

Oconee Spokes



“February is the border between winter and spring.”
— Terri Guillemets

February, 2025
In this Spokes
you can expect:

Happy Winter Pilots,

I was hoping spring would be near, but it looks like we are in for some more winter weather. I was excited to work in the yard last week with the warmer weather, but now I'm back to being inside near the fire.

Our 5K Race was an enjoyable time to see our Pilot friends and community members. It was relaxing to sit around and talk while the runners completed the course and catch up on the news of our friends after we completed our assignments. Registration for District Convention is [here](#), and the Club will pay the registration fee for members that want to attend. It is an excellent time to find out more about Pilot and how our District is serving communities. Please let us know if you have any questions about Convention.

Our Nominating Committee, Darlene, Donna, and Pam, has been hard at work selecting officers for next year. Thank you to the ones that agreed to serve.

Barbara, as PIFF representative, still has raffle tickets for sale. Be sure to bring your money to our next meeting.

In Pilot service and love,

*Rosalee Hall,
President*

Officer Contact
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Oconee Spokes

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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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WE ♥ LOVE PILOT!

SHARE PILOT EVENT!

WHERE: Bishop Baptist Church**WHEN:** February 18th @ 6:30pm

♥ ♥ ♥ ♥ ♥ ♥

Come learn about Pilot Club of Oconee.
Assorted Pies! Puzzles! Service Project!

RSVP by February 7th to Susan!

Oconee
 Caregivers CookieFest
 Coming in March
 Watch for Details

Save The Date



- **Tuesday, February 18, Bishop Baptist Church, 6:30:** Anyway to Slice it? Share Pilot Event. Get names and contact information to Susan or Lisa.
- **FEBRUARY -MARCH:** BrainMinders Puppet Shows. Look for an email schedule next week. Schools need to get over snowy days, 100th Day of School and MLK Holiday. We will need teams of at least 4 for each school.
- **Tuesday, March 4: Pilot Business Meeting.** Executive Board 5:30, Refreshments 6:30, Business Meeting 7:30. **25-26 Plan of Works Pref Night.** March Hostesses: Fundraising Division
- **Thursday, April 3 9:30 am All-Stars Games** North Oconee High School Titan Stadium
- **Tuesday, April 15 6:30, Bishop Baptist Church:** 2025-2026 Plan of Works Meeting-Bring your "Sack Supper" and Drink as we plan together.



Fundraising Division

Saturday, February 1 was a beautiful day for the 16th Annual Pilot Club Chase 5K. Thanks to all our club members who helped prepare for the race and volunteered on race day. Just a few race facts for you:

Total runners – 62

60 of the runners were from Georgia. We had 1 participant from Alabama and 1 from South Carolina.

Our youngest runner was 13 and our oldest was 80.

Overall Male & Female Winners – Gavin Avinger & Wyatt Davidson

Masters Male & Female Winners – Cam Corley & Kirsten Magee

Cathy will share with us at our next membership meeting how much we raised for our Pilot Club Projects.

Thanks to everyone for another great race.



Projects Division

Join the Fun – Be a Part of the Brainminders Puppet Show!

The Brainminders Puppet Show is bringing important safety lessons to Oconee County's kindergarteners—and we need **YOU** to help make it happen! Whether you want to perform or just come to watch and support, there's always a place for you. A huge thank you to those who have already signed up! Your help ensures that 538 five- and six-year-olds get to experience this fun and educational program. No experience is needed—just a love of fun and a willingness to make a difference!

Performance Schedule:

Thursday, February 29 – Dove Creek Elementary

Monday, March 3 – High Shoals Elementary

Tuesday, March 4 – Malcom Bridge Elementary

Thursday, March 6 – Rocky Branch Elementary

Thursday, March 13 – Colham Ferry Elementary

Thursday, March 20 – Two shows at Oconee Primary School

There's still time to sign up on Sign Up Genius—don't miss your chance to be a part of the fun!

For more information or to sign up, contact Vickie Hammond.

Let's make this year's Brainminders Puppet Show the best one yet!

