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Governor's Thoughts

Here it is February cold weather has bitten our noses, and a little of snow for some. My year is winding down, a lot has happened but thanks to your prayers and kind words and all of your help. We are climbing back up to becoming a stronger District, to be around for a long time to come. I hope everyone has something special for Valentine's planned even if it is with someone special, or with family, or just sitting down to watch those Hallmark love stories. I hope it is a good day for everyone. Here are a few things to remember for the month of February.

1. Contributions postmarked no later than February 1st—Pacesetter, 250 Club and 250 Member recognition at District Convention.
2. Nominate candidates for PI offices at club business meeting. Submit letter of nomination written to nominee with copy to PIHQ.
3. Outstanding Anchor Club entries to the District Awards Jury deadline set by Pilot District Governor (no later than March 15th)
4. NC District Convention to be held in Kannapolis, NC on April 25th & 26th, 2025. Reservations deadline is April 14th and can be made at Sleep Inn Concord-Kannapolis. Convention registration deadline is April 14, 2025. The forms are in the bulletin along with more information. The Silent Auction fundraiser will be for the NC District General Operating Expenses. We are asking each club to bring an item(s) for the fundraiser.

Please be sure and let me know of any fun filled plans you have for fundraisers, projects, or anything else that the DAC might be able to come to. Also, send any photos you would like to share that your club has been involved in this past month. We would love to share with other clubs. The information for the Governor's Bulletin needs to be to me by the last Wednesday of each month. The Bulletin will go out the first week of the new month. We want to get to know you better.

Remember—All Aboard! Leaving No Pilot Behind

Your Pilot Sister,

Desi Harris



Inspirational Leader . . . Myra Geer

As I think of Valentines, of course I think about the different kinds of love there are. We have romantic love, motherly love, love for family, love for friends, love for special things we enjoy in life. There are several scriptures that I want to share about love.

1 Corinthians 13:4-8 "Love is patient and kind; love does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice at wrongdoing but rejoices with the truth."

1 Corinthians 16:4 "Let all that you do be done in love."

Paul emphasizes that love should be the motivation behind every action.

Colossians 3:14 "And above all these put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony". Emphasizes that love is the most important virtue. It suggest that love is the key to bring people together and making their differences compatible.

1 John 4:19 "We love because he first loved us". God's love changes our hearts and makes us capable of loving others. God's love is the driving force behind our love for others. How wonderful it is to have family and friends that love us. What is more wonderful is to have our God that loves us unconditionally.

My love to each of you, I appreciate you as you show your love and care to your communities.

Myra

C A R E S	
C O N C E R N S	FOOTHILLS PILOT CLUB Prayers for the club members and family of Elaine Clark who passed away on January 9th.
	PILOT CLUB OF TARBORO Prayers for Stephanie Walker who is having test and procedures for a medical diagnosis.
	CHINA GROVE LANDIS Sympathy to Elizabeth and Donnie Smith in the passing of Donnie's mother.
	PILOT CLUB OF RUTHERFORD COUNTY Prayers for Donna McCann's sister, Kathy as she recovers from surgery.
	Prayers for a member's friend, Linda Collins in the passing of her husband.





From your PIFF Representative:

Happy Valentine's Day!! Make sure you have some flowers and chocolates for the day. I plan to have mine snuggled up at home if the weather stays this cold.

Congratulations to the Scottish Pilot Club of Laurinburg on receiving a grant for the Brain Safe Riders Initiative. This grant will provide helmets for adults and older children in a therapeutic riding program. I am so excited to see that some of our donation money is coming home to North Carolina.

February 1st was the postmark deadline for your 250 donation to Grants & Scholarships as well as your Pacesetter donation of \$10 per member. If you let the date slip up on you, take care of that today!! I look forward to recognizing ALL of our clubs as 250 and Pacesetter clubs at District Convention.

Are you looking forward to a project in the late spring? Remember the grants will be awarded once again in the spring. The deadline for Helmet, Pick Me Up and BrainMinders grants in March 15.

