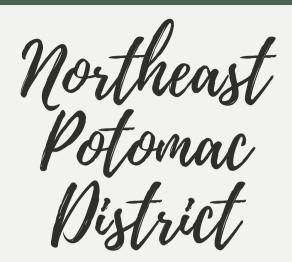
## September/October 2024 NEPOT GOVERNOR'S BULLETIN





## GOVERNOR KAREN'S MESSAGE

We are better...together.

This is a lesson I was reminded of this last month as I attempted to keep up with my responsibilities to family, work, Pilot, and other member organizations. Normally the process was always busy but manageable. But this summer, several "storms" blew in that created some choppy waters and threatened my balance and resilience.

The other day I heard a message about Redwood trees that drove home the concept of being better together. Redwood trees start from a seed no bigger than a tomato plant and grow as tall as 350 feet! You would think that something that tall would need deep roots, but that's not the case. The redwood tree's roots are very shallow, often only five or six feet deep. But they make up for it by extending their roots horizontally - sometimes 100 feet from the trunk – creating an intertwining web with other redwoods. This creates a tremendous support system that allows the trees to remain firmly rooted when faced with extreme forces of nature.

Redwoods don't survive alone – ever. They grow close together and nurture each other with rooted connections. They experience tremendous growth, but only if the trees work as a team and support each other.

We are like the redwood. We cannot survive alone. There will always be moments in life when we need friends and groups of like-minded people – like Pilots - to help us think past what we can do on our own, to help us solve life's problems and to nurture us when we need strength and support.

Our Northeast Potomac Pilots represent that intertwining of roots. We stretch out our roots to our fellow Pilots from Pittsburgh to Long Island to help all of our clubs thrive. This Pilot year, let us strengthen those rooted connections by communicating what our clubs are up to. Send your photos and stories about your club projects for our website and future newsletters. Share your upcoming fundraisers and events so members from our other clubs can attend or support your efforts. Register to attend our upcoming Fall Workshop on Saturday, November 2 in Allentown, PA (see form in this Bulletin).

Thank you to my fellow Pilots who have extended your roots to mine these past few months to help me stand stronger. Let us all learn from the redwoods and be better... together.







Do More, Jare More, Mare,

### **Greeting Friends!**

As we put the sizzling summer days behind us, I am loving the variation of oranges and reds of the leaves. Yes, my friends fall or autumn depending on where you are on this big blue planet.

I would like to ask the question, "What are you envisioning for Pilot International?" Well, if you are like me, you are envisioning a global presence that expands around the world with rebirth of clubs in Canada, Mexico, Bermuda, South Africa, and Australia.

What is your vision? In 1921 Elizabeth Leonard's vision was to create an organization where women could be of service like the men of the communities who had Rotary and Kiwanis clubs. I encourage you to write the vision down, make it plain. Our Code of Ethics says, "visions and dreams are the seedlings of reality." Dreams are our hopes and aspirations. It is when we put our thoughts into action, we get results. Let us be intentional about our vision, allow it to be the fuel that ignites our passion, thrusting us forward on a True Course, leaving no Pilot behind.

October 15 is the deadline for Pilot International Founders Fund (PIFF) Matching Grant. Apply today and change a life forever. For more details visit our Pilot International Website www.pilotinternational.org.

October 18 is Founder's Day. Remember the charter members of the Pilot Club of Macon, they started the journey in 1921. For over 102 years we have been influencing positive change in our communities. We have collectively kept our business standards high, "never omitting an opportunity of doing a kindness or making a friend." Let us honor the past while celebrating our future. Share the gift of Pilot, promote Pilot International locally and globally. Submit an article in your local newspaper with the Pilot International proclamation and photos of the early years of our beloved organization.

Make a Difference Day is October 26. If you have ever wondered if your actions can make a difference, the answer is yes. On Saturday, October 26, let us join millions of volunteers worldwide to support others in need, be it a hot meal, a roof over their heads or a warm friendly smile. As Pilots we are called to influence positive change in our communities, we can start with random acts of kindness, at work, at school and in your community, we can impact the life of others.

November 1, Anchors and Compass dues and treasurer reports are to be submitted to Pilot International Headquarters.



