



"Anchors Aweigh"

**2014 - 2015
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"A Message from our President"

Hey everyone! I am Mary Stuart Shannon, your 2014-2015 GA District Anchor President. As a senior at Roswell High School I am co-president of my school Anchor Club. I love helping others and enjoying the great outdoors! I am looking forward to a great Anchor year and can't wait to hear all about the service projects going on in the different communities. At the beginning of August the District Officers met to discuss Anchor Convention and we are happy to announce this year's theme is "Anchors Around the World!" Hopefully everyone is off to a great start with school and their service projects. Start collecting books for the Zambezi project to be shipped spring 2015!

Looking forward to seeing you all at convention! 😊

Mary Stuart Shannon



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.

"ANCHOR PRESIDENT-ELECT"

I'm Sagarika Reddy, and I'm a junior at John Milledge Academy. I am currently the President-Elect for John Milledge and Georgia District. I had a wonderful opportunity to go to the Anchor International Summit in Chicago. Going to Chicago was such a fun experience. I went on an architecture tour around Chicago. I saw famous buildings like The Willis tower, John Hancock Center, Carbide and Carbon building and many others. I also got to see The Rockefeller Memorial Chapel and it was truly breathtaking. I was able to meet anchors from Japan and the Bahamas. It was interesting to learn about their culture. There are many diverse restaurants in Chicago and it was really fun to experiment with different foods. All of the anchors participated in workshops and shared ideas. The entire trip was informative, exciting and enlightening. I would like to thank John Milledge, the Anchor Club and Pilot Club for giving me the opportunity to go to Chicago.

Sagarika Reddy



Let's Meet Our New Anchor Board...



ANCHOR CONVENTION CHAIR
HARLEIGH BASS

Hi I'm Harleigh Bass, I go to school at John Milledge Academy and have been a member of our anchor club for three years now. Where I have held office for two years. I have also been on the state board for two years, my first year as secretary and now convention chair. The other board members and I have many great activities planned for this year's convention. Can't wait to see everyone at convention!



ANCHOR SECRETARY
ELLI GARLAND

I am Ellis Elizabeth Garland, this year I am a seventeen year old senior at Rabun County High School. Not only am I the Georgia District Secretary of Anchor, I am the president of my school's chapter of FBLA. I am a dual enrollment student with North Georgia Technical College. I have two older siblings, whom I enjoy going to the lake with. In my free time I love to go shopping, hang out with my friends, ride dirt bikes, drive big trucks, and love to wakeboard. At school, I participate in Yearbook, FBLA, Anchor, Interact, and FCA. I am the daughter of Darryl and Ramelle Garland. I like to take my dog, Millie, running with me. I am honored to be the Georgia District Anchor Secretary.



ANCHOR SW REGION CHAIR
TAYLOR COLON

Hello! My name is Taylor Colon and I will be serving my second term as the Southwest Region Chair for the Georgia District Anchor Club this year. I am a Senior at Bainbridge High School in Bainbridge, Georgia where I am currently serving as the President for BHS Anchor Club. I have been a member of Anchor Club for the last three years. As a member of Anchor Club, I am involved in many service activities throughout our community such as one on one mentoring at Hutto Middle School with at-risk, special needs students, Special Olympics and Relay for Life. I am also actively involved in my church youth group and enjoy participating in church activities, as well as, going on mission trips. In addition to my Anchor Club duties and church involvement, I play percussion in the BHS band, run cross country and swim on the swim team. I am also an active member of the National Honor Society, Interact Club and serve on the leadership team for FCA. I really enjoy being involved in a service oriented club such as Anchor Club. I am looking forward to another great year serving as southwest region chair and getting to know and work with my fellow anchors.



