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“Making A Difference In Our Community”

I would like to first express a sincere thank you and appreciation to outgoing Governor Jo Farish and the 2008-2009 DAC/DEC and Appointees for a job well done.

It is a great honor for me to serve you as Governor for 2009-2010. Thank you to Helen Winstead, Gwen Yarbrough, Pat Jarvis, Rachel Fleeman, and all the members of my Pilot Club of Macon for a beautiful and inspiring installation. It is a memory that I will always cherish.

As I said at my installation, if there was ever a time to dare, to make a difference, to embark on something worth doing, it is now. In these challenging times, there is a greater need for us as Pilots to extend a helping hand to those in need, those who are struggling, to make a greater difference in our communities. I am privileged to have a wonderful team of hard-working, dedicated individuals who have the same commitment as I do – to make a difference. Our focus this year will be on membership, communication and visibility. You will be hearing more about this at our District Meeting during our Pilot International Convention. Fall Council plans are being finalized and information will be sent out after the convention.

We are all excited about our own Pat Jarvis being installed as Pilot International President in San Diego on July 10th. There will be about 140 Georgia Pilots there to honor her. We look forward to her year as we “Celebrate Pilot - Past, Present, & Future.”

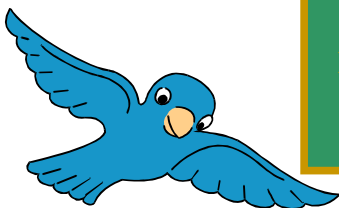
See you in San Diego!

Louise Shimer, Georgia District Governor



DATES TO REMEMBER

Pilot International Dues – due July 1
Pilot International Convention – San Diego, CA – July 7-10
Georgia District Dues – due July 1 to District Treasurer
PEP Report – due August 15 to Pilot International, copies should be sent to:
Governor, Governor – Elect, and Lt. Governor
Fall Council – October 3, Vineville Methodist Church, Macon



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MAKING A DIFFERENCE WITH YOUR GOVERNOR ELECT

I have been a member of the Pilot Club of Jones County for nineteen years and have served as Club Operations Coordinator, Director, Vice President, President Elect and President. On the District level, I served two years as Lt. Governor for Central Region and this year was Lt. Governor for the West Central Region. I was also on the Membership Development Team (Growth Team) for three years and served as District Secretary for 2008-2009.

Alton and I have been married 44 years and have one daughter (Andrea), two sons (Alton III and Jason), and nine grandchildren. Our daughter lives in Forsyth and home schools her children; Al, our oldest son, is employed by the U.S. Government and lives in Flowery Branch; and Jason, our Marine, is stationed in Okinawa, Japan. My family is very important to me. I love it when we all can be together for vacations, Christmas, and Thanksgiving. Two years ago Alton and I visited Jason and his family in Okinawa. While there, I was able to visit with some Japanese Pilots and attended their club meeting. We stay in touch by email.

I was employed as church/educational secretary at Tabernacle Baptist Church in Macon, Georgia for twenty plus years. I presently work three days a week as a Customer Service Representative with Church Insurors South, an agency that insures churches, Christian schools and parsonages.

I look forward to serving as your Governor Elect this year. I am committed to Pilot's mission of helping to improve the quality of life for others and especially its focus on brain-related disorders. Serving as a Pilot volunteer has afforded me the opportunity of service and personal growth and making many friends on the District and International level. Once you meet a Pilot, there is always that bond of friendship.

Our little Bluebird of Happiness has called each of us to "make a difference in 2009-2010" under Governor Louise's leadership. Working together as a team we can make this happen!

Esther Foster, Georgia District Governor – Elect

FROM THE CHAPLAIN.....

As your Georgia District PIF Representative last year I had wonderful opportunities to grow and learn so much more about this fantastic organization. I read touching and exciting grant and scholarship applications. I also had the most fun raising funds. And I got to work with three perfect examples of the Pilot spirit... Betty Sartain, Sherry McDuffie and Robin Perry! Thank you!



