

Oconee Spokes



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President Mary

Happy Easter to you,

Pilots! It's a beautiful time of year for new beginnings. The grass is getting green, trees are budding, flowers are blooming. It is also that time of year for Pilot Club to begin to plan for the new Pilot year, beginning July 1. Our new Executive Board has been elected, and soon the division coordinators and special appoint-

ees will be in place for the new year. April 10-12, four of us from our club will travel to Norcross for the District Convention. We hope to bring back some valuable information that can only help us locally.

April 21 is our Planning meeting for the upcoming year. I know all of you have new ideas floating around in your mind that you would like to see our club implement. Please don't be afraid to share these ideas. Even if they don't happen immediately, these ideas can bloom and grow into something great. So let's get busy!

In Pilot Spirit,
Mary



Projects Division



Coordinators

Judy Marable & June McKenzie

The focus of our division will be to wrap up the final projects and place our energies on planning for our new Pilot year! Thank you for understanding Highland Hill's request to reschedule our last project with them. We are planning a date in June and will communicate the final plans as soon as possible.

Please remember to bring a bottle of Windex to support ACTION, Inc. for the senior boxes. We will have a box available to collect the Windex at our April meeting. Thank you for all the support this year with our projects!



Fundraising Division



Coordinators

Jan Thomas & Pam Crawford

Our total income on our 5K was \$9,631.79. After all bills have been paid and checks received from on-line registrations, our final total is \$6,653.51.

Thanks to everyone for your donations, soliciting of sponsors and work on race day. We exceeded our goals on both of our fundraising activities.

Another great year!!



Membership Division



Coordinators

Joy Elder & Sandra Glass

Thank you all who attended our "Pilot Information" meeting. Our newer Pilot members learned new facts about Pilot and we who have been in Pilot for years had our memory refreshed. It also can be counted as a make-up meeting. After furnishing refreshments tonight, we have completed our Plan of Works. Good job, everyone.



Pilot Calendar

- 4/10-12/15 GA District Convention
- 4/21/15 Planning Meeting for 2015-16
- 5/16/15 NE Region Workshop
- 6/16/15 Installation
- 7/8-12/15 PI Annual Convention



President Mary presented a check from our club to the representatives from Oconee County High Schools for their After Prom.





Debbie Wagner: April 13
 Kim Carey: April 21
 Millie Suttles: April 23



Member News



NE Region Events

- Apr. 14: PC of Hartwell: Pancake Supper
- Apr. 18: PC of Madison Co: Country Roads 5K
- Apr. 18: Classic City PC Auction
- April 18: PC of Madison Co. Camping Trip
- Apr. 25: PC of Winder: BBQ



Pilot Club Divisions for 2015-2016

Projects

Millie Suttles, Elaine Neal, Kate Bergen, Cathy Moorehead, Marge Saar, Gayle Christopher, Judy Murrow

Membership

Mildred Bell, Ann Giles, Donna MacPherson, Darlene Adams, June McKenzie, Denise Grayson, Judy Marable, Joy Elder

Fund Raising

Pam Crawford, Karen Finnerty, Mary Mattocks, Kim Carey, Sandra Glass, Jan Thomas

Kim ran a 5k on March 28, 2015 - The 2 Soles for 2 Souls 5K benefiting the Kupendwa Ministries, a maternity home ministry located in Uganda, Africa. The race was held at the Washington Farms off highway 53 in Watkinsville, Georgia. She placed 5th out of 14 in her age group. The owners of Washington Farms have a daughter who is currently serving the Kupendwa Ministry. She has registered for the Madison County Pilot Club 5k that is going to be on Saturday, April 18, 2015.

Sat., March 21st, Donna, June and Sandra participated in a church workday at Bishop United Methodist Church.

Sun., March 22nd, Donna attended the Classic City Pilot Club's 40th anniversary celebration in Athens. It was well attended by a number of other clubs and past and present officers from Georgia clubs and Pilot International.

Sunday evenings during March, Kate and Donna joined another lady friend for dinner sampling various restaurants in the shopping area near Home Depot.

Tues., March 31st, Donna, Kate and Sandra joined our Club's other Pilots for a great Pilot information meeting preceded by delicious chili and brownies.

Fri., April 3rd, Donna and her brother Doug attended brother Bruce's court hearing which finalized his adoption of Bella.

Sat., April 4th, Donna enjoyed joining her family at her sister Robin's home for a cookout and Easter egg hunt for her niece Bella.

