Pilot Club of Jacksonville



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Sails & Sightings

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President's Message

By: Leila LeVan

"Character is how you treat those who can do nothing for you." Theodore Roosevelt

Dear Pilots,

I will be missing the October meeting because I will be in my hometown in PA celebrating my 50th class reunion! How did that happen? I will miss all of you, but our President Elect, Georgia, is well trained (better than me) to hold court. ©

This month has been another month of exceptional service to our community. Serving those who can do nothing for us. We have served at Pace Center for Girls, Angel Aid, and Community Hospice. We provided the muchneeded prep help and onsite support for BASCA's annual 5K fundraiser. This year Bill Bakai, Dianne Werner, Diana Payne, Leeanne Greene and Pam Vanscoy participated on TEAM Pilot Club JAX for the 5K run. Sadly, our regular runner, Therese Taylor, missed the event this year because of COVID. Please keep her in your prayers as she needs to be strong and healthy so she can be at her sister's side for surgery in October. We had 12 who manned different stations for the event. We started before the sun came up and naturally went out to eat after the event. Girls Inc is having a Father Daughter Dance and Pilots (Georgia, Yvonne, and Sherrill) made gift baskets for their auction. They created a Girls Basket, a Wine Basket, and a Tailgate Basket. All bases were covered!

As everyone now knows, Therese Taylor is our Ambassador this year. We completely surprised

her (I saw tears of joy and appreciation). Therese has been a member of The Pilot Club of Jacksonville for 21 years. She served as the President of Pilot of Jacksonville 2011-2012. That was before my time BUT I was told by multiple Pilots that she was an OUTSTANDING President. She has served as the Division Coordinator of Anchor for many moons and in fact she stepped back into the role after passing the baton when we had the Coordinator leave. Most recently she has become Editor in Chief of Sails and Sightings. All agree that she has done a phenomenal job. All of these roles she has performed with humility and grace. She is a great example of Pilot excellence. Congratulations Therese! The honor is well deserved.

The dance company is practicing their moves and has almost completed making their costumes. We will be a force at Fall Council. AND if you have any more luxurious items for Fall Council please bring them to the October meeting! This is last call. PLUS, there is still time to register and join the fun.

It is the famous Pilot Garage sale happening October 20th through the 22nd. We need your treasures that are taking up valuable space in your home! We have a reputation for great items and not the "junk" you often see at other garage sales. After you gather up your goodies, we then need your hands and feet to help at the sale.

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Don't forget to buy your NEW socks to donate to City Rescue Mission. We will need them in-hand by the November meeting.

We will be discussing our Christmas Party at the October meeting. Pilots love to party! By the time you read this we will have already done Litter Retrieval, the Annual Pilot walk with the Port Pilot Club, and lunch at Goal Post. October is

packed with opportunities to serve. You don't want to miss out! We need you.

One of our newer Pilots texted after serving at BASCA, "I just want my Pilot sisters to know that I had the best time today and yesterday! This is an awesome organization to be a part of..."

In Pilot Friendship and Love, Leila



Pilots' OCTOBER Birthday



2 – Javonna Singleton

6 – Joy Coyle

7 – Georgia Reed

9 – Barbara Lesso

12 – Linda Hone

22 – Kim Rutkowski



Pilot Anniversaries



- Congratulations Georgia Reed on your 44th Pilot Anniversary!
- Congratulations Sue Harrell on your 39th Pilot Anniversary!
- Congratulations Diana Payne on your 37th Pilot Anniversary!
- Congratulations Sherrill Casey-Bakai on your 19th Pilot Anniversary!
- Congratulations Patricia McCullough on your 9th Pilot Anniversary!
- Congratulations Leila LeVan on your 5th Pilot Anniversary!
- Congratulations Lucy Markert on your 4th Pilot Anniversary!
- Congratulations Linda Hone on your 3rd Pilot Anniversary!
- Congratulation Jonette Welsh on your 1st Pilot Anniversary!

