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IMPORTANT DATES

June 1

Deadline to pay early bird registration fee for PI / PIF Convention in Louisville, KY

July 1

2009-2010 Club Treasures submit PI Dues

July 7 – 10

PI / PIF Convention in Louisville, KY

Make plans to attend!



Your Best Pilot Convention Bet
Louisville, KY, July 7-10, 2010
Pilot International Convention



**How many times
can they fill us up?**

WOW! You guys must have eaten lots of M&M's! I am excited to report that the NC district is once again a \$250 district.

The M&M fundraiser coupled with individual donations received totaled

\$8,989.00 raised for PIF this year!

Great Job NC Pilots and PIF Rep Joyce Ferguson for leading us to a great Pilot finish!

Governor's Message

Supercalifragilisticexpialidocious: A word one can use to describe something when no other words will do (www.urbandictionary.com)

The 71st NC District Convention was nothing short of **Supercalifragilisticexpialidocious!** North Carolina Pilots never cease to amaze me and this weekend was no exception.

All 29 of our clubs were represented at convention this year!!! We had a total voting strength of 87 this year which included our 5 district officers and 19 past district governors. Our total convention attendance this year was 154.

A very heartfelt "Thank You" is extended to our Executive Committee Representative Sherry Johnson for making our weekend extra special. Your leadership, guidance and friendship were invaluable to me and the 2009-2010 DAC this year.

We tried lots of new things this year. I will be attaching a convention evaluation with the mailing of this bulletin. Please complete it honestly and forward to Governor-Elect Mitzi. Mitzi and her leadership team will use your input as they plan next year's convention.

Highlights from Friday night were the Club Banner Ceremony and the Memorial ceremony. Afterwards, we had a wonderful meal together and adjourned to our PIF Game Night and M&M Parade. I thought it was a great way to kickoff the weekend!

Saturday began with an uplifting message by our Keynote Speaker Susan Hite. Susan was a wonderful addition to our convention and kept us laughing and learning! It was such an honor to have her with us this year.

During our business sessions, NC Pilots passed the 2010-2011 district project (Camp Carefree), the proposed district budget and the proposed change to the district Standing Rules. Additionally, our 2010-2011 District Officers were elected.

There was a varied agenda for workshops available on Saturday afternoon. Club Officers took part in a newly formatted 'Council of Leaders' and four other breakout workshops ran concurrently during that time to offer something for everyone.

Saturday night ushered in the installation of our incoming district officers. Laura Keever and the Pilot Club of Kannapolis made this an extra special night for Mitzi, the incoming DAC and NC Pilots! Congratulations to each of you. We are proud of you and look forward to an outstanding year as we serve with you.

Chaplain Gerry Roberts began Sunday with a thought provoking message. Thank you Gerry for keeping us inspired all weekend. We rounded out our morning with a great Awards Ceremony on Sunday and Governor-Elect Mitzi sharing her goals for the upcoming year.

It has been such an honor and a privilege to serve as your district Governor this year. It has been a wonderful journey and an experience that I will never forget. I am excited about seeing many of you again real soon in Louisville for our Pilot International Convention.

Thank you for your support and encouragement this year. NC Pilots have had an extremely successful year and I'm so proud of each of you.

NC ECR – Sherry Johnson

Dearest North Carolina Pilots,



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Your district convention was simply over the top, and I returned home so energized! I truly enjoyed putting faces with names and getting to know so many of you. Your Friday night 'fun' was wonderful and hats off to PIF Representative Joyce in raising over \$8000 dollars for our foundation! I think she needs to teach other districts that M&M shuffle! Saturday's speaker was simply **AWESOME** and thank you, thank you district secretary Dee Ann for recommending Susan Hite.

Susan gave us tools to train our brains...my favorite point she shared was how to *Become the expert of YOU and set yourself up for success*. (I loved the story she shared about her husband wanting a glass of ice water after she'd had a long day at work...)

Special thank you to Governor Paula and her leadership team for a job well done. 2010-2011 Incoming Governor Mitzi & Past Pilot International President Laura Keever treated everyone to a very elegant installation ceremony. Sunday morning was action packed too---each of you that received awards, please, please, please, share them with PI and showcase your club in the Pilot International Log. This will help other clubs gain insight to new projects and fund-raisers. Thanks to each North Carolina Pilot for \$500 donation my honor to the foundation. I LOVED the necklace and earrings too...but with two teenage daughters I'll have to take my turn wearing it! I also loved the goodie basket in my room upon arrival to your great state. I know my luggage coming back home weighted in at 51 pounds and the AA clerk smiled and let me pass GO. Many memories and new friendships were made and I thank each of you from the bottom of my heart.

