

Shine Your Light for Pilot

# Alabama District Governor's Bulletin February 2021



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### **District Governor Janice Clark**

**Issue 8** 

February is the "LOVE Month". One love we all have is the love for Pilot and its mission. Why not share it with others? When you love something, you want to tell others about it. Let us do that this month.

The nominating committee is ready to accept nominations for Governor-elect, Secretary and Treasurer. Please consider these important offices and answer the call of our District. Our "100 for 100" membership is still awaiting some challengers. Troy, Decatur, and Prattville are off to a great start. I know we can grow our membership with the incentives offered and the love mentioned above.

Plans are being made for the Anchor and District virtual conventions. Anchor will be March 7 and District April 24. Details will be forth coming on times and agendas.

We have received a few of the annual checklists. We were hoping this would benefit your clubs and enable the DAC to help clubs with various issues. Please take time to utilize this tool; it will benefit your club tremendously.

Thank you to all of you for your continued support and love shown to the DAC. We are just a phone call, email, or text away.

Keep "Shining your light for Pilot"!

Janice

# **Secretary**

**Carolyn Cobb** 

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Happy Valentine's Day to all my Special Pilot Friends! February is the month of LOVE and I truly Love all Pilots. I am disappointed that again we will be virtual for the District Convention and Anchor Convention, especially since this is my last year as your District Secretary.

I am looking forward to TBI Camp. Please everyone still purchase tickets for the beautiful pearl jewelry that is the fundraiser for PIFF. Looking forward to hopefully seeing lots of Pilots at International Convention since it is in Atlanta and most of us can drive. Everyone have a great February.

Carolyn

### **Governor Elect**

# Beverly Wilkerson brownie51b2@live.com

Here we are now in February, the month of LOVE! Since we have not all been able to be meet in person, we still should be able to share together love for each other and Pilot. This month is the perfect time of the year to reach out to club members with a card, text, or call. Many have been very isolated due to COVID 19. They need to know from us just how very special they are with a sweet reminder.

Do you know of someone? Or are you thinking about moving up to a leadership position serving as a District Officer, 2021-2022? The nominating committee is seeking nominations, deadline February 25th. Serving on the district level is so extremely rewarding. How exciting to serve as an officer during the 100th year celebration of Pilot International. I am looking so forward to serving along with you.

Have an incredibly Happy Valentine's Day!

Beverly

### **District Treasurer**

# **Claire Plott**

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#### 100 FOR 100 MEMBERSHIP DRIVE TRACKING

CLUB	#MEMBERS	NEW MEMBER	DATE JOINED	SPONSOR
	7/1/2020			
Andalusia	38			
Cullman	46			
Decatur	12	<b>Katherine Archer</b>	9/1/2020	Gloria Stevens
		Linda Newman	10/6/2020	<b>Kay Chandler</b>
Demopolis	19			
Dothan	9			
Enterprise	17			
Florence	13			
Gadsden	17			
Heflin	14			
Huntsville	21			
Jasper	25			
Lee County	15			
Luncheon	19	<b>Deborah Shelton</b>	1/5/2021	Fran Walters
Enterprise				
Luncheon Morgan	43	Patricia Stafford	Reinstated	
County				
Prattville	13	Silvia Williams	8/8/2020	<b>Cindy Augustine</b>
Roanoke	20	Ginger Corbett	9/1/2020	
Troy	22	Deborah Bryant	10/1/2020	
		Kathryn Faircloth	10/1/2020	
		Jessica Narovich	10/1/2020	
Tuscaloosa	22			

Claire

### **Governor's Bulletin Editor**

# **Pam Langhout**

Inputs from the DAC, Appointees and Clubs need to be provided to the Governor and editor no later than the 20<sup>th</sup> of each month: Pam Langhout, planghou@hiwaay.net or snail mail 8218 Goose Ridge Drive, Owens Cross Roads, AL 35763. Please list your name, position and club (if pertinent). I look forward to hearing from you. If your photo appears on the FACEBOOK page then it will not be printed in the Bulletin per the DAC.

Any errors are the responsibility of the editor.

*Pam* 

### Social Media

# **Beverly Wilkerson**

One of the many benefits of sharing on Facebook with our Pilot, Anchor and Compass members is to keep in touch with one another. When we share post and photos it helps us develop friendships as we "Shine Our Light" and especially during this Valentine's month may WE share our LOVE across our great district. Many clubs are now starting to work on their fundraisers. Be sure and post your club's fundraiser flyers and I will share them too.

