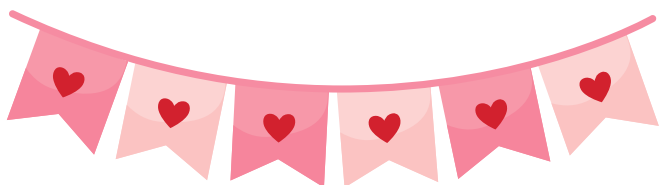




NC DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S BULLETIN

BY LESLIE MCLAUGHLIN



Happy February!

It is such a busy time in our Pilot year...getting ready for convention, nominations for district office, club recognitions, Anchor convention, and so much more!

I love hearing all the awesome things our NC Pilots are planning and doing! The official invitation to the convention is in this bulletin and it is going to be fabulous!! Please make plans to come! Please note all the important dates and deadlines!!

It is the month of love so remember those you care about with a hug, a smile, or a few kind words.

**In Pilot Friendship,
Governor Leslie**

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FEBRUARY 1-PACESETTER CLUB, 250 CLUB & 250 MEMBER CONTRIBUTIONS DUE

FEBRUARY 20-DISTRICT NOMINATIONS DUE

MARCH 1-CLUB RECOGNITION FORMS DUE

MARCH 2-ANCHOR VIRTUAL WATCH PARTY

MARCH 11-19-BRAIN AWARENESS WEEK

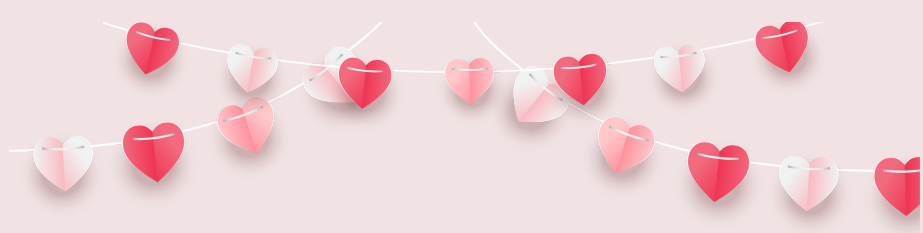
MARCH 15-PI & DISTRICT SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS DUE

MARCH 15-PICK ME UP, HELMET, AND BRAINMINDERS GRANT APPLICATIONS DUE.

APRIL 5-6- DISTRICT CONVENTION-ST. JAMES, NC

JULY 17-20-PILOT INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION - DENVER, COLORADO





February is the month to celebrate love - the love we have for others, the love that has been shared with us, and just as importantly, our self-love. Don't let February be just a reminder of what could be, make it a reflection of what already is.

Cherish your connections, appreciate all of life's little moments, and practice self-care.

February is a month of beginnings - a chance for us to start anew, open our hearts and minds, and find hope in the future.

Go out there and make the most of it!

Author Unknown

As your District Inspirational Leader, I'm starting to gather my thoughts and facts for the Memorial Service at our District Convention in April. While most of our Clubs have been pretty good about sending information to me and to Pilot International Headquarters, we want to make sure that all those Pilots and Co-Pilots we've lost this year are recognized in our program and in the accompanying PowerPoint presentation.

PLEASE, would each Club send me an email listing your Club name, the names of your Pilots and Co-Pilots who have died since July 1, and if you have it - links to their obituaries or the name of funeral home that served their families. If your Club was blessed to have not had any deaths this year, I sure would appreciate an email telling me so. That way we can be sure that ALL our Clubs are included! My email address is smithm9@aol.com

Please let us know of any concerns, cares, accomplishments, good news, etc. We all care so much about each other and hope to share the joys as well as the sorrows in each other's lives.

Sending you all lots of Pilot love and some cyber hugs, too!

Marian

Cares, Concerns, Celebrations and Congratulations

Pilot Club of Raleigh - Alice Batson passed away January 15th. Alice loved Pilot with her whole heart and in particular the Project Lifesaver Project. Please remember this lovely ladies family in your prayers. She will be dearly missed by all of us that knew her, worked with her and loved her.



ECR MESSAGE



Wow! It is already February and we have more than crossed our mid-year point of the 2023-2024 Pilot year. Pilot District Executive Boards, as well as our Compass and Anchor leaders, are busy preparing for District Conventions. Even your Executive Committee spent a long weekend planning and are now getting ready for new training opportunities and fun experiences for you in Denver, Colorado! There is a Convention tab on the PI website already for you to start getting a peek. So, check it out and get ready, it's going to be an awesome Convention!

