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District Governor

Beverly Wilkerson

Wow, oh wow what a fantastic 100th Anniversary Celebration it was in Atlanta, Georgia. It was everything I had hoped it would be. I will give a short summary and share a few photos on page 10-14. There were 613 Pilots, Anchors, Compass, and guests in attendance. All four members of the District Administrative Council (DAC) were among the attendees along with 40 Pilots and Co-Pilots from the Alabama District. The DAC attended a wonderful Council of Leaders beginning on Tuesday and ending at noon, Wednesday. Great COL presentations all geared towards things we really need to know as Pilots and leaders to help us continue to grow our membership through the next 100 years. Please follow this link <https://www.pilotinternational.org/convention/> to view Inspirational messages, COL presentations, and workshops.

I attended a fantastic luncheon along with the other Collett's Century Governors. hosted by 2021-2022 Pilot International President Collett Cross. What a privilege it is to be part of such a great group of district leaders.

The Opening Flag Ceremony is always so moving, former Compass Founder, Compass President, and Compass Treasurer Magdalene Skaziak represented the state of Alabama, Troy University, the Troy University Compass Club, the Alabama District, Pilot International Headquarters and the world. Magdalene later was presented a certificate of recognition from 2020-2021 PI President Peggy Benton. The Past International Presidents were so justly honored by everyone getting photos taken with the incredibly special and beautiful birthday cake.

Derrick and Julie Tennant made us laugh and inspired us on Thursday morning. A district meeting was held on Thursday Noon. It was so great to be with 35 Pilots from across our state whom we have not seen in a long time. It was nice catching up on district matters and enjoying our friendships. Many reports were given and shared.

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Pilot Club of Decatur President Nancy Bullard presented “How to Grow Your Pilot Garden”. Many of you have requested the script. Nancy brought humor, fun, and direction to help us in acquiring new club members. Pilot business consisting of approving the 2021-2022 budget, electing officers, and passing a bylaw amendment to allow for an electronic and/or postal vote when a Club meeting, District Convention, or an International Convention cannot be held (Bylaw Article XXXVI) was conducted Thursday afternoon. Elections were held and Collett Cross officially became our 2021-2022 Pilot International President. Collett’s theme is *Forward Together - Believe in the Possibilities!* Pilot Club of Prattville member Lisa Patterson was elected to serve as the 2021-2022 Pilot International Secretary. Beverly Shean is a 2021-2022 director and our Executive Committee Representative. We are all so excited to get to know Beverly this upcoming year.

Many attendees visited the Pilot Headquarters on Friday. I was so glad to be able to make this trip to Macon. I had never been before. It was so beautiful. On Saturday we were so proud of our Anchors and our own very deserving Suzanne Kendra was awarded Anchor Advisor of the Year. Please see Governor Elect Sabine’s message.

**DAC Council of Leaders****Collett's Century Governors****Birthday Cake**

Beverly

Thank you for sending me to Pilot International Convention in Atlanta to celebrate Pilot’s 100th anniversary. The workshops and speakers were fantastic and informative. The best part of the convention was the awards presentations. Alabama was represented well. Guntersville High School was named Club of the Year and won second place for their Community Service and Visibility Award – Brainminders. Guntersville Middle School won third place Club of the Year for clubs larger than 41 as well as first place for Anchor Community Service and Visibility Award – Pick Me Ups. Suzanne Kendra was named Anchor Advisor of the Year. Congratulations to Suzanne and the Guntersville Anchors for their outstanding and hard work. We are proud of you! I am looking forward to my club visits in the district which I will start in September. Club Presidents, please send me your club rosters in word format so I can update the district roster on our website. We want to make sure we include all members. Thank you for your service for our communities and Pilot.

Sabine



Secretary

Shauna Robertson

I was truly honored to represent the Alabama District at the Pilot International Convention. Celebrating 100 years of Pilot was awesome. I look forward to serving all the clubs across the state and seeing each of you over the next few months!! Note that my club assignments are Decatur, Luncheon Enterprise, Heflin, and Roanoke. I'll be in touch with your club presidents soon to make arrangements for a visit. Please feel welcome to contact me anytime by message, email or phone.

