

# Heritage Center Donations

as of August 31, 2008

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## TOTAL to-date

**\$1,388,943.51**

\* Donor has given between \$5,000 and \$9,999 (cumulative).

\*\* Donor has given between \$10,000 and \$59,999 (cumulative).

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*Save the Date...*

*January 31, 2009...*

*for an afternoon Garden Party\**

Everyone's invited to the dedication of the Pilot International Foundation Heritage Garden, so make plans now to attend. Details will follow in the Winter 2009 *Pilot Log*.

\* Since it will be January, we can't promise flowers or even sunshine, but whatever the weather, join us for a joyous celebration of the completion of the Garden and the generosity of Pilot International Foundation donors.



# Pilot International Foundation

■ **2007-2008 Annual Goal for Grants & Scholarships** – End of Year Report  
**2008-2009 Annual Goal for Grants & Scholarships**

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 PC of Nassau  
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 Debra Smith

*Between July 1, 2007 and June 30, 2008, Pilot International Foundation received \$179,899 in contributions toward the 2007-2008 Annual Goal for Grants and Scholarships. Each club was asked to donate a minimum of \$250 to help the Foundation reach its Goal of \$175,000. The Annual Goal for 2008-2009 has again been set at \$175,000, and \$9,791 was donated from July 1 through August 31, 2008. The list below represents contributions received between May 8 and August 31, 2008.*

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 Halifax Area Club  
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# Memorials

■ **Pilot Memorial Contributions** May 16 to August 31, 2008

*Memorial contributions to Pilot International Foundation honor the memory of friends, relatives, and acquaintances. A memorial card is sent to the family or other designee of the deceased advising them of the generous donation and identifying the donor. Contributions to the Memorial Fund support the programs and function of the Foundation, and enhance the work of Pilot Clubs around the world. The name of the deceased is listed first in bold followed by the contributors. The list below represents contributions received between **May 16** and **August 31, 2008**.*

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# IN Memoriam

## Thank you

to everyone for your prayers, thoughts and the many calls and cards you sent during mother's illness. You'll never know how much your expressions of concern and affection meant to her. I also appreciate your thoughtfulness and compassion to me after her death. The tributes to Mother in *The Pilot Log* and at convention were very special and meant a lot to me. Again, thank you for your many kindnesses over the years.

Sharon Pierce  
 Daughter of the late 1982-83  
 PI President Betty Amsbaugh



Attendees at the PI Remembrance Celebration in Phoenix in July remembered Pilots and Anchors lost this past year.

*For all Pilots reported to PI Headquarters as deceased between May 16 and August 31, 2008.*

Name	Club	Name	Club	Name	Club
<b>ALABAMA</b>		Cathryn Garner	Newnan	Anna Taddey	Milwaukee
Dorothy Adair	Huntsville	Mary Johnson	Newnan	<b>MICHIGAN-INDIANA</b>	
Patricia Bowlin	Enterprise	Gladys Spight	Washington County	Karin Hamilton	Madison
Clarice Brookshire	Roanoke	<b>JAPAN</b>		Marg Morlen	New Albany
Pat Capps	Jasper	Kyoko Hirakawa	Saitama	M. Gay Watson	Scott County
Virginia Duckett	Opp	Toyoko Itomine	Okinawa	<b>MISSISSIPPI</b>	
Martha Elder	Guntersville	Tsuneko Kawamoto	Onomichi	Hellen Norris	Booneville
Judy Evans	Capital Pilot Club	Kazuko Kawashima	Nara	Clinton Pearson	Louisville
Winifred Howell	Florence	Kotoji Kikuta	Sendai	Ruth Whitt	Greenville
Joan Lewis	Enterprise	Masayo Kuroda	Diamond PC of Tokyo	<b>NORTH CAROLINA</b>	
Evelyn Nabors	Selma	Yukiko Nomura	Nara	Evelyn Coffey	Lincolnton
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<b>ARKANSAS-OKLAHOMA</b>		Teresa Shriver	Huntington	Mildred Mullis	Morganton
Lois Holcomb	Bartlesville	<b>KANSAS-MISSOURI</b>		<b>NORTHEAST-POTOMAC</b>	
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<b>COED</b>		Willa Hewitt	Manhattan	Betty McCann	Alexandria
Molly Erwin	Niagara Falls, Ontario	Sarah Holderman	Lawrence	Maxine Oates	Alexandria
Ginger Parales	Leeward Club, Hawaii	Norma Holmes	Topeka	<b>SOUTH CAROLINA</b>	
<b>FLORIDA</b>		Betty Laudick	Great Bend	Muriel Buckley	North Myrtle Beach
Ermin Mills	Pensacola	<b>LOUISIANA</b>		Mary Frierson	Kingstree
Jeanne Moehringer	Titusville	Jane Wroten	Winnfield	Idelle Hopkins	Dillon
<b>GEORGIA</b>		<b>MIDWEST</b>		<b>SOUTHWESTERN</b>	
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Geneva Feagin	Americus	Ruth Krause	Milwaukee		
Pauline Fordham	Dublin				

