

Georgia District Anchors

"Anchors Aweigh"



**2010 - 2011
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A Message From Your President

Greetings Anchors,

I hope you all are getting excited about the convention because time is drawing near! Be sure to encourage your fellow Anchors to come to boost attendance. We want to make this one of the greatest conventions ever. Your time, dedication, and talent are the things that will make our convention great! The convention can never be any greater than its members. I am ready to see each Anchor enjoying the creative and fun events we have planned for this year's convention.

I cannot emphasize enough the importance of running for a district officer position for next year. Working on the board can be very

exciting and a great experience. Not only do you get to work behind the scenes to make our convention a big success, but you meet new people, gain leadership skills, and go many new places.

Thank you for the opportunity you have afforded me to serve as your president. Continue to soar in all of your endeavors!

Sincerely,

Chelsea Wooden



Dates and Deadlines for 2011

Feb 4 – Anchor Club of the Year, Outstanding Service Project, scholarship applications (pay close attention to who each of these are addressed)

Feb 24-27 – Freedom's Foundation

Feb 25 – Deadline to register for "Anchor's Got Talent" Talent Show

Mar 4-6 – GA District Anchor Convention



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.



"District Anchor Coordinator Lynda Goodwin"



By the time you read this it will be less than a month until the Georgia District Anchor Convention. The dates are March 4-6, 2011. The place is Legacy Lodge and Conference Center at beautiful Lake Lanier Islands. The theme is "Anchors Got Talent." A fun-filled weekend has been planned by the Anchor District officers.

Friday night begins with a welcome party and talent show by the Anchors. Saturday, we get down to business of the district, elect new officers, and continue our reality show theme with workshops like "Good Eats" (how to eat healthy fast food and other tips), two active workshops to keep us fit and healthy – "Protecting Yourself from the Paparazzi" (kickboxing) and a "Zumba" dance class. Choices of three more workshops follow, including "Anchors Next Top Model" (skincare), "Inside Edition" (networking), and "Access Hollywood" (icebreakers and games). The evening ends with "A Walk on the Red Carpet" (awards banquet) and "So You Think You Can Dance?" (DJ dance party)

We will have two service projects - a Hospital Art Paintfest and a letter writing session for the military. See more about these projects elsewhere in this newsletter.

Freedom's Foundation is scheduled for Feb 24-27, 2011 in Valley Forge, PA. At least one district Anchor officer is attending and I am hearing that several Anchor Clubs will be sending delegates. Please notify me if your Anchor Club will be represented so I'll know who will be there and we can coordinate schedules. I have a packet of information with schedules, forms, etc. that I can email any club still interested in attending.

A few Georgia District Anchor Clubs still owe PI and District dues. I recently sent an email reminder. Please make sure your Anchor Clubs are up to date on paying their dues. Your delegates cannot vote at convention and your nominees cannot run for district office if your club's PI and district dues are not both paid.

Lynda Goodwin

"GA District Governor Esther Foster"



It is time to begin thinking about electing new District Anchor officers for 2011-2012. I encourage any Anchor who feels qualified to serve as a District Officer to let your advisor know you are interested. I have always been impressed with the leadership skills of our Anchors. Remember, each of you are the leaders of tomorrow as well as future Pilots.

I am excited and look forward to seeing many of you at District Convention at Legacy Lodge and Conference Center at Lake Lanier Islands on March 4-6. Once you have attended an Anchor convention, you will not want to miss another one. It will be an honor for me to install the new officers at the Installation Dinner on Saturday night.

High school seniors are encouraged to apply for the GPF and Anchor Scholarships. Talk with your Anchor Advisor about getting a copy of the application forms. *You can't win if you don't apply...and there are many of you who would qualify.*



Many of you are high school seniors and have begun thinking about college and other future plans after graduation; others of you are busy with school activities, homework, etc.; and then there are those who are still searching for direction in their lives. I came across this thought today by Walt Disney, one of the great dreamers of the twentieth century, and would like to share it with you. *"If you can dream it, you can do it. Never lose sight of the fact that this whole thing (Disney World) was started by a mouse!"* This thought can be applied to any area of our lives. I encourage each of you to hold on to your dreams and the goals you have set to attain for your life.

