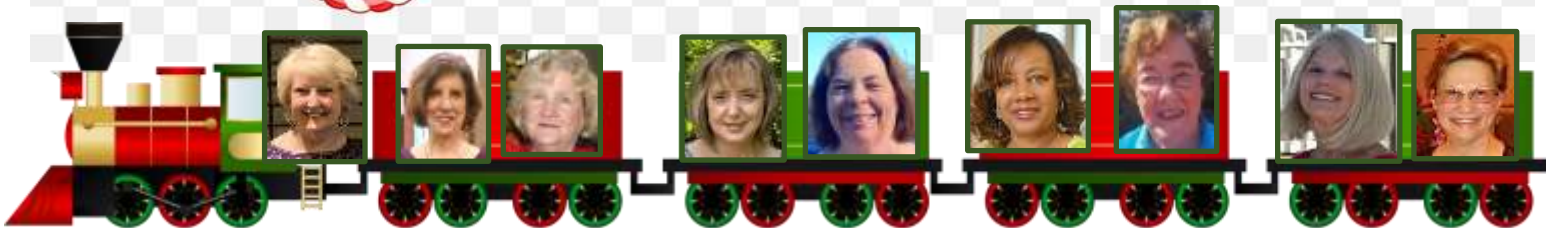




Happy Holidays...
from your
Georgia District Officers



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A MESSAGE FROM OUR GOVERNOR

Even though it's not officially winter, the air definitely has a feel of winter. It's time for sweaters, hot chocolate and steaming bowls of soup!

During the holiday season, I encourage each of you to give thanks for all of your many blessings and remember those who are lonely, less fortunate, or struggling at this particular time in their lives. Lift them up with kind words, a smile, or bless them by fulfilling a need. As Pilots, let us all do our part to spread a bit of the joy of this season through our friendship and with our service.

Your DAC/DEC will be meeting for Mid-Year Planning January 12-14, 2024. Submit any proposed Standing Rule changes prior to January 8, 2024 for our consideration.

Please give thought to nominations for 2024-2025 Georgia District officers. There are many qualified individuals in our clubs that are willing to serve. Some are just waiting to be asked. Nomination letter deadline is January 24, 2024 and should be mailed to Dr. Julia Lucas, Nominating Chair. Remember the Newsletter Competition postmark deadline is January 6, 2024. These should be mailed to your Region Lt. Governor. Lynda Goodwin Volunteer Scholarship deadline is January 24, 2024 which should be mailed to Karen Fitzpatrick, GPF Representative.

And throughout the holidays and the New Year ahead, may Pilots be a blessing to others. You are a blessing to me!

A very Merry Christmas to all from my family to yours!

Avaline



Pilot Club of Lavonia took time to share a little kindness during International Care and Kindness Week. Trays of "Sweet Treats", baked by our members, were delivered to area First Responders and City Offices as a small thank you for all they do for our community. Deliveries made by Pilot Club members were made to the Lavonia Police Department & Fire Department, Franklin County Sheriff's Office & 911 Dispatch; Franklin County EMT stations, Lavonia City Hall, Downtown Development & Welcome Center, and Lavonia City maintenance workers.





INSPIRATIONAL MESSAGE



Family now more than ever.....

Our vision of family has expanded. From the smoldering war that rages half way across the world in Ukraine and Israel...to all of the unrest that is here in our own country. We realize that we are all part of a family and that is why when we hear about a tragedy in our own communities this continues to move us because each of us knows those stories are our own. During this time of Thanksgiving let all of us come to honor family and all its extensions - brothers - in - law, half-sisters, cousins, sons, daughters, etc. plus ALL PILOTS. Because we know that the very definition of family - connection, trust, unconditional Fellow Pilots!

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 the thoughtfulness and kindness - the joy of brightening other lives, bearing each other's burdens, easing each other's loads - hope reborn again, for peace and understanding - all of this is the magic of Christmas.

"Somehow, not 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. May you have a blessed holiday season surrounded by family and friends.

JoAnn

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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)



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

Pilot	Club
Cynthia Denman	Atlanta

Pilot/Family	Club
Bennie Mattox (Husband) SW Region Lt. Governor	Cuthbert

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.



Past Governors

Judy Jackson
(2014-2015)
December 17

Gail Sharber
(2012-2013)
December 21

Katharine Banning
(2017-2018)
December 30

NW Region Lt. Governor

Angela Gillis
December 9



Pilot Club of Gainesville helped out with Hall is Home- Foster Kid's Celebration Party





ANCHOR



Happy Holidays Pilots! This is such an exciting time of year for most everyone! There is so much happiness all around us with holiday music, shopping, food, and decorations. Most of our Anchor clubs have submitted their annual dues- and I've reached out to those who are missing. Check in with your club to make sure they have submitted their dues. Our Anchors are continuing to actively support our international initiative in focusing on Mental Health Awareness. Hopefully you can plan a joint event with them for the spring! Make sure to send in pictures!

