



# Governor's Bulletin

## North Carolina District

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### IMPORTANT DATES

**DUE:**

**August 15**

Plans of Work, Programs, & Budget deadline. Send to Governor and PI HQ.

**August 16**

Postmark deadline for 09-10 PEP Report.

**August 17**

Deadline for application for Camp Carefree.

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### *Governor's Message*

**"You sparkle and shine, you're a favorite of mine, you shine just like a star...You lighten and brighten and warm my world, what a wonderful person you are!" Hallmark Books**

Pilots are wonderful people! I have never seen as many shining stars in one place as I saw in Louisville, Kentucky at the PI/PIF International Convention. There was so much enthusiasm and sharing of information. Our organization really does sparkle and shine.

The Council of Leaders (COL) was very informative and we were so proud of our own Laura Keever and Linda Covington for the wonderful job they did in their presentations. We learned so much from them. It will be put to good use as we plan and conduct our club visits this year.

As always, the opening ceremony was beautiful and very moving. It was an honor for me to carry the banner of the North Carolina District and to stand on the stage with all the flags of our organization and my sister Governors. I will always remember this experience.

North Carolina was well represented with 75 Pilots, Co-Pilots and Anchors present at PI Convention this year. In total, there were 1020 people in attendance at convention. That number is an increase of 156 from last year. Many of our Pilots were able to drive and cut down on travel expenses. PI Convention will be in Dallas, Texas next July so start making your plans now.

I always find the business session interesting. With the passing of the proposed Bylaws amendment to Article XXV. PI: Officers, Terms, Qualifications Section 1. Officers., The officers of Pilot International will be: President, President Elect, First Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and two (2) Directors. This will be effective beginning with the 2011-2012 Pilot International fiscal year. However, the most exciting thing about the business session was when North Carolina PDG Shannon Clegg was elected to the office of Pilot International Director. Congratulations Shannon! We are so proud of you.

The week was full of workshops, banquets, a trip to Churchill Downs, great speakers and a chance to make new friends and renew old friendships. As usually, North Carolina Pilots could be seen volunteering at different jobs throughout the week. Thanks to all of you that went that extra step for Pilot...you shine like a star.

I am so excited to welcome our neighbor from South Carolina, Judy Langley as our ECR this year. Judy is a member of the Pilot Club of Darlington. She is very excited to be with us this year and hopes to be able to visit some of our events. Judy will be a wonderful resource to North Carolina this year. To learn more about our ECR, please visit the PI website.

Clubs should be finalizing their plans of work by now, financial books should be ready to deliver to an audit committee by the 31<sup>st</sup>, plans for Membership Month should be underway, and District and International dues should be paid. Your year is now in full swing...I Believe in You...I know that you will have a successful year.

In Pilot Friendship and Service,  
Mitzi



Hi Pilots....We're off to a great start....as we continue to work together to transform our organization...from Good to Great.....as we create new ways to share the Pilot experience with others....as we invest our time and energy to assist those in need....I know that you are all committed to making Pilot the best it can be....because WE BELIEVE!

Your leadership team is available for you....to work with you and assist you accomplish your goals.....Have a wonderful year...

Your friend in Pilot. Susan

## PI President Susan Hoffman

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Greetings, North Carolina Pilots!

What a fabulous PI/PIF Convention in Louisville, Kentucky! The workshops, training, speakers, and events were all spectacular. Club delegates will be sharing lots of useful information with the clubs. I am truly delighted to be assigned as your ECR! We are close in physical proximity and now have an opportunity to become closer as sister Pilots. North Carolina has so many talented Pilots who continue to contribute to the betterment of our organization. Thanks so much to all of you for your contributions to our organization at the club, district, and international levels. I look forward to working with your outstanding DAC and with all of you. What a great Pilot year this is going to be!

Please send me your club newsletters so that I can read about your wonderful meetings and events and get to know your club membership better. Please remember to complete your Club PEP Report on the new form and submit it to Pilot International by August 15<sup>th</sup>. Also, we are asking that the immediate past governors, along with the DAC, complete the new District PEP Report and submit it to PI by August 15<sup>th</sup>. Just as the Club PEP Report can be useful to the Club in future planning, the District PEP Report can provide useful information for the incoming DAC. Pilot International is excited about receiving this information to determine progress on PI's Strategic Plan and to guide our leadership in formulating future plans for our organization. We thank you for your help and congratulate you on your many accomplishments.

