



# Georgia District

## Governor's Bulletin

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## “Happiness” is Being A Pilot....

The month of May brings with it a flurry of activity as we try to finish the projects and fundraisers in our plans of work. The new divisions and coordinators are busy (or should be) coming up with ideas for the coming year with new club officers. The workshops at the convention were planned explicitly for each club division to supply the attendees with ideas that could follow them home to be incorporated into club plans. Upcoming are officer training workshops where we get down to the nitty gritty of whatever office you are about to hold. Following is a list of workshop locations. If you cannot attend the one in your own region, you may plan to go to the one in another region. The important thing is that you make plans to go to a workshop somewhere.

### April 30<sup>th</sup>

**Northwest** - Georgia Power Building in Atlanta  
**East Central** - 1st Baptist Church Fellowship Hall in Milledgeville  
**Southwest** - Cook County Extension Bldg. in Adel

### May 14<sup>th</sup>

**Northeast** - 1st UMC Fellowship Hall in Royston  
**West Central** - Pilot Headquarters in Macon  
**Southeast** - Presbyterian Church in Fitzgerald

To get off to a good start toward making your club Soar into Service, take time for each club division to meet to make good, doable plans with a member of the division in charge of each project. Remember plans are not set in stone and may have to have changes made from time to time. When a project is completed, it is always a good idea to do an evaluation to see if there are ways to improve it for next time.

When you plan your club budget, remember that your club has the privilege of being a part of a District in Pilot International. As such, all clubs are expected to participate in PI and District activities. All club budgets should have line items for \$250 Goal for Grants and Scholarships; \$10 per member for Pacesetter; Money for International Convention representation; \$100 for Georgia Pilot Foundation; Registration Fee and expense money for District Fall Council and Spring Convention; money to send officers to the region workshop and a contingency fund for unexpected expenses. Plan adequate fundraisers to earn the money you need to operate over and above the dues collected. No excuses please..... It is a fact of human nature that we will find a way to do or get whatever we really want! If, we are willing to work hard enough to make it happen, we will succeed.

I learned a long time ago that life is not all sunshine and roses. I have to work for what I have. The same goes for having a successful Pilot Club year. There is so much joy in doing for others.

May.... you Soar into Service as you Spread the World with Happiness.

*Grace*

Grace Crittenden  
GA District Governor



### SPOTLIGHT for May

Awards at Convention  
Leadership  
Membership

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**IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER**

**April 30, 2016**

Region Workshops  
NW, EC, SW

**May 14, 2016**

Region Workshops  
NE, WC, SE

**PI & GA District Dues  
are due July 1**

**July 4-6, 2016**

94<sup>th</sup> PI Annual Convention  
& Leadership Conference  
Le Centre' Sheraton  
Montreal

**Our Mission:** Pilot International transforms communities by developing youth, providing service and education, and uplifting families.



It's time for clubs to begin making plans in your Projects Division for 2016-2017 year. Georgia Artists with DisAbilities (GAWD) is requesting that your club consider making a donation to this most worthy project for our disabled citizens. Last year we had artists entering exhibits not only from the metro Atlanta area but other cities in Georgia. All art work was judged by three well qualified jurors. At the conclusion of our awards ceremony and luncheon on September 24<sup>th</sup>, fifty pieces of winning art began a nine month tour. The tour will end on July 22<sup>nd</sup>.

GAWD is a non-profit organization under 501© (3) status from the IRS. This year we are incurring expenses far beyond our budgeted amount to transport the art exhibit to nine different locations across Georgia. We would like for you to consider making a donation to GAWD under your Project expenses. Donations from individuals are also welcomed. For those who have made donations in the past, we thank you.

For more information, please feel free to contact Ann Brooks, Chairperson, at [nahabrooks@bellsouth.net](mailto:nahabrooks@bellsouth.net) or 4426 Gauntt Road, Oxford, GA 30054.

