



# Governor's Bulletin North Carolina District

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## IMPORTANT DATES

### October 1

Grant Application Deadline  
Mail to District PIF Rep.

### October 2

PI Brain Power Walk

### October 8

Deadline Registration  
Fall Workshop  
Laurinburg, NC

### October 15

Grant Application to PIF  
Deadline

### October 16

Fall Workshop  
Laurinburg, NC

### October 18

Founders Day

### October 23

Make a Difference Day

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## Governor's Message

**"Believe in doing great work. The key is to trust your heart to move where your unique talents can flourish. This old world will really spin when work becomes a joyous expression of the soul." Al Sacharov**

Finally...a cool day! Fall is upon us with the beginnings of beautiful colors. For Pilots, fall also brings busy schedules. We have just completed one workshop in Kannapolis and have another planned for October 16<sup>th</sup> at the First Baptist Church, 302 West Church Street, Laurinburg, NC 28352 hosted by the PC of Laurinburg and Scottish PC of Laurinburg. Registration begins at 8:30 AM and the workshop begins at 9:00 AM. We plan to be finished by 3:00 PM. Registration is \$25/person (or \$30 if received after the deadline of 10/08/10) and includes a catered lunch and all workshop materials. There will also be a light breakfast provided by the hosting clubs. We had a great time in Kannapolis and learned many new things. Hope to see you in Laurinburg.

I have shared with many and will share with those in Laurinburg the wonderful experience that I had while participating in Camp Carefree last month. The North Carolina District truly came through with their support of this project. Our participation was three fold - we gave money (over \$2600.00), our time and many craft and bingo items. Thank you so much for making this project a success.

October is membership month...as we celebrate Founder's Day October 18<sup>th</sup>, remember to share with others the great opportunity of joining such a wonderful organization as Pilot International. Some clubs will be inviting family, friends and co-workers to these celebrations. Others will be hosting a "Share Pilot" event. Whichever you chose to do...I believe the key ingredient is to show our passion for Pilot and the wonderful service opportunities we have in our communities. "Nothing great was ever achieved without enthusiasm." (Ralph Waldo Emerson) I hope your club has a very productive membership event.

A BIG thank you to the Past District Governors for the laptop computer that was presented to the District Saturday at the Fall Workshop in Kannapolis. Their generosity will be of great benefit to the DAC. Again, thank you for your continued service to our District.

In Pilot Friendship,  
Mitzi

You will find attached to this Bulletin:

- Happy 35<sup>th</sup> Birthday PIF Article by PIF Representative Shannon Clegg
- 35 Year Certificate
- PC of Charlotte Newberry, SC trip form



**Message from Judy Langley,  
Executive Committee Representative  
For North Carolina**

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Greetings Pilots!

I know you are getting excited about your **Fall Workshops** in Kannapolis and Laurinburg! I look forward to joining you at the workshop in Laurinburg. Pilot friendship and service are so important to us, and these fall gatherings provide wonderful opportunities for us to get us connected, focused, and energized! Hope you will be there!

Two important items were due to PI by September 30<sup>th</sup>. I hope you sent in your **PIF Sweetheart Contribution Form** and your **Safety Coloring Contest** entries.

October is an important month in Pilot history. October is **Founder's Month** and we have the perfect opportunity to celebrate our history...through our **3rd Annual Brain Power Walk!** This year's Founder's Day script has a nautical theme and can be found at <http://www.pilotinternational.org/html/resources/documents.shtml> under Members and Clubs. However, you can be creative and celebrate Founder's Month any way your club chooses. October is also **Membership Month** and your BrainPower Walk is a great time to strut your stuff and invite potential new members to your next meeting.

Did your club choose to participate in the **Letter-Writing Campaign for Pilot International Foundation?** Although we had suggested for this to take place in September, it is not too late to participate. If you need more information regarding this campaign, contact Governor Mitzi or you may contact me.

May you have a wonderful month of Pilot friendship and service!

Believing in Pilot...believing in YOU!

**Judy**



**Lt Governor – Leann Wheeler**

WOW! What an amazing day we had at Fall Council in Kannapolis. There are definitely some professional thespians in the clubs. I laughed so hard. And I was touched by the projects that were shared. If you didn't make it to Kannapolis, you should try to make it to Laurinburg. It will definitely be worth your while. There was a lot to learn, lots of laughs, great company and of course... food. I think everyone went home with new ideas, information that they didn't have before and renewed enthusiasm for Pilot. I can't wait to see the other half of the state in Laurinburg. See you there.  
Leann



### Needing Your Assistance Please!

Bonnie Millirans, Anchor Liaison, Pilot International is putting together a directory and needs our help. She needs your Anchor Club Advisor's name, school name, email address and contact number. I know there have been some changes this year in the Anchor Advisor positions. Please help me update my own files and assist Bonnie in her needs by emailing this information to me as soon as possible. I would appreciate it.

Please remind your Anchor Club that they need to keep a scrapbook/ pictures etc, of all they do. We only had three out of thirteen clubs submit scrapbooks at the last District Convention. We all know they do so much work within every club; but please, let them know we want to recognize them also. Hard work and dedication should not be without recognition.