Calendar of Pilot Events



- Oct 10 Business Dinner Meeting at Ramada at 6PM
- Oct 13 15 FL District Fall Council Melbourne Hilton Rialto
- Oct 18 Pilot International 102 Birthday Founder's Day
- Oct 20-22 Garage Sale 9132 Glendower Ct., JAX
- Oct 28 Angel Aid sort clothes 9AM-Noon 4915 Beach Blvd
- Nov 7 Executive Board Meeting at Carolyn Barrett's home at 6PM
- Nov 14 Business Dinner Meeting at Ramada at 6PM
- Nov 18 & 28 Memorial Garden Community Hospice 4266 Sunbeam Rd 8AM-11AM
- Nov 25 Angel Aid sort clothes 9AM-Noon 4915 Beach Blvd
- Nov 26 Cooking for K9s for Warriors
- Dec 5 Executive Board Meeting at Cindy Lou Hartig's home at 6PM
- Dec 10 Christmas Party at Cindy Lou Hartig's home at 3PM

Initiation September 2023

Pilot initiated at our September business meeting. We want to welcome to the club Jenny Raulerson!



Lucy(membership), Cindy Lou(Sponsor), Jenny & Leila(President)

PossAbilities Plus



President Leila, guest Susan Peters, and Projects Co-Chair Cindy Lou

At the September Business Meeting, Executive Director of PossAbilities Plus, Susan Peters, joined us for dinner and updated us on her organization. She was presented a check for their requested grant. This organization seeks to enhance the lives and opportunities of individuals with special needs through job training, employment, and social opportunities.



UNF Compass Club

Gabriel Springer and Rena Velissarios from the UNF Compass club were presented a check for \$200 to go towards a club project. Gabe caught us up on what the club has been doing and future events.



Therese, Gabriel, Leila, Rena and Leeanne

Pilot International Club Ambassador

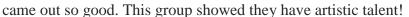
To celebrate Founders' Month, our club honored Therese Taylor by designating her at September's meeting.



Therese Taylor & Leila LeVan

Painting With A Twist

Javonna and her mom Yvonne Singleton, and her aunt Shirlene Toussaint, Audrey Griffin and her guest Jackie Harmon, Dianna Payne, Cindy Hartig and her husband Bill Hartig, Patty Wise, Linda Hone, Fran Butler, Dianne Werner, Jonette Welch and her daughter Daphne Ferrin and Georgia Reed attended the Painting with a Twist pilot social on Saturday, September 9, from 1:00-3:00 and a good time was had by all. All Pilots attending brought a yummy food and many brought drinks. We had quite the buffet! We all painted a tropical scene with the help of an instructor who talked us through the process. All the paintings











PACE Center for Girls

The girls at Pace are all "at risk" youth. They get points for good grades, good deeds, etc. and one of the places they can spend these points is at Mrs. Mary's Boutique.

On Thursday, September 21, Cathy Mansor helped and on Friday, September 22, Cindy Ragland did the same. Both of these ladies said they enjoyed working with volunteers from other places. This is one of the projects that will continue through our year and YOU are urged to participate.

BASCA 5K CapeABILITIES 2023

On Friday, September 22, Yvonne Bulluck, Susan Faircloth, Sharon Nooney and Joyce Jamro worked at BASCA from 9AM to 1PM doing all kinds of projects. First, we put together all the "goodie bags" for everyone entering the race. We cleaned and stickered medals. We color coded Dum Dums for a game. We sorted prizes to be exchanged for tickets won at games. We gave out packets to some participants. We ended this outing by shopping at their boutique and lunch at Tom & Betty's.



On Saturday morning, September 23 (before daylight!) some of us gathered at BASCA to either participate or volunteer. A big "Thank You" to those that participated in the 5K – Bill Bakai, Leeanne Greene, Diana Payne, Dianne Werner, and Pam Vanscoy. Cindy Lou Hartig was overworked at registration, while the rest of us were underworked. They were trying something new, and it did not quite work out as they had envisioned. Working this new scavenger hunt were Joyce Jamro, Patricia McCullough, Javonna Singleton, Georgia Reed, Sherrill Casey-Bakai, Patty Wise, Cindy Ragland and Yvonne Bulluck. We did not actually see much of the race – but we could HEAR it! Besides us important Pilots, they had Darth Vader, storm troopers, Jaguar cheerleaders, a band, high school cheerleaders and other various characters. Fun was had by all and afterwards we went to Cracker Barrel for lunch.





