

Oconee Spokes



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President Donna

Hello Pilots,
This Labor Day please remember our Service Members, Veterans and Public Service Personnel who don't get to stop for Labor Day. Pray, if you will, for our country, the upcoming elections and that our leaders will use common sense and good Christian values and guidance in decision making. Then you get out there and have a safe and enjoyable holiday.

Now hold onto your hats as we have a fast and furious ride ahead as we drive into service with our Plans of Work activities, invitations to join with other Pilot Clubs, and the upcoming Georgia District Fall Council.

Please show your support for associate member Joan Mann at the ribbon cutting for her dance studio on Thursday September 8.

A lively group of us will trek to Monroe for the Pilot Club of Monroe's annual picnic and 62nd anniversary. We will enjoy great fellowship with a football theme, an auction and a tasty meal prepared by some of the best cooks in Georgia.

Looking forward to a great Share Pilot evening September 20 and gaining more wonderful members for our Club and showing them off in the Georgia District Governor's Bulletin, the Pilot International magazine and of course in our local community. Thanks again to Club member Bebe Reed for the use of the lovely facility of Thrive Assisted Living and Memory Care for this and our other catered meal events. Thanks also to our members who attended the Thrive Grand Opening celebration Tuesday August 5 before our business meeting.

Several of us plan to attend the Georgia Artist with DisAbilities (GAWD) 32nd annual Awards Presentation and Luncheon on Saturday September 24th. You may recall that this is an activity that was near and dear to Marge Saar. This is an opportunity to admire and purchase awesome artwork, meet the artists, get a lift emotionally as you share in the artists' thrills during the awards, and join the artists during lunch. The Club's donation covers the luncheon costs for five of us and we enjoy great company when we carpool for the trip to Atlanta.

I would like to encourage additional Club members to join Judy Marable and I at the Georgia District Fall Council September 30 - October 1 at the Hilton Atlanta Airport. The Welcome Party Friday night is a rainforest theme. Saturday morning, we have a service project as we participate in a food packaging activity with the Stop Hunger Now movement. Our Club can vote to approve monies to assist additional members to attend.

Membership is doing a great job and we were well represented at First Friday in Watkinsville August 5th

A special thank you to Blane Marable for his expertise and service of photography to our Club. We had a great picture of our new Executive Board published in The Oconee Enterprise.

We are in for a great 2016-2017 Pilot year as we "soar into service". Thank you all for your efforts.

In Pilot Service and Friendship,
Donna

of events are: Meet the Artists 9:30 - 10:30; Awards Ceremony 11:00; Luncheon 12:30. The cost of the luncheon is \$20.00 and a list of those attending is required. Hope to see a good response from our club.



Membership Division
Coordinators
Darlene Adams & Mary Mattocks



A spirited "high five" to all of our First Friday cookie bakers and hostesses. We had many visitors enjoy the free yummy cookies and cold water that Pilots offered on First Friday. Fifty-four adults registered for the gift basket (won by Layne Francis) and seven requested more Pilot information. Yea team!



We are excited about the upcoming opportunity to "Share Pilot" on Tuesday, September 20 in the beautiful Thrive Assisted Living facility. Come enjoy a delicious meal and great fellowship as we put our best foot forward for potential Pilots.

The Division thanks Nancy Watkins for being our "cheerleader" for the 3 R's of Pilot Membership: Recruit, Retain and Reclaim.





Projects Division
Coordinators
Judy Murrow & Jane Reese



The Pilot Clubs of Metropolitan Atlanta are sponsoring the 32nd Annual Georgia Artists with Disabilities Exhibition at the Georgia Power Building in Atlanta, on September 24, 2016. Artwork is submitted by artists with a disability and will be judged. A touring exhibition will be assembled from Best in Show, Distinguished Merit and Honorable Mention winners. Artwork will also be for sale. Schedule





Fundraising Division

Coordinators

Joy Elder & Dennise Grayson



The Fundraising Division has been busy making plans and checking off items on our “to do” list for our Pilot Club Chase -5K Run/Walk to be held on Saturday, January 7, 2017 at noon! The venue reservation has been made; the runner awards have been ordered; the race flyers have been updated and sent to Carole Black who will register us at Active.com; and Cathy Moorehead is to register us on Run and See Georgia Grand Pris.com. Printz Plus has printed the flyers and they will be in the club members’ folders which June McKenzie will hand out at our September 6, business meeting. We are in the process of contacting t-shirt vendors and comparing prices before selecting our vendor. Our t-shirt design will be determined by the end of November. The sponsorship letter and (thanks to the Membership Division) so has our Pilot Club’s brochure have been updated and will also be included in the folders that June will give to each member. Kathy Reising is handling the publicity for our Pilot Club Chase 5k Run/Walk and is in the process of contacting The Oconee Enterprise, The Oconee Leader, The Athens Banner Herald, The Flagpole, OCS Superintendent, Dr. Jason Branch; local banks, and the Oconee Chamber of Commerce to include advertising about our Race in newspapers, on marquees, and any email newsletters that they may send out to the area communities.

June will be our Race cheerleader on Sept. 6 about all the info in the folders! So, get ready Oconee Pilots to begin our chant of “The 2017 Pilot Club Chase 5K Walk/Run will be the Biggest and Best one to date”. Each of us Pilots has to commit to being PILOT STRONG to make this happen!!



Directors

Georgia District Fall Council

September 30 – October 1, 2016

Hilton Atlanta Airport

1031 Virginia Ave.

Hapeville, GA 30354

Per our club’s standing rules: the president and president elect shall be the official club representatives to Fall Council. The club shall pay the expenses of the official representatives to Fall Council including transportation for one automobile plus parking, registration fee and lodging. For more clarification see page 19 of our Yearbook.

