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Email material to: contact@pilothq.org

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Dear Pilots,

It is finally 2021. I don’t think anyone regrets the close of 2020. What a year of changes we had. Even so, I see how Pilots pulled together to continue pursuing our Pilot mission. Pilots have always been caring and loving. The virus could not change that. We continue to promote brain safety and health and support those who care for others. We just learned new ways to present our BrainMinders™ program, give out helmets, and brighten lives through Pick Me Ups.

District Conventions will be different this year. Some districts will meet in person. Some will have virtual meetings while others will have both in-person and virtual meetings. The Executive Committee is leaving the decision to hold District Convention and by what means up to the district.

Unfortunately, we were unsuccessful in finding an Executive Director in our Fall search. The Search Committee consisting of Collett Cross, Rhona Espinoza, Holly Baker, Lisa Patterson, and myself are reviewing resumes and will start phone interviews in a few weeks. It is our greatest hope that we will find the perfect Executive Director who will realize our vision for Pilot and have the best interest of Pilot at heart.

Membership is always a concern for clubs, districts and Pilot International. To help increase our membership, the Membership Guide has been updated and put on the Pilot Website under Top Member Resources.

Don’t forget the Membership Challenge and 100th Anniversary challenge. The district with the greatest percentage of growth in 2020-2021, the club with the most first timers, and the club with the most members attending the 100-Year PI Annual Convention and Leadership Conference will be recognized in Atlanta, will have their picture in the Fall issue of the Pilot Log and receive $100.

I hope 2021 brings good health and great joy to you and your family.

Peggy Benton,

Pilot International President, 2020-2021
The countdown to the 2021 Pilot International Convention and Leadership Conference has begun! While our founding Pilots had their first formal “meet and dinner night” at the Dempsey Hotel in Macon, Georgia, we will be having our convention at the Atlanta Marriott Marquis in downtown Atlanta! We hope you will join us there July 7-10, 2021.

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS OVERVIEW

Highlights of our 100-Year PI Annual Convention and Leadership Conference are the opening ceremony and celebration on Wednesday night, tour of PI Headquarters on Friday, outstanding speakers, workshops, entertainment/fundraiser, PIFF fundraisers, President’s Breakfast, District meetings/luncheons, and Installation Banquet.

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MARCH IS BRAINMINDERS™ MONTH
Five BrainMinders Videos are now available on the Pilot International Website for Pilots to use! The videos can be accessed and used by Pilots with either Windows or Apple devices.

After you click on the BrainMinders tab on the Pilot International website (https://www.pilotinternational.org/brainminders/), scroll down until you see the heading titled BrainMinders Instructional Videos (NEW) - PASSWORD PROTECTED.

An email has been sent to all members with the password via MemberClicks. You will not only find the five videos, but also instructions for using them. We wish you much success in educating children about brain safety while using these videos!

HELMET GRANT APPLICATIONS
The Helmet Matching Grant Applications will be reviewed quarterly by the Helmet Grant Committee. If you haven’t applied before, now is a great time to do so. The deadline for submissions is March 15th.

To get started, please visit:
https://www.thehelmetpeople.com

PICK ME UP (PMU) APPLICATIONS
Pick Me Up (PMU) Grants are to be used to fund projects which are planned but have not yet been completed. Did you know that doing something meaningful not only brings joy to the recipient, but it will also increase your happiness? Providing a PMU not only provides the caregiver with a sense that someone cares about them, it also gives Pilot International greater visibility in your communities. The deadline for submissions is March 15th.

To get started, please visit:
https://www.pilotinternational.org/member-resource-category/pick-me-up-resources/

2021 ANNUAL CONVENTION & LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE REGISTRATION
You do not want to miss celebrating with friends in Atlanta, Georgia! Registration deadline is May 24, 2021. Room reservations must be made no later than June 11, 2021 as the hotel cannot guarantee Pilot International rate after the cut-off date. Visit the PI website to find the Expo Agreement, Program Ad Order Forms, and fundraiser information will be available soon! In addition, please note all contributions for 250 Club & Pacesetters are due by May 24th in order to be recognized for International Convention.

To get started with your registration, please visit:
https://www.pilotinternational.org/convention

100 YEAR ANNIVERSARY SPECIAL LUNCHEON - SAVE THE DATE
Please save the date of Monday, October 18, 2021. A special luncheon is being planned to celebrate the 100-year anniversary of the chartering of Pilot International. It will be held at the historic Terminal Station in Macon, Georgia. This site was chosen because the railroad was the mode of transportation for many Pilots to attend the early conventions in the 1920’s and 1930’s. Remember that Pearl Sparks composed the Code of Ethics while riding a train to convention. More details will be forthcoming...for now, just “Save the Date!”

Learn more by visiting:
https://www.pilotinternational.org/100thanniversary/

2021 ANCHOR ANNUAL LEADERSHIP SUMMIT REGISTRATION
Anchor Registration is now open! Please visit the Anchor website for information and registration forms. Please note that all forms are required for your registration to be valid. Mail forms and payments (checks made out to Pilot International) to Pilot Headquarters, Attention Anchor Summit.

To get started with your registration, please visit:
http://www.anchorclubintl.org/summit
2020-2021 Pilot International Ambassadors

ALABAMA

PC of Cullman - Sandra McCluskey & Peggy Day
PC of Decatur - Nancy Bullard
PC of Demopolis - Nadeen Ivory
PC of Enterprise - Joy Wood
PC of Gadsden - 2020-21 All Club Members - Gadsden
PC of Heflin - Darrell Turner
PC of Huntsville - Jeanne Hill
PC of Jasper - Beckie Martin
PC of Lee County - Fay McCravy
PC of Luncheon Enterprise - Jane Baxley
PC of Prattville - Mary Ann Owens
PC of Roanoake - Iris Shirick
PC of Troy - Cathy Barker
PC of Tuscaloosa - Susan Blanchard

PC of St. Lucie - Barbara Keck
PC of Tallahassee, FL - Kristie Teal
PC of Titusville, FL - Jonda Erwin
PC of Treasure Coast Vero Beach - Jane Bentley