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Now we're starting a new Pilot year and I've been given another chance for yet more growth and education. I'm so moved to have this opportunity to be your chaplain. My prayer is to inspire and lift spirits. I want to be here for each of you, just let me know how I can help.

If you attended District Convention I hope you enjoyed the Doris Day song, *THERE'S A BLUEBIRD ON YOUR WINDOWSILL*. Well just like Paul Harvey used to tell us "the rest of the story", I'd like to do that with the composer of that sweet song. Canadian Elizabeth Clarke worked at the Hospital for Sick and Crippled Children in 1947. She loved music and the children she nursed. There was one very sick little boy who told her about a bird that kept him company by hopping down to his windowsill. Shortly after hearing that, in just six hours, she wrote the poem and later added the music. Elizabeth said the words just came to her and made her cry. She sang the song to all her little patients- they called it "our song". After much encouragement, she paid to have a recording made. The song took off and was recorded by many of the popular artists of the time. In 1949 the March of Dimes chose *BLUEBIRD* as the theme song for its 1950 national fund-raising campaign. What makes this all such a special story is that Elizabeth Clarke donated every dollar she got for the song to children's hospitals across Canada.

I can't help but wonder if she was ever a Pilot! She would have been the perfect example of the Pilot spirit like Betty, Sherry and Robin. Let's never miss the chance to share our Pilot spirit with others.

God's laughter is heard in the song of birds.

Norma McKellar, Georgia District Chaplain

A NOTE FROM PI PRESIDENT-ELECT, PAT JARVIS



Congratulations to all District and club officers as you begin your year at the Pilot helm. It is a pleasure to serve you as President of Pilot International.

As I am writing, preparations for Pilot International Convention in San Diego, CA, are being finalized. As you are reading, we may have returned from Convention. Each club should have their delegate give a report so all members will be informed concerning the PI officers who were elected, as well as the results of the proposed bylaw amendments and budget votes. There will be training and workshops with much information to share with club members. I hope they will also be able to tell you they (or even you!) won a **TREASURE CHEST** filled with cash and/or gift cards!

As you begin your year, please remember the ideals of Pilot, **Friendship** and **Service** as you **CELEBRATE PILOT!**

In friendship,
Pat

San Diego 2009



Important Information if you are planning to attend the PI Convention in San Diego!!!

District Meeting

Breakfast Meeting
Wednesday, July 8th
7:00 a.m. – 8:00 a.m.
Harbor Island 1

District Picture

Wednesday, July 8th
9:30 p.m. (arrive at 9:15 p.m.)
Nautilus Foyer
**(Available for free download
after convention)**

See you in San Diego!
July 7th – July 10th

CONSTANT CONTACT

We need all of our 2009-2010 Club and District Officers to sign up on Constant Contact in order to not miss out on the latest information. If we have all of our officer's sign up on Constant Contact, they will receive the very latest information and Pilot saves more money by saving on copies, postage and staff time. All of this plus the bonus of helping save our planet by going green! Just go to www.pilotinternational.org to sign up for Constant Contact on the right navigation bar of the page

If you are already receiving Constant Contact and you are an upcoming officer just click on the Update/Profile Email Address link on second page. Just click on submit and instructions will be emailed to you/ Just follow the steps and then choose which list you need and want to be on. It will then send you an email confirming the changes.



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Scrapbook Reminder

Just a friendly reminder...

It is time to start sending in photographs to Joan McCannon for GOVERNOR JO FARRISH'S scrapbook. Please do not delay!! Joan would like to be able to make a selection from photos not only from the end-of-year special events but from all events throughout the year. The process is much easier if the photographs are not held and sent in all at one time.

Photographs and other items may be sent to:
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BLUEBIRD ADVENTURE'S WITH YOUR DISTRICT SECRETARY



I love adventure! My 11 years in The Pilot Club of Macon have been full of adventure. When I joined Pilot, I had no idea of the places I would go! I have gone places in my community, in Georgia, and the United States I would never have experienced without Pilot. The best part, Pilot has brought people into my life that have enriched and challenged me.

