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Linda's Letters

Merry Christmas to all. This year is winding down in days but not things to do. I hope everyone survived the weekend. Many activities yet to finish this month. Have you all looked at the new website and the Facebook page? We are being told that it is still being added to and organized daily. If you need something do not hesitate to email someone at PI. They are very helpful. If you have a success story or some great pictures from projects send them to Pi Headquarters as well as to me or Carol Hirsh.

A big **Thank You** to the clubs that have sent contributions to our District Project. I saw on the news that the 6 month anniversary of the Joplin tornado was right before Thanksgiving. We hope to enhance one small part of their recovery.

May your Christmas be filled with special moments with family and Pilot friends by your side; and leave you with a song in your heart and a bloom on your face.

Governor Linda McCollough
Sunflower Pilot Club
Ks-Mo District

We have collected \$614.71 for our

District Project.

*Send your club and
individual donations to*

District Treasurer Karen Warner

18 Santa Ana Lane

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Your DAC...Nancy, Linda, Kathy and Karen.



**PROUD TO BE A
KS-MO DISTRICT
PILOT!**



Seeking District leadership for 2012-13

As you celebrate Christmas with each other this month, please consider who among you might be good to include on the 2012-13 team of District leaders and send those names to me before Christmas. I'll call those you suggest to see if they are willing. And know that you are all in my heart and prayers during this special time of year.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

Governor Elect Kathy Elevier



Important REMINDER

Any pilot who sponsors 2 new members this pilot year will have their district dues waived for the 2012-2013 year and better yet, if a pilot sponsors 5 new members that pilot's registration to the Spring Convention in Manhattan will be paid by the district. To qualify, all monies must be paid to district treasurer Karen Warner and the information regarding the new member must be received by district secretary Nancy Grieshaber by **March 1, 2011**. So make sure you have met all the qualifications for all new members that have joined your clubs from July 1 to March 1 to be eligible for these incentives.

Nancy Grieshaber KS-MO District Secretary

Dear Friends,

This notification serves as the official announcement of the retirement of Pilot Executive Director Peggy Davidson on July 31, 2012. To ensure a smooth transition, a PI Search Committee has been appointed to seek a new Executive Director who will work in tandem with Peggy for two months prior to her departure.

I know you join me in wishing Peggy a fulfilling retirement. For many years, she has worked tirelessly for our organization, and as Executive Director she has led the organization with professionalism and keen vision despite some of the most challenging economical and societal circumstances imaginable. We will miss her Pilot knowledge and her astute wisdom about all things pertaining to Pilot.

Beverly Wilkes Pilot International President



Help us buy a Smart Table for the Autism Center in Joplin! It will take just \$5 per KS-MO Pilot to reach our goal.



New District Awards

FRIENDSHIP AND SERVICE AWARD

The Friendship and Service Awards, sponsored by the District, shall be presented each year to recognize projects of friendship and service. Two awards will be presented to District Pilot Clubs based on the decision of the Awards Jury. **The submission must be postmark to the Awards Jury by March 1st.**

An entry must contain the following in order to be considered:

- The Pilot Club name
- The name of service project
- Signature of club officer
- Date of Submission
- The number of Pilots participating in the project
- The percentage of club membership participating in the project
- The number of people served with the project
- The community impact of the service project

Each District Club can submit one (1) project for consideration by detailing the project in a narrative not to exceed one type written page. The project narrative should include the above statistical information; however, the award will not be made based on numbers, the length of the narrative, or how comprehensive the project is.

Other information helpful to the Awards Jury in making their determination includes:

- Is this a first time project, an annual event, a one time only event?
- Did Co-Pilots, Pilot Friends or businesses have a part in the project?
- The value of the project (monetary or in-kind)
- Is the project related to brain related disorders, safety, or a community need?
- The Friendship and Fun factor
- Publicity received

One additional (optional) page can be submitted and should be stapled to the narrative. This is not a second page of narrative, but a supporting document, for example:

- Project Budget
- Registration, Brochure, Flyer (1 side only)
- Pictures
- Public Relations Newspaper, Newsletter Article



COMMUNICATIONS AWARD

This is a 2-part award of Club and Growth communications. Both types need to be used to qualify for this award, but not all options must be used (see below). First, second and third place winners will be selected by the Awards Jury. Submissions must be received by the Awards Jury Chair no later than March 1.

Club Communication – must use both

Newsletter should include at least upcoming meeting & events information. It might include a message from the President and/or other officers, pictures from past events, etc. It may be emailed or mailed or both. Don't forget to include your DAC members.

Yearbook there is required information as well as optional inclusions. Remember this is for the use of your club. How you bind it is not important. What you put in it to help your members is important.