Remember that the Safety Calendar Coloring contest deadline is September 30<sup>th</sup>. By promoting brain injury prevention, we are not only saving lives, but we are also educating our future leaders on the importance of prevention. We have great data of our impact through BrainMinder presentation evaluations, but in many other ways, our impact is immeasurable.

Best wishes for a truly successful Pilot year. I am here for you, so please feel free to contact me at any time. I believe in Pilot. I believe in you.

Pilotly yours,  
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## PI Leadership

Good afternoon Leadership Coordinators,

I am thrilled to be serving as your International Leadership Coordinator this year. I have a “game plan” for the year . . . and it is outlined below. However, if I can be of service to you in any other way, please let me know. I am only an email ([lcovington@triad.rr.com](mailto:lcovington@triad.rr.com)) or phone call away (336-629-4369).

This year, as your International Leadership Coordinator, I will be sending to you, via email . . . an exercise, a story with discussion questions or some other leadership information that you can send to your Club Leadership Coordinators . . . who can use it for a report to their club if they choose. It might be that you or your club leadership coordinators have another plan for the year . . . and that is okay. If you do, I would love to hear what you are doing on the district and/or the club level, so please feel free to share my email address with your club coordinators.

The exercise, story or other leadership information will be no more than 5 - 10 minutes to deliver . . . any discussion around the topic could extend the time beyond the 10 minutes . . . but that will be up to the person delivering it and the club president.

Also, I am planning to send an article for the Governor’s Bulletin – at least one a quarter. You may use it if you like or you may write one of your own. My article will be available to you if you would like to use it.

I have told the governors that they could send me your email address and I could correspond with you directly and copy them . . . or, if they would prefer, I can email the monthly “report” to the governor and they, in turn, can email it to you . . . whichever works best for them.

In addition, I am open to any questions, input, and/or any feedback that you might have. Please share with me any suggestions you have about what you would like to see me do this year. After all, this is one way to improve our leadership and communication skills from the top down . . . and, the bottom up!

Have a great year!!

In Pilot friendship and service,

Linda Covington  
2010 – 2011 PI Leadership Coordinator



## NC District PIF

Hello North Carolina Pilots!!!

What a great time we had celebrating the 35<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Pilot International Foundation while in Louisville.

As you’re working on your Plans of Work for the year, be sure to remember to include events that are in support of our Foundation. August is the month to elect your Pilot Sweetheart and then honor them in September with a minimum \$25 contribution to the Foundation. Be sure to have it postmarked by September 30<sup>th</sup> for inclusion in the Pilot Log. September is Foundation Month. Think of a great program that can be presented at your club’s meeting. It can be a fun educational program to help remind all of us why it’s important to support our foundation.

Please mark your calendars for ***The Pilot International Brain Power Walk*** on Saturday, October 2nd. Organize your club, create a banner, plan a route and celebrate with other Pilots across the world as they walk for brain awareness.

Is your club considering applying for a PIF grant this year? I hope so. Please let me know via email or phone if your club is going to submit an application. It will help me to know ahead of time so I can assist you or answer any questions prior to the postmark deadline. If you have questions, please be sure to contact me so we can talk over your application. Completed grant applications must be postmarked to me no later than **Friday, October 1<sup>st</sup>**.

More information can be found on the Pilot International website: <http://www.pilotinternational.org> under the Resources tab.

Believe! Pilot International!

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## North Carolina District Project Camp Carefree September 17 – 19, Stokesdale, NC

Camp Carefree is the only Traumatic Brain Injury camp in NC and is sponsored by the Brain Injury Association of NC. This wonderful haven for brain injury survivors is funded through donations and staffed by volunteers.

Camp Carefree supports 150(+) campers and their families. Campers come in all ages and have varied skill levels based on their injury. The BIANC provides a relaxed, safe and FUN environment for campers to go and just be themselves!

How can North Carolina Pilots help??

### **Option 1: Donate Canvas Bags for Arts & Crafts & Raffle Prizes**

1. Canvas bags for arts & crafts
2. Prize items requested:
  - a. Scarves for women; fedora hats for men
  - b. Shower gel, body butter or nice bath products
  - c. Gift cards (Starbucks, Taco Bell, Food Lion, etc)
  - d. Blankets
  - e. Items to encourage exercise
  - f. Hawaiian Shirts for adults (Luau Friday night at camp)
  - g. Handmade gifts you would give to a friend

(donated items will need to be shipped to BIANC prior to camp in September.)

