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Happy Holidays

The end of the year is a time of year for remembrance. We take stock of where we came from, and have a moment to think about where we are going, as we pursue the future with hope.

May your new year be all that you hope for, and may it be

sprinkled with love and friendship.



VOLUNTEERS
Make a world of difference!



“At the end of the day it’s not about what you have or even what you’ve accomplished... it’s about who you’ve lifted up, who you’ve made better. It’s about what you’ve given back.”

~ Denzel Washington

FUTURE EVENTS

December 9 - Club Christmas Party at Carol’s with Gail Hill (North Region Lt. Governor) attending

January 13 - Club Meeting

January 18 - Yard Sale

January 25 - Children’s Day

February 8 - Alzheimer’s Conference

February 20 - Harley Davidson Fundraiser

Pilot Birthdays

Mabel - December 13
Claire - December 22

Looking for something to do in Tallahassee?

Dec 1 - Santa's 6th Annual All You Can Eat Pizza Party, \$12, Dave's Pizza Garage, starts at noon

Dec 3 - Whoville Wonderland - A Giving Christmas, 6-9 p.m., Railroad Square Craft House

Dec 5 - Ugly Christmas Sweater Party, benefiting St. Jude's, 6:00 p.m., Railroad Square Craft House

Dec 6 - Camellia Christmas, 5-8 p.m., Maclay Gardens

Dec 14 - Christmas Arts & Crafts in the Park, 8:30 a.m. on, Dorothy B. Owen Park

Dec 14 - Wreaths Across America, 11:30 a.m., Tallahassee National Cemetery

Dec 15 - Holiday Concert, 3:00 p.m., Ruby Diamond Auditorium

Dec 23 - Yule make your own Buche , 6-8 p.m., KitchenAble Cooking School

Pilot International



Pilot International is proud of its new signature safety helmet project to place safety helmets on the heads of as many youth as possible.

Approximately 40% of all bicycle-related deaths are due to head injuries; $\frac{3}{4}$ of all bicycle-related head injuries occur among children ages 14 and under; and many children are simply unable to protect their heads while bike riding because they don't have access to quality, affordable safety helmets.

The volunteer service clubs of Pilot International already focus on brain health and safety awareness through the signature BrainMinders™ curriculum. The new safety helmet project expands this effort by making quality safety helmets, in a variety of colors and sizes, available at a bulk discount price to Pilot Clubs across the U.S. In addition, Pilot International will offer a Helmet Matching Grant to its clubs, to facilitate the placement of free helmets with as many youth as possible.

~Reprinted from PI website

And while we were at Fall Council, Annette and Claire took the opportunity to be trained in helmet fitting . And we were able to take our helmet home with us.





Pilot Scholarship House Foundation

How can you help support the Pilot Scholarship House Foundation (PSHF)?

Pilot members, clubs, friends and businesses are encouraged to support PSHF through tax-deductible donations. Contributions of cash or appreciated securities will enable the foundation to make immediate use of your donation and may provide you with significant tax benefits. Memorials and special gifts in honor of others are encouraged and gratefully acknowledged. Planned giving through deferred gifts or specific bequests in your trust, will or other estate plans can provide a lasting endowment to the future.

The Pilot Scholarship Houses are home to 16 to 23 students. Management of each house is by the students themselves. In this cooperative living arrangement, residents take turns planning meals, shopping, cooking and cleaning up after the nightly group dinners. Household duties are assigned and performed by the students weekly. The budgeted cost of food and utilities is shared among the residents, with an average house services bill per student of approximately \$950 per semester. This rent-free housing saves each student close to \$12,100 each year. Each house is supervised by a House Manager who is an upperclassman selected by the Southern Scholarship Foundation.

~Reprinted from the PSHF website

Florida District

Another Fall Council has come and gone. We were privileged to hear Owen Foster-Hickey, Anchor from Cape Coral High School, read his Pilot International award winning essay on Mentorship; heard some of the Scholarship House residents tell us about their journey of becoming a resident and living in the Pilot scholarship houses; learned how to fit helmets; raise monies for the scholarship house residents and Anchors; and attend a Roaring 20's event.



Scholarship House resident from Gresham-Kite Scholarship House



Owen Foster-Hickey reading his essay Page 3

Member Spotlight, Charlotte Edenfield



When did you join the Pilot Club of Tallahassee and why did you join? I joined Pilot in November 1988 just a few months after graduating from FSU. Nancy Watson, a former member of the Pilot Club, invited me to join. Nancy served on the Board of Directors at Southern Scholarship Foundation when I was working at SSF and is a fellow alum of the Pilot Scholarship House.

Where are you originally from and where have you lived other than Tallahassee? I am originally from Bristol, Connecticut. When my father retired from General Motors, we moved to Spring Hill, Florida. I attended 7th - 12th grade at Springstead High School then moved to Tallahassee to attend FSU for college. I've been here ever since.

What did you do for work? I am the firm administrator for a small law firm, Anderson & Hart, P.A. We handle workers' compensation, personal injury and Social Security disability cases. What I really do includes order supplies, fix equipment, plumbing, hire vendors, bookkeeping, payroll, IT guru, HR manager, secretarial, and paralegal duties just to name a few.

Tell us something about your family. My husband, Mark, and I have been married 25 years. We have four horses, three cats and one spoiled dog.

What do you do for fun (leisure time)? I enjoy kayaking, bike riding and horseback riding. On indoor days, Sudoku and crocheting are my stress relievers.

What's the best vacation you ever had? I spent two summers traveling across the country in a camper with my parents when I was in middle school. We visited most of the national parks, battlefields, tourist spots, etc. This was before cell phones and computers, so my dad had me keep a journal of our trip documenting each day how many miles we traveled, what we spent, where we visited, what campground we stayed at and the weather.



Pick Me Up Grant - Woohoo! In September, we completed the Pick Me Up grant application requesting funds for baking pies to give the Big Bend Hospice House caregivers. And good for us, we received a grant for the full amount we requested. The homemade pies were prepared, baked and delivered on November 24. Thank you, Pilot International.





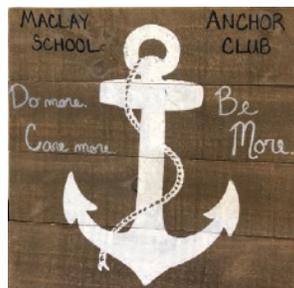
Our three Anchor clubs, **Chiles High School, Leon High School and Maclay School**, held their new member induction in the months of October and November.



Chiles High School Anchors had their night time candle light member induction at club president Hannah's home. After the ceremony, there were beverages and snacks for everyone to enjoy. Carol and Claire attended.



Maclay School Anchors held their new member induction on a Saturday at their Advisor Ms. Scheer's home. It was a great day to have the ceremony outside and it was followed by an Italian feast. Claire attended.



Leon High School Anchors conducted a candle ceremony, organized by their president Hannah, at their high school. After the induction, they celebrated with a pizza lunch. Kristie, whose daughter Rita is one of the new Anchors, and Pam attended.





Club Happenings

Charlotte, Annette, Mallory and Claire represented our club at Fall Council. It was an informative and fun weekend. Mallory and Claire were doubled hatted, delegates for the club and representatives of the District Anchor Organization. Annette presented the registration report and spoke to the convention body about District fundraisers. Unbeknownst to us, Mallory signed up us for the costume competition. Thanks Mallory - we won first place, all because Annette had us to a bit of the Charleston movements. Mallory also gave an update on the District Anchors officers.



Mallory and Claire in Marketplace, doing double duty - working our club's table (where we collected \$387) and the Anchor table



Winners!



Mallory loves to win!