

# Governor's Bulletin



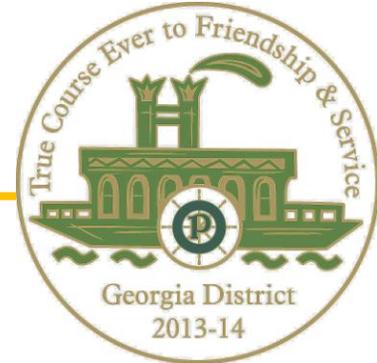
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**"STEERING YOUR CLUB"**  
**PATRICIA WHATLEY**  
**GA DISTRICT GOVERNOR**

Chocolate, cards, jewelry and hearts are all things we think of when February comes around. All of these material things are symbols of one common thing, love. There are many activities that reflect our love.

Pilot principles are based on love. Not the sweetheart type love but love for one another. The friendships we have made are perhaps the strongest love. As Pilots we are there for each other and we can always count on each other. When it comes to our service projects we express our love through the service we do for the people in our communities. Care and Kindness is certainly a form of love.

This year as you celebrate Valentine's Day remember the Pilot Love that we all share and do something special to celebrate our Pilot Love.

Stay safe and warm.



*Patricia*

## Past Governors

**Melodie Smith**  
**February 8**

**Esther Foster**  
**February 20**



Pilot Clubs....

Joan McCannon is looking for pictures from your club to put in Gov. Patricia's scrapbook. Please contact Joan (jmcc47@icloud.com) if you have any questions.

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Georgia District Website: [www.pilotgeorgia.org](http://www.pilotgeorgia.org)



Pilot International Website: [www.pilotinternational.org](http://www.pilotinternational.org)

**The Mission of Pilot is to** serve by furthering Pilot International’s humanitarian efforts through charitable, educational, and research programs in communities throughout the world.

**DATES TO REMEMBER**

**February 15, 2014**

Award entries to Louise Shimer

**Feb. 28, 2014 – March 1**

Anchor Convention Legacy Lodge, Lake Lanier

**GA District Convention**

April 4-6, 2014 Macon Marriott City Center

**PI Annual Convention & Leadership Conference**

July 2-6, 2014 Sheraton Chicago Hotel & Towers

**SHANNON CLEGG**  
**GA DISTRICT ECR**

The year was 1952 and Pilots convened for convention on Mackinac Island in Michigan for the thirty-first annual convention. It was to be a convention of firsts.

This was the first time that all Pilot countries were represented. It was the first time the Ruby Newhall scholarship was granted, and it was the first time that Anchor Clubs were launched as a project for Pilot International.

Almost sixty-two years later, our Anchor program is thriving. With over 300 clubs and 8000+ members, these young Anchors are truly tomorrow’s leaders. They are athletes, scholars, band members, cheerleaders, and students that are engaged in the needs of their communities. They are proud to be called Anchors.

Our Anchors have truly embraced Pilot’s new motto of Do More...Care More...Be More. They are partnering with various Safe Kids coalitions across the country to provide safety events in their communities.

Have you seen these types of phrases with the hash tag (#) and wondered what they meant? These are hash tags for Twitter and more importantly, they represent tweets that SafeKids USA and Anchor International are using to promote Pedestrian Safety at schools. Did you know that 49% of teens admitted to SafeKids that they use their cell phone while walking to school? (#walksafely) There is also new research that shows that 1 in 5 high schoolers and 1 in 8 middle schoolers were seen crossing the street while distracted. (#devisedown)

Pilots can help Anchors by setting the example. It’s that simple. Take the (#devisedown) challenge and turn your phone off while you have lunch with a friend or family member. Consider not answering that call or text message while walking the dog. Let’s set the example by being engaged in the present.