### **Option 2: Monetary Donation**

### **Option 3: Sponsor a Camper**

It costs \$150 to send one survivor to camp for the weekend. The BIANC only charges campers and their family members \$20 and this is to ensure they attend after they register.

### **Option 4: Provide Hands On Service during Camp:**

Volunteers are needed all weekend to support Camp Carefree. Clubs or individual members can participate in many different ways during camp.

- Cabin setup and assignments
- Registration
- Coffee detail
- Trash pickup and disposal
- Food preparation, setup and serving
- Activity monitor for camper events during the weekend

Clubs/members can choose to come for the entire weekend or come in just for the day on Saturday to work.

**For more information: <http://www.bianc.net>**



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I have found over the years that going straight to the source gets results and that is what I did at our District convention. It is also what I am asking of each of you who want to start an Anchor Club or maybe get closer to your existing club. I was informed by seasoned Pilots that when they started their group they went straight to the person in charge – Principal/Director. We all know you must start with the top person and gain their interest and once that has been achieved then followers below them will assist and follow. So be prepared with some background knowledge of Anchor. You can find this online at [www.pilotinternational.org](http://www.pilotinternational.org) then go to Anchor section and it will give you all the information you need. Ask the person in charge if you may be able to speak at one of their meetings briefly to show what benefits this will have for the students, teachers and community. Give them your contact information and follow up is the key. **Remember don't wait for the mountain to come to you...go to the mountain.**



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We had a wonderful time at our PI Convention in St Louis, and we are all motivated and ready for a great Pilot year under the leadership of Governor Mitzi and our DAC.

As Projects Coordinator this year, I hope we can compile a "Projects Manual" for our NC District Pilot Clubs. We've been talking about this for several years, and now it's time to do it! I BELIEVE we can, but I need some help from my friends. I will be calling on all clubs for information. Tammy Morrow and Jodie Powell have already provided some info that clubs submitted for the District Awards this past spring. That's a starting place. I hope to have this completed by our Fall Workshops. I BELIEVE.

I am looking forward to a great year.

"Believe!" That's the impetus we need as Pilots to move ahead in the 2010-2011 Pilot Year. Working together is the key because we are part of everything that is happening at the international, district and local levels.

Here are some "money" reminders. As of July 17<sup>th</sup>, dues had not been received from three clubs. Forms, due dates, and check lists were provided to you at the convention training session. November 15, 2010 is the due date for filing the 990-N electronic tax form. ALL clubs must file EVERY year. Send confirmation of filing to me. Failure to file can cost the organization its tax exempt status. Please be reminded that Pacesetter dues have increased to \$10.00 per member.

I encourage you to read the Governor's Bulletin monthly and visit regularly the District and Pilot International websites. You can stay in the "loop" with all the information available to you.

Have a great year in Pilot!

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I can't believe how much I learned in Louisville at Pilot International Convention! And how many new friends I made. I shouldn't be surprised with "Believe" as a theme for the coming year. If you have never been to convention, it is definitely worth both your time and money to go. You will be surrounded by love, enthusiasm and of course, fun.

We had some really amazing speakers this year. The one key to why they were so good was they used laughter to connect to the audience. I think that is something we can learn from. Do you use laughter in your club meetings to connect to your members? How about laughter to connect to those we serve?

Well, I believe learned so much that I'm quite sure my brain is bubbling over. In fact, Governor Mitzi gave each DAC member a new brain because she had filled our existing brains up..... well it was one of those hand exercising squeeze balls ... but it was shaped like a brain. Now if it would just hold all that extra knowledge. Speaking of knowledge, I've heard back from most of the clubs with their roster information for the District Directory. Thank you so much. August 1<sup>st</sup> is the date to get the roster updates to me so I can get the Directory published before Fall Workshops. I'm getting a count right now of how many need to be printed. If you would prefer to use an on-line version from the District website for your club instead of receiving a printed version, please email me at [lbwheeler.hiker@gmail.com](mailto:lbwheeler.hiker@gmail.com) . Going electronic saves the environment and district money too. Also, please recycle any old directories that you do not use anymore. Hmmm, does the "hiker" in my email address tell you I'm an environmental advocate?

