Georgia District Governor's Bulletin



2025 - 2026 DAC/DEC



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Message from the Governor

Welcome to August! I hope everyone has been able to stay cool! I enjoyed seeing all of the Georgia District Pilots at Pilot International Convention. We had 13 first time attendees. We conducted the business of Pilot International and had some fun along the way. There was a dues increase. Please be on the lookout for an invoice for the remaining amount for your club. New officers were installed, and we are proud that Susan Harbin will be serving a second term as treasure of Pilot International. We have a new Executive Committee Representative (ECR). Leslie McLaughlin is from the North Carolina District and is serving as PI Secretary this year. I am looking forward to working with

Your DAC/DEC participated in the Council of Leaders. On Monday night we created a car out of a box. Everyone worked together to build the car and then answer questions about Pilot International and team building. Our car was voted as the most creative. On Tuesday and Wednesday, we participated in training to help grow our district.

I am looking forward to a great year! Please let me know if you have any questions or need help in any way or if you would like me to visit your club!

Spreading Joy through friendship and service!

Mary



PI President Beverly Hager & Governor Mary at Beverly's Installation



Georgia District won 'Most Creative ' race car at Council of Leaders. Governor Mary received the award! Congratulations!



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Gov. Mary, Mitchell Carter from Bainbridge HS is our GA Dist. Anchor Convention Chair & Dist. Anchor Coordinator Gerianna Moon



Inspirational Message

"Spreading joy through Pilot friendship and service" - that little statement says a lot! Spreading joy on the wings of our red cardinal as it gently soars over all of our Pilots and Anchors! Did you know that seeing a cardinal not only can mean a "visitor from "new heaven", but also beginnings growth"...perfect with our new club year with endless possibilities for us to seek ways to promote and to grow our clubs...the three R's of Pilot = retaining, reclaiming and renewing!! Let those words resonate with you!!! I would also add another word - mentoring! Mentoring not only any new member/prospect; but also mentoring members of the club itself. So, as each club continues to develop its plans of work let that cardinal guide you.... I leave you with a very special quote from Janos Amay ---"in dreams and in love there are no impossibilities". So, dream big and let that cardinal fly with you!

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





Past Governors

Durrett Moerman
(2022-2023)

Louise Shimer (2009-2010) August 11

August 10

Georgia District, Pilot International 2025-26 Memorial Forms need to go to:

Mary Turner
GA District Governor
turnerma417@gmail.com

JoAnn Akers
Inspirational Leader

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.



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

Pilot/Family	Club
Ann Hartman (Grandson)	Adel
Diane Davie (Brother)	Washington Co.
Ann Brooks (Husband)	Covington



District Secretary

It is an honor for me to serve as your District Secretary. We are off to a good start as each of your club Treasurers have provided me with a copy of your Annual Dues Report and a current It is our goal to have an accurate count of all members, which includes dues paying Members (Regular), and non-dues paying Members such as Emeritus, 50+ year members and students. With the help of all club Secretaries and Treasurers we can do it! Don't forget to submit a Notification of Change in Membership Form anytime you have any change in membership such as new member joins, resignations, death, changes in addresses {home and email}, their phone number or membership status). This form should be sent to Pilot International Headquarters, Governor, Mary Turner, Governor Elect, Jacque Hatcher, Treasurer, Avaline Adams, Secretary, Ann Lastinger and your Region Lt. Governor. This fillable form can be found on our District website at https://pilotgeorgia.org/pilot-forms/ . The forms section on the Pilot Georgia International website is now password protected, and the password is *Pilotjoy*. If you have questions or if I can help you in any way, please don't hesitate to contact me. Let's make this the best year yet of keeping an accurate count of Georgia District members! I am looking forward to a great year as we spread JOY through Friendship and Service.

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Ann Lastinger
District Secretary
annlastinger@gmail.com



It was first Saturday BINGO at Lynn Haven Health and Rehabilitation. Seven Pilot members participated by calling BINGO and assisting the nine residents as needed. Pilot members always enjoy sharing this activity with the residents.





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Happy August, Pilots!

Georgia Artists with DisAbilities (GAWD) remains dedicated to showcasing the creative talents of Georgia based artists. We are excited to announce the opening of our Call for Art for the 2025-2026 exhibition cycle. Georgia District Pilot International clubs have been instrumental in the long-term success of this organization, and we are thrilled to celebrate our 40th exhibition!

Since our inception in 1985, GAWD has been a beacon of inclusivity, providing a platform for artists across the state to display their works in professional settings across the state.

Pilots, please join us in inviting artists to participate! Please see below for details.

How to Submit

We are now open to accept entries until the deadline of August 29, 2025. To ensure that pieces meet submission criteria, Artists are required to initially submit photographs of up to 2 entries online through the Georgia Artists with DisAbilities email (georgiaartistswd@gmail.com) for review. Accepted entries will need to be received at the exhibition venue on September 6, 2025, to be eligible and available for evaluation for awards.

2025 Exhibition

The Roswell Visual Arts (RVA) has graciously agreed to serve again as exhibition host.

Important Dates

Friday, August 29, 2025 (Email completed entry form and photo of artwork due)

<u>Saturday, September 6, 2025</u> (9:00am– 1:00pm) - Approved Art Dropoff at Roswell Visual Arts Center

<u>Saturday, September 27, 2025</u> (9:30am– 12:30pm) - Meet the Artists, Awards program, and Luncheon at Roswell Visual Arts Center (10495 Woodstock Road, Building D, Roswell, GA 30075)

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Chanta Whitlow Georgia Artists with DisAbilities Chair georgiaartistswd@gmail.com





A little treat for to show the Pilot Club of Lavonia's appreciation for the teachers and staff at Carnesville Elementary School.

