# Georgia District Governor's Bulletin



2025 - 2026 DAC/DEC



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## Message from the Governor

Welcome to Fall! Fall is one of my favorite times of year. I love to see all of the leaves change color, and the weather gets cooler. I am looking forward to the upcoming Fall Council.

I cannot wait to see everyone in Helen. The DAC/DEC has been working hard to put the finishing touches on the plans. Come Friday night in your favorite team gear and be ready for some fun. Saturday, we have some information to share about Pilot. We will have a motivational speaker after lunch. On Saturday evening we will be entertained by Stewart Chapman as Elvis. There will be a tip jar available. We have several clubs bringing items for the marketplace as well as our Anchors. As you can see, we have a busy weekend planned.

If you cannot attend Fall Council, please think about joining us in May for District Convention.

October 18<sup>th</sup> is Founder's Day! Please send pictures to Kirsten if your club has a special presentation planned for Founder's Day. Please remember to wear your Pilot shirt on the first Saturday and send pictures to Kirsten.

I look forward to hearing and seeing pictures of all your events in October, please don't forget to share.

## Mary



Pilot Club of Hartwell hosted the first Nighttime Platter Chatter at the Southern Hart Brewery on Tuesday, September 23, 2025, with 17 attendees. It was decided to host the nighttime PPC's quarterly to give the working women an opportunity to gather in friendship and service. The regular Pilot Platter Chatter Meeting will continue the 4th Wednesday of each month. The next nighttime meeting is schedule at the Bowman House in Bowman, GA on Monday, December 8, 2025, at 6pm. All are welcome to join in!



# Falling Leaves

Little leaves fall softly down Red and yellow, ozange and bzown Whizling, twizling zound and zound Falling softly to the gzound

Little leaves fall softly down To make a carpet on the ground. Then, swish, the wind comes whistling by And sends them dancing to the sky.



## Inspirational Message

Fall is officially here!!! along with school, carpools, working back in the offices, and more and more "stuff" to do...Plus Pilot stuff! Are you frustrated with your schedule? Does this prayer ring true with you?

#### Prayer of the Frustrated

The clock is my dictator; I shall not rest.

It makes me lie down only when exhausted.

It leads me into deep depression.

I hounds my soul.

It leads me in circles of frenzy, for activities sake. Even though I run frantically from task to task, I will

never get it all done, For my ideal is with me.

Deadlines and my need for approval, they drive me.

They demand performance from me,

beyond the limits of my schedule.

They anoint my head with migraines,

My in-basket overflows.

Sure, fatigue and time pressures shall follow me

All the days of my life.

And I will dwell in the bonds of frustration Forever.

My friends, take that deep breath and look around you and find the beauty in nature and everything surrounding you - and let our beautiful cardinal come and perch in your mind and your heart....Pilots are here for each other and always remember that --when times get tough, the tough (and I would add the Pilots!) get tougher.

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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.

When sending notices of any Pilot death, please include number of years person has been a pilot; any offices held within the club as well as a PICTURE.

NOTE....please send notice to PI as well.

Links to obituary notice would be helpful as well and where to send cards of caring.

For a Co-Pilot....picture as well and any pertinent information.

For Celebrations.....send those as well with pictures if possible.

<u>Pilot</u>	<u>Club</u>
Gladys Partlow	Royston-FS
Theodosia Nixon (Theodosia served in many roles in her club and as one-member lovinging said "Theodosia was an amazing Pilot and she was 100 years old!)	Haralson Co. (Disbanded)



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

<u>Pilot/Family</u>	Club
Kirsten Jorgenson (Aunt)	Gainesville

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

facebook.



Myrna Warner (1984-2985) October 28







## Leadership

#### "Remembering Names"

Have you ever struggled to remember the name of an acquaintance? You know that face, but you just cannot put the name on it. It is not uncommon...and it is not necessarily a sign that you are getting dementia. It just takes concentration and a couple practical tips. Why is it necessary? Calling a person by their name can be beneficial in creating an atmosphere of respect.

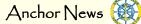
Dale Carnegie emphasizes in his book that the most valuable possession an individual has is his name. Most people react positively to the sound of their name because it shows respect. Remembering and using the name of a person can show appreciation and recognition. But the average person struggles to remember names.

There are three simple ways to get your memory to be more efficient. The first is impression. Concentrate on the person and get a mental image in your mind. Observe them closely...eye impressions draw a picture in your memory. The second is repetition - say the name out loud so you can hear it. Throughout the day and the week, try to go over it again. Association is the third way to remember. Associate the name with something else, a person, place, or fact.

