



*November 2017 South Carolina
Governor Bulletin*

*Thanksgiving & More from
SC District*



Greetings from our 2017-2018 South Carolina District Governor Anna Nunnery



Note: Terry Jordan, SC Governor Elect has a new email - tjaynorpilot@gmail.com

To my Shinning Pilots,

Christmas is in the air. The temperatures are dropping to let us know that winter is here. Christmas sales are everywhere. I think every department store, appliance store and all malls are really trying to bring you in. Homes are getting decorated everywhere, over the state. Christmas trees are going up. I believe that a lot of people are going back to live trees. If you are one of these, real tree, be sure to take care that your tree will not dry out. I love decorating my trees and home. This is my favorite time of the year. Even though everyone will be busy we still need to remember our upcoming Leadership Workshop. It is planned for January 27, 2018 at the First Baptist Church in Aynor, SC. Registration will be going out soon. Anchor Convention is planned for February 24, 2018. I will let you know when I find out where the convention will be held. So, put these events on your calendar and plan to attend. Our Anchor Clubs and Pilot Clubs need to participate in the Anchor Advisor of the year award. This is an award that all clubs should participate in.

Pilot Clubs should submit your clubs success stories to PIHQ, to Director of Communications in December. PIHQ would love to hear from you along with pictures.

Pilot Club of Orangeburg's shoe donation will be ending the 30th of November. You still have a few days to let them know if you have any donations. They want to THANK SC PILOTS CLUB for the great response they got for the project.

Our ECR, Merrily Burns wants all clubs to let PIHQ know any information along with pictures of the wonderful and inspiring events that you are having or already had. We need to shine our bright lights for all to see. She wants us to use social media and our local newspaper to get our information out to our communities. This could be a way to bring in new members; also you can let her know if you have any questions.



I visited the Pilot Club of Walhalla and Pilot Club of Seneca this past week. They had a joint meeting. We were served a wonderful Thanksgiving meal. The tables were set with items from their personal collections. This made it very special. After the opening I was invited to speak and then we had dinner. After that they went separate ways to hold their meetings. They do this when they are visited by the Governor. It was a really good visit. It amazes me what hard workers the Pilot Clubs of SC are. They made me feel welcome. They both were discussing some of their upcoming projects along with the clubs business.

Pilot Club of Clarendon held their Annual Popporrie Bazaar on Tuesday Nov. 21, 2017. I bought 2 doz. of their famous biscuits, a coconut pie and some grape salad. All of it was really good. I see why so many stand in line to get the delicious homemade goodies that they have available to buy.

On December 5, 2017 the Pilot Club of Columbia is hosting their Annual Holiday Social and Silent Auction. It will be held from 6:00pm to 9:00pm at the Lourie Center, 1650 Park Circle, Columbia, SC. Please RSVP by Nov. 28, 2017 to Edith Cangater 803 960 2128 or Johana Harris 803 422 7564. I know that today is the 29th, but I just got notice.

On December 9, 2017 the Pilot Club of Marion is having their Tour of Historic Marion, with a luncheon and shopping. They would love to have Pilots visit for the events. Their information is in the bulletin.

Judy Langley, our PIFF Representative is still collecting Carolina/Clemson pictures along with \$10.00 for PIFF. This runs until our Leadership Workshop. She is also collecting pennies for PIFF until our District Convention.

The Evening Pilot Club of Sumter would like to announce that they will be at the Heath Pavilion at Swan Lake the first 2 Fridays and Saturday evening. They will have hot dog combos for \$5.00, Meatball Subs for \$6.00 and HOT CHOCOLATE and other drinks for \$1.00. This is one of their fund raisers. Santa will be there along with a variety of entertainment. Times are 6:00-8:00pm

The Pilot Club of Sumter is selling Tidal Wave car wash tickets for \$10.00 (a \$20.00) value. It will make a great stocking stuffer or Christmas gift. Each ticket is good for one year—January 2, 2019. You can let Sandie Edens know if you would like some. Her email is hedens@ftc-i-net

Our District Convention is April 20, 21, 22, 2018 at the Clarion Hotel at Myrtle Beach, SC. Start making your plans to go.

