President’s Message

Mentoring

Pilot International has always been a service organization. **That's why we are Pilots.**

As we begin 2015, it is appropriate to re-visit our commitment to developing/educating youth and helping families. Mentoring is one facet of PI's mission to emphasize.

In *Stories for the Heart*, Chip McGregor defines the process of mentoring as “...the greatest means of impacting another person’s life.” McGregor tells how Sherwood Anderson, a widely known author in the early 1900’s, mentored (with brutal writing critiques) other young writers who eventually left their marks on literature forever. Among those Anderson mentored were: Ernest Hemingway, William Faulkner, Thomas Wolfe, and John Steinbeck. Anderson, himself, had been mentored by Theodore Dreiser and Carl Sandburg. What an inspiring revelation! Most of us probably have never heard of Anderson, but his willingness to mentor young writers led to masterpieces of American literature.

If we examine our lives and careers, all of us have been and are mentors in some capacity. As you know, mentoring does not just involve academics; there are countless ways to mentor various age groups from preschool to senior citizens in big or small ways. Have you helped a senior with computer skills, helped someone learn to knit, how to make beautiful bows, or grow flowers? You may never know the ripple effect from even a small effort. All of us need to examine our strengths/talents and decide on avenues to mentor others in 2015. We can start within our club by mentoring newer pilots and providing leadership training.

As we mentor others, we give unselfishly of our time and talents/skills not for personal glory but for another’s success. With gratitude, I recall many mentors who have propelled me along life’s path. I need to step up and DO MORE. Will you join me?


In loyal pilot service,

~Marty Smith
Our Mission

Our Mission is to serve by furthering Pilot International's humanitarian efforts through charitable, educational and research programs in communities throughout the world.

New PI Website
http://www.pilotinternational.org/Home

As you venture to the PI website, you will learn a great deal more about being a Pilot. Please take time to explore the "I’m a Pilot" page to refresh your awareness of what it means to be a Pilot.

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Thank You for Your Support!

http://www.chesapeakecare.org/

*Note - The monthly schedule is sent via email.

Chesapeake Care ~Eunice Hutchings
An Irish Blessing
May God grant you always...
A sunbeam to warm you,
A moonbeam to charm you,
A sheltering angel,
so nothing can harm you.
Laughter to cheer you,
Faithful friends near you.
And whenever you pray,
Heaven to hear you.

Prayer List
Family of Catherine Howland
Please send the names of
anyone you would like to be included in our
“Harbor Lights Prayer List.” to:
jackie.moore@cpschools.com
Resources, Resources, Resources

There are tons of resources located on the 

*Pilot International*

website.

Click on the link below to check them out!

http://

www.pilotinternational.org/
im-an-anchor/resources/

“The purpose of life is not to be happy. It is to be useful, to be honorable, to be compassionate, to have it make some difference that you have lived and lived well.”

— Ralph Waldo Emerson
Did You Know?

Pilot International was chartered on October 18, 1921 in Macon, Georgia, U.S.A. by Elizabeth Leonard and forty local businesswomen. The name “Pilot” was inspired by the mighty riverboat pilots of that day who represented leadership and guidance.

- Pilot Principles: Friendship and Service
- Motto: “True Course Ever”
- Colors: Green (life and vigor) and Gold (sincerity of purpose)
- Emblem: A riverboat pilot’s wheel with eight spokes
- First Pilot President: Lucy B. Allen, elected at the organization’s first convention in 1922.

Read more at:  http://www.pilotinternational.org/about-us/our-history/
WE MAKE A LIVING BY WHAT WE GET, BUT WE MAKE A LIFE BY WHAT WE GIVE.

~WINSTON CHURCHILL
10 Best Apps to Train Your Brain


In the exciting world of technology, there are always new apps that can help make a difference. Here are a few that will keep our brains happy and active. Enjoy!

- **Lumosity**
- **CogniFit Brain Fitness**
- **Personal Zen**
- **Brain Trainer Special**
- **Brain Fitness Pro**
- **Happify**
- **Positive Activity Jackpot**
- **Fit Brains Trainer**
- **Eidetic**
- **ReliefLink**
Silent Auction

The Silent Auction will be held during our meeting on Tuesday, February 10th starting at 11:30 am. Get your invitation list ready! You will receive invitations at our upcoming meeting in January to share with family, friends and neighbors. Invite someone special to join in on the fun. Refreshments will be served. Shopping is a team sport so the more the merrier!

Did you receive something for Christmas that you don’t know what to do with? How about donating those items to the auction? Regift, recycle, reuse!! New and gently used items can still be donated at the January meeting. Any donated items not offered or sold will be given to charity.

See you at the auction!!

~Ceil
On December 9, the conference room at Towne Bank turned into a beautiful holiday luncheon decorated with green tablecloths and red poinsettias as the centerpieces. The executive board provided the lunch items to accompany the chicken. Members were seen in their Christmas sweaters and holiday bling. There was warm fellowship and excitement for the season. The highlight of the celebration was the Advanced Ladies Chorus from Deep Creek High School, under the direction of Natalie Robinson, performing a selection of Christmas music. The harmonies and music selections were so inspiring and really put the members in the holiday spirit.

