



**PILOT LIGHT—Pilot Club of Naples
Naples Pilot Foundation, Inc. In the Florida District**

Happy New Year

Pilot International President Peggy Benton



THE PILOT CLUB OF NAPLES & NAPLES PILOT FOUNDATION, INC., P.O. BOX 8674, NAPLES, FL 34101-8674 January 2021

"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

Santa came for Pictures with Santa in Cape Coral

Anchor Club of Cape Coral



Photo With Santa Kathy Hickey, Joan Hurd, Santa, Sue Lester and Leigh Anne Page (all members of the Pilot Club of Naples with Kathy Hickey and Leigh Anne Page Anchor Advisors) were on had to experience another successful event of the Anchor Club of Cape Coral High School. "Photo with Santa" held on December 9th was beautifully organized with all the appointments completely scheduled from 3 to 8 PM at the Lake Kennedy Center in Cape Coral. Anchors were the elves with cookies, music and helping Santa with his gift for each child made it a memorable project provided by the Anchor Club of Cape Coral.

A note from Sue Best wishes to all who read our humble newsletter. It is possibly the only connection that we have during these challenging months. With all our traditions and calendared plans, who ever would have imagined that we would see 2021 this way. The health situation is very serious and I pray that you are diligent to take care of yourselves and each other. We do not want to have any of you taking a risk to meet in person. But we need to be in touch to maintain our Pilot Club of Naples with the 62 years of history and a positive future ahead. Looking back on 2020, we held it together the best we could without going in the red. We have an amazing membership of committed men and women. The Anchors have been an inspiration. The Scholarship house residents are a joy. There is so much we can do if we are creative. Call to check on another member today, then call me to share it. This is a time to: Do more, Care More and Be More.

January Dates

Board Meeting
To be announced

Membership Meeting
To be announced.

Culver's Share Night
Canceled until next year.

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President Owen Foster Hickey with the Caroling Anchors had fun making people in the neighborhood smile during the holidays.

President
Cape Coral High School
Anchor Club
Owen Foster Hickey



The Anchor Club's "Nothing Bundt Cakes" Fundraiser was the best opportunity to share joy of the holiday. I delivered and shipped these really good cakes to friends and family. Not sure I ever received so many positive responses to anything before. Even my nephew sent me a message that he wanted to order several because they were extra special. We hope there will be another fundraiser very soon.

Pilot Club of Naples

Executive Board

- President – Sue Lester
- Vice Pres. –Michael Nelson
- Treasurer – Paulette Dickerson
- Secretary – Teddy Plaisted
- Past Pres-Dir.- Joan Hurd
- Director—Larry Rubin
- Director—Ruth Fralick

Florida District

Pilot International

2020-21 Leadership Team

- Governor – Beverly Shean
- Gov Elect-Charlotte Edenfield
- Secretary – Ann Freeman
- Treasurer- Melissa Ridgway
- Lt. Governor—Barbara Keck
Sharon Nooney
- ECR– Holly Baker



“Santa Claus came to Collier!”

Santa and his reindeer were creative this year with Covid-19 restrictions for the parade. Instead of his float moving through the streets, his float was stationary and the children and families moved. The Pilot Club of Naples is proud of his kind efforts in Collier County to meet with as many children as possible before Christmas.



As Santa travelled through Collier County, he stopped at the houses of special needs families with toys, gifts and stuffed animals. In fact, 450 stuffed animals were given. Some of them were HUGE!



At any age, there is nothing like a bike for Christmas. 24 bikes were given to those who really needed one.



Our special Santa, (Pilot member Mike Nelson) traveled to Everglades City and kept social distancing on a swamp buggy as he took time with each child.

All totaled in December, Santa
 delighted
 2,100 children,
 gave away
 450 stuffed
 animals
 18 Christmas trees
 24 bikes
 14 special meals





Project Lifesaver This program provides funding to law enforcement and other public safety agencies to implement locative technologies that track missing individuals, and it provides funding to such agencies and partnering nonprofit organizations to develop or operate programs to prevent wandering, increase vulnerable individuals' safety, and facilitate rescues.

