

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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Priceless!

Board Meeting August 7th 6 PM at the NAMI office on Tamiami Trail.

Business Meeting August 14th 6 PM at Perkins on Pine Ridge Road

Dates to Remember

August 12th Pilot Club of Ft. Myers 60th Anniversary -6 PM- Whiskey Creek CC

August 14th Health Care network Health Fair at Golden Gate Community Center. Helmet fitting and BrainMinders.

August 14th - Baby Shower for Nicole during the Business Meeting.

August 26th Primary Election - Adopt A Precinct Pole Workers 6 AM to 8:30 PM

August 30th Pilot 5K Run/Brain Power Walk and Kid's Run at Lowdermilk Park. All members are needed at 6:30 AM until 9 AM. Bring a smile.

September 23 - 6 PM FGCU Pilot Scholarship House Shower- \$10 lunch RSVP is necessary.

September 27 - Tri-Lingual Academic Summit. Helmet fitting.

The **Pilot International Convention** in Chicago was filled with fun and friends. There was an outstanding session on Grants that provided some very helpful information. It was presented by Virginia Bunde, Florida Past Governor.

Deb Hays posted the following on Facebook:



Deb Hays

Home. It's the place where, when you have to go there, they have to take you in. Robert Frost said that. I love a lot of the poetry he wrote, but I've always thought that was a truly depressing and inaccurate description of home. To me, home is the place where they know you the best. It's the place where you can be yourself, where you know you will be accepted and understood. When I say I'm coming home, I normally mean I am going to the house I live in with my husband, the place where we raised our kids. I feel safe there, I feel loved; I

know it's where I belong. But I also say I'm coming home when I go to my parents' house. It is the house I grew up in, the house I left to go to school, to go to college, to marry my husband. My childhood and my best memories of it are there.

Last week, I had the chance to once again experience the feeling of coming home. I spent the week at a Pilot International convention in Chicago. I slept in a hotel bed, and ate in restaurants all week. I was there with about 600 people, some who were long time friends, some who were acquaintances, and some that I met at the convention for the first time. Nonetheless, I had the overwhelming feeling of coming home. Pilots are from 4 different countries, and different parts of the US. Some are men, some are women, some speak English, some speak Japanese, some drawl, some speak with a Long Island accent. Yet, they came, spending a week away from their jobs and their families, to learn how to do a better job of doing service in their communities. And together, we worked, we played, and we gave. All to make our communities and the lives of the people in them better. Pilots are hard-working, they are generous, and they are the most compassionate people I have ever known. And when I am with them, working, playing, giving, it's like coming home. (*Deb is 2013-2014 PI Director and served as the Auctioneer for the Special Auction of the Day.*)



Florida District Officers and Anchor District Officers in Chicago.

National Night Out. Cpl. James Klewicki of the Collier County Sheriff's Office contacted us to let us know about their next event and see if we would be available to fit and give away helmets. **October 7, at the Golden Gate Community Center from 5 PM to 8 PM is the National Night Out.** We need our Pilot members to volunteer for this.

Katie Dunwiddie is the Events Coordinator for **Fit2Run** in Estero and Naples. Fit2Run is a family owned running specialty store specializing in bringing the community together and supporting quality community events. They are interested in potential opportunities on how Fit2Run can further support our August 30th 5K Run and possibly even be a sponsor.

Collier County Schools is having the **First Annual Tri-Lingual Academic Summit** on Saturday, September 27th at 8:30 AM and would like the Pilot Club of Naples to do BrainMinders and fit helmets for the event. The Annual Summit is directed toward Title 1 parents, and includes topics on special education, health awareness/safety and academic achievement. They are looking for knowledgeable providers who can give parents beneficial information and resources. Word is getting out that Pilot has something to offer. We are not the "best little secret in Naples any more". So, now we need to step up to the plate and commit to these dates with volunteers and enthusiasm if we want to be a part of these events.

WISHING ALL FLORIDA PILOT'S A HAPPY AND SAFE AUGUST



I am thrilled and honored to be serving as your ECR this year. I am delighted to be working with Governor Nancy Bierema and the entire Florida District leadership team! Chicago was a memorable convention, and thank you for supporting Pilot International, as we gathered together celebrating what makes Pilot unique. Now a new Pilot year has begun and as we continue to make a difference in our communities, President Sherry

has identified important and key areas for the organization. She explained that this will be a year of visionary transformation, building upon our programs' initiatives introduced previously, while continuing to create new programs for much success this year within Pilot.

As this year progresses, I look forward to hearing the wonderful success stories for your District. Membership is a key focus area this year, and what better way to showcase our mission than through our service projects that we put into action in our communities. President Sherry challenged us all to invite potential new members to participate with us as we provide service to our communities whether through a service project, or even as we present Pick Me Ups in our communities. Your District leadership was trained in Chicago on many aspects of strengthening our organization. Their input and leadership is vital for success for Pilot International this year. As they lead your District, I encourage you to embrace the information they bring, accept the changes and challenges, and always stay focused on the true meaning of why we joined Pilot!