Shauna

District Treasurer

Claire Plott

Our 100th Birthday Celebration for Pilot in Atlanta was a wonderful experience. As you could probably tell by all the pictures that have been posted, we had a great time. Speakers, workshops, and entertainment were excellent.

Let us continue celebrating our Pilot birthday at Fall Council at the Doubletree in Decatur, October 16-17. The registration form and first call were included with last month's Governor's Bulletin.

A big thank you to all the clubs who have sent in their district dues! If your club has not done so, please get them in so we will know our district membership. International members, please let me hear from you if you have not sent in your dues. Please remember that Emeritus and 50-yr. members do not pay District dues.

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 20th 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.

Any errors are the responsibility of the editor.

Pam

Social Media

Beverly Wilkerson

Be sure and continue to Post, Like, and Share your photos of your projects, fundraisers, events, and any club news. Let everyone know and see all that our great Alabama District is doing.

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



<https://www.facebook.com/aldistpi/>

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

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

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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

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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| • July 31, 2021 | District & Anchor Treasurer deliver books for audit |
| • August 2021 | Pilot Clubs select Pilot International Ambassador |
| • September 15, 2021 | Pick Me Up Grants deadline |
| • September 15, 2021 | Matching Hemet Grants deadline |
| • September 30, 2021 | Postmark deadline for PIFF Ambassador Contribution form to HQ |
| • October 16-17, 2021. | Fall Council; Double Tree Hotel; Decatur, AL |
| • October 18, 2021 | Founders' Day for Pilot International |
| • November 1, 2021. | Anchor District & International Dues Paid |
| • November 15, 2021 | IRS Forms deadline |

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



Welcome New Member(s) -- Geri Hepinstall, Pilot Club of Cullman

Membership Coordinator

Starr Hudson

Schools are getting ready to open and the kids are ready to embrace new possibilities. Let's get a fresh start and look for our new possibilities too. As mothers adjust from summer to school schedules some will have more time while kids are at school. If you are out at a meeting or lunch with friends invite them to visit Pilot. Some working moms and grandparents are off to pick kids up from school and head to ballparks or other sporting events. Take the time to invite the parents at the ballpark to visit Pilot. As we move forward together, the membership team is here to help in any way we can help. Excited Pilots are our best recruitment secret. Let's get started on a return to being out and get involved!

Starr

Inspirational Leader

Terrie Reid

Please join Pilots in prayers for the family of Hazel Allen, emeritus member of the Pilot Club of Roanoke, who passed away June 26, 2021. Condolences can be sent to her family at 454 Glen Road, Franklin, Ga. 30217.

Peggy Day, Pilot Club of Cullman had an MRI showing she had a brain tumor. She is now at Brookwood for further testing. Pilots, please pray for her and her family.

Syd Alford's, Pilot Club of Prattville, husband Butch is back in the hospital because of COVID and pneumonia. Pilots, please pray for Butch and his family.

Leaving a Legacy

Children are not like computers; we can't program them so they will always do exactly what we want them to do or turn out exactly the way we wish they would. It is one of life's mysteries: two children can be brought up in the same way yet turn out to be exact opposites as they grow older. The best we can do is provide the right environment -love them and train them and pray for them and provide them the tools they will need to make wise decisions. Even if we don't have grandchildren or if we are childless or single, we still have an important and unique legacy to pass on to the next generation-and beyond. They are observing us, and they will learn from our lives. Think about it: How will they learn about the realities of life and how to cope with them? Or how about the importance of building their lives on a strong foundation of faith in God? The answer is obvious: they will learn these things by observing us and the legacy we leave.

