

Oconee Spokes



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Pilot International envisions a world where all are valued.



President Rosa

Dear Pilots,

We are off to a great start on another year of Pilot friendship and service. The July Business Meeting was very successful. Our Plans of Works and Budget were accepted and now we are beginning our year of Pilot Service to our community.

Our first activity is the August First Friday in Watkinsville. We hope to have lots of exposure and ensure that more people in Oconee County know that we exist and the contributions we make in our community.

Please volunteer to serve at the table and/or provide homemade cookies.

If you are unable to attend a meeting, please notify Dennise or me before the meeting. There are lots of opportunities to make up meetings, so please take advantage of these opportunities so that we can qualify for the Ann Adams Attendance award at District Convention in the spring.

Our audit committee had some hurdles to overcome (sickness) but they were able to complete the audit in a timely manner. Thank you Kim, Elaine W. and Judy Ma. for your hard work.

In Pilot Friendship,
Rosa



Projects Division



Coordinators

Gayle Christopher & Judy Murrow

The Projects Division is currently working to secure a Pick Me Up grant from Pilot International and a grant from Walton EMC. The purpose of the grants is to provide IPods to the Memory Care Unit at Highland Hills. Please keep in mind that the Artists with Disabilities exhibit and luncheon will be September 26th. It would be nice to have several of our Pilots attend this very special exhibit.



Membership Division



Coordinators

June McKenzie & Darlene Adams

Wow! The Membership Committee met on July 27th at Sterling Mill clubhouse. Everyone was present and we worked on our plans for 2015-2016 getting so much done. Darlene Adams has everything ready for First Friday in Watkinsville on August 7th where people can register to win a gift basket and Pilots can get some publicity for Share Pilot September 15th. Thanks to all who signed up to help with First Friday. You can help again on September 4th if you did not get to help this month.

Dennise Grayson has been busy trying to find a caterer for our three program meetings. Share Pilot will be first in September. She is also working on up-dating

our pamphlet. All members have helped in some way to up-date the material.

Judy Marable is checking with hospitals about donating magazine and should let us know soon. We will put Pilot labels and our web site on each magazine that we donate.

Please remember to bring any names of people you wish to invite to Share Pilot to the August 4th business meeting, or you may email June McKenzie with names and addresses later. Be sure to put the name of the Pilot that invites them on each list. Also make sure they know where we meet and that they have a ride to the meeting. I may need you to contact them if they do not respond to the invitation. I have 12 names already from two members, so please get me those lists. We will need division callers to let Donna know their count of members attending by September 10th so that we can contact the caterer with a final count. June McKenzie will have the number of potential members attending.

I am so proud of the committee for their hard work and I know we will continue to work hard to build up our membership this year. It is nice to have new members with new ideas.





Fundraising Division



Coordinators

Jan Thomas & Sandra Glass

At our July meeting all of the plans for divisions were approved by members. It's time to start getting ready for our first fund raiser....our Italian Dinner and Dessert Auction. We will have the tickets ready to pass out at our meeting Tuesday night. We would like to sell 150 tickets at \$10 each. We will also have the sign-up sheet for the food so be thinking about what you plan to bring. More information about the dinner and auction will be given at the meeting.



Pilot Calendar

- 8/7/15 First Friday
- 9/4/15 First Friday
- 9/15/15 Share Pilot
- 9/19/15 Artists w/DisAbilities
- 10/2-3/15 GA District Fall Council
- 10/6/15 Cottage Night
- 10/15 Highland Hills Party
- 10/20/15 Italian Dinner
- 11/11/15 Veterans Day at OVP
- 12/15/15 Pilot Christmas Party
- 12/15 Mental Health Am. Christmas Party
- 1/9/16 5K Run/Walk
- 2/13/15 ESP Big Hearts Pageant
- 2/16 Highland Hills Party
- 3/15/16 Official Visit & Pilot Info Meeting
- 4/16 Relay for Life Bank Night

- 4/16 Project Lifesaver Pick-Me-Up
- 5/30/16 Memorial Day at OVP
- 6/16 Highland Hills Party
- 6/21/16 Officer Installation

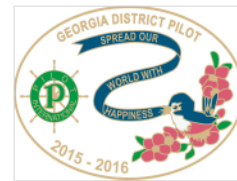


PI is pleased to announce that all Pilot International clubs now have the option to upgrade to Portalbuzz Premium, an upgraded service that gives clubs a public website and "members only" a suite of online tools and resources that will help you and your members run your clubs more efficiently.

Join us for a webinar **Tuesday, August 18th at 7:00 pm EST** to learn more about Portalbuzz and what it can do for you!

Join the meeting:

<https://join.me/portalbuzz>



Everyone is invited to participate in a meal packaging event at the GA District Fall Council. 100 people can package over 10,000 meals in 1 hour at the cost of only \$.29 per meal. Each member is requested to donate \$3.00 toward this worthwhile event. All donations need to be sent to the District

Treasurer by September 1.

