

Pilot Club of Jacksonville



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Sails & Sightings

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President's Message

By: **Leila LeVan**

"The beginning is the most important part of the work." -Plato

Dear Pilots,

As we embark on a new year, we have so much for which to be thankful. I have just returned from Pilot International's yearly conference, and I was able to bask in our successes and be inspired and encouraged by other clubs' achievements. July is an extremely busy meeting so I will share my PI stories in August.

I, along with many of you Pilots, attended the funeral of Anne Hawk on Friday. Unfortunately, I did not know her well since she was often absent since I joined. And honestly, I felt it was my responsibility as President to attend even though I had no stories to share. What a beautiful lesson for me. Attending her funeral was a statement of service and love. The stories about Anne (including the newspaper clippings) were a testimony to her devotion to education, community, and family! She was a faithful member of her church. As you know, she was also a faithful member of Pilot. What NONE of us appreciated until we read the newspaper clipping and heard the story is that she was a feisty lady who stood her ground! Don't mess with Anne! She exemplified Pilot in every way! She made us proud. Thank you, Anne, for your legacy.

This is going to be a year of service and education! I am so excited about all the new Pilot adventures you will get to experience. You

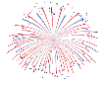
will truly learn the way of Pilot: who we are, why we are, and how we do it. Our meetings will be busy, so I do ask that you read all the materials ahead of the meeting and please feel free to email any officers with questions concerning their reports. And if you feel that you are not the only one who does not understand, ask the officer to ALSO explain it at the meeting. That will keep everyone informed and up to date. It is critical that the membership has the knowledge they need to participate with full confidence. As I stated earlier, I learned at PI that we are a VERY active club with excellent fundraising success. With that success comes responsibility, and the officers and Division Coordinators accept that responsibility with reverence.

Did you know????? We were the ONLY club in all of Pilot International to charter a Compass Club this year!!! I have to admit, it was super exciting to receive that award in front of all the Pilots Worldwide. The Pilot Club of Jacksonville is moving and shaking. And in that same note, I was able to give a few influential Pilots a peek at our new website. They were awed! Special thanks to Robin Parsons of Parsons Marketing for her hard work designing it for us. There is still some work to be done with the copy and pictures, but all the bones are there!

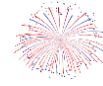
The members of this club are knocking it out of the park this year with new members! It is the first month of our fiscal year and we are initiating 3 new members AND we have 2 and maybe more new potential members attending. We have had the opportunity to rub shoulders

with the new members and we are thrilled. They are what we want in Pilot. To be a Pilot is to have a servant heart with a history of professionalism. Here's to 2023-2024!

In Pilot Love and Friendship, Leila



Pilots' JULY Birthday



8 – Patty Wise 23 – Sherrill Casey-Bakai 27 – Rae Bennett



Pilot Anniversaries



- Congratulations Audrey Griffin on your 4th Pilot Anniversary!
- Congratulations Dianne Werner on your 3rd Pilot Anniversary!
- Congratulations Angela Hicks on your 2nd Pilot Anniversary!
- Congratulations Cindy Ragland on your 2nd Pilot Anniversary!

Calendar of Pilot Events



- July 11th Business Dinner Meeting/Presentation of POW's at Ramada at 6PM
- July 15th Memorial Garden – Community Hospice – 4266 Sunbeam Rd 8AM-1PM
- July 20th Tour Girls Inc @ Parkwood Elementary at 10AM
- July 22nd Angel Aid – sort clothes – 8AM-12PM
- July 29th Pilot Birthday Party – Fountain Gate Clubhouse 9360 Craven Rd 5:30PM
- August 1st Executive Board Meeting at Georgia Reed's home at 6PM
- August 8th Business Dinner Meeting at Ramada at 6 PM
- August 11th K9s for Warriors prepared meal to be delivered to current class

Anchor Scholarship Recipient



President Leila LeVan with Anchor Sierra Smith & Anchor/Compass Coordinator Therese Taylor

Installation of Officer's 2023-2024

The Pilot Club of Jacksonville's 2023-2024 Installation of Officers was held on Saturday, June 17th with a brunch buffet at Copeland's of New Orleans.



Leila LeVan installed as our
2023-2024 President

Congrats



Pilot Club of Jacksonville members joining in the celebration



Betty Lou Watson reading the Code of Ethics



Diana Payne was the Installing Officer



Leila with Audrey Griffin



Yvonne, Leila, Diana & Betty Lou



Leila, Georgia, Dianne, Audrey, Sherrill, Cathy, Cindy, Lucy & Barbara

President - Leila LeVan President-Elect - Georgia Reed Secretary - Dianne Werner
 Treasurer - Audrey Griffin Immediate Past-President - Carolyn Barrett
 Directors for the 2022-2024 term Cindy Lou Hartig Lucy Markert
 Directors for the 2023-2025 term Barbara Lesso Sherrill Casey-Bakai

Litter Retrieval

On Saturday, June 10th, 10 Pilots met at 9AM @ the Goal Post Sandwich Shop on Herschel St. to clean up our 2 mile section of Jacksonville designated by the State of Florida Adopt-A-Highway program. Those participating were Bill Bakai, Sherrill Casey-Bakai, Yvonne Bulluck, Joy Coyle, Audrey Griffin, Joyce Jamro, Patricia McCullough, Georgia Reed, Javonna Singleton and Therese Taylor.