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# IN THE NEWS

Past Kentucky-Ohio-West Virginia District Governor **Kelly George**, member of the Pilot Club of Greater Kanawha Valley, was honored at the annual West Virginia Chapter of the National Foundation March of Dimes meeting for her years of service. She has served as the state Chairman of the Board several times, and as the Kanawha County March of Dimes President as well, and is a member of the National March of Dimes Hall of Fame. The executive board has named the "Outstanding



Volunteer of the Year Award" the "Kelly L. George Annual Volunteer Award."

**Lillie White**, member of the Isle of Wight Pilot Club (Virginia) was profiled in the local newspaper, the Isle of Wight Daily Press. The article referred to her volunteer service as and after-school tutor, as well as church ministry to nursing homes, jails and a children's home. It also mentions her experience as a Pilot, working with seniors and monthly food distribution to people in need.

**Lorene Shafer**, a 35-year member and past president of the Pilot Club of Titusville, Florida, received the 2008 Community Service Award from the Indian River Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution.



## IN MEMORIAM *continued from previous page*

<i>Name</i>	<i>Club</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Club</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Club</i>
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Connie Logan	Tucson	Elsie Bay	Nacogdoches	Cornelia Nelson	Beaumont
Mary Schaffer	Denver	Frances Benson	Amarillo	Eleanor Prigmore	Baytown
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		Marguerite Korkames	Tyler	Mary Zeller	Portsmouth
		Bobbye Miller	Baytown		

Note: Each year there are more names listed in the Fall issue of *The Pilot Log* than in other issues because a disproportionate number are reported to headquarters at the end of the Pilot year.

# CLUBGRAMS

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## Alabama

For the 26<sup>th</sup> year, the Pilot Club of Tuscaloosa, in conjunction with the Tuscaloosa County Schools, sponsored Project HELP (Helping and Encouraging Learners by Pilot), a four-week tutorial summer school program helping students reinforce their studies and social skills. This year seven teachers and five aides worked with 76 K-5<sup>th</sup> grade students. The program began in 1982 with a \$1,000 grant from Pilot International Foundation.

## Arkansas-Oklahoma

The Green Country Pilot Club supports several local organizations such as Project Lifesaver, Day Break at Elder Care, Bluestem Therapeutic Riding and more, even mammograms through Family Services and Back Packs for Kids. The annual pecan sale, one way the club raises funds for its projects, is underway now.

## Florida

The Pilot Club of Titusville awarded \$4,000 in mini-grants (given annually) to eleven organizations in their North Brevard area. These monies were raised by having several fundraisers throughout the year.

## Japan

The Nara Pilot Club donated 75 helmets to Omiya Kindergarten. Nara Pilot Club President Ikuko Terada and ten other club members visited the Kindergarten and met with Director Rimiko Takemura. The Pilots gave away 75 helmets and coloring books. In total, the club has donating 232 helmets to kindergarteners in Nara City. The program, illustrated with plush BrainMinder Buddies, taught the importance of protecting the brain by wearing helmets, looking before crossing the street and using car safety seats.

