

Oconee Spokes



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President Rosa

Donna MacPherson, Joy Elder, and Gayle Christopher will be representing us at the Georgia District Convention this weekend. They will give a report at the May meeting. There will be several changes to the GA District that they will share with us.

Treasurer Darlene Adams will be collecting dues this evening. Be sure to bring your checks or mail them to the PO box if you can't be at the meeting this evening.

In Pilot Friendship and Service,
Rosa

Use your voice for kindness,
your ears for compassion,
your hands for charity,
your mind for truth,
and your heart for LOVE!

Pilots,

As we complete the Plans of Work for 2015-2016, we are beginning plans for our next Pilot year. Please be collecting ideas for projects, membership drives and fundraising. We will meet on April 19 for our annual planning meeting. Donna will have more information for us tonight about this meeting.

Please choose the division you would like to serve on next year. Division coordinators are also needed.

President Elect Judy Marable will be updating information for the Yearbook. Please check the roster and make sure all the information is correct.



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Projects Division

Coordinator: Judy Murrow



Projects Division has completed the BrainMinder® presentations for the year. Thank you to all the Pilots that were able to participate in this worth-while project for the kindergarteners in our school district.



Pilots at OCPS: Sandra Glass, Darlene Adams, Joy Elder, Bebe Reed and Karen Finnerty.

We could ask ourselves, "If every Pilot were like me, what kind of club would it be?" Please read the following statements for a quick self-evaluation that could help revitalize our own Pilot commitments.

1. I make it a priority to attend monthly Pilot meetings.
2. I am actively participating in Pilot projects in order to serve my community.
3. I meet my financial obligations in a timely manner.
4. I seek to "CARE MORE, BE MORE and DO MORE".
5. I try to live by the Pilot Code of Ethics daily.



NE Region Lt. Governor attended our informational meeting as her official visit.

Pictured L-R; Jane Reese, Nancy Watkins, Bebe Reed, Kathy Reising, Lt. Gov. Jenni Overby, Tiffany Christopher, Lavonne Lockwood.

Membership Division

Coordinators



June McKenzie & Darlene Adams

Welcome to our new member, Tiffany Christopher, who was installed in March and was sponsored by Bebe Reed. Get to know her!

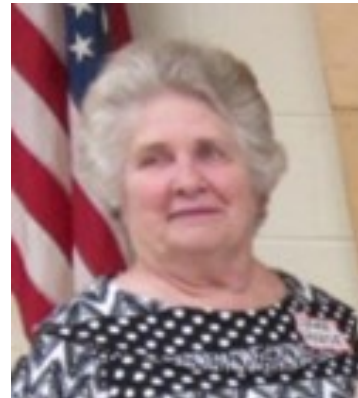
April is a good time for spring cleaning and yearly we dedicate many hours toward spiffing up our homes and yards. This could also be a good time to revisit our personal Pilot commitments to promote renewal.



Pilot Judy Marable prepared the games to review Pilot information for the new members.



Debbie Wagner: April 13



Jane Reese

Tiffany Christopher was installed by Membership Coordinator June McKenzie. Bebe Reed is Tiffany's sponsor.



Pilot Calendar

- 4/16 Relay for Life Bank Night
- 4/16 Project Lifesaver Pick-Me-Up
- 4/8-10: District Convention
- 5/30/16 Memorial Day at OVP
- 6/16 Highland Hills Party
- 6/21/16 Officer Installation



Georgia Pilot Foundation Fundraisers

Anchor Club and Lydna Goodwin Volunteer Scholarships

Drawing held at District Convention
Tickets \$10 each or 4/\$20

Dimes into Dollars

Raffle for one week stay at Sky Valley Resort:
tickets \$5 each or 5/\$20

Family: Husband, Justin III; Children, Justin IV and John-Ashley; Grandchildren: John Ashley, Madison and Eleanor.

We retired to Oconee County in 1990 after 23 years in the military. I was a nurse for many years but have given that life up for mom and grandmother. Justin III continued working at UGA for 15 years after we came home to Georgia while I was the full time mom getting two boys to all their activities. My nursing continued being a part of life through community volunteer health fairs, Red Cross etc. In 2012 I gave up that part of my life for being Oma to my first grandchild, John Ashley. Since then we have added two granddaughters that I love to have with me as often as possible.

