

# Oconee Spokes



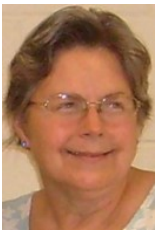
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President Donna

Hello Pilots,

The Pilot Club of Oconee County is going and growing strong as we further the Pilot International mission "to influence positive change in communities throughout the world". In 2016 - 2017 we are "Soaring into Service" with our emphasis on face-to-face and hand-to-hand service in our local community.

The lunch for volunteers at Butterfly Dreams was a great success. The Club will be putting our best face forward as we actively participate in the Oconee Chamber of Commerce, proceed with our Plans of Work and join the Watkinsville First Friday celebration on Friday August 5th.

Our Club will further expand its influence as we extend and accept invitations to and from other Clubs and Organizations with like-minded missions. We will accept the challenges of new needs and service opportunities brought to our attention that will better the lives of those in our communities remembering that our Plans of Work are a guideline by which we conduct our business but can be added to or changed as agreed upon by the Club.

We are planting a fertile field and expecting a great harvest as we plant the seeds of Pilot through sponsorship of prospective Pilot members for our Club's Share Pilot event in September.

We Pilots are here to "Do More, Care More, Be More".

In Pilot friendship,

Donna



## Projects Division

Coordinators



What an exciting start this year for the Projects Division. Thanks to Elaine Neal we have had 500+ magazines delivered to four different sites. Each facility appreciated the magazines. If you have a facility or office you would like to get magazines, let Judy Murrow know and she will add it to the list.

On Monday, July 25<sup>th</sup> the division went to Butterfly Dreams farm with lunch for the



volunteers. The division members learned a lot about the work there and got to interact with the students, meet the horses and enjoyed visiting with the volunteers. It is amazing at the therapy that is

done by professional therapists and volunteers with children/adults who have a variety of physical/emotional issues. The group that was there when we arrived was from ESP. They appeared to be really enjoying the activities directed by the volunteers. When the children left, the volunteers got to enjoy a break and eat the lunch consisting of chicken strips, brownies, chips, watermelon, slaw, cream cheese buns and water. Extra snack foods and water was left with the staff to be used for future sessions.

Remember to give Pam Crawford names of people who are caregivers that need or would enjoy a "pick me up".

For some this may be a special visit, food items (prepared by Pilots), respite for a time during the day giving them time to rest or fun errands, financial support for travel to doctor's visits etc. The members of division will use your input to help decide what action to take. All Pilots will be included in the actions.

Two visits were made to the Veterans' Clinic in Hull, GA with juice boxes and fruit cups for the patients who have blood draws or who have had long waits between tests. On the second visit



snack crackers were carried to have available when a patient need protein. As always, interaction with the patients and/or families waiting was the highlight of the visit.

Hopefully, we will have several Pilots attend the show by Artists with Disabilities. A good show is determined by the number of people attending, interaction with the artists and buying art. Make a special effort to support this activity on September 24.



## Membership Division

Coordinators



Darlene Adams & Mary Mattocks

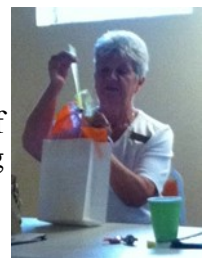
Calling all Pilots...it's time to recruit, retain and reclaim members! The goal has been set to add five new members this year. With this worthy goal, comes the challenge to retain our current members and to reclaim members who have dropped out over the years. You all are encouraged to reach out to prospective members and to former Pilots who may consider rejoining. Get a Prospective Member form from Jan Thomas and submit it. These prospects will get an invitation to Share Pilot scheduled for September 20.

We also need to do our best to support the work plans of all divisions through participation in projects. Indeed, together we are Pilot strong!

Please remember to send in honors, awards, and other recognition that you receive in the various arenas of life to Darlene Adams. We want to recognize the accomplishments of our Pilots.

**Membership Tip:** Get to know other members that you don't know so well by sitting in different places at the meetings. You can also engage these members in conversation and share your own information.

Pam Crawford was the recipient of the Membership Gift for wearing her name tag to a regular meeting.





### Perfect Attendance recipients for Pilot Year 2015-2016

Ann Giles (32 yrs.), Joy Elder (30 yrs.), Mildred Bell (17 yrs.), Sandra Glass (16 yrs.), Rosa Hall (16 yrs.), June McKenzie (15 yrs.), Donna MacPherson (10 yrs.), Mary Mattocks (10 yrs.), Jan Thomas (10 yrs.), Gayle Christopher (10 yrs.), Cathy Moorehead (8 yrs.), Pam Crawford (4 yrs.), Judy Marable (4 yrs.), Judy Murrow (4 yrs.), Darlene Adams (3 yrs.), Karen Finnerty (2 yrs.), Dennise Grayson (2 yrs.), Elaine Neal (2 yrs.), Randy Christian (1 yr.), Lavonne Lockwood (1 yr.), Jane Reese (1 yr.), Bebe Reed (1 yr.), Nancy Watkins (1 yr.)



