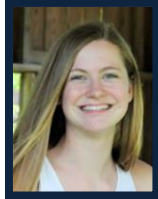




"Anchors Aweigh"

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Hey Anchors!

Although convention is in February and seems far away, you can sign up now! Make sure to check out the registration forms attached. I'm so excited to implement new activities this year and I hope your pull tab and book collection has started too. Don't forget there will be a contest at convention!

As previously announced, the theme of this year's convention is Anchors Swingin' on a Star and will be patriotic themed focusing on the 1940's. Even our menu for the weekend will be flavored with the American spirit as we hope to serve American classics like burgers and mac and cheese. The theme doesn't stop there, but I'll leave the rest a surprise.

My convention chair, Prescilla, has written a detailed article about some of the fun, exciting things the GA District board has collaborated to plan for this year, but I would like to personally highlight a few things for myself.

Sadly this year we will not be having a hotel scavenger hunt, but instead this year's new Friday night activity will be a lip sync battle. We hope this will be enjoyable and a great success, a tradition to be carried into further years. In addition to the workshops we will also have fleece blanket making, painting hospital art, and Blessings in a Backpack card making in the Hospitality Suite this year. Thanks to the help of you all at convention in the spring I was able to earn my Gold Award. I have a true appreciation for your food donations and special cards because I've been able to witness the impact they've had. You have my sincere gratitude.

Don't forget each club is responsible for bringing two \$5 door prizes to convention. I can't wait to see you all in February!

Sincerely,

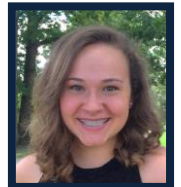
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Roswell HS Anchors Kara, Abigail & Hannah helping Pilots with the Georgia Artists with DisAbilities Awards Luncheon



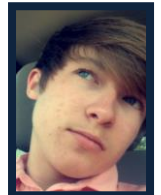
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**ANCHOR SW REGION CHAIR
EMILEE POPPELL**

Hi! I am Emilee Poppell, Southwest Region Chair. I am the president of the 2016-2017 Anchor Club of Bainbridge High School. This year our Anchor Club started a little slow due to the transition between sponsors, but good news, our Anchor Club is back up and running! Anchors at Bainbridge High School have had the opportunity to serve our school and community in several different ways. Some students help out at different elementary school carnivals and falls festivals. Other students in our club like to volunteer there time at the Bainbridge High School Cross Country Invitational and the City of Bainbridge Triathlon Sprint. We also have served the Louisiana flood victims by bringing in nonperishable food items and school supplies. Lastly, our Anchors get the privilege to serve at a Breast Cancer Luncheon help annually. Through all of these opportunities, BHS Anchor Club members are learning to serve with a happy heart and a smile on their face!

Pilot Club of Dublin along with the Anchors from West Lauren's & East Lauren's High School serve refreshments to our veterans & their family's after the annual Veterans Day program to the VA Hospital in Dublin.



East Lauren HS



West Lauren HS

Are you a leader in your club? Do you want to learn leadership skills? Then YOU are needed to run for District Office. The current President Elect will automatically become President at the convention in February. The following officers will be elected to serve July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018:

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| President-Elect | East Central Region Chair |
| Secretary | Northeast Region Chair |
| Convention Chair | Southeast Region Chair |
| Southwest Region Chair | Northwest Region Chair |

The President-Elect must be a 10th grader when elected and will serve as President Elect in 11th grade, the President in 12th grade. All other officers may be in any grade. The delegates all vote for President-Elect, Secretary and Convention Chair. Region Chairs are elected by their own Region's delegates. Many times we get to convention without nominees for some offices. Let's don't let that happen this year. All nominations are due to Ms. Turner 45 days prior to convention – January 10, 2017

Franklin County HS Anchor Club is a big supporter of the Northeast Georgia Animal Shelter (NGAS) where the club has volunteered for years. Our most recent Service project with NGAS took place on Saturday, November 5, 2016. We provided any necessary help by bathing dogs, walking dogs, feeding all animals, cleaning kennels, and just playing with the animals. Our service projects give the members a way to connect with the community and give back.





Anchor Convention

February 24-26, 2017

Legacy Lodge - Lake Lanier Islands:



Theme:

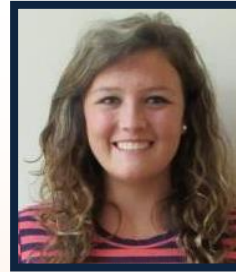


Swinging ON A STAR

2016-17 Service Project

Pull Tabs

Please save your pull tabs. We will have a competition to see which Anchor club can bring the most to convention. Please place the tabs in gallon jugs and label them with your club name. The club turning in the most full gallon jugs of pull tabs will win. These will be donated to the Ronald McDonald House.



**ANCHOR CONVENTION
CHAIR
PRESCILLA LYLE**

Hello Everyone! Convention is going to be a blast this year. We have put in many hours planning and can't wait to experience it with all of you. The Hospitality Suite will provide snacks, because of this registration will cost five to ten extra dollars compared to previous years. Regions are not required to bring snacks. There will be two art paintings located in the Hospitality Suite to paint during individual free time. There will also be a time specified for packing books to be donated and shipped to Africa. We have many workshops planned, such as Self Defense, Zumba, an Internet Safety class, and even an Improv class. Throughout convention there will be a photo contest which will be judged based on the number of pictures sent in by each member. A dance will also take place Saturday night after the other festivities. We can't wait to see all of you there!

