

Georgia District

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GOVERNOR DURRETT'S MESSAGE

Can you believe it is May already!!! I cannot. This year has gone by in a flash! Now is the time to be rounding up all the loose ends for 2022-2023 and looking toward 2023-2024! Sad for me, exciting for you!

Look at the projects uncompleted – how can you complete? Do you have checks to write, one more pick-up to do, a Belk charity day to attend. This is time to review your plans for the year --- have you raised enough money, are your project complete? Reviewing your plans and evaluating your progress for the year, helps you plan for next year. Do some projects need to be moved forward, do some need revamping or even thrown by the wayside? Be honest in what you did and did not achieve this year. Look to each other to ask what was viable and what did not work. Don't keep a project or fundraiser simply because "you always have done it this way". Ask for new and different ideas or a new slant on an old idea. Look for rays of sunshine and how you can make an even larger difference in your club.

New club officer forms are due now! Copies can be found on the web in the club manual. If uncertain, ask Donna, District Secretary, or your Lt. Governor. Copies need to be sent to PI, your incoming Governor, Avaline Adams, your region Lt Gov and District Secretary. Your Lt Gov needs the new officers most as she will be contacting you for her official visit and keeping tabs on how your club is doing. Also, as a courtesy please include when and where your club meets. It makes it so much easier when planning.

The revised Georgia District Standing rules (which were amended at District Convention) have been updated on our website. In addition, each president should have received a copy via email. Please replace any previous version with this new document and include it in your club's handbook. As well, this is a good time to remind you that your club's standing rules should be evaluated each year and amended to fit what is best for your club now.

As you prepare for the coming year, remember Avaline and I in your installation plans. Both of us would love to be a part. Just let us know!

This weekend, I was fortunate to attend Beyond Van Gogh, which by the way was amazing, and read this quote – "I believe for one to succeed, one mustn't begin by despairing even if one loses here and there and even if one sometimes feels a sort of decline, the point is nevertheless to revive and have courage even if things don't turn out as one first thought!" No matter how this year went – great, good, not so good- the club learned and gained. A new slate is now. Take the reins and go with it! Make a difference showing everyone your passion for service through Pilot!!

Durrett



Governor Durrett and SW Lt. Governor Mary Sue





INSPIRATIONAL MESSAGE



Something to think about:

"Imagine you had a bank account that deposited \$86,400 each morning. The account carries over no balance from day to day, allows you to keep no cash balance, and every evening cancels whatever part of the amount you had failed to use during the day. What would you do? Draw out every dollar each day!

We all have such a bank. Its name is **Time**. Every morning, it credits you with 86,400 seconds. Every night it writes off, as lost, whatever time you have failed to use wisely. It carries over no balance from day to day. It allows no overdraft so you can't borrow against yourself or use more time than you have. Each day, the account starts fresh. Each night, it destroys any unused time. If you fail to use the day's deposits, it's your loss and you can't appeal to get it back.

There is never any borrowing time. You can't take a loan out on your time or against someone else's. The time you have is the time you have and that is that. Time management is yours to decide how you spend the time, just as with money you decide how you spend the money. It is never the case of us not having enough time to do things, but the case of whether we want to do them and where they fall in our priorities."

I am very guilty sometimes of not using my time wisely. We all can start using our time consciously and making a difference every day as a priority.

Blessings of May

- May you be happy,
- May you be well,
- May you be safe.
- May you find comfort,
- May you find strength,
- May you find healing. May you have peace,
- May you have joy. May you be filled with loving kindness.
- May you be blessed in May and All the year.

