



The Deck Chatter

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March 20, 2006

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Northwest Regional Training in Milton	April 8 th
Health Kids Day at the YMCA (for those not involved in the training)-Claire is contact	April 8 th
Project Lifesaver training	April 19 th
District Convention April 21 in Jacksonville	April 21 st
Adjournment	



President's Corner

by Lucretia Thomas

SPRING IS IN THE AIR, can you believe it's time for the Northwest District training session again?

Remember that date, this session, while important to up coming officers is also a day of fun and a time to get some good general membership knowledge.

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Important Dates

Mar 30 th	Pilot Social @ AmSouth on Centerville, 6pm	April 10 th	Board Meeting @ AmSouth on Centerville 6pm
April 8 th	NW Regional Training @ Milton, Florida	April 17 th	Regular Monthly Meeting @ Ale House, 6pm
April 8 th	Health Kids Day @ YMCA	April 19 th	Project Lifesaver Training @ St. Pauls

April 21-23 District Convention in Jacksonville!!!

About the Club

Lucretia Thomas	President
Yvonne Hale	President Elect
Cathy Jones	Vice President
Pam Manley	Secretary, Editor
LaTanya White Petway	Treasurer
Bridget Gonzalez	Director
Dot McCaskill	Director
Linda Summerlin	Director

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Meetings each 3rd Monday at 6:00 p.m.

Our focus is on brain related disorders, brain safety, youth projects and Pilot scholarship houses.

President's Corner continued...

It's always nice to meet the other Pilots in our district and get to know them. Details of this meeting will be discussed at the March 20th meeting.

April 21 is the State District Convention in Jacksonville and it's an important one for our the Northwest District. Governor Agatha will be going out of office and Governor-elect Judy Finch from Panama City will be coming in. The Northwest District really shines.

There are several issues to be decided on at this convention and your chapter representatives will go over these at our next business meeting on April 17th before convention.

Convention information is here, see me if you want a registration form or just more general information.

Our next meeting will be a meeting to honor Opal Free, if we can get her here. Anyone who has any interesting stories, photos or information about Opal that would like to pass this on to the Board, we'd appreciate the information. Opal has been a long time member of Pilot and for health reasons has been unable to attend this past year.

Remember 4th quarter dues are due, see LaTayna for payment.

Minutes

February 20, 2006

Meeting called to order @ 6:06pm. Those in attendance were: Yvonne Hale, Carol Wolfe, Jane Parker, Bridget Gonzalez, Dot McCaskill, Dora Thomas, Linda Puckett, Myra Blanchard, LaTanya White Petway, Cathy Jones, Valenica Salters-Jenkins, Camy McGriff, Claire Mikko, Lucretia Thomas, Pam Manley, Jane Furlong

Carol Wolfe presented the Invocation.

Lisa Raleigh from the State Attorney's Office gave the presentation *Consumer Law and You*. She is an FSU Honors Graduate, Board Member and Secretary for FIRE, and Volunteer for Kate Sullivan Elementary as well as being very involved in her church.

For more information on consumer topics, log onto Attorney General's website to register for reduction in junk snail mail.

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The minutes were reviewed. LaTanya White Petway moved to accept minutes as corrected as mentioned. Seconded and approved.

Treasurer's Report given by LaTanya White Petway. Treasurer's Report filed for audit.

President-Elect Report

Remember that the District Convention is April 21-23 in Jacksonville, FL. On April 8th, we have District Training in Milton, FL.

Fundraising Committee Report

\$3680.00 made in pecans this year. We have 20 bags of halves left.

Princess House Fundraiser
Tentatively set for March 26th.

Training at Jane's House

Video, history, Pilot website were discussed with a light supper.

Projects & Youth

Invitations to Anchor club have been sent out again. There seems to be trouble in gaining response from the high school sponsors. The suggestion was made to send a stern letter to the sponsor and carbon copy the Principal. Bridget and Claire will come up with a committee response to this issue.

Helmets

There will be another function where we can distribute them. The YMCA is coming up with a kids event and Claire will report back on that. BrainMinder booklets and packets are available to the YMCA as well. Possibly event is on April 8th.