### Fundraising Division

Coordinators



The fundraising division held their first Division Meeting since our Plan of Works was approved. We are working hard on our two big projects: the Pilot Chase 5K and the Alzheimer's movie.

Please mark your calendars for **January 7, 2017—for the Pilot Chase 5K!** If you would like to sponsor our event(s) or if you wish to contact a business for a sponsorship, please **contact June McKenzie** and she will get the necessary forms to you!

## Directors

Pilots each year the club enters competitions in the GA District. One of these competitions is the Ann Adams Attendance Award. Each club tries to have the best average attendance in the District. Our club has 12 regular meetings and 4 dinner meetings, each of which is a required meeting. If a Pilot is unable to attend one of the 16 required meetings, make-up meetings can be used.

### Criteria for make-up attendance:

One make-up meeting, within 3 months prior to or following absence, for attending:

- Meeting of another Pilot Club
- Pilot informational meeting of own club
- Club service project or fund raiser

One make-up meeting, for the following year for attending:

- Region workshop

Two make-up meetings, for the following year for attending:

- Pilot District Fall Council
- Pilot District Convention
- Pilot International Convention



## Treasurer

Pilots, please remember that dues are collected quarterly. Regular members: \$52 and Associate members: \$33.



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# Pilot Calendar

August 2, 2016	Pilot Meeting
August 5, 2016	Membership 1 <sup>st</sup> Friday
August 15, 2016	Audit Comm. Report Due
August 15, 2016	Plans of Work Due
August 15, 2016	Gov.'s Cup Award Due
September 2016	Founder's Month
September 1, 2016	Club Budget Due
September 1, 2016	Club Standing Rules Due
September 6, 2016	Pilot Meeting
September 6, 2016	Butterfly Drms. Donation
September 20, 2016	Share Pilot*
September 24, 2016	Artists with DisAbilities
Sept. 30 – Oct. 1, 2016	Fall Council
Fall/Winter/Spring	Thrive Parties
Oct/Feb/May	Action, Inc. Sr. Baskets
October 4, 2016	Pilot Meeting
October 22, 2016	Alzheimer's Walk Don.
October 22, 2016	Alzheimer's Walk
November 1, 2016	Pilot Meeting
November 1, 2016	Service to Veterans
December 6, 2016	Pilot Meeting
December 20, 2016	Pilot Christmas Party*
January 3, 2017	Pilot Meeting
January 7, 2017	Pilot 5K Chase
Jan.-March, 2017	BrainMinders™ Shows
February 7, 2017	Pilot Meeting
February, 2017	ESP Big Hearts Donation
February, 2017	Concussion Workshop
March 7, 2017	Pilot Meeting
March 7, 2017	The Cottage Donation
March 7, 2017	The Cottage Sweats Night
March 21, 2017	Pilot Info Meeting*
April 4, 2017	Pilot Meeting
April 7-9, 2017	GA District Convention
April, 2017	Alzheimer's Movie^
April, 2017	Dessert Auction^
April, 2017	Relay for Life Bank Night
May 2, 2017	Pilot Meeting
Spring, 2017	Special Olympics Lunch
June 6, 2017	Pilot Meeting
June 20, 2017	Officer Installation*
July 5-8, 2017	PI Convention

\*Catered Meals

^Fundraising Event

# Pilot International

The mission of Pilot International is: to influence positive change in communities throughout the world.

## Georgia District

### Fall Council

September 30 – October 1, 2016

Hilton Atlanta Airport

1031 Virginia Ave.

Hapeville, GA 30354

Pilots, this is a wonderful opportunity to find out more about Pilot and get to know the wonderful members of the GA District. More information will be available soon about registration.

