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A MESSAGE FROM OUR GOVERNOR

Happy New Year! The year 2023 has come to an end and it was a wonderful year for Georgia District. We have accomplished much in our communities. Pilots have shown love to others in many ways. Some examples are Pick Me Up projects, collecting and distributing food and clothes for those in need, giving to animal shelters, teaching children and senior adults to protect and stimulate their brains and by making contributions to other organizations by volunteering. We will finish 2023-2024 just as strong as we started because YOU are an amazing group!

Our *One Matters Initiative* for this year from President Holly Baker is that we steer our membership trends in a positive direction by adding your ONE this year. You have been busy doing just that. We have had over 38 new members this year. Have you added your ONE? If not, you still have six months to invite someone.

Listed below are district deadlines coming up in the next few months:

District Officer Nominations - All nominations should be mailed to Julia Lucas, Nominating Chair and postmarked by January 24, 2024. All positions are open and available. Please consider when being asked or nominated for a leadership role to serve on the Georgia District Executive Council;

Pacesetter, 250 Club and 250 Member contributions deadline for recognition at District convention is February 1, 2024;

Lynda Goodwin Volunteer Scholarship due to Karen Fitzpatrick, GPF Representative by January 24, 2024;

District Awards are due to Nancy Miller, Awards Jury Chair by February 15, 2024. Remember you cannot win without entering;

Anchor Convention - February 23-25, 2024 located at Epworth by the Sea in St. Simons Island, GA. Our Anchors love being supported by Pilots;

Georgia District Convention - May 3-5, 2024 located at the Augusta Marriott Convention Center. More information for registration and hotel reservations to follow.

Sharing your Service Project and Fundraiser success stories inspire all of us! I have visited numerous clubs so far this year, and I look forward to visiting more. Please let me know of your projects and fundraisers.

Remember serving others is a privilege,

Avaline



Peachtree PC of Atlanta Official Visit, Governor Avaline Adams, PI President-Elect Nicki Dawkins & Gov-Elect Maureen Stoy





INSPIRATIONAL MESSAGE



Fellow Pilots,, at the beginning of a brand New Year is a perfect opportunity to dust off our dreams, polish up the smiles and summon our will to at least make sure that our own individual club stays strong. Take this time to reflect back on all that your own club has accomplished and pat yourself on the back---each of you has done what at one time might have been considered impossible to do. But you did it! Then take a few minutes and look to the future and formulate those dreams for the New Year to help you and your fellow members continue and expand the wonderful work done in your respective communities. We just might create enough enthusiasm that others will want to join us and just think what could be accomplished!.

"The Right Thought by the Right People in the Right Environment at the Right Time for the Right Reason= the Right Result"

The Right Thought is the seed of an idea
 The Right People are those who nurture the seed.
 The Right Environment is enthusiastic teamwork.
 The Right Time is when ideas have support.

The Right Reason is a motive that values others.
 Pilots are the right people and this is the right time - 2024 - so let's summon our will and together create a growing, and glowing District!

Let these words from President Jimmy Carter wash all over you and may you remember them throughout the year!

"The only things that we can truly give to each other are the only things that we truly need.

An ear to listen, a heart to care, a word of encouragement and a hand to help".

JoAnn

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

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 GA District Governor
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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
Geri Carter (Emeritus Member)	Atlanta
Polly Thompkins (Emeritus Member)	Washington Co.

Pilot/Family	Club
Amy Peacock (Father)	Jones Co.
Kathy Jackson (Husband)	Jones Co.
Barbara Ridley (Son)	Haralson Co.
Vickie Lane (Uncle)	Washington Co.
Maria Battles (Father)	Washington Co.
Susan Hill (Brother)	Washington Co.

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 Governor/Past International President

Nancy Henrick
 (1990-1991 PG)
 (1998-1999 PIP)
 January 8

Past Governors

Gwen Yarbrough
 (2007-2008)
 January 10

Sherry McDuffie
 (1996-1997)
 January 29

GA District Governor

Avaline Adams
 January 3



ANCHOR



Wow! It's hard to believe another year has come and gone! Time flies when you're having fun!

It is a busy month with all the registrations and application due dates. I have sent out all the information for...scholarships, scrapbook, proposed changes to Standing Rules, convention registration, nominations for district officer, etc.... to all advisors and Pilot liaisons. Please check with your Anchor clubs and make sure they have received them. Encourage your Anchors to run for district office- what a great way to gain valuable parliamentary procedure experience- not to mention it looks great on those college applications! And be sure to nominate an Anchor for scholarships! You can't win if you don't apply!

Anchors have been hard at work planning an incredible and meaningful Anchor Convention. We hope you will join us! They will be learning about handling stress and bullying, making care bags and blankets for local adolescents dealing with mental health issues, and having fun while making new friends. Even if you don't currently have an Anchor club, come on down to the beach and see what Anchor is about! Registrations are due soon!

