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A MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR

Is it really February already? This past month was full of surprises and changes. Snow in northern Georgia and a rare snow (5" in Cochran) falling in Middle/Southern Georgia gave us a beautiful Winter Wonderland but also closed schools and stopped mail delivery. Therefore, deadlines were extended for several awards, nominations, and mid-year planning meeting. We extended deadlines and will still accept nominations until February 7^{th} and any Lynda Goodwin Scholarship entry postmarked by February 7^{th} .

Our DEC mid-year meeting at my house in the mountains was delayed due to snow, however the DAC met to discuss the budget and standing rules. We had a wonderful tour of Evergreen Resort in Stone Mountain and were able to plan our District Convention for May 2-4, 2025. East Central Region and our convention chairs, Beth and Melissa, have quite an event planned. Mark your calendars and get ready for registration forms to arrive before our next Bulletin. We want to particularly target our members who have never been to a convention. It will be a great time to learn more about Pilot, the work we do, and the friends we make. An even larger Convention from PI will be close to us this year, in Charlotte this year. Check the PI website for the registration form and note the Early Bird special will save you \$\$. You need to "catch that worm"!!!!

Anchor Convention is this month, and I hope to see many of you there! Come and enjoy the atmosphere created by these amazing teens. Our future is in these Anchors! Leadership qualities mixed with fun, love, creativity, and ambition equals our Pilots of tomorrow. We can learn from them as well as assist them!

Let's continue to Care for our Communities and Leave No Pilot Behind!!

Maureen





FEBRUARY 2025 GOVERNOR'S BULLETIN



INSPIRATIONAL MESSAGE

February is the month of "love" as folks celebrate Valentine's Day! Doves are often associated with Valentine's Day as they have a "reputation" for choosing lifelong mates and therefore are often the symbol of love. But don't forget the peacock!!! These birds are known for their beauty, colors and the ability to find their perfect mate!

Here is a special little story of love entitled:

"The Mystery of Love"

Love makes you feel special. It changes everyone for the better. It is the one commodity that multiplies when you give it away. The more you spread it around, the more you are able to hang on to it because it keeps coming back to you. Where Love is concerned, it pays to be an absolute spendthrift. It cannot be bought nor sold, so give it away! Throw it away! Splash it all over! Empty your pockets! Shake the basket! Turn it upside down! Shower it on everyone ---even those that don't deserve it! You may startle them into behaving in a way you never dreamed possible. Not only is it the sweet mystery of life, it is the most powerful motivator known to humankind.

May each of you feel the power and the blessing of love...which is all around you.

Joann Akars

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

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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.

<u>Pilot</u>	<u>Club</u>
Joyce Folendore (Chartered Member)	Jones Co.
Mildred Rogers (former Pilot & was PG Nancy Henrick's District Secretary)	Brunswick

Pilot/Family	Club
Lenita Rogers (Brother)	Cuthbert
Penny Snyder (Father)	Jones Co.



Past Governors

Grace Crittenden (2015-2016 PG) February 8

Melodie Smith (1997-1998 PG) February 8

Esther Foster (2010-2011) February 20

Mary Turner Governor -Elect February 6

Ann Lastinger SE Region Lt. Gov. February 26

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



The Governor's Scrapbook is a method of preservation that lets the Governor know that their memories and experiences mattered...that their year made a difference...that their voice was heard and valued. The pages are filled with momentous occasions - and ordinary daily moments. Each year, we install a new Governor who comes to their position with new perspectives and fresh ideas on how to progress our club while retaining our core values. It was very exciting for me to be offered the position of Scrapbook Editor because I feel that scrapbooking is the perfect way to preserve those treasured moments. I was honored to be asked to leave Maureen with a timeless way to cherish her year as Governor.

Please feel free to send any pictures or articles you may have for Maureen's scrapbook. My email address is teresabryant.realtor@gmail.com and my phone number is 478-397-2944. Let's fill the pages of Maureen's scrapbook with her legacy of Caring For Your Community and Pick Me Ups!



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GA ECR MESSAGE



February is often called the month of love since Valentine's Day is on the $14^{\rm th}$ - a celebration of romance, affections and heartfelt connections. It is a time when people exchange cards, flowers, chocolates and other tokens of love to express their feelings. February's shorter days and cozy winter atmosphere make it a time for intimate moments and warm gatherings. Time to get cozy by the fireplace and read a good book.

There are some events though that need attention in February. It is time to consider the club officers and to nominate District Officers. The Club Nominating Committee needs to be elected no later than two months prior to your District Convention. When the Nominating Committee member asks you to serve your District as an Officer, please say yes. It is a way to gain leadership and confidence.

Also, make nominations for PI officers. Submit a letter to the nominee of your choice and send a copy to PI HQ.

Outstanding Anchor club entries are due to the District Awards Jury with a deadline no later than March 15. March 15 is also the quarterly deadline for Pick Me-Up, Helmets and BrainMinders grants. Now is the time to begin planning to complete the grant applications, reading the instructions and paying close attention to the date requirements.

March is membership month and now is the time to plan a Share Pilot to add members to your club.

So, enjoy the unusual snowy weather as you sit by the fire eating your Valentine's Day chocolates.

