



## Governor's Bulletin

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Dear Pilots,

February is a month that naturally turns our thoughts to the heart. Valentine's Day reminds us of love, kindness, and appreciation—values that are at the very core of Pilot International. While hearts and flowers may symbolize the season, Pilots know that the greatest expressions of love are found in service, friendship, and commitment to others.



As members of the Kentucky–Ohio–West Virginia District of Pilot International, we demonstrate love in action every day through our dedication to community service, our support of one another, and our shared mission. Whether it's lending a helping hand, advocating for our projects, or simply offering encouragement, Pilots continue to make a meaningful difference across our district.

February is also a wonderful time to look ahead and mark our calendars for an important district gathering. The Kentucky–Ohio–West Virginia District Convention will be held on April 18, 2026, at the Cambridge Country Club, located at 60755 Southgate Road, Byesville, Ohio 43723. This convention will provide a meaningful opportunity to come together, celebrate our accomplishments, conduct district business, and strengthen the bonds that connect us as Pilots.

I strongly encourage every club to be represented and every member who is able to attend. Your presence truly matters—your voice, ideas, and enthusiasm help shape the future of our district. The convention is not only a time for important discussions and decisions, but also a time for fellowship, inspiration, and renewed commitment to the mission we all share.

As we celebrate Valentine's Day, let us also celebrate the friendships formed through Pilot, the compassion that drives our service, and the shared heart of our district. Thank you for the dedication, love, and service you give so generously throughout the year.

With appreciation and Pilot pride,



*Rhonda Stemmer*, Governor, 2025-2026  
Kentucky-Ohio-West Virginia District  
Pilot International

### *CALL TO CONVENTION* Kentucky–Ohio–West Virginia District Pilot International

**Saturday, April 18, 2026**

(Registration coming soon via Zeffy)

**Cambridge Country Club** 60755 Southgate Rd, Byesville, OH 43723

**Hampton Inn** (short 4-minute drive)

8775 Georgetown Rd, Cambridge, OH 43725

(740) 439-0600

**DEADLINE FOR RESERVATION MARCH 16TH**

(TBD Social Friday, April 17<sup>th</sup> at [Cambridge Winery](#))

**Pilot International ByLaw**

**ARTICLE XXI**

**District: Conventions and Other Meetings**

**SECTION 1. Conventions - Representation and Business.**

a. **District Convention.** A convention will be held in each District annually, at least forty-five (45) days before the Pilot International Convention with the exception of the COED District Convention which will be held no later than in conjunction with the International Convention. The call to a District meeting will be issued by the Governor to every Club in the District at least sixty (60) days prior to the meeting.

In an emergency, business may be conducted at Fall Council/Workshop with the approval of the Executive Committee in consultation with the Pilot International Parliamentarian.

b. **Business.** Clubs will submit any recommendations in writing for the Convention business to the District Governor at least sixty (60) days prior to the District Convention. In consultation with the District Parliamentarian, the DAC/DEC will determine if the proposals are legal and not in conflict with Pilot International Bylaws. The budget and recommendations for consideration at the convention will be sent by electronic or postal mail to each Club in the District, the District officers, and Past Governors (if they are delegates) at least thirty (30) days prior to the first day of the convention.

c. **Club Representation.** Each Club should be represented and is entitled to three (3) delegates and two (2) alternates. The delegates will be the President, President Elect, and one delegate and two alternates elected by the Club.

A Pilot Club may be excused from representation at the District Convention by the District Administrative Council.

d. **Voting Body.** The voting body will be the Club delegates and District officers and, if the District chooses, may also include the Past Governors from that District so long as they are still a member of Pilot International and their District.

The voting body for a region will be the delegates from the Clubs in that region. Only delegates may introduce motions or vote, but any Pilot may speak to a motion.

**AWARDS**

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**ARTICLE IV AWARDS Section 1: THE DO MORE, CARE MORE, BE MORE AWARDS** The Club(s) and individual(s) who best personify the spirit of the current Do More, Care More, Be More Pilot International focus will be recognized at District Convention with a certificate. Number of awards presented, and recipients will be determined by the Awards Committee. Awards will be presented based on the following categories:

**A. Service Hours (Do More):** Will honor the Pilot(s) and the Club(s) who provide exceptional service to their community, either individually or as a Club. The criteria will encompass the number of hours, as well as the nature of the service provided, and will focus on the following core areas: Brain Safety/ BrainMinders, Youth Development, Caregiver Support, One-to-One Volunteering.

**B. Community Involvement (Care More):** Will honor the Club(s) whose reach truly extends into their community and supports community organizations that assist individuals, families, or other organizations. The criteria will encompass the number of members involved, the scope of the Club's intention, and the effect of the Club's contribution to the organization's success.