Holidays are the perfect time to reach out to your Anchor Club and schedule a joint meeting or event! Contact your advisors and invite them for coffee or lunch- or drop by a small token of appreciation (like a gift card!) to let them know how much you appreciate their hard work and dedication! After all, Anchor is the future of Pilot! You'd be amazed at just how many former Anchors are now advisors and/or Pilot members! What a great way to Share Pilot!!!

Anchor Convention is almost here! How are you supporting your Anchors? Can your club commit to sponsoring one registration so every club can have a delegate? If not, can you help with a fundraiser? At the convention we will be looking to revise and amend our Standing Rules- which have not been done in almost 13 years! We want each club to be actively involved! Anchor Convention is in beautiful St Simons Island, February 23-25, 2024. We will be staying in the Turner Lodge on the water at stunning Epworth by the Sea. A

copy of the registration is attached to this bulletin and can also be found on the Pilot website. The cost is \$325 per person which includes 6 meals- dinner Friday, breakfast, lunch, and dinner on Saturday, and breakfast and lunch on Sunday- as well as 2 nights lodging and convention registration! We hope you will join us and show your continued commitment to supporting our youth!

One major change your Anchor Board made in August was regarding the Scrapbook competition. Anchors missed seeing the pictures and activities of other clubs. This year there will be no digital entries allowed, only actual scrapbooks! Judging criteria was attached to November's **Anchors Aweigh** newsletter. Please let me know if you have any questions. The Anchors are very excited about going to the beach! I hope you will be, too! This year's theme is Under the Sea!

Speaking of festivities, we will hopefully be chartering a few new Anchor clubs in Georgia very soon! If your club doesn't currently sponsor an Anchor Club, now is a great time to consider it! I will be there to assist every step of the way! Just let me know if I can help! I am just an email, text, or phone call away! kerrin.daniel@gmail.com 912-480-7780

Happy Holidays!

Serving with a **PASSION** for Anchor,

Kerrin

Kerrin Daniel
District Anchor Coordinator
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FUNDRAISING

Holiday Fundraising with Passion for Pilot... Hank Rosso shares " Fundraising is the gentle art of teaching the joy of giving". During this Christmas season may we, as Pilots, keep our focus and investment on serving which is why we seek to raise funds!

I come with a thankful heart to each club who participated by bringing in fabulous gifts for our silent and live auctions at Fall Council as due to your efforts, our GA District raised right at \$3,200! Pilots around the State of Georgia joyfully shared their unique and creative ways of bringing in revenue to their clubs. We see many of those ideas in action during the holiday season with auctions, holiday bazaars, decorative jars of dry cookie and soup mixes, nut sales, cookie making and decorating, ornament/craft painting, wreath making, dinners, luncheons, etc. What a fun time to incorporate Pilot within our communities, make new friends, and hopefully attract new members too.

I encourage each club to keep open minds as fundraising ideas come to the table. If you have something that you are passionate about and it works well for your members, keep it. If the same old things are not working anymore and you need fresh ideas, try one. We never know where our efforts may take us until we do it!

A highlight of a successful, ongoing seasonal way to bring in a little cash, is historical ornaments in which the Pilot Club of Dublin offers each year during the holidays. The 2023 ornament is of Chappell's Mill in Dublin, Georgia. This cost is \$20 each. This club has successfully kept the holiday season alive with this fundraiser for now 25 years, offering a different ornament each year to commensurate Dublin! As I understand, this club profits about \$5,000 a year on their sale.

Your efforts, great or small, MATTER in Pilot fundraising as it touches lives. Just ask a recipient of Pilot gestures and gifts!

Serving with Passion for Pilot Fundraising,

Tammy

Tammy Dalton
District Fundraising Coordinator
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DATES TO REMEMBER

December 31, 2023

Q2 Club Report due to:
Gov., Gov.-Elect, Reg. Lt. Gov.

January 6, 2024

Newsletter Competition Form
Due to:
Reg. Lt. Gov., (Return at Postal
Service Required)

January 24, 2024

Lynda Goodwin Volunteer Service
(Non-Anchor Clubs)
Karen Fitzpatrick
GPF Rep.
P.O. Box 1081
Danielsville, GA 30633
Cc: Gov., Gov.-Elect, Reg. Lt. Gov.

January 22, 2024

2024 GPF Anchor Scholarship
Karen Fitzpatrick
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P.O. Box 1081
Danielsville, GA 30633

January 22, 2024

2024 GA District Anchor Scholarship
Kerrin Daniel
District Anchor Coordinator
132 Backshell Rd.
Savannah, GA 31404

January 24, 2024

District Officer Nomination Form
Dr. Julia Lucas
District Nominating Chair
193 South Twelfth St.
Cochran, GA 31014

February 1, 2024

2023-2024 Anchor Club of the Year
Nancy Miller
Awards Jury Chair
211 Michelle Rd.
Milledgeville, GA 31061

February 1, 2024

2023-2024 Community Svc. Award
Nancy Miller
Awards Jury Chair
211 Michelle Rd.
Milledgeville, GA 31061

February 15, 2024

Ann Adams Award
Edwina Gill Growth Award
Nancy Henrick Friendship & Service
Award
Vivian Hartman Memorial Award
Nancy Miller
Awards Jury Chair
211 Michelle Rd.
Milledgeville, GA 31061
(Return Receipt at Postal Service
Requested)
Cc: Gov., Gov.-Elect, Reg. Lt. Gov.