My wonderful son John David was raised on Pilot Club spaghetti suppers and grew up to perform with his high school chorale and band at our Christmas programs. Supportive husband David washed his share of spaghetti-stained pots at the former Munroe-Goolsby Pilot House. My amazing step-daughter Pam served as 2007-2008 president of the Pilot Club of Macon.

My latest adventure is as Georgia District Secretary. The members of Georgia District Councils have trained and mentored me through official visits and region and district workshops. I hope I can be a fraction as effective as they have been. They have certainly set the standard high.

I look forward to meeting and working with Georgia Pilots. You have already been so friendly and supportive. Thank you for giving me the opportunity to share in this new adventure with all of you. Oh, imagine the places we will go!

Surelle K. Pinkston, District Secretary



MAKING A DIFFERENCE WITH YOUR DISTRICT TREASURER

I am a native of Elizabeth, New Jersey and have been living in Blakely, Ga for the past 35 years. I have been married to a wonderful guy name Norman for 37 years, mother of two girls Keisha and Mercedes and the proud grandmother of 5.

I have been a member of the Blakely Pilot Club since 2006. I have held the position of Club Treasurer for two years 2007-2009 and Co-Chairperson of the fund raising committee for two years.

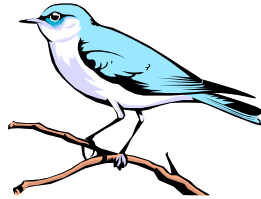
I have been employed with Georgia Pacific Cedar Springs Operation for 34 years in the accounting dept and now hold the position as Team Lead Accounting.

With me only being a member in the Pilot organization for 3 ½ years, I have plenty to learn! I'm ready to accept the duties and requirement of my position and hope I can add to the continue success of this great organization.

Barbara Wright, District Treasurer

MAKING A DIFFERENCE WITH CLUB OPERATIONS

Jacque Kristoff, Coordinator



Our goal has always been to provide opportunities for service that meet the needs of the community. In this respect, Pilot is unique. Each club is free to choose service projects to benefit their community.

Of course, in order to be able to achieve our goals, we need to retain our current members and add to our membership. If we are satisfied with the status quo and do not make the effort to recruit new members and increase our numbers, we can expect to find our club in a downward spiral as members age out.

If your club has not already had a membership recruitment event (a.k.a. Share Pilot), it is never too late. In fact, PI suggests two Share Pilot events a year, one before the holidays and one in the spring. Other times to invite prospective members include your service projects and fundraisers. Let them see your club in action. Holiday activities and interesting speakers also provide opportunities for inviting guests.

If you are thinking someone would not be interested in joining Pilot, ask and let them make the decision. Let's not say "no" for someone else; give them a chance to say "yes." If someone you have invited is not able to attend an event, don't give up. Give them another chance, especially if they had a good reason for declining. Now the time may not be

right, but later it may be. And, don't forget if you sponsor two members your PI and District dues are waived for the following year.

Wear your Pilot membership with pride. Wear your Pilot pin and talk Pilot.

Our BrainMinders™ signature project should bring our clubs recognition and interest. Obtaining publicity for your club's projects (service and fundraising) will help raise your club's visibility in the community. Our involvement in our communities is always needed.

You don't know anyone to ask?

Consider these possibilities:

- Your neighbor
- Your former neighbor
- Your co-worker
- Your former co-worker
- Your child's teacher or former teacher
- Retirees
- Your sister, brother, mother, father, son, daughter, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, or other relative
- People you do business with
- People who belong to other groups you belong to (social, civic, religious groups)
- Etc., etc., etc....

SERVING THE COMMUNITY THROUGH PROJECTS

Virginia Garrison, Projects Coordinator



Ralph Waldo Emerson once said, "It is one of the most beautiful compensations of life that no man can sincerely try to help another without helping himself." As Pilots, we constantly help ourselves as we are helping others. What is our reward? A smile, a hug, a simple "thank you" rewards us more than anything else.

