

# Oconee Spokes



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President Judy

May Flowers and May weddings! Thank you for your patience as we prepare for the day our daughter has dreamed of all of her life. While I never wanted our little girl to grow up, Blane and I knew this day would come. As we prepare the final touches for the May 12th nuptials, I realize the best mother's gift will be love, health and happiness for our family.

Our May meeting will be a celebration of Oconee Pilot. It was not surprising that our club was recognized multiple times at the recent

special because we celebrated with Abby, her brother and her parents. On Sunday of convention weekend, a very special memorial service recognized our sweet Mrs. Myrtice and so many other Pilots lost this past year. It was a privilege for me to represent each of you at this convention. Your dedication and leadership within our club is noteworthy.

Our club-planning meeting was filled with Pilot energy and creativity. As we continue to finalize the plans, our community will be the beneficiary. Plans are underway for our Installation Dinner in June! Can it be possible that another successful Pilot year will be in the books?

# President Elect Donna

Donna attended the Georgia District Convention April 6 - 8, along with Joy E. and Cathy M. It's always good to see and share with other Pilots from all over Georgia. Will share more at our May 1st meeting.



We had a very good Plans of Work meeting on April 17th. Pres. Elect Donna is looking forward to pursuing these plans with our Club and making 2018 - 2019 another great year.

Saturday, April 28th, Donna, Jane and Rosanne attended the 2018 - 2019 NE Region Workshop held in Winder at the First United Methodist Church fellowship hall. It was sponsored jointly by the Pilot Club of Winder and the Pilot Club of Gainesville. The Pilot Club of Gainesville was recognized for their 75 years of service.



There was a large crowd of enthusiastic Pilots including several of the male members from different Clubs. One Club being made up of about half women and half men. The workshops were informative and provided good handouts to bring back to our Clubs. A delicious lunch was provided and we were enjoyed a "mini concert" by Winder's own gospel quartet the "Quartermasters".



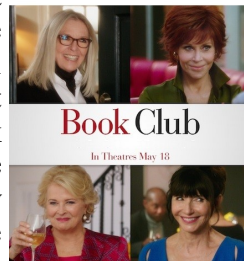
The workshop was held in conjunction with the Barrow Books-4-Kids Mission Project. Pilots added generously to their book bank by donating new or gently used books appropriate for ages Pre-K through 5th grade.

We enjoyed sharing our table with Pilots from Hartwell which including Ann Adams, a Pilot of legendary status.

## Membership Division

*Coordinator*  
*June McKenzie*

Membership has one last "Fun, Food and Flicks" for the Pilot Club. A signup sheet will be ready for you at the May 1st meeting. The movie is "Book Club", May 18th with Jane Fonda, Diane Keaton, Mary Steenburgen, and Candice Bergen. We will have to choose which restaurant to go as a group and the time will be announced through email. It will be for lunch and restaurant choices are: Cheddar's, Bone Island Grill, Tequeria Sunami, or Cracker Barrel. We will vote at the May 1st meeting. Let's have a big turnout for the last movie for this year. Thank you to Gayle Christopher who has arranged this event. This is a good way to get to know the members of Pilot Club outside of all the work we do and maybe have some fun.



## Fundraising Division

*Coordinators*  
*Joy Elder & Dennise Grayson*

Pilots, we hope you have seen the nice THANK YOU AD in the Oconee Enterprise recently. Not only have the number of sponsors for our Pilot Chase 5K increased over the past two years, but the amount of sponsorship monies has increased significantly. We are reminding you to make a point of personally thanking any of our 5K sponsors for their support when you are doing business with them, meet them on the street or at functions in our community. Let them know that  
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their financial support allows our Pilot Club to do many good things in our community and if there is the chance, share some of those “good things we do” with them!

## Projects Division

Coordinators

Jane Reese & Donna MacPherson

Pilots, please remember to bring a box of pancake mix to our meeting on Tuesday. This will be a donation to the Summer Food for Kids.



We want to thank everyone that has donated items to the UNG Food Pantry. The students appreciate our support



A Pick-Me-Up was presented to Pilot Jan Thomas. She is the caregiver for her husband, Jimmy.



A Pick-Me-Up was delivered to the Oconee Sheriff's E-911 center for their continued support of our Project Lifesaver program. Project Lifesaver is a tracking system for people that wander. We currently have 4 clients. Rosa Hall changes the bands and batteries each month.



If you know a caregiver and honestly want to help them out, don't say, "Let me know if there's anything I can do."

That puts the burden on the caregiver and they are already burdened enough.

Say, "I'd like to come over and spend a couple hours with your loved one so you can...take a nap, go shopping, read a book, take a shower, etc. etc."

Say, "I've made your family a casserole and dessert. When would be a good time to drop it off for you?"

Say, "I'm heading to the grocery store. Do you need anything?"