For more information on Stop Hunger Now, go to their website:

www.stohungernow.org



Member's News

Don't forget that we are to help with the goody bags at Fall Council. We need donations of pens, note pads, etc. Another club is providing snack items.

NE Region News

Pilot Club of Monroe
Annual Picnic
Tuesday, September 8, 2015
6:30 PM

Classic City Pilot Club
Founder's Day Celebration
Monday, October 19, 2015
6:00 PM

Speaker: Grace Crittenden,
GA District Governor

Pam has been busy this summer with re-finishing a 74 year old dresser of her mother's for her granddaughter. Finally completed and delivered and set up just in time for Jonna's start to 8th grade. Pam & Doc also enjoyed a trip to world of coke and aquarium with Noah, Jonna and Logan.

Gayle and Jimmy took a day trip to Jackson, Ga. They enjoyed a nice lunch at Buckner's Restaurant then took some time

to see the Carmichael House in Jackson. Mrs. Dempsey grew up in this house. She and her husband once owned the home Jimmy



and Gayle now live in. Some years ago Jimmy and Gayle had the opportunity to tour this house. It was stunning.

Darlene and Herbert enjoyed a fun weekend trip to Abbeville, South Carolina where they took in a play, The Odd Couple, at The Opera House, stayed at the Bernibrooks B and B and toured the local historic areas.

Joy and fellow "girls of the OCHS class of '63" enjoyed lunch in July at Piccolos in late July and the Bethabara Widows group lunched at Cheddars.

Joy and longtime friend, Mary T. Zimmerman, are still walking inside at the Vet Park gym – worst part, getting back into a HOT car after the 2-mile walk!!!!



Gayle Christopher 8/16

Judy Marable 8/24

Joy and former Pilot Doris Rusgrove visited former Pilot Melba Garrett and Rachel Sims on July 31.

Joy attended the funeral service and burial for Mr. Jim Thaxton on July 27. He was the father of Joy's neighbor Eddy Thaxton, and Oconee Fire Chief Bruce Thaxton. Mr. Jim was a founder of the Oconee County Volunteer Fire Department, which later became county-wide. A fitting tribute for him was done by the volunteer fireman, (who were pallbearers), used fire trucks to stop traffic at each intersection between Lord and Stephens West, and Oconee Memorial Park where the burial took place. They also had a huge American flag raised up in the air between the hoisted buckets of two fire trucks. At the end of the graveside service, the Oconee Fire Department Office issued a final call to all volunteer firemen for Mr. Jim through the Departments' pager system.

Don't forget that Craig Edelen is now a resident of Silverleaf. He would love to receive cards and short messages (reading is becoming difficult for him).

Craig Edelen
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3,038 rescued in the past 16 years.

We currently have 5 Project Lifesaver clients.

Strawberry Cheesecake Lush

submitted by Jan Thomas



- 1 package Golden Oreos (36 cookies)
- 6 tablespoons butter, melted
- 8 ounces softened cream cheese
- 1 cup powdered sugar
- 1 (16-ounce) container Cool Whip, divided
- 2 packages (3.4 ounce each) instant cheesecake pudding mix
- 3 cups milk
- 3½ cups sliced strawberries
- Whole Strawberries for garnish

Instructions

1. Crush the entire package of Oreos. When the cookies are fine crumbs, transfer them to a large bowl and mix in 6 tablespoons of melted butter. Press the cookie mixture into a 9x13 pan and refrigerate while you prepare the remaining layers.
2. Next, beat together 1 cup of powdered sugar, the cream cheese, and 1 cup of Cool Whip. Spread over your cookie layer.
3. For the next layer, mix together the pudding mix, milk, and another 1 cup of Cool Whip. Spread over the cream cheese layer.
4. Layer the sliced strawberries on top, and spread the remaining Cool Whip on top and place whole strawberries on for garnish
5. Keep refrigerated until ready to serve.



The Pilot Club of Oconee County awarded Perfect Attendance Certificates for the 2014-2015 Pilot Year at the July Business Meeting.

Pictured in the 1st row: Darlene Adams (2 yrs), Elaine Neal (1 yr), Rosa Hall (15 yrs), Donna MacPherson (9 yrs), June McKenzie (14 yrs), Millie Suttles (1 yr)

Pictured in the 2nd row: Karen Finnerty (1 yr), Pam Crawford (3 yrs), Dennise Grayson (1 yr), Jan Thomas (9 yrs), Mary Mattocks (9 yrs), Kate Bergen (7 yrs), Joy Elder (29 yrs), Ann Giles (31 yrs), Judy Murrow (3 yrs), Gayle Christopher (9 yrs), Kim Carey (1 yr), Sandra Glass (14 yrs), Judy Marable (3 yrs).

Not Pictured: Cathy Moorehead (7 yrs), Marge Saar (17 yrs)