

Alabama District Governor's Bulletin

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District Governor

Sabine Wlodarski

Happy St. Patrick's Day!

Can you believe it is almost time for our District Convention in April at the Birmingham Marriott? I hope you are getting ready to send in your club awards. We have the hardest working clubs in our district. We continue to spread Pilot sunshine in our communities. We want to shine a light on your accomplishments. You can send your awards to Cathy Barker, chairman of the Awards Jury.

Each club will need to elect their club delegates for convention. Be sure to send in your registration by the April 1st deadline.

For the District Planning Members, we will have our final convention planning meeting after the Anchor Convention.

- Brain Awareness week March 13-20
- Pick Me Up and Helmet Grant applications are due March 15
- Anchor Club of the Year and Awards due to PI April 15
- Clubs continue to recruit new members. Remember President Rhona's 777 challenge and have your name in the drawing for the balloon festival.
- Register for Pilot International Convention in Bellevue, Washington
- Anchor Convention March 4-5 Doubletree – Decatur
- TBI Camp – April 14-16 Camp ASCCA
- District Convention – April 21-23 Birmingham Marriott
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Be sure to wear your green on St. Patrick's Day so you don't get pinched!

Irish Blessing

May your troubles be less
And your blessings be more
And nothing but happiness
Come through your door.

In Pilot friendship and service,

Sabine

Governor Elect

Karene Henson

By the time this bulletin reaches you, the 2023 District Alabama Anchor Convention will be in the books. I was so excited to see Anchors from all over Alabama come together, participate in a service project, learn in workshops, receive Awards, elect new officers, and just have fun celebrating together. There is room in our district for more Anchors and Anchor Clubs. Look in your communities for the opportunities to work with these outstanding teenagers. They are the future of Pilot!!!

On March 25, the 2023-2024 district appointees will be meeting in Prattville to begin planning the next club year. Pilots are going to dig for the treasures we find in friendship and doing service. Please pray for our safe travels and that we have a great time of sharing ideas and making plans. We all look forward to working in the Alabama District of Pilot International together.

An exciting District Convention will take place on April 21-23 at the Birmingham Marriott. Make your plans to come and participate with all of our Alabama Pilot friends. I really do hope that you will make this convention a top priority. Important convention information is included in this bulletin. Read and share.

See you in Birmingham to spread Pilot Sunshine!
Serving together in Pilot Friendship,

Karene



Treasurer

Maria Traylor

There are a lot of wonderful events coming up for us this year. The Anchor Convention in Decatur March 3-4 is now a wrap. The next events will be TBI Camp at Camp ASCCA April 14-16 and the District Convention in Birmingham April 21-23. A great time will be had by all and these events are oh so inspiring!

The Financial Budget reports for 2022-2023 have been provided by Governor Sabine to each Club's President. We have completed for submission the Anchor Budget which was discussed at the Anchor Convention. The DAC is reviewing the final version of the 2023-2024 Budget. It will be coming to Club Presidents soon prior to District Convention.

In Pilot Service,

Maria

District Secretary

Pam Langhout

TBI Camp and District Convention will be here shortly in April. Have you made your reservations? There are numerous awards out there for Club and Club members. Deadlines are quickly approaching. Please get your inputs in early rather than later.

Our Alabama District will be April 21-23, 2023 at the Birmingham Marriott. I hope to see each of you there.

In Pilot Service,

Pam

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- February 27, 2023 Pearl Sparks Scholarships Applications due **DEADLINE PASSED**
- February 28, 2023 Deadline for District Officer nominations to be sent to the Nominating Committee
- February 28, 2023 Deadline: District Standing Rules changes submitted to Governor
- March 3-4, 2023 District Anchor Convention, March 3-4, 2023 at the Doubletree in Decatur.
- March 9, 2023 PC of Decatur Fundraiser at Swamp John's
- April 14-26, 2023 TBI Camp
- April 21-23, 2023 District Alabama Convention, Birmingham Marriott
- April 28, 2023 Pilot Club of Cullman "Vogue 2023" Fashion Show and Luncheon

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

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

How fun it is when I am able to share posts from Pilot, Anchor, and Compass to our District and Anchor pages. Such a great and fantastic way for others to see just how very active we are in our district.

If you have not yet "liked" the Alabama District Pilot International and the Alabama Anchor District pages, please do so.

I can invite you if you are a friend of mine on FB. If you are not, I would love to be friends with you. You can find me, Beverly Pritchett Wilkerson.

