



# NC DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S BULLETIN

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# Happy New Year



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Where did 2023 go??? I cannot believe we are in a new year and halfway through our Pilot year!

Convention planning has started by your DAC. Please plan on attending as it will be an awesome event!!

Please note all the important Pilot news in this bulletin and please consider being an Officer on the 2024-2025 NC District Administrative Council Your District believes in YOU!

Happy 2024!!!!  
Governor Leslie





**Happy New Year to my Pilot friends and their families!**

**Let's make all the days of 2024 count... To do that we can:**

**Count love, not loss  
Count hope, not despair  
Count joy, not sadness  
Count blessings, not burdens  
Count memories, not mistakes  
Count each moment that life gives us  
And count it all with grace.  
Author unknown**

**I'm wishing each of you 12 months of success, 52 weeks of laughter, 365 days of fun, 8,760 hours of joy, 525,600 minutes of good luck, and 31,536,000 seconds of happiness!**

**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**

**LIFE IS FULL OF BEAUTY. NOTICE IT. NOTICE THE BUMBLE BEE, THE SMALL CHILD, AND THE SMILING FACES. SMELL THE RAIN AND FEEL THE WIND. LIVE YOUR LIFE TO THE FULLEST POTENTIAL, AND FIGHT FOR YOUR DREAMS.  
ASHLEY SMITH**

# ECR MESSAGE



**My Dearest Pilot Family,**

**Happy New Year! A new year brings celebrations and new beginnings.**

**As we enter 2024, let us focus on a quote by Michael Josephson, “Approach the New Year with resolve to find the opportunities hidden in each day.” As Pilots, we know that each day provides us opportunities to “Do More, Care More, and Be More” while exemplifying our principles of Friendship and Service. Each day is an opportunity to “Matter IN Pilot” by serving our communities. Let us continue to look at the opportunities we have in Pilot for the upcoming year.**

**Have you been looking for a way to help build the leadership capacity of our organization? We have the opportunity to serve Pilot International as an elected official! Now is the time to focus on District and International Officer Nominations. Review the process and requirements for officer nominations in our district manual on our website. If you are nominated, step up and proudly serve your District by accepting your nomination or appointment and instilling fresh, innovative ideas for the 2024-2025 Pilot year! After accepting the nomination, District Officer candidates must complete paperwork due 60 days before your District Convention. Leadership Matters IN Pilot!**

Call for nominations



Just a  
reminder...



**Save the Date - March 15, 2024! Are you seeking an opportunity to help others realize their dreams and aspirations? Do you have an idea for an opportunity to make someone’s day a little brighter? It is the 2024 Scholarship application deadline and the quarterly deadline for Helmet and Pick Me Up Grant Applications. Our Pilot International Founders Fund awards scholarships to undergraduate and graduate students seeking an education in one of Pilot’s focus areas and students who have been active Anchors and/or Compass members during their school careers. For more information and the applications, go to**

**<https://www.pilotinternational.org/about/scholarships>**

## Supporting Others Matters IN Pilot!



**Are you seeking an opportunity to recognize your clubs and fellow Pilots? Pacesetters, 250 Clubs, and 250 Members are recognitions Pilot International uses to identify clubs and members for their continued financial generosity. To be recognized as a Pacesetter Club, the club donates \$10 per member. To be recognized as a 250 Club or Member, the club or member has to contribute at least \$250 to the Grants and Scholarships Fund. All contributions must be postmarked by February 1st for recognition at District**

**Conventions. Visit our Pilot International Website and click the “Donate” tab for the donation form. Recognition Matters IN Pilot!**

**My dearest Pilots, we have many opportunities this year to “Matter IN Pilot!” We must be thankful for each day and remember the words of Avina Celeste, “Enter this new year with gratitude for this new chance to create your dreams.” Dream Big, my Pilot Family!**



**Yours in Friendship and Service,**

**NICKOLA DAWKINS  
NC ECR  
PRESIDENT ELECT PILOT  
INTERNATIONAL  
BAHAMAS DISTRICT**

**PILOT  
INTERNATIONAL**  
*Do More. Care More. Be More.*



**JANUARY 6-PILOT FIRST SATURDAY**

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

**FEBRUARY 20-DISTRICT NOMINATIONS DUE**

**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**

**SAVE THE DATE**

**APRIL 5-6, 2024**

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

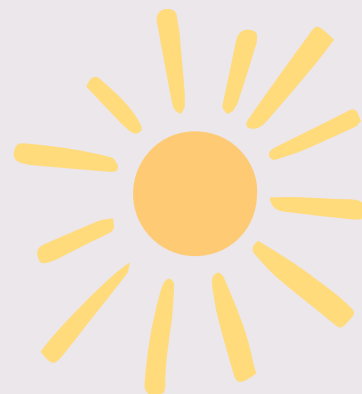
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3400 SOUTHPORT SUPPLY ROAD  
BOLIVIA, NC 28422  
910-253-9100**

**\$109 + TAX/NIGHT**

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

**ASK FOR NC DISTRICT PILOT RATE.**

**Good  
Times**



**NEW NC PILOTS!!**



**Leslie Roscoe**  
**PC Kannapolis**



**Debbie (Sponsor), Leslie, and Amy Hurst**





**FROM YOUR PIFF REPRESENTATIVE, AMY HURST**

**Happy New Year to all! I hope the year brings you much joy, good health and success in your personal life as well as your Pilot Club. The results for Giving Tuesday have not been announced but at last report, we did not meet our \$25, 000 goal. We did, however raise funds for our quarterly grants. Be sure to apply for either a Pick Me Up, Helmet or BrainMinders grant. The next deadline is March 15th. Start making your plans. On a current note, the devastating earthquake in Japan has affected our Japanese Pilots in any number of ways. We DO have clubs in the area devastated by the earthquake. Communications are down in some areas but initial reports were promising for our Pilot members. Pilot International's SAFE HARBOR FUND is intended to assist Pilots in need when they apply for assistance. Per the PI website: The funds are specified to help pay for limited types of essential living expenses, which are: • Medical expenses not eligible for reimbursement by insurance • Housing • Utilities • Food • Clothing • Shelter • Other Basic Necessities. If you wish to assist ANY of our Pilots ANYWHERE, at ANYTIME, you can go online and contribute indicating your donation should go to the Safe Harbor Fund.**

**CLUB TREASURERS & PRESIDENTS: Remember that February 1st is the postmark deadline for Pacesetters contribution (\$10 per member) and your \$250 Grants and Scholarship contribution. I would love to celebrate being 100 % in February.**





**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.**



## **Foothills Pilot Club of North Carolina Candy Cane Project 2023**

**Foothills Pilot Club of North Carolina's annual Christmas project is providing cards with a candy cane for every resident in our county who cannot be in their own home on Christmas morning. Foothills Pilot Club members met on December 9, 2023 to participate in the Annual Candy Cane Project. Members of Chase Anchor Club joined the group to help with the project. Following breakfast a total of one thousand five hundred sixteen (1,516) candy canes were attached to cards to be distributed to twenty-three of Rutherford County's nursing, assisted living and family care homes, Rutherford Correctional Center, Rutherford County Jail, Hospice of the Carolina Foothills and Rutherford Regional Health System. Participants left with bags to be delivered to the various facilities. The candy canes will be distributed at each facility on Christmas morning. We wish to thank Food Lion for help in securing the candy canes.**