Yours in Pilot Friendship and Service, Leslie McLaughlin Executive Committee Representative



VISIT OUR WEBSITE: www.pilotnepot.org

Hi everyone! This is your District Treasurer, Jean Ann Saville. I hope everyone had a wonderful summer and that you're looking forward to a much cooler fall.

By now everyone has sent in their club rosters and paid their dues. Thank you so much. Remember any change in your roster during the year has to go to Karen, Sue and myself.

The attempt to increase international dues for this year did not pass. You can be assured it will probably come up again next year so plan accordingly.

Reminder to fill out your Form 990-N(e-postcard) with the IRS. The deadline is November 15,2024.

Also remember to send the transmittal form when you are sending money for any reason. Send the form with receipts when requesting a disbursement.

If you have any questions or concerns feel free to contact me at jsav181@aol.com.



Diane Cloud, Membership Welcome to the new members of the Northeast Potomac District:

Donna Platia - Pilot Club of Sayville Florence Wagner - Pilot Club of Sayville Sharon Anderson - Pilot Club of Patchogue

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# Please notify Rita Siniski, 2024-2025 NEPOT Inspirational Leader

2024-2025 NEPOI Inspirational Leader of any illness or passings. Email: <u>rsiniski@optonline.net</u>

Valley Forge member, Linda Rennard, passed away. Her brother is David Townsend can receive cards at: 18 West Orchard Lane, Audubon, PA. 19403 Linda was a director 2016-17. She was a knitter and crocheted for donations. Attended conventions and meetings.

Michael Labik Jr, brother of member Kathleen Tarlecki, Valley Forge Member. Condolences may be sent to Kathleen Tarlecki, 896 S. Lewis Road, Royersford PA. 19468



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Pistrict Officers & Appointees

### ANCHOR ~ Altruism. Noble Purpose. Citizenship. Honor. Open-Mindedness. Responsibility.

September Greetings Anchor Club Advisors & Pilot-Anchor Liaisons of the Northeast-Potomac District of Pilot International,

Thank you for your commitment to and support of our youth who care for others, wish to serve, and strive to make a difference in this world!

The new school year is off and running; the new Anchor year adds to your run/race.

I know, firsthand, the Hempfield HS (HHS) Anchor Club is organizing, serving, leading, and more; a very busy start here in Lancaster, PA. And, we welcome aboard our newly named HHS Anchor Club co-advisor, Mrs. Jennifer Miller, a HS speech/language clinician. Welcome Jen! Mrs. Erin Settle and you make an awesome team.

### Please note

Anchor International dues (\$14.00 per member) is due by November 1, 2024; send in with club/members' info. and the officers' doc. Please secure these docs from the website: <u>http://www.anchorclubintl.org/what-we-do</u>. (The HHS Anchors pay \$15.00; \$1.00 of the club's treasury)

Monthly Anchor International Zoom Meetings will continue; please contact me if you or one/more of your Anchors would like to join in. Next one set for Monday. 9/23. 7:00 p.m.

Please forward this email to any new advisors, Pilots, or others; please share their contact info. with me. I will continue as Anchor Coordinator for this Pilot-Anchor year. I am honored!

I am an email, call, or text away and would love to support you and your Anchors!!

We are Anchor proud!

In Anchor & Pilot Friendship and Service, Cathy Cieslinski Pilot Club of Lancaster, Inc. NEPOT Anchor Coordinator 717-572-2682



### Holiday Evergreen Fundraiser to benefit The Pilot Club of Valley Forge



The perfect gift for your friends, family & clients! Wreaths, centerpieces, swags, garland and more! All items are individually packaged and delivered fresh directly from the Pacific Northwest to your friends and family located across the U.S.

ORDER DEADLINE: Nov. 2 \* Alicia Fox. afoxphoenixville@comcast.net

## Pilot Club of Sayville

Sayville has welcomed Sharon Gregory (sponsor Helen Falabella), Donna Platia (sponsor Ellen Hathaway) and Florence Wagner (sponsor Deanna Suckow who was ill and was represented by President Rita) into our Club recently. Welcome to Pilot Ladies!



Pilot Club of Sayville recently presented members Dolores Savitsky (member since 8/1983) and Ellen Hathaway (member since 2/1978) Emeritus status of our Club.

