



"Anchors Aweigh"

Anchor President

Hello anchors! As 2025 is coming to a close, I wanted to take a moment to remind you that District Convention is quickly approaching! The Georgia District Anchor Board has been working diligently over the last few months to ensure that this will be a convention to remember. Since the convention will be held at Stone Mountain, our theme this year is "Anchors on the Peak". We will have a weekend filled with fun service projects, workshops, speakers, games, and more. There will also be a game of "Family Feud" that you and your friends can compete in!

On behalf of the entire district board, I want to thank everyone who purchased raffle tickets for our themed baskets. The proceeds from these helped to offset the increased cost of our venue for District Convention, which means that more anchors will have the opportunity to attend.

I also want to remind you to keep taking pictures of your service projects this year! If you want any of them to be featured in the newsletter, do not hesitate to send them our way. And don't forget to put them in your scrapbook for the scrapbook competition, the winner of which, along with other honors and awards, will be announced at convention as well. We are so excited to spotlight our wonderful anchors and their accomplishments at this year's convention, and we are looking forward to seeing you all soon!

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Bainbridge Anchors (Anchor Convention Chair Mitchell & Anchor Secretary Cameron) helped with the Walk to End Alzheimer's

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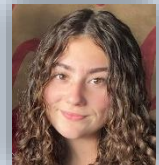
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Anchor Convention Chair

Hello, fellow Anchors and Advisors!

As your Convention Chair for the 2026 Georgia District Anchor Convention, I'm thrilled to share all the exciting details about our upcoming gathering. This year's event promises to be a peak experience as we come together to strengthen our bonds, celebrate our achievements, and chart a course for an even greater impact in our communities. Mark your calendars for February 27 to March 1, 2026, at the beautiful Evergreen Marriott Conference Resort in Stone Mountain, Georgia. Our theme for this year will be "Anchors on the Peak" celebrating reaching new heights in service, leadership, and fellowship. Expect elements of adventure and competition woven throughout, including an "Anchor Feud" game show-style event. This year, we're also focusing on K-12 education. Workshops will dive into classroom strategies, college prep, and life skills. Our service project will be a supplies drive for a local school, so be on the lookout for a list of items (it will be shared soon via newsletter or other communications so, your clubs can start collecting). We'll also recognize our outstanding clubs and individuals with awards such as Best T-Shirt Design, Pull Tab Champion, Most Spirited Club, Furthest Traveled, Most Anchors Attending, the Bumblebee Award (for the most outgoing club), and Most Spirited Advisor.

Registration details are coming together, so watch for the announcement. We'll review convention rules and dress code in advance, but plan on bringing bright colors and Sunday best for the banquet on Saturday. Anchors, this convention is more than an event; it's a summit where we peak together. I can't wait to see you all in Stone Mountain, ready to anchor up and soar. If you have questions, contact me or your district leaders. Let's make 2026 unforgettable!

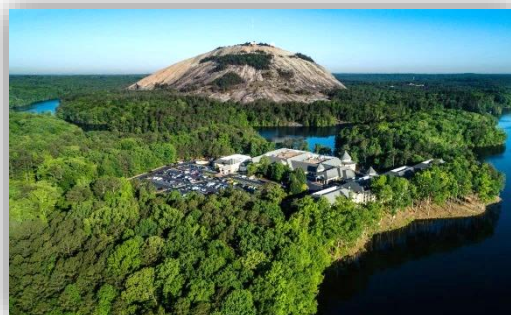
Smooth sailing,

Mitchell

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West Laurens Anchors continued an annual favorite creating blankets for Kid's Cup on 3 different afternoons.



2026 Georgia District Anchor Convention
2/27 - 3/1, 2026
Atlanta Evergreen Lakeside Resort
Stone Mountain, GA



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SE Region Chair

Hello, my name is Rhett Bazemore, and I am a senior at West Laurens High School. I am honored and excited to serve as your Southeast Region Chair for the Georgia District Anchor. It is a privilege to represent my peers and share the incredible work our clubs are accomplishing.

This is my second year as an Anchor officer, and I have greatly enjoyed contributing to our club's initiatives. Last year, as an active member of the West Laurens High School Anchor Club, I had the opportunity to engage in a variety of community service projects that made a tangible impact. One of my favorite experiences as an officer has been assisting with the planning of the Anchor Club Convention at Stone Mountain. Our team has worked diligently through Zoom meetings and at the Pilot International headquarters in Macon, Georgia, to organize an engaging and memorable conference. This year's convention theme is "Gameshows," and I encourage everyone to attend and participate in the fun!

Beyond the convention, our Southeast Region clubs have been actively serving their communities in meaningful ways. In addition to volunteering at various community service events, the West Laurens High School Anchor Club has focused on supporting local 911 operators and first responders. We also contribute through the Brain Minders program, which promotes safety and awareness in our local elementary schools. Witnessing the positive impact of these initiatives reinforces my excitement about the difference Anchor Clubs can make in our communities.