## North Carolina

The Pilot Club of Laurinburg held its 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Flower Sale, another successful fundraiser. Among the projects the club supports are the BrainMinders program with

helmets for area children, Concerned Citizens for the Homeless, and the Autism Society of North Carolina's Enhancement Summer Program, in Scotland County.

The Pilot Club of Rutherford County recently presented a check last week to the Rutherford County Sheriff's Office for Project Lifesaver. The club brought the program to the community last year with matching funds from a PIF grant.

## South Carolina

The Pilot Club of Kingstree decorated a table for an annual Hometown Chamber Banquet using a "Wizard of Oz" theme. Their design included character dolls, and gifts of a book, helmet, lollipop, and poem about the importance of wearing helmets to prevent brain injury. The event brings community focus to the club and to brain injury awareness.

## Tennessee

The Pilot Club of Lawrenceburg held a bike rodeo at Rotary Park. They distributed over 100 helmets and entertained children with a BrainMinder puppet show. A local police officer attended, and was very impressed with the program and the club's efforts to help children in the community.

The Pilot Club of Dresden recently made a donation to the Dresden Elementary School to help finance Citizen of the Month and 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Citizen of the Year programs the school offers its students. The club believes it's a wonderful way to encourage the youth of the community to behave in a respectable manner and to promote good leadership qualities.

## Virginia

Members of the Suffolk Pilot Club sewed walke/wheelchair bags and catheter bags for residents at the Nansemond Pointe Rehabilitation and Healthcare Center. They have made 124 items so far this year.

# CLUBNEWS



The Pilot Club of Singapore (COED) celebrated its 14<sup>th</sup> anniversary by taking eighteen residents of the Apex Harmony Lodge, along with two nurses, out for banquet luncheon with cake at a Chinese restaurant. They also hired a bus for transportation there and back. The retirement community, where many residents suffer from some form of dementia, is an ongoing project for the club—they visit on a regular basis to give haircuts and bring food, and frequently take residents on outings.



**Pictured are Club President Barbara Crawford, Pilot Carol Triebel, Sheriff Mike Huff, Captain Richard Fisher, Deputy Jennifer Bebbler and Pilot Mary Maylane.**

The Pilot Club of Moline (Illinois) recently presented a check for \$10,000 to the Rock Island County Sheriff's Department to purchase equipment and training for Project Lifesaver. The club received a matching grant from Pilot International Foundation.



The Pilot Club of Kingstree (South Carolina) held a bake sale at a community event, the "Pig Pickin' Festival." It was one of the club's most successful fundraisers.



**Oconee Pilots Marge Saar, Kathy Shelnett, Mary Mattocks, Joy Elder, Donna MacPherson, Nan Burks, Mimi Klien, and Novene Landers at the "Big Hearts" Pageant for Special People.**

The Pilot Club of Oconee County (Georgia) sold home-baked goods and donated flowers a local agency's "Big Hearts" pageant to raise money to help with the group's youth camp. Extra Special People (ESP, INC.) provides social activities during the year and a -6-7 week summer camp for persons with brain disorders. In the "pageant" clients participated in modeling and interviews before an audience of their families and friends. The club also donated \$1,000 to sponsor several clients to attend one of the week-long day camps offered this summer. They also donated \$150 to the Oconee County Relay For Life and ran the Luminaria Booth there to raise even more funds.

Members of the Pilot Club of Manatee County (Florida) helped out with a Healthy Start Party. Healthy Start offers free support services for pregnant women, new mothers and infants, to assure that they have access to prenatal and pediatric care. The club has donated supplies for the babies and gifts for the moms for several years and also donated money to the organization to promote healthy birth outcomes, parenting and child development.



**Healthy Start volunteer Eva Valencia, Manatee County Pilot Barbara McBath, and Florida District South Region Lt. Governor Lorraine Dey.**



The Pilot Club of Valley Forge entertained residents of Golden Age Manor with an evening of fun, food and friendship, including "the Match Game."

Amanda Barlow (center), member of the Pilot Club of Cookeville (Tennessee) shares the award she received on behalf of the Cumberland Plateau Regional Office in recognition of one of the top five rural Memory Walks for the Alzheimer's Association with Pilots Cathy Kinaird and Carol Bilbrey. Plans are underway for this year's walk to take place in September.