PC of Adel - Cary Wood
PC of Americus - Laurie Jessop
PC of Atlanta - JoAnn Akers
PC of Bainbridge - Emily Enty
PC of Battlefield - Brenda Noblitt
PC of Cairo - F. Jean Marshall
PC of Carrollton - Julie Strickland
PC of Chatsworth - Ann Baynes
PC of Classic City Athens - Joyce Reynolds
PC of Cochran - Neta O’Berry
PC of Covington - Stephanie Scarborough
PC of CSRA - McNair Copeland
PC of Cuthbert - Rhetta Montfort
PC of Eastman - Nylan Hinson
PC of Eatonton - Leonell Alligood
PC of Elberton - Connie B. Dixon
PC of Haralson County - Faye Ward
PC of Hartwell - Darlene May
PC of Johnson County - Angela Blizzard
PC of Jones County - Fay Mathews
PC of Lavonia - Wilma Rodgers
PC of Macon - Jenifer Hunter
PC of Madison County - Karen Fitzpatrick
PC of Newnan - Carol Yeager
PC of Ocilla-Irwin County - Heather Culpepper
PC of Oconee County - Darlene Adams
Peachtree of Atlanta - Sandra Austin, Carla Tatum
Royston Franklin Springs - Delores Pritchett
PC of Statesboro - James Wiggins
PC of Sweetwater - Deborah Wilson
PC of Toccoa - Lyn Hack
PC of Warner Robins - Carolyn Oliver
PC of Washington County - Mamie Grant, Loretta Cato

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PC of Honolulu - Pat Lum

PC of Crystal River - Roslyn Errickson
PC of Daytona Beach - Marge Hendra
PC of Fort Lauderdale - All members of the PC of Ft Lauderdale
PC of Fort Myers, FL - Maryann Schmidt
PC of Fort Pierce - Bob Smith
Gulf to Lakes PC - Elaine Cuomo, Kathryn Christmas
Halifax Area PC - Seletia Bradley-Morris
PC of Jacksonville, FL - Inez Thompson, Leila LeVan
PC of Marianna - Rochelle Wagner
PC of Miami, FL - Janice K. Gonzalez
PC of Naples - Leigh Anne Page, Bessie Brown
PC of Ocala - Lisa Anderson
PC of Palatka - Lynda Fitzstephens
PC of Panama City - Kristin Alderman
PC of Pensacola, FL - Dorothy Schwatka
Port of Jacksonville PC - Betty Dubovsky
PC of Quincy - Mary Alice Tiller
PC of South Brevard - Shellee Storz-Davis
PC of St. Augustine - Lynne Stephenson

PC of Fort Smith - Sue Gaines
Green Country PC - Rose Hammerschmidt
PC of Miami, OK - Sandra Horn
PC of Sand Springs - Kathy Ward
PC of Great Bend, KS - Barbara & Daniel Watson
GYP Hills PC Medicine Lodge, KS - Joanne Schield
PC of Junction City, KS - Pam Wallace
PC of Kansas City, KS - Patricia Gates
PC of Lawrence, KS - Marge Smith
Little Apple PC of Manhattan, KS - Janet Cooper, Brenda Schaffer

PC of Manhattan, KS - Carolyn Fellows
Prairie PC of Witchita - Lois Stewart
PC of Pratt - Janice J Jorns
PC of Shawnee Mission - Christina Masters
Sunflower PC of Manhattan, KS - Barb Meitler

JAPAN

Apollo Tokyo PC - Midori Isomura
PC of 21 Tokyo - Mami Sawamura
PC of Akita - Masakazu Ishigaki
PC of Hachioji Tokyo - Kazuyo Nakanobu
Mulberry Tokyo PC - Yuuka Takakura
PC of Higashi Hiroshima - Tazuko Takamatsu
PC of Masumi Morita - Higashi Matsuyama
PC of Hiroshima - Teruko Kawaguchi
PC of Kagoshima - Eriko Komatsu
PC of Kanazawa - Gisu Kimu
PC of Koza - Kazuko Iho
PC of Kumamoto - Ritsuko Sada
PC of Kumamoto Minami - Miyako Tanaka
PC of Mihara - Keiko Taniguchi
PC of Morioka - Mitsuko Kinoshita
PC of Musashino - Hiroko Makino
PC of Nara - Takako Hashimoto
PC of Niigata - Ayumu Eguchi
PC of Onomichi - Emiko Danjo
PC of Osaka - Yoshiko Tanaka
PC of Saga - Fumiko Tanaka
Sakura PC of Tokyo - Kazuko Kuwayama
PC of Satsuma - Michiko Kikawara
PC of Sendai - Eiko Kikuchi
PC of Takasaki - Naoya Yumoto
PC of Tokyo - Satoe Suzuki
PC of Toyama - Shuichi Nakaso

PC of Cambridge, OH - Deborah Gognat
PC of Charleston, WV - Shirley M. Clower
PC of Dayton, OH - All Members of PC of Dayton
PC of Greater Toledo, OH - Barb Moellman
PC of Huntington, WV - Suzanne Ellis
PC of Jackson County, WV - Greta Tyler
PC of Springfield, OH - Jane Engle
PC of St. Albans, WV - Carolyn Holstein

KY-OH-WV

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### MICHIGAN-INDIANA

- PC of Jeffersonville, IN - Peggy Griffin
- PC of Muncie, IN - Kathy Brinson
- PC of Scott County, IN - Beth Keith
- PC of South Bend, IN - Dorothy Hoffman

### MIDWEST

- Bend of the River Club, Quad Cities, IA - Maralyn Fries
- Cedar Rapids Metro PC, IA - Maryann Frazer
- PC of Galesburg, IL - Doris Medhurst
- PC of Iowa City, IA - Patty McCarthy, Janice Prochaska
- PC of Jacksonvile, IL - Zoellen Smith, Lisa R. Pierce
- PC of Milwaukee, WI - Suzette Orcholski
- PC of Moline, IL - Beth Tepen
- PC of Muscatine, IA - Judy Lokenvitz
- PC of Peoria, IL - Kathy Louis

### MISSISSIPPI

- PC of Booneville - Claudia Scarborough
- PC of Fulton - Gail Thomas
- PC of Houston, MS - Mabelene Easley
- PC of Iuka - Sheila Thorne
- PC of Louisville - DeLaine Woodruff
- PC of Mantachie - Renee Starling
- PC of New Albany, MS - Brenda Robertson
- PC of Oxford, MS - Carolyn Carter
- PC of Starkville - Yvonne Brown

### NORTH CAROLINA

- PC of Asheboro - Leeanne Saunders
- Foothills Pilot Club - Cheryl Rice
- PC of Greensboro - Patricia Bivens
- PC of Kannapolis - Amy Hurst
- PC of Laurinburg - Linda Simmons
- Luncheon PC of Rocky Mount - Morrie Minges
- PC of Monroe, NC - Elaine Austin
- PC of Raleigh - Kathleen Kidd
- PC of Rutherford County - Wanda Price
- Scottish PC of Laurinburg - Diana Johnston, Beth Newbold
- PC of Tarboro - Kathy Rogister
- PC of Valdese - Marian Hartman