Terrie



Project Coordinator

Tia Smallwood

When we get together for projects what blessings can come out of it? We would all like to know. Please share with me any of your club's projects. What if something you are doing inspires another club and they bless someone; you have made more than just a difference where you are. Here are a few of the projects that have been going on recently: A donation of bike helmets by the Pilot Luncheon Club of Morgan County (PLCMC) to the Morgan County Sheriff's Department; PLCMC also presented Walker Caddies to nursing homes in the Morgan County area and the Pilot Club of Demopolis recently delivered 4th of July treats to the Demopolis Police and Fire Departments. These projects made a difference in someone's life, so share your ideas so that it will spread through the Pilot Groups and lives will be touched. I am very excited to serve the district this year and being able to share Alabama's Pilot Clubs' service projects with all the clubs in our district. You may reach me by text 256-636-4283, email tiahall@bellsouth.net or regular mail at Attn: Tia 101 Main Avenue NW, Cullman, AL. 35055. Doesn't matter which way you share just be sure to share. I look forward to seeing what you all are out there doing as we Do More, Care More and Be More.

Tia

Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) Chairperson

Kay Chandler

2022 Traumatic Brain Injury Camp ---April 8-10, 2022

What a fun exciting time we all had at the 100th Celebration of Pilot in Atlanta, and I can't count the number of times I heard "Alabama has a TBI Camp". From Grant writing workshops to Pilots from all over wanting to know about our Camp. Now it is time for us to start serious planning for 2022 Camp. We are excited that we will be able to have 25 Campers/Caregivers again and hopefully Pilots, Compass Members and lots of wonderful hardworking Anchors!!! Help us name our Camp! Send me suggestions for a Camp Theme. We are planning a Fundraiser to be rolled out at Fall Council! Camp cost is about \$12,000-\$14,000 a year and it's through Pilots, Pilot Clubs, Anchors, Compass Members and Corporate Sponsors generous donations that make this possible. It costs \$275.00 to send a Camper/Caregiver to Camp—this is just a Camp ASCCA costs. TBI Camp supports Camp ASCCA!!! Remember, the Alabama District is a 501(c)3, so any donation is tax deductible. Any suggestions and thoughts are appreciated on how to make Camp better!! April 8-10, 2022--- we will be having fun at Camp ASCCA with all our very special Campers, Caregivers, Pilots, Anchors and Compass Members!! Plan to be with us!!

Kay



Meet our Executive Committee Representative (ECR)



With the knowledge that comes with more than 17 years of experience in the financial services industry, I help investors navigate the myriad of available investment options with unparalleled service and a personal commitment.

Beverly joined Raymond James in 2008 after being at Smith Barney since 2004. She attended school locally and is a graduate of Florida State University and received a degree in Communications. She also furthered her educational pursuits by obtaining the Accredited Asset Management SpecialistSM designation in 2016.

Beverly has been in Pilot since 2013 and just recently completed serving as the Florida District Governor. Beverly is proud and honored to serve as a 2021-2022 Pilot International Director.

When not working, Beverly enjoys keeping busy whether helping her “Lovebug” with his auction business or volunteering. Some of the non-profits she currently works with includes Pilot International as Executive Committee Representative, her local county shelter fostering cats, and Girl’s Inc just to name a few.

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Executive Committee Representative (ECR) Message

Beverly Shean

The 2021 Pilot International Convention is now a part of our Pilot history. More than four years was spent in planning the 100-year anniversary celebration. Even though challenged by a worldwide pandemic, the plans became reality when approximately 700 Pilots, Co-Pilots, Anchors, one compass member, and guests participated in various convention activities. Please visit the Pilot website

<https://www.pilotinternational.org/convention/> to access inspirational messages, workshops, presentations, and videos. We are anxiously waiting for the convention photographs to be available on the PI website. Also, if you attended the convention, please complete the post-convention survey. The results will be used to plan the 2022 Convention in Rochester, New York, June 29 – July 2022.

To commemorate Pilot International’s 100 years of service, President Peggy Benton announce a fundraising goal of \$150,000 to be used to fund 100 grants and scholarships in 2021-2022. *Envision 100, Celebrating 100 years...Charting a course to award 100 Grants and Scholarships*, provides us with the opportunity to be a part of an exciting and historic initiative that will allow us to Do More, Care More and Be More through our Pilot International Founders Fund Goals for Grants and Scholarships. Pilots, Clubs, and Districts are encouraged to help make this campaign a success by designation contributions for Envision 100. Additional information may be found of the Pilot website <https://www.pilotinternational.org/envision100/>.