Donna, June and Sandra attended sunrise service Easter morning in High Shoals. Two infants, a toddler and two men were baptized in the Appalachian River. Afterwards everyone enjoyed breakfast at the Whetstone's home.

Rosa, Freeman, and Alison traveled to Greenville, NC to attend Steven's exit show for his MFA. His exit project is singing bowls cast in bronze. He also made the wooden mallets for striking the bowls.



Rosa and Freeman have been busy with spring yard work and with building a coop for the chicks now residing in their garage.

Joy enjoyed dinner at the National with some faculty from the UGA College of Family and Consumer Sciences in March. The group was hosting noted nutrition expert, award winning food journalist, cookbook author, and television personality, Carolyn O'Neil. Carolyn spoke to a UGA Foods and Nutrition the next morning, where Joy also shared the Legacy of her High School Home Economics teacher, Dr. Jane (Otwell) Rhoden). Mrs. O'Neil's trip and class discussion were made possible by The Jane Rhoden Student Support fund

Joy enjoyed several movies during the month: Still Alice, a movie about a woman with early onset Alzheimer's, and The Second Best Marigold Hotel, with all those delightful British Dames were among those she enjoyed.

Joy volunteered with registration for the annual Athens Regional Foundation's Pillar Society reception and awarding of the 2015 J.W. Fanning Humanitarian of The Year. The event was held at the Athens Country Club where over 100 people enjoyed great food and fellowship.

Joy managed to get to spend three nights at her Hiawassee home in March. Took care of a minor repair, and scheduled a few others to be done; as usual, visited the No-Kill Animal Shelter to visit with all the dogs and get my "doggie fix"(less emotional, and cheaper than bringing one of them home!) And caught up on some reading and relaxing while enjoyed the beautiful lake and mountain scenes from my front floor-length windows.

Joy and friend hosted a birthday lunch for Myra Brock at Longhorn's near Bethlehem, GA in mid-March and also entertained a friend from Mississippi with lunch at Piccolo's.

Joy attended the wake and funeral of her former Vocational Supervisor, Olivia Newton, on March 14. She was a fine educator, supervisor, and community leader. She was living at Arbor Terrace at the time of her death, where Joy had visited her often since her move there in the early fall of 2014.

The Girls of the OCHS Class of 1963 group dined at Charlie Nobel's in March.

Joy's Sunday Bible Study Class had their annual Spring Fellowship Event in late March. 25 people enjoyed barbecue chicken and lots of sides and desserts before the array of games; (mostly Easter themed) that Joy led. What laughter, kidding, and a good time was had by all!!

A 30 -minute concert held inside the book area of the Oconee Library in Wat-

Watkinsville by The Extension Chords, a fine barbershop quartet was a fun way to spend a portion of a Sunday afternoon on Mar. 29.

Texas Sheet Cake
Submitted by
Gayle Christopher



Preheat oven at 350 degrees

Mix together dry ingredients:

2 cups of flour

2 cups sugar

1 tablespoon baking soda

Bring to boil:

2 sticks of butter

4 tablespoons cocoa

1 cup of water

Pour over dry ingredients. Mix well.

Add 1/2 cup buttermilk

2 eggs

1 teaspoon vanilla

Pour into a greased sheet cake pan

Bake until done: 20 minutes (this depends on your oven) sometimes more time sometimes less time.

Frosting

Bring to boil:

1 stick butter

4 tablespoons cocoa

6 tablespoons buttermilk

Add 1 box or 16 oz. bag of confectioners' sugar

Add one cup of chopped pecans or wal-

nuts. Pour frosting over cake immediately when cake is done.

Quick healthy sandwich:

Choice of bread

Pimento Cheese or choice of cheese

Fresh Spinach leaves



Spread pimento cheese on both slices of bread, generously pile high the spinach leaves on one slice of cheesed bread then top with the other cheesed bread and enjoy. Also great using choice of crackers and attractive served open faced. (submitted by Donna MacPherson)



Don't forget to bring your dimes for PIFF Grants and scholarships. We'll take them to District Convention this weekend.



GPF Raffle Tickets

See President Mary to purchase your raffle tickets for a chance to win one of the 8 \$250 prizes to be given at Convention. Monies benefit Anchor scholarships.

Signs of Spring are all around,
Lots of sunshine and rain abound,
Flowers are blooming,
Warmer weather is looming,
Spring's my favorite time of year,
Sights and sounds that I hold dear.