### NORTHEAST POTOMAC

- PC of Central Pennsylvania - Lisa Palmquist
- PC of Greater Long Island - Susanne Ferrara
- PC of Lancaster - Amy Keorner

### SOUTH CAROLINA

- PC of Ayor - Julie Cox
- PC of Bennettsville - Emily Bohn
- PC of Bishopville - Carolyn Cumalander
- PC of Chester - Heather Ford
- PC of Columbia - Rebecca Smith
- PC of Conway - Gail Harrelson (posthumously)
- PC of Darlington - Belinda Copeland
- PC of Dillon - Jamie Sue Stephens
- Evening PC of Sumter - Marge Thomy
- PC of Greenwood - Becky King
- PC of Marion, SC - Cindy B. Rogers
- PC of North Myrtle Beach - Kitty D'Angelo
- PC of Orangeburg - Marlene Jeffcoat
- PC of Seneca - Diane Rawlins
- PC of Walhalla - Peggy Hadley

### SOUTH WESTERN

- PC of Albuquerque, NM - Amy Koerner, Martha Cesarano
- PC of Belen, NM - Jennifer Hise-Trujillo
- PC of East Valley, AZ - Rhoda Amendola
- PC of Los Lunas, NM - Nancy "Pug" Burge

### TENNESSEE

- Luncheon PC of Athens - Reba McKinney
- PC of Chattanooga - Max T. Holland
- PC of Cleveland, TN - Karen Archer
- PC of Cookeville - Lillian Derricks
- PC of Hohenwald - Lindsey Wayland
- PC of Lenoir City - Brittany Mashburn
- PC of Oak Ridge - Kathy Warren

### TEXAS

- PC of Bay City - Diane Rejcek
- PC of Baytown - Allene DonCarlos
- PC of Brenham - Rachel Blankenburg
- PC of Cuero - Renee Wilke
- PC of Dallas - Doris Ritch
- PC of El Campo - Tammy Smith
- Evening PC of Baytown - Louise King
- Evening San Jacinto PC - Liliama Cerda
- PC of Gonzales - Nancy Logan
- Hereford PC - Martha Rickman
- PC of Lake Houston - Sue Rakow
- PC of Longview - Kelly Morrison
- PC of Lubbock - Christy Robinett

### VIRGINIA

- Dan River Region PC - Rachel McKinney
- PC of Danville - Amy Hurst
- PC of Harrisonburg - Tammy Scott
- Luncheon PC of Chesapeake - Charlotte Riddick
- Luncheon PC of Danville - Paula Collie
- PC of Portsmouth - Teeny Stafford
- PC of Suffolk - Georgie Copeland

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Pictured above: Teeny Stafford, Club Ambassador for the Pilot Club of Portsmouth, Virginia for this year. Teeny celebrated her 100th birthday on August 12, 2020 with a ride-by birthday party of almost 25 cars. Her club members stopped to waive to her and she received bottled water and cupcakes. Many of their club members joined her friends for this special occasion. When asked what Pilot means to her, Teeny said: “Friendship of the members and community service are the things that I think are the most important to me, and also the real meaning of the organization.”
BUS TOUR TO PILOT INTERNATIONAL HEADQUARTERS

You will have an opportunity to sign up for the Bus Tour to PI Headquarters on the Convention Registration Form…and you can register for a morning or afternoon bus trip. On Friday, July 9th, Pilots and Co-Pilots who have registered and paid a nominal fee of $15 will get to ride in a comfy, air-conditioned bus to visit Headquarters in Macon, Georgia. You can view the beautiful Heritage Garden and recently relandscaped outdoor area, redesigned Donor Recognition Room, grand foyer, Board Room, Heritage Library, the new Archive Room, and offices. The Pilot Club of Macon will be serving light refreshments, and the Hundredth Anniversary Committee and Past International Presidents will be serving as guides. While there, you will have a shopping opportunity to buy Pilot items at reduced prices. Be sure to bring your camera!

SERVICE PROJECT

Through the 2021 convention service project, Pilots will provide needed school supplies for children in Bibb County Schools. The focus of this service project was chosen to align with the original service project provided for Bibb County Schools by the first established Pilot Club of Macon, Georgia. We are asking that Pilot Clubs and individuals contribute $50 to provide supplies for a classroom. You may choose to provide supplies for more than one classroom, of course. We plan to include a list of all classroom service project contributors in the Convention Program. Checks may be sent to PI and earmarked “Service Project.”
Introducing Victoria Huggins. Victoria first became interested in Alzheimer’s because of her grandfather Charles Tucker Huggins, who suffered with Alzheimer’s. Her passion for Alzheimer’s disease Awareness and music therapy captured the attention of local and national leadership, including FOX News and PEOPLE Magazine. Nurturing relationships that were cultivated as Miss North Carolina, Victoria has served as a keynote speaker in Alzheimer's and Dementia conferences across the state, including the launch of the North Carolina Brain Health Registry in conjunction with Duke University’s Bryan Alzheimer’s Disease Research Center.

She represented the Tar Heel State in 2017 as the 80th Miss North Carolina. The focus during her term was Alzheimer’s for which she continuously advocated while traveling over 30,000 miles with over 300 scheduled appearances. Victoria served as a public speaker & philanthropist; from the floor of the legislature in Raleigh, to civic, educational, military, religious, and social groups across North Carolina. Prior to her year of service, Victoria was the Morning News Producer for WECT/WSFX in Wilmington, NC.

Victoria Huggins joined the Houston Astros organization in January of 2019. As the Community and Media Relations Manager of the Fayetteville Woodpeckers, Victoria manages community presence and partnerships, serves as the Director of the team charity, and coordinates media requests. She currently serves on the Board of Directors for the Fayetteville Urban Ministries, the Women in Baseball LIFT Mentorship Program, and the Miss North Carolina Organization.

Victoria received her Bachelor of Science degree in Mass Communication with a double minor in Music and Religion from the University of North Carolina at Pembroke and is currently pursuing a Masters Degree in Business Administration online, utilizing her scholarships earned through the Miss America Organization. Pilots and Anchors look forward to hearing from Victoria on Saturday, July 10th.

Meet Derrick and Julie Tennant. As a promising athlete Derrick suffered an injury that left him in a coma. After brain surgery, years of rehab and life in a wheelchair, he ultimately got on his feet again. Despite the very limited use of his left side, Derrick loves life and “looks on the RIGHT side” of things. He communicates the importance of shifting obstacles in life into opportunities. Derrick’s sister Julie has Down Syndrome which is caused by an extra chromosome. Her Grampa called it a Love Chromosome. Together, Derrick and Julie will share an inspirational and uplifting message for Pilots and Anchors on Thursday, July 8, 2021.
The TAMS will be performing Thursday night, July 8, 2021 at the PI Annual Convention & Leadership Conference at the Atlanta Marriott Marquis. You don’t even have to leave the hotel to hear this group of world-famous entertainers! Dress is casual, and shagging shoes are optional!

