



Georgia District Anchor

"Anchors Aweigh"

2022 - 2023 DISTRICT OFFICERS



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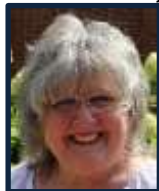
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Anchor President

Anchors, our 2022-2023 convention has come to an end. I had an eventful yet amazing time at convention. Having the convention at Great Wolf Lodge was a success again. The food was wonderful and the workshops gave the Anchors an opportunity to learn more about leadership.

Due to some unforeseen circumstances, I was unable to participate in the activities on Saturday. However, I heard amazing feedback from all the Anchors. The self-defense was a blast, and an eye opening experience. The icebreakers were also a hit; the anchors enjoyed making new friends. I was also glad to hear that the TBI awareness service project was great!

It was an honor to work with such a knowledgeable and hardworking team this year. I learned a lot about becoming a leader and taking charge by leading my school and community towards success. I was able to make some lasting friendships that I will forever cherish. To my fellow Anchors, I want to say thank you for allowing me to be your President! Anchors, remember, do more, care more, and be more for yourself, your school, and your community.

Hannah



Anchor President Hannah presiding at the Anchor Convention Business Meeting

Anchor President-Elect

Hello Anchors!

I would like to start off by expressing my gratitude for another successful Convention. I always enjoy seeing new and old faces each year. I am so delighted and privileged to be able to serve as your 2023-2024 Georgia District Anchor President. I cannot wait to get to know all of you throughout this upcoming year. In the meantime, here is a little bit about me: I am a current Junior; rising Senior at Roswell High School of Fulton County. I have been an active Anchor participant since I was young as my grandmother has been serving as a Pilot since before I knew what Anchor Club was. I would like to acknowledge the incredible people who have paved the way for this year's new set of officers, who continue to inspire me beyond their time on the board. This year, I hope to be able to serve you all as best I can, meet new Anchors, see new clubs chartered, and continue to serve my community in all ways available. I am so grateful for this opportunity, and I encourage you all to continue to be a light in your community, and an anchor in the waves!

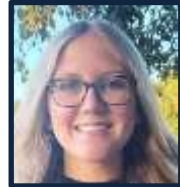
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Anchor Convention Chair

Hey Anchors!

I was so privileged to be your 2022-2023 Georgia District Convention Chair, and through holding this position, I had the honor of being involved heavily in the planning and execution of the Convention last month. It's always so rewarding to see an idea and months of planning become reality, but it was so special to spend time with my fellow Anchors celebrating what Anchor is all about: fellowship and service. We had a blast at our 80's Neon themed weekend, and participated in service projects and had a wonderful Guest Speaker, Jack, who taught us the importance of working hard for our dreams. We got to watch 80's movies and do karaoke, all while getting to meet and spend time with fellow Anchors from all across the state. A huge thanks to all those involved in planning and the Anchors, Pilots, and Advisors that attended Convention! I cannot say enough for the leadership skills and friendships Anchor has brought me, especially through Convention, and I highly recommend attending to any other Anchor looking to grow. It is such a special gift to be a part of this organization, and I will cherish these memories made through Anchor as long as I live.

Emma Grace



Anchor Board with GA District Anchor Coordinator Tammy Dalton



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District Anchor Coordinator

Anchors...Neon 80's was a very coloring, exciting, and momentous GA District Anchor Convention for 2023!!! Many memories and friendships were made. Fun and learning were intertwined.

Our Georgia District Anchors are "Making a Difference" this year throughout the State of Georgia! I am so proud of you who invested in leadership, planning, sharing suggestions, and attending our 2023 GA District Anchor Convention held on Friday, February 24 and Saturday, February 25, 2023. A HUGE thank you goes out to our current Anchor Board to include Hannah Justice-President, Spencer Burdett-President-Elect, Brennyn Timmons-Secretary, Emma Grace Jarvis-Convention Chair, Noah Bennett -East Central Region Chair, Chancey Davis-Northeast Region Chair, Kate McRae-Northwest Region Chair, Rebekah McCord-Southeast Region Chair and Mackenzie Antis-Southwest Region Chair. They worked well together to make a solid plan and follow it through. This takes a lot of time and commitment from ALL! It was an honor to have Our GA District Governor, Durrett Moerman and Governor Elect Avaline Adams along with the entire Georgia District Pilot DAC and DEC in attendance.

