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A MESSAGE FROM OUR GOVERNOR

Wow! What A Fall Council! Wasn't it wonderful to see our Pilot Family! There was so much Laughter, Friendship and ideas of Service shared between us.

We had such a beautiful location. Even though the leaves had not turned into their fall colors, we had a taste of fall weather. There was a cool nip in the air! Some of you were able to experience OktoberFest down in Helen. I heard lots of comments about returning to the mountains! According to the completed Surveys, I would say Fall Council was a Success!

On a serious note, we had a tremendous turnout for Fall Council. We had a total of 142 in attendance with 19 of those being First Timers. Welcome to the Pilot Family!

Our guest speaker at Fall Council was Shawnette Good, Founder and Executive Director of Joshua's Voice, whose mission is impacting lives of individuals with Invisible Disabilities. She was a wonderful speaker and is very passionate about what she does. Please consider reaching out to Shawnette as a possible speaker for your club to help support their mission.

We had our *First Annual Silent and Live Auction* this year. Our very own Tammy Dalton was the Auctioneer. She did a great job and was definitely in her own element! I would like to thank Diane Davie, Fall Council Chair and the Southeast Region for a splendid job. From Registration, Decorations and our *Happy Fall Y'all Goodie Bags* and all the numerous things that have to be taken care of to have a successful FC. I realize that we should not be prideful, but I can't help but feel Proud of the Georgia District Pilots!

If you were unable to attend Fall Council you were missed, and I hope you will consider attending our District Convention in May and Fall Council next October.

October is a very busy Pilot month as we started off with not only Fall Council, but First Pilot Saturday wearing our Pilot shirts along with our ECR Joseph Cunningham attending Fall Council. Founder's Day is October 18th and I hope each club will be scheduling a special event for that, as well as, having a special event planned for Membership during the month. Remember, our Membership Initiative is One Matters in Pilot. Have you invited your One to a club meeting or a Project yet? All it takes sometimes is to be asked. October 28th is Make a Difference Day, but we don't have to wait until that date to make a difference in someone's life!

I look forward to hearing and seeing pictures of all your events in the month of October, please don't forget to share!

Pilots Serving with a Passion!

Avaline



Georgia Artists
with Disabilities, Inc.



The 38th Georgia Artists with DisAbilities art exhibition has been completed and the winning art is now being prepared to go on a statewide tour. That tour includes stops in Conyers, Monticello, Greensboro, Watkinsville, Monroe, Athens, Waycross, Brunswick and Alpharetta. The winning pieces will soon be on display on the GAWD website - just goggle georgia artists with disabilities to find the site. The first site for the tour is: Oct 2 - Nov. 1 at the Nancy Guinn Memorial Library in Conyers. We will list the tour sites on the website and will post them in upcoming Gov. Bulletins. If the art comes to your area, do consider having a reception and showcase those artists that are in your communities. We thank all Pilots and Pilot clubs in the district for their support and do remember that GAWD is a 501c3 entity and all donations are used to support the tour as well as the monetary awards that are given to the winning artists.





INSPIRATIONAL MESSAGE



October brings forth not only Halloween, pumpkins and football...but it brings cooler weather (I think!) and falling leaves...and it also brings forth our Fall Council, GAWD and lots of other club activities as Pilots get ready to prepare for the busy upcoming holidays. So I want to leave a special wish with each of you as you begin your fall journey.....let these words from Ralph Waldo Emerson wash all over you

This is my wish for you.
 Comfort on difficult days,
 Smiles when sadness intrudes,
 Rainbows to follow the clouds,
 Laughter to kiss your lips,
 Sunsets to warm your heart,
 Hugs when spirits sag,
 Beauty for your eyes to see,
 Friendships to brighten your being,
 Faith so that you can believe,
 Confidence for when you doubt,
 Courage to know yourself,
 Patience to accept the truth,
 Love to complete your life.