Esther Foster



"Anchor's 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 "Anchor's 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 Lynda@edgoodwinassociates.com and copy to kajorge@yahoo.com.

Articles for the next issue of "Anchors Aweigh" should be submitted by **April 1**.

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.

Constant Contact

Anchor Advisors/Anchors are encouraged to sign up for Constant Contact. Go to the PI website home page at www.pilotinternational.org and sign up within a couple of minutes. A lot of the Anchor publications, reminders, flyers, etc. during this year will be sent via Constant Contact.

"2011-2012 District Officers Needed"

According to your Anchor District Standing Rules, nominees for District Anchor Officers must be received 45 days prior to convention. The deadline of January 19 has come and gone and I am pleased to report that we have the following on the slate of nominees:

- President-Elect** – one nominee
- Secretary** – one nominee
- Convention Chair** – two nominees
- East Central Region Chair** – two nominees

It will be difficult to run the district with just these four offices filled. We are missing nominees for the following:

Northeast Region Chair

"West Central Chair"

Erika Huston



The Hutchings High School Anchor Club has held three very successful service projects so far this school year. Those three projects were a canned food drive, the American Red Cross Blood Drive, and visiting a local nursing home. Our Anchors had lots of fun playing the Wii with the residents of the nursing home, helping them exercise and stay fit. We have had a lot of participation this year and are very proud of all the things we have accomplished. Our next blood drive will be in March. We look forward to having a wonderful district convention and a great new year!

Erika Huston

- Northwest Region Chair**
- West Central Region Chair**
- Southeast Region Chair**
- Southwest Region Chair**

Many times, we get to convention without nominees for some offices. Let's don't let that happen this year. Fax or email your club's nominations to Mrs. Goodwin right away. Lynda@edgoodwinassociates.com - Fax: 770-755-1974 --- Phone: 770-393-1766



"From Monroe Area High School Anchor Club (Monroe, GA)"

Talk about Pilot/Anchor Connections: Our Anchor Club helped our Pilot Club sell raffle tickets back in October. The drawing was in November. The first prize was \$250 - winning ticket sold by one of our Anchors. She had sold it to one of the teachers at school. That teacher (being so impressed with the constant service of our Anchor Club) gave half of the money (\$125) back to our Anchor Club who used it to buy toys for needy local children for Christmas. Our Pilot Club also "adopted" several local children in need and provided toys for them and donated 50 stockings stuffed with goodies for needy children in the area.

Other recent Anchor projects: Gifts for our faculty members who are veterans on Veterans Day, donated 19 shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child, Christmas candy bags for teachers.





Georgia District Anchor Convention

Get Ready for Anchor's Got Talent!!!!

Here are the things you need to know BEFORE you come to Anchor Convention:

DATES AND PLACE:

March 4-6, 2011 (the nights of March 4 and 5)

**Legacy Lodge and Conference Center
Lake Lanier Islands, GA**



HOTEL AND CONVENTION REGISTRATIONS:

Hotel registrations are coming in slowly! The deadline is Feb 2 but I have been told by the hotel staff, they will extend it. If you even THINK you may be coming, go ahead and make your reservation. You can always cancel it. And you may not be able to get a room too close to convention time. Call 770-945-8787 or 800-768-LAKE. The group name is "Georgia District Anchor." The Anchor rate for rooms with two double beds is \$119 plus 13% tax per night. This rate includes the entrance fee to the islands.

Be sure to send your convention registration form in to Pilot Treasurer, Barbara Wright now. The \$100 per person includes four meals, supplies, workshops, speakers, and all other activities. Any adults planning to participate in the activities of the convention must pay the full registration.

