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GOVERNOR

Karene Henson

Friends,

It's June!! I can hardly believe that we are in the final month of "Digging Pilot Treasures of Friendship and Service". What a joy and honor it has been to serve this district as Governor during the 2023-2024 club year. I have learned and grown so much in Pilot. Thank you for your support, your friendships, and your tremendous efforts in helping our Alabama District move forward. We have dug deep and are all prepared to go into ACTION under the leadership of Governor Laurie and her DAC.

This month we will be closing out the year, sending PI new officer lists, paying International and District Dues and preparing for 2024-25. I hope that you are making plans to join me in Denver at the 2024 Pilot International Convention in July.

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REMEMBER THESE DATES

- ✤ June 30 Dues to PI and District
- ✤ June 15 PMU and Helmet Grants Deadline
- ✤ June 18 Zoom Power Hour (7 pm cst)
- * July 2 Convention Power Hour (7 pm cst)
- ✤ July 17-20 International Convention, Denver

JUNE POWER HOURS

Zoom @ 7 pm CST

(Link to join will be sent prior to the session. Check your email.)

 6/18/24 Preparing for Next Pilot Year: PI President Nickola Dawkins will present her plans.
7/2/24 Denver: Here We Come! President Holly Baker and Know B4 you Go! Convention Chair Mallory Davis

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If you purchased a green Alabama District polo shirt this year, be sure to bring it with you to convention----Alabama attendees will be sporting our Pilot Green together!!! I'm looking forward to connecting with old friends and meeting new friends as we conduct the business of our great organization.

There is a lot of information about the convention on the PI website at <u>www.pilotinternational.org</u> There you will find info about the nominated officers and directors as well as a description of all activities offered. PI is also offering a zoom Power Hour on July 2, 2024, at 7 pm highlighting what to expect in Denver.

NOTE: Dress code for installation banquet is Shades of Blue. Incoming president Nicki Dawkins has requested that everyone wear blue representing the beautiful waters surrounding the Bahama Islands. Sure to be a unique event! See you THERE!

Continuing in Pilot Friendship and Service,



Karene

GOV-ELECT

Laurie Fraser

Hi everyone! Can you believe this Pilot year is already coming to a close? I want to start by saying thank you for your support during this past year. It has been a year of learning, growing, and finding out that we put to practice the **Do More, Care More, Be More** in a very diverse way! With each individual in our grand District of Alabama, we receive new ideas on how we can influence positive change in communities throughout the world on a daily basis. As President Holly has said, each of us Do Matter In Pilot. Thank you for the privilege of serving you as Governor-Elect this past year.

As we end this year, I would like to remind you to send your new club officer forms to me as well as to Pilot International at <u>clubservices@pilothq.org</u>. They were due by May 1st. However, I have only received a few. I will put in a good word for you if you get them to me within the next week. One more reminder: Pilot Pick Me Up Grants and Helmet Grant Applications are due to Pilot Headquarters, <u>foundersfund@pilothq.org</u> by June 15th.

I'm excited about the upcoming Pilot International Conference. I hope I will see you in Denver! They have chosen a hotel where everything is pretty much vertical, to limit the amount of walking. We had mentioned concerns with limitations on restaurants, and they listened! The existing restaurants have made plans to extend out into the foyers to seat more and are bringing in more staff to accommodate the number of people attending the conference. They are also adding more grab and go options to their menus. If you use Instacart, it should work in Denver and you can have food delivered to the hotel. No promises, but I have done this at prior conferences. I loved having cheese and crackers, yogurt, and snacks in the room. Our District meeting day should be on Thursday, but there is potential for Friday. There are reservations for both. I will communicate later with those who have registered. Sign up for the PIFF Fundraisers – they sound like a lot of fun!

Once again, thanks for the wild ride this year. I have met a lot of new friends and look forward to the year ahead with

PILOTS IN ACTION!

