

#### **Georgia District Anchor**

# "Anchors Aweigh"

After an amazing 2023-2024 year, our Georgia District Convention has officially come to a close. We had the privilege of staying by the water this year at the beautiful Epworth by the Sea. The food was delicious, our speakers were fantastic and covered this year's topic of mental health awareness from multiple different angles, and we all had an amazing time creating journal care packages and making blankets for youths at mental

health centers. We ended the weekend with an amazing installation

banquet. Congratulations to the incoming 2024-2025 District Anchor Board!

I am so excited to see what this year has to offer you all. I am so beyond

thankful to have gotten the privilege to work with such an amazing group of people this year. I have thoroughly enjoyed watching Anchor impact so many communities in so many amazing ways. I encourage you all to keep up the good work and always strive to make a difference. I hope to see some of you in Denver, Colorado this year at our annual Anchor Summit. It

has been an absolute honor being your 2023-2024 President.

### **Anchor President**

Hello Anchors,



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Anchor Board at the Convention Banquet

## **Anchor President-Elect**

It's hard to believe that another Anchor year is wrapping up. I have enjoyed learning from Spencer this year and look forward to being your President next year. As many of you may know, our service project for this year was Mental Health Awareness. Locally, my Anchor Club did a fundraiser through selling mental health awareness bracelets for \$1. The proceeds from this fundraiser went to the Arc Foundation which is a foundation that promotes the human rights of people with intellectual and developmental disabilities. My local club also did other service projects such as writing cards and collecting treats for first responders, volunteering at Franklin Life (a pregnancy resource center), trunk or treat, and Toys for Tots. For the final months this year we are volunteering at our Pilot Fashion Show, continuing at Franklin Life, and creating pop tab collection boxes to distribute to teachers. I hope that you all will finish the year strong and plan to continue supporting mental health awareness throughout next year as well! Hope to see you all at the International Anchor Summit in July!

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2023 - 2024

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#### **East Central Region Chair**

Hi my name is Addison Coker and I was proud to serve as your 2023-2024 East Central Chair. I am a sophomore at Gatewood High School in Eatonton Georgia. This was my first year being on the anchor board and my second year of being in anchor club. It truly was a blessing to work with all of those who were on the board with me. Our board worked diligently each month to plan our great convention at St. Simons Island. We were very thrilled at how our plans we made over zoom came to life at the convention. The weekend was filled with laughter and many new relationships were formed. I hope to have shown a good example to the new board on how even in tough situations and with people who have the same desire for greatness as you, you can truly accomplish anything you put your mind to. I am so excited to see what the new board has in store for the upcoming anchor year and wish them all the best of luck!









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#### **District Anchor Coordinator**

Wow! What an amazing convention we had at the beautiful Epworth by the Sea with over 100 in attendance! During the convention we elected new board members and amended the Anchor Standing Rules for the first time in over 13 years! There were ten approved changes. These have been sent out to advisors and are currently posted on the district website.

New Anchor Board Officers were also elected...President- Chancey Davis, Franklin County High School; President-Elect-Thomas Hogan, West Laurens High School; Secretary-Gurpreet Kaur, Bainbridge High School; Convention Chair- Danielle Troupe, Franklin County High School; NE Region Chair- Genesis Figueroa, Rabun County High School; NW Region Chair- Cecilia Mitchell, Roswell High School; EC Region Chair- Abbie Mixon, Gatewood School; SE Region Chair- Rhett Bazemore, West Laurens High School; SW Region Chair- Elaina Brantley, Bainbridge High School. Congratulations to the new board! They will have their annual planning meeting on Saturday, August 3<sup>rd</sup>! I can't wait for you to meet them all!

Anchor Club of the Year was awarded to West Laurens High School! Scrapbook Winner was Madison County High School! \$500 Georgia District Anchor Scholarships were awarded to Vraj Patel, Alex Arias, Mackenzie Antis, and Amelia Housley. \$1500 GPF scholarship winners included Emma Carter, Jackson Bost, and Cecile Hall. Lynda Goodwin Scholarship winners were Lauren Coley and Brynn Scott.

Anchors collected soda pull tabs for the Ronald McDonald House in Savannah and made blankets and journal care bags for inpatients at the Lakeside Youth Crisis Center in Savannah. Attendees also participated in a mental health awareness workshop. Flank steak, crab cakes, and chicken tenders were the main dishes at the banquet...the food was amazing! Anchor Convention 2025 will also be at Epworth by the Sea! Start making plans to attend now! I can't believe this is my final article...I have really enjoyed working with such amazing students and advisors! I have watched them grow in leadership and

develop such caring hearts for service! Anchors wouldn't be who they are without incredible advisors! Make sure to nominate yours for Outstanding Anchor Advisor of the Year! I have attached the application! You can also find it on our district website!

Thanks for the memories! Keep up the great work!

Forever Passionate for Anchor!

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Hello Anchors!

#### **GA District Governor**



Wow! What can I say about your 2024 Anchor Convention! I loved every minute of it! It was an amazing time for celebrations, training and making new friends and being at Epworth By the Sea made it even better! I hope everyone that attended the convention has gone back to your club and expressed how much it meant to them personally to attend. If you had club members that were unable to attend due to the cost, please consider a fund raiser that is dedicated to convention expenses only. Possibly your sponsoring Pilot Club may even consider helping.

I hope some of you are making plans to attend the Anchor Summit in Denver, Colorado. This is a time to get new ideas that can be used to strengthen your club and make new lifelong friendships along the way. I hope to see many of you in Denver!

The end of your school year is rapidly approaching. Some will be graduating and moving on to college. I hope you will consider either becoming a member or establishing a Compass Club in your new school so your good works will continue in your new community. For those that will return as an Anchor next year, there are opportunities to remain active in the summer. Try to remain active as a club during the summer so that when school starts back you can just pick up and go.

Your Anchor Board this year was exceptional and I have met the incoming board members and feel sure they will be just as exceptional in leading the Georgia District Anchors in the coming year. Thank you for your leadership. It has not gone unnoticed. Every Pilot Club member that attended your convention this year saw great leadership skills in action. We are so very proud of you and your accomplishments. Keep up the great work!

As I write this last article it is with some sadness that I will not be present to lead the Anchor Board as Governor. However, I will be at your convention and will be one of your biggest cheerleaders! You will have an outstanding Governor coming on board that will be here to help you anytime. Also, Kris Harden, your new Anchor Coordinator has previously served on the board and will be there to guide you each step of the way. It will be a wonderful year!

I pray for those that are graduating to have success and many blessings! Enjoy the rest of your year as you continue to Serve with a Passion!

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# 2024 Georgia District Anchor Convention













Avaline Adams-GA District Pilot Governor with new GA District Anchor Officers L-R: Chancey Davis-President, Thomas Hogan-President-Elect, Gurpreet Kaur-Secretary, Danielle Troup-Convention Chair, Laney Brantley-SW Region Chair, Rhett Bazemore-SE Region Chair, Cecilia Mitchell-NW Region Chair, Genesis Figueroa-NE Region Chair, Abbie Mixon-East Central Region Chair.



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

In order to get timely 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 Kerrin Daniel at kerrin.daniel@gmail.com



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.

Anchor Forms and Information are on the GA District Website www.pilotgeorgia.com

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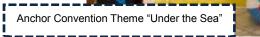
Realizing that in unity there is strength, we, as members of the Anchor Club, are resolved:

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.

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Anchor Pres.-Elect Chancey Davis & Anchor Pres. Spencer Burdett





