

ALABAMA DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S BULLETIN

April 2024

CONVENTION 2024

Issue 10

Coming soon

GOVERNOR Karene Henson

Hello Pilot Friends,

Our fabulous District Convention is just around the corner..... April 12-14, 2024. I am so excited to see you as together we Celebrate the Treasures we have found this year in the Alabama District.

Registration will begin Friday at 4 pm. in the Convention Center Lobby. This is the entrance to the right of the Main Hotel Entrance. Our Convention will kick off at 7pm Friday night with welcomes and our Banner Presentation. Please be sure to bring your banner so that your club will be represented! The hotel staff will be displaying all our banners in the hotel lobby throughout the weekend. What great publicity for the Alabama District. After our opening session, the Pilot Club of Roanoke will be hosting an Art Party. We will be creating and assembling art kits which we will give to a local foundation, Living Waters Respite. You will not want to miss the fun!



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Where the real treasure is you!



IMPORTANT DATES

- April 6 Pilot First Saturday
- April 12-14 **DISTRICT CONVENTION**
- April 15 PI Anchor Awards Deadline
- April 16 PI Power Hour Zoom
- April 19-21 **Boot Scootin' TBI Camp**

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Saturday is packed with lots of learning, sharing and fellowship. Our special speaker, Joy Bazemore, will inspire us with her story. We will conduct business, elect and install new officers, and meet our ECR, Nicki Dawkins (in person). We want to be sure that Nicki receives good ol' Alabama hospitality.

Oh, and don't forget AWARDS for projects well done and outstanding membership achievements.

Saturday afternoon will include officer training workshops, Compass workshop and a Pilot gab session with Joy Wood. There could possibly a surprise or two.

Saturday night we will dress up and honor our new Governor Laurie Fraser and her DAC. Special entertainment is promised.

Sunday morning, we will have our special time of remembrance. Please wear your hat in memory of Past Governor Lorraine Banning. We will be collecting NEW hats, caps, etc. to donate to the Spencer Cancer Center in Opelika. We will end our Celebration on Sunday with the Historian's presentation, the State of the District, a new PIFF report, the 2024-2025 appointees and the much-anticipated announcement of the Jo Vaughn Leadership Award for 2024.

Sounds like a great weekend to me.

See you there!!!!!!

Karene



PARLIAMENTARIAN

Glenda Brooks

BRUSH UP ON RULES OF ORDER, CONVENTION IS COMING!

In the most recent Pilot Log, our international parliamentarian Maryann Frazer reminded us that Robert's Rules of Order were created to allow every member of a group to have a turn to be heard in an orderly fashion. That is exactly what we hope to accomplish at the Alabama District Convention.

TIPS TO ACCOMPLISH THIS

- Π LISTEN TO THE OPINIONS OF OTHERS WHEN IT IS THEIR TURN TO TALK.
Listening means "ears opened, mouth closed."
- Π SPEAK CLEARLY AND DISTINCTLY WHEN IT'S YOUR TURN TO SPEAK. OBSERVE THE TIME LIMITS SET BY THE CONVENTION BODY.
Stand, Address the Chair, identify yourself and your club so everyone knows you have reason to speak. Limit comments to no more than 3 minutes and realize that you can only speak twice on each separate issue.
- Π IF YOU FEEL A MOTION NEEDS TO BE AMENDED, SEND YOUR IDEA IN WRITING TO THE HEAD TABLE.
This helps both the presiding officer and the secretary taking minutes.
- Π REMEMBER, BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE CONVENTION BODY HAS BEEN SENT TO THE CLUBS 60 DAYS BEFORE THE CONVENTION TO SHARE WITH THEIR MEMBERS. CLUBS SHOULD STUDY IT AND FORM THEIR OPINIONS TO SHARE WITH THEIR CLUB DELEGATES.
Other ideas will need to go through the chain of command for next convention.
- Π HELP KEEP BUSINESS MOVING BY OFFERING MOTIONS OR SECONDS QUICKLY AND IN ORDER.
Again, stand, address the Chair, identify yourself, then make the motion or second and return to your seat.

QUICK OBSERVANCE OF BASIC COURTESY WILL GET BUSINESS CONDUCTED EFFICIENTLY ALLOWING THE CONVENTION BODY TO MOVE ON TO OTHER ACTIVITIES AND ENDEAVORS.

Glenda Brooks,
District Parliamentarian



2024 Traumatic Brain Injury Camp

TBI CAMP

Kay Chandler

And just like that, it's time for a "Boot Scootin" fun time down at beautiful Camp ASCCA. We have our Campers and Caregivers registered. We have The Pilot Club of Enterprise getting our registration ready. Camp ASCCA Staff has the Camp ready! The Pilot Club of Prattville is gathering Bingo Prizes and The Pilot Club of Decatur has crafts and fun planned. The Pilot Club of Troy is ready with scrapbooking, and everyone has their talent ready for Friday night!

Our Pilots, Anchors and Compass Members are registered and ready to spread "Friendship and Service". Mellisa King has our shirts ready! So off we go for **our 10th Annual Traumatic Brain Injury Camp**. Pilot Clubs and Pilots have all been donating Camperships, so we are ready! Bring your bingo prizes to District Convention. We could use items for our Campers backpacks, so bring them to Convention also. If you can bring some Little Debbie Cakes for snacks (and please no oatmeal) or other prepackage snacks to District, that would be a be help.