Our West Laurens High School Anchor Club has many service opportunities planned, and I look forward to seeing all of you at the upcoming Anchor Convention. Together, we can continue to make a meaningful difference in the lives of those around us.

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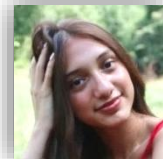
West Laurens Anchors helped the Dublin Pilot Club with their Monster Dash fundraiser event by dressing up in costumes and handing out candy during the 1mile candy walk.

NE Region Chair

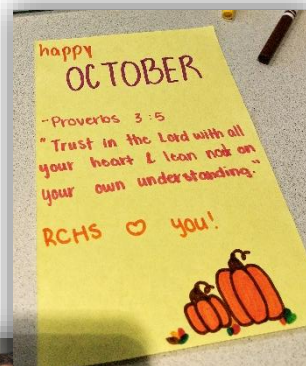
Hi Georgia Anchors! I hope everyone is doing amazing so far! My name is Genesis, and I serve as the Northeast Region Chair. Earlier this month, I had the incredible opportunity, along with a few fellow members, to visit the Ronald McDonald House in Atlanta. During our time there, we prepared a delicious lunch for the families staying at the house and created some adorable handmade cards to brighten their day. It was such a heartwarming experience to see how a simple act of service could bring smiles and comfort to those going through challenging times. Being able to connect with the families and contribute, even in a small way, reminded me of how powerful kindness and community can be. This experience has truly been one of my favorite activities that we've participated in so far, and it made me even more excited for future opportunities to serve together and make a positive impact!

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Rabun Co. Anchors volunteered at the Ronald McDonald House in Atlanta.



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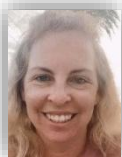


District Anchor Coordinator

It is so hard to believe that 2026 is almost here!! I hope everyone is having a wonderful school and Anchor year. The board has been hard at work planning for convention. This year our theme is 'Anchors on the Peak'. Our focus will be on the importance of education. For our service project at convention, we will be packing bags for a local elementary school filled with school supplies. I will have a wish list on Amazon for you to order/send in items if you wish so that we can make sure we have enough of everything the students will need. Also, if you would like to bring hand sanitizer, Clorox wipes, and tissues we can send to the school they would appreciate that as well. The Anchor board has also been working to try to help offset the cost of registration for you. The Anchor board created raffle baskets to be raffled off at the Pilot Fall Council that was held the first part of October in the beautiful Helen, Georgia. I am so proud of each of them and all the hard work that was put into these baskets!! We were able to raise \$1230!!!! This means we will be able to keep registration cost down! We will be back at a more traditional hotel this year so your registration will include your food cost unlike last year. I hope everyone is getting excited about convention this year because I know WE are!! I look forward to seeing everyone soon! As always, I am only just a phone call/text away if you need anything!

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GA District Governor

As we enter the holiday season many of you will have the opportunity to help "Spread Joy" to your communities. As Anchors you do so much for your school and community through service projects and volunteer hours. The time you devote to the projects and volunteering in your community means so much to the recipients. Keep up the good work!

Now is the time to start making plans to attend Anchor Convention in February. The dates are February 27-March1, 2026 at Atlanta Evergreen. The Anchor board has been working hard at planning the convention. I hope many of you are able to attend. Anchor convention is always fun and very informative. Please think about running for a District office.

International Anchor Summit will be held in Oklahoma City in July. I hope some of you will make plans to attend. The dates are July 15-16, 2026. International Anchor Summit provides you with the opportunity to meet Anchors from across the United States, Bahamas, and Japan.

I hope each of you have a Very Blessed Thanksgiving and Christmas!

Mary

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**Thank You,
Elbert County!**

A big Thank You to **Elbert County Anchors** and every single community member who gave so generously during the Pink Out game at the Granite Bowl! Thanks to your kindness and support, \$1,025.68 was raised for the Mammography Financial Assistance account through the Elbert Memorial Hospital Foundation. That's more than just a number; it's access to critical screenings for women in our community who might not otherwise be able to afford them. Your generosity is helping save lives.



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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 Gerianna Moon (g.moon326@gmail.com)

We would like to spotlight any of your Anchor events/projects in our Anchor Aweigh Newsletter. Please send your pictures with a brief description to Editor Kirsten Jorgenson (kajorge@yahoo.com)



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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, fund-raisers or other activities of your Anchor Club. Photos are also welcome.

Send articles to g.moon326@gmail.com 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.

GA District Anchor's **Facebook and Instagram page**. If you have not liked/followed these pages yet, please do so. On Instagram we are *gadistrictanchors* and on Facebook we are *Georgia Anchor District*. The Anchor board will be posting on social media throughout the year.



Bainbridge Anchors had a successful Bake Sale at their school.



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.

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