Here are the URLs for the District, Anchor, Troy University and Covington Compass Clubs.

https://www.facebook.com/aldistni/

https://www.facebook.com/anchorsclub20/?modal

https://www.facebook.com/troyuniversitycompassclub/?epa

https://www.facebook.com/groups/2357439257832755/

Beverly

### **Website Coordinator**

### **Lisa Patterson**

I strive to keep the website as up to date as possible, so if you see anything that needs attention, please feel free to send me an email at lbpatterson72@gmail.com.

Again, our website is www.alabamadistrictpilot.com.

Lisa

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#### **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

• February 1, 2021

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• February 4, 2021

• March 7, 2021

• March 24, 2021

• April 9-11, 2021

• April 24, 2021

• July 7-11, 2021

**Pacesetter Contributions to PI** 

**Grants and Scholarships Contributions** 

**Anchor Award Submission** 

**Virtual Alabama Anchor Convention** 

**District Awards** 

**TBI Camp** 

**Virtual Alabama District Convention** 

Pilot International Convention (100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary), Atlanta, GA

LEGEND: Highlighted in RED is DAC related; Highlighted in GREEN is individual Club related (if any)

#### **AWARD JURY**

- The deadlines for entries to the Award Jury Chair are fast approaching.
- Please mail Anchor Award entries by February 4, 2021.
- Pilot/Compass Club award entries are to be received by March 24, 2021.
- All forms are on the website.

Mail to: Cindy Shrum, Awards Jury Chair

416 Stone River Road

Tuscaloosa, Alabama 35406

205-242-5657

tuscaloosapilot@aol.com

# **Leadership Coordinator**

**Kay Chandler** 

#### **Leadership:**

Leaders must be good people. True leaders admit their mistakes, value the input of others and expand their outlooks. Tell the truth and nothing but the truth. You can be completive but don't be cruel. Your way is not always the right way. Listen to your members, new and seasoned ones. Evaluate the information you receive. Do what is best for your Pilot Club. Be able to accept criticism. And be able to accept praise.

"Listen with curiosity. Speak with honesty. Act with integrity. The greatest problem with communication is we don't listen to understand. We listen to reply. When we listen with curiosity, we don't listen with the intent to reply. We listen for what's behind the words."

- Roy T. Bennett,

Kay



# **Executive Committee Representative (ECR)**

**Barbara Crow** 

Greetings!!! We have many topics to discuss this month.

Many of our District Anchor summits are being rescheduled or will be hosted virtually with the focus of keeping everyone safe during this pandemic. The PI Anchor Advisory Committee is brainstorming for the 2021 Anchor Leadership Summit in Atlanta and have some fun and informative projects planned. It's time to start thinking about nominations for this year's Anchor Awards which are due April 15<sup>th</sup> and need to be submitted electronically at: <a href="www.anchorclubintl.org/awards">www.anchorclubintl.org/awards</a>. Scholarships are being offered through Pilot International for students who seek financial assistance with their continuing education at: <a href="www.pilotinternational.org/grants-and-scholarships">www.pilotinternational.org/grants-and-scholarships</a> and most are due by March 15<sup>th</sup>. We love our Anchors!

Compass-Young professionals division of Pilot International for ages 18-26 provides an opportunity to participate in community service, develop leadership skills and advance personal and professional skills has a newly published newsletter, "The Navigator" and can be accessed at: <a href="www.compassclubintl.org">www.compassclubintl.org</a>. We are excited with this new division and its ever-growing membership. Help us spread the word about this new division.

It's BrainMinders<sup>TM</sup> Month celebrating the Pilot International signature program to teach safety to children to help prevent brain injury. Recently, the BrainMinders <sup>TM</sup> Committee developed BrainMinders <sup>TM</sup> Instructional videos. To access these videos, go to: <a href="www.pilotinternational.org/brainmindervideos">www.pilotinternational.org/brainmindervideos</a>; Password: pilotservice. Information on BrainMinders <sup>TM</sup> brochures, puppets, order forms, Q & A is also on the BrainMinders tab on the Pilot International website.

Brain Awareness Week is scheduled for March 15-21<sup>st</sup> this year. Begin planning a speaker for your March meeting focusing on a specific brain disease or disorder, successful aging topic or other brain topics. Other ideas are to organize a community event or at your next BrainMinders<sup>TM</sup> presentations-talk about Brain Awareness Week.

Finally, stay healthy and safe and know we will prevail – We are PILOT STRONG!

