

Georgia District Governor's Bulletin



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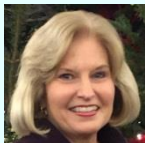


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A MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR

What a wonderful month of August!!! We had 4 Regional Workshops that taught our new officers how to be brilliant new officers and taught our new and old members a potpourri full of Pilot facts, such as what is a DAC? But most importantly, we had friendship, fellowship, and leadership from my Lt. Governors and their host clubs! Thank you so very much...I am so proud of our Georgia District!

Now, we have a month of September that will be for preparations...for club projects and fundraisers, Club Ambassadors, 1st Quarterly Reports to the Lt. Governors, and Fall Council at Epworth by the Sea! We have an educational and relaxing weekend planned for you October 4-5th on St. Simon's Island. I guarantee it will be worth the drive just to be present in such a glorious setting. The "package deal" is different, but very economical with a pay one price for 2 nights and 6 meals in their facilities. You will not go hungry, and you will not be disappointed. Activities are being planned with a "Who Dunit?" Welcome Party Friday evening and Saturday evening we will have a live band, The Golden Isle Brass, playing easy listening music just for us! In-between will be several speakers, a panel discussion, an opportunity to Walk to End Alzheimer's, and free time to visit our service project recipient, The Farm at Oatland. Bring fresh apples and pears, canned or packaged cat, pig, goat, or bunny foods for the abandoned, retired, forgotten farm animals. Or maybe some supplies or Pick-me-ups for the volunteer workers such as wet wipes, sunscreen, towels, blankets, etc.



Feathers Available

Thank you for sending me your Plans of Work and Budgets. I have enjoyed reading them and there are so many interesting projects planned. I hope to be able to get to your club and join in your successful events. Your newsletters are so full of joy and community projects; I am so impressed with the editors we have in our clubs!!! Excellent communication skills!!

Happy Fall, Y'all! See you at Fall Council

Maureen

Governor Maureen with NW Reion Lt. Gov./Carrollton Pilot Deborah Wilson at the NW Region Workshop



Cochran in front of the peacocks: L-R Cathie Davis, Stacy Leverette, Teresa Bryant, Michelle Hankey, Melinda Bryant, Alice Mullis, Neta O'berry, Sandy Jarrett, Gov. Maureen Stoy, and Retia Scott.





INSPIRATIONAL MESSAGE

September is the month for Georgia Artists with DisAbilities and this year --after a long pause!! - the exhibit will be LIVE! One of my very favorite artists (and there are many!) was Larry Hood...Larry was a poet who learned he could write poetry by breathing into a computer.. "I just want people to know that I am just like any other man. I hurt. I love. I get my heart broken. I can fall in love and I can date. I want people to change their mindset and see my ability and not my disability."

Did you know why GAWD spells out DisAbilities as it does...because we want all to see the artists for their ability and not their disability...therefore, the D is capitalized! Let these words from Larry wash all over you...

LEAN ON ME

Lean on me
when times get hard
Lean on me
when the road gets rough
Lean on me
When you feel like giving up
Lean on me
When you feel like you're gonna fall
Lean on me
When you get weak
Lean on me
When you don't know which way to turn
Lean on me
When you feel no one loves you
Lean on me
I am God, and will never let you fall
Lean on me
when there's no one at all
Lean on me
When you feel like there's no tomorrow
Remember a new day is coming.

JoAnn

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Peachtree Pilot Club member Marca delivered a basket of feminine hygiene products to the nurses' office staff at Decatur HS last week. Club members donated the items as part of our service project for our Decatur Community.



Georgia District, Pilot International 2024-25 Memorial Forms need to go to:

Maureen Stoy
GA District Governor
mqstoy@gmail.com

JoAnn Akers
Inspirational Leader
akersjoann@gmail.com
Lt. Governor (for your region)

Fellow Pilots, if you wish to be included on the prayer and praise emails that go out periodically from the inspirational leader, do let JoAnn know at akersjoann@gmail.com. Please note when sending information re the death of a Pilot add in the number of years that person has been a pilot.



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

Pilot	Club
Betty Troupe	Toccoa

Pilot/Family	Club
PG Nancy Miller (Sister)	Newnan
Dist. Sec. Mary Sue Ward (Brother)	Adel
Beverly Strauser (Son)	Chatham Co.