I hope I've given a small hint at what a fun and energizing year we have ahead of us. And I hope you're all ready to Believe in Pilot.

In Friendship & Service,  
Leann Wheeler  
Pilot International NC District Lt. Governor

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## Check it out

### Club News from Pilot Club of Rutherford County

In June, the Pilot Club of Rutherford County hosted an art project at Rutherford Life Services and recognized adult special needs artists. Awards were given and refreshments served. Our club also provided and served refreshments at a two-week day camp for special needs children attending Camp Harmony. Seven Rutherford County Pilots and one Co-Pilot attended the PI Convention in KY, and we plan to try some new ideas this year as a result of things we learned at convention. Our president this year is Pat Higgins, and this was her first PI Convention, and what a great one! Our photos are posted on Facebook.

Tell us about your 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.

## 2010 – 2011 Pilot International Executive Committee



*From left to right*

2010-12 PI Directors Suzanne Kendra, Shannon Clegg; PI Secretary, Judy Langley; PI 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President, Mary Sue Stages; PI President-Elect, Beverly Wilkes; PI President, Susan Hoffmann; PI 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President, Winnie Brewer; PI Treasurer, Mary Jane Morgan; 2009-11 PI Directors Sherry Johnson, Gwen Yarborough



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## THE CHAPLAIN'S CORNER



ON A RECENT WALK ALONG THE BEACH, I WAS STRUCK BY THE IDEA THAT SEA SHELLS ARE A METAPHOR OF LIFE. FLOWING AND EBBING AROUND MY FEET WERE HUNDREDS OF SHELLS IN DIFFERENT STAGES OF THEIR LIFE'S CYCLE. SOME ROLLING IN WITH THE WAVES AND OTHERS RETURNING TO THE SEA TO BE BROUGHT IN AGAIN BY OTHER WAVES. SOME WERE EYE CATCHING, YOUNGER SHELLS THAT SEEMED ALMOST PERFECT AND UNTOUCHED BY TIDE AND TIME.

OTHERS WERE APPROACHING THEIR DESTINY OF BECOMING A PART OF THE LARGER MASS MAKING UP THE SHORE. THEIR BROKEN EDGES AND IMPERFECT SHAPES SHOWED CLEARLY THE EFFECTS OF TUMBLING DAY AFTER DAY IN THE SEA. DESPITE THEIR AGE, THEY WERE STILL SERVING A USEFUL PURPOSE BY REBUILDING THE BEACH.

I THOUGHT; WE ARE LIKE THE OCEAN SHELLS. DESPITE OUR UNIQUENESS, SHAPES, AGES AND THE PHASES OF OUR LIVES, THERE IS A PARTICULAR PURPOSE FOR EACH OF US. WE TUMBLE THROUGH THE SEA OF LIFE TRYING TO FULFILL OUR DESTINIES AND EACH OF US IS A DIFFERENT CREATION.

BUILDING ON DIFFERENT TALENTS AND GIVING OF OURSELVES IN FRIENDSHIP AND SERVICE IS WHAT MAKES OUR PILOT ORGANIZATION SUCCESSFUL. WE **BELIEVE** THAT OUR CONTRIBUTIONS ARE VITAL TO OUR ENVIRONMENT, NO MATTER TIME OR TIDE. WE **BELIEVE** PILOTS MAKE THE WORLD A BETTER PLACE. AND WE DO!

“HOW SHALL I DO TO LOVE? BELIEVE. HOW SHALL I DO TO BELIEVE? LOVE.” - ANONYMOUS

*Barbara McKeever, Chaplain*

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.

### In our thoughts and prayers:



#### **Pilot Sympathy to:**

PC of Charlotte in the loss of two members:

Idell Tucker  
Louie Summerville

#### **Pilot Well Wishes to:**

Helen Beaver – PC of Kannapolis  
Laura Karriker – PC of Kannapolis  
Irene Burgess – PC of Laurinburg  
Ercel Quick – PC of Laurinburg  
Lib Sandlin – PC of Laurinburg

**Remember all Pilots or family members who are ill or in need of our thoughts and prayers. Please let Barbara or Mitzi know any Pilots that we need to included in this column.**