This is a wonderful opportunity to find out more about Pilot and to meet fellow Pilots.



Pilot Calendar

September 6, 2016	Pilot Meeting
September 6, 2016	Butterfly Dreams 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 Donation
October 22, 2016	Alzheimer’s Walk
November 1, 2016	Pilot Meeting/Lt. Gov.
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
January-March, 2017	BrainMinders™ Presentations
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 Donation Night
March 21, 2017	Pilot Informational Meeting*
April 4, 2017	Pilot Meeting
April 7-9, 2017	GA District Convention
April, 2017	Alzheimer’s Movie^
April, 2017	Dessert Auction^

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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*

*Catered Meals
^Fundraising Event



Pilot International



As Pilots, we are charged with helping others find their “True. Course. Ever.” and navigate their way through the rough waters of life. With determination and compassion, we stand ready to help our communities and the world at large face obstacles, overcome challenges and weather the storms.

But there are times when it is our fellow Pilots who need us most.

Pilot International wants to remind our members of the Safe Harbor Fund that raises emergency funds for individual Pilot members affected by disasters such as the recent earthquake in Kumamoto (Japan) and the recent flooding in Texas.

If you would like to help please mail your donation check marked “Safe Harbor Fund” -to:

Pilot International Headquarters
102 Preston Court
Macon, Georgia 31210

Georgia District

Each year Georgia Pilots helps with a service project. Once again, the Georgia Pilots will be packing meals for Stop Hunger Now.



Stop Hunger Now distributes its meals in developing countries through feeding programs operated by partner organizations. These partners promote education, encourage children to attend school, improve the health and nutrition of students, address gender inequalities, spur economic growth, combat child labor, and create a platform for tackling global issues. In addition to supporting school feeding and other development programs, Stop Hunger Now also provides meals in response to crisis relief.



Pilot Dictionary

Georgia DAC: Georgia District Administrative Council is comprised of the Governor, Governor Elect, Secretary and Treasurer.

Georgia DEC: Georgia District Executive Council is made up of the six Lt. Governors for the Georgia District.



East Central District

Pilot Club of Monroe Picnic: Tuesday, September 13 at 6:30 pm. First Baptist Church of Monroe. 202 McDaniel Street

Classic City Pilot Club: Founder’s Day Celebration: Monday, October 17. Cost is \$15.

Project Lifesaver

The primary mission of Project Lifesaver is to provide timely response to save lives and reduce potential injury for adults and children who wander due to Alzheimer's, Autism, and other related conditions or disorders.

Our Club has 5 Project Lifesaver clients. At the initial visit, the client is assigned a transmitter with a specific tracking frequency. Captain Jimmy Williams of the Oconee County Sheriff's office is in charge of training officers to use the equipment. Once per month, the batteries and bands are replaced.



Pilot Birthdays



Kendall Edelen	September 5
Kathy Reising	September 5
Bebe Reed	September 13



Member News

Donna attended a planning meeting concerning the Georgia District Fall Council Thursday September 4th; our region (East Central) will be responsible for planning the Fall Council in 2017.

Donna as well as Sandra Glass and June McKenzie have finished a Bible study on the Gospel of John during Sunday school at Bishop United Methodist Church and began a study of Esther (June's suggestion). Everyone is welcome

to join us at any time. Resume Sunday September 11 with chapter 2 Esther.

Thank you to Rosa Hall, Judy Marable, Joy Elder, Mary Mattocks, and Lavonne Lockwood who nicely represented our Club at the invitation of the Pilot Club of Winder to attend a reception honoring Pilot Jenni Overbey for her exceptional service as Georgia District Northeast Region Lt. Governor for two terms of 2014 - 2015 and 2015 - 2016. It was a real pleasure to work with her.



Donna's brother, Alan, as a follow up tongue cancer surgery and radiation treatments, had a PET scan Friday August 26 with results given Tuesday August 30. Results "Looks good/no signs of disease". Praise God!

Sunday August 29 Donna enjoyed a boat ride (and swim) around Lake Oconee with Alan on his pontoon boat along with niece Bella and friends Charley and Jane Brooks. Truly relaxing. Yeah!!! Schools are back in session. We love the kids and it was a busy summer.

Randy Christian and Ronnie Ogletree presented Elder Care Planning information to the Disciple Women of Watkinsville First Christian Church.

Rosa and Freeman attended her 45th Class Reunion. It was great fun seeing everyone.

Rosa wants to thank the Executive Board from last year for her wonderful presents. It was an honor and a pleasure to serve with each of you. Thank you to everyone for making 2015-2016 Pilot year such a success.





Pilot Member, Bebe Reed in the black and white dress, at the ribbon cutting for the opening of Thrive Assisted Living.

ABOUT THRIVE AT ATHENS



WHAT DOES ASSISTED LIVING MEAN TO YOU?

To most people it means seniors occupying their time in a nice building and cared for by professionals. Now imagine seniors living **CONNECTED, ACTIVE, and PURPOSEFUL** lives. Imagine them using tablets and social media to connect with family and friends, or enjoying a variety of experiences led by our energetic Director of Excitement. Picture seniors living lives of activity, choice, and significance.

That's Assisted Living Like You've Never Seen Before! And that's what life at Thrive at Athens is like.

Care is at the Core of Thrive Assisted Living and Memory Care and is supported by state of the art technology featuring Electronic Health Records, Electronic Medication Management Records, Intel-GE QuietCare and Keyless Suite Entry.

Located at 2040 Resurgence Drive, Watkinsville, GA 30677