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



HAPPY BIRTHDAY
September



Past Governors

Bernyce Stickle
(1986-1987)
Sept. 12

Helen Winstead
(2005-2006)
Sept. 14

Fran Hartley
(1998-1999)
Sept. 21

District Governor

Maureen Stoy
Sept. 10



Walk to End Alzheimer's

- Sign Up: alz.org
- Find your area walk
- Register your club
- Name a captain
- Earn a t-shirt
- Invite friends to join

OR Join under Maureen Stoy





GA ECR MESSAGE



Greeting Pilots,



September is a month of transition with the end of summer and the much-anticipated dawning of the cool and crisp days of Fall. All clubs have been busy putting plans of work in place. As we end our first quarter, we have much to keep us busy including planning our Fall Council/ Workshops, selecting our PI Ambassadors, and applying for matching grants.

September 30th is the deadline to submit your chosen PI Ambassador. Your ambassador will be recognized in the Pilot Log. The minimum contribution honoring your PI Ambassador is \$25. If you did not see the August 13th Power Hour, you would enjoy viewing the presentation on our Pilot website. The North Carolina District shared valuable information on choosing and recognizing your PI Ambassador. Alabama District also presented during the Power Hour on Successful Share Pilots. Both presentations were outstanding.

October 5th is Pilot Walk. This day is designated for Pilots to show their Pilot spirit and be visible in their communities. Many districts include a walk as a part of their Fall District meetings.



October 15th is the deadline for Matching Grant submission. A Pilot, Anchor or Compass club can apply for a Matching Grant to support a project that falls in one of three categories:

- Brain Safety and Health
- Supporting those who care for others.
- STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Math related projects). These applications are very time consuming, so start early to meet all requirements prior to the deadline.

These grants can make a positive difference in your community. We hope to see many applications.

All districts are well on their way to having their Fall Council/Workshop planning complete. As our districts meet in September and October, Pilots will come together for training, projects, and fellowship.

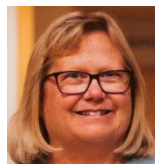
As our Code of Ethics states, "the genus of Pilot is in its kindness." Let us be kind to one another as we come together this Fall.

All Aboard!

In Pilot Friendship and Love,

Lisa

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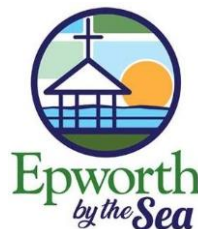
MESSAGE FROM OUR GOVERNOR-ELECT

Who is ready for some "Vitamin Sea?" I know that I am. Fall Council will be at beautiful Epworth by the Sea. You do not want to miss out on this beautiful venue. Fall Council will be a little different this year. The meals are included in the room reservation, so when you make reservations, you will need to list everyone in the room. Each person in the room will receive a wristband for the meals. The meals included are Friday night supper, Saturday breakfast, Saturday lunch, Saturday supper, Sunday breakfast, and Sunday lunch.

You will not want to miss the fun Welcome Party on Friday night. There will be a mystery that needs to be solved. On Saturday the fun and learning will continue, as you learn new ideas that you can take back to your members that were not able to attend. We are bringing back the silent auction from last year. Don't forget your walking shoes because before lunch we will have an Alzheimer's Walk. Hope to see everyone at Fall Council!

Mary

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SE Pilots with Pilots from Jones Co. & Macon at the SE Region Workshop



NE Pilots at the NE Region Workshop





MESSAGE FROM OUR DISTRICT SECRETARY

It is an honor to serve as District Secretary and to be "passionate" about preserving the history of Georgia Pilots. Accurate records are essential for our District (Georgia), our 5 Regions, and our 36 clubs.

Meetings and **membership** records are the responsibility of the Club/District Secretaries! It takes ALL of us working in concert/together to get and keep the accuracy that is needed. Minutes will be taken at all official District meetings and distributed as required. These record the history of our Georgia District and will be archived for future reference. Membership numbers seem to be a "floating variable" in Pilot. We, in Georgia District, want to be accurate and would like to match membership numbers with Pilot International. Our best friends in maintaining these records are located in the FORMS tab on the Georgia Pilot website (<https://pilotgeorgia.org/pilot-forms/>). There are two forms about membership that are important: Membership Information Form and Notification of Change in Membership Form. It is vital that these forms are sent as changes occur in our clubs' membership. Each form specifies where the form should be sent. Club secretaries are the link that communicates the membership numbers to both District and International officers.

Let us help each other from club to region to district as we serve with a passion this 2024-2025 Pilot Year.

In friendship and service,

Mary Sue

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NW Pilots at the NW Region Workshop with Governor Maureen as one of the presenters



PARLIAMENTARIAN

WHY PARLIAMETARY PROCEDURE?

Have you ever wished during a club meeting that someone, usually the same club member every time, wouldn't say, "Let's check the by-laws/standing rules!" or "Do we have a quorum? Can we really do business?" If you think parliamentary procedure is boring or out-of-date, then you're probably not alone. So why DO we use parliamentary procedure?