Throughout the course of this year, there will be many opportunities for you, as club members, to participate in webinars on many different areas within Pilot. All of the presentations will be showcased such that we continue to keep you the member apprised and up-to-date with the culture that we live and work in every day. There will be basic webinars informing and educating the membership of the specific programs within Pilot.

Please know that I am looking forward to serving your District, and feel free to contact me if I can assist in any way.

Connie Moore

Heatstroke in Cars

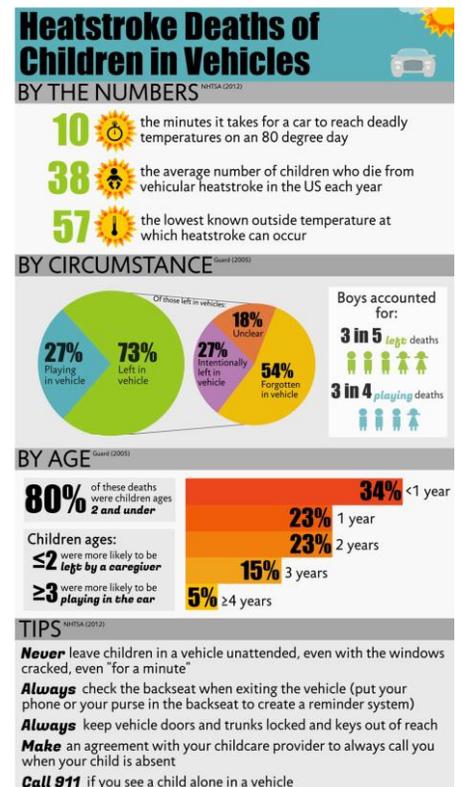
Vehicles heat up very quickly, and that heat can be fatal to young children. Children are at a higher risk than adults of dying from heatstroke in a vehicle because their bodies heat up three to five times faster than adults' (NHTSA). Children who are too young to communicate or open car doors are

at particularly high risk from heatstroke in a vehicle (NHTSA). It is never safe to leave a child or children alone in a vehicle. It only takes 10 minutes for a car to reach deadly temperatures on an 80 degree day, and even less time for heatstroke to begin. Never leave children in a vehicle unattended.

Child Passenger Safety Week is September 14-20, our Pilot Club Could distribute posters provided by Children's Safety Network or Safe Kids.

It only takes 10 minutes for a car to reach deadly temperatures on an 80 degree day, and even less time for heatstroke to begin. Never leave children in a vehicle unattended.

38 minutes is the average number of children who die from vehicular heatstroke in the US each year. 57 degrees is the lowest known outside temperature at which heatstroke can occur. 27% of the circumstances by playing and 73% are forgotten or intentionally left. Never leave children in a vehicle unattended.



Keep your brain young by lending a hand. People who volunteer are less likely to mentally slow down as they age, according to new research. Feeling that your life has purpose boosts immune function and blood vessel heard protecting the brain!

News in the Pilot Club of Naples. . . We have a new baby girl on the way. . . **Nicole Cucuzza** and her husband Joseph are going to have a baby girl. This is their second child and she is working full time at BNY Mellon Bank in Naples. They live in Cape Coral and we are proud she is a Pilot. It is time for a PINK BABY SHOWER! We can all claim this precious girl as our new Grandbaby. Now that is a lot of grandmothers! The Pilot Club of Naples is so proud she is a member of our club. They are registered at Target. Come join the fun on August 14th.



Nicole



Our Precinct at the Orange Blossom Library Headquarters is the location where Pilots Mary Ellen Koy, Sue Lester and her husband, Don Lester, Marilyn Lewis and Paulette Dickerson worked in the name of Pilot Club of Naples from 6 AM to 8:00 PM for the US Congressional District 19th Election. This is a community service project with a bonus as a fund raiser. If you are able (Collier County resident) and willing, the team needs you. There are two more dates that we will be working.

FL Gubernatorial Primary: August 26th

FL Gubernatorial General: November 4th

It is fun with a purpose. The more Pilot members we have working, the more money we make. The more Pilots we have working, the more fun we have too. In June, there were 99,900 registered voters: 2/3 in Lee, 1/3 in Collier. 22,000 ballots were mailed and 11,000 returned. 30% turnout was expected.



Bring sample size shampoo, etc for Bobbi
Bring Pop tops for Pat.
Don't forget your secret pal.

But we can protect them from severe injuries



The summer edition of the Pilot Log came by e-mail. The Pilot Club of Naples appears on page 28 and 36 and 37. One never knows it what we send will be used. This is a good issue.

Encouragement is the oxygen of the soul.

George M. Adams

Concerns:

- Ruth Fralick
- Ruth Fralick's son
- Katy Doolan
- Margaret Harootunian
- Nicole Cucuzza
- Evelyn Dickerson
- Elyse DePiro
- Terri and John DeBaun
- Mary Ellen Koy

Submit an item for the newsletter.
It will be more interesting if you
contribute your news.