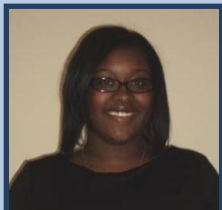
ANCHOR NE REGION CHAIR
ROSE SCOGGINS

Hello Everyone! First off, I just want to say how ecstatic I am to be a part of the Georgia District Anchor Board this year! I know it's going to be great! My name is Rose Scoggins, and I am your Northeast Region Chair. I am from the Franklin County Anchor Club at Franklin County High School where I serve as the President-Elect this year. I am originally from Elbert County, but moved to Franklin County in 8th grade. When I started high school, I had in mind that I would join Anchor Club, but I never thought it would impact my life in the way it has. Anchor Club has introduced me to many different friends, opportunities, and community interactions that I never would have had if not joining this caring club. I can't wait to see all the things that Georgia Anchor does this year as we strive to Do More, Care More, and Be More!





Let's Meet Our New Anchor Board...



ANCHOR WC REGION CHAIR
JASMINE KING

Hello Anchors! I am a senior at Jones County High School in Gray, Georgia. I keep my hands in everything! I am the Anchor Club V.P, the Beta Club Secretary, and an Advisor for HOSA at my school. I am the Girls Basketball Manager and I do track and field. I am very involved within my community. I am VERY excited to be starting a new year with you all! We have a great year in store for you! Let's get ready to start this school year with a BANG!! I Hope to see every one of you Anchors at Convention!



ANCHOR EC REGION CHAIR
PRESLEY PERRY

Hi, my name is Presley Perry and I am your 2014-2015 East Central Region Chair. I am a junior at West Laurens High School where I play in the band and I am on the tennis team. I am also President Elect in my school's Anchor Club and I love it. Anchor club is one of my favorite things because I love the people I get to work with and I love helping people in need. Community service holds a dear spot in my heart and caring for others in need is my passion. I am beyond lucky to hold positions at the local level and the state level to represent an organization so personal to me. I wish you all the very best this school year.



ANCHOR NW REGION CHAIR
MORGAN JONES

Hello Fellow Anchors and Pilots! My name is Morgan Jones and I will be your Northwest Region Chair for the 2014-2015 year. I attend Roswell High School along with Mary Stuart Shannon, this year's President. As a student athlete, I have verbally committed to play volleyball at Emory University. I am involved in National Honors Society, but more importantly Anchor Club.

This school year will be very exciting for Anchor Club with all the great projects we have scheduled this year. The two projects Anchor Club is thrilled to partake in are March of Dimes and Georgia Artists with DisAbilities. These are the top priority because of the immense opportunities both projects offer to help grow our service commitment in all of our communities.

I am looking forward to seeing all fellow Anchors and Pilots from across the state, throughout the year and especially at the March Convention.

"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, fund-raisers 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.



Anchor Board members: Haleigh, Sagarika, Morgan & Mary Stuart at PI Headquarters in Macon for a day of discussions and planning for the year.





"DISTRICT ANCHOR COORDINATOR"

Welcome to a new Anchor year! Schools have been in session for a month for most of you. I hope that you have been busy making plans for the year. Governor Judy Jackson has as her theme this year "Pilot is the Key to Service" using a garden gate and a key for the logo. I am always astounded at the quantity and quality of projects that all the Anchors do in your communities and schools. Be sure to share with us what you are doing throughout the year.

Your District Anchor Board met August 2nd at Pilot Headquarters in Macon for a day of discussions and planning for the year. The main topic of discussion was the convention next February. They came up with some great ideas for speakers, programs, workshops and fun activities. The theme for this year is "Anchors Around the World." Convention will be February 27-March 1, 2015 at Lake Lanier Island. We also have several service projects that we will be participating in this year. Information on each of these projects is included in this newsletter.

I would like to remind the club officers and sponsors that Pilot International requests a list of your officers as soon as possible. Please also copy me on that list. A blank form is attached to this newsletter. Georgia District dues in the amount of \$8.00 and Pilot International dues in the amount of \$14.00 are both due on November 1, 2014. Please make sure that you send Georgia dues to Susan Harbin and Pilot International dues to Jennifer Whitehead. Advisors/Sponsors please request those checks early so no Georgia Anchor Club has to be reminded to pay their dues. Both of these forms are also attached to this newsletter.