Seating is as follows:

- Elite Seating, Section A: $100 per person
- Super Seating, Section B: $75 per person
- General Seating, Section C: $50 per person

A cash bar will be available.

Colored bracelets will be in your registration bag to gain admission to the event and to designate your seating section.

Deadline for purchasing tickets is Friday - June 25, 2021.
Mail in orders must be received by Friday - June 25, 2021.
2021 Convention T-shirts

IT’S TIME TO SHOW YOUR PILOT PRIDE

JOIN US FOR A VIRTUAL WALK THROUGH MACON, GEORGIA

Front of T-shirt

Be sure to order your 2021 convention t-shirt located on the Convention Registration Form, so that you can be a part of the 100-year celebration of Pilot International friendship and service. Shirts can only be purchased prior to convention. The deadline for ordering t-shirts is May 24, 2021. The walk this year will be a virtual walk through Macon, and it will be built into the convention general session. There is no designated “walk” t-shirt.

https://pilotinternational.org/convention

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MONDAY, JULY 5, 2021

5:00 pm – 6:00 pm           Council of Leaders Registration

TUESDAY, JULY 6, 2021

8:00 am – 8:30 am            Council of Leaders Registration
8:30 am – 4:30 pm            Council of Leaders
2:00 pm – 3:00 pm            Registration Committee Meeting
3:00 pm – 6:00 pm            Convention Registration Open
4:45 pm                             International Administration Council Meeting
5:45 pm – 6:15 pm           Governors’ Pictures with President Elect Collett

WEDNESDAY, JULY 7, 2021

8:30 am – 12:00 pm Council of Leaders
9:00 am – 12:00 pm          Registration Open
11:00 am – 6:00 pm          Expo Open
12:00 pm – 2:00 pm           PIP Luncheon
2:00 pm – 6:00 pm            Convention Registration Open
2:00 pm – 3:00 pm            Parliamentarian Meets with Nominees
2:00 pm – 3:00 pm  Anchor & Compass District & Club Training
2:00 pm – 3:00 pm               PIFF Training: District & Club Representatives & Others
2:00 pm – 3:00 pm               Convention Committee Chairs meet with Convention Chair and Co-Chair
3:00 pm – 4:00 pm  First Time Attendees Workshop
3:00 pm – 4:00 pm  2021-2022 Budget Forum
3:30 pm – 4:00 pm  Delegate Pictures with President Elect
4:00 pm – 5:00 pm  Convention Committee Meeting: Door Keepers, Election, Floor Tellers, Room Arrangement (Governors Elect), Personal Assistants
4:00 pm – 5:00 pm  Opening and Flag Ceremony Rehearsal
5:00 pm – 6:00 pm        Reception for $4000 Donors
7:00 pm – 9:00 pm          Opening Ceremony – Cocktail Attire
9:00 pm – 11:00 pm        100 Year Celebration
# Events Overview

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* Times are subject to change.
My fellow Pilots, you are the most valuable asset of Pilot International, I dare say that without you there would be no Pilot International. It is without question that you are the very heartbeat of this organization and we owe it to all of you who have supported and selflessly contributed to improving the lives of people around the world. Your dedication to service and selflessness is a shining example for others to emulate. For many of you, you’ve learned to navigate your way to Zoom meetings under this new normal of the COVID-19 pandemic showing your Pilot pride by connecting and unmuting your microphones, even when your cameras did not show your beautiful faces or the spirit you so clearly communicated. Be proud of the role you played when your cameras were off. Your actions, your presence, your kind words, your commitment to service, to Do More, Care More, Be More, all contributed to your success. And all of you who continued to engage in your community despite the challenges of COVID-19, you have shown your true colors and have truly lived your mission and vision. For many Pilots, you’ve learned to embrace technology in all of its forms.

Retention in my opinion is best described in the nine words below:

- **R-Re-engage** members to examine why they offered themselves for service, why they wanted to make a difference and be the change to help influence positive change in communities around the world. Why they saw a need and fulfill that need in their neighborhoods. Send out a clarion call, especially to those former members to revisit their former clubs and slowly win their confidence to reinstate, recommit themselves to Pilot International.

- **E-Encourage** members to not grow weary in well doing. For so many Pilots you may feel as though you have not been given the recognition that you desire, to be honored or elevated to higher office and therefore, you have contemplated leaving or taking a break from Pilot International. I would like to encourage you to not give up, please don’t throw in the towel. Remember your reward is shown on the smiling faces and lives on in the memories of the people you have helped or whose spirits you have uplifted. Hang on in there. Together we still have more unchartered journeys as we stay on a True Course Ever!

- **T-Training** is a vital component in retaining members. When Pilots are well versed in the organization’s philosophy, mission and vision they are better equipped to render service. Training is an essential tool required in cultivating and grooming a Pilot to the endless opportunities of higher office that are available to help in the further advancement of Pilot International. A great resource for training information can be found on our Pilot International website at the address below:

  **TOP MEMBER RESOURCES**
  http://www.pilotinternational.org/member-resource-category/top-member-resources/

- **E-Energize** members to stay on the cutting edge of technology. Whilst 2020 taught us all new things, one take away we all must agree with was the need to embrace technology in all of its forms. Our cellular phones are used for more than just verbal communication, for some it is their office, entertainment hub for movies, music and playing games. While for others, it is the only way for Pilots to see and stay in touch with family members and friends they could not visit in person. Learning is a daily experience, however, learning the nuance of technology is an ongoing lesson for us all!

- **N-Newbies** are to be given guidance, not set off on their own to figure it all out by themselves. Just as Anchors are the youth arm of Pilot International and require Advisors to assist with ensuring they follow the guidelines, mandate and protocols of Pilot International. The same is necessary of all new Pilots, each should be assigned or paired with a seasoned Pilot who will be responsible for their growth and guidance upon installation. This does not mean, however, that other Pilots can’t assist in nurturing our new Pilots when required, please remember our Pilot International golden rule — Be quick with PRAISE and not criticism.

- **T-Teach** us to serve from the heart by putting service above self. Desiring nothing that is not attained lawfully. Teach us to win with humility and not be boastful or prideful, teach us to cherish the music that stirs our hearts. For it is in teaching others that we also learn valuable nuggets of wisdom. Teach us to pray one for another and without ceasing.

