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"Anchors Aweigh"



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Anchor President

Hey Anchors!

I can't believe this is my last article to write for yall. It's been such a journey serving as your President and I thank God for all of the opportunities Anchor Club has afforded me. I would like to reiterate a sentiment I expressed at convention during my thank you speech: I have been so blessed to serve side by side with each and every one of you. As the year closes out, I would like to wish everyone a joyful spring and happy summer. May you all never lose your zeal in serving others.

Together we can do more, care more, and be more.

Yours truly,

Cathleen Mellor



Roswell HS Anchors: Cathleen (District Anchor President), Lindsay Hasson, Lauren Heise & Cynthia Roby (NW Region Chair) at the Anchor Convention.

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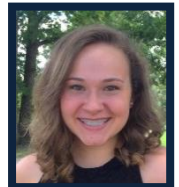
It's hard to believe that the school year is almost at a close. Looking back on this year's convention brings a smile to my face! Anchors Swing'in on a Star has definitely fallen under the highlights of my junior year. Each day (busy though they were) was filled with fun activities that brought all of us closer together as we learned to better work with Anchors from across the state as well as those from our own clubs. From the massive game of Clue on Friday to the crazy dance Saturday night, we had fun and made memories that (in a wonderfully cliché way) will last a lifetime. My favorite part of it all was talking with Anchors I had never met before. I was able to share my club's experiences with working with Paws 4 Life and spending time with the residents at one of our local long-term care facilities. It was amazing to see how similar we all are! Convention has provided me with a better understanding of what it means to be an Anchor. Being an Anchor means doing more, caring more, and being more for your community so that through our service, someone less fortunate may benefit. If I had to summarize this year's convention in one word, it would be inspiring.

Susanna Grafton

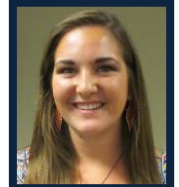
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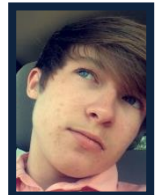
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Hello Anchors! I had a great time at convention and I hope all of you did as well. It being my Senior year, I am saddened at the fact that I will not be able to attend convention next year. Anchor has truly made me a better person and I will always remember my years as an Anchor and attending convention. I wish the board good luck for next year and hope you all have a great end of the school year.

GA District Governor

Anchor Convention was certainly exciting. I really enjoyed seeing all the excitement and enthusiasm the Anchors brought to Lake Lanier. The artwork was beautiful and it will certainly make a wonderful addition to any facility where it is displayed. Conventions are always so much fun because you are able to make connections with others from across your District. As you close out this year's activities, ideas for next year can be developing because of the ideas you exchanged with your peers. Remember that Anchors across the District have a common goal, service to their schools and communities. Good luck in your future endeavors.

Thank you so much for the privilege of being a part of your Anchor Convention.

Cythnia Spearman



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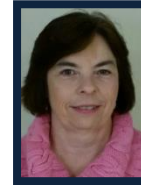
Wow! Thanks for a wonderful Anchor Convention this year. We had 167 Anchors, Advisers, Pilots and other guest attending this year. It is not too early to start making plans for next year's convention. Anchor Convention 2018 will be held February 23-25, 2018. We will once again be at Legacy Lodge on Lake Lanier Island. I know that several clubs have asked about moving convention to another location.

We have placed the hospital art from convention. Rabun County received one set, and the other set went to West Laurens High School in Dublin. Thanks to all that were at convention, and had a hand in this service project. During convention we donated 20 gallons of pull tabs to the Ronald McDonald house.

It is hard to believe that another Anchor year is coming to a close! I have truly enjoyed working with Anchor this year. It is never too early to start planning for next year! There are many different service projects around. I want to share one with you that the Guntersville, Alabama Anchor Club did. They purchase men and women's socks, and filled them with hotel size toiletries. They attached a card that read "Socks of Love", and donated them to a homeless shelter.

I hope you have a great rest of the Anchor year, and if you need anything please do not hesitate to email me!

Mary Turner



Assistant Anchor Coordinator

It's hard to believe another Anchor year has come and gone. It has been a wonderful and productive year- and next year holds the promise of even better things to come! We are so very excited about welcoming new members from our Partnerships for Success friends. We are expanding our BrainMinders program to include more resources and information for our youth. We have created Anchor and Pilot Group chats through Group Me app. Download it now to see what's going on with Anchor- or to ask questions and make new friends! Make sure your club has entered the Anchor Youth Brain Safety Video contest which ends May 31st. You can win money for a brain related service project for your club. It's quick and easy to do.

Contact me or PI Anchor Specialist Donna Rainwater (donna@pilothq.org) for details. Already looking forward to next year!

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Spotlight the Anchor Convention



West Laurens HS Anchors



Putnam Co. HS Anchors



Improv workshop

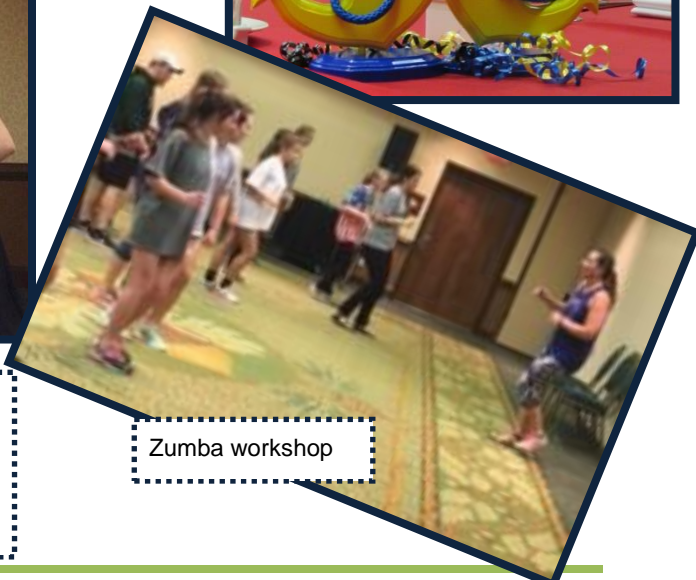


West Laurens HS Anchors Taylor Duke and Lucas Smith practicing in the Self Defense workshop



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Zumba workshop





Anchor Convention Award Winners

Scrapbook

- 1st Place Franklin County High School
- 2nd Place West Laurens High School
- 3rd Place Madison County High School

Anchor Scholarship

- Cathleen Mellor, Roswell High School
- Kylie Bruce, Franklin County High School
- Dishae Patel, West Laurens High School

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West Laurens Anchors Scrapbook committee & 2nd place Scrapbook winner



Brentwood & Washington Co. (2 GPF scholarships and 1 pull tab contest) (l-r) Ka'Nyah Johnson, Makhalia Braddy, Michael Ann Hood, Georgia District Pilot Governor Cynthia Spearman, Erica Kay; GPF scholarship winner.

