

# Oconee Spokes



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President Judy

Another month rolls around and once again I think the same thing, "time is flying." Despite the time flying by, Pilots never miss an opportunity to serve others and to make our community a better place.

Our Share Pilot Program was informative and engaging for our guests. It was an enjoyable evening of delicious food, fellowship and talking the language of Pilot! Our divisions really know how to showcase the club's work! Lavonne, Donna and I were amazed by the wonderful art at the

the Georgia Artists with DisAbilities Exhibit. We had great conversations with many of the artists during the opportunities to meet the artists and luncheon. We have a couple of stories to share and fondly reminisced about stories of the past with our beloved Marge. Please mark your calendars for next year—Saturday, September 22, 2018. I enjoyed the Chamber of Commerce Member Picnic and was excited to see Kathy Reising there.

October brings opportunities for networking at the Fall Council, serving others at our Thrive Tea Party, celebrating Founder's Day, and participating in the Walk to End Alzheimer's. Please keep your extra, unused Christmas cards, envelopes and calendars for a great project that Joy spearheads each year. More details are offered in our newsletter. What great ways to Shine the Light of Service in our lives and the lives of others.



Donna MacPherson, Lavonne Lockwood, and President Judy Marable attended the GAWD.



The attendees at Share Pilot were Kathy Burkes, Carol Gurley, April Few, Vickie Hammond, Jennifer Healan, Pat Huff, Pearl McLean, Aleisa Oxford, and Mary Jo Wright.



### ***Membership Division***

*Coordinators*

*June McKenzie & Nancy Watkins*

Please continue to invite people to Pilot (Be More, Care More, and Bring More). We were so pleased with the turnout of Pilots and guests at "Share Pilot" on September 19th. Maybe we inspired some to want to become Pilots who have the same goals as our club does. Membership will have refreshments for the October business meeting. Thank you to all who helped to make "Share Pilot" a great evening.

### ***Fundraising Division***

*Coordinators*

*Joy Elder & Dennise Grayson*

Pilots... We are celebrating the total sponsorships received for our 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Pilot Club Chase 5K now at over \$5000. A BIG PAT ON THE BACK to the 10 Pilots who have secured at least one sponsor for our Race and encourage ALL our Club members to make your 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> CONTACTS WITHIN THE NEXT 2 WEEKS. Cathy will provide an update on sponsors secured and sponsorship amounts received at our Tuesday meeting. Remember, we



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to have ALL our Sponsorships secured by November 15. WE ARE PILOTS STRONG so with every member working, we will reach our goal so that none of the activities, projects, or donations approved by our members will have to be adjusted during this Pilot year.



This is a brief bio on our speaker last month: Captain Len Sapera served in the US Navy for 28 years. He was the commander of the Navy Supply Corps School in Athens from 1987 to 1991, and a veteran of the Vietnam War who has received numerous military decorations, including the Legion of Merit, the Bronze Star and the Meritorious Service Medal, four

times.

He also served as chairman of the Athens Regional Medical Center Foundation, and was named "Humanitarian of the Year" by ARMC in 1998. Sapera is a board member for the Salvation Army, Junior League, Food Bank of Northeast Georgia and the Housing and Economic Leadership Partners.



## ***Projects Division***

*Coordinators*

*Jane Reese & Donna MacPherson*

The Projects Division has a calendar filled this quarter. Dates to remember for October is the Thrive visit. This trip is a little different from the tea parties last year. Our Puppet Team will do a puppet show for seniors giving reminders about safety and other facts that will enhance their lives. Since the residents do not finish lunch until 2:15, we are going to prepare snack bags with 2-3 cookies, a few pieces of candy (bite size), energy bar etc. The treats will be put in small bag that they can take to room for future snacks. We will need 30 bags. October 17, 2:30 at Thrive.

Elaine Neal delivered over 210 magazines to Piedmont Regional Hospital on Sept. 28. Please continue to collect magazines. Delivering magazines counts as volunteer hours and a make-up meeting.

Put on your walking shoes and join Judy and Rosa for the Alzheimer's Walk on October 21. If you can make this date, let Judy know at meeting Oct. 3 and get directions for the morning of exercise and fun.