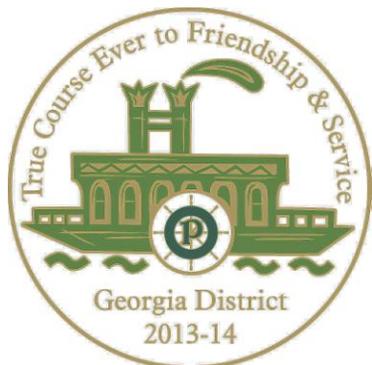
Do More...Care More...Be More

*Sharon*

ECR Georgia District  
Pilot International Vice President



The Pilot Club of Cochran's annual Lite-a-Lite Ceremony took place in downtown Cochran on Dec. 6th with Pilots dressed up as Minnie and Mickey Mouse. The characters participated in the tree lighting before riding in the Cochran Christmas Parade and entertained children with many hugs, photos, and hot chocolate. The Pilots raised over \$1500 for college scholarships for local high school seniors with our Lite-a-Lite program.



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# "PRAYER'S CORNER"

I want to thank all of my loving Pilots for the cards, calls, flowers, donations and prayers. I was especially warmed by the number of Pilots attending my Bob's service January 3rd, which was his 83rd birthday. Some, including Past Governors, traveled many miles in the freezing cold temperatures. Thank you all from the bottom of my heart.

### Alzheimer's Request

Do not ask me to remember,  
don't try to make me understand.  
Let me rest and know you're with me,  
kiss my cheek and hold my hand.

I'm confused beyond your concept,  
I'm sad and sick and lost.  
All I know is that I need you  
to be with me at all cost.

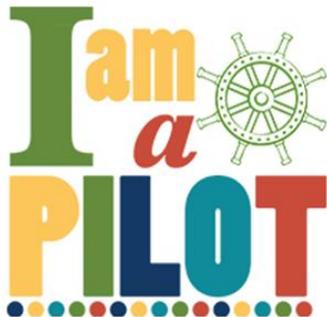
Do not lose your patience with me,  
do not scold or curse or cry.  
I can't help the way I'm acting,  
I can't be different though I try.

Just remember that I need you,  
that the best of me is gone.  
Please don't fail to stand beside me,  
love me 'til my life is gone.

May God bless and love all of you,

*Chaplain Jo*

josprayercorner@gmail.com



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



PILOT	CLUB NAME
Becky Smith	Classic City
Betty Thrasher	Hartwell

PILOT	CLUB NAME	RELATIONSHIP
Bea Lowder	Warner Robins	Husband
Sally Wehr	Atlanta	Brother-n-law
Connie Ayers	Elberton	Father

**LOUISE SHIMER  
AWARDS JURY CHAIR**



### REMINDER.....

Georgia District Awards entries are due by February 15, 2014. Please make sure all information requested is completed and mail to Louise Shimer at address on forms. **Do not send by email.**

Good luck to all,

*Louise*



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**“ALL ABOARD GA DISTRICT”**  
**IRENE NEUMANN-KLOSSMAN**  
**MEMBERSHIP CO-COORDINATOR**

**Membership: Mentoring**

When walking on the beach and picking up a variety of shells, I was once again reminded of how unique and special each and every Pilot member is.

Each new member that is added to our Pilot family brings a unique set of abilities, thoughts and ideas and that is a very valuable gift indeed!

The challenge for our very established Clubs and seasoned Pilots is to remain open to new ideas. In essence, mentoring then becomes a two way street where new members learn about all the various divisions and aspects of Pilot and seasoned Pilots in turn readily note down ideas from new members and use the board meetings as a platform to determine whether the idea is a right fit, the timing is right for the idea or whether a sub-committee is needed to help drive it forward.

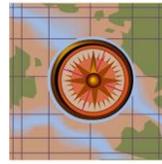
As we mentor new Pilots let’s remember that we all have unique talents and that listening to new members is vital to Pilot and to being a Pilot!

- M - Motivate (Positively)
- E – Enthusiasm
- N - New Ideas
- T – Trust
- O - Open Conversations
- R – Recognition
- I - Instruction & Identification of Talents
- N - Never Give Up
- G - Give to each other.



Pilots.....

We would like to spotlight your club in the Governor’s Bulletin. Please send us your news on special awards, projects, fund-raisers or other activities of your Club. Photos are also welcome.