JoAnn

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MESSAGE FROM OUR DISTRICT TREASURER

With the month of October comes my quick reminder that goes to the Anchors as they prepare to meet the **November 1st** deadline for sending in their Anchor dues

The needed forms can be found on the Georgia District Pilot International website under www.pilotgeorgia.org and then click on "Anchor" in the menu on the left side that opens the Anchor International information page. Then scroll down page until you see the needed forms located under "Anchor Forms and Information". The forms required are:

- 2023-2024 Pilot International Anchor Dues Invoice
- 2023-2024 Pilot Annual Anchor Club Treasurer's Report
(Address is included on forms of where to remit payment to Pilot International.)
- 2023-2024 Georgia District Anchor Dues Invoice
- 2023-2024 Georgia District Anchor Club Treasurer's Report
(Address is included on forms of where to remit payment to Georgia District Treasurer.)

Pilot International dues are \$10.00 plus \$4.00 insurance for a total of \$14.00 per Anchor member.
 Georgia District dues are \$8.00 per Anchor member.

Please send original form with check on or before **November 1, 2023**. This process will ensure that PI, Georgia District, and the Anchor Club has the same information.

Please contact me if you have any questions. I look forward to receiving your 2023-2024 Anchor dues.

Shelby



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Georgia District, Pilot International 2023-24 Memorial Forms need to go to:

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Lt. Governor (for your region)

Pilots, a Praise & Prayer email board is being set up. So please let JoAnn know of any requests that either you or a fellow Pilot might have as together we can pray and or rejoice to lift each other up.

If you would like to be included in receiving those emails, send your email address to akersjoann@gmail.com.



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

<u>Pilot</u>	<u>Club</u>
Sarah Haddock (Emeritus)	Atlanta

<u>Pilot/Family</u>	<u>Club</u>
Katharine Banning (Mother)	Atlanta
Margaret Whitley (Husband)	Monroe
Marcelle Watkins (Son-in-law)	Peachtree



Past Governor

Myrna Warner
 (1984-1985)
 October 28



2023
HAPPY HALLOWEEN





LEADERSHIP

What is a leader? We are asked that time and time again.

Many of us consider a leader as someone who is in power. But think about that – is it really? Who do you see as a leader – take a minute and look at the people in you'r life. Who do you tend to emulate, follow, choose to do what s/he is doing, look maybe not up to, but to see what s//he is doing? Who do you look to in your club as the leader? It may very well NOT be the president. It may NOT be the most well-dressed or the one with the most money or even the one with the most friends.

So if not the president, then obviously leadership is not always power. If not the best dressed or the one with the most money, then not wealth. If not the one with the most friends, then not popularity.

DEFINITION: Leadership is a process of social influence, which maximizes the efforts of others towards the achievement of a goal. Leadership stems from *social* influence, not authority or power

- The definition of Leadership requires others
- The definition of Leadership shows no mention of personality traits, attributes, or even a title; there are many styles, many paths, to effective leadership
- The definition of leadership includes *a goal*, not influence with no intended outcome

The theme for Georgia District this year is *Serving with Passion*. Of all the qualities a leader can have, passion is probably one if not the most important. Passion starts within your heart and is fueled by your belief in what you are doing is of the utmost important. You literally love what you

are doing and cannot imagine doing anything else. You dream of your goal and its fruition.

You have a passion to help the mentally challenged. You have a passion to work with young people. You love helping older members of society. You can't wait to teach someone how to do something new. You can think of many new ways to earn money to help others and you want to share it with others. You are inspired to bring others together and create new ideas. You have a passion.

Passion is partnered with courage. You cannot follow through with your passion to help, to generate new ideas, to teach, if you do not have the courage to follow through with your dreams. Passion is the desire and courage is the follow through. Courage gives you the go ahead and passion gives you the staying power until it is done! They go hand in hand.

You demonstrate your leadership qualifications by having the courage to state your idea, your project, your fundraiser. Your passion for your idea, project, and fundraiser then becomes the enthusiasm to lead others to join you. The excitement in your voice, the twinkle in your eyes, your gestures, your totally "caught up with the idea" body language will work its magic and the next thing you know all are with you. Believe in what you are promoting and show it with a passion. The group behind you will be saying yes, yes, yes!