Barbara

### "Behind the Scenes" DAC

For the last few months, Past District Governors have shared some information for future District Officers. Now is the time---nominations are needed for Governor Elect, Secretary, and Treasurer's Office. You will have the opportunity to work with Beverly Wilkerson, as our 2021-2022 Governor. Learning and working with Beverly, will be an awesome experience. Yes, it takes times, resources and commitment to be a District Officer, but the Alabama District needs you NOW. I have heard so many, "yes, I'd like to do this someday". "Someday is here!" The rewards of being a District Officer will be with you for the rest of your life. Commit now, and start your journey of District Leadership. The Alabama District needs great leaders so we can grow back our membership and continue our service and friendship. You are a Pilot; you are a Leader!

**Past District Governors** 

# 2021 TBI Camp "Together Again"

The Alabama District is so excited to host our 2021 Traumatic Brain Injury camp the weekend of April 9-11, 2021 at beautiful Camp ASCCA. Covid-19 has changed us in so many ways, and it has changed the way we will host TBI Camp. We will have to limit the number of Campers. We have room for only 18 Campers, and this is going to be hard to have to turn away Campers/Caregivers if we have more to register. All Campers/Caregivers have received an email notifying them of Camp. Registrations, waivers and Covid-19 information have gone out. We will begin accepting Registrations on February 1, 20201. It's going to be first received, first accepted. These forms have been posted on the Alabama Web Page. Anchors, Compass Members and Pilots are all invited to come on Saturday, April 10, 2021, to work with us to make Camp run smoothly. The only cost for this day will be \$10.00, which will pay for the TBI Camp Shirts. These Registration Forms will go out with the Governor's Bulletin and also are posted. Of course, we will practice all safe Covid-19 Guidelines, masks, safe distancing, hand washing, hand sanitizing, and wellness checks.

#### Things we need:

- Bingo Prizes---we will need only new items. For Adult Campers.
  - 1. Small Gift Certificates
  - 2. Lotions and Bath Products
  - 3. Ties, Gloves, Scarfs
  - 4. Alabama and Auburn products
  - 5. Gifts boxes of "goodies"
  - 6. We can shop for you if you want to send money!!!
- Backpacks items
  - 1. Small prepackaged snacks, cookies, chips, candy.
  - 2. Plastic Gloves, masks, small hand sanitizers
  - 3. Small puzzles, books, etc.
  - 4. Pens and pads
  - 5. Again, we can shop for you if you want to send money!
- Events
  - 1. Movie Night!!!!!
  - 2. Story Time with Sammye Hill
  - 3. Scrapbooking
  - 4. Bingo
  - 5. Talent Show
  - 6. Archery
  - 7. Fun Crafting
  - 8. Renewing Friendships

"TOGETHER AGAIN"

APRIL 9-11-2021 CAMP ASCCA

**JOIN US!!** 

Kay and Mollie

Chaplain Sammye Hill

Can you believe that almost sixty years ago some of us were singing, "What the world needs now is love, sweet love. It's the only thing that there's just too little of...." It was not a new idea to Hal David, Burt Bacharach, Jackie DeShannon, or Dionne Warwick. And it is not a new idea today.

February is called the month for love. And to show that love, it is estimated Americans spend more than \$18 billion on gifts, chocolate, and more for Valentine's Day. It isn't just about humans, either. Almost 9 million people in the U.S. buy their dog gifts or cards for the special day.

Sweethearts, dogs, or whomever: LOVE ONE ANOTHER. It's what the world needs.

<u>PC Cullman: Elaine Fuller</u>'s daughter sent a message describing the last two months. Elaine attended the October Pilot Club meeting and less than a month later, broke her leg, had surgery, rehab, and more hospital care. She had a turn for the worse at the beginning of this year. She is showing slight improvements by starting to eat and drink and trying to transfer out of the bed into the wheelchair. There are still GI issues and she is now in Hospice care to try to get back on track. Notes of cheer may be sent to Elaine at 1633 Daisy Drive NW, Cullman, AL 35055.

<u>PC of Heflin</u>: Club President <u>Bonnie Turner</u> shared that she had surgery in November for non-invasive breast cancer. In January, she began her radiation treatments. Bonnie is an AL Past District Governor and she also served as a Pilot International officer. She appreciates our thoughts and prayers as she nears what we hope are the end of her treatments. Please send encouragement cards and notes to her at 90 Azalea Drive, Heflin, AL 36264.