In Friendship and Love,



Lisa Palmquist PI VP & GA ECR Ipalmquist948@gmail.com





PROJECTS

<u>It's that Time of Year Lights</u>, Camera, Action! Get ready for the most exciting show of the year! It's time to bring our thrilling safety adventure to your elementary schools—an experience packed with fun, laughter, and important lessons. Don't wait—start contacting your schools now to schedule the BEST safety program they've ever seen!

Bringing safety to life as it brightly grows, for elementary students, lessons so grand, Teaching safety in ways they'll understand! Wise Old Owl leads the way, sharing tips for a safer day. With adventures our Pilot Puppets will play, the information we deliver won't sway. From fitness, bullying, nutrition and so much more, the youngest citizens of our communities we cannot ignore. We are the helmet people there is no doubt. Sharing our BrainMinders is what it is all about. So, contact your schools to start setting up your dates, a schedule will not be hard to create. Gather those puppet friends, and scripts, and order coloring books from PI too, all you will need is a team to present and your show is ready to view. Get ready to have your heart blessed with elation. Smiles and laughter while learning, so true, Good for the ears and the heart, too!

Remember other clubs would love to see pictures of your show. Please post it on Facebook and send photographs to Kirsten for the Georgia District Governor's Bulletin and Georgia District Facebook.

"Tell me and I forget: Teach me and I remember: involve me
and I learn"

Benjamin Frankin

Joyfully Serving Others—

Vickie

Vickie Hammond District Project Coordinator vshammond@mail.com





AWARDS JURY CHAIR

Do you have your District Awards ready to email, mail and postmarked by February 15th? If not, you have a few more days to get those Awards ready. Make sure you read the instructions and follow the guidelines. I am eagerly waiting for the 2025 Awards for: Ann Adams Attendance Award, Edwina Gill Growth Award, Nancy Henrick Friendship and Services Award, Vivian Hartman Memorial Award and our newest Cindy Weaver Spirit Award. Website: www.pilotgeorgia.org - look under forms. My mailing address is on the form, and please send a copy to Governor Maureen, Governor-Elect Mary and to your Region Lt. Governor. My email is: gbhayes218@gmail.com If you have any questions, please let me know.

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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.

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

DATES TO REMEMBER

January 31, 2025

Dist. Officer Nomination Form
Nancy Miller-Dist. Nominating
Chair
211 Michelle Rd.
Milledgeville, GA 31061

February 1, 2025

Pacesetter, 250 Club Contributions

Due to PI Headquarters, if you want to be recognized at District Convention

Feb 7, 2025

Lynda Goodwin Volunteer Scholarship (Non-Anchors)

Genia Mitchell (GPF Rep.) 5994 Bowers Rd. St. Mountain, GA 30087 CC: Gov., Gov.-Elect., Region Lt. Gov.

February 15, 2025

District Awards

Glynice Hayes (Awards Jury Chair) 5994 Bowers Rd. Stone Mountain, GA 30087

March 15, 2025

Quarterly deadline for Pick Me-Up, Helmets & BrainMinders' Grants

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March 20, 2025

Q3 Club Report

Governor, Governor-Elect, Region Lt. Governor

April 1, 2025

GA Secretary of State Corporate
Registration for all Clubs

June 26, 2025

Q4 Club Report

Governor, Governor-Elect, Region Lt. Governor



Welcome New Members

New GA District Pilots

Kerrin Daniel (Covington)



Pilot Club of Chatsworth kicked off Kindness week with a delivery of Birthday cards and Balloons to residents at Murray Woods Nursing Home that had or will have a birthday in the month of January. Pictured are members Susan Longley and Ann Baynes





Pilot Club of Elberton volunteered this morning at Elbert County Middle School to help kick off Kindness Week. They greeted students as they entered the building before school.



Pilot Club of Monroe President Barbie Peeples Golden presented a check for the Bonnie Mattox Scholarship Fund to Laurel Prince (niece of Bonnie Mattox.) These funds were from our August 2024 Linda's Loop 5K. There will also be two \$2,000 scholarships presented in May to a deserving MAHS graduate. Other funds have been used for the many other service projects that the club does in our community.



Governor Maureen & Treasurer Shelby on a site visit at Evergreen Atlanta at Stone Mountain. Georgia Pilot District Convention will be held there in May. Governor-Elect Mary was the photographer







Pilot Club of Jones County delivered school supplies to Gray Station Middle School. Pictured (L to R) are Kathy Jackson, Wanda Wellborne, Becky Darley, Grace Arienzo (Gray Station Counselor), Fay Mathews, Beth Coon, Nicki Ash, and Casey Gallagher.





Peachtree Pilot Club members met for a "Winter Wonderland" themed brunch, and their decorating members, Carla, Angela and Marca really outdid themselves. The sparkle was only outdone by the amazing food our members prepared and shared. They all wore pajamas. As for business...they planned their activities for the 3rd quarter, discussed nominees for a "Pick-Me-Up" Grant, and voted for their delegates for GA District Convention (May) and the Annual Pilot International Leadership Convention (July).

It was a fun day filled with plans for caring and sharing as well as friendship and laughs!









Pilot Club of Bainbridge served refreshments at the annual Special Olympics Snowflake Ball. Bainbridge HS Anchors helped escort the attendees. Fun was had on the dance floor