**Georgia Artists with DisAbilities, Inc. Mission Statement**

To provide mediums through which Georgia artists with disabilities can display their artistic accomplishments to all disciplines of the arts. To create public awareness of the artistic skills that these artists developed by overcoming the obstacles of a disability.



**Governor Grace's Scrapbook**

Please send your club photos to Joan at [mcc46@bellsouth.net](mailto:mcc46@bellsouth.net).



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**Patsy Stickel**  
May 6

**Past Governors**

**JoAnn Akers**  
May 3

**Edwina Gill**  
May 15

**Pat Canup**  
May 15

**Jo Farish**  
May 30

**“Happiness” is Making New Friends Through Pilot...**

Our Georgia District has gained around 72 new members this past year. Many of them were motivated to join when they were told that the Pilot Clubs provide support to people with brain-related illnesses. There is great satisfaction knowing that what we do may have made a difference in someone's life. New members need to feel ownership in the clubs so find out how they want to be involved. Let them know that they will be expected to contribute volunteer hours with projects and fundraising and to contribute money in the form of dues. Find out what the new member's interests are, how much time and energy they have, and if paying the dues will cause a hardship. Be sure to have an initiation for new members and give them something tangible such as a swap pin or a pilot shirt or bag. The Pilot Club of Chatham County bought green cloth bags at the Dollar Store and cut out vinyl Pilot symbols and gave to all members so that they would have something to carry Pilot notebooks and pens in. Remember to look for student members who are usually young and energetic and senior citizens who have life skills to share.

Pilots are wonderful people so make your members feel wanted, needed, and appreciated.

*Beverly*

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# “Happiness” is Being Good Leaders...

Leadership is being devoted to a cause and working to make that cause the best and most successful possible. Leadership in Pilot is also caring, learning, growing, and motivating others to do the same.

Serving as an Executive Committee Representative this year has given me the opportunity to meet Pilots in the districts of South Carolina and Mississippi. The Pilots I met reminded me of GA Pilots because of their spirit, commitment to making Pilot better, and their warm friendships. They are dedicated to the mission of our organization. They are proud to be Pilots!

Many of them are planning to travel to Montreal for our International Convention. My new Pilot friends remind me of GA Pilots who give of themselves and their resources each year to make Pilot International stronger and better. They, like GA Pilots, are glad to renew Pilot friendships across their Districts each time they meet. We are definitely a part of something vibrant and exciting—it's great to be a Pilot!

Tom and I traveled to South Carolina's District Convention, which fell on the same weekend as the GA convention. We missed seeing GA Pilots, but were thinking about you all! SC held it's meeting at the Clemson University Conference Center and Inn. Governor Joseph's theme was "Make Pilot Your Cup of Tea." I was fondly reminded of Gail Sharber's teapot theme during her year as Governor of the GA District.

The following weekend Tom and I traveled to Starkville, MS, the home of MS State University, the land of the maroon and white Bulldogs and the cowbells, or bully bells that are collected by fans and rung loudly and proudly at all sporting events. We went a day early to see and experience a bit of this college town. Governor Peggy's theme was "MS Pilots Shine!"

Yes; leadership is caring, growing, and learning while motivating others to care more, do more, and be more. I am happy to say that Pilot is alive and well in the districts I visited. It made me so proud to be part of our family of Pilot International and to see the leadership demonstrated in the present and future officers of these districts. Serving as their ECR has been a pleasure; **I'm proud of all of their accomplishments and of those to come!**

*Judy*

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Sweetwater Pilots with their donation to Bowling for Beyond the Front Porch with 2016 Douglas County Sheriff's Candidates. L to R: Gail Smith, Charles Whatley, Joyce Nelsen, Patricia Whatley, Grete Carder.

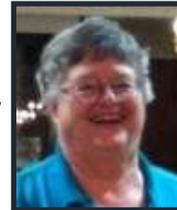
# “Happiness” From your East Central Lt. Governor ...