Beverly

Website Coordinator

Lisa Patterson

As webmaster, I would like to request specific information from each club so a page dedicated to your club can be added to our website.

If you haven't been to our Alabama District website (alabamadistrictpilot.com), it is under construction updating. I'm always open for suggestions and willing to do whatever we can to encourage others to become a part of our amazing organization. We have well over five million people and 67 counties in Alabama. We don't need to be the best kept secret any longer. We have opportunities to grow and I know we can do better!

Club Presidents - Please send the following Pilot Club information:

When and where your club meets.

What your club does in 4 sentences or less– please include mainly projects but I would also like information on your fundraisers that I may be able to include.

1 photo for each project (photos should NOT be posed photos – send close up action shots of up to 5 people that will peak someone's curiosity. The focus should be on the project. Keep in mind if their face is seen a photo release should be signed.

Also, if schools will allow, I would like to do something similar for Anchor and especially Compass Clubs.

Forms and Data has been uploaded to the site. Check it out! I've uploaded new rosters and club information. Fall Council forms and information has been uploaded also. "The Website is a changing" and all for the ease of use.

**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

Traumatic Brain Injury Superhero Camp

April 14-26, 2023

It's just about 45 days away! We have Campers and Caregivers!!! Now we need Anchors, Pilots, and Compass Members to come help us shower our Campers and Caregivers with fun and fellowship. We need Bingo Prizes, Craft Ideas and supplies, and Scrapbooking items, not to mention Backpack items.

The Pilot Club of Prattville will be handling Bingo! The Pilot Club of Troy is handling Scrapbooking! The Pilot Club of Enterprise is handling Registration! The Pilot Club of Decatur will be spearheading Crafts! And we have clubs all over Alabama donating items, camperships and time. Come join us on April 15-17 down at beautiful Camp ASCCA. Mellisa King and Benny Jo Cockrell are out beating the bushes for Corporate Sponsors. Pilot International has come through with a \$5000 Matching Grant! Our Campers are excited. Pilots are Superpowers!! Let's make this the greatest Camp ever!

Remember our theme: Super Heroes! And Pilots, Anchors, and Compass Members are certainly that!! You are Super and you are Heroes. Mollie and I will be checking our lists for you!!! If you need more information: misskay311@aol.com!

Thank you for all you do for Pilot!

Kay



NOMINATING COMMITTEE

BEVERLY WILKERSON, CHAIRMAN

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CAROLYN COBB

ELEANOR PARK

**+Traumatic Brain
Injury Camp April 14-
16, 2023
Camp ASCCA**

For TBI Use ONLY

Check rec'd _____
Ck Amt: _____
Ck. #: _____

Club _____

President's Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____ E-Mail _____

Shirt Size	Name of Person Registering	Pilot	Anchor	Other	Full Reg	Saturday Only
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Total number of **full registrations** (____) @ \$32.00 = _____
Total number Saturday Only (____) @ \$24.00 = _____
 Extra Shirts (____) @ \$15.00 = _____

TOTAL AMOUNT DUE and ENCLOSED: \$ _____ *

**** Three from each Club for whole weekend until March 15, 2023, after that Registration will be open for all remaining spots. Any number for Saturday.**

- Theme: *Super Heroes*
- Friday Night Talent Show & Party!
- Camp ASCCA Fun Saturday Morning & Afternoon!
- Saturday Night Dance
- **Sunday Inspirational Service**
- **You must bring all bedding, sheets, blankets, pillows and towels.**

We will be limiting Registration to 3 per club until after the deadline---then all spots will be opened. Deadline for TBI registration is **March 15, 2023**

One check per club, payable to Alabama District, PI, must accompany this registration form.

Mail to:
Kay Chandler.
Alabama District, PI.
104 Jackson Way,
Decatur, AL 35603.

Other Items Needed:
Adult Bingo Prizes, \$5.00 or more each
Craft Ideas & Supplies, Puzzles, Crayons & Coloring Book
Water, Small packs of Cracker, cookies, chips, Chap Stick, Hand Wipes
Kleenex, Small Games

If you enjoy getting together with others, especially those with similar interest, then you know about fellowship. You might be in a meeting, workshop, small group study, or simply chatting one on one when connections of fellowship happen. These moments of sharing that brings us together.

Fellowship is uplifting and can make a cloudy day bright. Suddenly things we thought impossible look possible with the help of others. Our connections with others make our difficult days manageable and hopeful.

