

## Northeast Potomac District



### GOVERNOR KAREN'S MESSAGE

*"The month of November makes me feel that life is passing more quickly. In an effort to slow it down, I try to fill the hours more meaningfully." – Henry Rollins*

Our Northeast Potomac Pilots are certainly filling their November hours with meaningful events, projects and fundraisers! The month started with a bang as over 40 Pilots attended our 2024 Fall Workshop at Cedar Crest College in Allentown, PA. There was the bustle of commerce as clubs sold their unique items at Marketplace, a variety of training topics presented in a rotation of mini stations, and a dynamic guest speaker who shared his story of resilience and determination through his journey with autism. Be on the lookout for an email with a link to access the Workshop materials from our District website.

Our DAC officers will be starting their "tour" (by car or by Zoom!) of club visits. We look forward to learning more about what your club is up to and offer any training or presentations that would benefit your specific club. This is a great opportunity for you to get focused time with your District Officers, so let your club president know if there is a specific topic we can speak on when we visit.

Some dates to mark on your calendars . . .

November 15 - IRS 990 forms are due. Contact District Treasurer Jean Ann Saville if you need assistance.

November 10 – 16 - International Care & Kindness Week. As our Workshop speaker Ben reminded us all, "One kind person can change a life. Be The One!"

December 15 - next application deadline for Pick Me Up and Helmet Grants.

April 25-27, 2025 – Northeast Potomac District Convention at the Delta by Marriott in Breinigsville, PA

Take time to appreciate and be grateful for all the meaningful hours your club has this month. Each accomplishment, each event, each project has a story to tell. Share those stories with someone. Now is the perfect time of year to be that enthusiastic advocate and create new Pilot Super Fans.





# Do More, Care More, Be More

Are you getting your decorations ready? As the holidays begin to approach hopefully you are making plans with friends and family to celebrate as our calendar year begins to wind down and you make some cherished memories and enjoy some good eating!!

It is also always an encouraging time to see the districts getting together for various fellowship and training opportunities. This time of year gives us a chance to gather with clubs from around our districts and hear of all the exciting projects, fundraisers, and other great events they have occurring. Traveling home from Fall events is always a great brainstorming session! International Care and Kindness Week starts November 3rd – be sure to send pics or tag Pilot International Headquarters in your celebrations!

Giving Tuesday is around the corner on December 3rd this year! Below are some great facts from <https://www.givingtuesday.org.uk/10-things-never-knew-givingtuesday/> It is exciting to participate again this year!

It's a record breaker. #givingtuesday has set, and then broken, the Guinness World Record for the most amount of money donated online to charity in 24 hours! It's making a real difference to people's lives. It's easy to talk about the big numbers when it comes to #givingtuesday, but do you know the impact the day is having on real lives? In 2016 Clic Sargent raised almost \$10,000 which paid for an extra 360 hours of nursing care for young patients receiving treatment for cancer. It's a global craze. But unlike fidget spinners, #givingtuesday actually has a purpose; celebrating charity and encouraging giving to some amazing causes. It now runs officially in 30 countries. It has its own puppy. Meet Lacey, a Golden Retriever who's first year of assistance dog training was funded through donations on #givingtuesday. It's becoming a tradition. Some of our favorite partners are those who use #givingtuesday to do the same thing every year and have made it into a tradition. Thousands go to charity every minute. Visa Europe told us that in 2015 more than \$8,000 was donated to charity every minute by people using their payment cards. There's 1440 minutes in a day, so that's a lot of cash! Speaking of money, 990s are due in November. Don't forget to submit for your club so you can maintain your tax status. (By the Way – there were no fun facts about 990s found on Google!) Anchor Dues are due! Be sure to reach out to club sponsors and give them a gentle reminder. If you do not have an Anchor club nearby, you can always reach out to our Specialist, Mallory Morgan, as there are plenty of ways to support our Anchor (and Compass) Division!

In Pilot Friendship and Service,  
Leslie McLaughlin  
Executive Committee Representative



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## TREASURER DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

All monies collected should be deposited in a timely manner and encourage use of transmittal forms.

Provide treasurer reports to be presented at meetings.

Reconcile monthly bank statements.

File 990-e-postcard with the IRS by November 15.

Post your deposits and disbursements to the correct funds (operating or projects).

Remember operating funds can be used for projects, but project funds cannot be used for operating.

### Note:

Other duties are listed in club/district manuals/ PI and club bylaws.

Any difficulties or if you need assistance contact District Treasurer,  
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Please notify Rita Siniski,  
2024-2025 NEPOT Inspirational Leader  
of any illness or passings. Email: [rsiniski@optonline.net](mailto:rsiniski@optonline.net)

8 things to remember  
when going through  
tough times.

