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Mark Your Calendar

Mon, Mar 20	6:00 Meeting at Civitan
Fri, Mar 24	12-1 Veteran's Coalition Luncheon
Sat, Mar 25	10:30-noon Share Pilot at Autism Ave.
Mon, April 3	6:00 Social at Panera's
Wed, April 12	9:30 Levy workday
April 28-30	District Convention in Hutchinson



Birthdays

Carol Hirsh.....Mar 10

Help us grow!

It's not too late to invite someone to the March 25th Share Pilot event at Autism Ave. This should be a fun event as well as a new and different way to introduce your friends, relatives, neighbors, exercise buddies, etc to Prairie Pilot Club. Attendees will have light brunch, a flower arranging demonstration, chance to do a bud vase take-home project, then learn a bit about Pilot. Space is limited but if we go over the limit, we will have a second event on April 22nd. **Call or text Lynne with names and addresses ASAP.**

KS/MO District Convention

Never gone to District Convention? Why not make this the year you give it a try!

April 28-30, 2017

Atrium Hotel and Conference Center

1400 N. Lorraine Street Hutchinson

Phone: 620-669-9311

Convention is a lot of fun and you'll get a chance to see how the district functions. You can pick up great ideas for fundraisers and projects from other clubs. Best of all you can make friends with Pilots from all over the district! All Pilots will receive a tee shirt to wear on Thursday afternoon as we participate in a Service Project for Clean the World. We are donating 36 bottles of water to the project.

At our next meeting we will select 3 delegates who will be responsible for voting on the business issues. Their \$90 registration fee will be paid. We'd love to have some first timers as delegates! Please decide by meeting time if you plan to attend. Non-delegates will need to pay for their registration on the 20th.

Congratulations, Karissa!

For 3 years Prairie Pilot sponsored Karissa Marble-Flint for a scholarship from PI. Each year she was awarded funds that helped her toward her goal of earning a PhD in Communication Sciences and Disorders. On March 9 Karissa made a public presentation of her doctoral dissertation research. Immediately after the public presentation, she joined the five professors on her Dissertation Committee for a final round of questioning. I have no doubt that she will be declared a PhD! What a joy to see the part Pilot can play in the educational plans of these incredible students like Karissa, Imran, Monica, Brooke and Hannah. Makes you proud to be a Pilot!



DISTRICT CONVENTION UPDATE

Carol Dellinger, Convention Chair Plans are rapidly moving forward for the District Convention, coming up We are moving back to the Friday Night – Sunday morning format to be able to have a more relaxed convention with fun, information and entertainment!

Our location will be the remodeled Atrium Hotel in Hutchinson. This is a central location for our district, and the convention center is perfect for our needs. The meeting rooms are spacious, easy to find, close to one another, and comfortable. The cost is affordable, and we think you will be very happy with the venue. The block of sleeping rooms are only \$70 per night – a great value in today's economy! The deadline for reservations in the KS-MO District Block is April 14:

We have entertainment, and two keynote speakers already lined up, and our Friday evening social will be a fun way to reconnect with Pilots friends from across the district! We had a sample of the food that will be served, and we think you will be very pleased!

Our Market Place will have a very new look this year. Clubs have been asked to provide two decorated shoe boxes full of surprise goodies for us to bid on ... and the fun will be to guess what is in the boxes based on how they are decorated! Our Pilot imaginations and creativity will be in full bloom!! The boxes will hold items valued from \$30-\$40 – so everyone should be able to afford to bid and possibly take home something fun from the Market Place. Remember, proceeds from the Market Place go to help fund the PIFF grants and scholarships, which are awarded each year. Our District has received many of these matching grants and scholarships over the years, so we know how important these funds are as we help in our communities.

The Convention Committee is working hard to provide a fun, affordable convention – and we know you will find it a great way to get a broader

view of the scope of Pilot, make new friends, learn new ideas about fundraising, learn from one another on serving our communities, and have a fun, relaxing time! We have been able to keep the convention registration cost to \$90 per person, which includes all meals, speakers, entertainment and the Friday night party, so we look forward to seeing each of you in Hutchinson in April!!!!

Rooms are &70 a night

Registration is \$90 per person

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Up coming International Convention Sites:

Las Vegas July 6-9, 2017

Opry Land June 27-July 1, 2018

Chicago July 3-7, 2019

Atlantic City June 24-28, 2020

Atlanta July 7-11, 2021...100th birthday of PI!!