- **I-Ignite** the passion that burns in your soul to give of yourself daily to help those in need. Keeping Pilots involved, informed, spark joy and integrated are ways to help ignite their passion. Let the spark turn into a roaring flame, burning so brightly that others will want to warm up in its glow and light their candles by your flame. Don’t hide your Pilot light under a bushel, place your light on a hill just like the lighthouses that shine their light warning ships of the jagged rocks or beckoning vessels to safe harbor.

- **O-Optimistic** that the next 100 years of Pilot International will be grander than the first. With all hands-on deck to ensure the growth of our wonderful organization, I am certain that we can attain and surpass membership levels in the tens of thousands. Let us tell our stories and share our love of being a Pilot with everyone that we meet in addition to sharing on our individual social media platforms. Be a true Pilot International ambassador, never omitting an opportunity to make a friend and share who we are as Pilot International members.

- **N-Navigating** the course as we embark on this continuous journey. We are forever mindful that membership is more than just numbers. It is the coming together of like-minded people with one common goal, to better the lives of those in need. Maya Angelou once said, “The desire to reach the stars is ambitious. The desire to reach hearts is WISE.” I would like to reach your heart, as I said at the beginning, you are the heartbeat of Pilot International, and we sincerely appreciate all that you do. It is my desire that we continue on this amazing journey of friendship and service, to Do More, Care More and Be More, as we stand Pilot Proud, Pilot Strong!
LEADERSHIP & CONNECTION

Written by
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2020-2021

"Vulnerability is not only our 'most accurate measure of courage' but 'the birthplace of innovation, creativity, and change.'" - Brené Brown

I read this profound quote in Brené Brown’s book, Dare to Lead. I respect and admire Dr. Brown’s work. I believe her research and ability to think about leadership in different terms is both refreshing and challenging, and, honestly, quite complex. I encourage any of you who are in a leadership role to read the book. To summarize what I took from the book is that leadership in today’s world is “… about the willingness to step up, put yourself out there, and lean into courage. The world is desperate for braver leaders. It’s time for all of us to step up.”

Much of Brown’s book emphasizes the importance of leading through vulnerability and in living our lives through our values. As a modern leadership guru, Brown’s work has been embraced by dozens of leadership organizations, think tanks, and other authors who have put their twists on a lot of what she says. However, for me, the real heart of the matter was the idea that as leaders, we are human. Those we lead are human which makes us all vulnerable. Perhaps such vulnerability has never been more evident than the year 2020 and the coming of 2021. Our collective humanness has been challenged by a global pandemic, isolation and quarantine, fear and loneliness, uncertainty and doubt.

During this year, we have been attempting to guide our clubs and districts through unknown territory. We have learned how to “Zoom” to be together in some sort of fashion, but much of our fundraising has stalled. Doing any project is a struggle. How can we navigate through these turbulent waters?

I challenge us all to start by being human. None of us has all the answers and it is OK to say, “I don’t know.” It is hard to be vulnerable, but it can also be liberating. A leader showing their humanity has a natural way of engaging them more with those they lead and helps club members understand we are all in this situation together.

Being honest and vulnerable creates trust and connections, and can build confidence. As leaders, we should model that it is OK not to be perfect. Leaders struggle and make mistakes. Leaders have bad days and good days. Leaders mourn and cry and laugh and roll their eyes and do everything any other human does. And guess what? It is OK. It leads to that connection we all crave. The commonness of our humanness helps us connect at a time when connection has never been more important.

Courage and vulnerability are hard and often uncomfortable places, but it lures people toward you rather than pushing them away. Humans are drawn to the “real” and if we sense insincerity, we tend to disconnect and disengage.

The website, Transcend, states:

“The most impactful way to lead with vulnerability is to recognize that we are all whole people coming (together) with personal challenges and emotions. When we as leaders fail to create environments that allow our employees and teammates to address these challenges and emotions in a vulnerable way, and when we don’t model this type of vulnerability ourselves, the consequences are less productive, more distracting, and promotes disengagement. Studies show even just 10 minutes spent listening and providing empathy to someone leads to higher productivity, more engagement, and an increased likelihood of that individual working better within a team. Because when we feel heard, we feel connected. Therefore, humanness must remain in what we do for what we do to thrive.”

How does one become a vulnerable leader? Below are seven suggestions I have taken and modified from the Transcend website:

1. Share your life with your club/team and actively ask your club members/teams to share theirs with you.

2. Allow space for and encourage honest, authentic idea exchange through your words, actions, and reactions.

3. Use empathy to overcome personal or professional challenges. Sometimes a simple, “I can’t imagine what you are going through, or what that would feel like. What can we do to help?” goes a long way toward building trust and connectedness through vulnerability.

4. Be conscious of what is happening outside the club/district in the world today and consider how that may be affecting you and your membership. Then address it. Be open and honest and, again, ask the question, “What do you need?” Seeking to understand instead of solving demonstrates presence and true respect. We don’t join Pilot to serve in a vacuum. What is happening to us outside of the club/district, will affect everything we do.

5. Ask questions and be open, even in times of disagreement or misunderstanding.

6. Be radically transparent with information and data about the club/district with your team and organization.

7. Openly share why your passions and the work and vision of Pilot International mean so much to you.

So maybe now is the ideal time to Dare to Lead by displaying some vulnerability. As leaders, it is vital for us to exemplify vulnerability in our clubs and districts and create safe environments where vulnerability is encouraged and modeled at every level. We all have a unique story, background, and experience to share. Put your humanity on display for all to see and watch the support, collaboration and connection that can emerge.

Resources:
https://transcendbusiness.com/2020/06/how-vulnerable-leaders-unlock-greatness/
https://daretolead.brenebrown.com/
There is a saying that 20% of the members do 80% of the work. By having many members involved in the fundraiser, it takes the workload off the few and helps generate excitement amongst the membership which should lead to greater promotion of the event.

STARTING OUT

Is this a new fundraising event for your club or has the club been hosting this event for several years? If it’s a function you’ve held many times before you probably have a “to do list” written down and know what steps and in what order they need to be carried out to accomplish your goal.

If it’s a new event, to quote Mark Twain “the secret of getting ahead is getting started”.

CHOOSING THE RIGHT TYPE OF EVENT

What is going to attract interest from your target audience?

Is it feasible to host this event during the COVID-19 pandemic? Will this be an outdoor, inside venue or online event?

“Like the proverb says “It takes a Village to raise a child”; likewise, it takes a TEAM of Pilot members to conduct a successful Fundraiser.”
PLANNING COMMITTEE

The committee will be in charge of planning the event, selecting a theme, the venue and preparing the itinerary for the day of the event. They assign members to be in charge of the different details of the fundraiser.

FUNDRAISING GOAL

How much money are you hoping to raise? Include ticket sales, raffles, silent auctions, live auctions, donations, etc. Will these proceeds be designated to a specific project or deposited into the club’s general fund?