Laurie



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TREASURER

Lisa Patterson

To all Alabama District Pilot, Compass & Anchor members,

It has been an honor and a privilege to serve as your District Treasurer this past year. It has also been challenging at times. I'm proud to say that your Alabama District Officers have worked very hard and in unison to keep our finances in good shape.

Thank you for your help and understanding when voting and passing the 24-25 Alabama District Budget and to the Anchors for their help in passing the 24-25 Anchor Budget. Pilot, Compass, and Anchor are also experiencing dues increases in 2024-2025. Pilot delegates voted at the District Convention for a Pilot dues increase to \$25 and since our Alabama District Standing Rules state that "Compass dues are one half Pilot district dues", Compass dues will increase to \$12.50. Pearl Sparks remains the same. Anchor delegates also voted to increase Anchor dues to \$7. The Pilot Dues form will be added to the website.

"Giving is not just about making a donation, it is about making a difference."

Yours in Friendship & Service,

SECRETARY

Mollie Riley

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Hello, my Pilot Family!

I want to start by giving a Big Shout-Out to all the clubs recognized at the Alabama District Awards Ceremony. Everyone did an outstanding job increasing our memberships.

As we move forward, let's remember the power of talking about Pilot and the significant impact we have in our community. Our actions and initiatives are not just about us, but about the positive change we bring to the lives of those around us. These are the pillars that will continue to drive our membership and mission forward.

I also want to give a **Big Shout-Out to** Joy Wood from the Pilot Club of Enterprise for the most positive talkedabout workshop at the district convention. Job well done! With that said, I hope you all have a Happy and Safe summer.

Hugs with Pilot Love,

Mollie Riley



Lisa



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Nicki Dawkins

ALABAMA DISTRICT ECR

The month of June is usually associated with the start of summer as well as the time when the summer solstice happens, which occurs each year between June 20th and June 21st in the Northern Hemisphere. This year, summer solstice is June 20th which is the longest day of the year.

For Pilots, June marks the end of the Pilot year, the time when international dues are to be paid to PI Headquarters (PIHQ) and time for the PI Convention.

End of Pilot Year

During the month of June, most of the clubs will be installing its new slate of officers and the new team will be preparing for the new Pilot year. During this month, the Governor must notify the Youth Specialist at PIHQ of all information concerning Anchor Representative(s) attending the Anchor Leadership Summit no later than June 1st. Fifty days following the District Convention, the approved minutes should be distributed.

PI Dues

Pilot International dues, of \$60 per member, are due to PIHQ (headquarters by July 1st, 2024. Please ensure that your District remits the dues in a timely fashion.

PI Convention

By now, everyone should know that the 102nd Pilot International Convention and Leadership Conference will be held in Denver, Colorado from July 17th – 20th, 2024.

Here are the key events to remember, especially if you are going for the full week:

- The hotel is the Hyatt Regency Denver Tech Center. Note that there is no charge for parking and renting a car is a great option.
- Pre-Convention Excursions take place on Monday and Tuesday, July 15th, and 16th.
- Council of Leaders is from Monday, July 15th at 5:30 pm to Wednesday, July 17th at noon.
- First time Attendees Session is on Wednesday, July 17th.
- The Budget and Bylaw Forums are on Wednesday, July 17th.
- Anchor District Coordinator Meeting is on Wednesday, July 17th.
- The Convention opens on Wednesday evening, July 17th, at 6:00 pm.
- Thursday, July 18th, is the Business session and Friday and Saturday, July 19th and 20th are General sessions with workshops.
- District lunches will be on the Thursday and Friday, July 18th, and 19th.
- Anchor Cultural Exchange is on Friday, July 19th.
- The PIFF Fundraisers are on Thursday (PIFF Comedy), July 18th, and Friday (Bingo), July 19th.
- The President's Breakfast is Saturday morning, July 20th.
- The Anchor/Compass Panel and Awards are on Saturday, July 20th.
 - The Installation Banquet is Saturday night, July 20th.

