

Governor's Bulletin



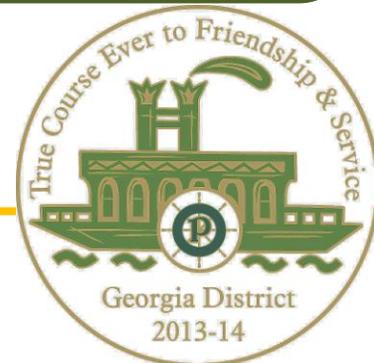
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"STEERING YOUR CLUB"
PATRICIA WHATLEY
GA DISTRICT GOVERNOR



September is here. That means football, festivals, and back to school. This also means we are off and running for our Pilot year. Plans have been made, officers have been trained and all the members have their committee assignments, so let's go. We have our teams and the objectives for the year. We want to win our game and the way we do that is to pull together like a team.

Sometimes we need extra hands for projects or fundraisers. Reach out for reinforcements; for example, your local Anchor group can lend a hand or your neighbor can catch a pass for the team. Reaching out to others increases your club visibility in the community. Who knows, that neighbor might share your interest and become a good Pilot. The youth in our community will enjoy helping too and perhaps become Anchors and are our future Pilots.

Like a football team we want to run the ball, pass the ball and score touchdowns. When your team wins, your community wins, because you are a major contributor providing for needs in your community. This is the answer to "why" we are Pilots. GO Team!

Patricia



GA District New Members.....

PILOT	CLUB NAME	SPONSOR
Peggy Higgins	Kettle Creek	Amanda Dyson
Stephanie Irish	Chatham Co.	Era Hall
Jennifer Sylvester	Chatham Co.	Nina Dasher
Kendall Edelen	Oconee Co.	June McKenzie
Bunti Britt	Newnan	Pam Awbrey
Susan Trimble	Chatham Co.	Beverly McKenna & Era Hall



Past Governors

Bernyce Stickle
September 12

Helen Winstead
September 14

Fran Hartley
September 21

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Georgia District Website: www.pilotgeorgia.org



Pilot International Website: 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

August 30

Club Yearbooks

September 4

Fall Council Registration Due

October 5

Fall Council
Callaway Gardens



"Prayer Corner"

WITH CHAPLAIN JO FARISH



Senior citizens are constantly being criticized for every conceivable deficiency of the modern world, real or imaginary. We know we take responsibility for all we have done and do not blame others.

HOWEVER, upon reflection, we would like to point out that it was **NOT** the senior citizens who took

- The **melody** out of music,
- The **pride** out of appearance,
- The **courtesy** out of driving,
- The **romance** out of love,
- The **commitment** out of marriage,
- The **responsibility** out of parenthood,
- The **togetherness** out of the family,
- The **learning** out of education,
- The **service** out of patriotism,
- The **Golden Rule** from rulers,
- The **nativity** scene out of cities,
- The **civility** out of behavior,
- The **refinement** out of language,
- The **dedication** out of employment,
- The **prudence** out of spending,
- The **ambition** out of achievement or

God out of government and school.

And we certainly are **NOT** the ones who Eliminated **patience** and **tolerance** from personal relationships and interactions with others!!

And, we do understand the meaning of patriotism, and remember those who have fought and died for our country.

Just look at the Seniors with tears in their eyes and pride in their hearts as they stand at attention with their hand over their hearts!

YES, I'M A SENIOR CITIZEN!

I'm the life of the party..... Even if it lasts until 8 pm

I'm very good at opening childproof caps.....with a hammer.

I'm awake many hours before my body allows me to get up.

I'm smiling all the time because I can't hear a thing you're saying.

I'm sure everything I can't find is in a safe secure place, somewhere.

I'm wrinkled, saggy, lumpy, and that's just my left leg.

I'm beginning to realize that aging is not for wimps.

Yes, I'm a SENIOR CITIZEN and I think I am having the time of my life!

AND, MAY GOD BLESS AMERICA.... AND MAY AMERICA THANK GOD!!

Jo

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

<u>PILOT</u>	<u>CLUB NAME</u>	<u>RELATIONSHIP</u>
Marinell Henson	Atlanta	Father



Clubs: We want to highlight special events in your club in our newsletter. Please send your pictures and a brief description to Governor Patricia at whatleyp1@hotmail.com.

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SHANNON CLEGG
GA DISTRICT ECR

Have you heard of the P. I. F. F.? You may have and not even know it. It stands for **Pilot International Founder’s Fund**. Some Pilots say Founder’s Fund while some say P. I. F. F. No matter which way you say it, it’s Pilot International’s tool to **Do More. Care More. Be More.** in communities across the world.