Be a leader in Pilot – find your strength and your passion. Have the courage to share your dream and go for the gold. You are a PILOT, You are SERVING with PASSION!!

Durrett

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ANCHOR



Passion...our Anchor Board members are full of **passion** in their desire to serve others. What a joy it was to witness them planning their annual convention! They have also fully embraced the international project regarding Mental Health Awareness! A very important PowerPoint presentation has been shared with the Anchor Board and all school advisors and Pilot coordinators. Let me encourage you, as Pilots, to become involved with your local Anchors and support them as they work to make mental health awareness a priority and attempt to increase knowledge and support for ALL. #MentalHealthMatters2Anchors #YouMatter As Pilots, you are asked to show your support and be a role model for service. Reach out to your Anchors and advisors! Invite them to your club meetings! Ask what you can do to help! Show the mental health presentation at your Pilot meeting! Consider partnering with Anchors for mental health awareness events. It does not discriminate regarding age, race, religious or economic situations. I bet all of us can say we know someone personally who has struggled with mental health issues- or maybe even ourselves! This would be a great way to make a difference jointly with Anchor! It would also increase club visibility, improve Anchor relations, and allow us to be role models for our youth! I can't think of a better way to show our Anchors how much we really care! Remember, Anchors are the future of Pilot! Jointly sponsoring a mental health awareness event can also serve as a Share Pilot Event! Reach out to those Anchor parents and advisors! You'll be glad you did!

As a reminder, the current Anchor forms are available on the Georgia District Pilot website. The forms have been emailed out to the advisors and coordinators as well. Pilot International Anchor dues are \$14 and Georgia District Anchor dues are \$8.00 per Anchor. Both are due by November 1, 2023. Please check in with your Anchor clubs and remind them of these important deadlines!

Please start making plans now to attend the annual Georgia District Anchor Convention to be held at Epworth by the Sea in beautiful St Simons Island February 23-25, 2024! The cost will be \$325 per person. This includes your lodging for 2 nights, 6 meals beginning dinner Friday and ending after lunch Sunday, and all convention materials! Registration materials will be coming out soon! NOW is the time to motivate your Anchor Advisors and Anchors to begin fundraising to cover costs. Anchors love spending time with Pilots! Let's all share our **PASSION** for Anchor! Can't wait to see all of you at Anchor Convention! Please feel free to contact me at kerrin.daniel@gmail.com or call or text 912-480-7780 anytime for ways to support Anchor- and information on chartering a new Anchor club!

Serving with a **PASSION** for Anchor,

Kerrin

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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.



OUR GEORGIA ECR

To my Dearest Georgia Pilots,

Happy Fall, Friends! It may not feel like Fall in your corners of the world, but I know I start to get excited after Labor Day as it means time for Fall Council and Holidays! As the holidays begin to approach, hopefully, you are making plans with friends and family and with your clubs to have some Positive Projects and Fantastic Fundraisers. We hope they will help celebrate our great organization and represent our core principles of Friendship and Service by influencing positive change in our communities worldwide.

Membership Month Focus: Can your club organize either a Share Pilot Event or a way to spend some time sharing the message of Pilot during our annual Pilot Walk on October 7th? Use this as a way to let others in the community know about your Club and all the ways you support others!

PIFF Matching Grant and Emergency Response Program Grant deadlines are October 15th! Get your application packets turned in so we can continue to support your beautiful clubs and efforts as they endeavor to serve their communities.

Founder's Day – October 18th is always exciting as we celebrate when we were founded in 1920 and all we have accomplished since then. Consider a special event or celebration and invite prospective members, as this is a wonderful time to talk about what your club has done over the years!

Make a Difference Day – October 28th is just around the corner and a fantastic lead into International Care and Kindness Week. Be sure to share ideas about projects or events that can commemorate this day of thoughtfulness as you continue raising awareness about all your clubs and districts do!



