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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

BUZZING INTO A NEW YEAR

Happy New Year Oconee Pilots. In this issue is filled with informational items you will need to know for our year of Pilot friendship and service. Be sure to grab your calendars and write in club information. **Turn inside to read more.**

2025 FALL DATES TO REMEMBER

Dates for July, August, and first of September are posed. These are meetings as well as volunteer opportunities. Be sure to add to your calendar. **MORE ON PAGE 2.**

EAST CENTRAL REGION OFFICER TRAINING

Georgia District Workshop dates have been set. Officers or those wanted to see what an officer's duty would be, please be sure you plan to attend. President Vickie plans to attend Covington and would be glad to drive a group. **MORE ON PAGE 2.**



Hello, Busy Bees!

Welcome to a brand-new Pilot year full of purpose, fun, and friendship! As we embrace our Georgia theme of Sharing Joy through Pilot Friendship and Service, I'm excited about what lies ahead for the Pilot Club of Oconee County. We've got a wonderful lineup of business meeting themes planned—each one designed to bring us joy, laughter, and of course... yummy refreshments! You'll want to be sure you mark your calendars and come ready for fun and fellowship. Our Membership Division has two fantastic "Share Pilot" activities in store to help us connect with our community and invite others into the heart of what we do. These will be a great way to grow our club while spreading our mission. Don't forget—our Pilot Chase 5K is back and scheduled for Saturday, February 7 at noon! Our Fundraising Division is already busy planning this and other important initiatives. Let's support them as they help us fund our service projects throughout the year. The Projects Division has created a "menu" of service opportunities to select from each month. It's a creative and flexible way to get involved and make a difference together.

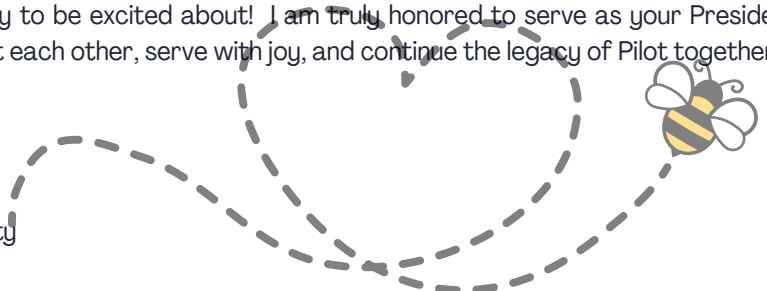
This year, one of our main goals is to grow our membership while also deepening our friendships with one another. To help us connect more personally, we've added a new "Know Your Pilots" feature to the monthly newsletter. Each issue will spotlight two or three of our members with a short bio, so don't miss it!

Lastly, make it a habit to jot down upcoming events and activities on your calendar. Staying informed means you won't miss a thing—and there's plenty to be excited about! I am truly honored to serve as your President this year. Let's make it one where we uplift each other, serve with joy, and continue the legacy of Pilot together.

With friendship and gratitude,

Vickie Hammond

President, Pilot Club of Oconee County
2025-2026



all about forms**August 15**

- Financial Audit Due
- Plans of Work Due
- Governor's Cup Award Due

September 1

- Club Budgets Due
- Club Standing Rules Due

September 30

- Club Ambassador Due

Audit Committee: Cathy, Darlene, Rosa
Awards Committee: Judy, Taylor, Elaine
 (Lynn they might need your help and records for this award)