One of the great aspects of the Founder’s Fund is that anyone can contribute. Individual Pilots, clubs, districts, and non-Pilots alike can give. Here are some of the many ways someone can donate to the Founder’s Fund:

- ☛ **250 Club** – Clubs donate \$250 towards the GOAL for Grants & Scholarship
- ☛ **Club Sweetheart** – Honor a special Pilot by donating a minimum of \$25. Special honor in Pilot Log.
- ☛ **250 Member** – Pilots donate \$250 towards the GOAL for Grants & Scholarship
- ☛ **Memorials and honorariums**
- ☛ **Custom** – Donate a minimum of \$25 and an acknowledgement card will be sent to say Thank You, Happy

Birthday or even Great Job to the designee
Safe Harbor fund – Help Pilots across the world in need

BrainMinders Fund
General Fund – non discretionary fund so dollars can be used where needed

Every dollar makes a difference on Pilot International’s quest to **Do More. Care More. Be More.** The Founder’s Fund assists us accomplish our goals. We can all be a part as Pilot changes the world around us.

I hope you’re making plans to attend your Georgia Fall Council on October 5th at Callaway Gardens in Pine Mountain. Your DAC has been working hard to plan a great day of fun, fellowship and learning.

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JUDY JACKSON
GA DISTRICT GOVERNOR-ELECT

Wow! What exciting project opportunities Pilot International has rolled out for us through the A, B, and C’s of Pilot!

A is for Anchor. We are helping our Anchors understand that it is more important to give than to receive; we are emphasizing altruism and noble purpose, honesty, integrity, open mindedness and responsibility through building the citizens of tomorrow.

B is for Brain Safety and Fitness. We have two new BrainMinder’s campaigns. Think Happy, Be Happy, Be Brain Fit teaches that a healthy lifestyle has a positive effect on mental acuity and brain health. Pilot International is partnering with SAFE KIDS Worldwide, which is dedicated to preventing injuries in children.

C is for Caring for Families in Times of Need. This program celebrates and supports caregivers of all kinds. The Pick Me Ups Program is an organized way our clubs can select a special deserving caregiver from our community each quarter or each year and grant a “pick me up” experience or request of the recipient, to show them that we truly care.

A significant new opportunity is **International Care and Kindness Week**, the second week in November. This is a great week to kick off our Pick Me Ups Program through the media, seeking nominees from organizations who work with caregivers and finding partners or sponsors to assist us with the recognition. Materials and resources for these new initiatives will be available on the PI website in late August.

Through these new PI opportunities our local clubs can Do More, Care More, and Be More in our own communities. Let’s take that first step!



Pilots

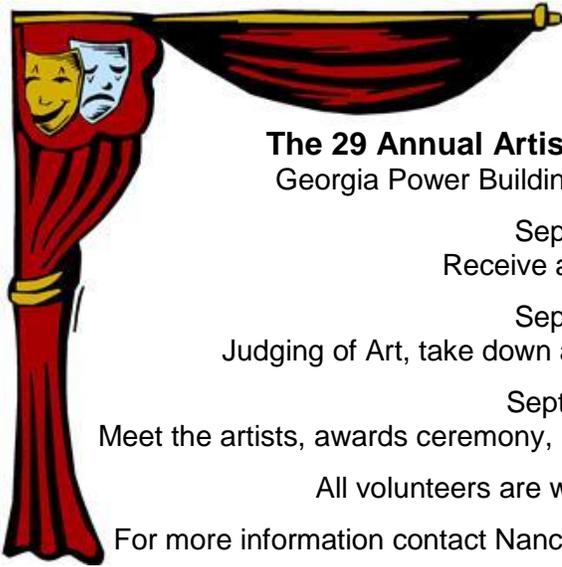
It is GA District Directory time again. They will be passed out at Fall Council in Callaway.

We would love to have 100% updated clubs in our directory. In the next couple of days I will be sending out your club’s list from last year. You can update that list or send me your member’s address/tele#s/email information from your yearbooks. My info is:

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Coming Soon.....

The 29 Annual Artists with DisAbilities Exhibition
 Georgia Power Building - 241 Ralph McGill Blvd, Atlanta

September 7, 2013

Receive art: 9:00am - 1:00pm

September 8, 2013

Judging of Art, take down art and bubble wrap: 8:30am - 8:00pm

September 21, 2013

Meet the artists, awards ceremony, luncheon and taking down art: 7:00am - 3:00pm

All volunteers are welcomed for any of the events.