You can register on-line at Walk to End Alzheimer's. Our team name is Pilot Club of Oconee. The Walk is at Clarke Central High School with registration beginning at 8:00 am. The ceremony begins at 9:00 am and the Walk begins at 9:30 am.

Donna, Judy and Lavonne enjoyed the Artist with DisAbilities in Atlanta. The attendance was smaller this year, but still very meaningful. The winning entries will be on a tour of the state beginning in November.

The Georgia District Fall Council is this weekend at the Hilton Atlanta Airport. Donna is Chairperson this year. Our Club is in charge of the table decorations.

November is the month we honor our veterans. Remember to bring staple foods to restock the food shelves at the Athens VA Clinic. Remember that some are homeless and need foods that are easily opened and prepared. Also, crackers etc. are needed for the diabetic clients. Also, Lavonne will have a speaker from Butterfly Dreams Farm. Please bring water, sport drinks and snacks for their volunteer staff.

ACTS update:

ACTS stands for Area Churches Together Serving and is the food bank and clothing closet run by participating churches in the area.

Pam reports figures from a recent ACTS board meeting. Average number of families this year is 222 per month. This would be approximately 12,000 units of food out the door per month and over 138,000 units per year!!!

Items needed are jackets and sweaters, coats and blankets, sheets, towels and comforters as well as any item to cook with!

Items can be dropped off at the ACTS facility in Bogart near the library and ballfields on Tuesday and Fridays between 9-1. 130 E Thompson St. All food and clothing are appreciated too!



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President Judy Marable and PI Ambassador recipient Donna MacPherson.

Guidelines: To celebrate Founders' Month, clubs may honor one or more members by designating her/him as the Pilot International Club Ambassador. This candidate should: Be active in an assigned role within the club. Promote and support Pilot International and its activities. Be active in a project that addresses one of Pilot International's core areas of service focus: Anchor Clubs (Youth Development & Leadership), Brain Safety & Fitness, and/or Caring for Families in Times of Need. Be faithful in attending meetings and give generously of his/her time to assist with service projects and fundraising activities.

## Pilot Calendar

Oct. 3, 2017	Pilot Meeting
Oct. 7, 2017	GA District Fall Council
Oct. 17, 2017	Thrive/Brainminders™
Oct. 21, 2017	Alzheimer's Walk
Nov. 7, 2017	Pilot Meeting
Dec. 2, 2017	Christmas Parade
Dec. 5, 2017	Pilot Meeting
Dec. 19, 2017	Pilot Christmas Party
Jan. 2, 2018	Pilot Meeting
Jan. 13, 2018	Pilot Club Chase 5K
Feb. 6, 2018	Pilot Meeting

Mar. 6, 2018	Pilot Meeting
Mar. 20, 2018	Share Pilot Picnic/Info.
Apr. 3, 2018	Pilot Meeting
April 6-8, 2018	GA District Convention
May 1, 2018	Pilot Meeting
June 5, 2018	Pilot Meeting
June 19, 2018	Installation
6/27/18-7/1/18	PI Convention

## Pilot Birthdays



Cathy Moorehead

October 12

## Georgia District

The 2018 GPF (Georgia Pilot Foundation) raffle will again be for \$2,000—8 awards of \$250 each. All clubs are being asked to sell a minimum of 40 tickets. Tickets are \$10 each or 4 for \$20, and will be distributed to the Club Presidents at Fall Council. The drawing will be held at the 2018 District Convention.

The raffle proceeds, along with donations, allowed us to award \$13,500 in scholarships for 2017—6 Anchor and 3 Volunteer scholarships. With continuing increases in the cost of tuition for our college students, these scholarships are needed more than ever by these deserving students.



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# Pilot International

Volunteer Hours is the new name of Service Hours. The time our members spend volunteering for their club, district, or Pilot International are important for our 501(c)(3) status. The hours may also impact grant applications that may be submitted by our organization.

Pilot/Anchor volunteer hours are broken down by the ABC's (initiatives of Pilot International). Hours include the time members dedicate to a service project, a BrainMinders™ presentation, a safety day or bike rodeo, assisting with an Anchor convention, or presenting a Pick Me Up. You may also include attending a special meeting preparing for one of these activities. In addition, if you volunteer at a community function and represent Pilot International by wearing your Pilot shirt and/or name tag and promote Pilot, these hours can be included.

