



# NAPLES PILOT LIGHT



THE PILOT CLUB OF NAPLES & NAPLES PILOT FOUNDATION, INC., P.O. BOX 8674, NAPLES, FL 34101-8674 May 2020

"Pilot International's mission is to influence positive change in communities throughout the world. To do this, we come together in friendship and service, focusing on encouraging brain safety and health and supporting those who care for others."

[FL District vision: to serve by furthering Pilot International's humanitarian efforts through charitable, educational & research programs](#)



## Pilot Scholarship House Foundation Inc.

The Anchor Club of Cape Coral High School is meeting using ZOOM. They are planning a Thank You Drive By Parade to thank the Cape Coral Police Department on **May 22nd**. The time will be determined. Anyone who wants to join the parade of decorated cars with signs and balloons will circle around the HQ honking and waving and deliver Anchor signature Krispy Kreme Donuts. May 1st, President of the Cape Coral Anchor Club celebrated his Birthday creatively at home. Happy Quarantine Birthday!

Mike Nelson, Teddy Plaisted and Sue Lester loaded up the bikes ordered from Walmart for the Gresham Kite Pilot Scholarship House. The Pilot Scholarship House Foundation, Inc. board of directors voted to provide each of the four houses items from their wish lists. On the list of the GKP house was bikes with locks and lights. The few residents who were home were surprised. They unloaded the bikes and Mike gave a brief "session" on care for the bikes and rider safety. During the quarantine, these bikes will be enjoyed during the last few weeks before the house is closed for the summer.



*May Dates*

May Board Meeting **Cancelled**

May Membership Meeting **Cancelled**

May  Culver's Share Night **Cancelled**

June 24-27 International **TBD**

**Pilot Club of Naples Executive Board**

President – Sue Lester  
 Vice Pres. – Paulette Dickerson  
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### Florida District Pilot International

**Leadership Team 2019-2020**

Governor – Diane Kingree  
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 Secretary – Ann Freeman  
 Treas. Charlotte Edenfield  
 North Lt. Gov. - - Gail Hill  
 N. C Lt. Gov – Missy Ridgway  
 So. Lt. Gov. – Barbara Keck  
 S. C. Lt. Gov – Jonda Erwin  
 ECR – Nickola Dawkins, Nassau, Bahamas

Message From ECR Nicki Dawkins

Good morning/afternoon Florida District of Pilot International! Welcome to your District "Convention". I had already planned the gifts that I was bringing to the convention and then Covid 19 appeared! This pandemic has taken us off course as an Organization, however Pilots are resilient and this too shall pass! I know that space on the Zoom call is limited so I have asked Governor Diana to allow me to extend my best wishes to you and to welcome you to your meeting. Fortunately, for Pilots, Zoom and Skype have allowed us to continue with some of our business from Convention so I wish you well with this effort. The true mark of a man, or woman, is the fact that they can stay motivated to service above self. And, here you are, doing the business of Pilot while you could be mobilized with fear. Great job! I wish you a successful meeting, God's blessings for the close of this Pilot year and hope that the incoming team will be able to perform in your district in the emerging new normal. Have a great meeting, stay safe and indoors! Your ECR & Friend, Nicki



The mission of Pilot Scholarship House Foundation. PSHF was established in 192 by the Florida District of Pilot International. Currently there are four scholarship houses at three universities across the state—Florida State University, the University of Florida and Florida Gulf Coast University. 77 students are assisted annually through university housing scholarships. In cooperation with Southern Scholarship House Foundation, PSHF saves each student over \$13,000 per year. The collective savings of students helped through PSHF total over \$1 million every year. Future PSHF plans include a fifth scholarship house (for 17 students) at Florida Gulf Coast University that is projected to open in 2022. The Strive for Five Campaign is underway to raise funds for that house. More information: [www.pshffl.org](http://www.pshffl.org)

Do more than belong:  
participate.  
Do more than care:  
help.  
Do more than believe:  
practice.  
Do more than be fair:  
be kind.  
Do more than forgive:  
forget.  
Do more than dream:  
work.