There are four principles of Parliamentary Law. Can anyone name them?? They are the following:

1. Considers one thing at a time,
2. Provides for an orderly transaction of business,
3. Expedites the handling of business
4. Allows courtesy and justice for all.

Now, why do we need these principles??

Wait for answers!!

These principles ensure the following:

1. The right of majority to decide,
2. The right of minority to be heard,
3. The right of the absentees to hear through minutes

Pat

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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

September 1, 2024

Club Budgets & Standing Rules
Copy to: Governor, Governor-Elect, Region Lt. Governor

September 15, 2024

Pick Me Ups & Helmet Grants

Please submit your entries by the deadline and remember to fill out your forms properly and get them signed so that your club's application is not disqualified. Send your pictures or write-ups to PI Headquarters so that they can be placed on the website. The link to these grant applications are: <https://www.pilotinternational.org/members/apply-for-grants-and-scholarships>

September 20, 2024

Q1 Club Report

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

September 30, 2024

Club Ambassador Selection
Pilot International Headquarters
\$25 Fee

October 1, 2024

Pilot Walk

October 15, 2024

Deadline for Matching Grant Submission. Anchor Clubs can apply for a Matching Grant to support a project that falls in one of three categories:

- Brain Safety and Health
- Supporting those who care for others.
- STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Math related projects). These applications are very time consuming, so start early to meet all requirements prior to the deadline.



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



GEORGIA PILOT FOUNDATION (GPF)

Thank you, Georgia District Pilots, for your support during the 2023-2024 Year! Also thank you in advance for your continuing support this year! The GPF Goals and Activities for the 2024-2025 and 2025-2026 Years are listed below so you will be aware of GPF's short-term plans.

Goals:

- Increase awareness of GPF's Mission, Vision, and structure.
 - Requires enlightenment and communication of information to all Georgia District Clubs and Pilots.
- Increase the Number of Scholarships.
 - Requires an increase in fundraising.
- Initiate funding support outside the Georgia District (i.e. Sponsors, Donors).
 - Requires stability, consistency, and branding to reach out.
- Increase the types of scholarships awarded (i.e. Trades)
 - Requires more financial support and a change of scholarship approach.

Activities:

- Conduct 250 Raffle at the 2025 District Convention.
 - Tickets available at 2024 Fall Council
 - Drawing for four winners of \$250 each at the 2025 District Convention
- Conduct the Annual Duck Race at 2025 District Convention
 - Registration open at 2024 Fall Council
 - Conduct a Duck Race at the 2025 District Convention. Three winners will be awarded: First \$300, Second \$200, and Third \$100.
 - The next Duck Race will be conducted at 2025 Fall Council with registration open at the 2025 District Convention. Future the Duck Races will be conducted at Fall Council.
 - Encourage participation outside of the Georgia District Pilots.
- Conduct Annual Virtual 5K
 - 2024 Annual Virtual 5K ran October 1 - November 30, 2024.
 - Online registration open to Pilots and non-Pilots through an event vendor's emailing lists and social media.
 - Participants receive a medal.
 - 2025 Annual Virtual 5K ran in early spring 2025.
 - Subsequent Annual Virtual 5K's will be run during early spring each year.
- Education outreach to all Georgia District Clubs and Pilots to foster knowledge and participation in support of GPF.
- Encourage all clubs to include support of GPF in their club Budget. Also, encourage the inclusion of potential fundraisers, if necessary.

Angela and I look forward to working with you to continue promoting the leadership development of Anchors and non-anchors throughout the Georgia Pilot District. Please, feel free to reach out to either of us. Genia Mitchell, GPF Chair (geniamitch@gmail.com), and Angela Gillis, GFP Co-Chair (angelaellis99@gmail.com)

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FUNDRAISING

Fun With Fund Raising

When you think about fund raising for your Club, District or even Pilot International do you say 'Wow, I can't wait to start with that?' Probably not. So, let's talk about how we can change that thought process!

First of all, do you spend a lot of time in preparation prior to the actual activity? Does this time take away from your total enjoyment of the fund raiser? Think about your prep time. Is there some way that it could be streamlined. I do understand that sometimes the preparation time is absolutely, necessary. Some clubs host beauty pageants - this project takes time in order to decide on a theme, do you separate them into age brackets, do you need parental consent, and, of course, you need contestants! All of these take time prior to the actual pageant. But, try to streamline as much as you can and try to involve as many of your Club's members as possible and enjoy the time together.