Volunteer hours for fundraising events for your club are not included. If you are helping with another organization's fundraiser, those hours can be counted if you are representing your club. An easy way to distinguish this is, if the money from the fundraiser is being deposited in your club's bank account(s), then the hours are NOT included.

Each club should assign one person to submit the volunteer hours for all members of the club monthly. This is done on the Pilot International website. This is a very simple form and takes less than 5 minutes to complete. The data submitted is collected in Survey Monkey. Volunteer hours should be submitted monthly for all members

We look forward to seeing how many volunteer hours our members/clubs contribute each month. Thank you for all you do as we Do More Care More and Be More in our communities.

Rev. 9/28/17

Pilots, please email Rosa Hall and Judy Marable when you participate in a Pilot project or accrue volunteer hours. Judy needs the information and dates for the Quarterly Report. Rosa needs to report the volunteer hours to PI and record the information for make-up meetings.

# GA Pilot Clubs

Please Join Us  
Classic City Pilot Club  
Founder's Day Program  
Speaker: Katharine Banning  
Georgia District Governor  
Pilot International  
Monday, October 16  
6:00 PM  
Jennings Mill Country Club  
1500 Chamber's Court  
Bogart, Georgia  
Dinner Cost: \$15  
RSVP October 12  
June Robertson  
706-540-1837  
[june.r@charter.net](mailto:june.r@charter.net)

## Member's News

As we begin to receive 2018 Calendars (any size) and 2018 small purse datebooks, Joy would like to take them to the Athens Area Salvation Army for distribution to persons living in the Shelter on Hawthorne Ave. Members can begin bringing them to our business meeting on Oct. 3, through our Dec. 5 business meeting.

Also, a second opportunity for us to brighten the holidays for our U. S. Soldiers is for us to donate Christmas greeting cards with envelopes. Joy has volunteered to ship them to U S Soldiers serving in the Middle Eastern Countries so that the solders can send them to family and friends back in the U S A before the holidays. Our members can begin bringing them to our business meeting on Oct. 3 and again on Nov. 3. Joy will need for us to get the cards to her quickly for her to be able to ship by Nov. 15 to allow time for them to be received at the Bases, and sent back "home" by the soldiers before the holidays.



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Membership Chairperson June McKenzie and new 2-year director Rosanne Smith.

Jimmy and Gayle enjoyed a trip to Atlanta where they saw the play *American in Paris*, the Andy Warhol exhibit and Gayle shopped while Jimmy rested.

Members were saddened to hear of passing of former Pilot member Carol Toney. Carol worked at Oconee State Bank for thirty-five years before retiring. She will be missed by many!

Pam & Doc entertained dozens recently to celebrate oldest grandson Josh Barton's 30th birthday! Josh was here from Chesapeake, Virginia and loved all the food and attention! A special gift was given...it was the framed flag that Josh folded at Pam's dad's memorial service and presented to his great grandmother. Josh is a veteran with Marine Corp and is presently a Marine recruiter with eleven years of service.

Lindy and Earl Lively celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary last month with more than 100 friends.

Rosa and Freeman enjoyed a visit to friends in Pennsylvania. They visited a wolf sanctuary and a large dairy farm.



## Pumpkin Bread

Submitted by  
Pam Crawford



1 2/3 c all-purpose flour  
1 1/2 c sugar  
1 tsp baking soda  
1 tsp ground cinnamon  
3/4 tsp salt  
1/2 tsp baking powder  
1/2 tsp ground nutmeg  
1/4 tsp ground cloves  
2 large eggs  
1 c canned pumpkin  
1/2 c canola oil  
1/2 c water  
1/2 c raisins  
Optional  
1/2 c chopped walnuts

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Grease 9x5 loaf pan.

Combine first eight ingredients, whisk together eggs, pumpkin, oil and water and stir in dry ingredients just until moistened. Fold in raisins.

Pour into loaf pan and bake 65-70 minutes or until toothpick inserted in center comes out clean.

Cool in pan 10 minutes and remove to cool on wire rack.