



THE DECK CHATTER

PILOT CLUB OF TALLAHASSEE, INC.

"FRIENDSHIP AND SERVICE "... SINCE 1935

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"BE A PILOT SPARK"

President's Corner



The sparks are flying-Pilot sparks, that is!

The Club Operations Division has been starting fires. We have gained three new members since July 1-Stacy, Linda, and Wilma-and we hope to have more after our Fifth Monday Social on September 29th to which many prospective members have been invited. Be sure to give Agatha the names and addresses of anyone you want to invite. Agatha is also ready to order our club t-shirts as soon as she gets our sizes and we should have them before Fall Council.

The Projects Division has been starting fires. Bridget delivered breakfast foods to the Scholarship House the week before classes began. A Brainminders presentation was given September 6 at the Walk in the Park at Southwood, and another is scheduled for Bikefest 2003 in Madison on October 18th. We have purchased stickers to put on the coloring books to let parents know how to contact us. Dene' has also followed up with the contacts given to us by our July speaker Pat Pieratte from the Department of Transportation with regard to getting a statewide grant for bike helmets for the Florida District, and she will be reporting her progress to us. Dene' and Bea have been attending the planning meetings for the Alzheimer Caregiver Walk on November 2nd to benefit the Alzheimer Resource Center and the Alzheimer's Project of Tallahassee, and will be giving us an update of our participation as a cosponsor. We will be following up with our August speaker Lauchlin Waldoch, Esq. on suggestions she has for financial sponsorship for both the walk and for the Alzheimer's Seminar to be held in February. Dene' and other members assigned to specific Anchor Clubs are contacting them about helping with the walk. The award they received for Anchor Club with the

greatest increase in membership will be presented to the Leon High club as soon as it can be scheduled.

The Fund Raising Division has been starting fires. Orders for pecans are being taken from Pilots and customers, and the pecans will be shipped to us as soon as this year's crop is available.

Pilots, you have accepted the challenge to become spark plugs and start fires for Pilot, and I and all the members of the Board thank you for your enthusiasm and participation.

Jane

Pilot Club of Tallahassee
Business & Program Meeting
September 15, 2003

AGENDA

Call to Order Jane Furlong, President
Invocation Opal Free
Pledge Charlotte Edenfield
Cares & Concerns
Roll Call (Quorum)

Minutes: Dene' Dixon
Treasurer's Report: Lucretia Thomas
Secretary's Report: Dene' Dixon

President-Elect's Report:
Bridget Dervish-Gonzalez

Communications Not Requiring Action:
Dene' Dixon

Summary of Executive Board Actions:
Dene' Dixon

Reports of Division Activity:
Club Operations - Agatha Muse-Salters
Fund Raising - LaKecia Watson
Projects/Youth - Dene' Dixon

Reports of Special Committees

Unfinished Business

New Business

Recommendations from Board Requiring Action

Announcements
Adjournment

MARK YOUR CALENDARS



Executive Board

September 22, 2003 @ 6:00 P.M.

Jane Furlong's Board Room

Deck Chatter Deadline

September 22, 2003

Submit to Agatha Muse-Salters

5th Monday Social

September 29, 2003 @ 6:00 P.M.

Cameron at Woodcrest Clubhouse
275 John Knox Road

Next Business Meeting

October 6, 2003

Ryans Steakhouse

Founder's Day Picnic & Observation

October 18, 2003 @ 1:00 P.M.

Bridget & Oscar Gonzalez's Home

Florida District Fall Council

October 31 - November 2, 2003

Ramada Inn North

PROGRAM MEETING

Please submit all recommendations and/or suggestions for program meetings to Bridget Dervish-Gonzalez @ 907-9519 or email at gonzo126@earthlink.net.

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Meeting Dates & Times: 1st & 3rd
Monday of each month (11:30 A.M.)
Ryan's Steakhouse, Mahan Drive

Focus: Brain related disorders & Brain Safety; Youth Projects; & Pilot Scholarship Houses

BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

July 21, 2003

President Jane Furlong called the meeting to order at 11:48 a.m. at Ryan's Family Steak House on Mahan Drive, Tallahassee, Florida. A quorum was present.

The invocation was given by Opal Free and the pledge was lead by Charlotte Edenfield. President Jane Furlong asked Secretary Dene' Dixon to read the minutes of the previous meetings. The minutes were approved as printed. Treasurer Lucretia Thomas, with assistance of President-Elect Bridget Dervish-Gonzalez, provided the treasurer's report. The report was filed for audit.