~ Anonymous

Glynice

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DISTRICT TREASURER

As we begin to close out this year and ready ourselves for next year, we approach the last task of this year and the first task of the incoming year: Pilot International and Georgia District Annual Dues. Both PI and District Dues are due July 1, 2023, for the 2023-2024 year. In the near future, each club will receive their PI Dues Invoice from PI. After the PI Invoice has been reconciled and updated with the necessary corrections, your club Treasurer will send the Corrected PI Invoice and a check for your club's PI Dues to PI. The next step in the process is to complete the "Georgia District, Pilot International 2023-24 Annual Dues Report" form. This form is located on the Georgia District Web Site (<https://pilotgeorgia.org>) in the Forms Section. Complete the Georgia District form and send it and a copy of the Corrected PI Invoice along with your club's dues

Georgia District, Pilot International
2022-23 Memorial Forms need to go to:

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GA District Governor
durrett4pilot@gmail.com

Glynice Hayes
Inspirational Leader
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Lt. Governor (for your region)



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

Pilot	Club
Mary Alice Jordan (Emeritus Member)	Washington Co.
Nancy Parker (Emeritus Member)	Cochran

Pilot/Family	Club
Faye Worthen (Sister)	Greene Co.



Welcome New Member

New GA District Pilots

Dana Cuthens Bryant (Bainbridge)



Past Governors

JoAnn Akers
(2004-2005)
May 3

Linda Holden
(1998-1999 FL District)
May 13

Pat Canup
(2006-2007)
May 15

Edwina Gill
(1983-1984)
May 15

Genia Mitchell
GA District Treasurer
May 6

Mary Sue Ward
SW Region Lt. Governor
May 26

check to the Georgia District Treasurer. Also send a copy of the District Form and the corrected PI Invoice to the Georgia District Secretary. Please, remember to include a copy of the Corrected PI Invoice. It is critical information for us to have an accurate membership list and count. If you need help or have questions, I will be glad to assist you in any way that I can.

Genia

Genia Mitchell
District Secretary
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PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE

It is almost that time of year again when our clubs make plans and goals for next year. This is a great time to evaluate which fundraising events have been successful and which ones you might want to consider replacing. What are your financial goals for the upcoming year? Do you need a large fundraiser to help reach a big goal or would a few smaller ones meet your club's financial needs for next year? Having a good plan early can make a difference in the success of your fundraiser. How much time do you need to plan and advertise? Large fundraisers can take a much longer time to plan and advertise but can be very successful. Do you have enough members to support the fundraiser or does your club want to work with another organization? Consider teaming up with another charity group for a joint fundraiser. This can add some needed hands and the upfront cost can be shared. Are you willing to try something new? A fresh new idea can revitalize your club. These are just some of the questions your club should consider when evaluating a fundraiser.

When you start working on your Fundraising Plans of Works for this upcoming Pilot Year, ask the questions above and evaluate your members talents. How can you incorporate these talents with a fundraising event? The key to success is planning and using your members talents. The earlier you start, the better the club can overcome issues and problems. One final advice, don't forget, that an event that is fun for your members will always be successful! Get planning!!

Tammy

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Pilot Club of Elberton was awarded the Community Choice Award for Civic Club by the Elberton Chamber of Commerce for 2023. Accepting the award was Pat and Gary Jarvis, members of the Pilot Club of Elberton.



Pilot Club of Sweetwater fundraiser yard sale sponsored by Douglasville police. Sher Harris, Patricia Whatley. Leslie Golden



Pilot Club of Lavonia recently cut the ribbon on our Accessible-Equipment Playground addition at our local Lavonia City Park. Through fundraising, donations from local businesses and citizens, plus grants, including a Pilot International Founders Fund grant, we raised over \$50,000 in a little over a year. The equipment added was a Wheelchair accessible swing, Pull-up bar, and Sensory equipment.
Picture 1: Pilot Club of Lavonia members, along with GA District Northeast Region Lt. Governor Mary Turner and Past Governors Jayne Lackey and Susan Harbin.
Picture 2: Pilot Club of Lavonia members, along with City of Lavonia Mayor and City Council, joined by local citizens for ribbon cutting.