Pilots are the best—they have made our TBI Camp happen for 10 years! What a blessing to all of us, especially our Campers. Can't wait to arrive at Camp ASCCA. It's going to be fun!!!

See you at Camp!

Kay



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INSPIRATIONAL LEADER

Eleanor Park

PILOT CARES & CONCERNS

“What you do makes a difference,
and you have to decide what kind of difference you want to make.”
Quote by Jane Goodall

Hopefully you are still digging for those treasures that are waiting to be discovered. Encourage your members to sparkle with renewed vigor of being brought into more involvement of your club projects. Hope to see you at Pilot Convention. May God bless you and keep you in His care!

Let us be in prayer for those who have lost loved ones or have had surgery and need healing:

- ♥ PC of Lee County, Mary Browning's mother, DeWanda Smith, passed away on March 4, 2024.
- ♥ Sam Rogers, father of Faye Mansel, PC of Lee County, passed away on March 8, 2024.
- ♥ Emeritus member Roberta Young passed away.
- ♥ Peggy Harris, President of PC of Cullman, lost her sister, Janis Davis of Dallas, Texas on March 11. A Memorial Service was held on March 18.
- ♥ Demopolis Pilot, Michele Dill, lost a granddaughter, Sayori Alana Dill, on February 26.
- ♥ Ann Burch, PC of Enterprise, husband, John Burch, passed away on February 28. Her sister, Charlotte Gray, passed away on March 21.
- ♥ Andrea Ward, Demopolis PC, was hospitalized on March 11 with shortness of breath. The doctor was able to get her heart back in rhythm and later had to put in a stent. She is recovering and getting stronger.
- ♥ Beverly Wilkerson's granddaughter, Summer, had out-patient surgery March 25 and is recuperating.
- ♥ Carolyn Williams', PC of Huntsville, co-pilot-Eddie, mother in law passed.

Do More, Care More, Be More for Pilot!

Eleanor,
PC of Demopolis



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These Alabama Clubs Celebrate Milestones:

Pilot Club of Tuscaloosa 102 years

Pilot Club of Enterprise 70 years

Pilot Club of Heflin 47 years

**Congratulations to these clubs for their continued service to their communities
and to Pilot International!!**

RECOGNITION



The PI HQ Newsletter has announced that Pilot International is now recognized as a National Team with the Walk to End Alzheimer's. This partnership with the Alzheimer's Association was only made possible by your continued efforts in your communities.

To learn more, find your team or start a new team for the 2024 Walk, check our dedicated landing page at Alz.org/pilotinternational. I know that many of our clubs form teams and participate in the Walk to End Alzheimer's. Let's be sure that our club teams are listed on the national page.

ALABAMA DISTRICT STILL GROWING

**Pilot Club of
Andalusia is
growing!**

**Welcome to new
Pilots:**

***Melanie Hoffman
Stephanie Cannon
Zack Maio***

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ALABAMA DISTRICT ECR

Nicki Dawkins

Pilots, we are entering an exciting time of our Pilot year (which is going by so fast). This includes getting ready to attend the 2024 Pilot International Convention, preparing our Award entries, and submitting the 2024-25 club officer forms by the deadline.

The 2024 Pilot International Convention and Leadership Conference will take place July 17th to July 20th, 2024, in Denver, Colorado. There will be pre-convention excursions to Pikes Peak, Garden of the Gods and Manitou Springs. You will not want to miss out on those! The PIFF fundraisers this year are a Comedy Show including dinner and Ambalah Band, along with the ever-popular, Bingo. Be sure to get your registrations in for both events and the excursions when you send in your convention registration form. All convention information can be found at:

www.pilotinternational.org/convention-resources-2024convention

We are also excited to be making sensory packs as this year's 2024 International Service Project. Individuals, clubs, or districts can help sponsor this project and sponsorship forms may be found on the convention website.

It is certainly time to begin thinking about and planning for your club to shine and the way to do that, is to enter your club in Pilot awards. There are awards for individuals: Elizabeth Leonard, Lucy B. Allen and Pearl Sparks for club building, leadership, and service. Club awards are for Outstanding Community Service, Outstanding Pilot Club, Club Visibility and Pick-Me-Ups. Each of our clubs has done an outstanding job this year in Friendship and Service and we cannot wait to see how many submissions are received by the May 15th deadline! We want to see EVERY available award space filled. The award forms are posted on the Pilot International website under

www.pilotinternational.org/members/awards REMEMBER: You can't win if you do not enter!

Reminder: Compass Award submissions are due April 15th. We are excited and look forward to seeing submissions from our Compass Clubs this year. We know Compass members have been working hard to add clubs and members and we want to be able to highlight the wonderful work these members are doing. The award forms are posted under www.compassclubintl.org You must go to Compass Manual to find the forms.

REMEMBER: You must enter to win!

It is the time of year that clubs are now choosing their incoming officers for 2024-2025. Your New Officer Form should be sent to Pilot International Headquarters and your incoming District Governor by May 1, 2024. Thank you to the Pilots who have stepped up to serve and take on a leadership role for your club. The club officer form can be found at

www.pilotinternational.org/members/formsdocuments

Looking forward to seeing you in the Mile High City in July.

In Pilot Friendship and Service,

Nicki Dawkins