The next time you meet someone new, pay attention and observe them. Look them in the eye and repeat their name. "Hello Harry, nice to meet you." If they are a Pilot from a different club, picture where that club is on the map, or if they are a new member, associate their job or family with their name. "You are near the zoo and my hair salon" can be what you think. When you get a chance, write it down. Why? Because chances are, if you are like me, you will forget that name and need to look it up later!

## Maureen

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The Anchor board is working hard on planning convention this year. This year the Anchor theme is Anchors on the Peak. On Friday night we hope everyone is ready to tune into the Anchor Game show. This year the Anchors focus will be on Education. A few reminders Anchor dues are due by November 1st please make sure you get these in!! Georgia dues are \$10 and international dues are \$14. Mallory at PI has now gotten it set up where you can pay those dues online with Zeffy and fill out the forms online. Please keep saving your pull tabs for the Ronald McDonald house. Anchor Convention will be February 27-March 1, 2026, in Stone Mountain. If you have not been to an Anchor Convention, I encourage you to attend, you will leave with a heart full of JOY! You do not have to sponsor an Anchor club to attend. Please let me know if there is anything I can do to help with your Anchor Club.

On September 15, 2025, Hadden Kelly, who was a member of the Dodge County High School Anchor Club. Hadden was a 17-year-old Junior in Dodge County. Hadden was planning on being the President-Elect this year and was excited to be the first male President of their club. He was always one of the first to volunteer for any service projects they were doing and ready to serve his community. Hadden also was an avid golfer where he was a member of the Georgia State Golf Association and the Georgia Junior PGA. Hadden will truly be missed. I did not have the opportunity to meet him but from those I have talked to Hadden spread JOY wherever he went. I ask that you keep his family, friends, and club in your thoughts and prayers.

## Gerianna

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Pilot Club of Carrollton made knot-tied fleece blankets at their September projects meeting and delivered them to the Barclay House Memory Care. The Barclay House is collecting fleece blankets and non-slip socks for patients at the City of Hope Cancer Center in Newnan. The Carrollton HS Anchor Club is also making blankets to donate.



Madison County Pilot Karen Fitzpatrick was at the Fair today giving out helmets to boys and girls to keep their brains safe while they are biking, skating, skateboarding, scootering, and just being kids!





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#### Treasurer

With the month of October comes a quick reminder that goes to the Anchors as they prepare to meet the November 1st deadline for sending in their Anchor dues.

The needed forms can be found on the Georgia District Pilot International website under <a href="https://www.pilotgeorgia.org">www.pilotgeorgia.org</a>, go to the Members Only section, scroll down to Anchors section. Then scroll down page until you see the needed forms located under "Anchor Forms and Information". The forms required are:

- 2025-2026 Pilot International Anchor Dues Invoice
- 2025-2026 Pilot Annual Anchor Club Treasurer's Report (Address is included on forms of where to remit payment to Pilot International.)

Pilot International dues are \$10.00 plus \$4.00 insurance for a total of \$14.00 per Anchor member.

- 2025-2026 Georgia District Anchor Dues Invoice
- 2025-2026 Georgia District Anchor Club Treasurer's Report (Address is included on forms of where to remit payment to Georgia District Treasurer.)

Georgia District dues are \$10.00 per Anchor member. Please send original form with check on or before November 1, 2025.

This process will ensure that Pilot International, Georgia District, and the Anchor Club has the same information. Please contact me if you have any questions. I look forward to receiving your 2025-2026 Anchor dues.

#### Qualine

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#### **New GA District Pilots**

#### **East Central Region**

Deborah Kinnard (Oconee County)

#### **Northeast Region**

Teresa Austin (Hartwell) Kelly Seymour (Hartwell) Lisa Brewton (Hartwell)

#### Northwest Region

Irene Neumann-Klosson (Atlanta)

#### **Southeast Region**

Pamela Lynn Brown (Eastman-Reinstated) Grace Blount (Wasington County)

#### **Southwest Region**

Cindy Williams (Adel-Reinstated) Dana David (Adel)



