

NAPLES PILOT LIGHT



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PILOT INTERNATIONAL'S MISSION IS TO IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF LIFE IN COMMUNITIES THROUGHOUT THE WORLD.

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Pilot Club of Naples/Naples Pilot Foundation 2014-2015- Rosemarie Kirk
We have a busy year ahead of us and what could be nicer than to be recognized in our community for our volunteerism. Enjoy this award. You deserve it. I am proud to be a Pilot. Now a word of caution to each of you: One out of three persons aged 65 and older falls annually and 20% to 30% of falls result in injury. (CDC and January Journal of Safety Research) I ask for all our Pilot members and friends to be extra careful to avoid falls. I do care about each of you. We are family.



Ciclovia is February 7th from 9 AM to 1 PM at the Immokalee Community Park. Pilot Club of Naples is asked to do helmet fitting. We have helmets but we need volunteers. Florida State University – College of Medicine, University of Florida – Family Nutrition Program, Collier County Parks & Recreation and many other Immokalee agencies will host Collier County's First- ever Ciclovia – an event where a street will be closed to cars and opened to bikes, walkers and runners.

During the event, participants can enter the route at any point, there is no starting point or finish line, and are invited to participate in outdoor activities that promote a healthy lifestyle while experiencing the Immokalee Community Park to the fullest. Local agencies and vendors will be sponsoring recreational activities scattered along the route for participants to enjoy. These activities may include yoga, zumba, a rock climbing wall, tennis, community resources tables, children's activities, etc

Ciclovia is a Spanish term that means "bicycle path," also known as Open Streets in the United States. Originating in Bogotá, Colombia in 1976, Ciclovías were created in an effort to make Colombia a safer cycling city. Today, Ciclovías have been successfully taking place and gaining momentum in major cities around the country, including: Los Angeles, Miami, Atlanta, Denver, Houston, Austin, Fort Worth, San Antonio, Tampa and Fort Myers. In these cities, businesses along Ciclovía routes have enjoyed positive impacts on their business. There are now more than 100 Ciclovía events in North America each year.

Dates to Remember

Feb 5th Ribbon Cutting - Park Royal Behavioral Health Services 671 Goodlette Suite 130 at 5 PM

Feb 5th Board Meeting: at 6 – NAMI

Feb 7th Ciclovia 9 to 1 pm, Immokalee Fitting helmets.

Feb 12th Business Meeting:
2015 Diamond Volunteer Award Reception - von Liebig Art Center 5 PM (off 5th Ave. South - 585 Park Street)
Feb. 12th is the day of our regularly scheduled Business Meeting. Due to the Diamond Volunteer Award Reception, this will be our Program meeting.

March News: . . .Peggy Bretz is coming to our Buesness Meeting on **March 12th**. Peggy has assumed the duties of Lt. Governor Terry Steffey. We encourage good attendance to meet Peggy.

Community Service Hours. . .
370 volunteer hours served since our last meeting and beginning the new year.

The 2015 Diamond Volunteer Award is truly an honor. Our Pilot Club of Naples was selected this year to receive this award. Founded by Kelly E. Capolino, local real estate professional with Keating Associates in Naples, her program honors volunteers of local non-profit agencies for their efforts to improve the community and the lives of others. Three organizations are chosen each year to receive this award which includes a cocktail reception for volunteers and board members, media coverage, educational opportunities, a framed award and inclusion in the Diamond Volunteer rewards program. There are two other winners of this 2015 award. They are Pace for Girls and the Equestrian Challenge. Their receptions will be held in March. The winners are selected from the applications submitted by a panel of local business professionals. Each Pilot member is invited and will need make sure Sue Lester has you on the list if you plan to attend.

The Pilot Club of Naples **Sweetheart** will be recognized at the reception.

The Pilot Club of Naples can **Do More, Care More and Be More. In 2015 we can Do More. . .**



2015 Pilot International Annual Convention & Leadership Conference- July 8 – 12th at the Walt Disney World Swan & Dolphin in Orlando. The room rate is \$149, parking \$10 per day. Registration is \$280.

News from PI . .

Encouraging Words. . (formally known as the Prayer Board), will be sent from Pilot International Headquarters to all who are signed up to receive Constant Contact. Anyone can submit a Pilot or family member in need of encouraging words or prayer.

Caroline Fallis, District Treasurer of the Pilot Club of Quincy has returned to her duties. The members of Pilot International Florida District all helped to cover the tasks of treasurer while she was unable as the result of the illness and loss of her husband. Pilots will always cover for each other. We are all pleased that Caroline is able to return as District Treasurer. Send Caroline a note of encouragement.



Pick Me Ups

are kind acts for those who care. Pilot International has encouraged all Pilot Clubs to plan and execute a project for a teacher, care giver, an emergency responder, a public

servant, military person or even a loved one close to home to thank them for what they do. At the January meeting, a motion was passed to use the Pick Me Ups funds that we budgeted for TBI Camp Caregivers and the teachers who work with mental illness and special need kids. Further planning will take place in the future.