President-Elect Bridget Dervish-Gonzalez stated that she was working on the Club Yearbook as part of her officer report. Secretary Dene' Dixon summarized a letter from a former member, Nancy Palmer under communications not requiring action. She then read a summary of Executive Board actions:

1. The Board recommends the 2002-2003 Budget be amended to reflect a \$10.75 expenditure for a yellow rose to the family of Mable Walters.
2. The Board recommends ratification of reinvestment of the Certificate of Deposit.
3. The Board recommends that the plans of work for the Projects and Youth Division, the Club Operations Division, and the Fund Raising Division be approved by the Club as presented by the respective Division coordinators.
4. The Board recommends that the budget as presented by Treasurer Lucretia Thomas be approved as presented.
5. The Board recommends that the following dates be incorporated into the 2003-2004 Club meeting schedule and be approved as presented: Combine the September 1 business meeting and September 15 program meeting on September 15, 2003; Substitute October 18 Founder's Day Family Picnic for October 20, 2003 program meeting; Substitute Scholarship House Luncheon for January 19, 2004 program meeting; and cancel the May 31, 2004 fifth Monday meeting.

No activity reports were given by the new Division coordinators for Club Operations, Fundraising and Projects and Youth. No report was given by any special committee. President Jane Furlong stated there was no unfinished business to come before the Club.

President Jane Furlong then proceed to the recommendations from the Executive Board requiring action. Charlotte Edenfield moved to accept the Board recommendation regarding amending the 2002-2003 Budget to reflect a \$10.75 expenditure. The motion was seconded and passed. Charlotte Edenfield moved to accept the Board's recommendation to ratify the reinvestment of the Certificate of Deposit. The motion was seconded and passed.

Dene' Dixon provided the Projects and Youth Plan of Work and moved its adoption based on the Board's recommendation. The motion passed. Agatha Muse-Salters provided the Plan of Work for Club Operations and moved its adoption. The motion passed. LaKecia Watson gave the Plan of Work for Fundraising and moved its adoption. The motion passed. Treasurer Lucretia Thomas provided the overview of the 2003-2004 budget, and Agatha Muse-Salters moved its adoption based on the

Board's recommendation. The motion was seconded and passed. Secretary Dene' Dixon read the changes to the Club's regular meeting schedule. Charlotte Edenfield moved the adoption of the changes; it was seconded and passed.

President Furlong stated there was no other new business to come before the Club. She provided highlights regarding the PI Convention in Reno, Nevada and stated a full report would be provided later in the Deck Chatter. Charlotte Edenfield announced that the District's Executive Council Representative will be Pilot International First Vice President Cindy Weaver from Georgia.

President Furlong announced the next Business meeting will be August 4, 2003 and the Executive Board will not meet.

The business meeting was adjourned at 12:51 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Dene' Dixon
Secretary

BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

August 4, 2003

President Jane Furlong called the meeting to order at 11:48 a.m. at Ryan's Family Steak House on Mahan Drive, Tallahassee, Florida. A quorum was present.

The invocation was given by Opal Free and the pledge was lead by Charlotte Edenfield. President Jane Furlong asked Secretary Dene' Dixon to read the minutes of the previous meetings. The minutes were approved as corrected. Treasurer Lucretia Thomas provided the treasurer's report. The report was filed for audit. President-Elect Bridget Dervish-Gonzalez stated that she would have the Club Yearbook at the next meeting. Secretary Dene' Dixon stated there were no communications not requiring action.

President Jane Furlong called for reports from the divisions. Agatha Must-Salters announced the fifth Monday social on September 29, 2003 for Club Operations. She asked that Pilots provide her names by September 15, 2003 for the social. She also discussed the Pilot polo shirts, logo and color to be ready for Fall Council. She will bring a few polos and the logo to the next business meeting for Club's review. Dene' Dixon announced a Family Fun Day on September 6, 2003 at Southwood for Projects and Youth Division. She asked for participation from Pilots to put on the BrainMinders puppet shows and will provide a sign up sheet on August 18, 2003 for interested members. LaKecia Watson reminded Pilots it was time to think about selling pecans as part of the Fundraising Division; she passed out a sign up sheet with last year's pecan information for members to review and provide input.

President Jane Furlong stated there was no unfinished business or new business to come before the Club. President Jane Furlong asked for announcements and reminded members of the next combined business/program meeting on September 15, 2003 and selecting of a PIF sweetheart. Charlotte Edenfield announced that she had spoken to former Nancy Palmer over the weekend; Dene' Dixon stated that the District's

Executive Committee Representative (ECR) First Vice President Cindy Weaver will be attending Fall Council in Tallahassee. Agatha Must-Salters announced that her daughter, Valencia, had graduated from FAMU. President Jane Furlong announced the recipient of the "Spark Plug" award, Dene' Dixon. President Furlong provided some highlights regarding the PI Convention in Reno, Nevada in addition to the report in the Deck Chatter. Charlotte Edenfield gave her recollection of the PRISM workshop that she attended as well as changes to PI By-Laws at PI Convention.

The business meeting was adjourned at 12:51 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Dene' Dixon
Secretary

PROGRAM MEETING MINUTES

August 18, 2003

President Jane Furlong called the meeting to order at 11:50 a.m. at Ryan's Family Steakhouse.

Chaplain Opal Free provided the invocation and Charlotte Edenfield led the pledge.