Here are a few ☺ 'packing' tips for the Louisville, KY convention:

1. You may want to pack some **really comfortable walking shoes**. Louisville has some great attractions that you will definitely want to visit and many are within walking distance. Plus, you will want to be a part of the **Foundation's 35th Anniversary Walk** at noon on Friday.
2. Comfortable clothes (**business casual**) and some **dress-up clothes** too for the President's Banquet. President Pat says it's going to be a party, so plan to celebrate.
3. Have you considered going on a Churchill Downs adventure and taking in what they do in the Millionaires Row? If you are interested check it out in your club mailing, Spring Pilot Log and the Pilot website. What to pack? **A hat** of course!
4. When you register, if you haven't already, you'll receive an acknowledgement package from HQ with many details to make your trip to convention a breeze.
5. Convention is planned to provide you with the tools you need for a successful Pilot Club year. This convention will benefit you, your club and your community.
6. Finally, we've had questions about the rooms...the two towers East (Suite Tower) \$144 per night is where most of the activities will be. The two towers are joined by a beautiful solarium walkway. West (Rivue) \$134 per night is less hectic and some views of the River. The reservation number is 1-800-THE-GALT or 1-800-843-4258.

Blessings and thank you for allowing me to visit your wonderful district,
Sherry Johnson, ECR North Carolina District

A Message from 2009-10 PI President Pat Jarvis

A beautiful spring has arrived, with all the glorious flowers. We look around and see the earth awakening after a long winter's nap. Birds are nesting and singing and bees are gathering pollen. What a great time to be alive!

You have now held your District Conventions and elected the 2010-2011 District officers or will within the next few weeks. Congratulations to each of you.

This is an exciting time in Pilot as we look to our new year and make plans. Working together, we can take Pilot and Pilot friendship and service to the next level. In the words of Mohammed Ali, "Champions are made from something they have deep inside them-a desire, a dream, a vision."

Pilots you are all CHAMPIONS as you take the desire, dream and vision of making our world better, one smile, one person, one service project at a time. Where would your community be without you????

In friendship,
Pat



**!!! Congratulations !!!
Pilot Member of the Year
Louise Deshaies
(Pilot Club of Greensboro)**



Without a doubt Louise Deshaies is our club's cheerleader and is the epitome of a Pilot. She lives our creed every day and even though she will celebrate her 90th birthday on April 13, she is truly an energizer bunny and just keeps going running circles around many of us younger members.

She has deserved our club as Director many times plus Vice President and President Elect and two terms as President (1998-1990 and 2003-2004). We can always count on Louise to add her artistic abilities to our meetings with her beautiful table decorations.

The Pilot Club of Greensboro was truly fortunate when Louise joined us in May, 1974. We can always count on her being at our membership meetings and working our projects. At our most recent fundraiser (spaghetti luncheon), she just took over the task of preparing the garlic bread for over 200 patrons and still had energy to help clean up after the luncheon!

She is also a regular attendee of District Convention always wanting to stay abreast of what is going on in Pilot. She is not only our club's cheerleader, but also an inspiration to all Greensboro Pilots.



**IMPORTANT NEWS @
District Email Account:
ncdistrict@yahoo.com**

Effective immediately, we will begin transitioning the district email account to Governor-Elect Mitzi and her DAC. If you need to email me personally, please use my email account (paula.haste@yahoo.com).

You may continue to use the district email account for all official Pilot business.

Thanks! Paula

2010 – 2011 CLUB OFFICER FORMS DUE

Please submit your 2010-2011 Club Officer forms to Mitzi Tutterow as soon as possible.

The new forms are now posted on the Pilot International website (www.pilotinternational.org) and on the district website at (www.pincdistrict.org).

Forms were due at the beginning of the month and will be used to update officer listings on the district website and for many other projects throughout the year. Thank you for your submission!

District Pilot Involvement Means Stronger Membership & Friendship

It was such a major treat to see so many Pilots gathered together for the spring 2010 Convention! The camaraderie among all attendees was so evident – as was the unity of purpose! We who are N.C. District members of Pilot International really do enjoy our times together. This year, we can wholeheartedly say we all had fun!

