



# Governor's Bulletin

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It's hard to believe that a year has passed since we started on this journey. As I write my last bulletin, I find myself brimming with pride over the accomplishments of our clubs and district this year.

It was just a short three years ago that I began my journey on the DAC. It has truly been my honor to serve you over these years. I have learned how unique each and every one of our clubs is, yet there's still that underlying thread of PILOT that keeps us bonded. Thank you for your hospitality, friendship and support.

Thank you to the 2008-2009 Presidents and club members. You've accomplished so much this year. You helped to raise awareness of brain related issues in your communities by participating in the Brain Power walks and Memory Walks. You brought BrainMinder's presentations to thousands of children across our state. You participated in the Project Lifesaver program in several of our towns. All the while, promoting the name of Pilot International. You also succeeded in recruiting over 30 new members to Pilot!!!

To the 2008 – 2009 District Appointees, thank you for saying 'Yes!'. This year could not have happened without each and every one of you.

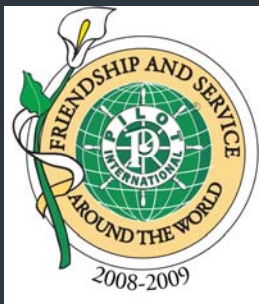
To our ECR, Susan Hoffmann. Thank you for being only a phone call or email away. I appreciate your guidance this year.

To the 2008 – 2009 DAC...while you know I am not normally one to be at a loss for words, you have all left me speechless. It has been my pleasure to work with you this year. I appreciate the laughs, emails, phone calls and hard work. Thank you for helping make our wishes and dreams come true. It has been an unbelievably great year and one that I'll treasure always.

It's my honor to pass the torch on to Governor Paula and the 2009 – 2010 DAC. I know you're going to continue to Believe and Achieve the dream for the North Carolina District.

In Pilot Friendship and Service,

*Shannon*  
2008-2009 Governor



## Governor-Elect Message

Greetings! I wanted to use my space this month to express my sincere appreciation to everyone who came to the 70<sup>th</sup> NC District Convention in Greensboro. As promised, we had a great weekend of fun and celebration and we couldn't have done it without YOU! It was so good to see everyone again.

Many of you have commented on the banner ceremony Saturday. I'm excited that you enjoyed it so. My sister Governor-Elect, Bonnie Turner, from the Alabama District shared that with me so that I could share it with you. We tweaked it some, of course, to make it our own, but I know she'll be thrilled that you enjoyed it.

I also wanted to thank those of you who have sent notes and emails of congratulations. They are special to me and will offer encouragement as the 2009-2010 DAC begins our new year. I also must express my depth of gratitude of love and friendship to my fellow Luncheon Rocky Mount Pilots. These Pilots have shown me what true friendship is and continue to astound me with their unwavering support! They worked so hard to create an elegant and inviting atmosphere for installation Saturday night.

Many of you expressed interest in ordering the pins I had commissioned for the incoming club Presidents, Coordinators and Appointees. We have included a pin order form with this month's bulletin to allow you to order. These pins will be the same as distributed at convention (2") and will be \$5.00 each to allow for supplies and postage to mail them back to you upon receipt.

Additionally, I would like to leave you with just one reminder. If you haven't already, please complete and return the 2009-2010 Club Officers Form. This was due by May 1<sup>st</sup>. Please send a copy to me and one to PI Headquarters. The new form can be found in your Club Manual (just mark through the incorrect dates at the top) or on our district website under the Forms tab. For your convenience, you may complete it electronically or print it out and hand write in the information.

As we move forward into the 2009-2010 year, I look forward to seeing you in San Diego on July 7<sup>th</sup> – July 10<sup>th</sup>. Our district luncheon will be on Wednesday of that week and we will be prepared to give you more information on Official Visits and the results of our district strategic planning session scheduled for August.

See you soon!  
Paula  
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## Lt. Governor Message

Dear Fellow North Carolina Pilots...what a wonderful and exciting year this has been! As a District and individual clubs, we have accomplished so much in the name of Pilot. Congratulations to all the award winners at District Convention...there was truly a lot to celebrate! It has been an honor and a privilege to have served as Lt. Governor of our District this year. Thank you for this experience and for the opportunity to serve as your Governor Elect for the 2009-2010 year. I look forward to working with the new DAC and with each one of you. Remember this is "our" District and it takes the continuing work of all thirty clubs and members-at-large to make it work. So let's all keep "Wishing"... "Dreaming"... "Doing" and we will "Achieve". Enjoy this time of year in Pilot, as we install our new club officers, plan for next year, celebrate our club's accomplishments and invite our friends and acquaintances to become new members...but don't forget the required paperwork (found in Club Manual) that must be completed and sent to PI Headquarters and to District. I look forward to seeing you in San Diego July 7<sup>th</sup> through 10<sup>th</sup> for our "Commitment to Pilot's Community Mission" International Convention and at the North Carolina District luncheon on Wednesday, July 8<sup>th</sup>. Best wishes to all as we wind down our 2008-2009 year and plan for 2009-2010.