The PI Convention will be in Nashville, TN at the Opryland Hotel and Conference Center. This is another event we are really looking forward to. Registrations are as follows: Early \$295.00 from Jan. 29th to Feb. 28th, 2018, registration thru May is \$325.00. More info will be coming.

I have rambled enough so I will close now. Just remember that:

“PILOTS SHINE LIKE DIAMONDS GROW LIKE FLOWERS THROUGH FRIENDSHIP AND SERVICE”

Your Governor – Anna Nunnery



Thanksgiving Traditions – *South Carolina District Chaplain Vivian Linder*

Here in America, we have a long tradition of thanksgiving. It began in 1621, when the first settlers declared a day of thanksgiving in gratitude to God for His bountiful provision of the fall harvest. Then during George Washington's first year as president, he recognized a day of thanksgiving for the nation. Our current Thanksgiving holiday became official in 1863, during President Lincoln's tenure.

Looking back at our nation's focus on gratitude to God, it could be disheartening to see all the distractions of Thanksgiving Day today. Amidst the feasting, football, and early Christmas shopping, it's easy to lose sight of the original purpose for the holiday – to thank God for all His provisions and blessings. Has something happened to our sense of gratitude?

The sin of ingratitude began very early in human history in the Garden of Eden when Adam and Eve decided that what God had given them was not enough. Although He had provided a perfect environment with abundant fruit from every tree except one, Adam and Eve weren't satisfied and wanted more. When they ate from the one forbidden tree, sin entered the world and spread to all mankind.

Any time we aren't satisfied with what the Lord has given us and decide we want something outside His will, we are expressing ingratitude. Yet those of us who know Christ as Savior have so many reasons to be thankful. In fact, according to Colossians 2:7, we should be "overflowing with gratitude." Oftentimes we only think about the external blessings God has given us, such as good health, family, and physical provisions, but let's not overlook the spiritual blessings that come to us through our relationship with Christ.

A grateful heart is an expression of His indwelling presence. In fact, we can evaluate our relationship with the Lord by our degree of gratitude. If we're thankful, we won't complain about our circumstances because we're focusing on what He is doing in our lives. We'll have a humble spirit, knowing that the Lord is the source of every good thing.

Thankfulness is a choice we can make daily. If it's lacking in our lives we must decide that we want to change. If we'll start recognizing and acknowledging God's wonderful blessings and ask Him to give us a grateful heart, He will begin transforming our lives. Then as we live more and more in step with Christ, His characteristics of goodness, love, kindness, and generosity will flow through us until we're overflowing with gratitude.

Have a safe and Happy Thanksgiving.

Vivian Linder, Chaplain



Debbie is currently serving on the District Awards Jury for the SC District along with Elizabeth Kremer and Anita Kieslich.

Hello, I am Debbie Keller of the Pilot Club of Orangeburg. I have been a member of Pilot for 18 years. During this time, I have held every office in my club and currently on the District Awards Jury. I have also been a member of the District Nominating Committee on several occasions.

I have been married to my wonderful husband, Edwin for 39 years and we have a daughter, Valerie, a son-in-law Chris, and two grandchildren - Luke (5) and Abby (2). Luke and Abby are currently participating in our PIFF District Fundraiser - Clemson VS Carolina. (Please remember to cast your votes for this.)

I have been in the food brokerage business for over 40 years. Currently the name of my company is Acosta Food Service and we have four offices in the Carolinas. It is a nationwide company and our headquarters is in Orlando, FL.

When I'm not working and being involved with my Pilot Club, I enjoy reading, embroidery work, traveling and spending time with my family.



Elizabeth is currently serving on the District Awards Jury for the SC District along with Debbie Keller and Anita Kieslich.

Elizabeth was born in Sumter, SC. She is a graduate of Robert E. Lee Academy where she was a member of the Anchor Club. Elizabeth served two terms as SC District Anchor President from 1996 to 1998 and represented SC Anchors at the 75th International Pilot Convention in Nashville, TN and the 76th International Pilot Convention in Honolulu, HI. She is a graduate of Converse College with a degree in Accounting and a minor in Music. She is a classically trained pianist and also enjoys voice. Elizabeth is a CPA and spent her early career managing a CPA firm in Spartanburg, SC. In 2008, David and Elizabeth moved back to the area. She joined the Pilot Club in 2012. She has served as president-elect, president for two terms, and is in her third term as treasurer. Elizabeth is currently employed by Sonoco Products Company as Assistant Secretary and Stakeholder Engagement Coordinator. She and her husband, David Fortin, have enjoyed 11 wonderful years of marriage and have a 3 year old son, Andrew who is the light of their lives.