The January meeting was attended by 19 Pilot members and 2 guests. Guests attending the January meeting were warmly welcomed.



Carolyn Staley-Penix
There are plans for Carolyn and Mary to be initiated in the Pilot Club of Naples in March.



Mary Knapp



News from Project Lifesaver . . .



Jan. 29, 2015 Current Rescues 2,950
NEW YORK, N.Y. (January 12, 2015) – Autism Speaks, the world's leading autism science and advocacy organization, today announced that it has committed \$98,000 to [Project Lifesaver International](#) towards its efforts to provide first-responder agencies with wearable locating technology and training to protect, and when necessary, locate people with autism who are prone to the life threatening behavior of wandering. Project Lifesaver is dedicated to providing timely responses to save lives and reduce potential injury for children and adults who wander.

Project Lifesaver was the first organization to address the issue of protecting and recovering individuals with cognitive conditions who are prone to wandering and for the past 15 years has remained the gold standard.



Bring sample size shampoo, etc for Bobbi
Bring Pop tops for Marilyn Lewis.

These little projects don't take a lot of time but they work.



Let's Make It Four . . Fundraising Campaign to Sponsor the Williams Scholarship House at the University of Florida. PSHF has a fundraising campaign in progress to help fund the purchase of the new and 4th house. A Sponsor is one who donates \$99.00 or less

A Bronze Sponsor is one who donates \$100.00 - 499.00

A Silver Sponsor is one who donates \$500.00 - \$999.00

A Gold Sponsor is one who donates \$1000.00- \$4999.99

A Platinum Sponsor is one who donates \$5,000.00 or greater.

The nominating committee was appointed by President Rosemarie Kirk: Paulette Dickerson, Hazel Jaklitch, Joan Hurd, Sue Lester and Evelyn Dickerson will serve as alternate. They will meet with the task to present the 2015 slate of officers to the board and the membership. You may be called to serve. Consider it as an extension of your Pilot commitment. This will be a great year for Pilot and a good one to serve on the Board of Directors. Say yes, you will be glad you did.

The Florida District Convention date is April 10 – 12, 2015 at the Plantation in Crystal River. This is a beautiful resort atmosphere and sure to be a memorable experience for those attending. The deadline to reserve a room at \$109 is March 19th and the deadline for registration is March 26th. Registration is \$110 by mail. This is the 82nd Annual Florida District Convention and it will be a very good one to attend. Elections for 2015-2016 District and Pilot Scholarship House Foundation Officers will be held. The 2015-2016 District Budget will be adopted. There will be workshops and a “First Timers Reception” as well as Marketplace. The Plantation is a unique Florida experience. Governor Nancy says, “You might consider coming early or staying late to truly enjoy all that the area has to offer. The hotel will honor the room rate 3 days prior and 3 days after convention. There were days when our club had 11 members attend District. This is a great way to understand the “bigger picture” of Pilot.

Our Featured Pilot for February



Ruth Fralick, loyal member since 1973. Yes! That is 42 years. She served as President 1979-80 and 2008-09, as well as serving in other positions and committees on the board. Ruthie has brought many people to the meetings and responsible for new members. For 10 years, she has been in charge of the T-shirts for our 5K Run/Brain Power Walk. Famous David of Alpha-Media is her son. He has attended every 5K doing our professional video. Ruth is appreciated for all she has done for Pilot. We love her and proud she is a Pilot.



No February Birthdays

February Wedding Anniversaries

11th - Rosemarie & Rick



Membership Anniversary

2008 - Mary Mooney

2008 – Mary Tierney

Invite someone to our next meeting. They may need something special in their life. Share the Pilot fun with someone. You never know until you ask.



Do you remember **Becky Jarrell**? Communication with Becky indicates that she is seriously interested in returning to the Pilot Club of Naples membership. This is great news and we welcome her with open arms.

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Pilot Club of Naples partners with Safe Kids and we are proud of it. Safe Kids Day is Saturday, April 18th at Gulf Coast Town Center. This is a major event. We will be fitting helmets at this event and you will be needed to volunteer.

The Pilot Club of Naples sends a statement of support and partnership with National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI). The 13th Annual Hope Shines Walk is Saturday, March 21st at 8:30 AM in Cambier Park.



Grand Marshall is Krista Fogelson, local celebrity anchor of ABC-7. There is always food, fun and festivities. Our Pilot Club members have enjoyed this event as volunteers and with our booth to promote the Pilot Club of Naples in the community. Make a note of the date.

www.PilotClubofNaples.org is our web site . . .it is getting better and we appreciate your patience. To submit an item for the web site or and article for the newsletter, send to: Sue Lester at LES1612@aol.com

www.pilotflorida.org
www.PilotInternational.org

Concerns:

Ruth Fralick
 The Wynn Family on the loss of Ann

Please send in your concerns. They will appear in the next issue.



Just for your information:
Anchor Convention is Saturday, March 7th. Anchor is growing and a very important part of the Pilot family.

Blessings to all Sue Lester – Newsletter Editor