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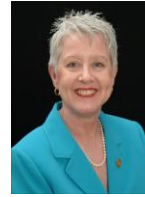
Tennessee District, Pilot International
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gained so many friends during my Pilot years....friendships that I will cherish. PILOTS...you don't realize how special you really are!!!

Please support Charlyne, Lynn, Carolyn and Judy as they continue the Pilot tradition of friendship and service within the "Volunteer State". Help our clubs and our district grow in numbers as well as visibility.



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Dear Pilots,

Best wishes and sincere congratulations to all new Pilot Club Presidents and their boards! The good works and generosity of Pilot members and clubs this year has been exemplary, despite the residual of economic hardship that has lingered universally. **I am so proud to be among you!**

I commend the DAC/DEC for your efforts in taking your respective Pilot Clubs to the highest levels of achievement and recognition this year. Your encouragement elevates all of us within the organization, and I personally cannot thank you enough for your help. We expect great things from the incoming DAC/DEC leaders, and I know from talking to many of you, that we will not be disappointed.

So, then...as we enter another year of Pilot, we strive to climb to new heights of service achievement, build even stronger clubs and districts, and continue to stay in the forefront of the charitable work that is so beautifully characterized by Pilots' extraordinary acts of kindness. I hope to see all of you in this summer in Dallas where we will introduce some exciting new ideas to help our organization grow and continue as a force for good in our communities. You won't want to miss this conference!

Continue to keep our valiant Japan clubs in your hearts and prayers. The road to their country's recover will be long and arduous, but our Pilots there know that we will continue to stand by them for the duration. After all, for nearly 90 years, friendship and service – among ourselves and to the world -- is what we are about.

GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE

It is with mixed emotions that I write this...my last Governor's Bulletin. I have had a wonderful year, not that there haven't been times when I stressed over issues that came along, but all in all, the year was great.

Jean, Charlyne and Sallie were great team members and are great Pilot ladies. Thanks to all of you for your support and help during the year. I look forward to the upcoming Pilot year with Charlyne at the helm. Due to the tornado that struck their home, I know she has an uphill struggle, but I am equally that the TN District will all be there to assist her in any way.

My sincere thanks and appreciation goes out to all my TN Pilots for your continued support. Thank you to PI headquarters, President Susan and especially to our ECR Judy for all the assistance and support during the year. I have

Forever in Pilot friendship,

Susan Hoffmann
President, Pilot International
Chairman, Board of Trustees, Pilot International
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Let's Start Believing for More

A famous mountain climbing resort in the Swiss Alps caters to businesses that encourage their employees to hike up the mountain trails together. The goal is to build camaraderie and to teach teamwork. Although it is about an eight-hour trek to the summit, anyone with normal walking ability can ascend to the top.

Each morning, the hikers gather at the base of the mountain for a pep talk before starting the climb. Usually, the group is so excited they can hardly wait to head up the slopes to have a group picture taken and to celebrate their victory.

They hike for several hours before taking a break. Approximately halfway up the mountain stands a quaint alpine restaurant. About noon, the weary hikers trudge into the restaurant, peel off their hiking gear and plop down by the fireplace to have a cup of coffee or drink some hot chocolate, and eat their lunch. With the mountain as their backdrop, the hikers savor the warm, cozy, picturesque setting.

After they are full and comfortable, less than half of the hikers choose to continue climbing to the top of the mountain. It isn't because they aren't able; it isn't because the climb is too difficult. Their reluctance to continue is simply because they are satisfied with where they are. They lose their drive to excel, to explore new horizons, to experience vistas they've never previously imagined possible. They have tasted a bit of success and they think . . . **THIS IS GOOD ENOUGH!**

Many times we do something similar. We leave our District or PI conventions or fall workshops full of good ideas and excitement about new projects or growing our club. We're

fired up and we go after it . . . but, over time, we get lazy . . . we get complacent . . . and we get comfortable right where we are. Where we are may not be a bad place . . . but we know it is not where we need to be.

If we're not pursuing excellence . . . we're not moving forward as much as we need to be.

We need to remember this:

"The difference between ordinary and extraordinary is that little extra."

"Progress always involves risk; you can't steal second base and keep your foot on first." Frederick Wilcox

"The only limit to our realization of tomorrow will be our doubts of today."

Franklin Roosevelt

"We have two ends with a common link; With one we sit, with one we think.

Success depends on what we use . . .

Heads we win; tails we lose."

ECR Message from Judy



Langley

Greetings Tennessee Pilots!

