

OONEE SPOKES

OCTOBER 2020

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Happy Autumn Pilots,

This month is Founder's Month. Our GA District Governor Elect, Robin Williams, will Zoom in our October 6 meeting for our Official Visit. She will address the club.

This Saturday, Pilots from around the state will attend the first ever Zoom Fall Council. We will meet as a club at OCAF since LaRuchala has graciously offered to host the meeting. We will all wear our face masks and practice social distancing. Thank you LaRuchala.

There is still time to sign up for the Walk to End Alzheimer's on October 24. Mary Mattocks is the chairman of this committee and will send out the final plans for our individual walk soon. You do not have to make a donation to participate in the walk.

Captain Jimmy Williams is retiring from the Oconee County Sheriff's Department on October 2, 2020. He is our contact person for Project Lifesaver. Our new contact person is Deanna Smith. She is well acquainted with Project Lifesaver and the transition will be seamless. The Sheriff's Department is enthusiastic about us sponsoring Project Lifesaver. We currently have four clients.

This year's Helen Parrish Scholarship recipient is Scott K Conner. We are proud to be able to offer this scholarship to worthy University of North Georgia students that graduated from an Oconee County school.

We are pleased to announce that the recipient of the PI Ambassador for our club this year is Darlene Adams. She is an exemplary Pilot and is a valuable asset to our Pilot Club. She will receive a certificate and a gift from the club. Congratulations, Darlene.

Hugs and Blessings,
Rosa

OUR MISSION AND VISION

Pilot International's mission is to influence positive change in communities throughout the world. To do this, we come together in friendship and service, focusing on encouraging brain safety and health and supporting those who care for others.

October 7, 2020
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PROJECTS



This month's project is ACTS (Area Churches Together Serving). In October we will provide with financial assistance, but remember in the spring if COVID allows them to be open Joy will have a list for us to support with needed items.



October is our month to exercise our legs and be ready to walk for Alzheimer's Walk. Coach Mary Mattocks reports that we've reached our goal of \$1,000 for the 2020 Walk to End Alzheimers BUT WE WANT TO DO MORE! Let's see if we can double it between now and October 24 when we'll walking in our neighborhoods to raise money and awareness for this important cause!

You can still donate to one of our team members OR our team in general by clicking on the following! And remember ... we always have room for more walkers so come on and join our team! Just click on the following link:



<https://bit.ly/30o68bt>



Look who showed up at UNG with donations for Nigel's Nest – our September Project!



MEMBERSHIP

October is Pilot International Membership Month. Recruiting a new member can be as simple as offering information about our club. Extend an invitation to attend a meeting so they can see us “in action” discussing our plans and reporting on our activities. Pilots come together in friendship and give people an outlet for service.



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A lot of things have been put on hold this year but you never know when you might meet someone who just needs an invitation.

Talk Pilot. Stay safe.

FUNDRAISING

We're going virtual! The 2021 Pilot 5K Chase will be VIRTUAL this year with participants running or walking at the location of their choice during the week of February 1 – 6! Each member of our club is asked to register 8 – 10 friends, co-workers, or family members this year to help support this event (which should be super easy since they don't have to live here). So get on Facebook and start spreading the news! Participants can register at www.active.com

We are off to a great start with sponsorships! Many thanks to those of you who jumped in and helped mail out more than 125 sponsorship letters and form!

PRESENTING

Piedmont Athens Regional Foundation (Joy Elder)

GOLD

University of North Georgia (Cyndee Moore)

Seymour & Allen, LLC (Cyndee Moore)

SILVER

Striplings (Jane Reese)

BRONZE

Herbert & Darlene Adams (Darlene Adams)



Let's get you and your sponsor on the board!



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12 - Cathy Moorehead

SUNSHINE REPORT

Please remember to send names and addresses of those in the community who would appreciate a card from our club to this year's Sunshine Chair Pam Crawford. Pam sent out 7 cards this month on behalf of our Club!