For more information contact Nancy Shealy nnancyas@aol.com or 404-377-1892

On August 2nd & August 5th the Pilot Club of Cochran made those days special for a different kind of caregiver...the caregivers of our children and grandchildren. To start off the school year, the 300+ teachers of Bleckley County Schools were given a “Pick-Me-Up” Apple by the Pilots. Each teacher and staff was asked to “Feed Your Brain” with a fresh, shiny apple as they prepared to begin their school year. On the following Monday, the Bus Drivers of Bleckley County Schools (41) were served a full breakfast along with an apple “Pick-Me-Up”. This group of deserving and unrecognized caregivers was appreciative of the encouragement given to them at the beginning of the school year. Apples were also distributed that day to the Sheriff’s Department, Cochran Police Department, and other employees that care for the children.



“ALL HANDS ON DECK”

GAIL SHARBER
LEADERSHIP COORDINATOR



ARE YOU PASSIONATE? DO YOU LOVE WHAT YOU DO?

Of all the qualities a leader can have, passion is one of the most important. Passion is something you cannot fake. It starts in the soul and is fueled by the belief that what you are doing is important. You need to love what you do. You have to lie in bed dreaming about it and wake up ready to throw yourself into it. President Lyndon B. Johnson asserted, "What convinces is conviction. Believe in the argument you're advancing. If you don't, you're as good as dead. The other person will sense that something isn't there, and no chain of reasoning, no matter how logical or elegant or brilliant, will win your case for you."

Passion needs the partner courage. You need both at the starting point of your journey -- passion to find the idea and courage to start. Passion also gives you staying power, and that is critical because sustaining is more difficult than starting.

Passion also helps you become an effective promoter of Pilot. In your voice there will be excitement, your eyes will blaze with enthusiasm, and your hands gesture with emphasis. As a leader, you must believe in Pilot, so much that you feel compelled to talk about it. That your passion will sizzle with words and convince others to join our cause. So find your passion, as to "WHY" you LOVE Pilot.

Gail



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



With the beginning of the school year comes the start of a new Anchor year. I need all Pilot Club Anchor Coordinators to be in contact with each Anchor Club you sponsor and provide the name of the advisor and all of their information to me as soon as possible. Some of you have already sent this to me, but please double check and make sure they have not changed. At the Pilot International Convention Anchor was represented by Georgia District President Megan Houston, she worked with Anchors from other districts to provide blankets to a local veterans home. This year in addition to the \$10.00 Pilot International dues each Anchor club will have to pay \$4.00 for liability insurance. Please make sure you inform your Anchor advisor of this change. It can be sent in one check. The dates for Freedoms Foundation are February 20-23, 2014. The Anchor Convention will be held February 28-March 2, 2014 at Legacy Lodge, Lake Lanier Island. I would like to encourage all of the Pilot Clubs in Georgia District to think about starting an Anchor Club. You no longer have to have an Anchor Club in a school. If you would like more information about starting a club please let me know. Please check out Georgia District Anchor Facebook page. I will post information on the Facebook page, and if you have questions or items that you would like to share please post as well. Feel free to contact me if you have any questions. turnerma@elberton.net

Mary

ELAINE LANDERS
GA DISTRICT SECRETARY

I had a great time at PI Convention in New Orleans this year. Convention is always fun seeing old friends and making new ones. It is, also, a time for learning more about our wonderful organization.

I would like to encourage club secretaries to send in your Change-in-Address and New Member forms in a timely manner. Please, send copies to PI, District Governor, District Governor-Elect, District Secretary and Region Lt. Governor. New Member forms with District Dues should also be sent to the District Treasurer.

I am looking forward to Fall Council which will be October 5th at Callaway Gardens. It is such a fun time and I encourage everyone to attend. I am looking forward to seeing each of you there!!!

Thank you, *Elaine*

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The Pilot Club of Baxley held their annual picnic at the B & F Restaurant. President Janie Carter was delighted to have Lt Gov. Virginia Locke in attendance. Each year the Pilot Club kicks off the new year with a picnic and gives each member the opportunity to bring a visitor to see what Pilot is all about. Virginia spoke to the group about the goals of Pilot Club, our accomplishments, and about plans of work for the coming year. She also encouraged the club members to seek new members and let the community know all the wonderful things the club is doing. President Janie Carter also encouraged the members to reach out in our community. Pictured: Lt. Governor Virginia and President Janie.