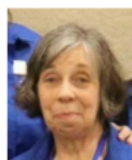
1. Everything can - and will - change.
2. You've overcome challenges before.
3. It's a learning experience.
4. Not getting what you want can be a blessing.
5. Allow yourself to have some fun.
6. Being kind to yourself is the best medicine.
7. Other people's negativity isn't worth worrying about.
8. And there is always, always, always, something to be thankful for.



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

Big Welcome to Sayville's newest members:  
Sharon (Frances) Gregory  
Florence Wagner  
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# District Officers & Appointees



## Advocating Leadership and Service in Youth and Young Adults

The purpose of Pilot's service is to be fully committed to the promotion and encouragement of youth development and leadership through our Anchor Clubs.



Youth Development & Leadership may include:

- Create, promote, support, and sustain quality program service initiatives in our Anchor Clubs.
- Leadership development opportunities for Anchor Clubs.

## Pilot Club of Valley Forge

The Pilot Club of Valley Forge participated in the Fighting Back Scholarship Program's 3rd Annual Caregiver Walk in October.

The event celebrated caregivers and showcased various resources from organizations such as "Mind Your Brain Foundation" and "Love Your Brain Foundation". Valley Forge set up a club table and shared Pilot with invited friends and family, as well as other walk participants.

Fighting Back Scholarship Program serves as a support and care center for traumatic injury survivors or individuals with disabilities. It helps courageous individuals overcome their current circumstances to improve their lives.



Rita Cohen  
2024-2025 Pilot Ambassador



# District News



# Pilot Club of Lancaster

Governor Karen Dobson & our  
2024-2025 Club Ambassador, Dawn Boltz,  
are having fun at our Fall Fest fundraiser.



Judy Harding & Kerri Birunas attended a senior health & safety fair to promote Project Lifesaver of Lancaster County.

# Pilot Club of Patchogue



Sue Ferrara was honored as our  
Pilot International Ambassador.



Golden Anniversary  
as a Dedicated Pilot!  
Happy Anniversary  
Linda!

At our October Business Meeting Vice President Diane and Past President Sue F did a fun & lively presentation for Founders Day! Diane had all club members hold a continuous gold ribbon to show how we are all connected & how we all work together as a team to make our communities a better place!



## Welcome Sharon

At last month's Business Meeting Vice President Diane Cloud initiated our newest member Sharon Anderson. We all welcomed her back to Pilot!

Sharon was a charter member of the Pilot Club of Greater Long Island and is happy to be back with her Pilot sisters. And we are so happy to have her!

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# Pilot Club of Babylon

## Start School Right

The Pilot Club of Babylon just completed our Start School Right Project which we have been sponsoring for approximately 37 years. Originally we bought new clothing and school supplies for identified needy students in our area. However, we now buy gift cards to Old Navy for clothes and also the Dollar Store for school supplies where students will get more "bang for the buck" and choose items that both fill their needs and also appeal to them. Mostly these gifts cards are distributed through five of our local churches and sometimes our town organization which also helps needy families. The responses to these gift cards are over whelming. Our Pilot Club is known in our community for this worthwhile project.

## Pilot Club of Central Pennsylvania



Natalie Abram



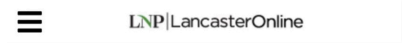
Joan Herr

Pilot Ambassadors 2024



Choose Your Cheese  
We got one New Member!

Gail Monteleone with our empty wine bottles!



Visitors gathered Saturday afternoon for Manheim Township's Halloween Carnival at Overlook Activities Center. The annual event included games, food trucks, a costume parade, trunk or treating, candy, balloon animals and more.



Christine Hance, of The Pilot Club of Central Pennsylvania, left, fits Sophia Nguyen, 9, of Manheim Township, for a bicycle helmet during the trunk or treat portion of the Manheim Township Halloween Carnival at Overlook Activities Center on Saturday, Oct. 26, 2024. The Pilot Club of Central Pennsylvania was giving bicycle helmets to kids.

BLAINE SHAHAN | Staff Photographer

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# Pilot Club of Pittsburgh

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.

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Brain Games										CPK					Look Both Ways				
Brain Injury										Dementia					Safety First				
BrainMind®										Exercise					Seatbelts				
Car Seat										Healthy Eating					Stroke				

[CLICK HERE TO PLAY](#)

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 Stroke

## Northeast Potomac Fall Workshop~2024



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# SAVE THE DATES!

**DISTRICT CONVENTION**  
**FRI. APRIL 25 - SUN. APRIL 27**  
**2025**



**Delta Hotels Allentown Lehigh Valley**  
7736 Adrienne Drive, Breinigsville, PA, 18031



**Easily accessible**  
**from I-78**

**1.5 hrs from Lancaster**  
**2.5 hrs from Long Island**