Sincerely,  
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NC Anchor Coordinator  
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### "B E L I E V E AND YOUR FUNDRAISER WILL BE SUCCESSFUL"

It is at last beginning to feel and look a little like Fall. The seasons of the year transition and so does our Pilot Club year. The new club year has transitioned to a new slate of officers and division leaders. By now your plans of work have been approved and preparation being made to begin you is fundraising. Fundraising is necessary in order to fund those great projects in your plans of work.

Keep in mind as you begin your fundraiser you must have it well planned in order to be a successful fundraiser. Be creative and open to try new ideas with past successful fundraisers. After your fundraiser has been held be sure to analyze it to determine how successful it was. Look at the following items:

- Expenses.
- Time spent.
- Number of members involved/participated.
- Visibility for the club.
- Net profit.
- Don't be afraid to change and try something new and different.

If you have any questions or need assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

FUNDRAISING COORDINATOR  
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## REMEMBER

**DEADLINE TO FILE IRS FORM 990-N IS  
NOVEMBER 15<sup>TH</sup>.**

## THE STORY OF THE GOLDEN BUDDHA

Submitted by

**Laura Keever**

**Leadership Coordinator**

Jack Canfield and Mark Hansen, in their book *Chicken Soup for the Soul*, tell a very moving story about a big Buddha statue in Thailand. For many centuries a Buddhist monastery in Thailand had housed in their temple a huge clay statue of a smiling Buddha. This statue was greater than six feet around its expansive belly and stood over ten feet high. It was enormous!

Then, in the mid 1950's, the monks were told that they had to move the Buddha because a new road was to be built right through their temple. So, the monks arranged to have a crane move the Buddha to its new home. As the crane operators carefully began the process of lifting the statue, they were astonished to find it was extremely heavy. It began to crack. They sat it down very quickly and carefully, so as not to cause any more damage.

That night the head monk came to check on the statue. When he shined his flashlight on the crack, something sparkly caught his eye. With his curiosity aroused, he retrieved a hammer and chisel and began to carefully chip away around the crack. After opening a small hole, he stood back in amazement. He quickly assembled a crew of his fellow monks and together they worked through the night to chip away every last inch of clay. When they had finished, they stood back and admired what stood before them . . . a magnificent, solid-gold Buddha!

Historians pieced together the story. It seems that several centuries earlier, the temple that housed this magnificent Buddha had been in danger of an attack by an invading Burmese army. Fearing that the Buddha would be looted, the monks covered it with eight to twelve inches of clay . . . hoping the soldiers would see little value in it and would leave it alone . . . they did. However, during the attack, they killed every monk in the monastery. The monks' secret remained hidden until that eventful day in 1957.

In his book *Beyond Success*, Brian Biro writes, "the Golden Buddha is a magnificent metaphor for the sometimes hidden genius in all of us." He says that fears and doubts make up the clay that builds up and covers our "golden essence" (our hidden genius) and stifles our confidence. Just as the monk found the crack and chiseled away at the clay to find the magnificent Golden Buddha, we also need to find a way to break through the layers of fears, self-doubt, and reluctance that have built up over time in order to find our innate leadership qualities.

So how do we break through? Biro says that we need the right tools. He says if we have an **idea**, we must add **detail** to it, then **action** before it can become a **reality**. We can know or believe something, but if we never act on it . . . it never becomes reality. It is only through the "doing" that an idea or belief can become reality . . . or to quote Biro "the combination of **belief** plus action creates experiences that ultimately lead to wisdom."

So, to awaken the natural leader within you, you must follow Biro's formula:

*Idea + Detail + Action = Actualization or Reality*

If you want to develop your leadership skills . . . you must get a mentor.

Then once you learn the **details** of what it takes to be a leader (or the ‘how’), you need to put it into practice. Putting the “how” into practice becomes the **action**. With action you gain experience as a leader . . . and the idea then becomes **reality**.

You could say that one of our founders Elizabeth Leonard followed Biro’s formula. Leonard watched the men around her form civic groups early in 1921. She decided that, if the men could do it, then so could a group of dedicated females. (She had an **idea**.)

Ms. Leonard brought together six of her friends on September 7, 1921, for their first discussion meeting. From this gathering, and with the help of some men’s service club leaders, the Pilot Club of Macon was formed. (She began adding **detail**.)

Forty business and professional women met and signed their charter on October 16, followed by a formal dinner meeting on October 18 to celebrate the event (**detail + action** became **reality**) and Pilot International was born.

Just as the monks removed the clay and uncovered the secret of the magnificent Golden Buddha and the founders created Pilot International . . . you can awaken your golden essence using Biro’s formula . . . and become a strong leader in Pilot and help carry on the rich tradition of Pilot.



