difference you may make in that life at that time on that day! Pilot love and friendship to each and every one of you. YOU make my life special everyday!!

*Durrett*



Gov. Durrett (L), Club Pres. Beverly Garner & Gov.-Elect Avaline Adams at the 76<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Pilot Club of Newnan





INSPIRATIONAL MESSAGE



Hello Pilots,

The hummingbird story was told by Nobel Peace Laureate Wangari Maathai in May 2006 at a conference on poverty elimination in Montreal. This is story she shared:

One day a terrible fire broke out in a forest - a huge woodlands was suddenly engulfed by a raging wild fire. Frightened, all the animals fled their homes and ran out of the forest. As they came to the edge of a stream they stopped to watch the fire and they were feeling very discouraged and powerless. They were all bemoaning the destruction of their homes. Every one of them thought there was nothing they could do about the fire, except for one little hummingbird.

This particular hummingbird decided it would do something. It swooped into the stream and picked up a few drops of water and went into the forest and put them on the fire. Then it went back to the stream and did it again, and it kept going back, again and again and again. All the other animals watched in disbelief; some tried to discourage the hummingbird with comments like, "Don't bother, it is too much, you are too little, your wings will burn, your beak is too tiny, it's only a drop, you can't put out this fire."

And as the animals stood around disparaging the little bird's efforts, the bird noticed how hopeless and forlorn they looked. Then one of the animals shouted out and challenged the hummingbird in a mocking voice, "What do you think you are doing?" And the hummingbird, without wasting time or losing a beat, looked back and said, "I am doing what I can."

Like the hummingbird, we each must do what we can to build that better world we all dream about. Make a Difference Day is October 22 - Will you make a difference that day?

Continue smiling and spreading the Pilot Sunshine,

Glynice

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Welcome New Members

New GA District Pilots

- Janet Mahoney (Greene Co.) Susan Brantley (Oconee Co.)
Cyndy Ward (Washington Co.) Teresa Hayes (Oconee Co.)
Caleigh Haskins (Dublin) Carol Burch (Hartwell)
Sandy Hayes (Dublin) Terri Beth Fuller (Eatonton)
Angie Tullia (Dublin) Samantha Carter (Washington Co.)
Melissa Belcher (Bainbridge) Jacque McDonald (Washington Co.)
Meghan Heckman (Bainbridge) Lisha Johnson (Washington Co.)
Rose Cline (Chatham Co.)
Rebecca Anglin (Oconee Co.)

Georgia District, Pilot International 2022-23 Memorial Forms need to go to:

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Lt. Governor (for your region)



Past Governors

Myrna Warner (1984-1985) Oct. 28

Lorriane Banning (1995-1996 AL District) Oct. 6



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



Table with 2 columns: Pilot, Club. Row 1: J-net Viera, Gainesville

Table with 2 columns: Pilot/Family, Club. Rows: Martha Armstrong (Husband) Washington Co., Dianna Armstrong (Father-in-law) Madison Co., Shelby Holland (Mother-in-law) Toccoa



DISTRICT TREASURER

It's Anchor Dues time of the year.

Both Pilot International and Georgia District Dues are due on or before November 1st. Fourteen dollars (\$14) for each member is sent to Pilot International Headquarters (\$10 for International Dues and \$4 for insurance). Georgia District Dues are \$8 per member and are sent to Georgia District Treasurer. Each Anchor Club will need to complete 3 forms to pay dues. The forms are located on the Georgia District Pilot International web site (https://pilotgeorgia.org). Click on "Anchor" in the menu on the left side of the home page to get to the Anchor International information page. The needed forms are in the "Anchor Forms and Information Section". Complete the forms in the following order. The first form will contain the information that is needed to complete forms 2 and 3.