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## Pilot Club of Valley Forge

The Pilot Club of Valley Forge returned to its local community fair (Kimberton Community Fair) this summer to promote Pilot and its programs. They had a table display in the competitive exhibits building where they showcased BrainMinders<sup>™</sup>, helmet safety, and CHAD (Child Has An iDentity) stickers for car seats. Our roving BrainMinders<sup>™</sup> ambassador, Alicia Fox, armed with CHAD stickers, took the time to go out on foot to engage with youngsters. Other members volunteered to work in the famous donut kitchen, helping with the production of over 6,000 dozen donuts. This annual event is a great opportunity to introduce community members to the Pilot Club and share how it is influencing positive change in the community.



Pilot Club of Lancaster Saturday's Walk to End Alzheimer's. We raised over \$1400! Pilots & Anchors both participated.

Pilot Club of Pittsburg The Pilot Club of Pittsburgh has been very busy. On August 31, we had our annual picnic with the members of the Emmaus Community. Emmaus provides housing and other support for people with intellectual disabilities such as Down Syndrome and Autism.

We moved indoors because of rain but all enjoyed the hot dogs, bar-b-ques, potato salad, cole slaw, fruit salad, and dessert. Then we played Bingo for small prizes. All had a good time.

The following cold, wet, and windy weekend we were at the Breakaway from Cancer Horse Show, to provide food for the community and promote Pilot. We had a table with BrainMinders material and club information. Two of us slipped out Saturday morning for the Walk to End Alzheimer's.



Use this QR code to get a PI Word Search compliments of Pilot Club of Pittsburg







Pilot Club of Central Pennsylvania

Wow! What an event! Pilot Club of Central Pennsylvania was invited to participate in a Back to School event at the Stormers baseball stadium. Hundreds of children from several school districts were registered. Members of the club shared Wise Old Owl's messages while other members measured heads and fit helmets for 96 children in just a little over 2 hours!

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# NORTHEAST POTOMAC

## District Workshop – Nov. 2, 2024



EDAR CREST 100 College Drive Amory Soisson Center, Rm 331 Allentown, PA 18104

### INSTRUCTIONS:

Workshop - Complete one registration form per attendee. Full payment of \$44.00 is due by the workshop registration deadline of OCTOBER 20. Checks payable to "Northeast Potomac District"

MAIL COMPLETED FORM and PAYMENT to:

Jean Ann Saville: 751 Vandenburg Road, Apt 2112, King of Prussia, PA 19406 OR

EMAIL COMPLETED FORM to <u>isav181@aol.com</u> and follow up with mailed payment Questions: Jean Ann Saville, 610-551-9075

Hotel Rooms - Any Reservations are the responsibility of each attendee.

We have secured a hotel room block at the

### Holiday Inn Express & Suites Allentown-Dorneyville. RESERVATION CUTOFF: OCTOBER 1

3260 Hamilton Blvd, Allentown, PA 18103 1.7 miles/6 min drive GROUP CODE: "PIN" PH: 610-437-9255 RATES: King Room = \$144 Two-Queen = \$154.50

### OTHER OPTIONS:

- 1. Holiday Inn Express Allentown North 4.3 miles/10 min drive PH: 610-366-1600 1715 Plaza Lane, Allentown, PA 18104. NOTE: This hotel is the "overflow" if the Allentown-Dorneyville hotel is full. They will honor the room block rates above.
- Hilton Garden Inn Allentown West 3.3 miles/11 min drive PH: 610-398-6686 230 Sycamore Road, Breinigsville, PA 18031

### Workshop Agenda -

Friday: Pilot Friendship & Networking – 7:00-9:00 pm (Cedar Crest College, Rm 331) Saturday:

7:00 am - Marketplace - opportunity for clubs to sell fundraising items. Indicate on the form if your club wants a table

9:00 am – 4:30 pm – Workshop and Lunch

Questions: Contact Governor Karen Dobson, 610-212-6180, kardob@msn.com

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### Workshop and Lunch \$44.00

NOTE: Pre-registration is required; walk-ins will be charged the full workshop rate, but lunch will not be included



Marketplace - our club would like to reserve one (1) table. (This option should be indicated once per club by the Club President or Club's Fundraising Chairperson)

Do you require assistance or have any dietary restrictions?