**Pilot Scholarship House Foundation, Inc.
2020-2021 Board**



Ann Moreau, Julie Thompson Mary Jane McMillen, President Barbara McKenzie, Sue Lester, Connie Jones, Delores Spooner and DEC Representative Charlotte Edenfield. Nancy Bierema—not shown

“Happy happy New Year. I hope you are doing good! Just a few updates as of right now. We will be having 16 girls this semester, 2 new residents.

School starts January 11th and everyone should be moved in by then. Looking forward to new adventures and good grades”

*Love,
GFP Ambassador, A'zhane Faulknor, Fl. Gulf Coast U*

The target opening date for the new house is 2022. We committed to sponsoring and furnishing this house for \$160,000. As of December, we have received just over \$70,000. We have about 15 months to raise \$90,000.

Visit the website, www.pshffl.org, for information including Board member information, house information and nomination information for 2021-2022. If you have any questions, contact a board member.

Thank you for supporting Pilot Scholarship Foundation and our 77 residents.

Fall Council 2020 photos just arrived!



This may be old news but it is worth seeing! Pilots do know how to respond to the request to follow the theme at Fall Council. Attending is a memorable experience This is one of those pictures: You had to be there! The costumes were extraordinary.

Pilot International Plans are underway for the 2021 celebration of the 100 Anniversary of Pilot International in Atlanta on July 7—10. This will be HUGE. With the Covid-19 issues, it may look different but we have been waiting for this one for a long long time. Hopefully, the Pilot Club of Naples will have several members attending. . . . Think about it. Traveling together is fun. . . Just ask Joan about the long journey to Canada for the Pilot International Convention. It is more than a convention.



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



Pilot: Anchors Youth Leadership Development Brain Safety & Fitness and Caring for Families in need.

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.

There has not been a single response to this:

Asking for volunteers for the Adopt A Road project. You can do this with "social distancing" and it doesn't take long if we have a team of 3 or 4 people. Our strip of "road" is on Goodlette just South of Golden Gate Parkway. Call Sue to let her know if you are interested.

We need to take care of this or we will lose the sign on Goodlette. You can be the first to answer the call.

"Protecting Your Brain for Life"



Our Anchor Club has a plan for the puppet presentation program. Watch for great things to happen in 2021. Everything they do is outstanding. This may be a refreshing for us to

see their "twist" on the existing program with the Wise Old Owl and friends.



Time for us to honor our 2021 Pilot Club Ambassadors.

First time ever! We have two.

The Committee to select the Annual Pilot Club of Naples Ambassador (Sweetheart) has made their decision. Pilot International has received the donation and the result will appear in the Pilot Log. Now it is time For us to celebrate these two outstanding Pilot members.



Leigh Anne Page
Literacy Educator CCHS
Anchor Club & Teen Trendsetter Advisor

AND



Bessie Brown
Retired school Administrator & Asst. School Superintendent.
Transferred her Pilot membership from Macon, GA. Initiated 2009 and served as Pilot Secretary, Projects Chair, President Elect, President and GA District Secretary.

Culver's on Immokalee Road is open for in house dining and drive thru. Share Nights are still on hold until further notice. We are anxious to get back on the Share Night schedule. The creamy custard and butter burgers are as good as can be. Stop in to say "HI" to Jack and his team; Nigel, Brenda and the crew.



January Birthday: Sue Lester
Membership Anniversary:
1981 Bobbi Grimm 40th YEAR!



During this Covid-19 Pandemic, we send our thoughts and prayers to all of our members and their families to be safe and be careful. Please let us know if you have a concern to add.

Information is available on our websites:
www.pilotinternational.org
www.pilotflorida.org
www.PilotClubofNaples.org

*A call for help with our website updates and facebook page. Please contact Sue Lester.