Project Lifesaver Update

39 bracelets are in place. 9 – 15 people on waiting list. There has been increased involvement in families who would not otherwise come in contact with service agencies.

October 7th is the date for our Poker Run.

Old Business – None

Nominating Committee

Jane Furlong moved that we accept the slate of officers as represented:

President – Yvonne Hale
President-Elect – Bea Mizell
Vice President – Cathy Jones
Treasurer – LaTanya White Petway
Secretary – Claire Mikko
2005-2008 Director – Linda Summerlin
2006-2007 Director – Lucretia Thomas (Immediate Past President)
2006-2009 Director – Valencia Salters-Jenkins

Bridget moved that Bea Mizell to be our Director for the Scholarship House Foundation. Seconded and approved.

Pilot International Foundation Grant has been approved for Project LifeSaver!!! The club has one year to complete the project, they want report on use of funds, invoices, etc. If funds are not

used, then balance must go back to fund. Press release pending....

Board has recommended that we turn March 20th meeting into Strategic Planning meeting and have reports ready. Moved by Carol Wolfe and seconded and approved. Yvonne noted that be thinking of next year when making these reports. Linda Summerlin also noted that if you have a fundraising idea, please bring in your complete proposal – from beginning to finish.

Supper Meeting – March 13th – Moved by Linda Summerlin to start at 7:00pm. Seconded and approved. The Board meeting will be at 5:30pm on that night.

I love Pilot Award given to Claire Mikko for her service with Project LifeSaver, Anchors and helmets.

Nametags

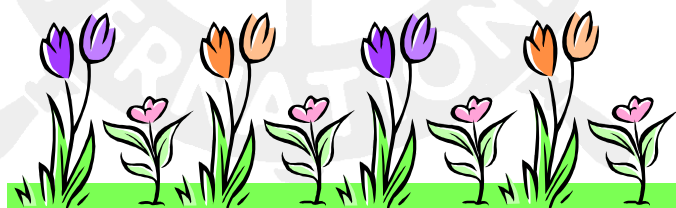
Anyone who wants a magnetic name pin or needs one, email Lucretia and she will get with LaTanya to order. Secretary will send email to everyone in club. Claire's former club used to charge \$1 for each person who forgot their name tag.

Meeting adjourned at 8:11pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Pam Manley
Secretary

Club Operations Report

We will hold a Pilot Social on March 30th at the AmSouth Bank at the corner of Centerville Road and Capital Circle NE beginning at 6:00. Last month Jane Furlong hosted a Training event for members at her home. Several members, especially some newer ones, were able to attend and learn more about Pilot's history and where it is going. Thanks to Jane for letting us invade her home, and for all the hard work she put into preparing the program. Last month there was a Pilot Supperclub at Longhorn Steakhouse, and just this past week another one was held at Mori's. These give us another opportunity to learn about each other and thanks to Bea and Lucretia for organizing these 2 events. Plenty more to come! This month we will hold our Strategic Planning Session, so there is no scheduled speaker. Bea Mizell will facilitate for us.



March is Brain Injury Awareness Month

March 13-19 is Brain Awareness Week

Sponsored by the Dana Alliance for Brain Initiatives, Brain Awareness Week is an international effort uniting hospitals, schools, government agencies, and community groups to expand interest in the brain and to provide information about advances in brain research and neurological diseases affecting more than 150 million men, women and children.

Pilot's focus on helping people affected by brain-related disorders was adopted in 1992. Since then, approximately 25,00 adult and youth members of Pilot International have been working together to increase awareness and raise funds for programs associated with this focus.

Each year in the United States, approximately 1.4 million persons sustain a traumatic brain injury (TBI); of these persons, approximately 50,000 die, 235,000 are hospitalized, and 1.1 million are treated and released from emergency departments. In addition, according to a 1999 report, an estimated 5.3 million persons in the US have a long-term or lifelong need for help in performing activities of daily living as a result of TBI. *MMWR Weekly*, March 3, 2006/55(08);201