The Southern Scholarship Foundation works with Pilot International Florida District in maintaining the three Pilot Scholarship Houses. This is a Florida project. There is no other Pilot district throughout International that has a Scholarship House project. This should make every Florida District Pilot very proud. The houses are on the campus of Florida Gulf Coast, Florida State and the University of Florida. Want to learn more: go to the Florida District website: www.pilotflorida.org.

The Pilot GK Scholarship House on FGCU is hosting a shower on Tuesday, September 23rd. Box lunch is \$10 and you must order. Forms will be available at the August and September meetings. We are asked to bring items the girls can use in this fresh new year. Let's plan to go and show the girls our support.

...there are persons who seem to have overcome obstacles and by character and perseverance to have risen to the top.

But we have no record of the numbers of able persons who fall by the wayside, persons who, with enough encouragement and opportunity, might make great contributions.

-Mary Barnett Gilson

August Birthdays

August 9th – Joan K, O'Toole

August 16th – Elyse DePiro

August 20th – Hazel Jakfitch



August Wedding Anniversary

11th – Nicole & Joe Cucuzza



Membership Anniversaries

1987 – Marilyn Lewis 27 years!

PI Convention & Leadership Conference in Chicago was held at the Sheraton Chicago Hotel & Towers. Marilyn Lewis was our delegate and Mary Ellen Koy was alternate.

www.PilotClubofNaples.org is our web site and a project in the works. If you are interested in helping with this project, contact Sue Lester at LES1612@aol.com

Pick Me Ups are Kind Acts for Those Who Care – Created by Pilot and Anchor International for family caregivers worldwide. Show a caregiver you care. Take time to care and be kind! International Care & Kindness

Week is in November. During this special week, Pilots and Anchors are urged to engage in numerous activities to emphasize and encourage kindness, caring and general good will to all! We do not need to wait until November; we can share kindness and Pick Me Ups all year. You can work on your own in the name of Pilot or bring your ideas to the membership so we can all work together.

Project Lifesaver: Current Rescues as of July 3, 2014 . . . 2,853.

<http://pilot.mybigcommerce.com>

Is the new official online store for Pilot items. I took the time to check it out and noticed that it is still in the process of becoming a good source to purchase Pilot pins, etc. The merchandise will be on display at the 2014 Convention.



Pilot Club of Naples/Naples Pilot Foundation, Inc. 5K Run/Brain Power Walk and Kid's Run is this month. . .Our time is very short to finish all the details. We have some new sponsors. There will be some new things and it will be a memorable event for both the Pilot members and the participants. The Gulf Coast Runners have really done a great job promoting this event in their newsletter and on their super web site www.GCRunner.org The new trophies and medals will arrive next week.

Something new: the addition of our new Gold sponsor Trek Bicycle Store. They will bring bikes for display.

Another new sponsor is Coca-Cola. They will provide Powerade and juices.

Trader Joe's will provide their gift bag of treats again this year. We can make good use of this. In addition to the gift bag, they will provide bananas.

Whole Foods will provide apples and water. They will have people in veggie costumes to advertise Whole Foods.

Chick-fil-A will provide Chicken Biscuits.

Dunkin' Donuts – Coffee & Donuts.

Hilton will provide gift certificates.

Shula's will provide gift certificates.

Conditioned Air is a Gold Sponsor again this year.

David Fralick has a golf cart and will be filming the event again. Make sure you look happy when he comes around.

Presstige Printing is a Green Sponsor again this year.

Arthrex will again be our Premier Sponsor. We will display the Arthrex banner with pride and they are working on an ad for the Pilot Light.

There are many more sponsors that are on this list. Some were mentioned at the meeting, but we need the Sponsor Form or the

checks. It is important for us all to get our sponsorships committed for Ruth to communicate with T-Shirt Express with the complete list. It is a big job, you can make it easier for her.

We need all hands on deck! This is our "signature fundraising event". But even more important, this is our chance to shine as the Pilot Club of Naples. Be at Lowdermilk Park by 6:30 AM. It is really early, but we will be completely finished by 9. Please smile. If there is anything that you think is "not right", don't let anyone else know about it except a Pilot that can fix it. Everything we say and do reflects on the Pilot Club of Naples. Smile at everyone. Thank them for supporting Pilot. This is a first class event and we have every reason to be proud of it and being a Pilot. We need to hang the Pilot banner and use our tablecloths with the runners. We should have a display of brochures and even a Prospective Member form or two if we need it. It is always good to have the BrainMinders puppets and a few helmets.



Let's try to make sure we take the traditional group photo. The best time to do this is right after the runners leave and before they return to cross the finish line. It is difficult to line us all up, so please know this is what we need to do. Thank you for your helpfulness with this.

This is a good time to say thank you for everything you did to make this a great event. You are all appreciated. Enjoy the 5K.