**“CHART OUR COURSE”**  
**ROBIN PERRY**  
**GPF REPRESENTATIVE**



**GEORGIA PILOT FOUNDATION**

District Convention seems a long way off each year until the calendar turns to January and then you realize it’ll be here in just a couple of months.

I hope each club has had success with selling your GPF raffle tickets. Several of our clubs pass a basket around at their meetings to collect money and use the funds to buy the tickets in their club’s name. If you still have tickets left to sale try this. We have had five clubs win raffle money to help fund their club service projects over the last three years.

The drawing for the eight “**Riverboat Anchors**” will be at the Awards Luncheon at District Convention on April 5<sup>th</sup>. There will be eight anchors with a total of \$2,000 in cash. With the decrease in the amount given as prizes, the number of tickets given to each club this year was reduced to 40. Tickets are \$10 each or 4 for \$20. With the reduction in the number of tickets we are depending on all Georgia District Clubs to participate.

If you have sold your tickets and would like to get your checks cleared before April you can mail the tickets and stubs or just the checks to me and bring the stubs to Convention. Sending your checks in early saves you from standing in line to turn in the money at convention and it also keeps you from forgetting to pack them when you come to convention. Each year we have Clubs who forget and leave their money and tickets at home.

In order to be able to fund all our scholarships this year, I am hoping you have included a GPF donation in your club budget this year. If so, February is a great time to remind your treasurer to mail in your club’s donation. Clubs who have made donations are recognized in the March Governor’s Bulletin before convention. The GPF donation form is available on the Georgia Pilot website – [pilotgeorgia.org](http://pilotgeorgia.org).

I hope all clubs are making plans to send in a GPF scholarship application. Georgia District Clubs that sponsor Anchor Clubs may submit one Anchor Scholarship application for each Anchor Club. The new Lynda Goodwin Volunteer Scholarship is available to all Georgia District Pilot Clubs that do not sponsor an Anchor Club.

Both applications are available on the website or e-mail me at [perryco@bellsouth.net](mailto:perryco@bellsouth.net) and I will send you the application. What better way for a service club to get publicity than by recognizing your local students for their volunteer efforts. Postmark due dates for both applications is February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2014.

*Robin*



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“TROLLING FOR TREASURE”

**KATHY BERRY**  
**FUND RAISING COORDINATOR**



So, you’re ready to host a Silent Auction? How about one of themed gift baskets? Putting together the right basket makes the difference in an item that bids well vs one that does not. This article focuses on some Silent Auction tips.

- 1) Limit the value- Keep baskets under \$200 in value. Ideally, \$50 to \$75.
- 2) Package it right- Baskets should focus specifically on an age group, gender, etc... A basket with items mixed for teen, tweens, and toddlers may not appeal to all families.
- 3) Delegate- Asking for help gets more variety and creativity of items.
- 4) Combine donations- Gift certificates should be in a basket and not auctioned alone in order to get more bang for your buck.

- 5) Require a minimum bid- always
- 6) Collect cash- Ask members of your organization or others for cash donations to shop for baskets. Cash is easier for busy people to give rather than shopping for a specific item. Shop on Amazon to get items. Free shipping on many items and fast.
- 7) Know your audience- Who is attending? Singles, predominately male, kids? This way you know what to ask for in donations and how to design your baskets for the best results.
- 8) Assign items- If you cannot accept cash to buy items, make a list of donations needed. Use tools like Evite and send emails. People can then sign up to bring an item. Try [www.signupgenius.com](http://www.signupgenius.com).

Until the Next Tide,

*Kathy* kberry\_@hotmail.com

# Georgia District Convention

Attention All Pilots.....

It is time to register for our Georgia District Pilot Convention 2014. We are going to Macon City Center Marriott, Macon, GA from April 4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup>, 2014.

Plans are being finalized and we will be ready for each of our Georgia Pilots. We are starting our weekend on Friday April 4<sup>th</sup> with a “If You’ve Got IT, Flaunt IT” talent competition. Every club and individual is invited to participate. Sign up today.... Our Market Place will open Friday afternoon and stay open until Saturday at 5:00 P.M... Shop...Shop... Shop.