Nicki Dawkins





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INSPIRATIONAL LEADER

PILOT CARES & CONCERNS

Summertime is almost here as we come to the close of a great year of "digging it." Hopefully, you have found many treasures that are now sparkling with brilliance in each new discovery. Develop ways so that they can create a deep passion for Pilot and seek help so that each new member becomes a secured asset for your club.

"We turn to God for help when our foundations are shaking only to learn that it is God shaking them." - Charles West

Join me in praying for the following:

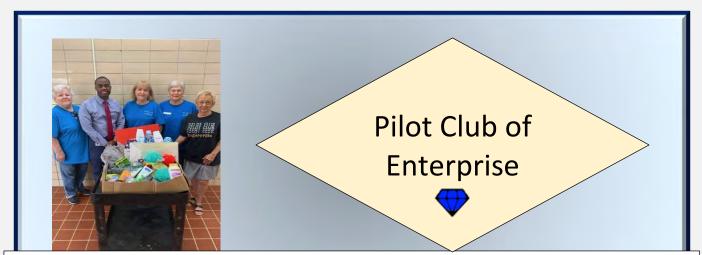
- PC of Cullman, Beverly Wilkerson, in the loss of her brother's son, Ricky, who passed away on May 13, 2024.
- Keep Charles Pritchett and all the family in your thoughts and prayers.
- Pilot Club of Heflin, Sue Middleton, and Jane Brown in the loss of Amanda Pope, their daughter and sister.
- ♥ Pilot Club of Lee County, Philip Traylor co-pilot of Maria Traylor is recovering from a bleeding ulcer.
- Those who are adjusting to losses in their family and clubs.
- All the graduates as they begin new chapters in their lives.
- Pilots as they prepare to attend the PI Convention in July in Colorado, and our clubs as they begin a new year.
- Nadeen Ivory, Pilot Club of Demopolis, lost her aunt Ruth Cannon from Mobile on June 3.

Please continue to send any prayer requests or celebrations to <u>parkplse@bellsouth.net</u> Have a blessed summer!

Do More, Be More, Care More!



Eleanor Park



Furnished toiletries for the Boys and Girls Club at Enterprise, Alabama. From left to right Ree Strickland, Principal Sintell Kirkland, Debra Gibson, President Ann Burch, and Carolyn Cobb.

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CELEBRATING OUR NEWEST ALABAMA PILOT

Sue Anderson, Pilot Club of Heflin (Heflin has doubled their membership this year)

WELCOME TO THE FAMILY!



CHECK THIS OUT

These are the nominations for the 2024-2025 Executive Committee. Delegates at the PI Convention in Denver will be voting on new directors.

President-Elect - Beverly Shean Vice President- Lisa Palmquist Secretary- Karen Ferguson-Bain Treasurer- Susan Harbin Directors- Kathy Clancey, Leslie McLaughlin, Sheila Evans, Shelle Allen

If you wish to know more about each nominee, please go to the link below. https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1c7kG8kk9aCinci3e2Zhmx43yMcGCvIkK?usp=sharing

2024 Rot International Convention and Jeadership Conference Schedule at a Glance

Monday, July 15th

Full Day Pre Convention Excursion COL Registration & Kicks Off - 5:30pm

Tuesday, July 16th

Full Day Pre Convention Excursion Council of Leaders Convention Registration 3pm-6pm

Wednesday, July 17th

Council of Leaders Convention Registration 9am-5pm Marketplace Open 12pm-5:30pm First Time Attendees Meeting Budget and Bylaw Forums Anchor District Coordinator Meeting Donor Reception Opening Ceremony

Thursday, July 18th

Marketplace Open 7:30am-5pm **Business Sessions** District Lunch PIFF Comedy Show Spectacular

Friday, July 19th

Marketplace Open 7:30am-5pm **General Sessions** Service Project District Lunch Workshops Anchor Cultural Exchange **PIFF Bingo Sessions**

Saturday, July 20th

Marketplace Open 7:30am-2:45pm General Sessions President's Breakfast Anchor/Compass Panel Awards Installation Banquet

Autism Society