Anchor News

Welcome to a new Anchor year! We kicked the year off by attending Pilot International Convention and Anchor Summit in Charlotte, North Carolina. Mitchell Carter Georgia District Convention Chair from Bainbridge High School was able to attend this year along with Cheyenne Bennett from Franklin County High School. Mitchell had the opportunity to serve on the Anchor Panel. He talked about how Anchor had helped him connect with people in his community and that once he graduated that he would like to start a Compass Club or join a Pilot Club to continue serving his community. Madison County High's advisor, Sharon Black, won 3rd place for Anchor Advisor of the Year. The Anchors also had the opportunity to visit the NASCAR Hall of Fame. During the Cultural Exchange Mitchell and Cheyenne had a guest star (The Legendary Gary Jarvis) come in to teach everyone how to 'Call the DAWGS'. A great time was had by all.

The Anchors are now starting to plan their convention. I, along with Kerrin Daniel, the Assistant Anchor Coordinator, will facilitate the meetings, but the Anchors will make the decisions on workshops, speaker, menus, and any other actives. Anchor Convention will be February 27-March 1, 2026, at Atlanta Evergreen in Stone Mountain, so start making plans to attend!!

Anchor forms are being updated and will be on the website soon. Just a reminder, Pilot International dues are \$14, and Georgia District dues are \$10 per member. Dues must be paid my November 1, 2025, to be recognized as an active club. If you have social media, I encourage you to follow the Georgia District Anchor pages. On Facebook at Georgia Anchor District and on Instagram at gadistrictanchors .

Kerrin and I are excited and look forward to working with the Anchors this year. If you have any questions, concerns, or ideas to help the Anchor program please reach out to one of us. My email is g.moon326@gmail.com or call/text 706-246-5613 or Kerrin at Kerrin.daniel@gmail.com or call/text 912-480-7780.

Gerianna

Gerianna Moon District Anchor Coordinator g.moon326@gmail.com



GA District 2025-2026 Anchor Board met at PI Headquarters to start planning Anchor Convention!!

Membership

I appreciate Governor Mary offering me the opportunity to serve as Membership Coordinator for the GA District. I joined the PC of Jones County in the late '70s and was a member for several years before resigning and rejoining in 2014. My Mom was the Charter President of our club when it was Chartered in 1973. They Chartered with 50 members and when I rejoined in 2014 the club's membership was around 35. Although never serving on the Membership Committee, I have always had an interest in rebuilding our membership. I'm very proud to say that our club has well exceeded our Charter membership!

PI President Beverly has challenged **each club** to add just one (1) member this year. I believe that this is a very attainable goal for every club. Many years ago, our membership focus was on the words "Recruit, Retain, and Reclaim". That's exactly where our focus should be today as well!

Beth

Beth Coon District Membership Coordinator pbcoon@yahoo.com





Pilot Club of Covington members helped at the Open House for our Partner in Education Livingston Elementary School. Mary Barnes, Stephanie Scarborough, Ann Cargile and Eleanor Scarborough



Welcome New Members

New GA District Pilots

Pilot Club of Adel - SW Region

Carol Greene Brandie Dame Rachel Daughtrey Robin Postell

<u>Pilot Club of Lavonia</u> - NE Region: Kathryn May

Pilot Club of Hartwell - NE Region:

Gena Eaton
Vickie Johnson
Ashley Norris
Paulette Turner
Candra Leard
Janice Lee
Linda O'Sullivan

Pilot Club of Atlanta - NW Region:

Phyllis Chaffin Kathy Kirk

Pilot Club of Chatsworth - NW Region:

Susan Owens Melinda Flood

Pilot Club of Newnan - NW Region:

Susan Crawford Breta McGuire Melissa Hartline



Pilot Club of Cochran welcomed Bleckley Country Educators, Staff & Bus Drivers to their new school year! Wishing you all a good year!



Pilot Club of Hartwell had an amazing time hosting BINGO Night at Southern Hart Brewing Company. We were thrilled by the incredible turnout and are so grateful to everyone who came out to support us.

Pilot Club of Washington Co. members Renee Jordan & Ann Lastinger with County School bus drivers at their training session this week.





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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

August 15, 2025

Financial Records Audit Audit Committee (Club & District)

August 15, 2025

Plans of Work Governor, Governor-Elect, Region Lt. Governor

August 15, 2024

Governor's Cup Awards
Esther Foster
(Awards Jury Chair)
107 Pineview Rd.
Gray, GA 310321
Copy to: Governor, GovernorElect, Region Lt. Governor

August 15, 2025

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

September 20, 2025

Q1 Club Report
Copy to: Governor, GovernorElect, Region Lt. Governor

September 30, 2025

Club Ambassador Selection Pilot International Headquarters \$25 Fee

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

PI CONVENTION 2025 (CHARLOTTE)



Cochran Pilots: Club President Melinda Bryant, Sandy Jarrett & PG Maureen Stoy



Lavonia Pilots: PI Treasurer/PG Susan Harbin, Dist. Treasurer/PG Avaline Adams & Club President Denise Thompson



Classic City Pilots: Club President/PG Sherry McDuffie, PG Doretta Broughton



Bainbridge Pilots: Club President/PG Gail Sharber & SW Reg. Lt. Gov. Missy Blecher







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PG Judy Jackson (Carrollton), NW Reg. Lt. Gov. Deborah Wilson (Carrollton), Bennie Mattox (Cuthbert) & PG Avaline Adams (Lavonia)





Gainesville Club President Cherry Lobo, NE Reg. Lt. Gov. Shelby Holland (Toccoa) & Lea Judson (Gainesville)





2025-2026 Pilot International Officers (We love our GA Pilot Susan Harbin, PI Treasurer 3rd from left.