Anchors Under the Sea will be Friday, February 23- Sunday, February 25th at the beautiful Epworth by the Sea, St Simons Island. Your \$325 per person registration fee covers 6 meals beginning Friday evening and ending Sunday at lunch, minimum 2-4 in a room.

Think about donating individually wrapped snacks and canned drinks or bottled waters for the event... My club's February project is supporting Anchors. We will be collecting donations for the convention during our Galentines Bunco Night! It's not too late to offer financial assistance to your Anchors either by monetary donations or helping with fundraisers!

Speaking of the New Year, we are actively supporting the chartering of several new Anchor Clubs! We are so excited! I hope you are too! Remember, Anchor is the FUTURE of Pilot!

Hope to see you ALL at the convention next month!

Serving with a Passion for Anchor,

Kerrin

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PILOT INTERNATIONAL FOUNDERS FUND (PIFF)

Happy New Year Pilots from Pilot International Founders Fund,

Just a quick reminder for Clubs to send contributions to **PIFF** by **February 1, 2024**:

- 1> **Georgia District Pacesetter Contributions** - \$10 per active, dues-paying member. Certificates are presented at the Georgia District Convention to the clubs supporting PIFF.
- 2> **Goal for Grants and Scholarships** - \$250 per Club or individual for '250Club/Member'. Clubs or individuals will be recognized at the Georgia District Convention and at the Pilot International Convention.

Did you know or remember that PIFF has 5 different scholarships with different emphasis and criteria to benefit graduate and undergraduate students for our Anchors and other students to apply? You do not have to be an Anchor to apply for some of these. Please have your Anchors and other students in your area to apply for these scholarships. Their applications must be postmarked by March 15, 2024 to Pilot International. Here is the website where they can check for information about each scholarship: <https://www.pilotinternational.org/founders-fund>.



MEMBERSHIP

Happy New Year! Pilots! In moments of reflection, take time to celebrate all the wonderful accomplishments we've accomplished and experiences we've experienced. Don't take for granted one precious opportune moment because sometimes we only get one chance. I encourage you to live every moment with purpose.

In this New Year, let's make mentoring one of our top membership goals. As leaders in our community do not forget to be leaders at home first. When I was a little girl, I could not go outside to play unless I first cleaned my room and finished my chores. The agony of waiting could not be compared to the joy I felt in joining my friends outside. Our work in the community is important and rewarding, but don't forget the importance of maintaining the relationships we already have in our family of pilots.

Within our busy club's responsibilities and duties is the space to make sure we are guiding, encouraging, and inspiring as we serve.

There is no "I" in the word team and we are all carrying a piece of Pilot International's legacy in us for the next generation. Join me as we invest, guide, empower, and lead from within making our clubs strong. This year, please share with me your unique way of leading within and a picture of who you are mentoring. Remember you are not alone in this journey because we all stand as one.

I wish you the best New Year and a rich life as we engage in the lives of our sisters creating lasting friendships. Together we can and will Do More, Care More, and Be More

Vickie

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Pilot International Scholarship -

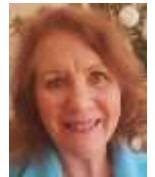
1. Beck Burrows Memorial Scholarship
2. Marie Newton Sepia Memorial Scholarship
3. Bob King Co-Pilot Memorial Scholarship
4. Conrad Spirrison Memorial Scholarship

Also, keep selling your GPF/PIFF Duck Derby tickets...Quack, Quack. Mail checks (payable to PIFF or GPF) and ticket stubs to: Glynice Hayes, PIFF Representative at 131 Caldwell Road, Lawrenceville, GA 30046. For tickets please contact: Glynice Hayes, PIFF Representative - gbhayes218@gmail.com and Durrett Moerman, PIFF Co-Rep - durrett4pilot@gmail.com, Karen Fitzpatrick, GPF Representative - bussyblondie_68@hotmail.com or Genia Mitchell, GPF Co-Rep, - geniamitch@gmail.com.

We look forward to hearing from you real soon. Keep up the good job for worthy causes.



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Elberton Pilots Pat & Gary Jarvis showing off their Pilot First Saturday!



Oconee Pilots were busy working with the Oconee Cultural Arts Foundation to prepare for the Georgia Artists with Disabilities Exhibit! Busy morning moving the art into OCAF! So appreciative of Ashley with OCAF (pictured on the left) guiding and doing so much for this exhibit! The opening reception will be Saturday, January 13 from 2-4. More pictures of the exhibit will be posted next week! The artwork is outstanding! An exhibit not to be missed!





DATES TO REMEMBER

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
GPF Rep.
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.

February 23-25, 2024

GA District Anchor Convention
Epworth by the Sea
St. Simons Island



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



OUR GEORGIA ECR



My Dearest Georgia District Pilot Family,

Happy New Year! A new year brings celebrations and new beginnings.

