



# NC DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S BULLETIN

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**Happy May!**

**Well, we all must agree that it has been an interesting few months. My Mom used to say to me “You cannot appreciate the good days without the bad ones,” I know we can all say that is true. We all are going through some bad days, but the good news is that we will see the good days again. We are stronger together and alone together!**

**This bulletin has lots of good news in it.....pics and information of our new officers and scholarship winner, and PI news from our ECR, Lisa. Please take time to read it and send congratulations to our new officers and scholarship winner.**

**I must admit that putting together this bulletin made me a little sad. All this wonderful information should have been announced at our convention where we could have celebrated. But I know and rejoice in the fact that we all will be together soon and can hug each other!**

**Remember to wear your mask and practice social distancing!**

**Virtual Hugs,  
 Governor Leslie**



HEY!!! I miss all of you and have been praying for each of you to be safe!!!!

In this ever changing world of uncertainty, I hope that all of you are taking time to breathe and love on your families and those around you!!! How do you do that while maintaining Social Distancing? Cards, emails, texts, Facetime/Skype.....any form of communication is better than none!!! Social Distancing does not mean isolation!!! Reach out to one another. Send cards to your local Assisted Living Facilities. Do what you can to keep yourselves mentally strong!!!

It sure is a different world, so let's make a difference in a new way!!!

I love each of you! Please, let me know if there is anything that I can do to help you and know that I am praying!!

Grace & Peace,

Bridget Weston

## Cares and Concerns

Prayers for all those persons affected by COVID-19. Prayers for healing as our nation recovers from this horrible pandemic.

Prayers to Joyce Ferguson (Rutherford County) on the passing of her Mother in law.

Prayers for Pat Higgins (Rutherford County) on the passing of her nephew.

## MEET THE 2020-2021 NC DISTRICT ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL



**Kim Smith- Governor**     [kimwsmith@yahoo.com](mailto:kimwsmith@yahoo.com)

Pilot Club of Greensboro member since 2012

Teacher Exceptional Children at Jamestown Middle School.

Kids - 3 - Amber, Zoe, Rose - (three year olds pups)

I love spending time with my family and friends.

I enjoy playing with my pups, reading inspirational books, and sleeping, the beach, and football.



**Desi Harris-Governor Elect**     [mdharris16@yahoo.com](mailto:mdharris16@yahoo.com)

Member of Pilot Club of Rutherford Co. since 2006

Repeat Club President and have held other positions

Retired from Rutherford Electric Membership since 2018

Have eight grandchildren, and one great grandchild

Love sports, and love to travel.



**Dorothy B. Tyson-Secretary**      [dorothybytyson3@gmail.com](mailto:dorothybytyson3@gmail.com)

Married to William L. Tyson, for 41 years. Mother to Jessica Tyson-Howard (37) and William L. Tyson, II (29). Mother in law to Austin Howard. Grandma D to Camden William Tyson, age 2 and soon Grandma D to new grandchild in October.

Retired Career Technical Education Teacher, taught Family and Consumer Science (formerly known as Home Economics), 2011.

Employed at WLNC FM 95.1 and Scots for Youth as the Teen Court Coordinator.

Involved in many community organizations, but here are a few: Chamber of Commerce, Scotland Memorial Foundation, National Association of University Women, Scotland County Senior Games and Scottish Pilot of course. Volunteer at Restoring Hope and Scotland County Schools.

Words to live by: We are our brothers/sisters keepers! When you help someone, you help yourself also and are blessed.



**Kay Pendarvis- Treasurer**

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Kay Pendarvis has been a Pilot since 1992. She is a member of the Pilot Club of Rutherford County and is also a member of the Pilot Club of Danville, Virginia. She has been married to Gordon for the past 24 years. They have no children but have a nephew that Kay reared after his mother was tragically killed when he was 12 years old.

Kay is a retired Math teacher, having taught 30 years at Chase High School. After retiring she worked at an employment agency and at the infamous WalMart. She presently works as an adjunct instructor at Isothermal Community College.

Since becoming a Pilot Kay has held the offices of President (3 times), President Elect, Vice President, Corresponding Secretary, Recording Secretary, and will be treasurer for the upcoming Pilot year in her Rutherford County Club. She has also been a Director and Coordinator at least once of each division. She has chaired the Audit Committee, the Standing Rules Committee, various Fund Raising events, and the Nominating Committee.

At the district level, Kay has been Governor (2006 – 2007), Governor Elect, Lieutenant Governor and Treasurer (2 times and again this upcoming Pilot year). She has also been District Chaplain, Nominating Committee Chair, Scholarship Committee Chair, and Projects Coordinator. She has attended 24 District Conventions and 22 Pilot International Conventions/Conferences.