“TROLLING FOR TREASURE”
KATHY BERRY
FUND RAISING COORDINATOR

When the gang’s all home, what do you eat? PIZZA. When friends come over, what do they bring? PIZZA. When there’s a church youth function, what is served? PIZZA. When there is a party at school, what is ordered? PIZZA. Since pizza seems to be a favorite food why not use pizza as your next fundraising event? Check with your local Pizza Hut restaurant about their fundraiser voucher program. Pizza Hut will help you set a date and time (usually all day), for your club to receive up to twenty percent of all purchases that day. The only effort for club members is to pass out vouchers to friends, family, co-workers, and all pizza lovers. The voucher must be presented to the server or delivery driver for your organization to receive credit for purchases. No Pilot member has to be present at the restaurant. How easy is this? So, what do you say? I say, “LET’S EAT PIZZA!”

Until the Next Tide,
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Kathy



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**MARTHA MITCHELL
NORTHEAST LT. GOVERNOR**

I am excited about serving Georgia District as Lt. Governor Northeast Region. Because of the wonderful workshops at PI Convention, I feel energized about the coming Pilot year.

To introduce myself to the Georgia District, I was born in Birmingham, Alabama. At the age of six, my family moved to Oak Ridge, Tennessee where my father worked for the Manhattan Project. I grew up in Oak Ridge then graduated from Salem College, Winston-Salem, NC in 1959 with a degree in Music Education.

I moved to Toccoa, Georgia in the fall of 1959 to teach Public School Music in the Toccoa City Elementary school. In the fall of 1960, I married Van Mitchell, a native of Toccoa. We had five children, John, Susan, Eleanor, Ann and Jean. All five were born within six years. Yes, I had five teenagers at one time. I was a stay at home mom for the next fifteen years. During that time, I taught private piano lessons every afternoon.

In 1975, I resumed teaching music in the public schools. In 1982 I went back to school on nights and week ends to add Special Education to my teaching certificate. I taught Special Education for the next twenty-two years for a total of thirty years. I retired in 2003.

All of my children graduated from college and four of them have masters’ degrees. They are ministers, teachers, and one computer expert. From my children I have been blessed with fourteen grandchildren ages three to twenty-four. They are Andrew, Josh, Nathan, Marissa, Stephen, Ben, Mitchell, Sam, Audrey, Russell, Micah, Katherine, Tyler, and Madison.

As you can see, I need a birthday card every month of the year and multiples in some months.

I have been active in the community since my marriage in 1960. I have served on the local library board and the regional library board. I am now treasurer of the Friends of the Library. With little skill with finances, thank goodness the library’s financial person keeps up with the account. All I have to do is deposit the money and sign the checks.

I am on the board of the Stephens County Historical Society and secretary for the Camp Toccoa Currahee Project. An avid reader, I belong to two literary clubs. One, the Toccoa Woman’s Literary Club is the oldest women’s club in the state of Georgia. I have been a member since the late sixties. My personal library is overflowing with books and I also read on a kindle. The children gave me the kindle a couple of years ago when I had cataract surgery. They knew I couldn’t last a couple of months without reading. The kindle allowed me to make the words bigger so I could read them. It was fun seeing one sentence take up the entire page.

I am very active in First Baptist Church. At the present time, I teach a women’s Sunday school class, sing in the sanctuary choir, and accompany the pre-school choir. My membership in the sanctuary choir dates back to the 1960s. I am also program chairman for the XYZ group at the church. That is the one for senior adult members. We have a meal each month from September through May.

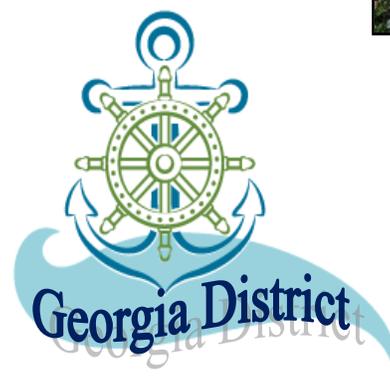
One of my favorite activities is playing bridge. I am in two bridge clubs and one duplicate bridge club. Instead of baking cookies for my grandchildren, I taught them all how to play card games. That is a great activity for teaching numbers, addition, and subtraction.

I have been a Pilot since the year 1990. Twice I have served as president of the Toccoa Club. I have also been a Director and for many years was either chairman or co-chairman of the Fund Raising Committee. My Pilot friendships were very important to me after the death of my husband, Van, in 2004. Pilot kept me busy and the members gave me the support I needed at a difficult time in my life.

I live in the house my husband’s grandfather built a hundred years ago. Only Mitchell’s have ever lived here. It is wonderful with high ceilings and picture rails. I rattle around in it most of the time, but when my family descends on me, I have plenty of room. I was forced to redo my kitchen last fall after my freezer died and burned a hole in the floor. Now, I never cook because I don’t want to mess up my beautiful kitchen. I enjoy telling stories about my family and the wild and crazy things that have happened in my life. These I hope to share with each of the clubs I visit.