Please remember that each Anchor should complete a Photo Release Form. There is a new membership form that needs to be completed, and copies should be sent to Pilot International. These forms should be kept on file with the advisor. They need to be completed each year. Please do not send pictures of students to be included in the newsletter or the Pilot Log without having a Photo Release Form. This information is attached to the newsletter.

The Anchor Advisor/Sponsor is usually appointed by the school principal. The Anchor Coordinator is a member of the Pilot Club that sponsors the Anchor Club. This person is appointed by the Pilot Club President and is the liaison between the Pilot Club and the Anchor Club. Both of these people are critical to the success of Any Anchor Club. They need to communicate constantly. It would be a good idea if the Anchor Advisor could attend Pilot Club meetings and if the Anchor Coordinator could attend Anchor Club meetings. It is also good to have some joint Anchor/Pilot projects and social events throughout the year. It is important that we have your current "Anchor Advisor" and "Anchor Coordinator" information so the proper people can receive the newsletters and other correspondence to keep you updated.

Mary Turner



MEET ASSISTANT ANCHOR COORDINATOR

As the eldest of seven, I learned about the joy of helping others, especially the children in my family and my community. This included keeping the brood of younger siblings entertained and productive on a busy Vermont farm. I was also very active in 4H and in my church. Those early experiences served me well as I raised my own three children, and participated in many school and church-related volunteer activities.

As my "nest" emptied and my children moved away, I was eager to find new ways to give back to my community. I was first introduced to Pilot in Crystal River, Florida, delighted to find like-minded people and eager to make a difference in the local community. We participated in many service projects, including providing care packages to the many people displaced by four hurricanes in one very active season.

Our daughter Leah's job transfer (and the grandkids!) brought me and my husband, Tony, to Georgia, and the Pilot Club of Atlanta. I was thrilled to discover our club sponsors two Anchor Clubs at Centennial and Roswell High Schools. With Irene Neumann-Klosson's mentoring, I eventually became Coordinator for the Centennial Club, and we were able to restore the Anchor Club at Roswell High.

Last year the Roswell Club became sponsors for "The Cape of Good Hope" Anchors in Pretoria, South Africa. Our Charter Member freshman Anchors are now capable, mature, awesome seniors with a legacy of service to their credit. I am passionate about Anchors and so excited to serve as Assistant Anchor Coordinator for the Georgia District this year!

Sheryl Merrey



The Zambezi Schoolbook Project

The Zambezi Schoolbook Project provides reading material to children in South Africa. The greatest need seems to be leisure reading books for Pre-K to 8th grade (ages 5-13), However, all gently used or new books for children and teens will be welcomed and distributed. We will have a competition to see which Anchor Club can collect the most books, so start collecting those books. For more information you may visit the following website: claud-and-barbara@zambezischoolbookproject.org



**ZAMBEZI
SCHOOLBOOK
PROJECT**
REACHING ISOLATED
CHILDREN



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.

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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.



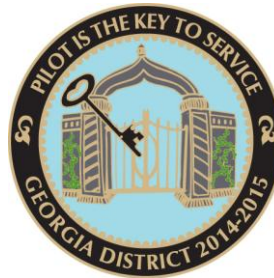
“GA DISTRICT GOVERNOR”

Welcome to a new year in Anchor Club! Our theme this year is Pilot and Anchor are the Keys to Service. Through your club plans at the local, district, and international levels you will have many opportunities for service. You will also have opportunities to make new friends in the Georgia District and in other Districts of our International family of service clubs. Work together as a club to embrace worthy service projects and give time and energy to each of them to help make a difference in the lives of others.