Come on NC Pilots!!! **SHOW ME THE MONEY!!** Apply for those grants in the spring. The June 15th deadline would help fund projects at the beginning of the next Pilot year. Be thinking ahead.

In Pilot Friendship and Service,

Amy Hurst, Pilot Club of Kannapolis

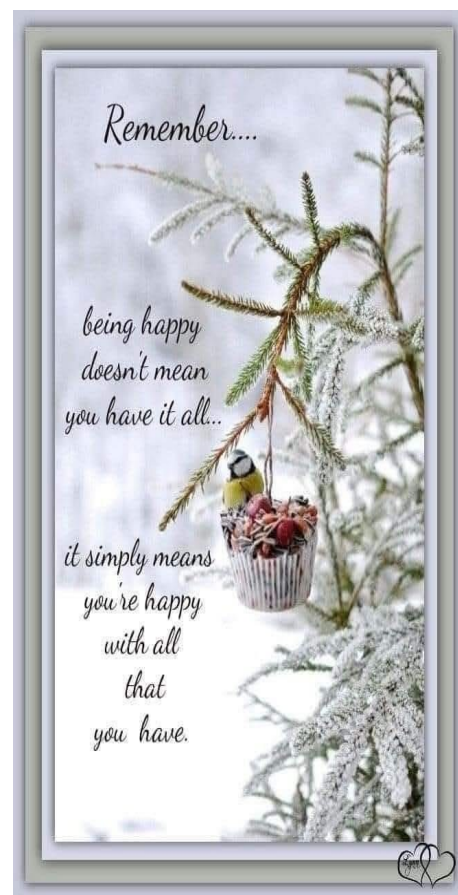
A note from Amy, District Treasurer:

I appreciate the confidence placed in me by Governor Desi and the DAC to appoint me to fill the position of Treasurer. I will do my very best for the remainder of the Pilot year to handle the finances of the District in a conscientious manner.

Remember to send District dues to me when you install a new member. Pilot International dues will go to Macon. International Convention is coming up in Charlotte this year and I hope to see lots and lots of NC Pilots attending. Early bird registration is \$475 and ends February 28th. Register **NOW** and save some money. You can also make your hotel reservations. You will want to be at the Westin and not in a nearby hotel if the Westin fills up.

Due to the uncertainty of district funding **AT THIS TIME**, District Officers and potential District Officers will be asked to be prepared to pay their own registration and room costs at District Convention and International Convention. Please know that we are working hard to restore financial stability to the NC District by planning fund-raisers and through filing on our bonding insurance. As soon as funds are available, reimbursements will be issued.

We WILL come through this stronger for having weathered this storm together.





ECR Message . . . Lisa Palmquist

February is often call the month of love since Valentine's Day is on the 14th—a celebration of romance, affections and heartfelt connections. It is a time when people exchange cards, flowers, chocolates and other tokens of love to express their feelings. February's shorter days and cozy winter atmosphere make it a time for intimate moments and warm gatherings. Time to get cozy by the fireplace and read a good book.

There are some events though that need attention in February. It is time to consider the club officers and to nominate District Officers. The Club Nominating Committee needs to be elected no later than two (2) months prior to your District Convention. When the Nominating Committee member asks you to serve your District as an Officer, please say Yes. It is a way to gain leadership and confidence.

Also, Make nominations for PI officers. Submit a letter to the nominee of your choice and send a copy to PIHQ.

Outstanding Anchor club entries are due to the District Awards Jury with a deadline no later than March 15th.

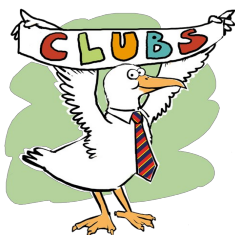
March 15th is also the quarterly deadline for Pick-Me-Up, Helmets and BrainMiners grants. Now is the time to begin planning to complete the grant applications; reading the instuctions and paying close attention to the date requirements.

March is Membership month and now is the time to plan a Share Pilot to add members to your club.

So, enjoy the unusual snowy weather as you sit by the fire eating your Valentine's Day Chocolates.

In Friendship and Love,

Lisa



March 15th is the deadline for completed forms for recognition of Club Activities for 2024-2025.

