



# "Anchors Aweigh"

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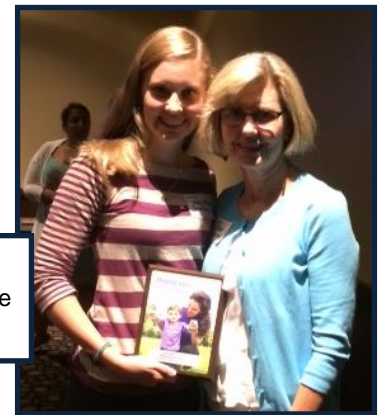
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## "A Message from our President"

¡Hola! Salut! Nĩ hã. Are you ready to travel around the world during GA District Convention February 27 to March 1, 2015? As President I am looking forward to a great weekend meeting new Anchors and experiencing the world around us through our workshops and speakers. Until then I hope your local Anchor Club is preparing for the convention by gathering toiletry items for Veterans and books for the Zambezi Project. Roswell has already started our collection and we have over 100 books in our possession! The Roswell Anchors have been busy helping with Stand Up for Stand Down, G.A.W.D. and the Roswell Youth Day Parade. We are about to start our annual Pecan Sales in preparation for Thanksgiving!

Hope you are all Being More, Caring More and Doing More for each other and your community. ☺

*Mary Stuart Shannon*



Roswell HS Anchor President and GA District Anchor President Mary Stuart Shannon with Mom Janna recognize as Top Youth Walker March of Dimes Babies Walk



Anchor Club of Brentwood School participated in two GA District Pilot Projects. Anchor members collected tube socks to be included in care packages distributed to deployed service members by "Soldier's Angels"; an organization that supports military families, deployed service members, wounded service members and veterans. Books were also collected for donation to The Zambezi Schoolbook Project which provides reading material for children, Pre-K to 8<sup>th</sup> grade. These books will be distributed to many remote village schools and libraries in the Zambezi River Valley region in South Africa. Anchor is a community service organization for students and is sponsored by the Pilot Club of Washington County.





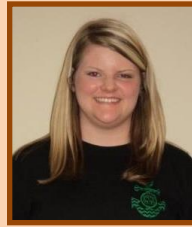
**ANCHOR SW REGION CHAIR**

Hey Everyone! As of this newsletter, Bainbridge High School Anchor club has been busy with many service projects. We gave out water at the BHS Invitational 5K cross country meet and will be helping again with the Regional meet on October 30<sup>th</sup>. We helped serve at the Breast Cancer Awareness Luncheon and have been collecting white athletic socks for our men and women in the military. To date, we have 72 pairs of socks. We just finished our first fundraiser of the year which is selling homecoming shirts. The money we make will help fund our service projects for the coming holidays. Our next big service opportunity, One on One mentoring, will be starting soon. BHS Anchor members will be matched up with special needs/disadvantaged students at the local middle school. This is a great opportunity for both the mentor and the mentee. The younger kids really appreciate the time and attention they receive from the BHS Anchor Club members. We are starting to gear up for the local Relay for Life. This year we will be partnering with our Pilot Club to sponsor a tent and walk for a cure.

Hope everyone has a



*Taylor Colon*



**ANCHOR NE REGION CHAIR**

The Franklin County High School Anchor Club has already been busing serving their community this year. Together we have completed 3 service projects and are gearing up for our next project on October 26<sup>th</sup>. At the beginning of the year, the officers went on a retreat to Helen to plan our full calendar year. The completed projects for August and September were: painting a mural at open house at FCHS to donate to a local nursing home, helping out with the Northeast Georgia Animal Shelter adoption drive, and painting faces at the annual Taste of Franklin event at Emmanuel College. The biggest service project of the year is a dance held for special needs children and adults through the partnership of the Connections for Special Parents house in Royston. This year the dance will be a Halloween themed dance. The dance was started last year as a project to serve people with brain related disorders in a fun way for everyone. The kids and adults 13 years and older came, got dressed up for the formal theme, and danced the night away. The biggest talk in the club is about how much fun the dance was last year, and how they can't wait to dress up as their favorite character and dance again!