I look forward to working with your District officers this year in planning, serving, and caring; I also look forward to meeting many of you at the Anchor District Convention. Help your club plan a fundraiser to help send several members to convention and encourage other Anchors to attend by saving their money and paying their own way. It's a very worthwhile and memorable experience to attend the District Convention to meet others, learn from workshops and speakers, and help elect new District officers for next year. You may even want to run for an office.

Whether you're working on the District projects in the hospitality room or dressing up for the luncheon and banquet, you will enjoy every aspect of the convention. Welcome to the 2014-2015 Anchor and Pilot year; we will move forward together as we Do More, Care More, and Be More for the betterment of our communities.

Judy Jackson



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Stephens HS Anchors toured Powerhouse for Kids, a facility in Toccoa that interviews and counsels' children who have been abused. Anchors also provided items for cosmetic bags.



Stephens HS Anchors and Pilots from the Pilot Club of Toccoa at their annual Pilot/Anchor picnic in June





Anchor Convention

Toiletry Bags for Homeless

During one of the workshops we will assemble toiletry bags to distribute to either a homeless shelter or a battered women's shelter. The Anchor board set a goal to assemble 100 bags. We are asking each region to bring a different item for the bags. Listed below is what each region is responsible for bringing.

East Central - Baby Powder and Deodorant

Northeast – Shampoo and Conditioner (can be 2 in 1)

Northwest – Dental Care (toothbrush, toothpaste and dental floss)

West Central – Body Wash or soap

Southeast/Southwest – Hand Sanitizer and antiseptic wipes/cream



FRANCES BETHEL

I attended Rabun County High School where I participated as a member of Anchor club. My mother was an active member of Pilot when I was a child and had us involved in all of her activities including modeling at the fashion show. When I heard about the Anchor club in high school and learned that it was sistered with the Pilot club, I knew that joining this club was a fun way that I could serve my community. Our main event one year was working with the Special Olympics. We each got paired with a student assigned as buddy and our job was to support the individual in his or her efforts. My buddy was a seventh grade girl named Renee, and I can't tell you what sport she played or which medal she got, but I remember how happy she was and how much fun we had that day. She sent me a thank you note a week or so later and I still have it today.



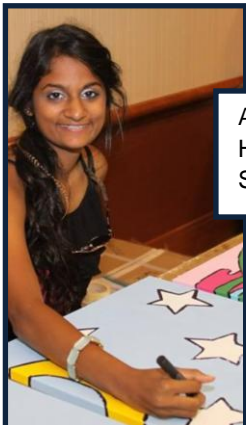
Frances Bethel

Frances is now a member of the Pilot Club of Atlanta and enjoying participating in all the great activities the club does for their community.



Anchor President Mary Stuart, 4th from r, is pictured with Dr. Al Soltan, President of GA Cancer Specialists (2nd from r) and others representing metro area Pilot and Anchor Clubs at the first packing party of toiletries for Stand Up For Stand Down, an event for homeless veterans. On August 19, the Peachtree Pilot Club of Atlanta and the Pilot Club of Atlanta, both Pilots and family members, came together at the Atlanta GA Cancer Specialist site and assembled 290 bags for the Atlanta VA event for health services for homeless veterans. Veterans will each be given a bag of toiletries to take with them from the event. Another packing party is slated for later in September to complete their goal of 600 bags.

**Anchor Convention
Legacy Lodge
Lake Lanier Islands
February 27 – March 1, 2015
Theme
*Anchors Around the World***



Anchor President-Elect Sagarika, worked on the Hospital Art canvas at the Anchor International Summit in Chicago this past July.



Attached to this Newsletter are the following documents:

- Anchor Club Treasurer's Report
- GA District Club Treasurer's Report
- Community Service Application
- Anchor Club Officers
- Anchor Parental Waiver
- PI Anchor Photo Release Form
- PI Youth Protection Policy
- Criteria for Judging Scrapbooks

