

Georgia District Governor's Bulletin



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A MESSAGE FROM OUR GOVERNOR

What an amazing 95th Georgia District Convention! If you weren't there, you truly missed a special event in Augusta. We had 157 paid registrations and an additional 16 attending the Awards Luncheon and Installation Banquet. I hope you enjoyed the "Parade of Banners". It was a beautiful procession and display of our history. We had informative workshops and a beautiful installation ceremony. We also had quite a bit of fun with our first ever Duck Derby.

Pilots, I was astounded with the overwhelming outpouring of Mother's Day gift bags and wish list items for the Augusta Ronald McDonald House Charities. I received a personal phone call from the RMHC Director of Development extending a personal thank you to our entire Pilot group for "the wonderful Mother's Day gifts and much needed donations". Thank you for all you donated!

A big shout out to Cindy Weaver, District Convention Chair, Beth Coon, Co-Chair, the Northeast Region Clubs and our DEC for helping to make this convention a success! A special thanks to our ECR, Joseph Cunningham for attending our convention and leading an amazing workshop. Congratulations to all of our club award winners – you did an outstanding job this year!

Your 2024-2025 Club Officer forms were due on May 1st. If you have not submitted yours, please do so immediately to PI Headquarters, to incoming Governor, Maureen Stoy, your region Lt. Governor, District Secretary and District Treasurer.

Your clubs are now also preparing for the next year. As you develop your Plans of Work, please carefully consider your current projects — what is working, what isn't, and what could be changed. Who is benefitting from these projects? Don't be afraid to change something, despite the fact that "it's always been done that way." Our clubs' successes depend on us adapting to the times.

Deadline to register for PI Convention is May 31st in Denver, CO. Excursions have been planned, there will be great speakers, business to be conducted and the finale is the installation of Nikki Dawkins and the incoming PI Executive Committee. You don't want to miss it!

Thank you for "Serving with a Passion".

Past Governors

Avaline



Governor Avaline with GA
ECR Joseph Cunningham





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INSPIRATIONAL MESSAGE



Believe While Others.....

William Arthur Ward

Believe while others are doubting.
Plan while others are playing.
Study while others are sleeping.
Decide while others are delaying.
Prepare while others are daydreaming.
Begin while others are procrastinating.
Work while others are wishing.
Save while others are wasting.
Listen while others are talking.
Smile while others are frowning.
Commend while others are criticizing.
Persist while others are quitting..

Take a minute and read the above a couple of times - and let its meaning sink in.....I first heard this message given at an Anchor Convention back in 2005 and the words and the meaning are still right on point!

I would encourage everyone, whether you were able to attend District Convention, to always remember that Pilot is one very terrific volunteer service organization - and the contributions made by all is what makes it a GREAT organization. If I was Tony the tiger, I would roar right now!

Pilots, do continue to "serve with a passion" in all that you do for your communities!

JoAnn

JoAnn Akers
Inspirational leader
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GOVERNOR'S SCRAPBOOK



"We take photographs as a return ticket to a moment otherwise gone"

~ Katie Thurmes

Once the year has passed, what better way for Governor Avaline to reflect on the wonderful year of Georgia Pilots "Serving with a Passion" than in her scrapbook? Help fill it with photos from your Club's projects, fundraisers, and gatherings. Don't forget to include photos from our District Convention. Photos can be sent to arowland0418@gmail.com

April

April Rowland
Governor's Scrapbook Editor



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

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JoAnn Akers
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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.

Pilot	Club
Brenda Noblitt	Battlefield
Mildred Smith	Gainesville

Pilot/Family	Club
Daphne Jones (Mother)	Cochran
Melinda Bryant (Father-in-law)	Cochran
April Warren (Mother)	Cochran
Barbara Ridley (Sister)	Haralson Co.
Patsy Holsonback (Son)	Battlefield



Past Governors

JoAnn Akers
(2004-2005)
May 3

Linda Holden
(1998-1999 FL District)
May 13

Edwina Gill
(1983-1984)
May 15

Pat Canup
(2006-2007)
May 15

District Secretary

Mary Sue Ward
May 26



2024-25 GA District Officers

(LtoR)
SW Region Lt. Gov. Bennie Maddox, SE Region Lt. Gov. Ann Lastinger,
NW Region Lt. Gov. Deborah Wilson, NE Region Lt. Gov. April Rowland,
East Central Lt. Gov. Donna Macpherson, District Treasurer Shelby
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Governor Maureen Stoy





MESSAGE FROM OUR DISTRICT TREASURER

With our thoughts turning towards the end of this administration, we not only check off final tasks for 2023-2024 but also look forward to approaching the first task for the incoming year. Both PI and District Dues are due **July 1, 2024**, which is for the 2024-2025 year. Each club will receive their PI Dues invoice from PI in the near future. Please reconcile and update with necessary corrections. Your Club Treasurer will send the Corrected PI Invoice and check to PI Headquarters for your club's 2024-2025 Dues. After doing this, the Club Treasurer will complete the "Georgia District, Pilot International 2024-2025 Annual Dues Report" form. This form may be found on the Georgia District website (www.pilotgeorgia.org) located in the Form Section. Complete the Georgia District form and send form and a copy of the Corrected PI Invoice along with club check for payment of Dues to the Georgia District Treasurer. Also, send a copy of the District Form and the corrected PI Invoice to the Georgia District Secretary. By including a copy of the Corrected PI Invoice, this form will provide critical information to allow accurate membership lists and count. Should you have any questions, please contact me and I will be glad to assist you.