In her down time Kay likes to bake. Every year at Christmas she gives baked goods to all her family and friends as presents. Also throughout the year she gives baked goods to anyone in need of a pick me up. Kay can also cook other things but enjoys baking the most. She gets this love of baking from her mother who was her biggest inspiration.

## A note from our incoming Governor, Kim.....

At certain points in our lives, we have unselfishly, willingly (by choice or design) been asked to give our time, talents, finances for a myriad of different events – celebrations of those who have come before, youngsters just beginning their

Experiences in this world, our family members, friends, and complete strangers.

Social media has been a great advancement and avenue to share our experiences. I truly have learned so much about how wonderful Pilots are – how wonderful and special YOU are – merely because you want to be part of helping others.

Within the busyness, I hope we have all been able to make time for reflection – to see how much better we have made the communities around us - just by being in it.

Over the few years I have been a Pilot, I have experienced more opportunities for outreach and created loving long lasting friendships, than I thought could be achievable. Pilot has broadened my scope of the world, through the love and compassion that each of YOU have shown!

I would like to thank each of you and in HONOR of YOU, I humbly accept the position of NC Pilot District Governor.

In Pilot Love, Kim





## AND THE SCHOLARSHIP WINNER IS .....

My name is Paige Houston and I have been chosen as the winner of the NC Pilot District Scholarship. I was very happy and appreciative to learn that I was selected as a recipient of your scholarship. I will be attending Western Carolina University this fall, and majoring in nursing. I volunteer at Carolina Rehab of Burke, and I love spending time there. I have always had a passion for helping the elderly because my grandma and I were super close before she passed away. While volunteering at Caroline Rehab I have grown very close with the patients and staff. Volunteering at Carolina Rehab is what allowed me to realize that becoming a nurse is a career that I am very passionate about. After getting my bachelors degree in nursing and gaining experience in the medical field I want to become a Nurse Practitioner, and eventually manage my own rehabilitation facility. I enjoy playing tennis, traveling, and spending time with my family and friends. My goal as a nurse is to help make an impact on the community and in people's lives.

By awarding me the NC Pilot District Scholarship you have lightened my financial burden which allows me to focus more on the most important aspect of school, learning. I want to thank my mom for being my number one supporter in everything I do, and God for giving me the ability to be where I am today. Your generosity is allowing me to make my dreams and goals a reality. I thank you for your confidence and willingness to help me achieve my goals.



Paige was sponsored by the Pilot Club of Valdese. Her email is [paigehouston540@gmail.com](mailto:paigehouston540@gmail.com). Please email her with your congratulations!

Thank you to Sarah Kearney, Tammy Morrow, and Diana Johnston for your hard work in selecting our scholarship winner for 2020.



## ECR MESSAGE- LISA PATTERSON

Greetings North Carolina Pilots!

It has been an honor and a privilege to serve as your Executive Committee Representative this year. It is my pleasure to take this opportunity to update you on our organization by delivering your ECR message, normally delivered at District Convention, now.

During our convention last summer, we began our Membership Race, which will conclude on May 15. Remember the club and the District that finishes first in each category and the member who sponsors the most new members will receive a free registration to the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary convention next year in Atlanta. In case of a tie, the first-place winners will be placed in a drawing for the free registration. As of April 1, the District which has added the most members is Texas, with Florida in second place. The Alabama and Texas Districts are tied for the highest percentage growth. There are three clubs tied for most members added, Lake Houston, Odessa, and New Albany (Mississippi). The Lake Houston Club is also in first place for the highest percentage growth. The club and the District with the highest percentage growth as of May 15 will each receive a special recognition on the cover of the Convention program. The clubs and Districts in the top three places in each category will be recognized in the Convention program.

We have added clubs to our organization this year. The three new Pilot Clubs added since July 1 are: Pilot Club of Palm Beach in the Florida District, Walton County Pilot Club, also in the Florida District, and our newest Pilot Club, Takamatsu Pilot Club of the Japan District, which was chartered April 1.

We have chartered 7 new Anchor Clubs:

Decatur Heritage Christian Academy (AL) – Chartered August 16, 2019

*Sponsored by the Pilot Luncheon Club of Morgan County*

Walton Middle School Anchor Club (FL) – Chartered December 18, 2019

*Sponsored by Walton County Pilot Club* 2020 ECR Message

The Anchor Club of New Albany High School, Indiana (MI-IN) - Chartered on January 16, 2020

*Sponsored by the Pilot Club of New Albany, Indiana*

The Anchor Club of Vernon High School (LA) - Chartered on January 25, 2020

*Sponsored by the Leesville Pilot Club*

Lake Weir High School Anchor Club (FL) - Chartered on January 31, 2020

*Sponsored by the Pilot Club of Ocala*

**Chase High School Anchor Club** (NC) - Chartered on February 4, 2020

*Sponsored by the Foothills Pilot Club of North Carolina*

**West Forsyth High School Anchor Club** (NC) - Chartered on February 27, 2020

*Sponsored by the Pilot Club of Greensboro*

**North Carolina Pilots and Anchors ROCK!**

We now have three Compass Clubs. The Compass Club of Covington County was chartered August 7, 2018, The Northwest Florida Compass Club was chartered on June 22, 2019, and the Troy University Compass Club was chartered in Alabama on November 16, 2019. We have also approved an intent to charter for the first Compass Club in Texas and hope to be able to announce that chartering very soon.