As Lt. Governor of the East Central Region I want to express my thanks to everyone who attended the District Convention in April whether you were just attending or presenting, you made the convention a success. I would also like to congratulate all the new Lt. Governors, especially Faye Worthen, who will be taking over for the East Central Region. Good luck and best wishes for a great year.

As we come to this time of year, clubs are beginning to plan for the New Year. Take time to look back at what you have done this year: Did your projects work? What about your fundraisers? If they did, that's great. You may not need to consider any new ones. If they didn't, consider trying something new and different. Talk to your members and some of the people in your town or county to see what ideas and needs they have or know about. Then, decide how your club can participate in meeting these needs. Plan to make your club Soar into Service the whole year.

*Ileane*

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At a Lavonia monthly meeting, they honored their members who had 25 years or more of service to Pilot Club and our community by making a donation in their name to Pilot International's Yellow Rose Foundation. We thank each of these ladies (+1 more who was unable to attend) for their years of dedication and service. It is a pleasure to serve alongside each and every one of them.

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**“Happiness”** is a Strong Foundation ...

Hello Pilots, if you were in attendance at District Convention you heard me briefly speak about each of our Georgia Pilot Foundation Anchor scholarship winners and the Lynda Goodwin Volunteer scholarship winners. I said that day that I would submit to the next Governor's Bulletin a more in depth account of each of our winners. We had nine applicants for the Volunteer scholarship and seventeen for the Anchor scholarship. Each scholarship is worth \$1,500 and we forward this money directly to the college of the student's choice.

First I will introduce you to our GPF Anchor scholarship winners.

**Britt Pentecost**, will graduate from Winder-Barrow High School, Winder, GA. She plans to attend Georgia College in Milledgeville. She will be studying Sports Psychology. Her current GPA is 4.0 and she is ranked 24<sup>th</sup> out of 386 students.

**Brittany Tran**, will graduate from Madison County High School, Madison, GA. She has been accepted to both Mercer University and University of South Carolina, she is undecided as to which she will accept. She will be studying Biological Sciences (pre-med track). She hopes to become a cardiothoracic surgeon. Brittany's GPA is 3.9252. She stands 9<sup>th</sup> out of a class of 268.

**Aspen King**, will graduate from Putnam County High School, Eatonton, GA. She plans to attend UGA and study Animal Science/pre-Veterinary. She wants to become a veterinarian. Aspen's GPA is 3.9. She stands 6<sup>th</sup> out of a class of 141.

**Sagarika Reddy**, will graduate from John Milledge Academy in Milledgeville, GA. She too plans to attend UGA and study Biology (pre-med). She wants to become an ER Doctor. Sagarika's GPA is a 4.0 and she stands 2<sup>nd</sup> in a class of 29.

**Bailey Deal**, will graduate from Portal High School in Portal, GA. Bailey plans to attend Georgia Southern University in Statesboro, GA. She plans to study Art and Graphic design and become a graphic designer. Her GPA is 95.5 and stands 8<sup>th</sup> in a class of 49.

All of these Anchors have had outstanding Anchor careers while in their respective schools, all have been officers and will make us proud of their collegiate years.

Second, I want to share with you our Lynda Goodwin Volunteer Scholarship winners.

**Bethaney Fortner**, will graduate from Johnson County High School in Wrightsville, GA. She plans to attend Mercer University to study Biology (pre-med). She hopes to become a pediatrician and work at Shriners or St. Jude hospitals. Bethaney's GPA is 4.0 and she stand 4<sup>th</sup> out of a class of 73.

**Haley Grable**, will graduate from North Oconee High School, Watkinsville, Ga. She plans on attending Furman University to study Biochemistry. She wants to become a researcher at the CDC or World Health Org. Haley's GPA is 4.0 and she stands 1<sup>st</sup> in her class of 265.

**William Hood, IV (Bill)**, will graduate from Gainesville High School. He has not decided which college to attend, but has been accepted at LSU, Mississippi State and Harvard. His goal is to become a Petroleum engineer. He stands 30<sup>th</sup> in a class of 355. His current GPA is 3.966.