I have met many of you at Pilot meetings throughout the years. For those of you who do not know me, I have been a member of the Pilot Club of Cartersville for 26 years. I served as president of PC of Cartersville for two (2) years, and I have been the Lt. Governor of the Northwest Region for the last two (2) years. I retired from Cartersville Middle School after 30 years of teaching in grades 6 – 8 with the last 10 or so years being 8th grade.

I was excited when Governor Louise asked me to be the Projects Coordinator for the upcoming Pilot year. I will need the assistance of every Pilot Club in the Georgia District. My plans are to highlight projects from each Region in the Governor's Bulletin each month. If I call or email you asking you to share your best projects, please share the information with me. I will then be able to share it with others.



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In the Projects Workshop at District Convention, information was shared about the Dictionary Project. The purpose of this project is to provide children with dictionaries and is usually directed toward 3rd grade students. The Dictionary Project is registered as 501 (c) (3) non-profit association in all 50 of the United States. The idea for the Dictionary Project began in 1992 when Annie Plummer of Savannah, Georgia, gave 50 dictionaries to children who attended a school close to her home. In her lifetime, she raised money to provide 17,000 dictionaries for children in Savannah. Currently, the organization is based in South Carolina. Since the beginning, over 5.3 million dictionaries have been donated.

What better way to make a difference in the community than to provide a tool for children to help with their education? Pilot Club of Macon has participated in this project making a difference in the Macon community. If you are looking for a project, this could be a great one for you. Check with the local school system to see if there is a school where 3rd grade students need a copy of a dictionary to help them with their lessons.



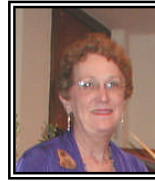
FUNDRAISING WITHIN YOUR COMMUNITY

Patricia L. Whatley, Coordinator

The new Pilot year is here and I am honored to have the opportunity to serve as Fundraising Division Coordinator for Governor Shimer. My responsibilities will include working with clubs to assist and advise with activities to generate funds to finance club goals and help clubs seek alliances and local partnerships. PI Foundation will also be an emphasis.

I will be available to assist any way that you feel you need me. I can be reached at whatleypl@hotmail.com or by phone at 770-834-2874. Do not hesitate to call on me for advice. I have many experienced Pilots at my disposal to use as my resources. Speaking of resources----- Resources are the single most important thing to a Pilot Club.; not just cash resources, but our follow Pilot members. It is important to listen to your fellow Pilots and consider ideas that are "a little different." As we grow our clubs and get new members we must update some of our fundraising ideas to include the new members. That doesn't mean changing the whole program but maybe just the tablecloth colors at the fashion show luncheon. Including new members in fundraising activities will revitalize the activity and help increase the amount of money raised. FUNraising.....

As long as there are bluebirds, there will be miracles and a way to find happiness.
- Shirl Brunnel, I Hear Bluebirds, 1984



MAKING A DIFFERENCE IN YOUR MEMBERSHIP

JoAnn Akers, Membership Chair

Membership is going to take a front row seat this Pilot year! Not that we have not addressed membership each and every year; but this year there will be a greater focus on what I term as the three R's – recruiting, retaining and reclaiming. It is critical that all of us look at the ways that we support each other in our clubs and how we keep that Pilot spirit alive and well in each of us.....once that spark goes out and we lose our focus on the big picture of our organization, then we will begin to see members begin to drift away to other activities.

As most of you know we have formed a district wide Membership Task Force – and it is still not too late to join us...the only qualification is that you must have access to e-mail and you must have a heart for Pilot. Just let me know of your interest. The first task that has been sent out to those members is for each one of them to look at what has kept them motivated and interested in Pilot. So why don't each of you take a minute and ask yourselves that same question.....why are you a Pilot?

A few tips to begin considering and putting in your Plans of Work for this year:

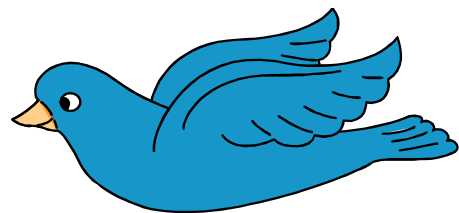
Does each member have "Ask Me About Pilot" button? That bright yellow button can not only brighten up your outfit, but it can generate some interest from people who see it.