*William Arthur Ward*

**From Election Office on Adopt-a-Precinct** A Special Shoutout to our Volunteers! The Adopt-a-Precinct program is a public/ private partnership that benefits both the Supervisor of Elections office and our community. Boy Scout Troop 25 Boy Scout Troop 255 Boy Scout Troop 2001 Conservancy of SWFL Delta Sigma Theta - Collier Alumnae Chapter Friends of Rookery Bay Genealogical Society of Collier County Golden Gate Estates Area Civic Association Indiana University Alumni - SWFL Kiwanis Club of Marco Island Kiwanis Club of Naples Knights of Columbus - Ave Maria Knights of Columbus - Everglades Knights of Columbus - St. Agnes Knights of Columbus - St. William League of Women Voters - Collier County Chapter Marco Island Sunrise Rotary Club Naples Jewish Congregation Naples North Rotary Club Naples Pelican Bay Rotary North Naples United Methodist Women Rotary Club of Naples Bay St. Paul's Episcopal Church of Naples SCORE Sons of the American Revolution St. Monica's Episcopal Church **The Pilot Club of Naples** Women's Council of Realtors Thanks for all you do!



Culver's Share Nights are held once each month at the Immokalee Road location. The March event was cancelled due to the Covid-19 virus. The April and May dates will also be cancelled. Hopefully, June will be on. Please watch for the updated information. Pilot members love Culver's and appreciate their generous support of the Pilot Club of Naples.

**We are a group that has a focus of Friendship and Service.** It is difficult if we are quarantined and not functioning. I am sad that we are unable to be together the way we are accustomed . I worry about the well being of each one of you, that you will be safe and healthy through these uncertain times. It is written that "faith moves mountains". We need the warmth and happy feeling that our mountains will begin to move. Another quote of William Penn: "Patience and diligence, like faith, move mountains." I sincerely hope that you are looking forward to the future of our Pilot Club when we will be inspired with all the possibilities of what we can do together. We say *Do More, Care More and Be More*. I will add that "*we Plan More* for the days ahead. Sue

I expect to pas through life but once. If therefore, there be any kindness I can show, or any good thing I can do to any fellow being, let me do it now, and not defer or neglect it, as I shall not pass this way again. *William Penn*

## Club Treasurer submits checks to PI, District & PSHF

### DUES ARE DUE by June 1<sup>st</sup>.

WHAT DO DUES DO from Pilot International. . . .

Annual membership dues paid to PI connect to the global volunteer networking to help people in communities and elsewhere. Annual \$60 membership dues help the PI organization:

**Provide** easy-to-use member resources (both offline and online) to make club members' volunteer lives more enriching and even more successful – Ex: website downloads; templates; branding, material; webinars; club manuals.

**Assist** with minimal administrative costs at PI Headquarters in Macon, GA. Ex: club and member services; youth leadership and volunteer development management; database maintenance; program development; communications; donor program maintenance

**Develop** new methods and gain industry knowledge to position Pilot successfully among other community service groups in the non-profit universe.

**Provide** a quarterly magazine containing latest Pilot/Club/District/International news; plus district and international communication to keep members informed.

**Stage** memorable, fun-filled social and volunteer training events at Club, District and International levels where members can network with other Pilot volunteers to make lifelong friends in service to others.

**Provide** many (and varied) opportunities for members to contribute to worthy causes.

**Assist** U.S. and international affiliations with high-profile organizations like CARE, Freedoms Foundation, Zambezi Schoolbook, Project, Military Mama Network, Project Lifesaver, Loved Twice, Brain Injury Association, Dana Alliance for Brain Initiatives, American Heart Association, Alzheimer's Association, National Organization on Disability among others.

### Pilot International, District and Club Dues

#### \$ 60. Annual Pilot International Dues

- 6. Annual Liability Insurance for each member
- 5. Annual Pilot Scholarship House for each member
- 25. Annual Pilot District Dues
- 10. Annual Club Dues

**\$116 Total Annual Dues . . . .**

( \$25 One time only for new member initiation fee)

Dear Fellow Pilot,

Per Pilot International Bylaws, Pilot International dues will be paid annually to Headquarters by July 1. Current dues are \$60. Members residing in the US are also required to pay an annual insurance fee, which is currently \$6.