BUDGET

What expenses will be required to hold the event? Will there be a charge for the venue, refreshments, entertainment, advertisements, invitation and/or program printing, etc.? Will the expenses allow you to achieve your fundraising goal?

SELECT A DATE & TIME FOR THE EVENT

Make sure the date does not conflict with any other major events and be sure to allow enough time to be able to market and allow invitees time to reply.

MARKETING

Print ads in local newspapers, flyers, Direct Mail, Social media, etc. Encourage ALL club members to be involved in the promotion of the event by sharing the event on their personal social media pages or email list. Contact Sponsors and individuals who have attended and supported your club’s events in the past. Keep in mind, you are not asking for yourself; you are asking on behalf of the charity your club is hoping to fund.

DAY OF EVENT

This is when you need “all hands on deck”. Members should arrive prepared to perform their assigned tasks such as set-up and decorating, greeting the guests, ticket takers, selling raffle tickets, serving refreshments if applicable and other duties as needed. Most importantly, we need to make our guests feel welcome and appreciated for supporting our efforts. Be sure to THANK them for attending and share how the proceeds will be used.

FOLLOW-UP EVALUATION

Shortly after, club members should evaluate the event. Did you earn your projected monetary goal? Was it a FUN event for attendees and members? Do you want to do it again? What changes if any would you like to implement? Did your club and Pilot International receive positive exposure from the event?

Do More. Care More. Be More. Hosting events allows your club to raise funds to support organizations and projects within your local community. Be sure to keep the FUN in FUNDRAISING.

Pictured Above: PC of Longview, Texas District, worked the concession stand at our local Santaland Christmas light display as a fundraiser. Pilots, co-pilots, and anchors worked 1 week in November and 1 week in December to earn funds for our club. They also passed out free face masks to help keep their community safe.

Pictured Above: The Riverview Pilot Club was excited to share their first Cookbook, “Sips, Snacks & Sweet Treats”.

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FUNDRAISING

Written by Shirley Pyle Fundraising Coordinator 2020-2021
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SOUTH CAROLINA

The Pilot Club of Darlington received a Helmet Matching Grant from Pilot International for a project entitled, “Getting a Head Start on Helmets.” Through this grant, the Pilot Club of Darlington received 12 high quality helmets to combine with the helmets they purchased.

The Honorable Mayor of Darlington, Curtis Boyd, visited the Pilot Club of Darlington meeting on March 8, 2020 and signed a proclamation for Brain Awareness Week, when the club hoped to present BrainMinders. Although the COVID-19 Pandemic impacted their plans and presented a challenge, the members of the Pilot Club of Darlington persevered and found a way to carry out the plans in the Helmet Matching Grant as closely as federal regulations would allow. Because of this grant, members of the Pilot Club of Darlington were able to visit children at the M.G. Burno Head Start Center in Darlington on Monday, December 7, 2020 through a ZOOM call and present a BrainMinders puppet show to teach the children how to protect their brain for life. A demonstration was also provided by Pilots about how to properly wear a helmet.

One benefit of this type presentation was that the parents/grandparents were present to hear the presentation as well, better enabling them to follow up on the safety tips. Four days following the ZOOM presentation, on December 11th, parents drove their children to MG Burno Head Start Center and 58 helmets were presented to the children by Pilots. Parents were provided with written instructions on how to properly fit the helmet on their child’s head and Pilots demonstrated how to wear helmets properly. Children were also given BrainMinders coloring books to reinforce good safety habits at school and home.
HEARTLAND
The Pilot Club of Great Bend’s Helmet giveaway was a huge success! 14 Pilot Club members participated and assisted in helping with fitting helmets and discussing bike safety.

SOUTH CAROLINA
The North Myrtle Beach Pilots received a Matching Grant from Pilot International. This grant awarded 12 helmets. The Club worked with the Department of Parks and Recreation of NMB to distribute in a “Cycling thru the Park event.”

GEORGIA
Toys, games, clothes, a scooter, and a helmet were purchased to help the Salvation Army Angels have a happy Christmas by the Pilot Club of Macon.

NORTH CAROLINA
The Scottish Laurinburg Pilot Club donated 24 scooters and helmets to the Christmas Cheer Program of the Church and Community Services of Scotland County.

VIRGINIA
The Pilot Club of Harrisonburg was happy to be able to gift helmets to the Pre K class at Ottobine Elementary School in Dayton, VA.

NORTHEAST POTOMAC
Pilot Club of Greater Long Island presented 24 bicycle helmets to the Town of Brookhaven’s Safety Town. The helmets will be given to students with special needs when they attend safety training at the facility.

Pilot International offers a Helmet Matching Grant to its clubs to facilitate the placement of free helmets with as many youth as possible.
Members of the Los Lunas Pilot Club, Anna Marchi, Nancy Schmierbach, Lorena Orona and Evelyn Orona presented La Vida Felicidad of Valencia County with $1,000 of needed supplies for their Early Childhood Development and Adult Daycare Programs. This was made possible with a matching grant from Pilot International. Members not present are Pug Burge, Theresa Voss and Nancy Huning.

Prairie Pilot Club of Wichita, Heartland District, received a Matching Grant from Pilot International! The grant will purchase 100 CareING Notebooks: Medical Individual Needs Guide for families whose children have special needs. The notebooks allow for the organization of the many types of medical information accumulated for a child with special needs. Track changes in meds, keep detailed medical history current, allow for easy sharing of information with caregiving professionals, etc. The notebooks are distributed by Families Together, a statewide organization which works with the families of children with special needs.

The North Myrtle Beach Pilot Club, Florida District, received a Matching Grant to purchase two Sand Rider Handicap beach wheelchairs. The chairs will be given to NMB Beach Services for residents and visitors to use at no cost.
The Pilot Club of Muncie, Indiana delivered Pick Me Ups for the Muncie Animal Shelter.

The Pilot Club of Martin, Tennessee District, made Pick Me Ups and distributed to caregivers of patients at Cane Creek Rehab and Hospital.

The Pilot Club of Albuquerque, New Mexico was so happy to do Pick Me Ups for three worthy organizations. Heading Home, First Nations, and Hope Works are outreach programs whose volunteers are out on the streets taking care of the hopeless and the homeless. There is nothing stopping these caring individuals during these uncertain times and they continue to go out on the streets offering hope and encouragement! Pilot Club of Albuquerque put together Pick Me Up baskets as an acknowledgment of thanks and recognition for being on the frontlines trying to make a positive impact on their city.

The Pilot Club of Lake Houston, Texas was honored to deliver tea basket Pick Me Ups to some very wonderful caregivers in their community during International Care and Kindness Week.