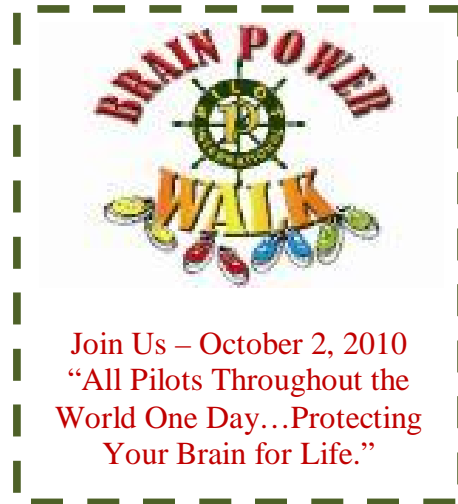
**Pilot Club of Roanoke Valley** selected charter member Mary Willey as their Sweetheart for 2010. A fund raiser is planned for November 12th which will be Bill Ellis Barbecue and Fried Chicken plates. This is the major fund raiser for the year. A bridal shower is planned for the November meeting for President Jennifer who will marry January 1, 2011. We all wish her the best in her upcoming marriage.

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**Pilot Club of Charlotte** invites you to join them on a new and exciting fall trip Thursday, October 28<sup>th</sup> to the Newberry Opera House, Newberry, South Carolina. Hear The Three Redneck Tenors (Broadway Bound) and take a tour of the Carter and Holmes Orchids. See attachment for details and deadlines.

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**The Pilot Club of Valdese** annual "Taste of Christmas" is coming up. It will be on Saturday, November 20th @ 6:00 pm. Tickets are available for \$15.00 per person. You do receive a cookbook with each ticket purchased and you are able to taste at least 30 items from the cookbook. If that is not enough you also get to shop at our Silent & Live Auction. This is a great way to start off your holiday season. Come join us in Valdese for a wonderful evening. Contact Jodi at [jodip1@msn.com](mailto:jodip1@msn.com) if you have any questions or would like to purchase tickets.



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PIF 102A Preston Court; Macon, GA 31210

*PLEASE NOTE:*  
*Your newly updated PI Bylaws are ready to be downloaded on this link:*  
[www.pilotinternational.org/html/resources/documents.shtml](http://www.pilotinternational.org/html/resources/documents.shtml)  
*On this same page, you will also find the New Member Membership Certificate and another copy of the Sweetheart Certificate. If you are in the resources neighborhood you can download these three pieces quickly and easily as PDFs.*

**Tell us about you Club:** If you have information that you would like to share with the District, please submit to [ncdistrict@yahoo.com](mailto:ncdistrict@yahoo.com) by the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month for inclusion in the next Governor's Bulletin. Inquiring minds want to know what is happening in other clubs across our State.

## Check it out

Are you a member of Constant Contact? If not, please go to the PI website page at [www.pilotinternational.org](http://www.pilotinternational.org) and sign up within a couple of minutes. A lot of the publications, reminders, etc. during this year will be sent via Constant Contact. Don't be left in the dark.

## THE CHAPLAIN'S CORNER



The days are getting shorter, the temperature not so intense, and the sky is once again Carolina Blue. The Bible says in Ecclesiastes, Chapter 33; "There is a time for everything...and a season for every activity under heaven." Change is on the way!

It is always miraculous to me how all things begin to adapt to the changes of the season even before we begin to recognize them. My geraniums are a certain indicator that the summer is drawing to a close. They begin to lose their vigorous green colored leaves and their flowers are less plentiful. Trees know, long before we are aware, that winter is on the way and internal chemical changes are taking place long before it is evident to us. You cannot always tell externally what miracle is at work on the inside.

A spelunker was exploring caves along a deep mountain lake. In one of the caves, he found an old dusty bag filled with ugly, hardened clay balls. They didn't look like much, but he took the bag along when he left. Walking by the lake, he began to throw the clay balls as far as he could into the deep, muddy water. When almost done, he accidentally dropped one and it cracked open. Inside was a beautiful precious stone. He then began breaking open the remaining balls. Inside he found thousands of dollars worth of jewels. He was distraught to think of what he had just thrown away!

Oftentimes, we look at something or someone and see only the external clay vessel. Looks can be deceiving. There is a treasure to be found in everything and everyone if we look deeper than the clay shell and focus on the treasure God has placed inside.

"Don't ask God to guide your footsteps unless YOU are willing to move your feet".

BARBARA McKEEVER  
NC CHAPLAIN

### In North Carolina Pilot's thoughts and prayers:



**Best Wishes as they continue to improve:**

**Helen Beaver – PC of Kannapolis**

**Julie Haigler – PC of Kannapolis**

**Sympathy to:**

**Susan Hoffmann – Pilot International President (Death of Co-Pilot Irv)**

**Marlene Turner – PC of Salisbury (Death of her sister)**

**Margaret Lyerly – PC of Salisbury (Death of Co-Pilot Carl)**

**Debra Fry – PC of Salisbury (Death of her aunt)**

**Hilda Smith – PC of Wilmington (Death of her sister, Ileta Stanley Gano)**

***Please remember all Pilots or family members who are in need of our thoughts and prayers.***

**Please send notification of the passing of any Pilot or Pilot family members to Barbara McKeever, Chaplain at 1004 Sierra Court, Leland, NC 28451 or to [begabug@aol.com](mailto:begabug@aol.com). This information is needed so that a letter of condolence may be sent from our District and the Administrative Council.**