Saturday morning and afternoon will be an opportunity to participate in the business of our Georgia District, Guest Speakers and workshops. Lunch will be a time to recognize and congratulate this year’s Club and Anchor Award winners.

The Installation Banquet will be a night you will remember. Wear your dress ups because Governor Elect Judy Jackson will be installed as the 2014-2015 Governor.

Sunday morning is our Memorial Service.

This is just an overview, so come join us for all the times filled with Pilot friendship. Registration, Market Place and Talent Forms are all in emails and online at our website ([georgiapilot.org](http://georgiapilot.org)).



**Macon Marriott City Center**

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**“STEAM AHEAD WITH SERVICE”**  
**JUDY VENDRICK**  
**PROJECTS COORDINATOR**



**“DON’T DROP THE ANCHOR”**  
**MARY TURNER**  
**ANCHOR COORDINATOR**



**“We cannot do great things on this earth, only small things with great love.”**  
 – Mother Theresa

As we flip the calendar to February, we see the hearts and flowers that accompany Valentine’s Day. In this column I am not thinking about the romantic love, although I’m all for that! But I’m convinced we Pilots need to love our communities more.

Here are a few ways we can show that love and treat them to twelve months of Valentine’s Days:

1. Take time to get to know various members of your community – business owners, government leaders, and teachers.
2. If you are thinking about a new project, see what they have to say. People like to know that their opinions matter and they are being listened to.
3. Sponsor an event that would be of interest to most residents, not just a few.
4. Be kind to strangers. If children see us being friendly, chatting with neighbors, and being polite in the grocery store and post office, we’re teaching them something that has the power to change the world.
5. Be courteous on the roads, especially if you have a Pilot license plate or sticker on your car.
6. Shop local. Businesses are what make our towns and cities unique.
7. A simple ‘thank you’ to residents in appreciation goes a long way.

The idea is to give time to bettering our community each week. Loving others means meeting real needs. A young child once said, "Love is what makes you smile when you're tired".

Pretty good, huh!

*Judy* — judyingeorgia@comcast.net

I hope everyone had a wonderful January. It is hard to believe that we are getting ready to start the month of February. February will be a busy month for Anchor Clubs. Our convention will be February 28-March 2, 2014 at Legacy Lodge at Lake Lanier Island. Registration deadline was January 28, 2014. I hope to see you there. The Anchor Board has been working hard on convention. This years’ service project is collecting money for Children’s Healthcare of Atlanta. We will also be working on blankets for Veterans and our annual hospital art paintings. If you know of a facility where you would like to see Anchor place a painting please let me know. We will have two paintings that we can place. Thank you to the clubs that have paid dues this year. We still have several clubs that have not paid Pilot International dues or Georgia District dues. I have emailed each club advisor. Please help me by checking with your club advisor to make sure that this has been taken care of.

In Pilot Friendship,

*Mary*

**GA District New Members.....**



<u>PILOT</u>	<u>CLUB NAME</u>	<u>SPONSOR</u>
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Cathy Brown	Royston FS	Evelyn Elrod
Charity Hallford	Royston FS	Peggy Berryman
Krista Williams	Royston FS	Peggy Berryman
Deborah Gore	Haralson Co.	Angela Awalt
Suzann Cospers	Haralson Co.	Melissa Spake
Katie B. Gore	Haralson Co.	Angela Awalt
Katie Smith	Haralson Co.	Lisa Miller
Cassie Reed	Haralson Co.	Lisa Miller
Callie Hulsey	Haralson Co.	Lisa Miller
Debbie Crook	Haralson Co.	Lisa Miller
Alicia Lee Johnson	Okefenokee	Mary Alice Aldridge
Britnee Kinard	Evans Co.	Tammi Hall
Flora (Jean) Marshall	Cairo	Winnie Jean Hester
Aleta Hawkins	Toccoa	Mary Weaver

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