I am proud to say that we have increased our membership every month since August 2019. Pilot's membership as of April 1 is 6,235, in 310 clubs. Anchor Clubs have 6,620 members, in 206 clubs. There are 18 Compass members, in 3 clubs. The combined total of Pilot International members is 12,873.

An important part of our organization is our philanthropic arm, the Founder's Fund. This year, we have awarded \$52,432.00 in 28 Pilot International Founders Fund matching grants. Through the third quarter of this Pilot year, we have awarded 20 Pick Me Up Grants totaling \$3,729.36. We have also given \$19,995.26 in Safe Harbor Grants. The donations made for our Pilot Club Ambassadors also help fund this grant. This year, \$8,552.00 was donated in honor of our club Ambassadors. As you know, these grants are to help Pilots impacted by disasters. For example, when Hurricane Dorian devastated the Bahamas last year, Pilots from all over the world answered the call to help, donating \$14,033.00 designated for Bahamas Hurricane relief.

We received over 100 scholarship applications this year. Letters announcing the scholarship awards will be going out soon.

Pilot International again took part in the Giving Tuesday campaign. The monies collected were directed to our new helmet grant. This year, \$5,461.00 was raised. Speaking of our helmet grants, through the third quarter of this Pilot year we have awarded 25 helmet grants totaling \$3,000.00. So far this year, Pilots have purchased 1,700 helmets.

We hope that you have continued to enjoy the increase in communication from Pilot International. Our Coordinators have provided information every month through the Navigational Notes. Our Headquarters News gives monthly updates on the work of our staff and what is going on at Headquarters in Macon. Emails and social media provide information regarding events such as Pilot First Saturday and the Membership Race. Our FaceBook page also shares information from our local clubs and districts. And our Anchor alumni FaceBook page has allowed former Anchors to maintain contact with one another.

In just one year, we will be planning our trip to convention in Atlanta, Georgia to begin the celebration of our 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Here are just a few of the special events planned for the convention and the year ahead.

1. The 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary history book will be full of wonderful information and pictures from our past and will also contain pictures from the 2021 Convention and celebrations held in October. It will only be available through pre-sales. The

book will go on sale during the convention in Atlanta and will not be published until later that year. Books will be shipped to the Governors and available for delivery at District Conventions in 2022.

2. In honor of the first service project done by the Pilot Club of Macon which was to help the school district, the service project during the Atlanta Convention will help furnish supplies for the schools in the Macon area. Each District will be assigned to bring specific items from a list provided by the School Superintendent's office. Members flying to Atlanta will be asked to bring smaller items such as pencils or glue sticks. Members who are able to drive will bring larger items such as notebooks and Kleenex.

Each club and district will be asked to ***Touch 100 Lives*** during the 2021-2022 Pilot Year. The service projects at District Fall Workshops probably already touch 100 lives each year. Brochures with suggestions that will cost little or no money will be provided. Each District has also been asked to have their 2021 Fall Workshop on Saturday, October 16<sup>th</sup>, the date the Pilot International charter was granted. Pictures from each District's service project will be included in the History Book.

On Monday, October 18<sup>th</sup>, the day of the first Pilot Club meeting of Macon, you are invited come to Macon to celebrate the day our Charter was signed by 40 women who wanted to make a difference in the lives of others. Pictures from this day will be the final pictures in the History Book – 100 years of Friendship and Service. If you have not already reached the \$100, \$500 or \$4,000 level of giving for our 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, please consider making a contribution to help commemorate this special time in Pilot International History.

This convention will be special – an event we will always remember. Please be a part of making it special by being in Atlanta, July 7 - 11, 2021.

In closing, I want to thank you for supporting Pilot International and our mission. With each donation to the Founder's Fund, you make a difference in the lives of others. With every Brainminders presentation, Bike Rodeo and Helmet giveaway, and Pick Me Up you make a positive change in your communities. The friendships between Pilots endure, uplift, and inspire. The celebration planned for our 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary, will reflect a once in a lifetime high point in our organization's history, yet, together we can ensure that the first one hundred years are only the beginning. Please join me as we continue to Do More. Care More. Be More.

Forever yours in Friendship and Service,

*Lisa*