## Pilot International Foundation Fund

PIFF – what is PIFF?? It is YOUR foundation, your money!! Pilot International Founders Fund is money that all Pilot Clubs fund to help other Pilot clubs help their community. The more we put in, the more we must share. When a Pilot Club is formed, the club agrees to give so much a year toward the fund – in the form of participating as a 250 club and/or a Pacemaker Club. These two items should be in the budget and part of your regular dues to Pilot International. Many clubs say, "We don't have enough money or enough members". Tough, you agreed when the club was formed. So, what can you do? \*\*Have each member donate \$1 for every year in club. The more seasoned members know what the Foundation does and are usually happy to give. The new members think a dollar or five is not so much, therefore give willingly. \*\*Sell tickets for \$1 at each club meeting – give half to the club to go toward 250 and half to the winner. Everyone likes to get money and will participate. \*\*Have a member bring an item and auction it at the meeting; the money goes to 250. \*\*Only have four or five members? Then try a fund raiser just for the 250 or obtain a sponsor (local bank, business, or retail) that can write it off as advertising or donation. If all the clubs send in the 250, then the District does not have to have a PIFF fund raiser and you do not have to sell those hateful tickets – or if you do it goes in our District treasury. Your 250 money is a win win donation. You send in your 250 or Pacesetter money. Then you apply for a grant! It is a very simple form to complete for a BrainMinder grant (\$250 to use toward puppets, coloring books, senior supplies, a stage, etc.) or a Pick Me Up grant (\$250 to use toward any item you perceive as lifting someone's spirits) or toward a matching helmet grant (you purchase one, PI gives you one). You complete the form, receive the money, take pictures showing you used the money, and you are done!! You gave \$250 and received \$250 – winner, winner!!! As well you gain publicity for your club, communit

Karen

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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

#### October 4, 2025

Membership Month - Pilot Walk

#### October 15, 2025

PIFF Matching Grants/Emergency Response Program Grants due PI Headquarters

#### October 8, 2025

PIFF Matching Grants/Emergency Response Program Grants due PI Headquarters

#### October 25, 2025

Make a Difference Day (read our ECR's Message about it)

All Forms are on the GA
District Website under Forms
Members Only Password:
Pilotjoy
www.pilotgeorgia.org





## Georgia ECR Message

October is a month of meaning for Pilots everywhere — a time when we celebrate our legacy, embrace our mission, and look forward with renewed purpose. We embrace Fall weather and changing leaves whilst we delve into our leadership trainings through Fall Councils.

We begin our **Membership Month** with a Pilot Walk on October 4<sup>th</sup>. Wear your Pilot shirt and get in gear for an exciting month that is a reminder that every Pilot is a vital bloom in our garden of service. Each member brings unique gifts, talents, and passions that, together, create a vibrant tapestry of friendship and purpose. Even though leaves may be changing and falling where you are, it is a great time to keep that Pilot knowledge watered and growing through your Fall Councils. This month you may want to offer a Share Pilot to help to grow your Club and tell them of what a beautiful garden of persons we are, all focused on friendship and service. Remember **October 15**<sup>th</sup> is the deadline for PIFF Matching Grant and Emergency Response Program Grants. Get those grant forms in for the fantastic projects you will be doing this year.

On **October 18th, Founder's Day**, we honor the vision of those who planted the seeds of Pilot International more than a century ago. Their courage and foresight continue to inspire us, reminding us that when we nurture what is good, lasting impact will grow. Plan an event to honor our Founders and invite those prospective members from your Share Pilot and others to attend to get to know more about Pilots in your community.

Then, on **October 25th, Make a Difference Day**, volunteer at a local organization that need help, plan or participate in a community project such as a beach cleanup or community gardening; help a young person gain a new skill or perhaps make a donation to a charitable organization to support their cause. This National Day of Service reminds us that each person has the power to create positive change. This leads us into **International Care and Kindness Week**- **November 10**<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup>, 2025. For Pilots, it is an opportunity to live out our mission by giving back in ways that touch lives, strengthen communities, and inspire hope. Each project, each gesture, and each moment of kindness becomes a blossom of hope — a visible sign of how Pilots bloom through service.

As we mark these important occasions, let us remember the theme of this year: **Bloom in Pilot.** May we continue to grow, to uplift, and to flourish — together — as we honor the past, celebrate the present, and plant seeds for a brighter tomorrow.

Your Executive Committee Representative,

### Leslie

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Peachtree Pilot Club of Atlanta members, Sandra, Miriam Marca, Robin and Glynice's husband Don, distributed Pilot International BrainMinders helmets, Activity/Coloring books, Bookmarks, Stickers and Crayons today at the 16th Annual Gwinnett County Public Safety Fall Festival. The event was held at Coolray Field and was well attended.



Bainbridge HS Anchor Club members Angelica DeJesus, Dhara Patel, and Sidney Coker attended the Pilot Club meeting last night and helped welcome Jacque Hatcher, Georgia Pilot's Governor Flect