*Rose Scoggins*



Over the summer a few of the West Laurens HS Anchors continued their service at the local humane society. They walked the dogs and cleaned out pens weekly since last September but this time they were able to help with a special discount adoption day. This adoption day in June was a huge success, with 31 dogs and cats adopted and pre-adopted, as compared to just two or three at the most on normal Saturday adoptions. They are hoping to help again with their next discount day in November. Pictured are: Katelyn Weeks, Madison Weeks, Scotty Hall, and William Wiegand.



West Laurens HS Anchors August service project they made "Welcome Back" notes for the entire faculty at the High School. They didn't officially meet until September so they decided to do something small for their August project. Pictured are: Kylie Paige Smith and Carson Odum





## GA District Anchor Convention

February 27 - March 1, 2015

Legacy Lodge and Convention Center  
Lake Lanier Islands

Theme  
"Anchors Around the World"



### What to Bring to Convention

#### Refreshments for Convention

East Central Region - Chips and Sweets

Northeast Region – Canned drinks, please remember to include some diet drinks and water

Northwest Region – Fruit and Granola Bars

West Central Region – Canned drinks, Cheeze-its, and Chex Mix

Southwest and Southeast Region – Individually wrapped candy

### What to Bring to Convention

#### Toiletry Items for Homeless Veterans

Goal 100 Bags

East Central Region – Baby powder and deodorant

Northeast Region – Shampoo and Conditioner

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

West Central Region – Soap/Body wash

Southeast/Southwest – Hand Sanitizer and antiseptic wipes/cream

Door Prizes – Each club needs to bring two door prizes around \$5.00 to \$10.00 each. If you do not know what to bring you may bring gift cards.



We will be giving an award to the club that brings in the most books for the Zambezi Book Project



ZAMBEZI  
SCHOOLBOOK  
PROJECT  
REACHING ISOLATED  
CHILDREN



### ANCHOR CONVENTION CHAIR

All of the members of the Anchor Board have been working hard to make this year's convention great for everyone! This year's theme will be "Anchors Around the World" and I couldn't be more excited! We have thought of fun games, delicious food, and awesome workshops. Not to worry boys, we have been sure to include more "manly workshops" as many had suggested last year! This year we have worked to keep our community service projects in our workshops for convention, so we will be collecting books to donate along with creating toiletry care-packages for homeless veterans. Everyone is bound to find something they love. I hope you will be able to attend the 2014-2015 anchor convention.

Thank you for your time,

*Harleigh Bass*





**“DISTRICT ANCHOR COORDINATOR”**

I am excited about the upcoming District Anchor Convention planned for February 27-March 1, 2015 at Legacy Lodge and Convention Center at Lake Lanier Islands. Attached to this newsletter you will find the convention registration form (**\$100 per person**), **the convention regulations, permission forms, (required of each Anchor), hotel reservation info (121 plus 13% tax-watch cut-off date).**

The theme chosen by your Anchor Board is “Anchors Around the World” so plan now to attend and visit different countries. We have some different awards that will be given this year at convention. We will be giving an award to the club that brings in the most books for the Zambezi Book Project.

I hope to have the updated Anchor Club of the Year Award, and Advisor of the Year form soon. I will send these out to clubs once I receive them. The deadline for submission of the Club of the Year Award will be February 13, 2015. The Anchor Club of the Year will need to be submitted electronically. I would like to encourage all clubs to apply for

the Community Service Award, Anchor Club of the Year, and to bring a scrapbook to convention.

At convention we will be electing new Anchor officers for the 2015/16 Anchor year. Please consider running for an office or encouraging someone to run for office. We would love to have several Anchors run for each office. Please look over the Anchor Standing Rules that are attached to this newsletter, and if you see something that you would like to see change please let me know by January 1, 2015. We will need to send out any proposed changes to clubs before convention.