- 1) 2022-2023 Pilot International Anchor Dues
2) 2022-2023 Georgia District Treasurer's Report
3) 2022-2023 Georgia District Anchor Dues Invoice

When the forms are completed, send form 1: 2022-2022 Pilot International Dues with check enclosed to PI Headquarters (address is on the form) and copies to the District Anchor Coordinator and to your Anchor Club file. Send copies of all 3 forms to the Georgia District Treasurer (address on form) with the Georgia Dues check enclosed. This process ensures that PI, GA District, and the Anchor Club have the same information. I hope that this information will help you support your Anchor Clubs. If I can help in any way, please let me know.

Genia

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MESSAGE FROM OUR ECR

Wow, a whole quarter of our Pilot year has flown by! I hope everyone is getting excited about their upcoming Fall events. I hope you get a chance to get out and enjoy the changing weather while you begin to prepare for upcoming holidays. This time last year, we were all gearing up for our 100-year celebrations as Founder's Day approached. While we will not be gathering this year in Macon, I hope your spirit swells with the pride and joy being a Pilot member brings. May this spirit spill in to your local communities as we get ready to celebrate another year.

Membership Month Focus: Hopefully your club is able to organize either a Share Pilot Event or spend some time sharing the message of Pilot during our annual Pilot Walk on October 1<sup>st</sup>. This is a great time and tool to tell others not only about all the positive influence and growth we bring to our communities, but how to join and be a part of the Friendship and Service that we exude!

PIFF Matching Grant and Emergency Response Program Grant deadlines are October 15<sup>th</sup>. Be sure to get your application packets turned in so we can continue to support your clubs as they endeavor to serve their communities.



Founder's Day – October 18th will be our 101st year since we were founded. It is a time to celebrate and recognize all of the good you bring to your community and what Pilot accomplished in the past. Incorporate something fun in your monthly meeting, plan a special event, or showcase your unique projects as a way to celebrate all your club does. You can schedule a special speaker, or maybe even do a themed event and invite prospective members. How fun would it be to use some of the sketches and skits from throughout the years to tell the story of Pilot and all that we accomplished not only in our clubs and districts, but from across the world. Flipping through some of our history books is a great way to gather ideas and information to share with others!



Make a Difference Day – October 22<sup>nd</sup> will be here before you know it. If you have not had a chance to plan a service project, this might be a great day to set one up. This can also serve as a kickoff or launch pad for other projects you might be preparing for International Care and Kindness Week! Share with others the ways your club is making a difference in the areas they serve and celebrate all the wonderful volunteers that make these things happen.

In Pilot friendship and service,

Susan

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PILOT INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION FUND (PIFF)

We're excited about kicking off the GA District PIFF (Pilot International Founders Fund) Annual Fundraiser at Fall Council. This benefits Grants and Scholarships, BrainMinders, Matching Grants, and other PIFF efforts. **The PIFF Raffle for 2022-2023 is a week in Navarre, FL, less than 2 miles from Navarre Beach, in the Summer or Fall of 2023. The owner will work with you on choice of week.**

This is your beach trip opportunity! The prize is a week's stay in a 3-bedroom, 2-bath house which is spacious and well-appointed. You will also have use of a 2-car garage and fenced in back yard. The house is conveniently located near restaurants, grocery stores, shopping, everything you might need. The Drawing for the Week's stay at the Beach in Navarre, FL will be held at District Convention on April 2.

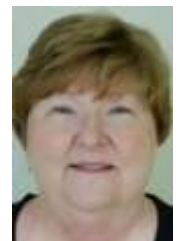
Tickets are \$5 each or 5 for \$20. Come to the PIFF Table at Fall Council and start purchasing your Raffle Tickets. We need your help and that of all your members to make this year's District Fundraiser a success! **We need each President or a representative of each club to come by the PIFF Table and pick up your envelope of tickets to take back to your club to sell.**

**You can mail the stubs and checks (payable to PIFF) to Judy Jackson, 75 Azalea Trail, Carrollton, GA 30116 by March 13.** By selling all your tickets early and mailing your stubs and checks to me, you won't risk forgetting to bring them to District Convention on March 31-April 2<sup>nd</sup>. Just think, one less thing to remember to pack and bring! Sell all your tickets early and convert all cash to a check and include all individual checks (payable to PIFF), along with the stubs, and mail to me several weeks prior to the April Convention or no later than March 13. You could also bring your stubs and checks to the PIFF Table on March 31 or April 2<sup>nd</sup> at District Convention. Just don't forget them!! The drawing is April 2.