The Pilot Club of Rutherford County (North Carolina) donated \$1,000 and made mascot teddy bears and a quilt by hand for the campers at Victory Junction Camp, a year-round camp serving children ages 7 to 15 with a variety of health issues such as autism, burn survivors, cystic fibrosis, heart disease, and other physical disabilities. It enriches the lives of the children by providing life-changing camping experiences in a safe and medically sound environment.



**Rutherford Pilots recently visited Victory Junction Camp in Randleman.**



**Front row: Jane Gleitz, Becky Jaenichen, Kay Milan, and back row: Cary Dabney, Gayla Akers, Michigan-Indiana District Governor Elsie Sturgeon, and Maida Bosier. Participating but not pictured are Barbara Gardner and Lois Haywood.**

The Pilot Club of New Albany (Indiana) helps Life Span Resources to support local Senior Games. Club members conduct an opening ceremony, decorate tables, award medals in a dance contest, serve food and clean up. Money made at the event supports Meals On Wheels.

The Pilot Club of Lufkin (Texas) held its first annual Lifesaver's Golf Tournament at Lufkin Country Club to raise approximately \$3,000 for implementing Project Lifesaver and other community projects.



**Among the Pilots working at the tournament were (front row) Jerene Walker, Frankie Read, Misty Gill, JoAnn Arnold, and (back row) Sherry Nash, Ila Rankin, Susie Healey, Deborah Garrett, and Glova Schultz.**



**Pilot Jan Smith, Instructor Jamie Piterzak and Pilot Tena Sigmon.**

The Members of the Pilot Club of Fort Pierce (Florida) participated in a St. Lucie ID locator bracelet training session held at St. Peter Lutheran Church. Participants

were instructed in applying and then testing the bracelets during regular maintenance. The Pilot Club supports the



**Pilots, Anchors and residents enjoy Bunco Night.**

Alzheimer's Community Care and Sheriff's Office Project Lifesaver program. The club also hosts bi-monthly Bunco games at the Lynmoore Assisted Living Facility. Several Anchors from John Carroll High School assist with the event, which includes prizes and refreshments. A per-person fee is charged, with funds raised supporting club projects.



**Amanda McMorris, theater-builder John Kellogg, and Shirley Benton and Sandy LeBlanc.**

The Pilot Club of Denham Springs (Louisiana) recently gave a BrainMinders presentation at the public library in Denham Springs during the weekly summer story time. Forty children enjoyed the club's brand-new puppet theater, which was custom-built by the library's custodian, John Kellogg. He had heard they didn't have one, and volunteered his talents and labor to build it. In addition to presenting both the level one and two BrainMinder Buddy shows, they also distributed the BrainMinder Buddy certificates, stickers, coloring books, crayons, and snacks to the children. This was their second annual puppet show.

The Pilot Club of Charlotte (North Carolina) presented \$50,000 to the Joseph and Kathleen Bryan Alzheimer's Disease Research Center at Duke University. The gift represents proceeds from Pilot Club's annual Love Lights. Love Lights have been held each year for 29 years on the Saturday before Thanksgiving around beautiful Freedom Park Lake. Luminaries are in memory or in honor of loved ones with all proceeds going to Alzheimer's research.



**Pictured are then PI President Judy Breaud; Dr. Kathleen Welsh-Bohmer, Director of the Bryan Alzheimer's Disease Research Center; then Club President Margaret Gilbert; and Peggy Jessup, Love Light's founder.**



The Pilot Club of Bartlesville (Oklahoma) was a key organizer of Project Transformation, a two-month summer lit-

eracy camp. The program was done in partnership with the Oklahoma United Methodist Conference and AmeriCorps, an off-shoot of the Peace Corps program, along with support from Oak Park Elementary School, other area churches, community businesses, civic organizations and private individuals. That club made a cash contribution of \$3,000 to underwrite the program, provided tutors and coordinated donations; other groups provided supplies and services as well. Fifty-two children were enrolled from area elementary schools.

In August, members of the Pilot Club of Pittsburgh (Pennsylvania) attended Camp Variety to meet the children they sponsored to camp—this year the club sponsored four children with special needs.