Friday night was opened with a Welcome Dinner and a t-shirt contest. Anchors took it back to the 80's with fun colored neon clothing along with the projected movie "Ferris Bueller's Day Off" while enjoying popcorn and sodas.

Saturday's morning session followed a yummy breakfast buffet. Brennyn Timmons, GA District Anchor Secretary, called roll documenting 58 Anchors present, 0 Admirals, 10 Advisors, 17 Pilots, and 10 Guests for a total of 95 in attendance. Will Butler, Pilot International Chief Executive Officer, and Director was our morning guest speaker. He shared encouraging words to our Anchors. We were blessed to have lunch speakers, Jack and Brent Leach of Jack's Cheesecake. They gave us a peek into the life and journey of Jack, who is a successful entrepreneur in making a variety of cheesecake, rising above symptoms of Autism. Anchors were then offered some fun filled and educational workshops to include Icebreakers, Self Defense, and the Anchor Helmet Project in which Pilot International awarded a grant to help with purchase of a portion of the helmets.

The Neon 80's Banquet included dinner with Jack's Cheesecake as dessert (provided by the Pilot Club of Eatonton), awards, and installation. Rabun County School was recognized for bringing the most individuals to convention with a total of 14 Anchors and 2 adults. Elbert County High School travelled the furthest which was 179 miles away. The T-Shirt Contest concluded with Roswell High School in 3rd place, Gatewood High School in 2nd place, and Franklin County High School winning 1st place! Our service project was collecting pull tabs for the Ronald McDonald House. Madison County took 2nd place with a total of 12-gallon jugs of tabs and Franklin County High School won 1st place bringing on 26.5-gallon jugs of pull tabs. The Community Service Award for 2022-23 was awarded to West Laurens Anchor Club. The Anchor Club of the Year for 2022-23 was awarded to West Laurens Anchor Club. This year was a transitional year for Anchor scrapbooks as we look to go fully digital next year. The digital scrapbook award 1st place was awarded to Franklin County High School. The traditional scrapbook award 1st place was awarded to West Laurens High School. GA District Governor Durrett Moerman offered a special award in which anyone at the convention could submit for an Anchor or Anchor Club for Anchors "Making a Difference in their communities". The winner of this award was Madison County High School Anchor Club.

The following were awarded \$500 Georgia District Anchor Scholarships: Edward Walker Camp of Carrollton High School, Lillian Dixon of Cook County High School, Hannah Justice of Franklin County High School, Clayton Exum of Cook County High School, and Gracie Wood of West Laurens High School.

Georgia Pilot Foundation selected Halle Griffiin of Cook County High School, Emma Grace Jarvis of Elbert County High School, and Aubrey Land of Roswell High School for \$1,500 GPF Scholarship awards this year.

Congratulations to all awardees and thank you to all who applied! These are very tough decisions for our judges as we have greatly gifted Anchors in the Georgia District who greatly engage themselves in service!

Following our awards, our 2023-2024 Anchor Officers were installed by Governor Durrett Moerman, assisted by Governor Elect Avaline Adams as follows:

Spencer Burdett of Roswell High School- President, Chancey Davis of Franklin County High School-President Elect, Anastasia Davis-Secretary, Presley Elizabeth Moss-Convention Chair, Addison Coker of Gatewood High School-East Central Region Chair, Madilyn "Danielle" Troup, Franklin County High School-Northeast Region Chair, Abril Avila of Milton High School-Northwest Chair, Alexandria Brantley of West Laurens High School-Southeast Chair, and Mackenzie Antis of Bainbridge High School-Southwest Chair.