Anchor and Compass Updates

Four Anchor Clubs and one Compass Club have been chartered since July 1, 2023! The Anchors and Compass members are growing! This is truly excellent news because we want Anchors and Compass members to be the future of Pilot International. Compass International made history on November 4, 2023 with their virtual Compass International Fall Workshop. It was so successful that they are considering a late winter/early spring workshop. Congratulations to Compass! It's time for grants and scholarships. The first one, Dreams Ahead Award, is open to Anchors and Compass members and awards money towards the leadership summit in Denver, Colorado. The deadline for entry is March 1. There are many other awards and scholarships that have other deadlines, many March 15, available on the website. Encourage Anchors and Compass members to check them out and apply.

BrainMinders™ Month

Get ready! BrainMinders™ month is March, so now is the time to start planning. There is a lot of information available on the Pilot International website for BrainMinders™ and the Helmet People. Take a moment and explore. You may want to play BRAIN-O or perform a BrainMinder™ puppet skit for the children. Don't forget the seniors. They love to play BRAIN-O too. There is a 9-square version for the seniors who are unable to handle the regular 25 square BRAIN-O. Plan ahead. The quarterly deadline for the new BrainMinders™ grant is March 15. Grant money may be used for any BrainMinder™ materials obtained through Pilot International, such as coloring or activity books, stickers, posters, and bookmarks.

Brain Awareness Week

Brain Awareness Week is March 11-17, 2024. This is the perfect opportunity to spread the word about brain safety and wellness through your community. If possible, set up a stand outside your local grocery store, organize a BRAIN-O night or BrainMinders™ presentation. The Helmet Coloring Contest is in full swing! Organize a local contest and submit the winners. Details are on the PI website under The Helmet People. Get the word out into your community!

I wish you success and smooth waters as you prepare to sail through the second half of your Pilot year!

**In Pilot Friendship and Love,
Nickola Dawkins**

THE NC DISTRICT ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL
INVITES ALL PILOTS TO THE

2024 NC DISTRICT PILOT INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION



SPEAKER
LISA GENNOSA

ENTERTAINMENT
VICTORIA HUGGINS
MISS NC 2017


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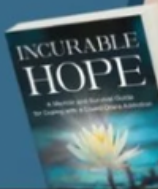
*Gaining Knowledge and
Resources for Recovery*

with **Lisa Gennosa**

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@healthforlifegr



April 5-6, 2024

St. James Community Center
4136 Southport-Supply Road
St. James, NC 28461

SAVE THE DATE

APRIL 5-6, 2024

**NC DISTRICT CONVENTION PILOT INTERNATIONAL
ST. JAMES COMMUNITY CENTER
4136 SOUTHPORT SUPPLY ROAD
ST. JAMES, NC 28461**

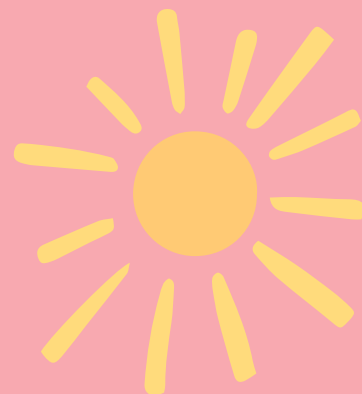
**ACCOMODATIONS:
HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS
SOUTHPORT-OAK ISLAND
3400 SOUTHPORT SUPPLY ROAD
BOLIVIA, NC 28422
910-253-9100**

\$109 + TAX/NIGHT

**CALL HOTEL FOR RESERVATION BEFORE
MARCH 8.**

ASK FOR NC DISTRICT PILOT RATE.

**Good
Times**





North Carolina District Anchors

Greetings North Carolina Pilots! You are invited to your District Anchor Celebration on Saturday, March 2nd, 9:30am- 1:00pm.

No travel! No overnight! It will be virtual! Anchor Clubs will zoom in as a “watch party” through their school’s media center or another site where they can get together. Pilots, you can join your Anchor “watch parties” live or join from the comfort of your own home.

No cost registration! The District Anchor treasury will fund the Club Celebrations with \$100.00 per Clubs participating to use for party supplies, snacks, lunch, etc. In return we are looking forward to a great celebration of Anchors! Just like the best part of Pilot gatherings is sharing our successes and fun times together, Anchors also have those stories to tell.

The guest speaker will be Katie Haynes from “Smiling While Sending Hope.” Her mission is to bring smiles to others who have Asperger’s or other big health challenges in their lives.

We look forward to seeing you. If you have any questions or comments. Contact your District Anchor Appointees. Barbara Mack, Carol Deaton, and Kim Smith.



Calling All North Carolina Anchor Clubs

For the Grand Celebration of You!