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



OUR GEORGIA ECR



To my Georgia Pilot Family,

Sending you warm greetings, full of best wishes for you and your families. May the holiday season bring you health, love, prosperity, and peace! On behalf of Pilot International and the communities you serve, I thank you for your devotion, energy, ideas, and inspiration.

Our Giving Tuesday campaign is winding up. We cannot thank you enough for your outstanding support and generosity in supporting our Quarterly Grants via our Goals for Grants and Scholarship program. Our goal was \$25,000, and donations are still being accepted. Stay tuned for the total raised!

Reminder- December 1st is the deadline for the Governor-Elect to notify Pilot International Headquarters of District Team Appointments, dates, and locations for the Fall Council/Workshop and District Convention.

Heritage Garden brick orders are due December 15th. Buying a brick uniquely honors previous Pilots, Clubs, loved ones, and special memories. All bricks purchased will be displayed and used in the design of the Pilot International Heritage Garden walkway. 4" x 8" Bricks can be purchased for \$100. They include three (3) Lines of text with 16 characters per line. If requested, an acknowledgment letter is sent to the donor, and a recipient letter is sent to the honoree/family acknowledged.

*May you and yours experience hope and tranquility during the holidays,
knowing that our communities are stronger because of you!*

You matter IN Pilot...you matter to me!

With hugs, smiles, and joy,

Joseph

Joseph Cunningham, M.A.Ed.
Georgia District ECR
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(L) PC of Carrollton donated non-perishable food items to the Carroll Co. Soup Kitchen.

(R) PC of Carrollton initiated two new members at its Nov. meeting.

L to R: new member Camilla Mason, Membership Coordinator Judy Jackson, new member Tangie Key, and her sponsor, Shannon Gore.

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

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.





MESSAGE FROM OUR PI PRESIDENT

PEP EXPANSION PHASE 2 COMMITTEE UPDATE

The PEP Committee Phase 2 is the reclaiming of disbanded clubs. To date, the committee has been working to identify all the disbanded clubs in each of our districts. The Governors and Executive Committee Representatives (ECR) for the district will be contacted to assist in identifying the last known point of contact for that disbanded club. In addition, we have members of our Phase 2 Committee actively pursuing forming new clubs in the western parts of the United States.

Currently of our 19 districts, we have 9 districts that are below the 250-member charter strength. These 9 districts are the ones we will be concentrating on to get them up to their charter strength. If we are successful in having these districts reach their 250-member strength, we will add an additional 907 members. WE ARE WORKING HARD TO MAKE THIS HAPPEN!!

We encourage you to hold recruitment or Share Pilot events this year. If every member and club were to embrace recruitment efforts, and add ONE, imagine the new talent, and support your club will have. Imagine the new ideas, relationships, and community reach you will gain. Imagine your legacy of keeping Pilot afloat into the next generation of Pilots!

We will coordinate with District Governors, and ECRs and request their help in the recruitment of new members. We will work together as a TEAM!!

Holly

Holly Baker
Pilot International President



Welcome New Members

New GA District Pilots

- Jan Dunlap (Bainridge)
- Eli Black (Atlanta)
- Michelle Capell (Elberton)
- Kim Jones (Toccoa)
- Henrietta "Nell" Browne (Madison Co.)
- Susan Veal Hill (Washington Co.)



Pilots Susan Frazier and Ann Lastinger did a fabulous job this morning decorating the Pilot tree at Oconee Fall Line Technical College's Festival of Trees event.



The Newnan Pilots wish everyone a very Merry Christmas 🎄 We celebrated with the fantastic and funny "3 Redneck Tenors" show at the centre, then dinner at Texas Roadhouse.



Pilots love to serve in their communities! Barbara Carter loves to help OCAF and support the Arts in the community. Pilot of Oconee Co. members Judy Marable and Debra Harden were co-chairs of the Golden Pear for this year's Holiday Market.





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Pilot of Cochran lit Cochran's tree with many lights representing donations for scholarships going to BCHS graduates.



Pilot Club of Dublin joined forces with Salvation Army to pass out food to those in need



Pilot Club of Elberton treated shoppers to s'mores for shoppers at Candlelight Shopping



Pilot Club of Madison Co. Pilot/PG & PI Director Jayne Lackey delivered six balloons and birthday cards for the residents celebrating November birthdays. Samantha Standridge with Comer Health and Rehabilitation Center accepted the balloons and cards to surprise the birthday residents.