**C. Individual Growth in Pilot (Be More):** Will honor individual(s) who have grown either personally or professionally through their association in Pilot. This may include such things as gaining leadership experience by serving on a committee or as a Club officer, discovering hidden talents by working on a Club project or as a District Appointee, or extending oneself by mentoring another Pilot or assisting a Pilot or a Club to take on a project heretofore thought out of reach.

**District Standing Rules** will not conflict with PI ByLaws, but defines specific activities. Amendments must be voted on by delegates.

(Policies and Procedures are the how and how to of responsibilities)

Each clubs executive committee should review not only their club, but the districts annually and request amendments.

**District Amendments are to be received on or before February 16th** to allow the DAC to review and send to clubs 30 days prior to Convention.





The **St. Albans Anchor Club** participated in the lighting of the luminaries at Cunningham Memorial Park in December. This is an annual event that takes place the first Saturday in the month of December. There are hundreds of graves that receive a luminary and then the various service organizations in St. Albans light them, along with family members of the deceased. It is truly a beautiful sight to behold.

Colleen Jarrell  
Anchor Coordinator  
(Cardinal Club)



## ECR Message



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February is often called the month of love since Valentine's Day is on the 14th – it is a celebration of romance, affection and heartfelt connections. It is a time when people exchange cards, flowers, chocolates and other tokens of love to express their feelings. February's shorter days and cozy winter atmosphere make it a time for intimate moments and warm gatherings. Time to get cozy by the fireplace and read a good book.

However, there are some important events that need attention in February! It is time to consider next year's Club Officers and to nominate next year's District Officers. Per PI ByLaws, Club Officer elections are decided by a ballot vote no later than one month prior to your District Convention. When the nominating committee member asks you to serve your Club or District as an Officer, please consider saying "yes." It is a great way to gain leadership skills and confidence. Also, it is time to make nominations for PI officers. Submit a letter to the nominee of your choice and send a copy to Joanna Kotlarski, PIHQ Membership Specialist, at [nominations@pihq.org](mailto:nominations@pihq.org). This is a NEW email to assist with the nomination submission process. We need nominees for President Elect, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and four Directors, so please look at the leadership in your District and nominate your strong leaders for a place on the Executive Committee.

Outstanding Anchor club entries are due to the District Awards Jury no later than March 15. You can mail your award entries can be to [youthdevelopment@pihq.org](mailto:youthdevelopment@pihq.org).

March 15 is also the quarterly deadline for Pick Me-Up, Helmet, and BrainMinders grants. Now is the time to begin planning to complete the grant applications. Reading the instructions carefully and paying close attention to the date, signature, and budget requirements are all important steps of submitting your application.

March is membership month and there is no better time to plan a Share Pilot than now! So, enjoy the snowy weather as you sit by the fire or sunny weather sitting on the beach eating Valentine's Day chocolates while planning that awesome membership drive!

*Terez Curry* ECR

February 2026 Inspirational Message



Awareness days such as *Rare Disease Day* or months like *Black History* month focus our attention on enhancing the quality of life in our home and community by looking at various cultural, social & health issues. Campaigns, such as *American Heart* month work to raise awareness so we can start taking better care of ourselves. They give us incentive and inspiration to advocate, fundraise and educate ourselves and our neighbors. They allow people with similar concerns to come together and work for a common good. Awareness campaigns are important because they unite advocates, communities, healthcare professionals, and policy makers.

Below are just a few Awareness days that we observe in February. I sourced this information at [Snuggly Mom February Awareness Days | Vital Causes Spotlight](#)

- Black History Month (entire month)
- World Cancer Day (02/04/2026)
- American Heart month (entire month)
- Rare disease day (last day of the month)
- Teen dating violence and prevention (entire month)
- Eating disorder awareness (month)
- National Teen Dating Violence (entire month)
- National Children’s Dental Health (entire month)



I want to leave you with this reminder. Be good to yourself and take care of your physical, social and mental health.

*Sandra Summers*

Inspirational Leader, KYOHVV District Pilot International

2025-2026 Month	Coordinator Bulletin	Event / Fundraisers
March	PIFF Scholarships	Determine Club Delegates and Register for District Convention
April		Vote for Club Officers and submit paperwork to PI/DAC
May	Anchors, Patriotism	<b>APRIL 18th DISTRICT CONVENTION Cambridge, OH</b>  Club 2026-2027 Planning
June	Anchor/Compass	<b>July 15 - 18, 2026</b> <b>Oklahoma City, Oklahoma - The Omni</b>

Year	Future Convention Host Club	Future Workshop Host Club
2026	Cambridge	Huntington
2027	Charleston & Greater Kanawha	Akron
2028	Cardinal Club & District Members	Jackson County