- **Wednesday, July 23-Sunday, July 26:** PI Convention 2025 Charlotte NC.
- **Wednesday, July 30:** All items due for August SPOKES.
- **Tuesday, August 5:** First Business Meeting. 5:30 Executive Board ; 6:30 Social Time; 7:00 Business Meeting.
- **Friday, August 15:** Pilot International and District Forms due. Please see article on FORMS for more information.
- **Saturday, August 16:** East Central District Workshop for officers. First Presbyterian Church. 1169 Clark Street, Covington, GA 30014 10:30-1:30 pm.
- **Friday, August 22:** OTR 5K set up. See August Spokes for information on time and location. This will count for volunteer hours.
- **Saturday, August 23:** Oconee Therapeutic Riding 5K. More information in August Spokes. Volunteer Opportunities.
- **Wednesday, August 27:** All items due for September Spokes.
- **Tuesday, September 2:** Official Visit with Gov. Elect Jacque Hatcher Business Meeting. 5:30 Executive Board; 6:30 Social; 7:00 Business Meeting

Club Ambassador

To celebrate Founders' Month, in October, we will be voting on our Oconee Pilot Club Ambassador at our August meeting, to be announced and celebrated at our September meeting. 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:
 - Brain Safety & Health, and/or
 - Supporting Those Who Care For Others
- Be faithful in attending meetings
- Give generously of his/her time to assist with service projects and fundraising activities.

Be thinking about who you would like to elect to serve as our 2025-2026 Oconee Pilot Club Ambassador.

Georgia District Workshops

Southeast August 9 10:00am - 2:00pm First Independent Methodist Church 1357 Claxton Dairy Rd. Dublin, GA 31021	Southwest September 13 10:00am - 1:00pm Morningside Baptist Church 1303 Vada Rd. Bainbridge, GA 39818
East Central August 16 10:30am - 1:30pm First Presbyterian Church 1169 Clark St. Covington, GA 30014	
Northeast August 23 10:00am - 2:00pm First Baptist Church 475 E Tugalo Rd. Toccoa, GA 30577	Northwest August 16 10:00am - 2:00pm Newnan Presbyterian Church 38 Greenville St. Newnan, GA 30263

**Car Pool Information
Coming**



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!
TAYLOR BANKSTON
JULY 15



Meeting and Refreshments

AUGUST, Tuesday, August 5, 2025

Welcome to Oconee Pilot "Back to the Dawgs"
Kickoff

- Wear your team pride, enjoy tailgate bites, and get ready to score big!!!

Refreshment Team: The Honey Makers: Lisa M, Judy, Sue, Rosa, Darlene, and The Hive Host: Barbara.

SEPTEMBER, Tuesday, September 2, 2025
(Official Visit)

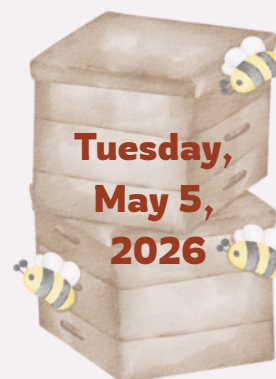
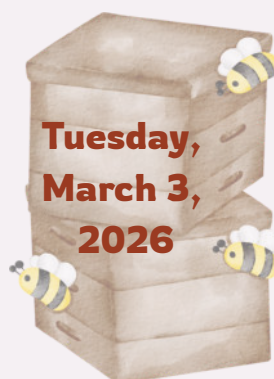
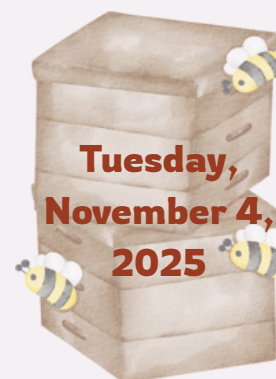
Welcome to our Oconee Pilot "Picnic in the Park"

- Soak up the sunshine, friendship, and a picnic of ideas! Let's spread kindness like sunshine.
- Bring your picnic spirit and wear your casual summer style.

Refreshment Team: The Nectar Gatherers: Jane, Cathy, Suzanne, Lorrie, Lisa B., and The Sip Supervisor: Lynn



2025-2026 Oconee Pilot Meeting Schedule



SAVE THE DATE

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

Host: Northwest Region

Georgia District Convention 2026

May 1-3, 2026

Jekyll Island Club Resort
Jekyll Island, GA

Host: Southeast Region