*"In life we have to give to receive.
Give love to get love, share joy to feel joy.
Be good to someone and feel good about ourselves."*

Author unknown

The following are in our thoughts and prayers:

- **PC of Andalusia: Past District Governor Benny Jo Cockrell** is caring for Co-Pilot Dennis who has a rebound case of Covid. We know he could not have a more loving nurse that Benny Jo. Cards may be sent to P.O. Box 696, Wilsonville, AL 35186.
- **PC of Decatur: Past District Governor Kay Chandler** is in our thoughts as she is recovering from Covid. Cards may be sent to 104 Jackson Way, Priceville, AL 35603.
- **PC of Florence: Past District Governor Lorraine Banning** has recently undergone two additional rounds of chemo treatments. Lorraine, Co-Pilot Daryll, and daughter Katherine would appreciate prayers and cards letting them know how very much they are cared for. Send your uplifting cards to 101 Laurel Lane, Florence, AL 35633.
- **PC of Demopolis and PC of Tuscaloosa** are sad to report that Louise Harrison Reffett, who was a member of both clubs, has passed away at the age of 93. Our deepest sympathy to her Co-Pilot A.C. Raffett and their family.

In Pilot love and friendship,
Sherre McGinnis
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256-490-7271
109 Tuckahoe Circle
Gadsden, AL 35904



Executive Committee Representative (ECR) Message Joseph Cunningham

My Dearest Alabama Pilots,



March has arrived, and as we look forward to the arrival of spring, with the awakening of budding flowers, and the leaves sprouting on the trees, it's time to awaken our clubs with new members and begin sprouting more friendship and service in our communities. Yes, Pilots, it's Membership Month!! It's a time to share all the wonderful things you do in your communities with those in your community. Invite a prospective member to a club meeting, one of your projects, or fundraisers this month. Encourage your club to have a Share Pilot or Membership Drive. Bringing in new members is the responsibility of each of us.



Pilot International President, Rhona Espinoza, has challenged us to reach her 777 Membership goal. That's 7000 Pilots, 7000 Anchors, and 70 Compass members! That's a tall order, but we can do it, and while doing so, one of us will win an amazing trip to the 2023 International Balloon Fiesta in Albuquerque or a \$500 cash prize. For every Pilot member you bring in, your name goes in the drawing... the more members you bring in, the more chances to win!

We all love Pilot and want to see Pilot International flourish and grow... it's time we all did our part! Share that love and invite someone to your next meeting or event. Keep on "*Spreading Pilot Sunshine*"!

Along with the arrival of spring, comes the "First Call" to District Convention. Your District Administrative Council and all the Pilots involved in Convention Planning are working hard to plan for an exceptional convention. Make plans to attend your convention so you can thank those who have led your District this year, show your support to those being installed to lead next year, participate in the business of the district, celebrate your accomplishments, and enjoy a wonderful time of friendship, fellowship, and fun. I, for one, am looking forward to being there and sharing in your celebrations.

The future of Pilot is in our Youth and Young Adults... our Anchors and Compass Members. What better way to encourage and inspire them to serve in their communities than to recognize their service and leadership through the Anchor and Compass Awards? Our youth and young adults go above and beyond... let's show them the love!

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Anchor Awards include Outstanding Anchor Advisor of the Year, Anchor Club of the Year, Anchor Club Star Award, the Ruby Newhall Anchor Service Award, Anchor Community Service and Visibility Awards; one for BrainMinders and one for Pick Me Ups, and the Support of Anchor Award for Pilots.

Compass Awards include the Compass Club Star Award, the Elizabeth Leonard Compass Service Award, Outstanding Compass Club Award, and Outstanding Community Service Award.

You can find the Anchor Award applications at www.anchorclubintl.org/awrds and the Compass Awards at www.compassclubintl.org. There you will find the deadlines, requirements, and award applications. Award winners will be announced in Bellevue. We're looking forward to celebrating with these outstanding young leaders and their clubs!

Looking forward to seeing you soon! Hugs!