Printable copies of the forms are on the NC District website.

Forms can be emailed to:

san_retired@yahoo.com or mailed to Sheila Nance, 2620 Lipe Road, China Grove, NC 28023. If anyone has any questions,



NEW POLICY AND PROCEDURES

DISASTER RELIEF

In the event of a natural disaster or other state of emergency affecting North Carolina, the DAC will be responsible for confirming the safety of all members and assessing the needs of any members or clubs. The DAC members will contact their assigned clubs as District Council Representative (DCR) and report to the Governor. The DAC will develop a plan of action. The Governor will communicate any reports and/or needs to the membership.

We will mail the President and/or other officers of the clubs a few days in advance of the Storm and remind them to check on their members and report back to us. We will go ahead and provide the Safe Harbor Application and Guidelines from PI so they have that if needed.

CHANGES TO POLICY AND PROCEDURES

VI. Expenses for Pilot International Convention—this is what it reads now

- C. The District budget provides 2 rooms to be used by members of the DAC at International Convention. Any member of the DAC staying in any room other than those reserved and paid for by the District will be reimbursed at 1/2 the cost of the room based on the Governor's rate for hotel accommodations.

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If funds are budgeted and available.

VIII. Financial Policies—this is what it reads now

- Q. The District budget provides 2 rooms to be used by members of the DAC at Fall Council/Workshop and District Convention. If a DAC member chooses not to stay in the rooms provided, reimbursement for the hotel room costs will be half the cost of the room.

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FOR DISTRICT OFFICERS

Well Pilots, it’s that time of year when we need to begin thinking about nominations for District officers for next year. Remember that the Governor Elect moves up to become the Governor for next year. That means clubs need only nominate someone for Treasurer, Secretary and Governor Elect for 2025. I need to receive all the nominations and the nominees replies and paperwork **by March 15th**. All the nominations will need to be mailed to the club delegates prior to the District Convention which is the end of April.

Please mail your nominations to my new address:
Linda Covington, 887 Easy Street, Asheboro NC 27205

March 15,2025 is the scholarship application deadline and mail to: Zana Whitmire, 1495 College Ave., Ste 150, Spindale, NC 28160 or email to : zana1626@att.net.

The North Carolina District Pilot International offers (a) scholarship (s)each year, as funding allows, to (a) high school student(s) who is/are continuing his/her higher education. Preference is given to students who are interested in careers that will positively impact brain illness or disease awareness.
If you have any questions text or call me at 828-447-4597.



An illustration of an orange owl with large white eyes and black pupils, wearing a yellow bow tie. It is pointing its right wing towards the text.

Just a reminder...

DUE TO PI BY MARCH 15TH

Pick Me Up Grants

Helmet Grants

BrainMindors Grants

2025 Scholarship Applications

NORTH CAROLINA DISTRICT CONVENTION

APRIL 25-26, 2025

First Presbyterian Church

201 Vance Street

Kannapolis NC 28081

Sleep Inn Concord - Kannapolis

1120 Copperfield Boulevard,

Kannapolis, NC, 28025, US

1-704-788-2150

Tell them you are with

NC District Pilots

\$89.95 plus tax per night





PILOT MARKET PLACE

Promote Your Club's Fundraising at District Convention

Reserve your **FREE** spot at the Marketplace at District Convention.
If interested in having a table, please fill out this form and mail to:

Amy Hurst
101 Landmark Drive
Kannapolis NC 28083
704-743-3399
tarhillpilot1981@yahoo.com

Deadline is April 14, 2025

Pilot Club of _____

Contact Person _____

Phone Number: _____

Email: _____

Description of item(s) sold: _____

NC District Convention
Registration Form

April 25-26, 2025

First Presbyterian Church
201 Vance Street
Kannapolis NC 28081



Pilot Club of: _____

Name	Full Registration \$120 (Includes 2 meals)	Installation Banquet \$40 (Sat Night Dinner Only)	Please Note Any Dietary Restrictions	Delegate	Alternate	First Timer	Indicate Whether • Past Governor • District Officer • District Appointee • Co-Pilot • Guest	Total Amount Paid
1								
2								
3								
4								
5								
6								
7								