The Pilot Club of Sweetwater, Georgia delivered Pick Me Ups to the staff at The Benton House Assisted Living and Memory Care (Douglasville) in celebration of International Care & Kindness Week.

The Pilot Club of Muncie, Indiana delivered Pick Me Ups for the Muncie Animal Shelter.

The GMS Anchor Club, Alabama District, prepared 4 Boxes of Sunshine Pick Me Ups to the ICU nurses at Marshall Medical Center North and South, Guntersville Police Department and the Guntersville Linemen for all of their hard work.
On November 4, 2020, the Classic City Pilot Club of Athens, Georgia thanked the Environmental Services Team at Piedmont Athens Regional Hospital for their courage and dedication during the COVID-19 pandemic by providing the team with lunch and supper from Marti’s at Midday. They asked the hospital’s Human Resources office to name a group of 75 to 100 hardworking employees who have been under-recognized for their service. They immediately came up with this team who are responsible for sanitizing the hospital and especially the rooms behind the patients as they are released to go home. Pilots pictured: President Nancy Denney, Sherry McDuffie, Sara McNamara, and Marilyn Montgomery.

Pilot International Founders Fund committee members from the Pilot Club of Great Bend, Kansas District, gathered and put together the POPCORN Pick Me Ups for International Care & Kindness Week for “The Center”. Nicci Henderson prepared the box for the 75 popcorn sleeves for “The Center” Pick Me Up. Nancy Sundahl, charter member 33 years strong as a pilot member, helped with the Care and Kindness week Pick Me Up project going to “The Center”. Nancy Schuetz, PIFF Chair and Ruthann worked together while socially distanced and masked along with Pilot 2020-2021 Pilot Ambassadors Barbara and Daniel Watson. A strong duo for our club and community joined with President Rhonda Knudson by preparing these tokens of recognition and thanks— even though it was only popcorn, it was a treat and a break for the Centers staff’s day.

Sunflower Manhattan Pilots, Heartland District, had fun making Thanksgiving nutcup turkey pins to be favors on the Thanksgiving table at Stoneybrook Retirement Center this year.

The Pilot Club of Tallahassee, Florida District, helps residents and staff. Mallory bought the goodies and baskets, Charlotte, Claire and Annette wrote out the 132 Thinking of You cards for the residents at Lakeshore Tapestry and Walden Tapestry.

President Harriett Evans and KY-OH-WV District Governor of Pilot International Marie Gravely are shown at recent Founder’s Day observances for the Pilot Club of Huntington.
Pilot Club News

Heartland District!! Anel Cox, Gia Pedrosa, Samantha Divine, Jeanne Peters, Linda Broce at the Pratt Pilot Club Pilot Express Station in Pratt, Kansas. The club is looking forward to the day they can run their little train once again for the public. It is shut down temporarily due to COVID-19 rates.

Pilot Club of Macon, Georgia District, donated 500 disposable masks to Loaves and Fishes Ministry. Their mission is to serve and improve the quality of life of the poor and homeless in Macon and Middle Georgia. Shown in the picture left to right Valerie Sewell, Director, Pilots Carolyn Glover, Pat Vickers, Dyann Moore, Joan Burney, and Assistant Director Emily Allmond.

The Pilot Club of Oak Ridge in the Tennessee District chose Kathy as the club’s ambassador for the 2020-2021 year. She is active in the club, having served as president last year. She is involved with the PI Helmet Program and recently distributed helmets to the Oak Ridge Police Department and Anderson County Sheriff’s Department.

The Jones County Sheriff’s Office posted a thank you message on their Facebook page to the Pilot Club of Jones County, Georgia District, for providing all of them with goodie bags. Sheriff Reece thanked the club for all of their love and support.

Riverview Pilots in the Florida District share a basket of kindness and thanks on the first day of International Care & Kindness Week. Baskets were delivered to six stations! There were lots of smiles behind those masks.
How it all began...

The idea of youth clubs was first spearheaded in 1949 by former Pilot International President, Ruby Newhall.

Anchor was introduced during the 1952 Pilot International Convention in Mackinac Island, Michigan. It was reported by Edna Olson, Chicago, IL, who recommended that “Teen-Age Clubs, composed of girls in the Sophomore, Junior and Senior classes in high school, or its equivalent, be adopted as an International project of Pilot International.”

Early Times

The first Anchor Club was the Anchor Club of Gainesville High School (FL) which chartered on October 16, 1952. The name “Anchor” was taken from the Morgantown, NC Youth Club. Other names of early clubs included “Pilot Teen Club”, “Wheel-ettes” and “Piloteers” before the newly appointed Anchor Club Committee recommended the name “Anchor Club” with the motto “Anchored, We Hold.”

Friendship

Service

Do More.
Care More.
Be More.
Anchors Make History

In 1979 at the 57th Annual Convention, Pilots met Jane Toney, the first Anchor to become a Pilot District Governor.

The 2000—2001 year was distinguished with a momentous first. Laura Keever was the first former Anchor to rise to the rank of Pilot International President.

Milestones

At the 1988 Annual Convention, Pilots amended the Bylaws to remove reference to gender as a qualification for membership.

In October 1990, Pilot International and Pilot International Foundation announced their new ongoing service focus—brain related disorders.

In 1994 Pilots were introduced to Project Lifesaver. To this day, Project Lifesaver supports Pilot and Anchor by awarding a scholarship to one Anchor every year.

In 2005, Anchors began the tradition of the Cultural Exchange where they shared glimpses of home with one another during the Anchor Annual Leadership Summit during Pilot Convention. This is a highlight for both Anchors and Pilot members.

During 2005-2006, an Anchor-wide competition resulted adopted the slogan “Impressions for Life”.

From 1 to over 200

By 1967, Anchor Clubs had grown to 189 clubs with 6,490 members. It was also in this year that Compass Clubs were first introduced to the Pilot organization.

Today, we have over 200 clubs with more than 6,600 members in the United States, Japan and the Bahamas.
Anchor Clubs ~ Wrapping up 2020

‘Anchor’ by definition...

1: a heavy device attached to a ship by a cable or chain and used to hold the ship in place when thrown overboard.

2: someone or something that provides strength and support

Our Anchors are definitely providing strength and support at the end of a trying year. There is a saying “when the going gets tough, the tough get going.” Anchors keep going no matter what; they did not let Covid stop them for a minute. I am constantly amazed and inspired by everything our Anchors do.

Since Anchor International began in 1952, the members have given to their communities in many ways and always with a smile. Fundraisers to provide Pick-Me-Ups to thank those who provide support to others such as healthcare workers, firefighters and police officers. Promoting brain safety through Brainminders. Caring.

