

Oconee Spokes



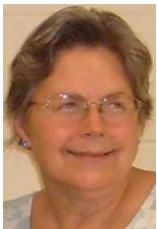
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President Donna

Hello Pilots,

Judy Marable, Cathy Moorehead, Joy Elder and I will be attending the Georgia District Convention April 7-9. Cathy and Joy will be assisting the Elections Committee. Joy will also be presenting at two workshops about our Pilot Chase 5K fundraiser. Our April 4th meeting will be your last opportunity to purchase GPF (Georgia Pilot Foundation) Raffle tickets (\$10 each or 4 for \$20). There will be eight \$250.00 winners drawn at District Convention. Please see our Treasurer, Cathy, for tickets.

Thank you again to our Membership Division for a fun and informative Pilot Informational

meeting March 21st at Thrive. Our Georgia District Governor, Cynthia Spearman, attended and enjoyed the event and great catered meal as well.

Special thanks to our Scholarship Committee's (Joy, Dennise, and Nancy) diligence. We are looking forward to meeting and hearing from our two scholarship winners at our April 4th Business Meeting. "Maddy" Madeline Mogrino will be receiving our Club's Helen Parrish Memorial Scholarship and Pam Poteh will be receiving the (GPF) Lynda Goodwin Volunteer Scholarship. These bright young women are truly inspirational.

Together we are Pilot Strong. Thank you Pilots for all you do for our Club and our community.

In Pilot Service,

Donna



President Elect Judy

As president-elect of our club, I look forward with excitement, confidence and anticipation of the adventures and opportunities for our next year. We will continue to build on the things we stand for as members in Pilot and support the needs of our community and club.

With these things on my mind, I look toward to our service together. I am hopeful that the opportunity for us to complete several surveys will guide our work and fun. The first survey allows us to rank our preferences for committee service next year. The second survey allows us to select our area of interest for special assignments/committees. Finally, a survey to gain your input about the upcoming year for short term and long range planning will be helpful in our decision making.

In an effort to conserve your time during our meeting this week, you may complete these surveys and get them to me at the March 21 Pilot Informational Meeting, mail them to my home address, email them to me or complete at our meeting Tuesday. I will bring some envelopes for you. It will be helpful for me to have the information by the end of the month so I can begin to prepare for our April planning meeting.

Please begin to think about our goals, what brought us to Pilot, and how we can attract others to our wonderful group. We are Pilot Proud and Pilot Strong!

We are looking forward to our planning session for our 2017-2018 Pilot Year!

Why: Pilots are Strong When They Plan

Together to Serve the Community

When: Tuesday, April 18 @ 6:30

Where: Watkinsville First Christian Church

Who: All Planning Pilots

What to Bring: Ideas

What's for Dinner: Pizza and Pies



Treasurer

Pilots, please bring your checkbooks to our April meeting. 4th quarter dues are: \$52 for Regular Members and \$33 for Associate Members.



Projects Division
Coordinators
Judy Murrow & Jane Reese



March 14th was another fun filled time with the residents at Thrive. Not only did the residents enjoy all the delicious food but entertained the Pilots with stories from their days before moving to Thrive. The visits with these friends are addictive. The more you visit the more special the time becomes.



One lady has a coloring group who like to color and visit. On one of my visits I was told that I was "conversing more than coloring". When I told that I failed coloring in school, her reply was that she knew who stayed in time out more than anybody else. Another retired teacher to be sure. An hour flies by when we are visions with these friends we have made through our Pilot Parties with Thrive. A heads up is they love BINGO - not a hint but request.

Projects Division is collecting personal care items for ACTS for May distribution. Suggestions are: Toothbrush, toothpaste, shampoo, lotions, bath wash, razors, deodorants, shave cream, soaps, hand sanitizer, make up, lipstick, etc.

Pilots Jan Thomas, Donna MacPherson, Rosa Hall and Joy Elder joined the Oconee County Sheriff's department while they were being certified by instructor Bill Riley from Project Lifesaver. Project Lifesaver is a tracking system for people they wander.

Our Club has 5 clients. Each client wears a tracker with an individual frequency that Captain Williams at the E911 center keeps track of. Parents view this service as an insurance policy that keeps their loved ones safe.

We would like to thank Blane Marable, Judy's husband, for the wonderful photos that he shared with the Sheriff's department and us.



Jane Reese, Rosa Hall and Judy Marable were able to participate in the Oconee County School System Special Olympics. The Pilot Club provided pizza, water, and apples to the participants.



Madison Boswell was one of the Special Olympians.



Membership Division
Coordinators
Darlene Adams & Mary Mattocks



I have it on good authority that Peter Cottontail is making final preparations for hopping down the bunny trail in just a few days. What precious memories I have of Easter baskets, egg hunts and family picnics in the 1950's! Speaking of eggs, we all enjoyed the Rotten Egg game on Pilot Information night...lots of fun and laughter! Georgia District Governor Cynthia Spearman joined us for a delightful dinner and a great time.