We celebrated Pilot service and friendship and learned more about our fantastic organization in Murfreesboro! So, now...are you excited about the PI/PIF Annual Meeting and Leadership Conference in Dallas, Texas, on July 13th-16th? Come prepared to be inspired and reenergized! We will be joining Pilots from around the world to learn firsthand how we can enhance our Pilot membership, projects, services, communications, fund-raising, and so much more! While together, we can rejoice with our Pilot friends who have survived the recent path of violent storms.

Congratulations, Pilots, for your impressive support of Pilot International Foundation. You give generously from your heart! Please continue your support through the PIF Walk and the PIF Extravaganza. I know you join me in keeping those affected by the recent storms in our thoughts and prayers. Remember that donations to the Pilot International Disaster Relief Fund are always appreciated.

It has been wonderful getting to know all of the amazing Pilots in Tennessee. Through your clubs, you do so many worthwhile projects to help in your communities. As clubs and as individuals, you have touched persons and improved lives in immeasurable ways. As you finalize your plans and goals for the coming year, keep this quote in mind, "You will never reach the top without the determination inspired by your goals." Thank you for all that you do in the name of Pilot, and thank you for your friendship.

I look forward to seeing you in Dallas!

Pilotly yours,

Judy

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REMINDER TO ALL CLUBS!

Please send your Club Officers (2011-2012) information to Governor Charlynn and Governor Elect Lynn asap. Charlynn needs this information in order to prepare for the upcoming year.

She also needs your updated Club Roster.

Don't forget that your District and International dues are due July 1. You may send an updated Club Roster along with your dues to Treasurer Carolyn Allison.



Cares and Concerns:

Please continue to pray for those affected by the devastating tornadoes and violent weather. Keep our 2011+2012 Governor, Charlynn and her husband in your thoughts and prayers. They have moved to the extended stay hotel.

Please remember those who are battling health issues and the caregivers who have family members who are sick or in need of assistance.

Past Governor, Judy had an episode of angina....she underwent a heart catheterization and got a satisfactory report....no open heart procedure required. She has done fine and is to be discharged home.....please remember her in your prayers and hope for a full and speedy recovery from the procedure.

Please keep Janice Dowell's son, Kirk, in your prayers as he recovers from a heart attack and remember Janice. It is difficult for anyone, especially a Mother, to watch her child as he/she battles health issues.

Congratulations to the Pilot Club of Martin on gaining another new member and the Pilot Club of Lenoir City who gained two new members.

We all need to take lessons from these Clubs...Lenoir City has gained 12 new members this year and Martin has gained 8....what an accomplishment.

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Jennifer Hayes
Leadership Coordinator

Lessons from the Geese

As each goose flaps its wings, it creates uplift for the bird following. By flying in a V formation, the whole flock adds 71% more flying range than if each bird flew alone.

Lesson: People who share a common direction and sense of community can get where they are going quicker and easier because they are traveling on the thrust of one another.

When a goose falls out of formation, it suddenly feels the drag and resistance of trying to fly alone and quickly gets back into formation to take advantage of the lifting power of the birds immediately in front.

Lesson: If we have as much sense as a goose, we will join in formations with those who are headed where we want to go.

When the lead goose gets tired, it rotates back into formation and another goose flies at the point position.

Lesson: It pays to take turns doing the hard tasks and sharing leadership . . . with people, as with geese, interdependent with one another.

The geese in formation continually honk from behind to encourage those up front to keep up their speed.

Lesson: We need to make sure our honking from behind is encouraging, not something less helpful.

When a goose gets sick or wounded or shot down, two geese drop out of formation and follow their fellow member down to help provide protection. They stay with this member of the flock until he or she is able to fly again or dies. Then they launch out on their own, with another formation, or to catch up with their own flock.

Lesson: If we have as much sense as the geese, we will stand by one another like they do.

The geese teach us many lessons and they include:

1. That we need a common goal to work toward . . . and we must agree to all work on the goal.
2. That working together as a group gives us more impact than working alone as an individual.
3. That we must take turns leading . . . for we all have strengths in leadership that can benefit our club.
4. That we need to constantly encourage and support one another.

Sue Grinder **CHAPLAIN'S CORNER**

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BE ALWAYS GIVING



All earthly creatures have a responsibility to give. Plants, animals, even bodies of water all work together to create a balanced environment. We, too, must do our fair share.