Nancy Miller and I are the PIFF Reps for the GA District and look forward to seeing you at Fall Council very soon! If you need additional tickets or have questions, please contact one of us. We appreciate the efforts of all GA Pilots in purchasing and selling our 2022-2023 PIFF Raffle Tickets during the next few months in your club meetings and in your communities.

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Nancy

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“MAKING A DIFFERENCE IN LEADERSHIP...CHOOSING OUR LEADERS”

“As leaders, we are responsible for creating environments in which our colleagues are nurtured and energized, our organizations innovate and flourish, and our communities are respected and supported.” – Janice Marturano, Institute for Mindful Leadership

As we get ready to begin the fall season, we should also begin looking for those Pilots who we believe have leadership skills to take on responsibilities for our District. In the month of November, you will hear more about District Officer Nominations from PG Jayne Lackey, this years' Nomination Chair. But as I have been reading about what makes good leaders, I wanted to share some of the qualities that have been identified by Teresa Goode, EdD, Associate Teaching Professor for the Leadership Program at Northeastern University.

They are self-aware and prioritize personal development

- Successful leaders focus on the big picture, avoid distractions, and don't get bogged down by small, tactical details. Practice these behaviors to promote effective management of your time and attention.
- Successful leaders set goals, prioritize goals, and take responsibility for accomplishing them. They also take responsibility for falling short of their stated goals or making mistakes along the way.

They focus on developing others

- Prioritize training within your organization—and balance it with a culture that allows team members to thrive.

They encourage strategic thinking, innovation, and action.

- As a leader, you have to look forward. You have to think about where the organization is going. Maintain a flexible mindset and be willing to try new ideas.
- Make informed decisions. Leaders often have to make risky decisions, but you must be able to justify the course of action you are taking.
- Focus on the future, understand that change is occurring all around you, and maintain a positive outlook.
- Remember that listening is just as critical to communicating as talking. Take the time to hear what others are saying—and make note of what they are *not*. Ask follow-up questions if you don't understand what they are trying to convey.

I personally believe we have several potential leaders within our GA District. We need to encourage those Pilots to step up and take district leadership roles. There is nothing to fear, and if our organization is to survive, we must encourage them.

Robin

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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**

**October 2, 2022**

Pilot Walk

**October 15, 2022**

Reception for the GAWD Art Tour at Alpharetta City Hall 2:00-4:00

**October 18, 2022**

Founder's Day

**October 22, 2022**

Make a Difference Day

**November 1, 2022**

GA District Anchor Dues due to:

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Pilot International

102 Preston Ct.

Macon, GA 31210

**December 31, 2022**

Q2 Club Report

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



All Forms are on the GA District Website under Forms [www.pilotgeorgia.org](http://www.pilotgeorgia.org)



Classic City Pilot Club honored Sandy Walker as our PI ambassador for 2022-2023. Sandy serves as Treasurer and Project Lifesaver Director for Classic City Pilot Club. We appreciate Sandy and all she contributes to CCPC. Club President Nancy Denney presented the certificate to Sandy.

Newnan Pilots helped pack 1500 bags for students in Coweta County!