The Membership Division looks forward to the Chamber breakfast in June and we always encourage you to invite someone to join us.



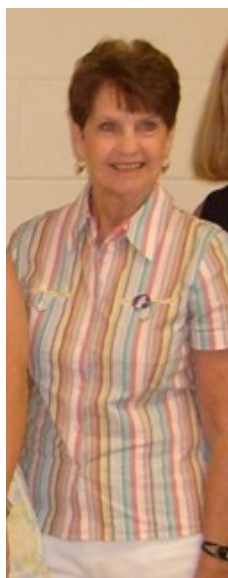
(Gov. Cynthia & Donna)
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Pilots at the Information Meeting at Thrive.



The Pilot Club of Oconee County, Inc. just celebrated its 38th birthday on March 27. Ann Giles, Joy Elder, Mildred Bell and Joan Mann (not pictured) are Charter members of the Club.



Pilot Sandra Glass was selected as the Pilot of Distinction for March.



Fundraising Division Coordinators Joy Elder & Dennise Grayson



June has all the completed forms from club members listing the vendors/services etc. that we as Pilots have used recently. She will tabulate the totals for each and determine those Pilots whose names will appear on the solicitation letters that will be sent to each prospective sponsor for our 2018 5K Pilot Chase Run/Walk. In some cases, a visit to the business may be made by 2 -4 Pilots who have used that business.

We are anticipating another great 5K in January, 2018, with hopefully EVEN HIGHER PROCEEDS for our Club's projects. Members are asked to consider signing up to be in the FUNDRAISING DIVISION for the 2017-18 year and use your talents, efforts, ideas, and visions to help us achieve this goal!



Pilot Calendar

April 4, 2017	Pilot Meeting
April 7-9, 2017	GA District Convention
April, 2017	Relay for Life Bank Night
May 2, 2017	Pilot Meeting
May 9, 2017	Thrive Tea Party
June 6, 2017	Pilot Meeting
June 20, 2017	Officer Installation*
July 6-9, 2017	PI Convention

*Catered Meals

Pilot Birthdays



Debbie Wagner	April 13
Martina Bober	April 14

Member News

Gayle enjoyed a day trip with the Roadrunners Club. They went to Thompson, Ga and toured the Tom Watson Home. He was instrumental in getting the rural mail delivery passed in the US legislature. Very interesting trip and a lovely home.



Dennise's surgery was a success! Dr. Ashford removed the tumor in her sinus area that was pressing on her tear duct and she is feeling much better. She is looking forward to attending the National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys annual conference in Boston at the end of this month.

Pam and Doc Crawford are proud of grandson, Stephen Barton! After two tours in Afghanistan and three years in Egypt...He is now a civilian!

Joy really enjoyed participating in the demonstration of the newer Project Lifesaver equipment on Tuesday. The class of Oconee Law Enforcement Officers who had been trained on Monday did a GREAT job of locating the "missing woman" in less than 4 minutes!

June has had a busy month. Jan Thomas, Gayle Christopher, and Gwen Greenway played bridge at June's house on March 1st.

On March 11, June and Dennis celebrated 44 years of marriage. They celebrated with a concert "The Ten Tenors" at Hugh Hodgson Hall and then out to dinner at Appleby's.

June helped with the tea at Thrive and played cards again on March 15th at Gayle's house. March 21 and 22 June spent at Athens' Regional for an infection and was glad to get home. March 27 Dennis, June Gayle and Jimmy Christopher attended the US Air Force Band with the Singing Sergeants again at Hugh Hodgson Hall.

Donna made a trip to Virginia Beach March 12-16. Friend and former Pilot, Kate Bergen, joined her for the getaway and opportunity to see a new beach. We attended a 65th wedding anniversary party for family friends on the 14th. We explored the area, seeing old "stomping grounds", house and high school

and enjoyed thrift shopping for "treasures".

March 18th, Donna joined family to see niece, Sydney, at North Forsythe High School's performance of "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dream Coat". Lots of talented students in a great show,

Donna enjoyed participating in a Pilot Lifesaver Training exercise March 28th with fellow Pilots Rosa, Joy, and Jan. Blaine Marable took photos and Judy posted them on the Club's Facebook page and emailed a link for viewing them. The Oconee County Sheriff's Office posted a nice story about Project Lifesaver on Facebook and gave thanks to our Club for its support.



Cabbage & Noodles

Submitted by Pam
Crawford

12 oz. kielbasa or sausage,
sliced
2 tablespoons olive oil,
divided
¼ cup butter
1 large onion, diced
½ head cabbage, chopped
1 clove garlic, minced
2/3 cup frozen peas
8 oz. uncooked egg noodles
Salt and pepper to taste



Cook noodles according to package directions, drain and set aside. In a large saucepan, heat 1 tablespoon oil. Cook sausage until lightly browned. Add remaining olive oil, butter and onion. Cook until softened, about 5 minutes. Add cabbage and garlic. Cook until tender (10-15 min.). Stir in peas, noodles and salt & pepper. Cook 2-3 minutes or until heated through.