

Happy Fall, You All!

by: Darlene Adams, President

I hope that you are experiencing the glories of our Southern Fall and are anticipating the bountiful gatherings, football games, activities and festivals in our lovely state. Several of us will be traveling to Fall Council at Unicoi State Park in Helen and we are excited about the special gathering of our Georgia District Pilots. We have other gatherings this month that afford great opportunities...Share Pilot County Fair, Founders Day, UNG celebrations, Walk To End Alzheimer's, Scholarship Fair, and Make a Difference Day. Join in and enjoy.

Remember to get in your guest list for Share Pilot ASAP to recruit club membership, provide Pick Me Ups and send numbers to me, and ramp up your volunteer hours. All these things "Make a Difference"!

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY: How are you fighting Alzheimer's?

The ADR reminds me...to stay active, to eat a healthy diet, and to exercise my mind.

Pilot International's Mission is to influence positive change in communities throughout the world. To do this, we come together in friendship and give people an outlet for service. We focus on preparing youth and young adults for service, encouraging brain safety & health, and supporting those who care for others.

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Club Business Meetings: First Tuesdays, 6:30 Social 7:00 Meeting Bishop Baptist Church Social Hall July, Sept., Nov., Jan., Mar., and May

Activity Project Meetings Aug., Oct., Dec., Feb., Apr., and June Dates and Locations vary Please check Spokes for information

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Mrs. Barbara won the Pick



Get your boots, flannel, denim and hats together! The Membership Division is working on our Share Pilot County Fair Event for October 17, 2023. Have you sent in your prospective Oconee Pilot Member? If you have attended our events sponsored by the Membership Division, you know it will be fun!

The Projects Division is working full force for the Oconee community during October. We had Pilots support the 7th Annual Run for Responders 5K & Festival as we started October. Later this month, Saturday, October 21 is our Athens Area Walk to End ALZ at Jennings Mill. Please come and join us as we support our area teams as they walk.

The Fundraising Division is meeting at Pam Crawford's house on Tuesday September 26th to prepare the 5K sponsor letters for mailing out.

Thanks to all members who submitted new sponsor names and others who may still submit to help fund our community projects.



Oconee Pilot Quarterly Volunteer Hours

July 2023 - 129 Hours, 366 People served August 2023 -177 Hours, 82 People served September 2023 -225 Hours, 658 People served

Oconee Spokes October, 2023



Community Parnerships SANE and Walk to End ALZ





Oconee Pilots have Educational Meeting with Community Partners during September Business Meeting.

Michelle Dickens was a guest speaker at our September meeting. She is the leader of S.A.N.E. at the Bogart location. S.A.N.E. is Sexual Assault Nurse Examiners. It was developed in 1995 between Law Enforcement and Hospitals to support the patients and collect evidence for Law Enforcement. The local program serves thirteen counties with offices in ACC, Oconee, and Morgan counties and has eight nurse examiners on staff. It is a full-service operation open 24/7 and helps the patient and law enforcement from start to finish. Funding is provided by Federal grants, Exam reimbursement, local fundraisers, and private donations.

Anna Scott was a guest speaker from the Alzheimer's Association. The program is leading the way to end Alzheimer's and other dementia with research and helping caregivers. There are twenty Walk to End Alzheimer's in Georgia. The local ACC/Oconee walk is the smallest, but it raises the most money. The goal this year is \$85,000. Our club has exceeded our goal this year of \$1,000. To donate to our team, go to the Alzheimer's website click on a Walk near me. Our team's name is Pilot Club of Oconee County and Rosa Hall is the team captain. You do not have to donate to participate in the Walk on October 21 at 8:00 am at Jennings Mill. We will help after the race by writing notecards to the supporters.

Upcoming Events

- Friday, October 6-Saturday, October 7: Georgia District Pilot International Fall Council Unicoi State Park and Lodge
- Saturday, October 7: First Saturday Wear your Pilot Gear
- Tuesday, October 17: Share Pilot County Fair Oconee Veterans Park Community Room 6-8 pm
- Saturday, October 21: 2023 Walk to End ALZ, arrive between 8-8:45, Opening 9:00 and walk begins Jennings Mill.
- Saturday, October 21: Oconee Fall Festival, 9-3 Rocket Field Wear a Pilot Shirt.
- Tuesday, October 24: Oconee
 Scholarship Fair 5-6:30 Oconee Civic
 Center
- Tuesday, November 7: Pilot Business Meeting 7:00 Boots and Bling Theme Refreshment Social 6:30 hostesses: Membership OFFICIAL VISIT



Barbara Carter October 3 Cathy Moorehead October 12



PILOT INTERNATIONAL

Do More. Care More. Be More.



On October 16, 1921 the forty Charter Members of Pilot International came together to sign the original Pilot Charter. Two days later, buoyed by their excitement and their collective cause, they gathered again to dine, celebrate and conduct the first official Pilot Club meeting on October 18, 1921.

From that day on, Pilots around the world gather together to meet, celebrate and honor this historic day, October 18, as Founders Day, the birthday of a grand idea, the day of our noble club's founding. On this day, we celebrate Pilot International. We honor the history and tradition of our storied organization, and we celebrate the gifts that we – as today's Pilots – are able to bestow through our strength, through our friendship and through our service.

Pilot Members make a difference on a daily basis.

For Oconee Pilots making a difference doesn't always have to be seen in the public eye. Those quiet acts of kindness and leadership Pilots do for others and for our community make us who we are as Pilots.

To celebrate Pilot International Founders' Month Oconee Pilots voted by secret ballot to select the member(s) to recognize as the Club's Ambassador(s). It was no surprise that two members, Barbara Carter and Vickie Hammond, would 'tie in the vote' to be named the 2023-24 PI Ambassadors.

The PI Ambassador is a member who has an active role in the club, promotes and supports its activities, and is active in projects that address the Club's primary areas of service. Barbara and Vickie are very active members in the Oconee Club. They are faithful in their attendance of all meetings and service projects. They offer leadership and guidance for the club, especially with our new members. Vickie served as Club President for the 2022-23 Fiscal Year and part of the 2021-2022 Fiscal year. She is instrumental as a liaison with the Food For Kids Program for local children. Barbara promotes Pilot by seeking ways for Pilot to gain exposure in the community. She paved the way to form a relationship with Belk's. Both Vickie and Barbara eagerly volunteer without hesitation.

During the September business meeting, Barbara and Vickie were presented with engraved silver plates to recognize this special honor. Additionally, a donation was made in their honor to Pilot International. We are fortunate to have such dedicated and service minded members to represent our Club in such a prestigious role this year. Congratulations to Barbara and Vickie!





November 7
OFFICIAL VISIT
Theme:
Boots and Bling
Refreshments:
Membership

January 2
Theme:
Hobbies and
Interests
Refreshments:
Projects

March 5
Theme:
Rock around the
Clock
Refreshments:
Fundraising

May 7
Theme:
May Daze
Refreshments:
Membership

Oconee Pilot Business Meetings



Pilot Club of Oconee County Leadership oconeepilotclub.com

SAVE THE DATES

Fall Council 2023 October 6 - 7, 2023 Unicoi State Park & Lodge Helen, Georgia

Spring District Convention May 3-5, 2024 Augusta Marriott

PI Convention
July 17-20, 2024
Hyatt Denver Tech Center
Denver, CO