## Pilot Dictionary

### **PIFF: Pilot International Founders Fund**

1. Grants and Scholarships Fund is the single source of fundraising to fund PI's matching grant program.
2. Each club or individual is asked to donate \$250
3. Each year clubs who give \$250 are recognized as a 250 Club
4. Each year individuals who give \$250 are recognized as a 250 Member
5. Districts are assigned a fundraising goal for the grants and scholarship fund
6. Clubs and individuals who send in their donation by Feb. 1 receive a certificate at District Convention
7. All 250 clubs and individuals will receive a ribbon at PI Convention
8. All Districts who reach their 250 goal will receive a ribbon at PI Convention

### **ABC's of Pilot**

A is for Anchor Clubs

B is for Brain Safety & Fitness

C is for Caring for Families in times of need



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# Pilot Birthdays



Gayle Christopher	August 16
Jane Reese	August 20
Judy Marable	August 25



# Member News

Dennise and Jack went to Vancouver, Canada and helped celebrate Canada Day on July 1<sup>st</sup> and spent a long weekend in that beautiful city. Then, we went on a cruise through Alaska for 7 days. It was a wonderful experience and Judy Marable and Joy Elder had already prepped me on the “what not to miss” so we were able to make the most of the trip! We went mushing on a glacier near Skagway; visited Mendenhall glacier; went kayaking in the rainforest; and of course popped by the Red dog saloon in Juneau.



Pam's mother, emeritus member Myrtice Kilpatrick, continues to struggle with walking and pain. Prayers for her as she deals with the changes of being almost 95 years old.

I am so proud of our granddaughter!!! Jonna attended the Volunteer Camp, sponsored by the Oconee Chamber of Commerce recently and visited many local businesses. She was so impressed with the new Thrive facility that she asked if she could come back and volunteer! This week she got her chance and enjoyed fixing the flower arrangements for the dining hall and working with the activities director and residents doing crafts. She was asked to return another day to help with Bingo! Jonna is almost fifteen and will be at Oconee High School this school year. This is also good as Thrive is one of our new projects this Pilot year.



Doc and Pam have worked hard in yards and flower beds and with recent rains they are looking good. With 101 degree temps they are staying in lately. Pam says she enjoys digging and weeding around 6:45-7:30am!!!

Pam has started playing cards with a group of women on Thursdays at the Senior Center. The game is Hand & Foot and fun!!!

Recent news from Sheila Jackson with ACTION, Inc. is that monies have been cut out for the wonderful Senior Box program effective October. There is hope that between community, organizations and ACTS that this program can continue. Senior Box is food, paper products and personal care items for seniors who qualify but that do not necessarily need a lot of help, just enough to get them thru the month.

August 14th is Homecoming at Watkinsville First Christian Church and all are welcome for a day of food, fellowship, singing and message by Reverend Byron Wells.



Rosa has continued to be busy with the garden and making jams.

Rosa and Freeman have enjoyed going out to eat with friends on several occasions.

# Something Yummy

## Ham and Noodles (submitted by June Mckenzie)



4-6 oz. noodles  
1/4 cup green pepper, chopped  
1/4 cup onion, chopped  
2 tablespoons butter  
1 egg  
1/4 cup milk  
17 oz. can creamed corn  
1 cup sharp cheddar cheese, grated  
1 lb. ham  
Crumbs

Cook noodles in boiling salted water according to package directions; drain. Sauté green peppers and chopped onions in 2 tablespoons butter until tender. In a bowl combine 1 beaten egg; milk, the can of cream corn; and sharp cheddar cheese.

Mix in chopped fully cooked ham with all the other ingredients. Turn into a buttered 2-quart casserole dish. Cover with crush crumbs (corn flakes, crackers etc.) and 1 tablespoon melted butter. Bake at 350 degrees for 50 minutes.

Serves 6.

## General Tao's Chicken (submitted by Rosa Hall)



1 lb chicken tenders, cut into bite sized pieces  
1 egg white  
3/4 cup + 1 tablespoon cornstarch, divided  
Vegetable oil  
3 green onions, chopped  
1 tablespoon minced ginger  
1 tablespoon minced garlic  
2/3 cup vegetable stock  
1/4 cup sugar  
2 tablespoons soy sauce  
1 tablespoon white vinegar  
1 tablespoon sherry  
Red pepper, to taste  
Steamed broccoli, to serve

Mix the egg white with the chicken and coat completely. Sprinkle 3/4 cup cornstarch in a bowl and dredge the chicken, coating completely. Watch out that the cornstarch doesn't clump up at the bottom of the bowl.

Heat oil in pan and fry chicken pieces until golden. Drain oil. Heat 3 tablespoons oil in pan on medium heat. Add green onions, ginger, and garlic; cook for about 2 minutes. Be careful not to burn the garlic.

Add the vegetable stock, sugar, soy sauce, vinegar, sherry, and red pepper.

Mix 2 tablespoons water with 1 tablespoon cornstarch and pour into mixture, stirring well. Add chick and coat evenly.

Serve immediately with steamed broccoli over your choice of rice.

Serves 4