President Jane Furlong introduced the guest speaker, Lauchlin Waldoch from the Waldoch law firm. Ms. Waldoch provided the Club an overview of eligibility for Medicaid and long term care issues for the elderly. Ms. Waldoch said that every person should have a Power of Attorney with the new HEPPA language and a Health Care Surrogate in the event of becoming incapacitated. In order to be eligible for Medicaid, there are five tests that must be met: 1) an individual must be over 65 years old, blind or disabled; 2) Medicaid is the payor of last resort, other resources must be exhausted first; 3) the individual must need medical care; 4) a financial income test of no more than \$1656.00 per month and; 5) an asset test of no more than \$2000.00. She also explained the hospitalization and skilled care periods associated with Medicaid. She stated her office would be happy to answer any questions and it is imperative to find an attorney that is familiar with elder care law when contemplating these issues.

President Jane Furlong thanked Ms. Waldoch and made the following announcements:

- ▶ the Tallahassee Ballet is honoring Agatha Muse-Salters for her volunteer contributions on August 28, 2003 at 6:00 p.m. and all Pilot members will receive an invitation; the Executive Board meeting will be held on August 25, 2003 at 6:00 p.m.; and
- ▶ the combined Business/Program meeting will be held on September 15, 2003 and a PIF sweetheart will be selected at that meeting.

Dene' Dixon reminded Pilots that the fifth Monday social will be September 29, 2003 and asked that Pilots please provide their invitee's to Agatha Muse-Salters by September 15, 2003. She also asked members to help come up with new financial resources for the Caregiver Crusade by the next meeting on September 4, 2003.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Dene' Dixon
Secretary

PILOT TRIVIA



SEPTEMBER TRIVIA QUESTION ANSWER
QUESTION:

PI has had 76 Presidents in our history (28 are living today). How many PI Presidents (give names) have we had that were from Florida?

ANSWER: There were seven (7).
1939-40 May Pynchon (Jacksonville, FL)
1940 Ruby Newhall (Gainesville, FL)
1955-56 Edith McBride Cameron (Gainesville, FL)
1968-69 Marie Newton Sepia (Jacksonville, FL)
1973-74 Mary Ruth Hauser (Coral Gables, FL)
1978-79 Marian Yerkes (Winter Haven, FL)
1999-00 Diana Kingree (Citrus County, FL)

OCTOBER TRIVIA QUESTION

QUESTION: How many Florida District PI Presidents have PI Scholarships named in their memory. Give the names.

HINT: Math to help with the number (1 + 1 & 4/2)

NOTE: (Look for the answer in October Edition of the Deck Chatter.)



The Sparkler Award this time goes to Dene' Dixon. Not only has she undertaken to do two important jobs this year, those of secretary and of Projects Division Coordinator, she started even before the year began by volunteering to revise our club bylaws so that we would not be getting in our own way as we pursued our goals for this year. In the last few months, she has been primarily responsible for recruiting two new members, Stacy and Wilma. She has offered her assistance everywhere—with the yearbook, with securing a speaker who has provided valuable information that we think we can use to further our Brainminders project, and she has already done extensive work on pursuing these leads. And last but not least, she has been a good friend and a source of valuable advice to all of us, especially to me. I have felt supported, encouraged and inspired by all that she has done.

EVERYTHING YOU WANTED TO KNOW ABOUT PILOT BUT WERE AFRAID TO ASK CORNER



Pilot Club International (now referred to as "Pilot International") was chartered on October 1921 in Macon, Georgia.

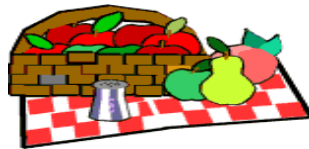
Pilot Principles: Friendship & Service

Motto: "True Course Ever"

Colors: Green (life & vigor)
Gold (sincerity of purpose)

Emblem: A river boat pilots' wheel with eight spokes.

RECIPE CORNER



Black Bean Dip

By Linda Skoglund

1 small can black bean dip (Frito Lay) found by the chip section
8oz sour cream
½ package taco seasoning
tomato, lettuce, blacks olives cheese, (shredded sharp)

I use a tin brownie pan. cover with bean dip. Combine sour cream and taco seasoning and cover beans. Cover with lettuce, tomatoes, sliced black olives and then sprinkle with cheese. Put in the refrigerator. Serve with chips.

Note: For weight watchers fat free sour cream and cheese is just as good.

THOUGHT FOR A MOMENT

Imagination was given to us to compensate for what we are not; a sense of humor was given to us to console us for what we are.

-- Mark McGinnis

IN HONOR & MEMORY OF 9-11



WHAT IT MEANS TO BE AN AMERICAN

TO BELIEVE in the promise of a better tomorrow and stand united in our efforts to give a peaceful nation to our children

TO HONOR each other's differences and cherish the richness of our history, even as it continues to unfold from sea to shining sea

TO LOVE DEEPLY our friends and family, day by day, and never take for granted the privilege of calling our selves American

