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Message from our President



Anchors are an important part of our organization and we are honored to sponsor 3 clubs here in Tallahassee with 155 members and have the current Anchor Coordinator and Assistant Coordinator. The Florida District chartered its most recent club Friday January 31st taking our district to 27 clubs with 972 members.

Anchor provides youth the opportunity to #giveback through organized community service projects. March 6th - 8th the Florida District will host Anchor Convention in Kissimmee, FL and during convention they will conduct the business of the district including voting on amendments and electing their board. If you have never had an opportunity to attend Anchor Convention, I would highly recommend it. The passion and excitement is contagious and will inspire you.

Mallory



Important Days in February

Valentine's Day
Presidents' Day
Martin Luther King Day



FUTURE EVENTS

February 8 - Alzheimer's Conference
February 10 - Club Meeting
February 15 - Honor Flight Chili Cook-Off
February 20 - Harley Davidson Fundraiser
March 7-8 - Anchor Convention
March 9 - Club Meeting

Pilot Birthdays

Kim - February 12

Pilot Anniversaries

Mallory - Seven Years



Pilot International

Pilot International Nominations - Thinking about running for a Pilot International (PI) office? Now is the time to send in your nomination package. The Bylaws Article XXVI, informs you on what you need to do. Article XXV of the PI Bylaws details the job descriptions and requirements for each office.

The PI Bylaws may be found on the PI website, www.pilotinternational.org in the “Top Member Resources” information.

Claire Wells (claire@pilothonq.org) can help you if you have any questions.



Pilot International Founders Fund(PIFF)

Scholarships - It's time to let our Anchors and Scholarship House residents know about the scholarships available from Pilot International (PI). Scholarships available are:

Pilot International Scholarship - Undergraduate students may receive up to \$1,500

BrainInjury Association of American Partnership Scholarship - Caregivers and Direct Care Staff up to \$250 per person

Becky Burrows Memorial Scholarship - Graduate and undergraduate students may receive up to \$1,000

Marie Newton Sepia Memorial Scholarship - Master's and

Doctoral students may receive up to \$1,000

Ruby Newhall Memorial Scholarship (International Students Only) - Master's and Doctoral students may receive up to \$1,500

Bob King Co-Pilot Memorial Scholarship - Graduating High Schools seniors and undergraduates may receive up to \$1,500

KC Anchor Scholarship - Graduating High School seniors and undergraduates may receive up to \$2,500

Anchor Achievement Scholarship - High School seniors (Active Anchor Club participants) may receive up to \$1,000

All scholarship applications, except the Brain Injury Association of America, must be received by Pilot International no later than March 15. The Brain Injury Association of America is an ongoing scholarship.

SAVE THE DATE
February 8, 2020

Alzheimer's PROJECT

35th Annual Alzheimer's Disease Education & Training Conference

8:00am-3:00pm
FSU College of Medicine

FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY
COLLEGE OF MEDICINE

FREE On-site Respite Care Available
REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED
FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT STEPHANIE POLLACK
BY EMAIL AT STEPHANIE@ALZHEIMERSPROJECT.ORG OR
CALL (850) 386-2778



Mark your calendars. We will be volunteering at the Alzheimer's Disease Education and Training Conference on February 8, 2020. While there, we will work registration, talk Pilot, provide/serve

the continental breakfast and have the opportunity to address the attendees about how our club started the conference 35 years ago and what we do for the Alzheimer's Project and our community.

And getting up early in the morning to help us with the continental breakfast will be several of the residents from the LaVerne Weddle Pilot Scholarship House. We are fortunate that they assist us every year at this event.



Pilot Scholarship House Foundation

The Pilot Scholarship House Foundation (PSHF) The Pilot Scholarship House Foundation, Inc. (PSHF) is a 501(c)(3) non-profit corporation organized in 1962 to provide scholarship opportunities for students attending college in Florida. For 56 years, PSHF has partnered with Southern Scholarship Foundation, Inc. (SSF) to provide cooperative-living scholarship housing for young men & women. PSHF currently sponsors four scholarship houses. A house at Florida Gulf Coast University, a house at Florida State University and two houses at University of Florida provide rent-free housing for 77 young men and women. The housing scholarship saves each student over \$13,000 per year in room and board.

In July the Pilot Scholarship House Foundation Board, approved a fundraising campaign to raise \$160,000 to sponsor and furnish the Malthouse Pilot House at Florida Gulf Coast University. This will be the second scholarship house at the university and will also be a girl's house. Mr. Malthouse generously donated funds to SSF for the building of two houses. Pilot's sponsorship of a second house at FGCU allows SSF to grant scholarships to more young women.

We hope you will consider supporting the Malthouse Pilot House. The Strive for 5 campaign begins today and donations are being accepted. Thank you for those gifts already received. As the scholarship house graduates will attest, the SSF scholarship program is more than a scholarship. It's an education for life.