Mitzi

## ECR Message

Dear Pilots,

What an exciting time this is in the Pilot year....We are winding down current year projects and planning new and exciting projects for the upcoming year.

A big THANK YOU to all of the 2008-2009 Club Presidents, your club leadership teams and members for a wonderful year.

Congratulations to the newly elected 2009-2010 Club Presidents and your leadership teams...I know you are busy planning for another successful fun-filled year of doing great things as Pilots.

And now for some news.....The Treasure Chests have grown into impressive sizes. If you won't be at convention, now is the time to get your donation to the Foundation. Remember...you do not have to be present to win. The same goes for your brother, sister, friends and family – you can all win from afar! Every \$20 donation puts your name in the hat. A \$100 donation will put your name in the hat 6 times. It's a great bargain as a donation and even better if you or someone you know wins!

This is the time of year to invite your graduating Anchors to become Provisional members. When you and your club members express your desire to support your graduating Anchor as provisional member, you are affirming their value to your club and community. Increase your club value with Provisional Members today.

It sounds like we are constantly talking about Constant Contact. Here's why...Constant Contact can save Pilot International a BIG bunch of money in paper, postage and labor. It is vital in this economy to encourage as many members as possible to sign up for Constant Contact by clicking on the registration button on PI's home page. Currently, we have a small percentage of our membership signed onto Constant Contact and we also found that several who did sign up do not open it. Communication is critical in any relationship. Please encourage your members to participate fully in Constant Contact.

We recently conducted a survey on Constant Contact to determine if a 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Edition of a PI Cookbook would be widely received by our Pilot members. The final results were....it is on the back burner.....

Your new summer issue of the Pilot Log will be coming the first part of June. We have a new look and we are doing a few things differently. It is now being completely done in-house at Pilot Headquarters with the exception of the printing. The Log is 32 pages instead of 40 and we are focusing more attention on District and Club activities and articles. The summer issue features many photos from the District Conventions. Unfortunately, not all of them made it into the publication because they would not reproduce, or were out-of-focus, too dark or the photo subjects were the back of heads....Look for a Constant Contact message soon on "How To...." for the Pilot Log.

Lastly, it has been an honor to serve as your Executive Committee Representative and a privilege to work with Governor Shannon and her team. Best wishes to the incoming 2009-2010 DAC and to all of you....I wish you all the success in your life with Pilot.

See you in San Diego....

In Pilot Friendship, Susan

P.S. I hope you have been Talking Pilot...and adding new members as a result. We have a great deal to offer our communities and must continue to tell our stories.

*Susan*

**Have you made your plans yet to attend the PI Convention in San Diego??? There's still time. Check out PI website – <http://pilotinternational.org> for more information and forms.**

**Clubs...remember to send your Club Officer info to Governor Paula as soon as you have it ready.**

## PIF Message

Wow! NC District Pilots really rock! Thanks to everyone who participated in our PIF fund-raising Silent Auction, and our Friday night "fun" raising Rainy Night at the Beach event. Your artistic abilities were demonstrated by the originality of your decorated Sand Buckets. I commend you for participating in this project and donating throughout the year to our Pilot Foundation. Our District raised over \$10,000, and this does not include all your club donations and individual participation in the Treasure Chest campaign. Thank you so much for your generous contributions. I am already looking forward to next year's District Convention.

In your planning sessions for next year, please think about club projects that you can do which would qualify for a PIF grant. This grant deadline is early in the Pilot year, but with careful planning, North Carolina could possibly submit 30 applications! That would just be fantastic. I would like to suggest that each club organize a Grants and Scholarship Committee with the PIF Club Rep as chairman. Possible members would be the Youth/Anchor coordinator and the Executive Board Directors. This would make the application process for grants and scholarships so much easier in that one person would not be solely responsible for the application submissions. This is just an idea.

It was a great honor for me to serve as your District PI Rep this past year, and I am looking forward to a great year in 2009-10.

I hope to see many of you at our PI Convention in San Diego.

Thanks again for all you do to make the North Carolina District the best!

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**Be sure to check out the attached form for the NC District pins....**



2" pins - \$5 each

Believe.Achieve.

## Club News

### Pilot Club of Laurinburg

The Pilot Club of Laurinburg celebrated its 40th Anniversary with a Reception on April 26, 2009 at the Laurinburg Presbyterian Church Fellowship Hall. Approximately 70 guests attended.

Special guests included: Charter Members - Sadie Odom and Billie Gibson.

International Director - Judy Langley

International Anchor Coordinator - Billie Stoudemire

District Governor - Shannon Clegg, District Secretary, Vashti Forrest,

District Treasurer, Dee Ann Stafford and District Club Operations Chair,

Ola Mae Cimmero. Several Past Presidents who had moved away also attended.