Does each member have a business card that lists Pilot as an organization that you belong to? Just recently I passed them out in a meeting and had one of the businessmen ask me more about it.

Does each member have some of the small white tri-fold cards from PI describing Pilot? Keep them in your car and in your wallet – you never know when you could pass one out. Delegates to PI convention – pick some up for each one of your club members!

Do you have material about Pilot and about your club at every project, fund raiser that your club supports? People can pick them up and you can also pass them out.

I can be reached at jrakers@bellsouth.net and I look forward to helping the GA District achieve some strong membership goals this Pilot year.



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LEADERSHIP SEEDS

Jo Farish, Leadership Coordinator

Today's Leadership Seed came from Rhona Espinosa, the PI Leadership Coordinator for 2008-2009 and is kind of tough but oh so vital and applicable to our wonderful organization. We build on the old but we can't be afraid of new and creative ideas. "For everything you gain, you give up something" is a favorite quote of John Maxwell and how true it is.

Some key growth questions for you to consider:

- ~What trades have you made?
- ~What additional trades do you need to make?
- ~What will you trade for the betterment of your people?

Change can be scary but it is good. It is labor intensive but so worth the time and effort. Will you look at your clubs and districts and consider the changes that need to be made? Will you look even closer and consider the changes that need to be made in your own thinking?

Jo Farish, Leadership Coordinator



GEORGIA PILOT FOUNDATION

Pilots, the 2009-2010 year has begun. I hope all of your clubs budgeted at least \$100 for GPF. Again, our goal is \$10,000. At last count, we had reached \$10,480 for the 2008-09 year with donations and fundraisers.

Because of you, we were able to give six deserving Anchors each a \$1,500 scholarship last year and we hope to do the same this year. We continue giving these scholarships because of your participation in our fundraisers and your club/individual donations. Thanks for all you give.

Our new Georgia District Treasurer is Barbara Wright at 4012 Five Bridges Road, Blakely, GA 39832. Her home phone is 229-723-5257 and her work is 229-372-5359. Donations may be mailed directly to Barbara.

We are currently working on the latest GPF/PIF fundraising plans for this year. We look forward to another exciting fundraiser.

Again, thanks for your continued support for our Georgia Pilot Foundation.

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WELCOME OUR NEW MEMBERS

The Georgia District would like to welcome all the newest members to our organization! WELCOME!!

New Member	Club	Sponsor
Paula Lynne Matzko	Jefferson	Betty Campbell
K. Michael Hennessy	Cherokee Co.	Emily Jorgenson
Beulah "Bea" Lowder	Warner Robins	Linda Harris
Laurie Higgins	Warner Robins	Transfer
Margaret Elizabeth Reeves	Statesboro	Elaine McDuffie
Jessica Crowe Garner	Statesboro	Elaine McDuffie
Sharon Harnage	Adel	Linda McClain
Avaline W. Adams	Lavonia	Faye Tye
Beverly Bachman	Madison Co.	Joyce Fleeman
Bonnie Perdue	Cochran	Jackie Jones
Stephanie Satterwhite	Cochran	Jackie Jones

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



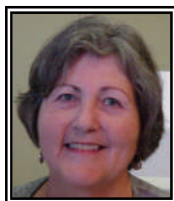
Pilot	Pilot Club
Brenda League	Monroe
Anna Laura Summey	Cartersville

Pilot	Pilot Club	Relationship
Latrelle Maxwell	Okefenokee	Mother-in-law
Nylan Hinson	Eastman	Brother
Elva Gomillion	Eastman	Brother
Jo Totherow	Commerce	Nephew
Barbara German	Battlefield Ft. Oglethorpe	Brother
Pat Vickers	Macon	Mother-in-law
Peggy Tuten	Brunswick	Father-in-law



Happy 4th of July!!

Your Bluebird Lt. Governor's



From your W. Central Lt. Governor...