SCHEDULE: Here is the "tentative" schedule:

Friday: 7-10 pm - Welcome Pizza Party including "Anchor's Got Talent" Show

Saturday: 9:30 am - Business Session
10:30 am - Workshop - "Good Eats"
11:45 am - Lunch with speaker
1:30-3:30 pm - Workshops - Kickboxing and Zumba - everyone gets to do both
3:45 - 5:30 - Workshops - choose 2 of 3 offered - Skin Care, Networking, Icebreakers
7-11 pm - Awards Banquet and Dance

Sunday: on your own and travel home

WHAT TO WEAR:

Dress code for the entire weekend is "business casual". In general, you should bring:

Friday night: Jeans/slacks and Anchor Club shirts or casual shirts

Saturday morning: What you would wear to school. Officers and those running for office should be dressier. Note: No PJ pants and t-shirts are allowed in the restaurant at breakfast. If you wear them, you will be sent back to your hotel room. Come to breakfast wearing what you plan to wear the rest of the morning

Saturday afternoon: Casual. You will be exercising and moving quite a bit.

Saturday night: Dressy Sunday clothes to semi-formal.



"ANCHORS GOT TALENT" TALENT SHOW

Do you have a talent you want to share? Friday night will be the first ever talent show just for the Anchors (no adults please). Whether you want to perform solo or get a group together up to 4 people, this is a chance for you to show your talent. We need to know what you plan to do and your equipment needs by **Feb 25 AT THE LATEST**. There is a form attached to submit to Mrs. Goodwin. The audience will have a chance to vote. Awards and prizes will be announced at the banquet Saturday night.



Georgia District Anchor Convention

SERVICE PROJECTS:

There will be several service projects.

- * For the 7th year, we will be painting panels for The Foundation for Hospital Art. If you have a location in your community where you would like to see the art placed, please contact Mrs. Goodwin with a contact name, the facility name, phone and email.
- * We will also be writing letters and cards to members of the military, thanking them for serving our country. Many servicemen never get letters and we will help fill that void.
- * Another project, which is optional, will be making lap blankets for the veteran hospitals.

See more on these last two projects in the "What to Bring" section.



"Convention Chair"

Lindsay Garrett

How many of you enjoy Reality TV? Well if you do, this year's convention will be the place to be from March 4-6, 2011! The board has worked to come up with some really great ideas that will be fun for everybody involved. It won't be the typical convention you may have attended for other clubs, because we are going all out this year to make it the best one yet! Encourage your friends from school to come and meet new friends while also catching up with others you've met at our previous conventions! Anchors serve their schools and communities all year long, and it is fun to get together and learn about each other's clubs while having a great time! I don't want to spoil the surprise but think..."Access Hollywood" or "So You Think You Can Dance," but most of all think "Anchors Got Talent," because you all do! Hope to see you there!

Lindsay Garrett

WHAT TO BRING:

- * Refreshments will again be brought by Regions. If you are unsure about your region, contact Mrs. Goodwin.
 - East Central – Water or soft drinks (be sure to include diet drinks)
 - Northeast – chips, brownies or cookies
 - Northwest, West Central, Southwest and Southeast – candy
- * Please note that soft drinks and water should be in individual cans or bottles. Snack items should be in individual serving bags – no large bags of unwrapped chips, candy, etc. Even homemade items should be put in baggies so Anchors can just pick them up and go.
- * Two (2) door prizes per Anchor Club – try not to bring expensive items – around \$5 to \$10. Can't think of something to bring? The Anchors love gift cards.
- * Note cards with envelopes to write to soldiers. Generic "Thinking of You" and "Thank You" cards are appropriate. Plan to bring at least 5 per Anchor coming from your club.
- * Optional: Two 2-yard pieces of fleece (whatever width). These will be cut and tied together for lap blankets for veterans. Each Anchor who wants to participate in this activity should bring the fleece.
- * And don't forget to bring your Anchor Club Scrapbook for the scrapbook competition. Drop off at the Anchor Registration Table or bring to the Hospitality Room Friday night.

Attached to this Newsletter are the following documents:

1. Convention Registration
2. Convention Rules and Regulations
3. Permission Form for Convention
4. Hotel Reservation Information
5. District Officer Nomination Form
6. District Office Requirements
7. Georgia District Anchor Regions
8. "Anchor's Got Talent" Talent Show Registration