~ Reprinted from the PSHF webpage



Florida District

Time to register for the Florida District Anchor Convention, March 7-8 at the Wyndham Celebration Resort in Kissimmee - same place as before, just a new name. This year's theme is "Anchors on Broadway." At convention, each District officer nominees will give a two minute speech to the Anchor body; the Anchor delegates will be voting for the 2020-2021 executive board; vote on

proposed Standing Rules changes and the proposed budget; parade of club posters; there will be a guest speaker, Mr. Dustin Gray, Assistant Principal, Pace High School; four workshops for all Anchors (Delegates, Club Management, Kahoot and Ten Minute Service Projects) along with a workshop for the Advisors and Chaperones; President's Friendship Luncheon; Installation of new officers; Installation banquet; lip sync contest; a dance at the end of Saturday night; Sunday Memorial Service; Anchor awards; name badge exchange; recaps of conventions and meetings held this year; and the State of the Florida Anchor District. It will be a busy but fun weekend. If you haven't been to an Anchor Convention, you should try to attend. They are so full of energy and it becomes contagious. Mallory, Claire and Charlotte will be attending along with several other Pilots.



Florida District Anchor Executive Board



Member Spotlight, Yvonne Salfinger

When did you join the Pilot Club of Tallahassee and why did you join? I joined the Pilot Club of Orange Park in 1996 when a friend asked if I would like to join. Her mom had Alzheimer's and I was just realizing what a devastating disease this is to the patient and family. She had a week notice to go and pick up her mom from New York after a call from her uncle to let her know there was a problem. Neither she nor any of her friend's knew about the disease at that time. I enjoyed the friendship and service the club did and when I moved to Tallahassee, joined our club after I was here for a while. I stayed a member while in Denver since we still had our house and family in Florida and I was able to call in and support the club's website. Being a member in Denver would have meant driving in the snow which I pretty much managed to avoid since we lived downtown with plenty of transportation options on those bad days. I enjoy the friendship in our club and all we do to support the Tallahassee community.

Where are you originally from and where have you lived other than Tallahassee? My dad was in the Air Force so we moved all over the place. I was born in Charleston, South Carolina and then lived in Germany, Portland Oregon, Boulder Colorado, San Antonio Texas, Tampa Florida, East Meadow New York, Marietta Georgia, Ft. Walton Beach Florida, Hendersonville Tennessee, Jacksonville Florida, Tallahassee, and Denver Colorado (6.5 years!), before heading back to Tallahassee. I lived in Florida the most.

What do you do for work? I am a microbiologist, working for the State of Florida for 30 years, retiring in 2012 from the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services as the Bureau Chief/Laboratory Director for the Food Safety Laboratory. I worked at the Florida Public Health Laboratory in Jacksonville for 20 years before moving to Tallahassee, mostly working with tuberculosis. Since then, I have been a consultant for the Association of Food and Drug Officials and the Association of Public Health Laboratories working on laboratory accreditation and a curriculum framework for laboratory staff. I get to visit laboratories to help them with their accreditation, which is the fun part of my current job.

Tell us something about your family. My husband, Max, is from Switzerland and is also a microbiologist and expert in TB diagnosis. He has 3 kids (Barbara, Karin, and Stefan) and 8 grandchildren (David, Seline, Alina, Sophie, Anna, Simea, Timon, and Eleana), but none of the grandchildren speak English so hard to talk with them. The youngest is Eleana, a <1 year old baby girl. Max is a professor at the University of South Florida, College of Public Health in Tampa, but since his classes are all distance learning classes, he is able to come back to Tallahassee quite frequently and work at home. My mom, who is living with us now in Tallahassee is from Trier, Germany and we were able to take her there last summer-she had not been back for at least 20 years. We lived in Germany when I was a kid, and German was my first language since my mom didn't know English. One day I walked in the house after playing at the playground with friends on the Air Force Base where we lived and declared I was not speaking German anymore. My mom had to learn English quick! My dad, who passed away in 2018, was from a farm near Ottenheim, Kentucky, originally founded by Swiss and German immigrants. My great-grandfathers were German on my grandfather's side and Swiss on my grandmother's side. It is a little "town" about 40 miles south of Lexington. My husband Max and I own the last 10 acres of the original 100+ acres and still go to visit relatives still in the area in their original homes. Now there are many Amish in the area, so frequently you see buggies out on the roads which is kind of peaceful. Not too far away is Pleasant Hill, a former Shaker village, where we usually stay overnight. My brother, Kenny, lives in Wisconsin and my sister, Michelle, lives in Hawaii. Sometimes I go to visit her in winter-Kenny, not so much!

What do you do for fun (leisure time)? I love to read mysteries, especially those where the murder takes place in the coffee shop, bakery, book shop, or knitting store. I also like working in the yard, so looking forward to spring!

What's the best vacation you ever had? I have been lucky to travel a lot in my life. But for vacation, my favorite is going to visit the Grand Tetons and Yellowstone in Wyoming, with lots of wildlife and mountains to see. One time we went in April, and had the whole park to ourselves. Although, when we lived in Denver, we went frequently up to Estes Park for a staycation and went to the Rocky Mountain National Park. They are most beautiful in the winter, and we enjoyed being up there even if it snowed a foot of snow every night. Kind of cold, but just learned to dress warm. But I do like the beach, and that is my favorite place to be now that we are back in Florida.



Pilot Club
of Tallahassee

Club Happenings



Maclay Anchor Club Meeting



Essay writers at Conley Elementary School



Anchors and Pilots at the Alzheimer's Project Forget-Me-Not Walk



Working at the Honor Flight Car Show