During the past three years, several of our clubs have experienced solid growth, with new members joining each year. This means that we have recent members who may not have experienced Pilot friendship outside of their local clubs. An excellent way to reinforce these new members' sense of involvement and belonging is to include them with other Pilots from the wonderful array of folks we have right here in NC! We have superb upcoming events that are fine opportunities to include our members.

International Convention, always an enthralling and uplifting event, is just around the corner, and this year it's in driving distance! If you haven't made your plans yet, please hurry...

Our Pilot District Project, in partnership with BIANC, is also just around the corner, in September. Camp Carefree is the only camp of its kind in our District. Those who participated last year will enthusiastically endorse the involvement of all of our NC Pilots. It isn't too early to lay your plans for Camp Carefree – sign up now!

And, before you can blink, it will be time for – not one, but two – excellent Fall Workshops. Some of our members enjoy these so much that they actually attend both. If you've never been to a Fall Workshop, please start laying your plans to attend, right away.

I'm looking forward to expanding my circle of Pilot friends by meeting YOU at one of these events. See you there!

Best Pilot Wishes,

Vashti Forrest
2009-2010 District Lt. Governor

2009- 2010 District Awards

Anchor Club of the Year

Patton High School sponsored by PC of Morganton

Margaret Cronan Safety and Health

PC of Monroe

Most Original Fundraiser

PC of Thomasville

Most Special Project

PC of Kannapolis

Most Fun Promoting Pilot Fellowship

PC of Kannapolis

Best "Pilot Spirit" Promoter

Luncheon Pilot Club of Rocky Mount

Pilot Member of the Year

Louise Deshaies

Pilot Club of the Year

PC of Rutherford County



2009-2010 District Scholarship Awards

\$1,000 Scholarship Winners:

- Megan Corn – Pilot Club of Valdese
- Emily Rhodes – Pilot Club of Gastonia

\$1500 Banner Scholarship Winner

(One time scholarship provided by funds raised from the NC District Banner Project)

- Lyndi Medlin – Luncheon Pilot Club of Rocky Mount

Thank you to our District Awards Committee and to our District Scholarship Committee! You each had a difficult job to do and you did it wonderfully! Thank you for serving our district this year,
Paula

In a recent conversation with Paula regarding the Chaplain's role at convention, she said "Say something uplifting" and I tried to comply. In retrospect, this whole convention was just that, uplifting! Susan Hite, our Keynote speaker, was a major reason for my very positive feelings. She was enthusiastic, funny, and just "right!" She reminded attendees that "laughter helps relieve stress. It's important to have ten belly laughs a day and five of them should be at yourself!"

But for me, her most important statement was "It's hard to turn down someone with spirit and enthusiasm." I've thought about this a great deal since then. One of the reasons we as Pilots are successful at our work (our projects) is that we approach what we do with enthusiasm.

But what if we don't always feel enthusiastic? Well, I would remind you that we have a great deal of control over our attitude.

Thinking ---> Action ---> Feelings

If we think positively and then act upon our thoughts, our feelings will follow.

The other important idea from Susan Hite is that failure is a part of success. John Grishom was turned down 23 times before his writing was accepted. One woman said, "I just got my 18th "NO", so I must be that much closer to a "YES" in selling my house." That is a wonderful example of thinking positively.

As you can tell, I tremendously enjoyed convention, and came away with though-provoking idea to improve my life. Some of which, I have tried to share with those of you who missed it.

Chaplain Gerry Roberts, Foothills Pilot Club

In Sincere Sympathy



Pilot Club of Fayetteville – Death of Pilot Elizabeth Hall

Wendy Cato, Pilot Club of Morganton – Loss of her beloved Co-Pilot Rus (Russell Cato)

Pilot Club of Rutherford County – Death of Pilot Azaleen Lowdermilk

Pilot Club of Wilmington – Death of Pilot Helen Lewis

WELCOME!



Darcey James Joyner, son of Erin and Dax Joyner – PC of Rocky Mount, was born at 11:30 on 05/13/2010. Darcey weighed in at 8lbs 2oz and measured 21 inches. Mother, Baby and dad are all doing fine.

Congratulations Erin, Dax and Eileen!!