Required:

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| Club Officers | District & International Officers |
| Member Roster | Member Pictures |
| Division Plans of Work | Meeting Details |
| Budget | Club Mission Statement |
| Monthly Program Plans | Club's Charter & History Information |
| Club Standing Rules | List of Past Presidents |
| Code of Ethics | Pilot Motto and Pledge |
| | oSail On Internationalo |

Optional:

Growth Communication – must use at least two

District or Club Website Do you have current information about your club?

Facebook, Twitter, other How do you use this?

Email and/or USPS In what ways do you use this form of communication?

Club Brochure Selling your good works to others

Posters & Banners How do you use these?

Press Releases Provide whether they get published or not. Include copies of articles when they get published.

TV or Radio You'll describe how you got the exposure.

The forms for both new awards will be available in a packet that will be going out to club Presidents. The forms will also be available on the district website after the mailing. The submission forms will give more explicit details of requirements.



District Chaplain's Corner

When your heart feels hurried...

'Tis the season to be busy.... There are gifts to buy, meals to make, trips to take, decorations to be hung, songs to be sung, places to go, people to see!
It's December 1st and I'm already tired. *Anyone else?*

I read the words... *Be still and know that I am God. Psalm 46:10*

But how can I be still when there's so much going on? Of course, the first answer is to simplify my life. Yet the kind of stillness God is talking about isn't just about my circumstances. It's about being still on the *inside*.

I have stilled and quieted my soul; like a weaned child with its mother. Psalm 131:2 What is a weaned child like? One that has learned to stop asking for *more, more, more* and instead simply rests in the arms of *love, love, love*.

My hurry and stress come from that want of more. I want to do more, be more, pack more in to these few short days. Then it seems God whispers to my heart, *"Enough. You are enough. You have enough. In the middle of the busy, make a quiet place inside and stay with me. My love is what you really need."*



I settle, quiet down, breathe a sigh of relief. The miracle of Christmas?

God came for us so we could come to Him. Even (especially) in the busy, broken, chaos of our lives.

'Tis the season to be still.

by Holley Gerth

May the true meaning and the Spirit of Christmas surround you and your family this season and throughout the New Year.

Rita Wollenberg

KS-MO District Chaplain



Governor Elect's Leadership Coaching

LEADERSHIP – Based upon the book "You Don't Need a Title to be a Leader" by Mark Sanborn

The Power of Self Mastery...

You can't lead others until you can first lead yourself. To truly lead, and make a difference, you must always start with yourself. Few of us live our lives to our full potential.

How do you live life? As an obligation, or as an opportunity? Those who see life as an obligation want the task at hand to be done with as quickly as possible, with little regard to the outcome.

The people who change the world around them rarely act from a sense of obligation. In fact, people who act as leaders almost always act from a sense of incredible opportunity. They don't interact with the world around them because they *have* to. They do so because they *want* to.

Genuine, authentic leadership infuses meaning into your life because you know that your efforts count and that you are serving the needs of others as well as your own.

When you act as a leader, you exercise control over your life and help to influence and inspire those around you. Relinquishing control of your life to external situations, circumstance, and culture is the opposite. To act as a leader, you must constantly ask yourself, "Who is in charge of my life? Who is in charge of me?"

People who take an active leadership role in their lives tend to be good thinkers; great leaders tend to be great thinkers. Thinking helps separate the mundane from the significant. It can help to clarify your direction and your purpose.

Many people feel paralyzed by their lack of control over life. By focusing on the things you do control, you being to lead your life rather than letting life lead you.

Motivation

- Make time to reflect
- Remember the dream
- Mirror those who are successful around you
- Retreat to advance (*review your life & objectives*)
- Mentor someone else
- Enjoy the journey (*be grateful*)
- Live like a victor, not a victim

Think of Self-Mastery as the ratio between promises made and promises kept. You've got to follow through on your promises, whether you have a title or not.

Governor Elect, **Kathy Eleiver**
KS-MO District





Traumatic Brain Injuries

This week I had an opportunity to participate in a research project here at Kansas State University. The topic was traumatic brain injuries and focused on a program named *TBIOptions*. Many of my fellow pilots in Manhattan have or will participate in this 2-hour program sponsored by Research and Extension. As pilot members, this research is definitely of interest to us. The research is not completed, but thought I would share the website that is operational now so that pilots throughout our district could take a look. In addition, because the research is still in progress, I am reluctant to share anything from the session or offer my thoughts on the content except to say I did learn some new aspects. The complete project is scheduled to be rolled out in August 2012. A co-leader of the project indicated she would be happy to present to clubs.