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

May 1, 2023

New Officers Form
PI Headquarters, incoming District Officers (Gov. Avaline, Gov.-Elect Maureen, Secretary Mary Sue, Treasurer Shelby & your Region Lt. Governor

June 26, 2023

Q4 Club Report
Governor, Governor-Elect, Region Lt. Governor

June 28 – July 1, 2023

101st PI Convention & Leadership Conference
Bellevue, Washington

July 1, 2023

2023-24 GA District Dues & Form are due:
Shelby Holland
2023-24 District Treasurer
225 Crawford Cir.
Toccoa, GA 30677
Cc: Mary Sue Ward
District Secretary
3303 Masee Post Rd.
Adel, GA 31620

July 1, 2023

2023-24 PI Dues due:
PI Headquarters
102 Preston Court
Macon, GA 31210-5768
Cc: District Treasurer & Secretary



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

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



MESSAGE FROM OUR ECR

The old adage says, "April Showers bring May Flowers." So what will May bring? More Pilot Sunshine! Our "Pilot Sunshine" has brought a bouquet of new projects, new fundraisers, and new clubs with new members. We have embraced President Rhona's Membership Challenge and are seeing phenomenal results. Let us continue to shine brightly in our communities and share the Friendship and Service of Pilot!

May is recognized as Bicycle Safety Month. This would be a wonderful time to order helmets and sponsor a helmet-fitting event in your community. You could also take this opportunity to apply for a Helmet Grant! Helmet Grant applications are due to Pilot International Headquarters by June 15th. Apply now!

On the subject of grants, Pick Me Up Grant Applications are also due at Pilot International Headquarters by June 15th. Introduced in 2013, the "Pick Me Ups - Kind Acts for Those Who Care" program is Pilot's second signature service initiative. We are *Doing More* by celebrating a decade of "little acts of kindness" by showing others that we, as Pilots, *Care More*. I encourage each Pilot Club and each Pilot to find a way to bring a smile and some sunshine into the life of someone who cares for others.

We have archived our District Conventions in the history books, posted our adventures on social media, and walked away with enthusiasm and excitement, but we still have more to do! Delegates are responsible for sharing the fun had and the knowledge gained at the District Convention during their club meeting. Club and District officer forms need to be completed and sent to Pilot International Headquarters by May 1st. These forms can be found on the PI website and must also be forwarded to the ECR with a copy kept in the district records. Don't delay – send them TODAY!

Margaret Cousins said, "Appreciation can make a day, even change a life. Your willingness to put it into words is all that is necessary." Think about what your clubs are doing to promote Pilot in the community. Think about what individual Pilots are doing when "Spreading Pilot Sunshine." Think about how we can show them we appreciate them – through recognition and awards. Pacesetter Clubs, 250 Clubs, 250 members, President's Circle, and Special Giving Level Contributions are all due by June 1st for recognition at our Annual Convention. Do you want to acknowledge someone with a beautiful, lasting tribute? Heritage Garden Brick orders are due by June 15th. Let's recognize and honor those who have made and continue to make a difference!

I feel that our mission as Pilots can be summed up by a quote from Walt Disney – "Do what you do so well that they will want to see it again and bring their friends." Let your Pilot Light shine bright so others will be drawn to it. Each one, reach one!
In Friendship and Service,

Susan

Susan Kahl
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PILOT INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION FUND (PIFF)

Congratulations to the winner of the PIFF Beach Trip, Caroline Rewkowski from the PC of Chatham County in Savannah.

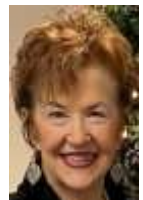
The winning ticket was drawn on Sunday morning of District Convention in the Closing Session by ECR Susan Kahl. When Caroline was notified that she won, she said, "I'm so excited to be the winning recipient! I've never won anything--this is a first!! I look forward to planning for the trip to Blue Mountain Beach. I am most appreciative for the gift, the opportunity, and beyond grateful for your generosity!"



A huge "Thank You" to all Pilots and Clubs for your support of the Georgia District PIFF Fundraiser this year. Through the Beach Trip ticket sales and the Table Raffle items for both Fall Council and District Convention, we raised a total of \$6,180 for PIFF. Thanks to each of you for supporting the Pilot International Founders Fund!

Judy

Judy Jackson
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Nancy

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Some of the Anchor Convention sock donations were taken to the Quinn House in Lawrenceville GA. Peachtree Pilot Club Pilots Sandra Austin (l) & Glynice Hayes (r) delivered them.