I encourage you all to start planting seeds of excitement now for our upcoming Anchor Year.

GA District Governor Elect-Avaline Adams announced that Anchor Convention 2023-2024 will be held February 23-24, 2024 at Epworth by the Sea at St. Simons Island, Georgia.

Don't forget to consider attending the Anchor International Summit in conjunction with Pilot International Convention in Bellevue, Washington June 28-July 1, 2023. Registration forms are attached.

As our Anchor year comes to a close, I'd like to let you all know that I have very much enjoyed working with our Georgia Anchors, Anchor Advisors, and Pilots! You are each gifted with ways to "Make a Difference" in your community, the State of Georgia and our world. Anchored in Service,

I leave you with a leadership tip.... **"Love and kindness are never wasted. They ALWAYS "make a difference". They bless the one who receives them and they bless you, the giver."**- Barbara De Angelis

Anchored in Service, Tammy☺

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SW Region Chair

As Southwest Region Chair I have tried my best to serve my community. This year the Southwest Region has done many projects that better the community. For starters, the southwest area has prepared and delivered candy bags for the elderly in nursing homes, donated green beans for a local community supper, mentored 4th and 5th graders, and helped put on the book fair for local middle and elementary schools. My school even traveled to the Anchor Convention in February where we had an amazing time meeting fellow Anchors. All in all, I think that this year has been an incredible year so far and I cannot wait to see all the exciting and wonderful things Anchor will accomplish as the year progresses.

Thanks! -- *Mackenzie*
Mackenzie Antis



GA District Governor

Ahoy once more Anchors!!!

Wow!!! What can I say!! You are amazing! I was so excited to attend your 2023 Anchor Convention and see you in action. Truly you were outstanding! No matter what came your way, you handled it proficiently and to the very best. Several situations arose that were beyond anything that normally happens at convention and you simply took each in stride and rode with it. I know you did better than even some more seasoned Pilots could have handled. Hannah, you and your board did a fabulous job preparing and carrying the convention through. Spencer, when the chips were thrown up in the air, you grabbed them and kept going. All of you were simply terrific and I cannot and will not say it enough! I am so proud of you.

Truly all of you make a difference not only at Anchor convention and in your club, but each and every day. It was wonderful to present fifty dollars to the Madison Club in making a difference in diligently persevering to find an Anchor coordinator. The club wanted to continue and to stay together enough, to keep asking and asking for an advisor. It was so rewarding to see the members hang together for several months and finally find a most energetic and enthusiastic leader. In turn she helped to fulfill the board and see the officers installed. It was a Making A Difference award will earned.

It is with sadness to move out of the role as Governor, but exciting to know I shall still see you at Anchor Convention. Meanwhile you have an exceptional Governor coming on board who will be there anytime you need her. And Kerrin Daniel, your new Anchor Coordinator has been Anchor before and knows all the ropes. You will have a wonderful year.

In the meantime, I encourage you to work closely with your sponsoring Pilot Clubs. We can always learn from each other. It is important that you make your relationship with your sponsoring Pilots a two way street. Help them with their fundraisers and projects and EXPECT them to help with yours! Ask them to come to club meetings and be a part of what you do. In turn ask to come to theirs. The more you share, the more they will be willing to help and give to make your club even better. As well please encourage your club members to attend next year's District Convention. Remind them what a great time you had this year and that next February it is at the beach! For those unable to come due to cost, consider a fund raiser to help them, asking your sponsoring Pilot club to help, or taking a percentage of the dues money to put aside each month for convention. Your Convention is a great opportunity to make new friends and share ideas with other Anchors from all across the state. It is a fun time for all!!!

Best wishes to all for the most fantastic rest of the year in your club's history! Go ANCHORS, Make A Difference Serving with A Passion!!

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