Special thanks goes to Linda Daniels who provided the paper products, Peggy Waddell who provided the poinsettias, the executive board for food contributions, and all those members who came early to set up. At the end of the meeting, the poinsettias were given out to those members who had the winning tickets. It definitely was a celebration of the season and reminded us of why we celebrate Christmas.
Happiness is time spent with a friend and looking forward to sharing time with them again.

~Lee Wilkinson
In everyone’s life, at some time, our inner fire goes out. It is then burst into flame by an encounter with another human being. We should all be thankful for those people who rekindle the inner spirit.

~ Albert Schweitzer
Anchor News

Now that the New Year is here, Anchors are busy with activities. The Hickory HS group is helping with the upcoming craft fair on April 18 to honor deceased faculty and staff members.

On the national level, a new youth coordinator has been hired, Jack Henson. He is revamping the Anchor website with a fresh, energetic, user friendly look. He is also working with PI VP Gwen Yarbrough on a new initiative, an Anchor Advisory Council. I am honored to have been asked to represent our Virginia District. To date, we have had one phone conference and will reconvene next month.

Plans continue for our VA District Anchor convention on Sat. April 25. Mark your calendars to attend! Another dynamic day!

Pecans

The pecans are almost gone! Thanks to all of the members for purchasing and promoting the pecan sale. Whether it was a bag or a case, each sale counted. Some delicious recipes were prepared and served over the holidays using the fresh pecans. Unsold bags will be offered at our January meeting for $11. Stock up to sprinkle on all of those salads we will be eating for our New Year’s resolutions!

A special shout out goes to the following for the pecan sales:

Terri Anderson and Faye Archer at Faye Francis Salon
Karen Gawne at Monarch Bank
Lynn Holsey at Towne Bank
Maryann Lewis
Kim Olcott
Shear Styling
Michalene Garner at Curves
Dreama Hudson
Jackie Moore
Argie Lamb

And last, but not least, a special thank you goes to Nadine Scott for her continues help coordinating and collecting for the sale.

~ Ceil Rochevot
Catherine Howland 1923-2015

Catherine Howland, emeritus member of LPCC and 45 year member of the Evening Pilot Club of Chesapeake, passed away on January 9. She had been in poor health for a few years. She was a very active Pilot member until health issues prevented it. Her love in Pilot was in the Fundraising area, and she served as Fundraising chair for many years. Just tell her how much money was needed for a project and Catherine would raise it. Few people could say no to her sales approach. But she didn’t just fund raise for Pilot...all the many organizations that she belonged to benefitted from her fund raising skills. Catherine was an amazing cook and shared her food with all her organizations. She served as a Pilot president, and was also the 1987 Woman of the Year of the Women’s Division/Chesapeake Chamber of Commerce. Catherine showed what volunteering is all about. She lived a life of service to others. She will be missed.
I switched off the morning news today while I sipped my morning coffee. The constant chatter about sports stars, celebrities, billionaires, and politicians had numbed my ears and left a bad taste in my mouth. I didn't really care to hear anymore about what this world considers winners. Instead, I gazed out my kitchen window and thought about the true winners in this life. I was sure too that Heaven was smiling down on them all whether they realized it or not.

Who are these real winners? They are all around us but we so often fail to see them. The single Mom who works all day to support her child is a winner. The person who gives up their one day off from work to volunteer at a food pantry or homeless shelter is a winner. The grandma who both bakes cookies and relearns algebra to help her grandson with his homework is a winner. The hospice aide who holds the hand of a dying person in their last hours here is a winner. The volunteer firefighters who risk their lives for no pay are all winners. The health care aide who dedicates her life to help the elderly and disabled is a winner. The adoptive parents who give a forever home to orphaned children are winners. The person who gives a Christmas present to a poor child he will never meet is a winner. The family who lovingly open their hearts and homes to furry, four-legged friends are winners. The young men and women who spend their Spring and Summer vacations repairing the homes of the poor are winners. The person who puts love ahead of money, kindness ahead of fame, and people ahead of power is the real winner in this life and in the next.

Everyone who loves others completely and unconditionally is a winner in the eyes of Heaven. Every person who spends their lives helping others is a winner in the eyes of God. May you be a true winner then, today, tomorrow, and always.
Luncheon Pilot Club
Birthday Celebrations

January
1  Judy Hicks
22 Joyce Wrestler
25 Faye Clarke
27 Diane Hooks

February
12 Marie Smith
14 Barbara Hardee
20 Martha Smith

Our Birthday Wish for you is that you continue to love life and never stop dreaming. May beauty and happiness surround you not only on your special day, but always.

Lunch Requests
Email reminders will be sent to LPCC members prior to the monthly meetings.

If you have any questions please give me a call at 407-7119.

Thanks,
Mary Ann Lewis

Upcoming LPCC Monthly Meeting Dates
Towne Bank, @Noon

February 10th
March 10th
April 14th
May 12th
June 9th