**Fathma Abdulkhader**, will graduate from Heritage High School in Conyers, GA. She plans to attend UGA and study Biology. She hopes to become a doctor. Fathma's GPA is 4.37 and she stands 1<sup>st</sup> in her class of 424.

All of these students have shown that with hard work you can be an outstanding student and still have time to volunteer to help others. Again, this group is also worthy of our admiration and congratulations on a job well done.

There were four judges for each group of applicants and I know their job was not easy. I want to thank them all for their time in helping to find the best for 2016.

*Nancy*

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Members of the Pilot Club of Jefferson at Northridge Nursing Facility hosting the annual Easter Bonnet Contest. Pictured (left to right) are: June Murphy, Marion Mahaffey, Virginia Aultman, Jean Bullock and – most importantly – our contest winners



Items that Peachtree Pilot Club of Atlanta members included in their Pick Me Up Caregiver "Box of Sunshine" in January.

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# You did it! Congratulations

To ALL THE WINNERS AT DISTRICT CONVENTION.....

“Happiness”  
From Our Awards Jury Chair ...

Congratulations to all Pilot Clubs!! You are making a difference!

**Governor's Cup Award**

- 1st - PC of Cochran
- 2nd - PC of Madison County
- 3rd - PC of Atlanta

**Vivian Hartman**

- 1st - Battlefield PC \$158.72 per member total of \$2222.20
- 2nd - PC of Brunswick \$42.38 per member total of \$890.00
- 3rd - PC of Elberton \$33.10 per member total of \$1225.00

**Nancy Henrick**

- 1st - PC of Cochran  
05 hours per member - total club hours 11,619
- 2nd - PC of Atlanta  
213 hours per member - total club hours 6,395
- 3rd - PC of Lavonia  
182 hours per member - total club hours 4567

**Edwina Gill**

- 1st - PC of Statesboro 40% growth
- 2nd - PC of Bainbridge 25% growth

**Ann Adams**

- 1st - PC of Madison 100% attendance
- 2nd - PC of Lavonia 86.58 average attendance
- 3rd - PC of Macon 86.09 average attendance

**GA DISTRICT ANCHOR**

**Community Service Award**

John Milledge Academy, sponsored by: PC of Milledgeville

There were 21 different clubs sending in award forms for the various awards. So that is 1/3 of our clubs, I think that is a good representation. I would like to encourage all clubs to start with the new year with plans to enter applications for the various awards.