MEMBER SPOTLIGHT



The arts have been an integral part of La Ruchala Amyrrh Murphy's life since birth. From growing up in a musical household, to visits to the Smithsonian Museums each summer with her grandmother, to creating works of art on her bedroom walls inspired by art programs she watched on PBS. LaRuchala's creativity was expressed through art, chorus, and theatre throughout childhood. Encouraged by her high school gifted and talented art teacher, La Ruchala decided to further pursue arts education at Winthrop University; earning a Bachelors in Fine Arts and continuing there to receive a Masters in Arts Administration. Through Amyrrh Designs, La Ruchala organizes, teaches, and creates art and arts experiences that are stimulated by emotion, patterns, nature, and imagination. She combines acrylic painting with mixed media elements such as fabric, paper, wire, and found objects.

MEMBER NEWS & NOTES

Joy will also be collecting Christmas cards again this year to send to U.S. Troops stationed in the Middle East and Asia to fill out and mail back to their families here in the States. All postage costs to mail these to the troops will be paid by Joy.



Joy is asking our Club members once again to collect 2021 calendars (any size from small pocket calendars/date books to large full sheet sizes for wall hanging) that she will take to the Salvation Army Shelter for distribution to those who live there, those who come for the daily meals and attend services at the Salvation Army Church. DEADLINE TO GET CALENDARS TO JOY IS NOVEMBER 30.

You may drop calendars and/or cards off at Joy's house, leaving them on the covered front porch or call Joy to come pick them up at your home or business. She will need to collect these by the following deadlines:

Christmas cards:	November 2
Calendars:	November 30



Rosanne Smith along with several friends cooked again this month for Food 4 Lives. They made and boxed up 50 meals to be distributed by college students to 50 homeless people in 5 different camps in the Athens area.



NOTABLE NOTES FROM OUR DISTRICT



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As Lt. Governor East Central Region I have had two Official Visits:

- September 14th with the Pilot Club of CSRA (Central Savannah River Area) in person meeting held at a member's Club House in Aiken, SC. The 2019 - 2020 Lt. Governor Beth Copeland passed the Lt. Governor's banner to me as the 2020 - 2021 Lt. Governor.
- September 21st with the Pilot Club of Greene County in person meeting held at the Greensboro Pizza Hut. Our Club member Joy Elder accompanied me on this visit and we both supported their fundraiser of pecan sales. They contribute magazines for our distribution project.

At both visits we discussed current challenges mainly due to Covid restrictions and using social media, Zoom and Pick Me Ups to do business, provide service and remain visible in our communities.

- September 23rd I attended the NEGA Platter Chatter meeting held in Toccoa at the X-Factor Grill. Next month's meeting will be October 28th at the Ila Cafe. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Pilotly,
Donna MacPherson
Lt. Governor East Central Region





Georgia District Pilot International



Gov. Susan Harbin's father, Kenneth Bailey, passed away on October 1. Please keep Susan and the family covered in prayer during this sad and difficult time.

Cards of caring can be sent to her at:
P.O. Box 421
421 Bowman St.
Lavonia, GA 30553



PILOT CLUB OF CARROLLTON

BEEF RAFFLE

\$25.00 / ticket

Prize: 250 pounds of local, grass-finished ground beef
Comment below or e-mail juliestrickland89@gmail.com to purchase!

Meat will come frozen in 1 lb packages.
Winner selected November 1st with meat available November 30th.

Maximum of 200 tickets sold



October 6, 2020	Executive Board Meeting @ 5:30 Business Meeting @ 6:30
Feb. 1 -6, 2021	12th Annual Pilot 5K Chase VIRTUAL EVENT
April 2 - 4, 2021	District Convention 2021 Callaway Resort & Gardens Pine Mountain, GA
July 7 - 10, 2021	Pilot International Convention & Leadership Conference Atlanta, GA

COUNTDOWN TO ATLANTA

PILOT INTERNATIONAL
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SAVE THE DATE
July 7-10, 2021
Atlanta, Georgia

**COME CELEBRATE 100 YEARS OF PILOT
FRIENDSHIP & SERVICE**