**Saturday, March 2nd
9:30am-1:00pm
Virtual Watch Party**

**Connect with other Anchors.
Share your success stories.**

“Bringing Smiles to Others”

by Guest Speaker Katie Haynes

[Facebook.com/SmilingWhileSendingHope](https://www.facebook.com/SmilingWhileSendingHope)

**Anchor Clubs Register by February 10th!
North Carolina District will send your
Club \$100.00 for party supplies,
snacks/lunch.**



NEW NC PILOTS!!



**Alison Creekmore
PC Raleigh**

Karen Rose

Luncheon Rocky Mount





FROM YOUR PIFF REPRESENTATIVE: AMY HURST

Welcome February. President's Day, Valentine's Day and February 1st is the deadline for getting your Pacesetter 250 donations for grants and scholarships in. I hope all you Presidents and Treasurers have remembered to get yours in. If not, do it now! The NC District has always prided itself on making our goal and being 100%!

Remember the next deadline for Pick Me Up, Helmet and BrainMinder grants is March 15. Download those forms and begin working on your grant request today. Let's bring some of our PIFF dollars back to NC to bolster our community projects.

I'm looking forward to seeing lots of you at our District Convention in a couple of months and presenting you with the recognition you have earned.



MEMBERSHIP

Like the holidays it's always fun to be with a group of family, friends, and new acquaintances, baking cookies and trying out new recipes.

Now is the perfect time to create a recipe for a Share Pilot Event. So get cooking with steps to a successful event.....

- Step 1 - Pick out a Recipe for Success - Set your event objectives. What will success look like?
 - Reaching our one member per member goal
- Step 2 - When and Where will the event take place? Think outside the box.
 - Regular meeting with special program.
 - Local museum, art gallery, sporting event.
 - Tea, Game, Art or Jewelry party.
 - Invite to help with a project.
- Step 3 - How many people are expected to attend?
 - Have members list family, friends, and acquaintances they plan to invite.
- Step 4 - Decide on an event name, even if it is a working title, to begin with.
 - Make it fun but informative.
- Step 5 - Who are the core team that will make the event happen?
 - Pick a Head Chef and a few Sous chefs. Who is the Chair/Co-Chairs?
- Step 6 - What budget is available for the event?
- Step 7 - Is it a ticketed event? What is the anticipated ticket price?
- Consider having guest bring an item for one of your projects (book, teddy bear, etc)
 - Provide a discounted ticket to a local museum, art gallery, sporting event
- Create an invitation (email invitations are easier to track and to follow-up later)
 - Share Pilot at your event by having...
 - Brochures/flyers about your club with contact information.
 - Potential Membership form as part of registration
 - Display photos and information on projects and fundraiser(s).
- Keep your program short and sweet.....Have different members speak about.....
 - o Club being part of Pilot International and your District, Grants, Scholarships
 - o Club Projects and Fundraiser(s)
- o Testimonies from a handful of members on how and why they joined and what they LOVE about being a Pilot member.

ACCENTUATE THE BENEFITS OF FRIENDSHIP AND SERVICE TO THEIR COMMUNITY AS PART OF AN INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION.....WHERE YOU





BELIEVE

YOU CAN

**WE BELIEVE IN YOU!
FROM YOUR NOMINATING COMMITTEE**

**KIM SMITH
2023-2024 DAC NOMINATING COMMITTEE CHAIR**

**WE HOPE THIS FINDS YOU PREPARING FOR A RELAXING AND LOVING
HOLIDAY SEASON!**

**WE ARE NAVIGATING AT GREAT SPEED THIS YEAR, READY TO STEER
INTO 2024 WITH PLANS TO FILL OUR DISTRICT ADMINISTRATIVE
COUNCIL FOR 2024-2025.**

**PLEASE BE THINKING ABOUT OUR PHENOMENAL PILOTS TO NOMINATE
FOR THESE IMPORTANT LEADERSHIP ROLES.**

**WE KNOW YOU ARE READY TO DO MORE. CARE MORE. BE MORE! GO
PILOT!**

*Together
We Can!*

GOOD VIBES 😊

KIM

KIMWSMITH@YAHOO.COM

**NOMINATIONS FOR DISTRICT SECRETARY, TREASURER, AND
GOVERNOR ELECT ARE DUE FEBRUARY 20, 2024.**

QUALIFICATIONS FOR NOMINEES FOR DISTRICT OFFICES

Qualifications of a Nominee for the office of Governor Elect, Lt. Governor, Secretary or Treasurer:

A nominee will: (Bylaw requirements)

- 1. Be a dues-paying active member of a Pilot club.**
- 2. A nominee for Governor, Governor Elect or Lt. Governor will have served as President of a Pilot Club. A nominee for Governor Elect of a regional District will have served as a Lt. Governor.**
- 3. A nominee for Secretary or Treasurer of a Small District will have served on a Pilot Club Executive Board.**
- 4. A nominee for Secretary or Treasurer of a Large District will have served as President of a Pilot Club.**
- 5. A Pilot will not serve as a District officer, International officer and/or Club President at the same time.**