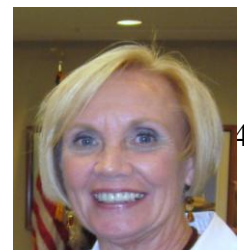
***The sun gives ever; so the earth---
What it can give so much 'tis worth;
The ocean gives in many ways—
Gives baths, gives fishes, rivers, bays;
So, too, the air, it gives us breath
When it stops giving, comes in death.
Give, give, be always giving;
Who gives not is not living;
The more you give
The more you live.***

***God's love hath in us wealth unheaped
Only by giving it is reaped;
The body withers, and the mind
Is pent up by a selfish rind.
Give strength, give thought, give deeds, give pelf
Give love, give tears, and give thyself.
Give, give, be always giving,
Who gives not is not living;
The more we give
The more we live.***

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Cathy will remain as PIF Representative for the 2011-2012 Pilot year. Good luck to you, Cathy!

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Allison will become the 2011-2012 District Leadership/Membership Coordinator. I know she will do a fantastic job. She will continue to take care of our web sites.

For more information, please contact Allison Sousa
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Check out the Lenoir City Club mini site:
www.PilotTNDistrict.com/LenoirCity.html

All Clubs who have signed up for the "mini" web sites need to get their Club information to Allison so she can get it posted to your individual websites.



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DATES & DEADLINES

DISTRICT EVENTS

Fall Council...October 21-23,2011, Grand Vista Hotel in Vonore, TN. PC of Lenoir City hosting. More details later.

April 20-22, 2012, District Convention
Doubletree, Murfreesboro, TN

PILOT INTERNATIONAL

July 13-16, 2011 (Depart on the 17th)

PI/PIF Convention Registration to PI Headquarters on or before June 1, for discount registration fee.

District and International dues payable by July 1, 2011.

PI Convention - Dallas, Sheraton Hotel (downtown)

July 13 - 16th is the official date however, you are encouraged to come early and stay late. Our hotel is in the heart of downtown Dallas on Olive Street. The Sheraton is offering a special convention room rate of \$139 single/double, for Pilots and their entourage.

If you are flying... you may want to check out the rates for service into Dallas for the DFW airport or Love Field. Love Field is only minutes away from the hotel - you may be saving time and maybe a little money.

PI Convention - Las Vegas, Bally's Hotel
July 18-21, 2012 (Depart on the 22nd)

CLUB DEADLINES:

2011-2012 Club Officers From sent to PI Headquarters, postmarked no later than May 1. Copy to Charlynn Parson, 2011-2012 District Governor.

Club Officers installed prior to July 1.

Club Presidents: Have you got all your loose ends tied up from your Club year?



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LISA HARVEY

Pilot Club of Lenoir City President Allison Sousa, left, receives a mirrored Governor's Award plaque from Pilot Club International-Tennessee District Governor Janet Williams.

By Lisa Harvey

Pilot Club of Lenoir City President Allison Sousa was the recent recipient of the Governor's Award from Pilot International-Tennessee District. This is the first time anyone from the Lenoir City club has received this award in its 56 years. The club was chartered in 1955 and is

a volunteer organization working to promote brain health and support individuals and families facing brain-related diseases and disorders.

“As I considered the criteria to select the recipient of this award, I thought about those who transcend their limits and rise above to exceed all expectations,” Tennessee District Governor Janet Williams said. She went on to applaud Sousa’s “Pilot spirit and unselfish work.”

Williams credited Sousa for helping “Pilots around the world to know what is happening in our district.” Sousa launched and currently maintains the district’s website and social media presence and works to increase recognition and visibility of the Pilot International brand. In addition, during Williams’ remarks, she drew attention to the fact that Sousa recruited the most new members of anyone in the state, and that her club had the highest net membership growth.

Besides Sousa, Betty Brown and Pam Graves also earned membership recruiting awards. In addition to the Club Membership award, Lisa Harvey and Kim Knott earned first place for the club yearbook. Knott also placed first in the club newsletter category and the club came in second for Pilot Club of the Year. The club was also recognized by Pilot International and its foundation for program excellence and donations.

For the fourth consecutive year, Dora Cooper and the Lenoir City High School Anchor Club earned Anchor Club of the Year first place honors. Myrtle Curtis won second place in the BrainMinders Award category, which is Pilot International’s signature project focused on brain health. This year, the Lenoir City club presented the program to over 600 kindergarten students in both the Loudoun County and Lenoir City school systems.

The club will be installing its 2011-2012 officers in June. While Lisa Harvey will be taking over as president and also chairing the Tennessee District’s fundraising division, Sousa will be chairing both the Lenoir City club’s, and the state’s, membership divisions.

“We have tremendous energy, enthusiasm and motivation,” said Sousa. “The club’s ability to positively impact the community grows with each new member and with every time another person learns what Pilot is all about.”

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