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Governor's Message



Service...a beacon to Pilot excellence!
'...for visions and dreams are the seedlings of reality.'
Pilot International Code of Ethics – Pearl Sparks

It is fall. How do I know? The calendar says it is October, but we sure wouldn't know it from the temperatures. Still feels like August!

In the words of a song, "these are a few of my favorite things".

- Seeing Pilots come together and have FUN
- Hearing Pilots give input in discussions
- Observing Pilots embrace change
- Watching Pilots "perform"

All these things happened at the Fall Workshop. Peggy Jessup reminded us how important Pilot friendships are. There were smiles, hugs, and lively conversation. I was so proud as Pilots recognized problem areas and suggested ways to improve the Sunshine Club. We heard technology tips and habits to help us continue on a successful road in life. Lunch was delicious, officer training informative and BrainMinder Buddies visited, dressed in their finest. Then to showcase the talents of Pilot, we heard songs and verses from 15 clubs! North Carolina Pilots are wonderful. There were sing-a-longs, solos and readings—all with the message that Pilot is GREAT and doing a good work. (Amy Hurst suggested a printed collection. It's coming.)

October is also a busy Pilot month. PI Brain Power Walks start the month. Pilot Founder's Day is celebrated next (October 18th). We are 91 and "looking good". The entire month of October is for membership expansion. Start in October and continue the push for membership right through March, which is the next membership month.

Continue to grow and serve with joy, and celebrate the bump Pilot will get in the service club polls.

Share the Pilot story everywhere you go.

In Pilot Friendship,
Harriett



Camp Carefree-----What a blessing!

On September 14-16, campers, aka brain injury survivors, camp staffers and Pilot volunteers gathered in Stokesdale for an incredible weekend. There is no way I can adequately describe the experience that we shared. (Be sure to attend the District Convention in May to see the whole story more pictures.) All of

us enjoyed the dance on Friday night. Participation, not perfection was the operative word. Persons in wheel chairs took a spin around the dance area, an outdoor shelter. Thanks to Rebecca Brooks, our resident party planner, the decorations for the dance were lovely and set the tone for the country/western theme. Good food, lots of activities/crafts and an abundance of support completed the weekend.



Susan Fewell, Raleigh Pilot and BIANC staffer, is so appreciative of Pilot involvement. She sends a big, big, thank you to clubs for their donations and to individuals for their participation. She knows at least 23 Pilots volunteered in some way during the weekend and many clubs sent donations and/or sponsored campers. What an opportunity Pilot has to serve with joy.

(If a club still wants to donate to Camp Carefree, it will be welcomed. The camp for next year is already being planned and the hope for an eastern camp is on the table. Send donations to BIANC/Camp Carefree, PO Box 10912, Raleigh, NC 27605.)

This was the 4th year of Pilot involvement with Camp Carefree and our blessings have multiplied 4 times. Thank you, thank you, Pilots.



Greetings, North Carolina Pilots!

Congratulations on a great Fall Workshop recently hosted by the District Leadership Team. May those of you who attended return to your clubs with renewed passion for Pilot and great ideas for implementation!

On October 6th, Pilots from around the world will share with others our focus on brain awareness by participating in the PI Brain Power Walk. Is your club walking or spreading the word? Happy Founder's Day on October 18th! Established in 1921, that makes Pilot International ninety-one years old! What a legacy of friendship and service

for us to enjoy and to share! What better way to celebrate one of our Membership Months (the other month is March) than by bringing someone new into Pilot! Please be sure to complete the *Pilot International Strategic Planning Survey* that was distributed through *Constant Contact*. You may also access the survey through this link: <http://tinyurl.com/let-us-hear-from-you> We appreciate and value your input in making the best decisions for our organization. Please remember to send me your club newsletter so I can read about all the great things your club is doing in your community.

In closing, I will share this quote, "Volunteers don't get paid, not because they're worthless, but because they're priceless." Sherry Anderson Thank you for all you do in the name of Pilot!

Winnie Brewer , PI President



- The fall Pilot Log is ready. If you can't wait to receive your copy, check it out on line. Look for the North Carolina DAC.
- New assessment form is on line and can be distributed soon. I'll send you additional information as I get it.
- Nomination period for District Officers is approaching. Watch for additional information from Nominating Committee Chair, Shannon Clegg.

Christmas Cards are still available. What a great (and inexpensive) way to thank your community partners for their support by sending them a card. Please send additional orders to Jodi Powell, PO Box 384, Valdese, NC, 28690. Your purchase helps YOU at District Convention time. (\$10 for 10 cards)



Interested in serving the District? Your Governor Elect, Leann Wheeler, is looking for those with an interest in serving on the state level. There are many committees and other appointments that are needed for the 2013-2014 year. Email for more information---lbwheeler.hiker@gmail.com or call 704-965-4105.



Pilot Clubs - Growing & Serving

I want to have an article in November's Governor's Bulletin about clubs that are growing and serving. I know some things, but I don't want to leave out any club. **So, please send your information by October 20, 2012.**

YOU'RE INVITED!

The Charlotte Pilot Club is remembering their 75th anniversary. The club was organized on October 8, 1937. They will celebrate on October 23, 2012, at Sardis Baptist Church, 5811 Sardis Road, Charlotte, NC with Lisa Moore, writer for the Charlotte Observer, as their speaker. For additional information contact Mary Ann Blair.



Club Songs and Verses----More to Come!

Oh, I wish I was a Pilot or an Anchor
That is what I'd truly like to be-e-e
Cause if I was a Pilot or an Anchor
Everyone would volunteer with me.

Written by the Kannapolis Pilot Club and sung to the tune of Oscar Meyer wiener song





Chaplain's Corner

Thank you, Club Chaplains, for keeping me informed about deaths of members, co-pilots, and immediate family members of your club. Also send me names of those sick or experiencing other problems.

Our sincere condolences are extended to :

The Pilot Club of Fayetteville in the death of 30 year member, Mary Alyce Benkosky.

The Pilot Club of Rutherford County in the death of Pilot member, Violet Lutz.

Our thoughts and prayers are with Rebecca Brooks, LT Governor, as her husband has surgery on his foot on October 4, 2012.

A friend is more than a shoulder to cry on. A friend is one who understands and you can do nothing with and enjoy it.

Janelle Ezzell, *NC District Chaplain*



Help Pilot and Help Your Club

Our fundraiser this year is to give to the charitable arm of Pilot (formerly the 501(c)(3) of PIF) is simple and easy!

1. Take the number of members in your club, subtract out the number of Past Governors, subtract out your Emeritus members, subtract out the members whose attendance is waived. Multiply that number by 75%. Multiply that number by \$20.00.
2. This is the goal you have to reach to be eligible to win one of three Registrations for your Club Delegate to New Orleans.
3. Collect the money.....checks are payable to Pilot International and are tax deductible.
4. Send the checks in one envelop to Pilot International.
5. Send me (1) the amount of your goal, (2) the amount sent to Pilot Headquarters, and (3) the names of individuals who contributed because they will be recognized at District Convention.

We thank the Past Governors for funding two of these registrations and we thank one anonymous Past Governor for funding the other one. SEE YOU IN NEW ORLEANS!

Laura Keever, *District PI Representative*