Anita Kieslich is currently serving on the District Awards Jury for the SC District along with Debbie Keller and Elizabeth Kremer.

Anita Kieslich is a mother, wife and grandmother. She is an educator and author with 40 + years of experience in the field of early childhood education. Today Anita offers a range of programs and services—from consulting childcare providers, to teaching at a local college and promoting her children’s books, *Friends Forever* and *Young, Old, and New: Forever Fiends* . Born and raised in Vermont and educated in Denver, Germany, Turkey, Florida and South Carolina, she was able to travel and visit all parts of the world. Her favorite pastime is ‘crafty’ and spending time with her 12 grandchildren who are scattered from the West coast to the East coast of the United States. She joined the Evening Pilot Club of Sumter in 2005 and has been active member, serving on various committees and representing the club as president and treasurer.



2017
Historic Marion Christmas
Tour of Homes,
Bazaar & Luncheon
Saturday, December 9, 2017
3pm-6pm



2 Bed & Breakfasts & 6 Private Homes
Saturday, December 9, 3pm-6pm
Home Tour Tickets ~ \$20
Luncheon ~ \$10 (12 - 2pm)
Bazaar ~ 10am - 2pm



Contact Marion Chamber of Commerce
for more information
843-423-3561

Shared by Elizabeth Jones – Pilot Club of Marion



The Pilot Club of Dillon hosted a "Share Pilot" meeting on Thursday, November 16 at the City of Dillon Fire Dept. The Pilots of Dillon catered to the community by having a paint party. 27 people attended and we introduced them to our mission. We also dispersed pamphlets to inform them of the meeting times and our projects throughout the year. Several visitors were interested in becoming a Pilot! Thanks Melissa Moody for sharing.

The Anchor Club of Walhalla High School celebrated their 50th Anniversary on Saturday, November 4, 2017. The event was held at Walhalla High School and was attended by several former Anchors and almost the entire Anchor Club. Ms. Ambrose and Mrs. Hughes, the co-chairs of the Club, hosted the event to commemorate the 50th anniversary. Please congratulate the girls of Anchor and their teacher sponsors for 50 years of service and friendship. – Mary Mann Walhalla Pilot Club Anchor Division Co-Chair

Early registration for PI convention June 27-July 1, 2018 in Nashville is January 29th thru February 28th 2018 for \$299.00 and regular registration is March 1st thru May 25th, 2018 for \$325.00.

PC of Seneca is hosting an event for Oconee Mental Health Clients and families on December 14, 2017 a Christmas Dinner. They are assisted by PC of Walhalla.

Put January 20, 2018 on your calendars. That is when the Pilot Club of Bishopville is having their annual "Dancing with the Stars" event.



The Pilot Club of Orangeburg has found out that the "SHOE DONATION" has been extended until November 30th, 2017. So if you did not get your shoe donations to them, you still have time. Ruth Way (803 536 4757) or Betty Black (803 534 6250) will be glad to pick them up if you let them know. They are glad it was extended it gives them more time to meet their goal. They are so grateful for the donations that they have already received.

Do not forget our PIFF fund raisers. You have until our Leadership workshop, in January to get your Carolina/Clemson photos to Judy Langley (803 478 7515). She is also collecting pennies until District Convention. So get in touch with Judy and let her know if you want to participate in these fund raisers.

From Dorina Ponesi – Don't forget North Myrtle Beach Pilot Club Fashion Show February 24, 2018. It will be at the Dunes Golf and Beach Club starting at 11 AM. You can come in earlier but tables will be assigned so no rush for a table. Calcutta and Silent Auction will be there along with all the wonderful door prizes. Fashions will be a knockout. Hope to see you there.

Shirley Patterson shared this upcoming event - The Evening Pilot Club of Sumter will be at the Heath Pavilion on the first two weekends in December selling our hot dog combo for \$5, meatball sub for \$6, and hot chocolate and other beverages for \$1.