<u>Pilot Luncheon Club of Morgan County</u>: <u>Brenda (B.J.) Gray</u>, President-Elect, suffered a massive heart attack in early January, was taken to ICU at Huntsville Hospital where she tested positive for the Coronavirus, and then became unresponsive with pneumonia. In such a short time, she transitioned to Eternity and will be remembered for many years to come as a special Pilot Sister with a bright spirit.

<u>PC Prattville</u>: Retired Pilot <u>Beverly Stegers</u> had to say goodbye to her beloved Co-Pilot, John. Please join us in praying for her and the family for comfort and peace over the coming days.

Sammye



# **Pilot International Founders' Fund (PIFF)**

**Peggy Harris** 

#### **REMINDERS – DEADLINE – FEBRUARY 1, 2021**

- <u>250 Goal for Grants & Scholarships</u> 250 District \$250 from each club. 100 % of clubs need to donate \$250 each for Alabama District to receive recognition as a 250 District from PI.
- <u>Pacesetter</u> Clubs donate \$10 per member 100 % clubs need to participate for Alabama District to receive recognition as a Pacesetter District from PI.

Write separate checks!

- 1. Make payable to: Pilot International. For: PIFF 250 Goal for grants & Scholarships
- 2. Make payable to: Pilot International. For: PIFF Pacesetter

Mail to: Pilot International, 102 Preston Court, Macon GA 31210

#### ALABAMA DISTRICT FUNDRAISERS FOR PIFF (changes due to cancelation of District Convention)

• <u>Inkjet Cartridges</u> – continue collecting and turn in at the next District meeting. PIFF Chairman will go ahead and mail in cartridges already collected.

M & M Quarters – continue collecting. April 15th, Deadline for receiving money before Virtual Convention, April 24th.

• Convert quarters to certified check or money order, made payable to Alabama District. Designate for PIFF. Mail to: Claire Plott, Alabama District Treasurer, 115 Sawyer Drive, Opelika AL 36801

<u>Pearls Raffle</u> – continue selling tickets. Follow PIFF Fundraiser Guidelines given to each club. <u>April 15<sup>th</sup>, Deadline for receiving money and ticket stubs</u>. Drawing will be during the April 24<sup>th</sup> Virtual District Convention.

• Convert cash to certified check or money order, made payable to Alabama District. <u>Mail all checks and Ticket Stubs to</u> – Peggy Harris, 1628 Edgewood Street NW, Cullman AL 35055 (Peggy will forward to Claire Plott after recording and documenting).

Peggy



The Hundredth Anniversary Committee invites you to check out the website...the countdown to the 2021 Pilot International Convention and Leadership Conference at the Atlanta Marriott Marquis in downtown Atlanta begins! As documents related to the convention are added to the website, this is where you will be able to locate them.

#### Pilot International 100th Anniversary Countdown Webpage:

https://pilotinternational.org/100thanniversary

We will begin our celebration of 100 years of Pilot Friendship and Service with an opening session on Wednesday evening, July  $7^{th}$ . In that session will be the Flag Ceremony and special entertainment followed by a reception featuring our Pilot International Hundredth Anniversary Cake. Photo opportunities with the cake will be available and great fellowship will be shared. Although registration is months away, please know that you will have the opportunity on the registration form to sign up for a bus trip to tour Pilot International Headquarters and the Heritage Garden in Macon on Friday the  $9^{th}$ . As always, this convention will have great speakers, entertainment, and workshops. So save the dates on your calendar, July 7-10, 2021!

What busy Pilots! Tell us what you are doing! We have a few clubs that are very active and sharing the togetherness of Pilot! What is your club doing to share Pilot? Are you having fun and helping your community? Let us know!

Club Presidents - Please share what your club is doing for your community. Please send your photos with a write-up to the Governor's Bulletin Editor, Pam Langhout at planghou@hiwaay.net

## CLUB AND INTERNATIONAL HIGHLIGHTS

**Luncheon Pilot Club of Enterprise (LPCE)** 

Jacque Hawkins, Publicity Chair

Bill Baker (right), Vice President of the Government Services Division of Navigator International, LLC, was a recent speaker at the Luncheon Pilot Club of Enterprise. Being retired military and involved in several of the local military clubs, Baker is deeply involved with the veteran's home that is scheduled to be built in Enterprise. It has been estimated that by 2045 there will be 1,440 veterans needing a facility like the veteran's home. There are currently four veteran's homes in Alabama with a 705 bed capacity. The city of Enterprise provided 108 acres for the construction of the veteran's home, which is scheduled to be completed by 2023 at a cost of \$60 million. The home will have 10 wings, will house 175 veterans and will initially create 300 jobs. Veterans housed in the current four facilities that are from this area and would like to be moved to Enterprise to be nearer their family members will be considered first as occupants. Citizens and clubs can now be stockpiling books, DVDs, puzzles, bingo prizes, art work and military memorabilia that can be donated to the home once it is completed. Shown with Baker is LPCE President Debbie Godfrey.