Therese, Joy, Audrey, Yvonne, Sherrill, Javonna & Georgia



Pilots gathering with Goal Post owner Qahtan Brjo for a nice meal afterwards



PACE Center for Girls

On June 22nd we attended the Pace Center for Girls Tour. The Pilots in attendance were Yvonne Bulluck, Cathy Mansor, Joyce Jamro and Barbara Lesso.

The tour was led by Tami Garrett, Development Director for Pace Center for Girls. She shared their mission which is to provide a safe and supportive environment for girls to build healthy relationships, plan for the future and overcome histories of trauma. Pace's center based, day program provides year round education, counseling and life skills training for a comprehensive and individualized experience for middle and high school aged girls. She shared that once a Pace Girl always a Pace Girl and different ways they help the girls even after they complete the program. We also had the pleasure of meeting and hearing from one of the Pace Girls, Kyra. Kyra shared her background and the positive impact that she has received while participating in the program. She was excited to share her experience in the mock debate that they participated in at the State Capitol.

We then had the physical tour of the facilities to include the classrooms, media/cafeteria area and Mrs. Mary's Boutique. The facility was very well maintained and currently under construction to replace piping. We could see their strength in adapting to the situation as they had relocated all the classrooms from one side of the building to the other to ensure their ability to continue to serve the girl's needs.

I was very impressed with the positive and supportive environment and the genuine care the staff members provide to the girls. They recognized our previous support in the past and their appreciation to our continued support in the future.

Please note that due to the construction, our volunteer dates of July 12th and July 13th have been cancelled.



Pilot Websites

Pilot International – <https://www.pilotinternational.org/>
Florida District Pilot International - <https://www.pilotflorida.org/>
Anchor Club International - <http://www.anchorclubintl.org/>
Compass Club International - <https://www.compassclubintl.org/>
Pilot Scholarship House Foundation - <https://pshffl.org/>

Can also be found on Facebook



Community Hospice Garden Cleanup

On Wednesday, June 28th, Pilots Cindy Lou Hartig, Yvonne Bulluck, Angela Hicks, & Joyce Jamro, along with 3 team members of Caddell Construction, worked 8AM to 3PM cleaning up the Community Hospice on Sunbeam Road Memory Garden. Then, again, on Saturday July 1st, the rest of the army came to the rescue. Pilots participating were Cindy Lou Hartig, Yvonne Bulluck, Lucy Markert, Javonna Singleton, Barbara Lesso, Tammy Molter, Therese Taylor along with several Pilot guests - Diane Siprelle, Kim(Hospice Volunteer), Jenny and her husband Mat and Cindy's husband Bill. 15 bags later the front garden area was done and was ready for the memorial service to be held on July 6th.

Pilots will meet one Saturday a month, as well as one weekday a month, to maintain the gardens. When all was said and done, it fills our hearts to see the amazing accomplishment. We do an amazing job of giving back to the community and this is a perfect example.



Pilots, friends & Community Hospice Staff in Garden end of day on June 28th



July 1st – Bill, Diane, Therese, Barbara, Tammy, Jenny, Mat, Javonna & Lucy



Yvonne & Joyce



Angela



Javonna & Cindy Lou



Lucy



Tammy & Barbara



Jenny & Mat



Yvonne supplied the volunteers with donuts, water and a few laughs.



PILOT CLUB OF JACKSONVILLE HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Saturday, July 29th @ 5:30PM
Fountain Gate Clubhouse @ 9360 Craven Road



Wear your favorite team's colors, logos, shirts, jerseys, jewelry, hats, visors, etc.
College or Pro or Both

Bring a dish and bring your \$1

We will play some trivia and "Left, Right, Center"
Sign-up sheet will be at July 11th business meeting.

Happy 89th Birthday

In Memorandum Anne Hawk 1936-2023



Anne Hawk (right) and daughter Robin Jamison (left) attending the Pilot 2021 Christmas Party.

Our friend and fellow Pilot, Anne Hawk, passed away on Thursday, June 22, 2023. Anne was at home and under hospice care and surrounded by her family.

Anne met her husband, Coleman, when both were students at Auburn University. After a short courtship, Anne and Coleman were married and moved to Anne's hometown of Jacksonville. Anne and Coleman had two children, Robin and David. Anne and Coleman were married for 60 years when Coleman passed away in 2020.

After her marriage, Anne continued her education and graduated with a Bachelor's degree from Jacksonville University and a Master's degree from the University of North Florida. Anne taught high school English in Duval County before moving into Administration and grant writing. After retirement, Anne and Coleman bought a boat and sailed up and down the coast and attended the theatre, symphony, and art exhibits.

Anne's funeral service was held on Friday, July 7th, at Hardage-Giddens Oaklawn Chapel. It was a touching ceremony with loving remembrance of Anne given by her daughter, granddaughter, great granddaughter, and a former student. Our Club was well represented with Leila LeVan, Georgia Reed, Sherrill Casey-Bakai, Carolyn Barrett, Yvonne Bulluck, Joy Coyle, Linda Kinnealy, Diana Payne, Mary Stahler, Therese Taylor, and Betty Lou Watson, attending.

Anne was a member of the Pilot Club of Jacksonville for 28 years.



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
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