While we cannot change the due date, the Executive Committee does not wish to lose dedicated Pilots because of financial hardships brought on by the economic impact of COVID-19. We cannot waive Pilot International dues, as they form a significant part of our operating budget. But we can wait a bit, to allow our members time to save the funds to pay their dues. The Executive Committee has voted to provide all members with a one-time grace period this year (2020-2021) for payment of Pilot International dues. Current Pilot International members will be allowed to pay their Pilot International dues of \$60 (and insurance, if applicable) until October 15, 2020, without loss of membership status or benefits.

We hope that this will give our members who wish to remain Pilots, but are struggling financially, the time necessary to save up the money to pay this year's dues and continue their Pilot membership as we all work toward better times to come.

In Pilot Friendship and Service,

Debbie Hays, 2019—20 President



The last word: dues are due but we have an extension.

You need to be aware of what others are doing, applaud their efforts, acknowledge their successes, and encourage them in their pursuits. When we all help one another, everybody wins. *Jim Stovall*



Giving to Pilot International's Founders Fund helps to support the ABC initiatives of



**Pilot International Founders Fund** was established to support the community-based work of Pilot Clubs by helping to underwrite Club service in the areas of Preparing Youth for Service, Encouraging Brain Safety & Health, and Supporting Those who Care for Others. Through the Pilot International Founders Fund, Pilot International and its local Pilot Clubs improve the lives of others through education, volunteerism, financial support and research.

## Pilot International



We are waiting to hear about the Pilot International Convention in June. It will be held in Atlantic City, NJ and is the 99th year celebration. The Covid-19 Crisis may affect the plan. So watch for the information in the future.

The Pilot 2021 In-



ternational will be in for the Convention Atlanta, GA 100th year!



**We need YOU for the August election Adopt A Precinct Pilot Team. .**



### From PI President, Debbie Hays

Dear Florida Pilots, Welcome to the Florida District Zoom Meetup! While I truly hate the fact that you cannot gather together in person at a District Convention this year, I want to applaud Governor Diana and the Florida DEC for their diligence, creativity, and technological expertise in making this event happen. It is a great opportunity for Pilots from around the District to come together to celebrate our fundamental principles of friendship and service. While you can't be together in the same room, it is certainly heartening to be able to see one another, hear each other's voices, and span the distances between us with Pilot Friendship. Your district leadership has worked very hard to plan this event, and I join you in applauding them for their efforts. Thank you for being here. Because of the cancellation of our District Conventions, the business of the Districts will be done a bit differently this year. Your officers will be installed differently this year. Fall Council will be busier, and this meeting will be much shorter than the time you had planned to spend together this weekend. But, as our 99-year history shows, Pilots are adaptable, Pilots are resilient, and Pilot International will endure. Many of your clubs are meeting by Zoom or teleconference, finding innovative and fun ways to adapt your fundraisers to these challenging times, and doing Pick Me Ups to lift the spirits of those who sorely need a bright spot in long and difficult days. Thank you and keep up the good work. Please post photos of your innovations and hard work on Facebook so that others may appreciate and learn from your experiences. In closing, it is my hope that you have a wonderful time at this meeting. I hope it provides you inspiration, allows your passion for Pilot to grow, and reminds you of what the essence of Pilot is. Be assured that this time will pass and because of the dedication and spirit of Pilots like you, Pilot International will continue to our 100th Anniversary and beyond in Friendship and Service. Thank you for all you do in the name of Pilot International!

In Pilot Friendship and Service,  
Debbie Hays, 2019-2020 Pilot International President

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#### Concerns:

Larry Rubin  
Bessie Brown's Sister Myrtle  
Nicole Rennie  
Hazel Jaklitch  
Ruth Fralick  
Kathy Hickey and her Mother

#### May Birthdays

12th—Paulette Dickerson  
19th—Arthea Brimmer  
19th—Teddy Plaisted  
29th—Leigh Anne Page

#### May Membership Anniversaries

1988 - Margaret Harootunian 32 years!  
1976 - Hazel Jaklitch 44 years!