A nominee: (Policy)

- 1. Should have attended district conventions to a creditable degree.**
- 2. Agrees to give the time and effort necessary to perform efficiently the duties of the office and understands that it will require spending some personal funds.**
- 3. For Governor Elect: attendance at a recent international convention prior to the time of being elected is required, except in districts less than two years old or by special permission of the Executive Committee of Pilot International.**
- 4. For Lt. Governor: who has not attended a recent International convention may be eligible for nomination by attending the Council of Leaders and international convention following election.**
- 5. For Governor Elect or Lt. Governor: should be qualified to address the clubs on the activities and plans of the district and Pilot International.**
- 6. For Treasurer: should be proficient in financial management procedures.**
- 7. For Secretary: should be qualified to record, transcribe and distribute the minutes of various meetings related to administration of the District.**

**DUTIES OF DISTRICT OFFICERS ARE OUTLINED IN THE PILOT INTERNATIONAL BYLAWS -
ARTICLE XVII**

**QUALIFICATION FORM FOR DISTRICT OFFICE
[ORIGINAL TO BE COMPLETED AND MAILED TO NOMINATING COMMITTEE CHAIR]**

Name of Nominee: _____
Nominee's Home Club/District: _____
Nominee's Address: _____
Nominated for Office of: _____
Nominee's Phone: _____
Email: _____

NOMINEE'S PILOT LEADERSHIP:

Club/Elected Offices held: _____
Appointments: _____
District/Elected Offices held: _____
District Appointments held: _____
International Appointments held: _____
Years in Pilot: _____

Number of Conventions attended: _____
District: _____
International: _____

Profession or Business Affiliation: _____
Title of present position: _____

How long? _____
Status and scope of main responsibilities:

Previous business/professional experience:

List no more than three (3) civic/professional organizations (other than Pilot and religious affiliations) you are actively serving or have actively served with the last five (5) years, with positions of responsibility held:

**I CERTIFY THAT THE ABOVE INFORMATION IS TRUE AND
CORRECT, TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE.**

Date: _____
Nominee's Signature: _____

NOMINEE'S PLEDGE

I understand the duties and responsibilities of District Officers as stated in the Bylaws and Policies of Pilot International; my obligations to Pilot International and the District; the time required to attend meetings; and the obligation Pilot International and the District accepts relative to my expense. I understand that failure to have performed the duties of prior elected offices may result in my disqualification from serving in any capacity on the District level. I pledge that:

I am an active member of a Pilot club.

At no time will I campaign or solicit votes for myself or any other nominees.

I will uphold and abide by the District Standing Rules, the Bylaws and Policies of Pilot International, the action of governing bodies, and be loyal to Pilot International.

I will carry out the duties and responsibilities of the office and conduct myself in a manner becoming a District officer in Pilot International.

Date: _____

Nominee's signature: _____

REFERENCES

I give the nominating committee permission to contact the following persons and any other Pilots in order to determine my qualification to see election to District office:

Name, Club, Phone Number: _____

Name, Club, Phone Number: _____

INSTRUCTIONS TO PROPOSED NOMINEE:

Immediately upon receiving letter of nomination, nominee should send a letter of acknowledgment (acceptance or refusal) to the nominating club, with a copy to the chairman of the Nominating Committee and Governor.* Only one copy of a response letter should be sent to the President of the nominee's home club.

A candidate for District office is required to state how he/she would contribute to Pilot International's mission and goals. The statement should be 300 words or less and sent to the Chairman of the Nominating Committee along with the completed qualification form. A copy of the statement should be sent to the Governor and ECR.* Nominee may not state their qualifications in the statement. The salutary greeting and opening statement, "Hello or Good morning, I'm _____ and I am a nominee for the office of _____" should not be included in the vision statement (these words are not counted towards the total words.) (A, an, the, or, etc. are counted as words. A hyphenated word will count as one word.) Candidates who submit statements in excess of 300 words will be disqualified. This statement will be presented by the candidate to the convention body at the District Convention.

Please use 12 pt. font for your statement and do not double space. The statement will be placed on this page below the signature line and reproduced as it was received. Forward this completed original form to the chairman of the Nominating Committee along with two Pilot references (names and addresses). This form will be reproduced and sent to all Pilot clubs with the candidate's statement. It is necessary to complete only ONE nomination/qualification form.

The qualification form, acceptance letter, references and statement must be postmarked no later than 60 days prior to convention.

A letter will be sent to each candidate 45 days prior to convention notifying the nominee of the status of their candidacy for District office.

* Copy does not need to be sent to PI Headquarters.