Guests enjoyed a Historical Display of Presidents Scrapbooks. The Pilot Club of Laurinburg was chartered on May 7, 1969.

The Pilot Club of Laurinburg held its Annual Awards Night on Thursday, May 28, 2009 at the Clinton Inn. Past District Governor Sarah Logan presented Julian Butler with the Community Service Award. Julian is the Co-Pilot of Clara Butler. President Rebecca Brooks received the Pilot of the Year Award and the Leadership Award. Doris Adams was honored with an award for 18 years of service to the Club as Treasurer.

Nancy Shelley, Bannner Project Coordinator, presented three exceptional students from Scotland High School with checks in the amount of \$50.00 each for winning the Banner Project Contest. Their teachers were also honored with checks in the amount of \$100.00 for participating in the project.

The Club also recognized WLNC Radio and the Laurinburg Exchange Newspaper for their help this year in publicizing the Club's news.

The Awards Ceremony was coordinated by Pilot Member, Sis Thomas.







### Pilot Club of Greensboro

The club recently toured Victory Junction Gang Camp and donated 14 teddy bears and several afghans. Everyone enjoyed seeing the wonderful facilities they have and to hear about the great programs they offer. We can't wait to go back.

Club members also participated in the recent Memory Walk held in Greensboro on May 30<sup>th</sup>. It was a huge success.

Installation of the 2009 – 2010 Club Officers will be held on June 9<sup>th</sup> at Pennybyrn Retirement Community.

## 3 Months At A Glance

June 2009		July 2009		August 2009	
1	Postmark deadline for discounted registration fee to PI Convention in San Diego	1 No later than	Outstanding club balances paid to PI HQ by the 08-09 Treasurer	15 	Deadline for postmark of 2008-2009 PEP report to PI HQ, District Governor & DCR
	Club Treasurers must pay all current balances due PI by July 1st	7-10	PI Convention San Diego, CA		PI Convention report to club from delegates
	Annual PI dues for 2009-2010 are due July 1st	31	2008-2009 Treasurer delivers books to Audit committee		
			Club approved Division Plants, Programs and Budgets due to District Governor <a href="#">Paula Haste</a> and a copy to PI HQ by August 15		
	Enjoy your summer!				

## 70<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL DISTRICT CONVENTION HIGHLIGHTS

Congratulations to our 2009 – 2010 District Administrative Council Officers:

Governor	Paula Haste	Luncheon Pilot Club of Rocky Mount
Governor-Elect	Mitzi Tutterow	Pilot Club of Kannapolis
Lt. Governor	Vashti Forrest	Pilot Club of Greensboro
Treasurer	Harriet Lennon	Pilot Club of Wilmington
Secretary	Dee Ann Stafford	Pilot Club of Fayetteville

### Most Original Project

1 <sup>st</sup> Place	PC Roanoke Valley	Healing Hearts Bereavement Program
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place	PC Valdese	Little Miss/Master Valdese
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	PC Salisbury	Heritage Home treats
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	PC Marion	Foothills Industries parties for clients

### Most Outstanding BrainMinders Program

1 <sup>st</sup> Place	PC Laurinburg	18 presentations/985 students
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### Most Original Fundraiser

1 <sup>st</sup> Place	PC Rutherford County	Rummage Sales – money assists members in attending district and PI conventions
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place	PC Marion	Christmas Tree Lighting
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	PC New Bern	Veteran's Day Ceremony of Lights

### Best Club Newsletter

1 <sup>st</sup> Place	PC Greensboro	'Green' e-newsletter..Incorporates all minutes and financials in the e-news.
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place	Foothills Pilot Club	
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	PC Laurinburg	The Beacon

### Most Outstanding Brain Injury/Disorder Project

1 <sup>st</sup> Place	PC Rutherford County	Kids on the Block program
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place	PC Raleigh	Work during Bain Awareness week
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	PC Roanoke Valley	

### Most Service Hours Given by a Club

1 <sup>st</sup> Place	PC Roanoke Valley	91.7 hours per member
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place	PC Valdese	69.4 hours per member
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	PC Laurinburg	55.3 hours per member
Honorable Mention	PC Greensboro	30.4 hours per member

### NC District Scholarship Winners

Congratulations to Nicholas Buckwell and Jodi Smith!! They were the recipients of the NC District scholarships this year. Each will be awarded \$1,000 towards their tuition at Appalachian State University.

### NC Pilots that recruited at least two new members 2/1/08 – 1/31/09 and have their dues paid

Linda Covington – PC Asheboro  
 Linda Lyon – PC Greensboro  
 Sarah Logan – PC Laurinburg  
 Cynthia Mode – PC Morganton  
 Janis Paris – PC Rutherford County  
 Elaine Applegate – PC Valdese