And this is just the beginning...

Cards to show support and encouragement to VA Veterans, provide much needed supplies and groceries to those in nursing homes, children in hospitals, families in need...the list goes on and on.

Anchors are learning valuable skills in leadership while working alongside great friends, advisors and fellow Pilots. What they take from being an Anchor is enduring and what they give is immeasurable.

Let’s continue our support of these amazing young adults in 2021 and beyond. We have had an incredibly challenging and stressful year, yet they continue to serve. They deserve our guidance, respect and most of all, our inspiration to continue to thrive in service. Plus, they are simply FUN to be around!

Susan Woodward
Anchor/Compass Specialist

1) Athens Anchor Club (TN) collected for a “White Christmas” paper project for an area shelter and created cards and crafts to local Senior Living Centers.
2) Lafayette Anchor Club (MS) wrote cards to the local VA to help boost morale in the community.
3) Conway Anchors (SC) participated in the Samaritan’s Purse Operation Christmas Child project creating 30 boxes.
4) Hempfield HS Anchors (NEPOT) helped collect groceries, cleaning supplies, hygiene supplies and grocery gift cards for 40 families in need to help brighten their holiday.
5) Conway HS Anchor Club (SC) had 22 members monitor a race “5K Under the Lights” to support over 220 racers and did a great job of representing their civic spirit and holiday cheer.
From Your-Pilot International Anchor Coordinator...

The International Anchor Advisory Committee has been working hard this autumn. We are proud to be part of the return of the ABC’s with ‘A’ for Advocating Leadership and Service in Youth and Young Adults. The Anchor Handbook has been updated, especially the samples, and enhanced with a Table of Contents and a Resources page. All forms have been taken out of the handbook now and are available on the website. This will keep the available forms current. The Anchor Club of the Year Award was tweaked, mostly to accommodate the new ABC’s. The Outstanding Advisor of the Year Award has been made student friendly with the hopes of boosting the number of submissions. Encourage your Anchors to check it out.

Changing the deadline for the Dreams Ahead Award and the International Youth Day Essay Contest to March 1 will help the winning Anchors make plans for the Leadership Summit. The Dreams Ahead Award winner receives a complimentary registration to the Leadership Summit. The Essay Contest winner also receives a complimentary registration to the Leadership Summit as well as a $100 voucher for travel reimbursement. The topic this year is ‘Youth and Technology in a Changing World.’ Information about both can be found on the Anchor International website. Encourage your Anchor Advisors and Anchors to research the awards and contest. They provide great leadership opportunities.

Clubs work very hard on their entries for awards, especially Anchor Club of the Year Award, and it is disheartening when, after all of that effort, the club does not win. What is worse is not knowing why or what could have improved the entry. The International Anchor Committee is working on letters that will be completed by the judges and returned to the club with the entry. The purpose of the letter is to explain what could be done to improve future entries. Hopefully, clubs will find this helpful.

How is COVID affecting Anchor? Some clubs have been completely shut down by it due to school regulations, while others have had to modify slightly. How is your Anchor Club? Is it one that is shut down or one slightly modifying? Does your Club need help with paying dues? Several clubs are delinquent and they must be in good standing for eligibility for certain (district) awards, graduation cords and the opportunity to attend the Leadership Summit. Our Anchors have been there for us for many of our fundraisers and projects. Let’s be there for them, in whatever way may be needed. Reach out to your Advisors and let them know that you are there for support.

COVID is also playing havoc with District Anchor Conventions. District Anchor Coordinators have been invited to a Zoom meeting on Monday, January 4, to share their plans, brainstorm ideas, and ask questions. What happens with the hotel contract? How do we hold a virtual convention? How do we hold elections? How do we approve the budget? How will the installation of new officers be held? These are just a few of the questions to be discussed.

If you have any suggestions or concerns regarding Anchor, please do not hesitate to contact me. Please, please reach out to your Anchor Advisors and Anchors. Now, more than ever, they need to know that they have the support of their sponsoring Pilot Club!

In Pilot Friendship and Love,
Lisa Palmquist
Pilot Club of Central Pennsylvania
Why did you charter/join your club? And how long have you been a member?

The Cedar Rapids Metro Pilot Club (a.k.a. CRMPC) chartered April 9, 1990. In 1993 I was invited to a meeting by a classmate of mine who was a charter member – we had just completed our MBAs and she thought I needed something to occupy all my newfound spare time...so I have been a member for 28 years... time flies when you are having FUN!

What is your favorite part of being a member of your club?

I don’t know if I have a favorite club project – we have participated in a variety of projects during my membership. I do enjoy our annual MUM sale in the Fall – we purchase the plants from a local nursery at a discount and then sell them just under retail cost at the nursery, which is a win-win-win proposition for the customers, the club and the nursery! Another is our partnership with the local BIA organization, from sponsoring education seminars for survivors and caregivers to hosting a BINGO event with prizes and refreshments for the Beginning Again support group for survivors. We also participate in Pick Me Ups, one of which went to the Honor Flight veterans.

Why is it important for you to attend the PI Convention – what is your best take away from being with all the other Pilots/clubs?

The annual Pilot International Convention (PIC) is like a booster shot for my enthusiasm for Pilot. I enjoy seeing friends from all corners of PI – I call them my low maintenance friends... we see each other once a year, maybe a post or two on FaceBook or a holiday card in-between, and then we come back together at PIC as if we last saw them yesterday. It is also a good time to learn new things, exchange ideas with fellow Pilots and execute the business of the organization.

How does your District support your club?

The clubs in the Midwest District do an excellent job in supporting club events or fundraisers. Early on I was more active in the district, though family obligations have slowed me down in recent years.

How does your community benefit from Pilot?

When I describe Pilot International, and specifically my club, I tell people that we fill a gap in the community. Whether it be funding with the aid of a PIFF matching grant or just our efforts, these projects are necessary things that might not get done without our efforts. We make a difference in our community, and it spreads out to others.

What would you like other Pilot/clubs/districts to know about your club, its challenges or successes?

CRMPC is a small but mighty club, and I am a proud member. It is unfortunate that we are not better known, though that has not stopped our efforts. Many local organizations have benefited from our efforts.

Lastly, why do you feel it is important to give to Pilot?

I believe in the mission of Pilot International and the Foundation. My club and other clubs in the Midwest District have benefitted from matching grants or have sponsored scholarships for young people. All of this is through the generosity of our donors. I am not paying it back, but rather paying it forward so that the Foundation lives on. I also feel that as a leader I need to lead by example. Just think what Pilot International would accomplish if every member donated to the foundation... it would be AWESOME!
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Kathryn Faircloth Troy

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