Buddy Bear sponsors are invited to personally present a Camp Buddy Bear to a very special camper. Each bear wears a wristband with the sponsor's name.



**Pilot Sherri Lynn Dunik presents a Buddy Bear to 14-year-old Madison McGeehan. Looking are Terri Hegerle, Patti Rose Hartle and Cheryl Loesch.**



**Pat Phillips, FCCLA sponsor, students Keely Adams, Brittany Duggin, and Anne Alford, and Pilots Dian Sellers and Pam Caldwell.**

The Dresden Pilot Club (Tennessee) made a \$200 donation to the Dresden High School Family, Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA). FCCLA is unique among youth organizations because its programs are planned and run by members. The Pilot donation helped send several FCCLA members to the National Leadership Meeting in Orlando, Florida where the theme was "Excellence Electrified."

The Pilot Club of Bishopville (South Carolina) presented a BrainMinders puppet show that emphasized water safety at Camp Burnt Gin, a summer camp for children with brain-related disorders and disabilities, physical disabilities, and chronic illnesses. The camp is located in Sumter County and serves residents of South Carolina.



**Pilots Annie McElveen, Christine Shirley, Carolyn Cumalander; camp nurse, Sally Atkinson; camp director, Marie Aimone; and 2007 SC District Anchor President Emily Snipes.**



## Fundraising

■ Sherry Johnson

**H**ow much club time is being spent on fundraising that could be redirected to projects? When Pilots hold **internal** fundraising events, is that the most effective use of our time? How many of you have stopped and thought of ways others could hold fundraisers for your club?

Your club can offer numerous opportunities for businesses to hold **external** fund-raisers for your Pilot Club. Check out the following ideas, then brainstorm more that may be a fit with your club and local businesses.

Raising money for a Pilot club through an external event can be a fun way to motivate employees and pull them together toward a common goal. Many businesses can establish a small volunteer committee to organize the event or activity. They gather ideas, then implement the most popular ideas.

Below are some ideas of easy fund-raisers that companies have held. Local businesses are our organization's backbone. We couldn't accomplish our Pilot Goals without them, so let's get them involved in reaching those goals!

- **Raffle off the boss' parking space!** – This one is always a big hit. The winner parks in the boss' spot for a week (or a month.) You would be surprised how FUN this can be especially

if the money is going to a great cause (Pilot project) and the media gets involved.

- **Raffle off an extra vacation day** – who wouldn't take a chance at this? What if you have a company that is willing to do this at the annual picnic or holiday event for each month out of the year?
- **Sell BrainMinder Buddy cutouts** – provided by your club at \$1 each, and the funds can be used to purchase coloring books, extra puppets, helmets, and expand the clubs normal reach of educating children. Each cutout has a safety tip printed on the back. The front features a BrainMinder Buddy, and room for the donating person's name. Some companies use these as ornaments on Christmas trees or tape them to their windows.
- **Hold a "safety helmet" or "donation" day** – challenge one of the large utility companies to get involved with BrainMinders by bringing a bicycle safety helmet or \$5 donation to work. You can be creative in collecting the helmets at the entrance gates. Guess who will not be buying the helmets this year!

Remember, at the finish line, to include a celebration... so write a short letter or story explaining how this business helped or made an incredible difference in the community through their involvement, and don't forget to invite the media. We want the business and its employees anticipating the next challenge or moment to get involved. By allowing others to get involved you're going to have the community talking PILOT! E-mail me your external event ideas and success stories and I would be happy to share them with everyone.

Contact Sherry Johnson at [sherryj300@yahoo.com](mailto:sherryj300@yahoo.com).