Yours in Friendship and Service,

Joseph

Joseph Cunningham

Executive Committee Representative

Awards Jury

Cathy Barker

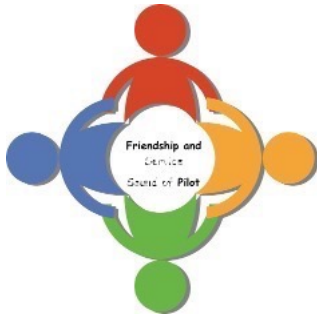
Awards 2022-2023

We are getting excited to see all of your Club's Community and Brain Related Service projects you have done this year! We would love for every Club to submit entries so we can see and share all of the wonderful things you are doing through Pilot. Entries will need to be postmarked no later than March 30th and Mailed to Cathy Barker, Awards Jury Chair, 516 Spradley Drive, Troy, AL. 36079.

Entry forms can be found on the Alabama District Website. You will find them under: "Additional forms and Documents for Pilot/Compass" – "Alabama Districts Awards and Scholarship's" - "Brain Related/Community Service. Submission Forms".

Cathy





94th ANNUAL

ALABAMA DISTRICT CONVENTION

April 21 – April 23, 2023

CONVENTION REGISTRATION

Submit the Registration

Form By April 1, 2023

One check per club

CONVENTION

THEME “Choose to Shine”

AWARDS LUNCHEON THEME

Friendship and Service: The Sounds of Pilot



ANNUAL CONVENTION HOSTED BY:

Pilot Club of Prattville



Marriott Birmingham
3590 Grandview Parkway
Birmingham, AL 35243

HOTEL RESERVATIONS

Call: **1-800-399-7618** Group Code: **API**
Link:

[Book your group rate for Alabama District Pilot Convention 2023](#)

Group rate available until April 6, 2023

*Breakfast voucher included w/hotel stay for Saturday & Sunday morning.

Breakfast 7:30 a.m.



Clubs Bring to Convention

Club Banners

Door Prize valued at

PIFF: Ink Cartridges, M&M Funds

REGISTRATION TIMES

Friday, April 21 3:00 – 6:00 p.m.

Saturday, April 22 8:00 – 8:30 a.m.

CONVENTION ATTIRE

Friday - Club Shirts

Saturday - Business Casual

Installation Banquet - Sunday to Sequins

Sunday - Travel



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



Sheriff's Deputies spoke to the LPCE about Project LifeSaver. If a person with Alzheimer's disease, autism, Down Syndrome, traumatic brain injuries or cognitive impairments should wander away from a caregiver, the Coffee County Sheriff's Department can track them through a program called Project Lifesaver. Project Lifesaver is funded in Coffee County by the Luncheon Pilot Club of Enterprise, who works with Coffee County Sheriff Scott Byrd and his deputies to make sure people who wander away in Coffee County can be found quickly and efficiently. Shown in photo from left, LPCE President Brandy Woodham, Coffee County Reserve Deputies Calvin Bookout and Tom Iten.



The Pilot Club of Decatur prepared Valentine Pick Me Up Trays for the Paraprofessionals at Oak Park Elementary School at their February Meeting. Each tray contained a tea-cup, tea, cakes, candy, and a rose wrapped and tied with a pretty bow. Information on our club was inserted in each tea tray. 24 trays were delivered to the school the day before Valentine Day. All this was made possible with a Pick Me Up Grant from Pilot International. President Elect, Deroma Montgomery, planned this wonderful Pick Me Up Project for us!

PC OF TUSCALOOSA REQUEST

The Pilot Club of Tuscaloosa would like to sponsor a Compass Club either on campus or community wide. An advertisement was placed in the Crimson White (Bama Newspaper), but did not receive any inquiries.

Now we won't to request from a fellow Pilots and their communities to identify former Anchors going to the University of Alabama, Stillman or working in the area for our club to contact.

Thank you in advance for your help!

Pilot Club of Decatur Fundraiser

\$15

PILOT CLUB OF DECATUR

\$15

SWAMP JOHNS

MARCH 9, 2023

4:00 PM TO 7:00 PM

Elks Lodge Parking Lot

2625 Centron Avenue, Decatur, AL. 35603

Benefitting: Project Lifesaver for Morgan County Sheriff & Decatur Police Department

Pilot Luncheon Club of Morgan County (PLCMC)

Laurie Fraser



The PLCMC volunteered with the Sleep in Heavenly Peace for a Build A Bed Weekend! There were 40 beds built. Beds will be delivered for those children in the community without a bed. The PLCMC also donates linens/bedding for these beds. Shown in the photo on the left: Beverly Walker and Brenda McKean of the PLCMC.