In Friendship and Service,



Joseph

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Welcome New Members

New GA District Pilots

- Sandy Bonner (Peachtree)
- Deborah Coleman (Peachtree)
- April Warren (Cochran)
- Lana Eden (Hogansville)

DATES TO REMEMBER


October 18, 2023
 Founder's Day

October 28, 2023
 Make a Difference Day

November 1, 2023
 2023-24 GA District Anchor Dues
 Due to: District Secretary
 Shelby Holland
 225 Crawford Circle
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November 1, 2023
 2023-24 PI Anchor Due
 Due to: PI Anchor Specialist
 Bea Harrod
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 Macon, GA 31210
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November 15, 2023
 990 Form (All Clubs)
 Due to the IRS



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

REMINDER: Our District has a Facebook page, so get your members to sign up.





A great big shout out and CONGRATULATIONS to Marinell Henson, Pilot Club of Atlanta...Marinell is celebrating 50 years with Pilot!!!! She is a true and dedicated Pilot and has been for all these many years...in fact she is the current President-Elect for the club!

Congratulations Marinell!





PILOT INTERNATIONAL FOUNDERS FUND (PIFF)

PIFF – is Pilot International Founders Fund. It is the lifeblood of Pilot and supports club service efforts in influencing positive change in communities throughout the world. It is like a big house with a lot of rooms:

- Room 1 - **Goals for Grants and Scholarships** – awarded to clubs, districts and students – 250 Club giving
- Room 2 – **Pacesetter** - \$10 per members due by Feb 15 or give it in November on the Giving Tuesday – every club
- Room 3 – **Safe Harbor - Disaster Relief Assistance for Pilots**
- Room 4 – **Dreams Ahead – aid Anchors in leadership development by attending leadership conferences and other training**
- Room 5 - **Brain Related – Alzheimer’s Research**
- Room 6 – **Ambassador - \$25 for each Club Ambassador – benefits Safe Harbor**
- Room 7 – **General Fund – Pacesetter giving**
- Room 8 – **BrainMinders**
- Room 9 – **PI Endowment**
- Room 10- **Heritage Garden - buy a brick in honor or memory of someone**

But, this year at our Fall Council at Unicoi State Park & Lodge in Helen we announced our GPF and PIFF are working together on a fundraiser...GPF/PIFF Duck Derby Race to be held in May 5, 2024 in Augusta, GA. We would really like for this to become an annual event fundraiser every year. We are so excited about this fundraiser and hope you all will join and sell tickets to all your friends, family, church members and everyone you come in contact with. The monies from the tickets sales will help us fund the Senior High School students applying for college scholarships and PI Grants for improving Brain Health Safety. For tickets please contact: Glynice Hayes, PIFF Representative - gbhayes218@gmail.com and Durrett Moerman, PIFF Co-Rep - durrett4pilot@gmail.com, Karen Fitzpatrick, GPF Representative - busyblondie_68@hotmail.com or Genia Mitchell, GPF Co-Rep, - geniamitch@gmail.com. We look forward to hearing from you.



What is the GPF and PIFF Duck Derby Race?

A fundraiser to benefit the Grants and Scholarships for Georgia Pilot Foundation and Pilot International Founders Fund. Adopt your lucky ducks now for a chance to win.

- 1st Place a \$500 Gift Card
- 2nd Place a \$250 Gift Card
- 3rd Place a \$150 Gift Card

Then join us on Sunday, May 5, 2024 at Georgia District Pilot Convention in Augusta, Georgia for a super Duck Derby Race as we select 3 LUCKY DUCKS to win DUCKtastic Prizes! The lucky ducks will be announced day of the event. You do not have to be present to win.

Proceeds from every duck adopted benefit the Senior High School students applying for college scholarships and PI Grants for improving Brain Health Safety in our communities and around the world, we are a non-profit organization



Glynice

Glynice Hayes
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Your duck adoption is an investment in

OUR CHILDREN AS OUR FUTURE LEADERS AND OF OUR PROMOTION OF BRAIN HEALTH SAFETY

Cost of Ducks:

- One Duckie = \$5
- Quack Pack (6) = \$25
- Quacker’s Dozen (12) = \$50
- Flock (24) = \$100



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