As we enter 2024, let us focus on a quote by Michael Josephson, "Approach the New Year with resolve to find the opportunities hidden in each day." As Pilots, we know that each day provides us opportunities to "Do More, Care More, and Be More" while exemplifying our principles of Friendship and Service. Each day is an opportunity to "Matter IN Pilot" by serving our communities. Let us continue to look at the opportunities we have in Pilot for the upcoming year.



Have you been looking for a way to help build our organization's leadership capacity? We have the opportunity to serve Pilot International as an elected official! Now is the time to focus on District and International Officer Nominations. Review the process and requirements for officer nominations in our district manual on our website. If you are nominated, step up and proudly serve your District by accepting your nomination or appointment and instilling fresh, innovative ideas for the 2024-2025 Pilot year! After accepting the nomination, District Officer candidates must complete paperwork, which is due 60 days before your District Convention. **Leadership Matters IN Pilot!**



Save the Date - March 15, 2024! Are you seeking an opportunity to help others realize their dreams and aspirations? Do you have an idea for an opportunity to make someone's day a little brighter? It is the 2024 Scholarship application deadline and the quarterly deadline for Helmet and Pick Me Up Grant Applications. Our Pilot International Founders Fund awards scholarships to undergraduate and graduate students seeking an education in one of Pilot's focus areas and students who have been active Anchors and/or Compass members during their school careers. For more information and the applications, go to <https://www.pilotinternational.org/about/scholarships>. **Supporting Others Matters IN Pilot!**



Are you seeking an opportunity to recognize your clubs and fellow Pilots? Pacesetters, 250 Clubs, and 250 Members are recognitions Pilot International uses to identify clubs and members for their continued financial generosity. To be recognized as a Pacesetter Club, the club donates \$10 per member. To be recognized as a 250 Club or Member, the club or member has to contribute at least \$250 to the Grants and Scholarships Fund. **All contributions must be postmarked by February 1st for recognition at District Conventions.** Visit our Pilot International Website and click the "Donate" tab for the donation form. **Recognition Matters IN Pilot!**

My dearest Pilots, we have many opportunities this year to "Matter IN Pilot!" We must be thankful for each day and remember the words of Avina Celeste, "Enter this new year with gratitude for this new chance to create your dreams." Dream Big, my Pilot Family!

Yours in Friendship and Service,
Joseph Cunningham, ECR

Joseph

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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.



Welcome New Members

New GA District Pilots

- Camilla Mason (Carrollton)
- Tangie Key (Carrollton)
- Ginger Bailey (Jones Co.)
- Karen Bryant (Jones Co.)
- Andrea Riley (Jones Co.)
- Jan Watson (Jones Co.)



LEADERSHIP

As Governor I used the theme Making a Difference. I think all of us have thought about our daily lives and wondered if we were making a difference. We need to always remember that our witness and example may touch someone's life in ways we may never realize. The phone call we make, the visit we give, the card or letter we send, the smile that we offer, the encouraging word or pat on the back to someone struggling; ALL make a difference, a big difference. These "little things" are ways that we show our love and care for those around us. We are demonstrating the love of God to others. When we do these things and others, as small and insignificant as they seem, we are putting Christ's love into action. As leaders it is even more important that we encourage and support those around us. Yes, the secretary might not quite be doing the job she is supposed to, BUT.....have you as the leader of the club been attentive being sure she understands her job? Yes, the committee member was supposed to call six people and only called one.....did you as the committee chair follow up with her -- not to reprimand but with a casual "Sometimes it is hard to make that cold call. I chose you because I knew you were the best for the team to shoulder this responsibility." 2024 brings a new year, a new day. Plan to be that supportive, encouraging leader that shows the other club members that they are first! That they can do the job given! That they are the best and the right ones for the job! You are the leader; the one everyone is watching and following. Show them your passion for serving by being the one making a difference!

Durrett

Durrett Moerman
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SOME GOOD PI ADVISE

"Evaluate WHO your club needs. A motivator can inspire members to reach their potential, keep members on task, and provide positive club energy. Who's the most positive person you know? Invite them to join Pilot!"



If you feel your club needs a motivator or some motivation, contact your District Officers, they are here to help.....

Be a Helmet Hero Coloring Contest



Our clubs have a fun opportunity to promote helmet safety! Clubs can hold their own Dream Helmet Coloring Contest.

Use this opportunity to introduce your club and the Helmet People to your local schools, libraries, youth centers and other organizations.

Submit your winning entries to Pilot International HQ by 3/31/24

Information and materials are located on our website.



Pick Me Up committee (Karen Westbrook (l) & PI Director/PG Jayne Lackey (r) shared more Christmas surprises to the staff of Comer Health & Rehabilitation with a large fruit basket to enjoy for all the great work! Also, from our club Christmas cards for all the residents.

