

The Kansas-Missouri District Bulletin

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Dates/Deadlines

- February 1, 2015
Pacesetter & 250 Club donations postmark
- Promote District Convention
- Elect Club Officers (Use club information for exact date)
- Scholarship applications due to District Representative by March 1

From Sue's Quill...



Kansas-Missouri Pilots have been busy in January, even though it is said to be the month nothing happens after the holidays. Club newsletters tell me fleece was being worked on, Senior Bingo parties were happening, spring events were being planned and fundraising

continued.

- * Check out the District Convention Information Sheet in this newsletter.
- * Any club proposing business to be considered for the Convention agenda must be to the DAC by March 1.
- * There is still time to make nominations for District Offices.
- * Clubs will be electing officers and putting together the budget soon. Remember the 2016 PI Convention will be in Montreal Canada. Travel will be more than normal and the club delegate will need a passport.
- * PI Convention in Orlando registration form is up on the PI website.



Sue Penn, KS-MO District Governor

District Governor-Elect

Here is some new information on Volunteer Hours! **Volunteer Hours is the new name of Service Hours.** The time our members spend volunteering for your club, district, or for Pilot International are important for the Pilot International 501c3 status.

Pilot/Anchor volunteer hours are broken down by the ABC's. Hours include the time members dedicate to a service project, a BrainMinder presentation, a safety day or bike rodeo, assisting with an Anchor Convention, or presenting a pick me up. You may also include attending a special meeting preparing for one of these activities. In addition, if you attend a community function and represent Pilot International by wearing your Pilot Shirt and/or Name Tag and promote Pilot, these hours can be included as well.

Each club should assign one person to submit the volunteer hours for all members of the club either monthly or quarterly. This will be done on the Pilot International website. The link to the survey is on the I'm a Pilot Tab under Top Club Resources. This is where the simple form should be completed. Volunteer hours should be submitted for each event for all members participating, they no longer need to be per member.

Link to reporting volunteer hours: <http://www.pilotinternational.org/im-a-pilot/volunteer-hours/>

Also please join us in attending the 2015 Pilot International Convention and Leadership Conference this July in sunny Orlando, FL! The registration form is now available on the NEW Pilot International Website!

Please be sure to contact your DAC if you have any further questions!

Mindy Morgan, KS-MO District Governor-Elect



Chaplain's Corner

"May God
Grant you always...
A sunbeam to warm you,
A moonbeam to charm you,
A sheltering Angel
So nothing can harm you.
Laughter to cheer you,
Faithful friends near you.
And whenever you pray,
Heaven to hear you."

-An Irish Blessing

Ann Appleton, ama37@twinvalley.net

District Treasurer



Club contributions postmarked no later than **February 1** for Pacesetter/250/Goal recognition at District Convention.



Promote District Spring Convention—Early Registration is March 30



March is Membership Month. Invite a friend to a meeting

I hope that all the clubs have met the deadline for the 250 club donations and Pacesetter. The 250 club donations fund the Goal for Grants and Scholarships. Many of our clubs have received grants well in excess of the amounts the clubs have donated themselves. Pacesetter is \$10 per member. The goal is to have 100% participation by clubs.



For any Appreciation gift for Governor Sue Penn from the clubs: Please send by April 10 checks made out to KS-MO District and mailed to District treasurer at PO Box 287, Great Bend, KS 67530.

Rhonda Knudson, rknudson@amfam.com

District Secretary

Make sure to say hello to our newer members!

Junction City: Karen Brough, Penny Macumber, Honey Grant; Manhattan: Rahlia Andrews-Steele; Great Bend: Violet Hiss, Sheila Hunt, Judi Swagerty, Joyce Beadles-Fry; Little Apple: Mary Philip, Brenda Schaffer, and Veronica Whalen.

If you have not had a chance to log into the PortalBuzz Membership System (<https://members.portalbuzz.com>), I highly encourage you to try it out. Make sure to take a look at your information and make corrections. Pilot International will be using this information to send out bills for each club, so we want to make sure the information in the system is as accurate as possible. As

always, if you have any questions please let me know. I certainly do not claim to be an expert on the system, but I will try to help to the extent of my knowledge. And if I don't know the answer, I probably need to learn it!

Jennifer Butler, KS-MO District Secretary

District Coordinator

Fundraising

It's Time to Review

We only have five months left in our 2014-15 Pilot year. It's time for the Fundraising chairs and their committees to be reviewing their past seven months of fundraising events. Hopefully you have already done the task, but certainly it is not too late. Here are some important areas to be looking at.

If you are on budget, congratulations for a job well done. Keep up the good work with your upcoming events this spring.

If by chance you are behind in fundraising there is plenty of time to turn it around.

Why are we behind? Several factors may come into play.

How was attendance? Better than expected, as expected or below expectations.