Check #:

Total Paid:

Registration Deadline: April 14, 2025

Make checks payable to : NC District Pilot International

Mail Registration form and Check to: Amy Hurst 101 Landmark Drive Kannapolis NC 28083

- **Deadline for District Convention Hotel Reservations is April 14, 2025.**

Reservations should be made by calling the **Sleep Inn Concord-Kannapolis** 1-704-788-2150 and ask for the NC District Pilot International Convention rate. The rate is \$89.95 plus tax for 2 double beds.

This includes breakfast. After the cutoff date, room availability is not guaranteed.

- Hotel Check-in
3:00 PM
- Hotel Check-out
11:00 AM
- Send completed registration form and check made payable to: **NC District Pilot International**
Amy Hurst
101 Landmark Drive
Kannapolis NC 28083

- **REMEMBER THAT ALL CLUBS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR PAYING AT LEAST ONE FULL REGISTRATION REGARDLESS OF ATTENDANCE**

- The hours of the convention are as follows:

Registration is: Friday April 25 3:00 PM to 5:00 PM

 Saturday April 26 8:00 AM to 8:45 AM

Convention starts Friday at 7:30

PM.

- Each club needs to mark up to 3 delegates and 2 alternates. PDGs are automatically a delegate. Therefore, do not count them as one of your delegates unless necessary. **All delegates must be marked on the registration form.**
- If you have any questions, contact Amy Hurst 1-704-743-3399

2024-2025 NC DISTRICT PROJECT

CVAN — CABARRUS VICTIMS ASSISTANCE NETWORK

provides safety, shelter and support for battered women and their children in Cabarrus County, NC. Since 1982 - building a world where every home is a safe home.

Donating Items

So many families come to Shelter with the bare minimum - a few important papers and a garbage bag of clothes for the children. Because of your support, we are able to provide for the families when they arrive and as they leave the Shelter to set up a new life.

Shelter Needs

Our rule of thumb is anything you use at home, we use 10 times as much of!

On an ongoing basis CVAN needs:

- paper products - paper towels and toilet paper
- Trash bags - 13 gallon kitchen size and 30 gallon black
- Laundry detergent
- Zip lock bags - gallon and quart size
- Clorox wipes
- Spic-n-Span
- Mr. Clean
- Diapers - sizes 4,5,6
- personal care items
- basic over-the-counter medicines
- Gift Cards - (ie Walmart, Food Lion)
- Food - we always need pantry items, but if you have prepared food, please call (704.788.1108). We probably can use it.

For our Specific Needs at this time – Give us a call at 704.788.1108 or email at info@cvan.org

Holiday Giving

We appreciate gifts for women and children during the holidays!

To find out how to help – give us a call at 704-788-1108 to talk more about our Holiday Program.

Donating Thrift Store Items

Clean out your attic, basement & closets!

CVAN needs:

All Clothes - men, women & children

Household/Housewares - such as kitchen, seasonal, decorations, small appliances, knick-knacks

Accessories - such as shoes, jewelry, purses, belts

Books, DVD's, CD's

Linens

Can't take - TV's, large appliances, mattresses, cribs, car seats, computers, building materials & magazines. At this time, we also can't take Furniture; toys; medical supplies; large baby items such as changing table, stroller; or hangers. If you aren't sure about a donation - give us a call. Thanks!

Where to Donate Your Items

We don't have the capacity to pick up items and rely on donors to drop off at our Thrift Store. Visit our [Thrift Store Page](#).

CVAN's Cool Used Stuff - Thrift Store 543 Concord Pkwy N. Concord, NC 28027704.721.9020

WILL YOU BE MY VALENTINE?



JIRDC Volunteer Services
is collecting Valentine Cards
for residents!

Send a card, write a note,
give a smile!

Please no candy or items in cards

Return by February 12th

**300 ENOLA ROAD
ATTN: VOLUNTEER SERVICES
MORGANTON, NC 28655**

For more information contact us at 828-608-6212.