I have been a member of the Pilot Club of Newnan since April, 1992. This was at the suggestion of my mother-in-law,

Cathryn Garner, who

had been a Pilot since 1972. My son had joined the United States Air Force and my older son was married so I was deep in the throes of empty nest syndrome. Pilot is a part of my life that I enjoy. I have friends that I would never have met had I not been a Pilot. Pilot friends are the best!

I have two sons, two daughters-in laws, two granddaughters, one grandson, my nephew-son, his wife and two sons, four grand-dogs, and my baby, Lucy, a Scottish Terrier. My favorite thing is spending time with my children, but I do enjoy reading, traveling with my friends, collecting Santas and books.

I have served two terms as President of the Newnan Club, two terms as Vice-President, two terms as President-Elect, three terms as Director, and one term as Recording Secretary. I was Lt. Governor of the West Region for two terms and now I am Lt. Governor of the West Central Region. On the District level I have been Chaplain, Club Operations Co-coordinator, and honored by Governor Jo Farish to be District Secretary. And, I am honored to be serving as Chaplain of Pilot International for President Pat Jarvis for 2009-2010. As the club representative to the Coweta Festivals Board I served as President for two terms. This is an event of the Labor Day weekend since 1972 and has put millions of dollars into the Coweta County area by the five umbrella organizations.

In Pilot Love, Beverly Garner



From your NW Lt. Governor...

Hi there, I'm Emily Jorgenson, Lt Governor for the NW Region. I'm a member of both the Atlanta and Cherokee County Pilot Clubs. I have been

President 3 times, twice in Atlanta, and once in Cherokee County. During my 18 years as a pilot, I've been the

Fundraising coordinator for the Atlanta club for 14 of those years and have been on the District Audit Committee, Projects Coordinator, a Lt Governor, District Treasurer and District Secretary.

Recently I was downsized out of AT&T, so I am currently between jobs, but filling my time with extra Pilot work.

I live in Atlanta, near Oglethorpe University with my sister and 2 cats. My brother lives in Fayetteville, AR and is a Church of Christ minister. My niece is a teacher in Fayetteville, AR; one nephew works for Coca-Cola and will be getting married in June; my other nephew was married last year, is a Marine, and is currently stationed in Camp LeJuene, with the expectation of being deployed to either Iraq or Afghanistan later this summer. I attend Brookhaven Christian Church where I sing in the choir. I look forward to visiting the clubs in my region. It is always fun to get to meet with Pilots from other clubs, that is one of the things that make it fun to attend all our conventions. I truly enjoy getting to meet with other Pilots, finding out what great projects and fund raisers they have. After all, aren't we all looking for more great ideas? I look forward to being Lt Governor and will do anything I can to work with my clubs during the next year.



From your SE Lt. Governor...

I am very excited to be serving as your SE Lt. Governor again this year. Last year proved to be a very valuable learning experience for me, but I

thoroughly enjoyed it and am looking forward to another wonderful Pilot year with my clubs in the SE Region. Please do not hesitate to call me at anytime if I can help you with anything. Hope to see many of you in San Diego where the bells will be ringing in a new Pilot year!

In Pilot Love, Vickie Cheek



From your E. Central Lt. Governor...

I'm starting my second term as your Lt. Gov. and I have really enjoyed this past year getting to meet and

learn so much about East Central Pilots. We have 13 clubs in our region, and they are all so hard working and dedicated to Pilot and to their communities. I love them all!

To share about myself, I have been married for 39 years, have 3 grown children, 2 girls and a son. We have three grandsons who are the light of our lives. I have been a Pilot for 20 years, oh, how the time has flown!! I have been club president in three different clubs, two in Georgia and one in Ohio. I am a past Governor of the KY-OH-WV district. I served as a Lt. Gov. for West Region in 1996. I am employed as an Administrative Assistant at Georgia College State University Student Health Services.

I'm looking forward to our time together, working to make our clubs the best in Georgia. We are in a time of great personal and financial challenge and we must forge friendships and share our talents in the best, most economic way possible. I hope those of you attending PI convention in San Diego will pursue as many of the helpful workshops that will be presented and share those ideas with your clubs in the months to come. Thank you all again for all you do in the name of Pilot.