## PILOT INTERNATIONAL

# Brain Power Walk

### One Day...All Pilots the World Over!

**Saturday, October 4, 2008** has been chosen for the first Pilot Brain Power Walk, when Pilot Clubs around the globe can coordinate events on this one day in their communities to showcase

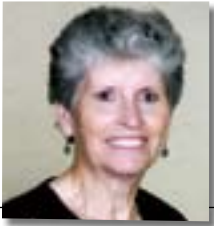
- ❖ the **Brain Power** of Pilot Clubs to affect their local communities through service
- ❖ the **Brain Power** of BrainMinders to educate the public about preventing traumatic brain injuries
- ❖ the **Brain Power** of Project Lifesaver to protect and save lives affected by brain disorders

The basic concept—Pilot Club members, their families and friends, and BrainMinder Buddies set a time and starting and ending points, and walk the talk with banners and placards. Beyond the basics, each club can create an event that "fits" their own community—imagination is the only limit!

It's an extraordinary opportunity for all clubs to join together as one to raise awareness of Pilot International, Pilot International Foundation, Pilot's mission, BrainMinders, Project Lifesaver, and each individual Pilot Club.

Each club delegate was given two disks at the Phoenix Convention: "Marketing" and "BrainMinders." The material in these disks will serve as a how-to for clubs to successfully plan, implement, and illustrate the Pilot Brain Power Walk. The material on the "Marketing" disk is also available on the website (go to [www.pilotinternational.org](http://www.pilotinternational.org) and click on **Resources/Documents/2008 Convention Handout Material**).

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** *This first year depends on you! It is up to each club to create what works best for their community. We want to know your club's experience, what worked and what didn't. The best, prize-winning submissions will be presented at the San Diego Convention next July to help Pilot Clubs make the 2<sup>nd</sup> Pilot International Brain Power Walk even better.*



## Anchor

■ Billie Stoudemire

**A**nchors are the future of Pilot—how many times have you heard that statement over the past few years? Do you agree? If so, how will that come about—just by magic? I don't think so. If Anchors are our future growth, we have to make it happen. How? There are several possibilities, and all of them require a concerted effort on the part of Pilots.

Some of our Anchor clubs are extremely active in both service and fundraising projects. Their members are enthusiastic and energetic in their pursuit of success. They are cooperative and helpful in their group activities and have the attitude that they know they will successfully complete whatever they are undertaking. What a boost some of these young people could add to a Pilot club!

One possible solution for recruiting Anchors as Pilot members is already in place—Provisional Membership. In order for Provisional Membership to make a difference, Pilot clubs must actively

promote the program. We must make Anchors feel very special and honored to become Provisional Members.

During the school year, we can visit our Anchor Clubs and make a Provisional Membership presentation to thoroughly explain the procedures for seniors to become members. Towards the end of the year, we would again visit clubs to assist graduating Anchors in completing the required form. Anchors who apply would be invited to a Pilot meeting, along with their parents, at which time they would be awarded a Provisional Membership certificate. It would be the perfect opportunity to let the parents know about the club too.

We must take steps to encourage Anchors graduating from high school to become provisional Pilots, stay involved with the Pilot organization during college and then join us as active Pilots. If we plan well and execute our plan, in five or six years, a good percentage of these former Anchors will remain with us as dedicated Pilots. Retaining this enthusiastic, energetic, creative and caring group of service-oriented individuals would go far toward ensuring a strong and secure future for Pilot.

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## Leadership Development

■ Rhona Baca Espinoza

**M**y name is Rhona Baca Espinoza, 2007-2008 Southwestern District Governor, and I am delighted and excited to be your Leadership Coordinator for the coming year. I plan to send out "Seeds for Success" Leadership Tips to our District Governors and Leadership Coordinators on a weekly basis. I challenge each and every one of you to consider serving in a leadership position at the club, district or international level. There is much untapped talent out there and you don't have to be born a leader to become a great leader. All it takes is a love and dedication to Pilot to make a difference!

The most important ingredient of leadership is integrity. What is integrity? I am who I am, no matter where I am or who I am with. People with integrity are "whole" people, they have nothing to hide and nothing to fear. Their lives are open books. It isn't so much what we do as who we are. Integrity builds trust and thus the more credible you are, the more confidence people place in you and give you the privilege of influencing their lives.

Leaders are to live by a higher standard than that of their followers. As a leader, your character will influence all of the people in your group and if you maintain high standards, your people will follow your example. We cannot lead anyone else farther than we have been. *Our tendency is to work harder on our image than on our integrity.* Image is what people think we are, and integrity is what we really are. Each of us, eventually, is recognized for exactly what we are, not what we try to appear to be.