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July 1 marked the beginning of a new Pilot year and new opportunities. A great way to start the new year is to select a Pilot Ambassador for your club. Guidelines for selecting an Ambassador may be found on the PI website under Top Member Resources. The name of the Pilot International Club Ambassador and a minimum donation of \$25 should be sent to Pilot International and postmarked by September 30 to ensure listing in the Winter issue of The Pilot Log. Donations for Club Ambassador help support the Pilot International Safe Harbor Fund. The Safe Harbor Fund provides financial assistance to Pilots who suffer losses from natural disasters.

The new year also brings the opportunity to apply for Pick Me Up and matching helmet grants. Both of these are awarded quarterly. September 15 is the deadline for the first grant cycle. Applications and additional information are available on the PI website under Top Member Resources.

The Pick Me Up program is designed to brighten the day of caregivers by providing random acts of kindness in recognition of the care or service they provide for others. Clubs are eligible to receive one Pick Me Up grant each Pilot year not to exceed \$200.

The Helmet Matching Grant Program provides clubs the opportunity to participate in Pilot's Signature Project by ordering quality, branded bicycle helmets that will start individuals on a positive path of protecting their brains for life while promoting Pilot International. Matching Helmet Grants will award \$250 for the purchase of 25 helmets. Clubs will be responsible for purchasing 25 additional helmets at a cost of \$10 each for a total of 50 to complete the matching grant criteria.

Participating in the grant programs and supporting the Pilot International Founders Fund will allow you to make the Pilot difference in your communities and throughout Pilot International. I am looking forward to working with your District this year. Best wishes for a successful year.

Beverly



Governor Beverly Wilkerson received her Governor Certificate from
Pilot International President Collett Cross



BirthDay BaSh

**You are invited to help
the Alabama District
celebrate 100 years of
Pilot Service and Friendship.**

**By Purchasing a Cupcake for \$5.
The Cupcakes will be displayed at the Fall
Council Birthday Bash. All proceeds go
Toward our District Project.**

**You can honor, remember, or cheer on fellow
Pilots. The cupcakes are 5.9 x 5.9 inches.**

**The club that sells the most will get
cupcakes to eat at Convention.
Let's fill the walls for the Birthday
Party!**



MORE 100TH ANNIVERSARY CONVENTION PHOTOS



FLAG CEREMONY



**Nancy Bullard, PC
of Decatur**



**Alabama Delegates
- Voted**



**Anchor & Compass
Award Recipients**



**Alabama District
Meeting**

MORE 100TH ANNIVERSARY CONVENTION PHOTOS (Continued)



The most beautiful, decorated banquet and entertainment we all enjoyed before the Installation of Officers. Pictured are the 2021-2022 Collett's Century Governors.



Pilot Headquarters



2021-2022 Executive Committee (L-R)

Beverly Shean, Director and AL ECR; Lisa Palmquist, Director; Lisa Patterson, Secretary, Rhona Espinoza, President Elect; Collett Cross, President; Holly Baker, Vice President; Nicki Dawson, Treasurer, Susan Kahl, Director; and Joseph Cunningham, Director

MORE CONVENTION PHOTOS







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 and Governor's Bulletin Editor, Pam Langhout at planghou@hiwaay.net

CLUB AND INTERNATIONAL HIGHLIGHTS

Luncheon Pilot Club of Enterprise (LPCE)

Jacque Hawkins, Publicity



Luncheon Pilot Club of Enterprise

Members of the Luncheon Pilot Club of Enterprise celebrated members' birthdays by having lunch at a local restaurant. Attending (from left) Jacque Hawkins, Linda Peterson, Carol Bass, Jane Baxley, Pat Green, Debbie Godfrey, Fran Walters and LPCE President Bonnie Gilmore

Pilot Club of Decatur

Kay Chandler



Pilot Club of Decatur

President Nancy Bullard was recently awarded a Grant from the 3-M Foundation. Nancy, a retired 3-M Employee received this grant for her volunteer hours performed for the Pilot Club of Decatur. This Grant will be used for the 2021-2022 Projects.