**ANCHORS...SPREADING RAYS OF SUNSHINE & MAKING A DIFFERENCE IN OUR COMMUNITIES AND OUR WORLD**

Anchors are off to a great start as they impact their schools and communities with service that is impactful. I have visited some and heard from others and love learning about their plans of service for the year in their communities. From collecting soda tabs to benefit the Ronald McDonald House, to walks for Breast Cancer Awareness to bracelets and fair exhibits for Mental Health Awareness, packing backpacks with food for children, special needs assistance with sports, festivals, dinners and dances, bubble wrapping art for Georgia Artists with Disabilities, book collections for Zambezi Schoolbook Project, Soles4Souls, setting with children for ELL- parent meetings, fall festival participation, trunk or treating, Superhero Day at schools, etc. You name it, Anchors are present and investing themselves in "Spreading Rays of Sunshine" to "Make a Difference". Let me encourage you, as Pilots, to become involved with your local Anchors. As Pilots, you are asked to show your support and role model service. Invite Anchors to your club meetings, maybe one or two a month and consider attending an Anchor meeting here or there. Consider partnering with Anchors with projects as they are valuable resources and can offer a refreshing breath to our clubs.

As you invest yourself with your local Anchor Clubs and learn more about them, you are asked to make sure you let Kirsten Jorgenson and I know if you learn of any changes in your Anchor Clubs such as a new Anchor Advisor in your school or changes with your Anchor Coordinator in your Pilot Club. Relationships are key for communicating and building our clubs. You may also want to look at the possibility of parents of Anchors as potential Pilot members.

As a reminder, the current Anchor forms are available on the Anchor Georgia District website. The forms have been 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.

February will be here before we know it as time ticks quickly. Please 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 Anchor Advisors and Anchors to begin fundraising in order to cover costs. Convention is a fun and exciting 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.

**"A leader is one who know the way, goes the way, and shows the way."** -John C. Maxwell

Your input and feedback regarding Georgia District Anchor Youth Leadership is always welcome. Please feel free to contact me at [tdalton12967@gmail.com](mailto:tdalton12967@gmail.com) or call me at 706-614-6144.

*Tammy*  
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In the beginning of 2021, Lavonia Mayor Courtney Umbehant shared upcoming plans and visions for the City Park with Pilot members. He stated that they wished to add to the new City playground. Lavonia Pilots formed a committee, and the Pilot Park Project was born to add accessible equipment to our local playground.

Through several grants, fundraising events, and the generous donations of our community members and businesses,

Lavonia Pilots presented the Mayor with a check today for \$50,000 to help fund the addition.

Pictured (Left to Right): Councilman Andrew Murphy, Eleanor Ragsdale, Sarah Young, Sue Heath, PG Susan Harbin, Courtney Umbehant, Mayor of Lavonia, Vonnie Brown, April Rowland, Dianne Mauldin, Pam Stone



Pilot Club of Jones Co. members donated 57 pairs of shoes and 187 pairs of socks to be delivered to DFACS for our local school children. This is one of our annual projects. Wanda Wellborn, Beth Coon, Jody Faulkner, Tharpe Greene and Kathy Jackson. Club members also donated numerous bags of candy for the Not So Scary Grayberry event and Lynn Haven Nursing Home for the residents to give out candy to children that will visit.



Pilot Club of Greene Co. presented BrainMinders to 25 students, grades kindergarten to 3rd grade, at Nathaniel Greene Academy on September 20th. The students seemed to enjoy it and I know we did.





Pilot Club Johnson County gathered to fellowship and have its monthly meeting led by the club president, Janice Waters. A festive time was had by all as we celebrated our club's ambassador of the year. Congratulation to Grace Moore! Well deserved.



Pilot Club of Washington County members Ann Lastinger, Mary Dennis and Cindy Boatright attend renaming ceremony of OFTC's Library in memory of Katie Smith Pool, long time emeritus member of the club.



Pilot Club of Brunswick having their first Board Meeting for the new Pilot year



Cochran member Dell Daniel was crowned Pilot Ambassador. Club President Maureen Stoy presented Dell with her certificate and roses



Pilot Club of Dublin had a successful Shared Pilot with 14 guests



Pilot Club of Chatham County members Era Hall, Liz Weeks, and Kathy Smith offered a Community Art Lesson at the Frank Murray Center in Savannah on October 5. Participants seemed to enjoy their projects.

October