Integrity is the result of self-discipline, inner trust and a decision to be honest in all situations. As James Kouzes and Barry Posner state in their book, *The Leadership Challenge*, followers expect four things from their leaders: Honesty, competence, vision and inspiration. Do you make the grade in these four areas? Will you take the challenge and be all you can be? Find a mentor or someone to keep you accountable. The mentors in my life have taught me so much.

If you would like to receive my weekly "Seeds for Success" Leadership Tips, just e-mail me and I will be happy to send them to you. I look forward to hearing from you!

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## Club Operations

■ Rita Spriggs

Can you imagine the body functioning without blood? Impossible! Indeed—much the same for our Pilot organization and its members—it is a matter of survival, and for Pilot Clubs, operations are our lifeblood. This is especially relevant as we begin this new year with Pilots around the globe, working to make it a better place to live!

Inspired by the theme “Friendship and Service around the World,” each Pilot member enjoys the priceless benefits of making and maintaining friendships while serving those in need. Your willingness to share these gifts by retaining existing members whilst creatively and aggressively recruiting new ones, will help us greatly in averting the current downward membership trend.

Held against the above backdrop, in this issue I wish to focus on recruitment. In later issues I plan to share some tips and suggestions for retention and reclaiming. I welcome your input and suggestions and look forward to receiving your ideas on how to recruit and retain members.

### Recruitment Tips:

- Set a specific goal for the number of members you wish to recruit, including ages. Some clubs disband because they don't recruit younger members.

- Host exciting Share Pilot events and encourage each Pilot to invite at least one person.
- Promote Pilot membership at every opportunity (fundraisers, projects, your place of employment, social and community events, BrainMinders).
- Identify your club with one or more Signature Community Projects.
- Promote internal contests/incentive programs for a specified time to those bringing in the most new members.
- Identify potential members by looking at their lifestyles. Are they community-minded and interested in making a difference in the lives of persons in their community?
- Refer family and friends to Pilot Clubs in other cities.
- Offer Provisional Membership to former Anchors.
- Wear Pilot pins and other memorabilia in an effort to start conversations and generate questions.
- Publicize meetings and events in local newspapers.

President Debbie has challenged each club to recruit one new member, but we'd like to exceed this expectation. How? By “Each One Bring One...” This is my challenge to each Pilot and I know that we can and we will! Are you up to the challenge?

Contact Rita Spriggs at [spriggie1@hotmail.com](mailto:spriggie1@hotmail.com).



## Projects

■ Janey Tyner

Happy New Year! Yeah, I know it's not December, but it's a new year for Pilot... a time for a new start, a time for close examination. I urge you to take this time to reassess your club's projects. Look for the projects that do not fully benefit and focus on our ultimate Pilot mission of helping to improve the lives of those around us with brain-related disorders.

Every club has “pet” projects that have been funded for years; perhaps it was near and dear to one of the members long ago. Examine whether these projects are still beneficial to the community or have outlived their usefulness. If they no lon-

ger can be justified, bite the bullet and cut the fat from your budget. The “newly found” funds can be put to good use for other more timely projects. This approach is especially valuable to smaller clubs with tight, over-stressed budgets.

Every club is approached time and again by other organizations or individuals requesting funds for their own projects—please take a long hard look at the end result of the request and your potential donation. Ask who it will ultimately benefit. Will the funds be used to help those with brain-related disorders or purchase uniforms for a local ball team? It's better to purchase the helmets for every team member.

Your club's funds are gained through hard work and numerous fundraisers—use it wisely. Now, enjoy your New Pilot Year and a great fresh start.

Contact Janey at [jctyner@hotmail.com](mailto:jctyner@hotmail.com).

## Scholarships Awarded

■ Four graduating senior Anchor members receive funds for higher education



**Allix Bullock**



**Hanna April Huskins**

The Pilot Club of Bristol (TN-VA) awarded \$500 Annual Memorial Scholarships to recent graduates **Allix Bullock**, formerly a member of **Tennessee High School Anchor Club**, and **Hanna April Huskins**, formerly a member of the **Sullivan East High School Anchor Club**, Bluff City, Tennessee. Allix is attending the University of Tennessee, Knoxville this fall, and Hanna is attending East Tennessee State University.