I have admired Pilot work since 1970 when one of my best "senior friends" was an active member there. Service has been a major part of my life so Pilot is a great way to fill that part of my life since I have retired from medical volunteering.



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Member's News

Dennise attended the Globetrotters in Duluth with a college friend and it was so much fun! She then had yet another sinus surgery (3rd one this year; 7th overall) and is singing the praises of Dr. Alex Ashford! Hopefully, she can now go outside, and to test that theory; she is attending the Masters in Augusta. She has also enjoyed seeing all the close-ups on one of her friend's daughter as a Villanova cheerleader and will be cheering them on in the Final Four!

Pam, Doc, kids and three of the grands took a spring break trip to St Augustine for a week. Another much needed break!

Emeritus Myrtice has had some issues with shortness of breath and is staying home now most of the time. She says at 94 ½ she can do that!

Sandra and most of her family attended the beach wedding of Mary Catherine Colvin, daughter of Sheila Colvin, on Isle of Palms, SC. The weather was perfect, low tide and hardly any wind and the barefoot bride and bride's maids were beautiful.

Rain didn't stop the Glass grandkids from having an Easter egg hunt at Phil and Michelle's house. They were hidden inside and I am sure Michelle will be finding plastic eggs in strange places.

Joy enjoyed celebrating the birthday of a good friend with lunch at the Georgia Club in early March.

Joy did a little Spring cleaning during early March by taking some unwanted and/or un-needed items to OCAF for the annual Thrift Sale.

The March meeting of Beyond Basketball provided an inspiring speaker, good fellowship, a fun game, and a yummy breakfast at the Holiday Inn in downtown Athens.

Joy joined several of her female classmates from the OCHS Class of 1963 for lunch at Fats Café during March.

Joy was a hostess for a Mother-To-Be shower for a lady in her Sunday Bible Study Class. Lots of cute, cute clothes and other items for the expected baby BOY!!!!

Our Club Membership Division had a great time planning and carrying out the Pilot

Information meeting on March 15. Our Division members work well together and always have lots of fun doing it!

Joy really enjoyed spending 3 nights at her Hiawassee house in mid-March. The daffodils, forsythia, and redbuds were blooming at that time. Lots of time to read, run errands for household items, visit with the precious 3 young boys next door (who always look forward to my coming in anticipation of what type of homemade cookies I'll be sharing with them), taking walks in the camping area near The Ga Mountain Fairgrounds, and making my trek to the no-kill animal shelter with food and doggie treats, and a chance to visit with all the dogs there! Of course, there was NCAA Basketball to watch, and naps to take, also!!!

Joy enjoyed being a puppeteer with our BrainMinders at Oconee County Primary School. I did not participate during our last Club year.

We had an absolutely inspiring and totally uplifting worship service at Bethabara Baptist church on Easter morning. The worship through music and singing brought many of us to tears.

Joy attended a Pillar Society Reception and a Q & A session by Dr. Charles Peck CEO of Athens Regional Health System last week. We are about two months away in starting the Piedmont Hospital/Athens Regional Health System Partnership, which will bring a lot of changes and even more benefits to Athens Regional (which will retain its name).

Joy picked up former Oconee Pilot member Doris Rusgrove and we joined 5 other members of the Bethabara Widow's group for lunch at the Cracker Barrel on Thursday. They then made their monthly visits to a church member who resides at Bentley's Assisted Living at Jefferson, and former charter member of the Pilot Club of Oconee County, Melba Garrett, who resides at Mulberry Assisted Living in Statham.

Last Friday, Joy attended a retirement reception for her Optometrist, Dr. Rich Kimmick and a "meet the new Doc" time – Brandon Nelms has purchased the practice located next to Athens Regional First Care on Experiment Station Road. She followed that with attending the opening reception for OCAF's SOUTHWORKS exhibit will run through April. GREAT exhibit!

Rosa and Freeman had a great Easter with Steven and Mary Catherine home from NC and Alison off work for the weekend.