# 2021 Traumatic Brain Injury Camp April 9-11, 2021 Camp ASCCA

Pilot & Anchors: Save this Date April 10, 2021\*

\*Due to COVID-19, we will not be able to offer weekend as usual, just a one day, April 10, 2021 for both Anchor and Pilots.

#### Cost for the day will be \$10.00

We are going to need lots of help on April 11, 2021. Come spend some time with our Campers and Caregivers and have "Friendship and Service" with Pilots and Anchors.

#### Needs:

- Bingo Prizes (New Only) Lotions, gift certificates, scarves, jewelry.
  - Alabama/Auburn items, ties, any little unbreakable Items between \$5-\$10.
- <u>Back Pack Items:</u> (New and Sealed Only) Chapstick, hand sanitizer, masks, gloves, snacks, small water bottles, toothbrushes, tooth paste, soap, and other small items
- Donations are always appreciated. We will be glad to shop for you!!

Registration forms for Pilots and Anchors will be posted online by February 1, 2021. Deadline to register for the day is March 15, 2021.

We will only take 18 Campers/Caregivers this year and their registration will be online by February 1, 2021. Campers will be selected by Registration Date.

Contact anyone in the Pilot Luncheon Club of Morgan County for tickets



# VALLENTINE BASKET RAHFILE 🌞







Take a helping us help others.

#### WIN THE VALENTINE BASKET OF HER DREAMS!

# Sponsored by the Pilot Luncheon Club of Morgan County

Take a chance

(a 501c3 non-profit service organization)

Drawing to be held on Wednesday, February 10th at 1:00 PM and will be posted on our club Facebook Page: www.facebook.com/PilotLCMC Winner will be notified by the phone number on the raffle ticket.

\*WOVEN Tray Basket/Gray Crate Contents: \$40 gift card to All About Hair Salon, 2 -\$25 gift cards to the Railyard Restaurant, (3) freebie gift cards from Mellow Mushroom, silver heart necklace from Kay Jewelers, gold hoop earrings with turquoise cross, (3) hand creams, body sponge, eye mask pillow, shower cap, shower puff, bath salts, bath fizzers, facial wipes, salon shampoo & conditioner, Himalayan Salt bath rocks, cosmetic travel bag, makeup caddy, (1) pink Barefoot Moscato wine, two wine goblets, valentine vase, heart shaped box of Russel Stover candies, heart lights

Friends, we need your help to raise money for our club to continue our service projects for our community. Our annual fashion show fundraiser was cancelled last April and this April due to the coronavirus. We help those affected by brain diseases, disorders, and injuries, which include Alzheimer's, Autism, and Traumatic Brain Injuries. Your help is needed for sensory tools, special needs camp, scholarships, etc. To request tickets, please call/text/email/ or message me at:

### **Pilot Luncheon Club of Morgan County**

The Pilot Luncheon Club of Morgan County presented the AIM Program of Decatur City Schools with a Pick Me Up basket recently at the school. AIM stands for achieve, inspire and motivate. Designed to be a simple way for Pilots to recognize caring people in the community, our Club wanted to show the AIM staff that they were deserving of this Pick Me Up basket.

#### Pictured above L to R:

Jennifer Salter, secretary; Rachel Poovey, Coordinator of Developmental Programs; Bobbie Meier and Margaret Podlesny; Pilot Luncheon Club of Morgan County.



### **Pilot Luncheon Club of Morgan County**

Debbie Froscello, Publicity Chair

On Friday, January 22nd, Mr. Evan Ockey, Wal-Mart Manager of store #662 on Spring Avenue, presented the Pilot Luncheon Club of Morgan County with a check for \$1500.00. This money, called the Wal-Mart Giving Grant, is designated to send 2 campers to Camp ASCCA this year for one week.

Camp ASCCA, located on Lake Martin, is a nationally recognized leader in therapeutic recreation for children and adults with both physical and mental disabilities right here in Alabama. It has been operating since 1976. We thank Mr. Ockey and are very excited for our campers!