The following are excerpts from a yet-to-be published brochure and the website: [*TBIOptions: Connecting to Resources*](#).

More than 1.7 million people sustain a traumatic brain injury (TBI) nationwide every year. Injuries result from car accidents, falls, or other jolts to the head. A person with a TBI (a survivor) may experience physical effects, changes in thinking and communication, and alterations in emotional well-being and behavior (such as becoming easily frustrated or reacting impulsively).

How *TBIOptions* Can Help: *TBIOptions* helps survivors and families identify, locate, and contact potentially helpful organizations in their local communities in Kansas to promote successful living. Examples include therapy, personal care attendants, housing, transportation, and legal, mental health, and vocational services.

Anyone who is interested in finding local community resources in Kansas for adults with traumatic brain injury may find *TBIOptions* helpful. The *TBIOptions* website has an interactive map of locales with registered resources. The web address is <http://www.tbioptions.ksu.edu/>

Financial support is provided by the Kansas Department of Social and Rehabilitation Services and by grant H21MC06764 from the Department of Health and Human Services, Health Resources and Services Administration, Maternal and Child Health Bureau. **Stephanie Harvey** District PI Representative

Looking Ahead....PIF Scholarships

Though the deadline for submission is three months ahead, I encourage clubs to look over the scholarship material available [on line](#) and consider sponsoring a student. The [application forms](#) offer the most information on each scholarship. A student can be sponsored by a Pilot Club in their hometown who goes off to college elsewhere, or by a club in the city in which their college or university is located.

FOUR SCHOLARSHIPS ARE OFFERED by the Foundation.

Pilot International Foundation Scholarship Program for full-time undergraduate students preparing for a career helping those with brain-related disorders or disabilities. Awards up to \$1500

Becky Burrows Scholarship for full or part-time undergraduate or graduate (through Doctorate) students preparing for a second career, reentering the job market, or obtaining additional training in their current field. Students must be in a course of study that relates to improve the quality of life for persons with brain-related disorders and disabilities. Awards up to \$1000.

Marie Newton Sepia Memorial Scholarship Program for full or part-time graduate students preparing for a career in which they will teach or work, encourage and rehabilitate children with disabilities. Awards up to \$1000.

Ruby Newhall Memorial Scholarship Fund for full-time, international undergraduate and graduate (through Doctorate) students who are pursuing a degree in the United States. The field of study must be of a nature that it improves the quality of life for the community in their home country. Awards up to \$1500.

At the Fall Council in Salina, I presented some tips for submission of grants to the District PIF representative. These tips are applicable to scholarships as well.

Be sure to choose the most recent version of the application--August 2011.

Copy single sided only. Double sided copies are hard to manage if something needs changed or recopied.

Staples are hard to remove from copies if a change needs to be made and re-stapled documents begin to look worn. Please just clip the sets of copies.

Review every box/section on the application to ensure all parts are completed.

Ensure recommendations and other documents are signed and dated.

Please send checks to cover the cost of mailing. Because I will combine the submissions into one box for International, pre-addressed stamped envelopes or loose stamps cannot be used. I know the application instructions to clubs ask them to send mailing envelopes, but in practice it does not save time or cost.

Call or email me if you have any questions. 785-313-2919 or Indiana@ksu.edu

Stephanie Harvey District PI Representative



Growing in the Garden... Club News

Little Apple PC Nursing Home Project:

Sunday, November 13 the LAPC volunteers conducted a bingo party at Homestead of Manhattan. Twelve volunteers helped call, distribute prizes and assisted residents with bingo. Pilot volunteers included Rose Harris, Shirley DeLano, Annelise Nguyen, Rachelle Bahr, Susie McClintock, Linda Wertzberger, Molly Myers, Mary Dean Apel, Donna Rogers and Donna McCallum. Also volunteering was Rachelle Bahr's daughter and Shirley DeLano's granddaughter, Katie DeLano.



Also:

Little Apple Pilot Club held their annual auction November 21. The turnout was wonderful with many guests and a large number of auction items. The theme of the event was "Cornucopia in the Utopia" to start the Holiday Season.

Pilots in Great Bend

Great Bend Pilots played Jeopardy at a program meeting featuring Pilot information. Members were divided into 3 teams and Pilots tested their knowledge of Pilot. The winning team is pictured at right holding a copy of a \$25.00 check which was donated to Pilot International.



Holiday House

Prairie Pilot of Wichita held its annual Holiday House on November 3-5 in conjunction with Christmas in Riverside. Prairie Pilot Club is blessed with many talented members who donated items to sell.

*Wishing you and your family
a Merry Christmas and
a Happy New Year.*