Administrative Professionals Day Pilot Club of Cullman Presents: **VOGUE 2023**



**28th Annual
Fashion Show & Luncheon
Wednesday April 26, 2023
Tickets \$30 each**

Tickets are not available at the door.

THE VENUE
AT COTTON CREEK

Entrances on 4th & 5th Street West, Cullman

10:00 am - Doors open - Market Place

Music by : Justin & Tab

11:30 am - Lunch - Catered by Newk's Eatery

11:45 am - Fashion Show

Tickets available: Cullman County Museum, United Way, & Pilot Club Members

Proceeds to benefit: Project Lifesaver, Pilot Light Home, & Field of Miracles,



Take Me Out To The Ballgame



PILOT LUNCHEON CLUB OF MORGAN COUNTY IS "KNOCKING IT OUT OF THE PARK" WITH THEIR 2023 TRASH PANDA FUNDRAISER

WOULD YOU WANT TO WIN A BASEBALL PARTY FOR YOU AND 19 FRIENDS AT TOYOTA FIELD IN HUNTSVILLE, ALABAMA? THE PLCMC'S RAFFLE IS A REAL HOMERUN.

- 20 TICKETS TO THE "TRASH PANDAS" GAME ON JULY 9, 2023 AT 2:00 PM
 - A CLIMATE CONTROLLED SUITE OVERLOOKING HOME PLATE
 - PRIVATE, IN-SUITE, 2-1/2 HR. COMPLIMENTARY BUFFET INCLUDING SOFT DRINKS
 - BAR ORDERS ARE AVAILABLE TO BE PAID BY CREDIT CARDS ONLY
 - OUTDOOR SEATING
 - IN-SUITE TV
 - PRIZE VALUED AT \$1470
 - TOYOTA FIELD STADIUM IS STRICTLY CREDIT CARDS ONLY
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- GROUP OR INDIVIDUAL TICKET PURCHASES ENCOURAGED
 - \$50.00 PER RAFFLE TICKET (DEDUCTIBLE)
 - DRAWING TO BE HELD MAY 5, 2023 AT THE PLCMC MONTHLY MEETING
 - INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY: IF THE GAME IS CANCELED, YOU WILL HAVE TO COME FOR THE FOOD THAT DAY. YOU WILL RECEIVE 20 TICKETS FOR ANOTHER GAME. THESE TICKETS WILL NOT BE FOR THE ROOM.
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- THE PILOT LUNCHEON CLUB OF MORGAN COUNTY IS A NON-PROFIT 501(C)3 SERVICE ORGANIZATION THAT PRIMARILY RAISES FUNDS FOR THEIR PROJECTS THAT BENEFIT THOSE AFFECTED BY BRAIN DISEASES, DISORDERS, AND INJURIES. THEY SUPPLY SENSORY TOOLS FOR AUTISM CLASSROOMS AND MEMORY CARE UNITS, BEDDING FOR NEEDY CHILDREN, EDUCATING CHILDREN ON BRAIN SAFETY THROUGH THE ART OF PUPPETRY, AND BICYCLE HELMETS TO CHILDREN WHO DO NOT HAVE ONE, AND CRAFTS AND SOCIALS FOR AN ADULT CLASS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS. THEY GRANT SCHOLARSHIPS TO THOSE ATTENDING TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURY CAMP AND CAMP ASCCA SUMMER CAMP FOR THOSE WITH SPECIAL NEEDS. THEY PROVIDE PICK-ME-UP BASKETS FOR SPECIAL CAREGIVERS WHO POSSESS COMPASSION, GOOD CARE AND A HAPPY ATMOSPHERE. WE SUPPORT OTHER OPPORTUNITIES TO SUPPORT LOCAL VETERANS. THE OPPORTUNITIES ARE ENDLESS, AND THE PILOTS ARE GIVING THEIR TIME, MONEY AND RESOURCES WHEREVER IT IS NEEDED.

BUYING A RAFFLE TICKET FOR A CHANCE TO WIN A FANTASTIC PRIZE WILL HELP THE PILOTS TO FUND THEIR PROJECTS AND THEREFORE HELP OTHERS IN NEED. FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT A MEMBER OF THE PILOT LUNCHEON CLUB OF MORGAN COUNTY BY VISITING THEIR CLUB FACEBOOK PAGE (WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/PILOTLCMC) OR EMAILING PLCMC@YAHOO.COM.

PLEASE JOIN US WITH OUR MISSION



If you are interested, please contact any member of the PLCMC to purchase a raffle ticket.