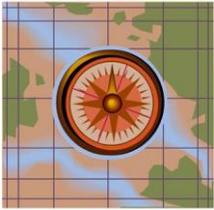
I close with high hopes and expectations for the coming Pilot year. Together we can make this the best Pilot year ever.

In Friendship and Service, *Martha*



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“CHART OUR COURSE”
ROBIN PERRY
GPF REPRESENTATIVE



As was announced at the 2013 District Convention, GPF and PI will be holding separate district fundraiser. GPF has been doing some type of raffle fundraiser since it first began awarding scholarships in 1995. The raffle proceeds are used to fund scholarships to deserving high school seniors. The raffles have been for everything from cars, vacation trips, jewelry to cash. Due to the generous of the Pilot membership, since 1995 GPF has awarded \$112,000 in scholarships.

The 2012 -13 raffle proceeds along with the \$100 donations made by clubs and Pilot members allowed us to award \$9,000 in Anchor scholarships and \$1,500 in the Volunteer Scholarship last year. With the current increase in the cost of tuition for our college students, our district scholarships are needed more than ever.

The 2013- 2014 district GPF fundraiser – “The Riverboat’s Anchor” will be for \$2,000 in cash awards. With the decrease in the amount given as prizes, the number of tickets given to each club this year will be reduced to 40. Tickets will sell for \$10 each or 4 for \$20. Each club is being asked to sell at least \$200 in tickets for the foundation. With the reduction in the number of tickets we are depending on all Georgia District Clubs to participate.

The drawing will be for eight “Riverboat Anchors” worth \$250 each. The \$2,000 in prizes will be awarded from the fundraising proceeds. Tickets will be distributed to the Club Presidents at the Fall Council meeting held at Callaway Gardens on Saturday, October 5th. The drawing will be held at our Georgia District Convention on Saturday, April 5, 2014 at the Marriott City Center in Macon.

In order to award the same number of scholarships this year, GPF will again be dependent on your club including a donation from your club budget to GPF. In addition to the raffle, each club is asked to donate at least \$100 to GPF. You are encouraged to do this donation in honor of your Anchors if you sponsor an Anchor Club or maybe a donation to honor someone special in your club. Many clubs do a monthly raffle and designate a portion of the raffle proceeds to GPF. The new GPF donation form is available on the Georgia Pilot website. Donations should be sent to the GA District Treasurer, Susan Harbin.

The GPF scholarship application will be e-mailed to all Club Presidents and Anchor Advisors with the District Anchor Fall Newsletter next month. The Lynda Goodwin Volunteer Scholarship application will be e-mailed to all club presidents. Both applications will also be available on the Georgia Pilot website – pilotgeorgia.org.

Thank you for your continued support of GPF and our district Anchors. Investing our time, our energy and especially our resources in these students is not only an investment in our communities future leaders but also in our future Pilots.

Robin



“STEAM AHEAD WITH SERVICE”
JUDY VENDRICK
PROJECTS COORDINATOR

PI Convention and Leadership Conference has come and gone for another year. Each Pilot has now also received a copy of the September edition of the Pilot Log and become acquainted with the new Pilot Causes & Campaigns, better known as the “ABC’s of Pilot”. Those who did attend the convention heard the “whys” and “hows” of the narrowed focuses on Anchor Clubs, Brain Safety & Fitness, and Caring for Families in Times of Need, and much of that is now available on the PI website.

Cubs have prepared and approved their Plan of Work for the coming year but the new more specific focuses really open the doors for fresh and/or renewed service projects. BrainMinders, for example, is all about brain safety and new scripts and materials will be available this fall. Also look for new campaigns called “Be Mindful” and “What Were You Thinking?”, “Think H.A.P.P.Y. Be Brain Fit!” and “Safe Kids Worldwide”. Other suggested activities include TBI Camps and safety fairs and bike rodeos.

Pilot members have always been a family that cares - for each other, for our communities and for our world. We are proud of our multi-generational membership and at some time, everyone’s life will be touched by a Family Caregiver. New Pilot initiatives have been created to support Caregivers that will bring awareness to them through our local clubs and our organization. Pilot has proclaimed the second week in November as International Care & Kindness Week and this challenges each club to create a new activity during that week to bring awareness to this cause.

Now... it is your turn to write to me. We all benefit when we share with each other! So, bring it on!! Send me news of a new or revised service project that your club is doing this year. All clubs in Georgia are waiting to read of your plans and successes as we “steam ahead with service”.

Judy

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