Check presented by Yvonne & Leila to BASCA Patrick Kennedy(CEO) & Lucy Conrad





Community Hospice Garden

On Saturday, September 30, Cindy Lou Hartig & husband Bill, daughter Lynn & grandson Avery, Jenny Raulerson & husband Matt, along with Therese Taylor and granddaughter Lacy met for cleanup at Community Hospice's Memory Garden. Much was accomplished and things are looking great!





GIRLS Inc.

Delivering silent auction baskets to Girls Inc. for their Father/Daughter Dance



Sherrill Casey-Bakai, Yvonne Bulluck & Girls Inc representative

Angel Aid

On Saturday, September 30, Pilots & friends met up at the Angel Aid location at 4915 Beach Blvd to sort through bags of donated clothes to be taken to Angel Aid Thrift store on Emerson St. We sorted 9AM-Noon. Some of us met for lunch afterwards at Mudville Grille in the St. Nicholas area. Thanks to Alma Shirley, Betty Lou Watson, Susan Faircloth, Patty Wise, Georgia Reed, Tonja Merritt, Cathy Mansor, Linda Kinnealy and Yvonne Bulluck.



Fundraising Opportunity – Garage Sale

Actual Garage SALE dates – Friday October 20 thru Sunday October 22 Pre-sale setup dates – Tuesday October 17 thru Thursday October 19

Bill & Sherrill Bakai's home (9132 Glendower Ct, Jax)

Pre-sale shift 10/17 – 10AM – 3PM Pre-sale shift 10/18 – 9:30AM – 4PM Pre-sale shift 10/19 – 10AM – 4PM SALE shifts 10/20 – 7:30AM – 11:30AM & 11:30AM – 2:30PM SALE shifts 10/21 – 7:30AM – 11:30AM & 11:30AM – 2:30PM SALE shifts 10/22 – 10:30AM-2PM & 2PM-4PM

Pilot Dress Shirts

At the October Business Meeting, we will select a new color and new shirt for the Club's dress shirt. The choices will be between Land's End Twill or Broadcloth Shirts and the colors of True Blue or Cobalt Blue. The new Pilot dress shirt will join the current Teal Pilot dress shirt to be worn at Pilot and public events. After an internet search, Land's End was chosen as the vendor because the shirts come in all sizes and can be ordered in batch or individual. In the future, this will allow new members to order a shirt and not have to wait for a minimum order.

The first shirt order will be submitted by the Club. This will allow us to take advantage of the discounts offered for larger orders. There will be sign-up sheets at the next few meetings, so Pilots who miss a meeting or want time to consider ordering, will have the opportunity to order a shirt.

Pilot Dress Shirt Choices

Women's 3/4 Sleeve Performance Twill Shirt

Price \$40.95 to \$45.95 plus \$7.99 for logo Shirts available in True Blue & Cobalt Blue Shirts also available in short & long sleeve



True Blue

Women's 3/4 Sleeve Broadcloth Shirt

Price \$33.95 plus \$7.99 for logo -Shirts available in True Blue & Cobalt Blue Shirts also available in short & long sleeve



Cobalt Blue

If considering purchasing the new Pilot dress shirt, please arrive early to the Business Meeting because we have sample shirts in a variety of sizes for you to try on.

P.S. There are comparable Land's End shirts for men.

Belk Charity Sale

Tickets in envelopes for each Pilot, for this upcoming event, will be available from Carolyn Wright and Judy Marcos at the October business meeting. Tickets are \$5 each. In store dates are November 3-5. The pre-sale dates are October 16 - November 2. Pre-sale purchases will be available for pick up November 3-5.



Sock Drive - FL District Project

Our Club will be donating socks collected October thru December meetings and donating them to City Rescue Mission in December – before Christmas.



Pilot Websites

Pilot Club of Jacksonville – pilotclubjax.org Pilot International – pilotinternational.org Florida District Pilot International - pilotflorida.org Anchor Club International - anchorclubintl.org Compass Club International - compassclubintl.org Pilot Scholarship House Foundation - pshffl.org

Can also be found on Facebook



Pictures for our club's FACEBOOK page can be sent to Lucy Markert (lmarkert@bellsouth.net)

Please Bring to the Pilot Business Meeting

Cancelled stamps for Tubfrim (Carolyn Barrett)

Can tabs for Ronald McDonald House (Georgia Reed)

Accepting Payments thru Zelle

Payments can now be made instantly through Zelle to pilotclub.org.jax@gmail.com

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