This newsletter is jam packed with information about awards, scholarships, district officer nominations, and Freedoms Foundation. As always, your district Anchor officers and I are always available to help. Please contact any of us when you have questions.

*Mary Turner*



**“GA DISTRICT GOVERNOR”**

As we approach Thanksgiving and Christmas, we have so much to be thankful for-- our families and friends, our Anchors and advisers, Pilots who support and encourage Anchors, and many opportunities for service and leadership. Let's express our thanks and step up to the opportunities for service as we move into 2015. We need to look at our projects and work toward completion to make this year a success.

We also need to make plans to send Anchors to District Convention and to International Convention. Plan some car washes, bake sales, and creative fundraisers to help send your officers to these conventions. Read the great fundraising ideas in the Anchor newsletter from Pilot International and try one! Any Anchors can save their money and pay their own way, as well. It is well worth the time and money to be a part of great leadership training and meet fellow Anchors from our international body. To participate in the service projects at convention, with so many Anchors from all over, is a wonderful feeling.

Congratulations to two Anchor Clubs who have reached major milestones this year: The Anchor Club of Hart County High School is celebrating its 60th year. Also, the Apalachee High School Anchor Club is celebrating its 10 year. Happy Birthday and warm congratulations to these two clubs!

Happy Birthday to Pilot International, celebrating its 93rd birthday this year! I am very thankful for Pilots and Anchors and wish for you all a very special Thanksgiving and Christmas.

*Judy Jackson*



John Milledge Academy Anchors painted pumpkins for the Life Enrichment Center, who serves adults with disabilities. They painted pumpkins to place on the tables in their dining hall during the month of October.

Anchors will be helping bag 40,000 pounds of potatoes for the Middle GA area Potato Drop later this month. They also visit the Pilot Club of Milledgeville's monthly meetings and are assisting them in a major fundraiser selling Christmas wreaths.



Pumpkins at the Life Enrichment Center: L-R: Anna, Carson, Grace, Hannah, Lilly, Marcilla (LEC Activities Director), Alexa, Macey, Sherri, Elif, Sagarika (GA District President-Elect).



Anchors Anna and Anahit painting Frankenstein on a pumpkin



**2015-2016 District Officers Needed**

Are you a leader in your club? Do you want to learn leadership skills? Then YOU are needed to run for District Office. The current President Elect will automatically become President at the convention in March. The following officers will be elected to serve July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016:

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| <b>President-Elect</b>        | <b>East Central Region Chair</b> |
| <b>Secretary</b>              | <b>West Central Region Chair</b> |
| <b>Convention Chair</b>       | <b>Southeast Region Chair</b>    |
| <b>Northeast Region Chair</b> | <b>South West Region Chair</b>   |
| <b>Northwest Region Chair</b> |                                  |

The President-Elect must be a 10th grader when elected and will serve as President Elect in 11th grade, the President in 12th grade. All other officers may be in any grade. The delegates all vote for President Elect, Secretary and Convention Chair. Region Chairs are elected by their own Region's delegates.

Many times we get to convention without nominees for some offices. Let's don't let that happen this year. All nominations are due to Ms. Turner 45 days prior to convention – January 16, 2015.



Centennial HS Anchors Amanda, Anna, Katie & Caleigh worked at the Oakland Cemetery's Sunday in the Park



Pilot Club of Washington County hosted an Officer Installation luncheon for Anchor Clubs from Brentwood School and Washington County High School. Officers from both schools were installed for the 2014-15 school year

East Laurens' Anchors helped out with a BrainMinders event at East Laurens Primary School



Attached to this Newsletter are the following documents:

**2015 Anchor Convention Information**

- 2015 Anchor Convention Registration Form
- Hotel Information
- Parent Permission Form

Attached to this Newsletter are the following documents:

**Scholarships & District Officer Information**

- GA District Anchor Scholarship Requirement
- GPF Scholarship Application
- Community Service Application
- District Officer Nomination Form
- District Officer Requirements