*Gail*

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**East Central Region**

**1st Place-** Pilot Club of Dublin  
(The Spyglass)  
Jennifer Bryant, President/Editor

**2nd Place-** Conyers  
(Cruiser)

Micki Smith, President  
Lillis Brown. Editor

**Northwest Region**

**1st Place-** Pilot Club of Carrollton  
(The Carrolltones)  
Jo Farish, President  
Deborah Wilson, Editor

**2nd Place -** Pilot Club of Atlanta  
(The Spy Glass)  
Donna Drakes, President  
Leah Burdett, Editor

**3rd Place -** Battlefield Pilot Club  
(The Beacon)  
Kay Cooke, President  
Brenda Noblitt, Editor

**Southeast Region**

**1st Place -** Pilot Club of Cochran  
(The Bridge)  
Vickie Cheek, President  
Sandy Jarrett, Editor

**2nd Place –** Pilot Club of Eastman  
(The Wheel)  
Casey Pruett, President  
Nylan Hinson, Editor

**West Central Region**

**1st place -** Pilot Club of Warner Robins  
(The Navigator)  
Krista Kortum, President  
Monica Nix, Editor

**2nd Place -** Pilot Club of Macon  
(The Beams)  
Bessie Brown, President  
Deborah Searles, Editor

**3rd Place-** Pilot Club of Newnan  
(Pilot Plugs)  
Elaine Landers, President  
Mary Ann Bell, Editor

**Northeast Region**

**1st Place –** Pilot Club of Lavonia  
(Pilot Notes)  
Eleanor Ragsdale, President  
April Rowland, Editor

**2nd Place -** Pilot Club of Winder  
(The Steering Wheel)  
Gloria Wall, President  
Jenni Overbey, Editor

**3rd Place –** Pilot Club of Elberton  
(The Pilot Beacon)  
Pat Jarvis- President  
Kathy Montgomery- Editor

**District Newsletter Award**

**1st Place –** Pilot Club of Cochran  
(The Bridge)  
Vickie Cheek, President  
Sandy Jarrett, Editor

**2nd Place –** Pilot Club of Warner Robins  
(The Navigator)  
Krista Kortum, President  
Monica Nix, Editor

**3rd Place -** Pilot Club of Lavonia  
(Pilot Notes)  
Eleanor Ragsdale, President  
April Rowland, Editor

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### GA District New Members.....



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

PILOT	CLUB NAME	SPONSOR
Bailey Deal	Statesboro	Helen Winstead
Beth Wills	Jones Co.	Jody Faulkner
Wanda Wellborn	Jones Co.	Jody Faulkner
Janie Mooney	Americus	Yvonne Goggins
Barbara Walton	Americus	Shirley Hopkins
Jeanelle McKinnon	Cairo	Winnie Jean Hester
Shirley Lane	Chatsworth	Jan McNeill
Larinda Tate	Johnson Co.	Reinstated/Janice Waters
Tiffany Christopher	Oconee Co.	Bebe Reed
Kathy Thompson	Peachtree	Robin Williams

PILOT	CLUB NAME
Doris Joiner	Eastman
Louise Griscom	Warner Robins

PILOT	CLUB NAME	RELATIONSHIP
Margaret Duffey	Warner Robins	Husband
Kelly Johnson	Marietta	Brother
Norma Hayes	Cuthbert	Brother-in-law
Bryan Hensley	CSRA	Grandfather

### HELP IS NEEDED TO MAKE GA DISTRICT A 250 DISTRICT



*Georgia has nearly reached its goal to be a 250 District. Pilots lets dig down a little deeper and send a donation to PIFF before May 15th. Use the PIFF donation form to send a donation in memory or honor of someone.*

### Our ECR...

I must start out by saying "Thank You!" for the hospitality you showed me during my visit to your district. I thoroughly enjoyed myself as I had the opportunity to talk with you and learn from you.

As you learned at your District Convention, during our strategic planning session in January the Executive Committee refined our Mission Statement, focusing on our principles and specifying our initiatives. It states:

**The mission of Pilot International is:** to influence positive change in communities throughout the world.  
**To do this, we:** come together in friendship and give people an outlet for service.

- We focus on:**
- Preparing youth and young adults for service
  - Encouraging brain safety and health
  - Supporting those who care for others.

As you can see, while our mission, our motto, and our work remain the same, the wording of the Mission Statement has been revised to incorporate our principles and clearly state our initiatives.

Drum Café! Canada Cash! Inspiring Speakers! The second Walk to Remember! Informative workshops! These are just a few of the opportunities that await you at the Pilot International Convention and Leadership Conference, July 6-9, 2016.

Join us as we do the business of our organization, reconnect with long-time friends and make new ones. Hotel rooms are still available at the Le Centre Sheraton in beautiful Montreal, and convention registration is available to submit online or download at: <http://www.pilotinternational.org/2016-pilot-international-annual-convention/>. So check your passport, book your flight, pack your bags, and together let's experience a bit of European flavor here in North America.

*Karen* in Montreal!

**Karen Cupit**  
GA District ECR  
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See the attached explanation about the Canada Cash Give-away at the PI Convention to raise money for PIFF. It has been suggested that clubs can send a check to PI Headquarters for purchasing the cash cards rather than actually purchasing one or more to take to the convention. Be sure to clearly designate that your check is for a cash card for the Canada Cash.

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