Why? Was it weather, promotion, location?

Did you have good club participation?

After reviewing past events that didn't meet revenue expectations make some adjustments. Sometimes a little tweak here and there can make all of the difference in the world. It's that simple, just takes a little additional planning. Good Luck with your spring events.

Mariann Jarboe, District Fundraising Coordinator

District Awards

Pilots, it's time to get your award information to me. The May convention will be here before you know it. Club Presidents should go to the District website-www.ksmodistrict.org to find awards information. Each page provides details for each particular award. The Awards Jury must receive the submissions by March 1 to be considered.



Members of the committee are Cheryl Healey, Lawrence PC and Cathy Waugh, Little Apple PC. Their emails are Cheryl.healey@gmail.com and cwaugh@gmail.com.

Send your info to me by regular mail or email (jjill6@kc.rr.com). If you have questions, call 913-451-1657 or email. We want to see what your clubs have been doing during this Pilot year.

Janice Gill, Awards Jury Chair, PC of Shawnee Mission

District Officer Nominations

This is the last call for nominations for 2015-2016 KS MO District Officers. Positions are Governor Elect, Treasurer and Secretary. If you would like to nominate someone, the form, Qualification Form for District Office, and process are listed on line. Or, the committee can contact your candidate for you and start the process. Committee members, in addition to myself listed below, are Lynn Waugh lwaugh@ksu.edu and Jean Thomas thomasjeano@cs.com.

Governor Sue Penn has encouraged nominations "From Sue's Quill" in the District Bulletin. She recently sent an e-mail blast to Club Presidents to consider club members from across the District.

The District website and current District Administrative Council members are listed on the first page of the bulletin. Any of these Pilots would be happy to share with you or your nominee their experiences as a DAC member.

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PIFF Fundraiser

Greetings fellow pilots!!

Please start planning now for our PIFF Fundraiser at District Convention, May 2-3. We are asking each club to donate an 'item' for the Silent Auction. You will be able to drop off items Saturday morning during registration. There will be bidding opportunities during the day Saturday and also on Sunday morning. 'Winners' will be announced Sunday before the completion of the session.

Don't forget to submit your scholarship applications to PIFF. Deadline for postmark to me is March 1st.

Barbara Sheffield, District PIFF Representative

Message from ECR Gwen Yarbrough

As we welcome in 2015, we begin to evaluate the things that are working well and tweak those that need improvement. Once we identify what we want to improve upon, it's important to consider the possibilities, set objectives, and begin working towards achieving these goals. The Pilot International Executive Committee and staff are constantly looking for ways to advance our organization, such as refining communications, creating resources, and increasing our membership.

Pilots, take time to check out the newly refreshed International Website www.pilotinternational.org! The website is easy to navigate and has plenty of information to help your districts and clubs stay informed. We suggest that each district and club spend time on the site and become familiar with what it has to offer. Please contact Paul Karsti, Pilot International Director of

Communications communication@pilothonline.org your news, questions, club photos/articles to be placed on the website and in the Pilot Log.

Let's continue to encourage our Pilot International Youth to "Be More." We cannot imagine our Pilot world without Anchor! Life is busy, especially for Anchors; it takes a lot of scheduling and great efficiency to get everything completed. Anchors want to give back by serving their local, regional and global communities and we're making it easier than ever before to stay actively involved with Anchor! Presenting our brand new Anchor website! www.AnchorClubIntl.org This easy-to-use site will now serve as our comprehensive, central hub for information, forms, handbooks, and other essential Anchor information. Get involved! Not sure how? Please take time to email Jack Henson, Pilot International Director of Youth Services at Pilot HQ at jack@pilothonline.org! He would love to hear your comments, questions and ideas!

Please don't forget February is the time that we began to nominate officers at the International, District, and Local levels for the 2015-2016 year. There are many qualified leaders within our organization, and it's important for each of us to encourage them. Nomination materials can be found on the Pilot International website or by contacting Bonnie Millirans, Pilot International Club Services bonnie@pilothonline.org for more information.

GIVE TO THE GOAL! February is the deadline for Pilot International Founders Fund Goal for Grants and Scholarships. By contributing \$250 to the Goal for Grants & Scholarships fund, Pilot International is able to fund numerous community projects and empower youth to attend universities around the world. Please direct your Pilot International Founders Fund inquiries to Lia Smith, lia@pilothonline.org.

Remember to "Be kind to others. Make a difference in the life of others. Volunteer."—anonymous.