Another fund raiser I have been told about that some clubs are doing or have done in the past is a golf tournament. Again, there is that "ugly" word - PREPARATION! You can't just show up at a golf course and tell the people that run it that 'hey, we are here to have a golf tournament.' They would laugh you right out of their doors! Again, time is involved to prepare for the event. In addition to the location, you also need prizes, possible food for snacks or a lunch or dinner. Again, more time with preparation. But if you include several of your members at each task, this should shorten the time or at the least make it a little more enjoyable.

We are all about helping our individual communities and we know we cannot do this without funds to support our projects. But, we need to always try to make Fund Raising FUN!

I look forward to seeing a lot of you at Fall Council the first weekend of October. Governor Maureen and I have made a couple of plans for a little bit of FUNd Raising during that weekend. So, get a group together and come on to Fall Council. Epworth By the Sea is a beautiful place with so many historic places to see and visit.

Until next time when I hope to have some more FUN(d) suggestions for you!

Jacque

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Cochran Pilots provided cotton candy to the FAST get together tonight at the old elementary/primary school (now BOE). Stacey Leverette, Melinda Bryant, Cathie Davis, Teresa Bryant, and Gov. Maureen Stoy showed those candy-spinning skills!



PROJECTS

Happy Fall Y'all! Living in the Athens area, the excitement of a new school year, freshmen moving to town, the laughter of young people everywhere, Milledge Avenue with sorority rush going strong, and the chants of Go Dawgs! replaces hello, reminds us that we are all a big community. A new year and a new start. Like all the excitement of a new season, we Pilots are beginning the season of our 2024-2025 Plan of Works for our communities.

Your clubs have brought joy and mean so much to the communities you serve. We can bring that joy to those who don't expect it. Together as a group, can we think of some of those in our communities that are overlooked? Can we bring just a little joy to the nutrition staff of our schools, assisted living, nursing homes, and rehabilitation centers that care for so many during the day? What about those school crossing guards or law enforcement offices that ensure the safety of our most precious citizens, our children, getting to school and back home? The transportation department, we do for bus drivers but what about those in the "bus barn" making sure the equipment is in top-notch condition every day? Take a minute to scan your Plan of Works and prepare for those 5Ks, Walk to End ALZ, and Founders Day Celebrations in your areas. Partner with a nearby club to see how you can serve them in their projects. Our Pilot Community is strong, and we need to share that joy we bring on Facebook, Instagram, and in local newspapers. Use hashtags #spreadingjoy and #caringforcommunity in your post along with #GeorgiaDistrictPilotInternational to share what you are doing with others.

You are all awesome and will find those special moments for those we serve in our amazing communities. I look forward to seeing more about your club projects and sharing with you as we move through this year together.

Spreading Joy

Vickie

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Welcome New Members

New GA District Pilots

Jennifer Britt (Bainbridge)
Melissa Feuer (Covington)
(Reinstated)
Jenna Brooks (Eatonton)
Emily Outlaw (Eatonton)
Cynthia McGee-Rollins (Hartwell)
Laura Bramlett (Hartwell)
Kim Motes (Hartwell)
Carol Stokes
(transferred from Haralson Co. to
Carrollton)
Susan Smith (transferred from
Haralson Co. to Carrollton)



Governor-Elect Mary Turner, Elberton Pilot delivered treats to Paul J. Blackwell Learning Center. Thank you for your support for our teachers & staff



Toccoa Pilot Claudia McCartney delivered stuff animals to the Toccoa Police Dept.



Becky Wall, Pilot Club of Eatonton president, presented Nancy Marshall from Putnam Reads with a check to sponsor 5 children under the age of 5 with books for a year!



Oconee Pilots supported Oconee Therapeutic Riding with their recent 5K and Lap of Love by helping with pre-race preparation and day of race support.

Shown below is Oconee Pilot, Barbara Carter, presenting Joey Bristol a \$100 dollar gift card donated by Belks during their last Charity Day Sale. Oconee Pilots borrowed OTR's mechanical horse to use in our display at Belk's to show our support of therapeutic riding and the benefits to the riders. Also, Oconee Therapeutic

Riding was a recipient of a Pilot International Matching Grant submitted by Oconee Pilots.

Back Row: Laura Wright, Executive Director of OTR, Lynn Smith, Vickie Hammond, Rosa Hall
Front Row: Judy Marable, Darlene Adams, Barbara Carter, Joey Bristol, Board Chair of OT



Pilot Club of Brunswick members gave pizzas and homemade brownies as a Pick-Me-Up to the St Simons EMT squads as a thank you for their quick response to our own PG Edwina Gill