WHAT TO BRING TO CONVENTION

Door Prizes – Each club needs to bring two door prizes around \$5.00 to \$10.00 each. If you do not know what to bring you may bring gift cards.

Bring Books for the Zambezi Project



ZAMBEZI
SCHOOLBOOK
PROJECT
REACHING ISOLATED
CHILDREN

WORKSHOPS

- Self defense
- Zumba
- Internet Safety Class
- Packaging (Books for Africa, Blessings in a Backpack with handmade cards)
- Improv Class
- Fleece Blanks



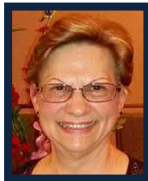
GA District Governor

Anchor Coordinator

Merry Christmas! Wishing everyone a very happy holiday season with family and friends. During this season of giving, there are a lot of opportunities to help in our communities. Toys for Tots is an excellent way of collecting toys for underprivileged children. Perhaps the Pilot club is helping a needy family with food and clothing, and your Anchor Club could help collect needed items. Talk to your Anchor advisor about collecting food for students who receive backpacks with food. Remember, in giving of ourselves, we receive the true blessing of this Season.

Happy Holidays,

Cynthia Spearman



I am excited about the upcoming District Anchor Convention, planned for February 24-26, 2017 at Legacy Lodge and Convention Center at Lake Lanier Islands. Attached to this newsletter you will find the convention registration form (\$110 per person), the convention regulations, permission forms (required of each Anchor), hotel reservation info (\$131 plus 13% tax – watch cutoff date). The extra \$10.00 in the registration will be use to purchase items for the hospitality room instead of asking clubs to bring in specific items. The theme chosen by your Anchor Board is “Anchors Swingin’ on a Star so plan to attend and bring your patriotic attire. More details will follow in the January “Anchors Aweigh” and in emails closer to convention. Make plans now to attend!

This newsletter is jam-packed with information about awards, scholarships, and district officer nominations. Please read about each and decide what awards you want to enter. As always, your district Anchor officers and I are always available to help! Please contact any of us when you have questions.

Mary Turner



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Dodge County HS met in September to install new officers and discuss plans and activities for the new year. Eastman Pilots and Anchor Co-Coordinator Tammie Rowe also attended and furnished pizza and drinks for the kick off meeting. Anchor Advisors at the school this year are Jodi Spivey and Lisa Walker. The Pilot Club of Eastman proudly sponsors the DCHS Anchor Club.

The Pilot Club is also sponsoring Chief “Win Em All” as a new spirit project for the Anchor Club. He will attend all the home football games and help to spread the Indian spirit in the stands.

(Group photo)-DCHS Anchor club with Pilot members and Anchor Advisers Jodi Spivey and Lisa Walker.

(Club Officers) L-R Shipp Dowdy - Pres, Elaina Carvey – VP, Delaney Howell – Treas., Haley Underwood - Secretary





DISTRICT OFFICER CONTACTS

Your District Anchor officers are ready and willing to provide assistance to your Anchor Club.

Please contact your Region Chair (see e-mail addresses on list of officers on front page) with activities your club is doing.

**Attention:
Anchor Sponsors/Advisors
Anchor Coordinators of Pilot Clubs**

In order to get information timely to the Anchor Advisors and Pilot Anchor Coordinators, We need your correct information. If you have not already done so, please e-mail your updated e-mail address, mailing address and phone number to Mary Turner at turnerma@elberton.net.



facebook

Georgia District Anchor has a Facebook page. Please go and like us on Facebook. This is a place where you can share your service projects and programs.



Roswell HS packed Blessings in a Backpack bags for Thanksgiving



Centennial HS Anchors provided & packed food and Halloween treats for children in the Blessings in a Backpack program at a recent meeting.

ANCHOR CREED

Realizing that in unity there is strength, we, as members of the Anchor Club, are resolved:

To work together in friendship and loyalty; to render service to our home, school and community, knowing this course will take us over a sea of happiness; to steer our ship of life by the bright stars of Hope and Faith; to follow words of guidance from parents, teachers, and Pilot friends, for those, as gleams from the Lighthouse of Truth, are of wisdom, to set full sail through channels of achievement which lead us to the port of success; and, when our ship of life is tossed by the tempests of misunderstanding and the angry winds of injustice we will cast our Anchor of courage, wisdom, and trust to hold us fast.

“Anchors Aweigh”

The Georgia District Newsletter “Anchors Aweigh” is published 4 times a year in September, November, January and March.

We would like to spotlight your club in our next edition of “Anchors Aweigh.” Please send us your news on special awards, projects, fundraisers or other activities of your Anchor Club. Photos are also welcome.

Send articles to turnerma@elberton.net and copy to kajorge@yahoo.com.

Please make copies and share “Anchors Aweigh” with your Anchor Club members. If lack of money for photocopying is a problem, print a few copies and pass around at your next meeting.