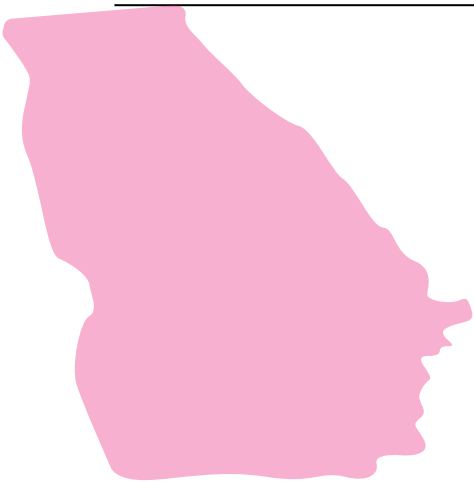


Membership Division

Join us for a fun-filled evening at our Share Pilot Event on February 18 at 6:30 PM! Enjoy delicious slices of pie, challenge yourself with some Pilot-themed puzzles, and make a difference with a hands-on service project. It's a great opportunity to connect with others and learn more about Pilot Club. Don't forget to RSVP to Susan by February 7, and please invite friends to join in the fun and explore what Pilot Club is all about. We can't wait to see you there!

Membership would also like to remind you to be sure and send your volunteer hours to Lynn Smith. It is a busy time of the year and we forgot.

Around our District



2025 Georgia District Pilot Convention
Atlanta Evergreen Lakeside Resort
Stone Mountain, GA
May 2-4, 2025



Time for a.....
Pilot Peacock Party
Friday May 2nd 7-9pm.
An Atmosphere of The Tropics
Welcome Party

Saturday Evening 7-9pm
Installation Banquet

Saturday May 3rd 8am-9pm
Business
Awards
Project
Workshops

Sunday May 4th 2-12noon
Memorial Service
Keynote Speaker
Regional Meetings

First Timers to District Convention will be welcomed with 2 free tickets to the Summit Florida on Stone Mountain.

Registration is open.....



Around our World

Dear Pilot International Members and Friends,

We are pleased to invite you to the 2025 Pilot International Annual Convention and Leadership Conference, occurring July 23-26, 2025, in Charlotte, North Carolina. This event provides an opportunity to connect with fellow Pilots, gain insights, and celebrate our commitment to Friendship and Service.

Early registration is now open, offering a discounted rate. By registering early, you can guarantee your place at this event and benefit from significant savings:

- * Early Registration (until February 28, 2025): \$475.00
- * Standard Registration (March 1 - April 30, 2025): \$525.00
- * Late Registration (starting May 1, 2025): \$550.00

This year's convention will include:

- * A dynamic opening night
- * Workshops aimed at enhancing leadership skills and sparking innovative ideas.
- * Keynote speakers who represent our mission of service.
- * A PIFF Fundraiser at the NASCAR Hall of Fame.
- * Collaboration opportunities with Pilots from various regions.
- * The Installation of Officers Gala to celebrate achievements and plans.

Charlotte offers a variety of attractions including cultural landmarks and culinary experiences, providing a fitting backdrop for our gathering. To register and learn more about the conference, please visit our website. (www.pilotinternational.org/convention/pi-convention-2025)

We look forward to welcoming you to Charlotte and sharing in the learning and the camaraderie that defines Pilot International.

Regards,

Pilot International Annual Convention and Leadership Conference 2025 Convention Committee





Oconee Pilot Club's Love and Caring Reaches Beyond County Lines

The love and caring from the Pilot Club of Oconee County is making an impact far beyond our community. Our very own Oconee Pilot, **Mrs. Rosa** – our Fidget Quilt Expert – had the special opportunity to gift a gentleman in Florida a fidget quilt of his own.

Fidget quilts provide comfort and engagement for individuals with cognitive challenges, and Rosa's dedication to this meaningful work is spreading joy near and far. A big thank you to Mrs. Rosa for sharing her talents and making a difference one quilt at a time!

Send Some Sunshine to Mrs. June!

Let's brighten the day of our dear friend, **Mrs. June** McKenzie. She has been sick this winter and is still a little under the weather. A kind note or cheerful card could lift her spirits!

Send your well wishes to:

Mrs. June McKenzie

3131 Rocky Branch Road, Unit 250
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Happy Birthday



Lisa Backs February 17



Oconee Pilot Meeting Schedule

March 4

Refreshments:
Fundraising

April 15

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Plan of Works

May 6

Refreshments:
Membership

May 20

2025-2026
Budget Meeting

SAVE THE DATE



Spring District Convention 2025
May 2-4, 2025

Atlanta Evergreen Lakeside Resort
4021 Lakeview Drive
Stone Mountain, GA

PI Convention 2025
July 23-26, 2025
The Westin Charlotte
Charlotte, NC

Georgia District Fall Council 2025
October 10-11, 2025
Unicoi State Park Lodge
Helen, GA