**The Walker Valley High School Anchor Club** recently raised \$700 for Relay for Life by sponsoring a prom fashion show. The Anchors modeled dresses provided by a local

business. The club is sponsored by the Pilot Club of Cleveland, Tennessee.



**Anchor advisor and Pilot Sherry Nash (center) presents scholarships and certificates to Sadie Brink and Justin Cates.**

**The Lufkin High School Anchor Club** joined with its sponsor, the Pilot Club of Lufkin, Texas, to award \$500 scholarships to two of its graduating seniors, Sadie Brink and Justin Cates.

**The Anchor Club of Brenham, Texas**, held a Bike Rodeo. Wal-Mart was most supportive, donating four bikes, four

helmets, refreshments and the parking lot to conduct it. Businesses offered passes so all participants went home with a prize. In addition to the safety message, Brenham Anchors presented the BrainMinders™ puppet show and applied neon fingernail polish and faux tattoos.

**Two officials from Wal-Mart, along with Brenham Police Officer Chris Jackson who conducted the bike safety program, Anchors in their blue t-shirts, and the winners of the new bikes and helmets.**





# Phoenix 2008 Anchor Convention



# Peggy's postscript

by PI Executive Director **Peggy Davidson**

The great Sonoran Desert and JW Marriott Desert Ridge Resort and Spa provided the perfect backdrop for the gathering of 1,103 Pilots, Co-Pilots, Anchors, Navigators and friends from four countries at the 2008 International Convention. As we learned new things, took care of the business of the organization, and had fun, we also accomplished one of the most important purposes of the convention, renewing our commitment to Pilot.

After returning from Phoenix, your headquarters staff lost no time in getting down to Pilot business. The first club mailing of the year has been sent out—and we expect it to be our last large “paper” club mailing. We now have an innovative way to distribute information called Constant Contact. It’s a new e-mail service we are using to “broadcast” information to our international, district and club leaders and members.

Constant Contact will save thousands of dollars in postage, and make communication virtually instantaneous. And it’s accessible to anyone with an e-mail address... but you must be registered. If you haven’t already, simply go to [www.pilotinternational.org](http://www.pilotinternational.org) and enter your e-mail address in the yellow box in the right column of the home page to subscribe. There is no cost to you and it is strictly confidential. When you sign up, check the various options to indicate the kind of information you are interested in receiving—choose as many as apply. Subscribe today!

Other new programs and benefits for Pilots this year include:

- The “Prayer Board” made possible by Constant Contact—check “Prayer Board” on the sign-up page to receive notices from the International Chaplain about illnesses, deaths and requests for prayer from members around the world. Special care has been taken to make it sensitive to all religions.

- A Membership Task Force has been appointed to study membership trends; incentives – what works and what doesn’t; how to find new members and how to keep them. Please send your ideas and success stories to the Chair, Helen Winstead at [hwinstead@annemoorelaw.com](mailto:hwinstead@annemoorelaw.com).
- Have you ever wanted to be in the movies? Here’s your chance! Clubs are being asked to send any good quality video footage and digital photos of their community projects to headquarters to be used in a new PI video—please send us your very best materials.
- On October 4, 400+ clubs around the world will participate in a Brain Power Walk to promote Pilot International and Pilot International Foundation and our focus on brain-related disorders and disabilities—for details, see page \_\_\_ in this issue. It’s a great way to let your community know what your club is all about.
- Another very important day for Pilots this year will be January 31, 2009, when an afternoon Heritage Garden dedication is scheduled. Mark your calendar and plan to join us for this long awaited occasion.
- Mark March \_\_\_ on your calendar too—it’s our 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Talk Pilot Day when every Pilot is asked to tell at least five people about Pilot... and maybe invite them to visit your club. Never miss an opportunity to spread Pilot Friendship and Service around the world.

Best wishes to each member for a wonderful year in Pilot. Remember, your headquarters staff is here to help—just give us a call and let us know how we can be of assistance.

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