In Pilot Love and Friendship, Nancy Miller



From your NE Lt. Governor...

I am a member of the Pilot Club of Lavonia. I am married to Tony Brown and have a son, Chris and daughter, Tonya, and one

granddaughter, Bentley. I have been a Pilot member for 14 years. It is my hearts desire to serve the Northeast Region to the best of my ability and with the help and support of others throughout my region.

In Pilot Love, Vonnie Brown



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HOW WE MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN OUR COMMUNITY

Congratulations to Cindy Weaver for her appointment as the new Federal Administrative Law Judge for Social Security Disability in Florence, Alabama. Cindy has assured us that she will remain a Georgia District Pilot and will still be our District Parliamentarian.

Congrats, also, to Virginia Garrison for receiving the Woman of Achievement Award from the Georgia Federation of Business and Professional Women's Clubs.

Liz Giddens, Pilot Club of Eastman was selected as the Educator of the Year by McRae Correctional Facility where she has been teaching for several years. Congratulations!

The Pilot Club of Cochran was selected as one of four "Best of the Best for 2009" for their project "GACHIP" (Georgia Child Identification Program) by Pilot International and will be showcased at the Pilot International Convention Projects Workshop in San Diego. Be sure and attend this workshop. WAY TO GO, COCHRAN!

We would love to let others know about all the good things you are doing and the awards you are getting. Let the District share in your success! Just email Editor Tammy Purcell at tpurcell@windstream.net

MAKING A DIFFERENCE

If each grain of sand were to say:
One grain does not make a mountain,
There would be no land.

If each drop of water were to say:
One drop does not make an ocean,
There would be no sea.

If each note of music were to say:
Each note does not make a symphony,
There would be no melody.

If each word were to say:
One word does not make a library,
There would be no book

If each brick were to say:
One brick does not make a wall,
There would be no house.

If each seed were to say:
One seed does not make a field,
There would be no harvest.

If each of us were to say:
One person does not make the difference,
There would never be love and peace on earth.

You and I do make the difference,
Begin today and make the difference.



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Dear Pilots,

Margaret Perkins and Emma Bohannon were hostesses at a reception for me on June 20th at Margaret's home. I was overwhelmed at the response - sixty-six Pilots, friends and family attended!! I even got some lovely gifts! The Carrollton Club prepared and served the delicious refreshments in their ever efficient way and made me so proud.

One lovely gift of a stars and stripes apron and some PC of Eatonton coozies had no name on the bag they were in, so I can not properly thank the givers. Please let me know who you are.

Our incoming Pilot International president, Pat Jarvis and her husband Gary, arrived late, having been delayed and rerouted by a fatal accident on I-85. Along with the Elberton Club being represented, the Pilot Clubs of Cherokee County, Warner Robins, Griffin, Sweetwater, Cartersville, Macon, Cochran, Milledgeville, Heard County, Cedar Valley, Jones County, PI Chaplain JoAnn Akers from Atlanta and another PI representative, Director Helen Winstead and Gwendolyn Yarbrough from Statesboro.

Present were incoming governors, past governors, It govs and other past District elected and appointed members, presidents and past presidents of clubs and an Anchor, along with all those other wonderful hard working Pilots that I so dearly love.

I was so grateful to them for making such long trips in that extreme heat and with the gas prices being so high. What a sacrifice on their parts and so very much appreciated on my part.

There were eight of my family members - I should say 8 and 3/4. Granddaughter, Sarah, is expecting great-grandson, Jackson, any day now. Her due date is July 4, but is expecting to be induced on July 1. I will explode with the news when it happens!!

Words are not enough to express my joy and appreciation, but they will have to do and please know that they come from the bottom of my 'lil ole pea-pickin' Yankee-lovin' heart. Now all I have to worry about is being accepted into the Past Governors' Realm. They are a tuff bunch, I am told. Keep talking Pilot and

Keep 'em flying,

Jo Farish, Governor
GA District, Pilot International

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Louise Shimer

PI Georgia District Governor



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