Shelby

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Pilot Club of Sweetwater at their District Convention Marketplace Table



Pilot Club of Macon at District Convention



GEORGIA DISTRICT FUNDRAISES WITH PASSION FOR PILOT...

As we start to wind down fundraising in our Pilot year, I celebrate the goals that were set and the efforts you have made in following through to make it to the finish line. My prayer is that each of you have reached your goals to cover your projects, events, local efforts in service, and donations you choose to give that make a vast difference within your communities. Your time and talent invested **MATTER** to those on the receiving end.

A couple of fundraising highlights were a bit different from the norm and I thought it worthy to share.

The Pilot Club of Atlanta and Peachtree Pilot Club of Atlanta collaborating to identify a joint effort in fundraising for the Atlanta Metro Area. They have been meeting via Zoom and collecting ideas to get this mission set for October of this year. As the saying goes, two heads are better than one. I appreciate the idea of a joint effort as it expands our friendship and service. Something to think about particularly for small clubs that are in close proximity within the region.

The Pilot Club of Cuthbert took orders in March for ferns at \$22 each and begonias in 6-inch pots for \$10 or \$20 per flat. They ordered from a local grower and then held a drive thru pick up in April for those who ordered. Beautiful spring fundraising idea! The club will soon move on in taking orders on a summer a sweet corn sale in which they hold in June. Planting seeds and watching them grow returns, that is the Pilot way!

As you build your Pilot Plans of Work in fundraising for next year, I encourage you to share your fundraising passion, think outside of the box with your club members, hear your member's voices, be open to change, do your part to make it happen, and most of all enjoy one another as you **DO MORE CARE MORE** and **BE MORE** in serving in your community!

Serving with Passion for Pilot Fundraising,

Tammy

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Madison Co. Pilots at their District Convention Marketplace table





DATES TO REMEMBER

June 26, 2024

Q4 Club Report due to:
Governor, Governor-Elect, Region Lt.
Governor

July 1, 2024

PI & GA District Dues are due

July 15, 2024

Deadline for the quarterly Pick Me
Up BrainMinders & Helmet Grants is
due.

July 17-20, 2024

2024 Pilot International Convention &
Leadership Conference
Denver, Colorado



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



Welcome New Members

New GA District Pilots

Doris Wyatt (Carrollton)
Tara Beebe (Royston-FS)
Gladys Partlow (Royston-FS)
Tiffany Overstreet (Macon)
Janice Spradley (Macon)
Patricia Ann Casey (Macon)



Governor Avaline receiving her
Governor's gift from incoming Governor
Maureen at Installation



OUR GEORGIA ECR

My Dearest Georgia Pilots,

Springtime is a season of renewal and transformation. With the blooming flowers, budding trees and vibrant colors, nature awakens from its winter's sleep. There is a sense of freshness and new beginnings.

The majority of our District Conventions are over, and the current District Officers are winding down their year. It was truly an honor to share this time with you. Meeting new Pilot Friends, rekindling older Pilot Friendships, and participating in the fun service activities and traditions of the Georgia District. I had a wonderful time and I look forward to returning for another fun-filled Georgia District event. Your newly installed Officers are beginning to plan for their new Pilot Year, starting on July 1st. We welcome another season of renewal.

There are so many exciting events coming up. The Pilot International Annual Convention and Leadership Conference is just a couple of months away. PI Headquarters just received 318 scholarship applications so the scholarship committee will be busy reviewing and scoring them. Thank you for encouraging participation in our Scholarship program and good luck to each applicant!

Remember to send the District Officer form to PI Headquarters after the District Conventions have ended. If you want your contributions to PI recognized at our convention, it is time to submit your donation form to Headquarters...NOW! ☺

Friendly Reminder – the deadline for the quarterly Pick Me Up, BrainMinders, and Helmet grants cycle is June 15th. May is bicycle safety month and wouldn't it be wonderful to provide helmets to children to keep their precious brains safe? Check out the new all-purpose helmets that are available!

Looking forward to seeing you in Denver in July.

In Pilot Friendship and Service,

Joseph

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Pilot Club of Carrollton at District Convention



Pilot Club of Gainesville at District Convention



Elberton Pilots Gerianna Moon &
incoming Governor-Elect Mary Turner



Pilot Club of Dublin at District Convention





AWARDS JURY

Hello Pilots, what a great convention and it was so nice to see so many of you. I always look forward to our time together. Here is the list of District winners:

Newsletter:

East Central - 1st place - Oconee Spokes - Oconee County
Northeast - 1st place - Pilot Notes - Lavonia
Northwest - 1st place - Peachtree Patter - Peachtree Pilot of Atlanta
Southeast - 1st place - The Bridge - Cochran
Southwest - No submissions

District Winners:

1st place - Pilot Notes - Lavonia
2nd place - Peachtree Patter - Peachtree Pilot of Atlanta
3rd place - Oconee Spokes - Oconee County

Ann Adams Attendance:

1st Place - Madison County
2nd Place - Macon
3rd Place - Lavonia

Edwina Gill Growth Award:

1st - Bainbridge

Vivian Hartman Memorial:

1st - Elberton
2nd - Lavonia
3rd - Carrollton

Governor's Cup Award:

1st - Jones County
2nd - Oconee County
3rd - Madison County

Nancy Henrick Friendship & Service:

1st - Lavonia
2nd - Oconee County
3rd - Macon

Nancy

Nancy Miller
Awards Jury Chair
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Pilot Club of Brunswick



Pilot Club of Lavonia with GA ECR Joseph Cunningham



Incoming Governor Maureen Stoy being installed by PG Grace Crittenden



Pilot Club of Elberton