International Convention

- WHAT: 2015 Pilot International Annual Convention and Leadership Conference
WHEN: July 8-11 (meeting dates)
WHERE: Swan and Dolphin Resort, Orlando, FL (<http://www.swandolphin.com>)
RATE: \$149/night plus tax and \$12/night resort fee = approx \$189 a night. Rate good 3 days prior and after Convention so you can come early or stay over and enjoy a Disney Vacation!!!
WHY: Well, in the immortal words of Mickey Mouse "Because we LOVE YOU = Shannon"

Club News

Gyp Hills

Pilots provided dictionaries for 50 third grade students as a community project. Bonnie Dafforn chaired this committee. Students were excited to each have their

own dictionary as it is so difficult to have to share classroom copies.

Junction City

Pilots made hats and scarves for elementary students with the Fall Workshop fleece. The model is the daughter of member Michelle VonHoltz.



Prairie

Prairie Pilots have had a relationship with the Wichita Ronald McDonald Houses for many years. This month we made a variety of handcrafted Valentine themed note cards for the residents. Blank cards are kept on hand at the houses so residents can thank hospital staff and others. We were especially delighted to have Emeritus member Ethel Meier (93!!) join us in making the cards. She managed to make more cards than anyone else!!! Barb Pint and Roberta Yacko are also shown having fun with this project.



Ethel Meier



Barb Pint



Roberta Yacko

Lawrence



Miscellaneous

New Year Resolutions

These are New Year resolutions from Governor Elect Joe Cunningham of the South Carolina District. Do you see a few you may like to "be resolved" to complete this year? If you do, Joe gives us permission to "borrow" them. It is not too late to start. Be the best you can be for Pilot!

- I resolve to be timely with my electronic responses and my telephone communications.
- I resolve to meet my financial obligations in a timely manner.
- I resolve to be an active participant in my home club and its business and projects.
- I resolve to be encouraging and empathetic to new Pilots to help them on their journey in Friendship and Service.
- I resolve to learn more about and encourage the growth of Anchor International.
- I resolve to exemplify our Code of Ethics in my daily interactions. It is my guide for "right conduct."
- I resolve to Do More, Care More, and Be More!

Submitted by Sue Penn, KS-MO Governor

Terms

Volunteer Hours: Hours spent in service to others in the name of Pilot

Co-Pilot: Spouse of a Pilot member

District Convention: Held annually in the spring. District business is conducted by 3 elected delegates from each club

Division: Standing Committees common across all Pilot clubs

250 Club: Goal set by Pilot International Founders Fund with funds to be used for club grants and college scholarships

Pacesetter Contribution: Clubs donate \$10 per active member with monies used to operate the Founders Fund



Do More. Care More. Be More.

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Convention Play List

PILOT the Winning Team! May 1 – 3, 2015

Ambassador Hotel & Convention Center, 1616 W. Crawford, Salina KS
785-823-1739

Room rate \$69 plus tax

Reservation must be made by March 30 or the rate goes to \$99. When you call the hotel for a reservation, be sure to mention "Pilot Convention." Hot breakfast included with room reservation.

Registration fee \$90

The registration form will be in the March Governor Bulletin.

Early Bird registration due by March 30.

Drawing for one free convention night hotel stay. April 10 is registration deadline.

What To Wear

Friday Tail Gate Party - casual.

Saturday business session – business casual, represent your team(club).

Saturday installation – cocktail/evening wear.

Sunday – business casual.

District Project – Wounded Warriors Ft. Riley

Brave men and women serve us protecting our freedoms, we can THANK them.

Donate sunscreen lotions

Donate nutritious snacks – nuts, dried fruit, beef jerky, granola bars, trail mix

Donate meal gift cards. These stores are in Manhattan - **Fast Food:** Burger King, McDonalds, Sonic, KFC, Wendy's, Taco Bell, Taco Johns, Chick-Fil-A, Pizza Hut, Domino's, Cold Stone Creamery, Subway, Jimmy Johns, Dairy Queen, Chipolte, Freddy's, Starbucks, Papa John's. **Dine-In:** Chili's, Applebee's, Texas Roadhouse, IHOP, Carlos O'Kelly's, Longhorn's, Olive Garden, Panera Bread, Houlihan's, HuHot, Old Chicago.

Donate cash. Monies are used to purchase movie and athletic event tickets, and for emergency needs of the soldiers.

Friday night May 1 Tail Gate Party 7-9pm

Meet and Greet with ECR Gwen Yarbrough and special guest Deb Hays from the Michigan/Indiana District. Have fun in the photo booth.

Make Pick Me Ups for National Nurses Week May 6-12, for your favorite nurses.

Saturday May 2 business session and installation

10-11am: Officer Training

10-noon: Registration, Photo Booth, Set Up PIFF Silent Auction

12 Noon: Luncheon, Business session, Fleece project report – each club has 3 minutes

6:30pm: Installation Banquet

Sunday May 3

8:30am: Memorial Service

Awards, Invitation to future conventions, PIFF silent auction results

Adjournment before 11am

Hotel check out 11AM – NO LATE CHECK OUT!