Say, "I'm doing laundry tomorrow. Want me to do a couple loads for you while I'm at it?"

Say, "Would you like me to listen while you have a good cry/rant?"

Get the idea?

And, please, whatever you do, don't forget to say, "I'd like to give you a hug."

[www.thedailygoodbyes.com](http://www.thedailygoodbyes.com)

Please submit names for a Pick-Me-Up to Darlene Adams or any member of the Projects Division.

## Pilot Birthdays

Carol Gurley	May 2
June McKenzie	May 15
Connie Wheeler	May 17
Dennise Grayson	May 28
Lavonne Lockwood	May 28



# Pilot Calendar

May 18, 2018	Food/Fun/Flicks
June 5, 2018	Pilot Meeting
June 19, 2018	Installation
6/27/18-7/1/18	PI Convention

June McKenzie has had a few visits to doctors in the last month but thanks to Dennis (husband) she is on the mend. Dennis and June have gone to Conyers several times to see their nephew play ball for Rockdale High School. Cody will graduate in May and has a scholarship to play for Augusta College in the fall.

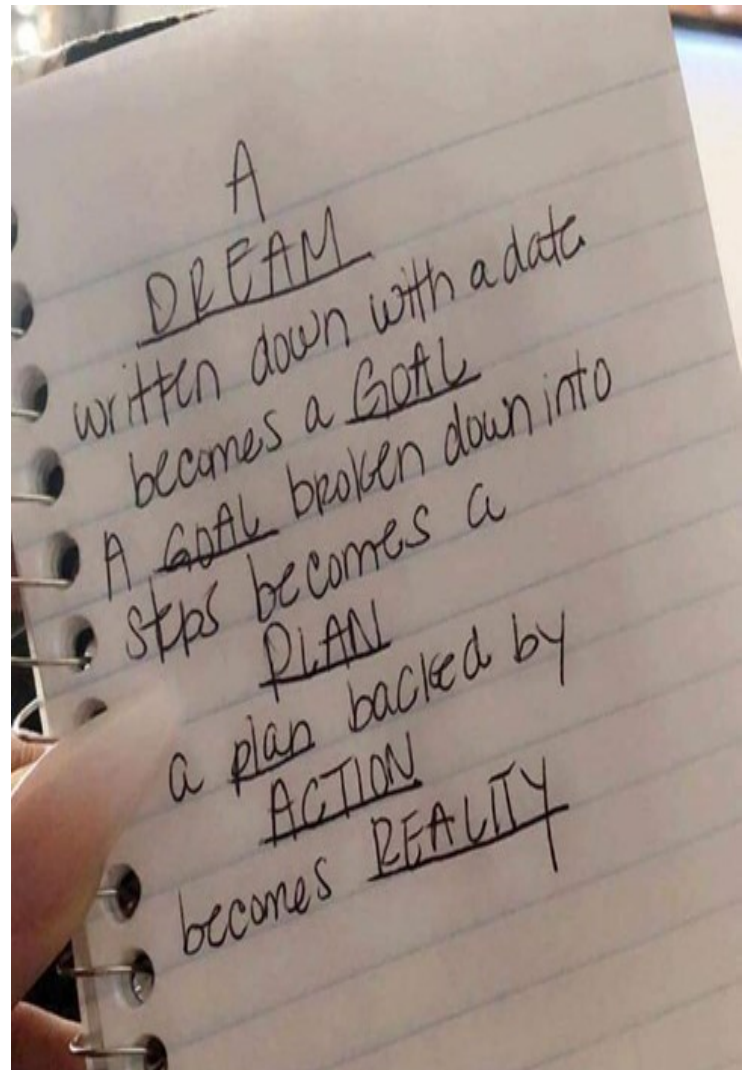
Cathy Moorehead participated in the Oconee County Relay for Life event recently. She donated a luminary in memory of Marge Saar.



## Member's News

Dennise was asked to guest lecture the Elder Law class at UGA Law School last month and realized that law school is a little more fun as the professor! She also enjoyed having Jack in town for a three week stay-cation during which he played some golf and avoided the last 2 snow storms that hit New York. Dennise and Jack attended the Ga Tech College of Engineering Alumni Awards ceremony, where they met General Phil Breedlove, a retired Four Star General and Former Supreme Allied Commander, Europe, and fellow GT Alumnus.

Cyndee Moore recently completed the Oconee County Chamber of Commerce's Leadership Oconee program and was the proud recipient of the programs James F. McClain, Jr. Leadership Award for 2018. Cyndee is shown with Delena Brockman, Executive Director of Piedmont Regional Health's Oconee campus who presented her with the award on behalf of the Chamber at their recent Leadership Oconee graduation at Thomas Cotton Gin.



Pilots, as we complete our Plans of Work for the Pilot Year 2018-2019 we need to keep these thoughts in mind so that we can have another successful Pilot Year.