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Pre-Convention Edition

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President's Message- Mamie Patton

Hey Anchors!

I hope you all have had a wonderful Valentine's Day and month of projects. As you all know, we have a big event coming up in March, our very first virtual Anchor Club convention! I hope you all have made plans to attend with your clubs as a watch party or individually at home. The DAAC has been working so hard to make this event fun and informative. Some things to look forward to are our keynote speaker comedian Jody Fuller, a representative from Camp Smile-A-Mile who will tell about this year's district project, the "Do More" workshop where we get to hear about some of YOUR projects, installation of new officers, awards, and more. I am so excited to see you all on March 6.

Your Anchor friend, Mamie Patton

Alabama Anchor District Coordinator's Message – Suzanne Kendra

Anchor convention is just 2 short weeks away!! Advisors, you should have received an email from Governor Janice Clark with the Zoom log in information. If you did not, please let me know. I still have not heard one way or the other from many of you. We have a great convention planned and this is the perfect opportunity for your members to see Anchor "outside of your club." The DAAC planned some fun ice-breakers to help break up the monotony and our keynote speaker is one you don't want to miss! Please share the Anchor information with your members. Some of them may want to log on from home. You don't have to do this as a club. I hope to hear from more of you this week.

I will be mailing the "swag" out as soon as the last package arrives. It is a victim of the snow in Texas right now!

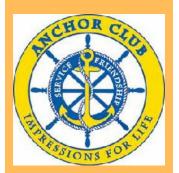
Do More. Care More. BE More!

Anchor Club 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 these, as gleams from the Lighthouse of Truth, are words 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 misunderstandings and the angry winds of injustice, we will cast our Anchor of courage, wisdom and trust to hold us fast.



ANCHOR CONVENTION

Anchor Convention is March 6 at 12:00 p.m. via Zoom! Everyone should have received the link last week. You can start logging on at 11:30. We would like for everyone to be signed in by 11:45 as we will start promptly at 12 noon!

<u>ICE BREAKER</u> – One of our ice breakers will be a Virtual Background Challenge. Prior to the convention, you need to download some backgrounds. The categories are: funniest, most creative, best Anchor and favorite vacation spot.

<u>DO MORE – PROJECT WORKSHOP</u> – Clubs will be called in alphabetical order to present one of your best projects.

<u>AWARDS PRESENTATION</u> – The awards have been judged and mailed back to clubs. Scrapbooks will be judged March 5. An email was sent to all advisors on how this should be handled. Shakers, signs and cheering are encouraged.

<u>OFFICER INSTALLATION</u> – Hokes Bluff Anchor Advisor Sammy Hill will be installing the 2021-2022 Alabama Anchor District Officers.

<u>SPEAKERS</u> – Jody Fuller will be our opening keynote speaker. Chief Operating Officer Kellie Reece from Camp Smile a Mile will also be speaking.

<u>MARKETING</u> - The DAAC will be making videos promoting the convention. These will be posted on our Facebook and NEW Instagram page. Follow us @ alanchorclub!

ANCHOR TRIVIA - Anchor participation fun event!

<u>ROLL CALL</u>- The roll will be called so everyone can celebrate each other. The delegate should answer with how many Anchors, Pilots, Advisors and Chaperones they have participating. Shakers, signs and cheering are encouraged.

30 SECOND DANCE PARTY — To help blood flow to your lower extremities, when you hear music --- jump up and dance!

WE HOPE TO SEE SOMEONE FROM EVERY CLUB!!

ANCHOR INTERNATIONAL DATES TO REMEMBER

Dreams Ahead Scholarship - Deadline March 1

United Nations International Youth Day Essay Contest – Deadline March 1

Pilot International Scholarship – Deadline March 15

Becky Burrows Memorial Scholarship - March 15

Maria Newton Sepia Memorial Scholarship - March 15

Bob King Co-Pilot Memorial Scholarship- Deadline March 15

Anchor Achievement Scholarship – Deadline March 15

KC Anchor Scholarship – Deadline March 15

Advisor of the Year – Deadline April 15

Star Award - Deadline April 15

Project Lifesaver Scholarship - Deadline April 15

Ruby Newhall Scholarship - Deadline April 15

Community Service and Visibility Award - Deadline April 15

Information on these scholarships can be found @ anchorclubintl.org

Anchor Club Chartering

We will be chartering 2 new Anchor Club on February 25th! Hope United Academy in Madison. Their chartering was postponed earlier due to Covid. They are sponsored by the Pilot Club of Huntsville.

The Jasper High School Anchor Club is also chartering. They were postponed last spring due to Covid. The Pilot Club of Jasper is their sponsor. Their advisor is former Anchor Leigh Evans!

Congratulations Anchors and Pilots!

<u>Senior Cords</u> – Advisors, you should have received an email from Anchor Specialist Susan Woodward regarding ordering senior cords. The deadline for free cords is March 12.

<u>Bottle Caps</u> – One of the projects at the Anchor International Summit is artwork using bottle caps. We need bottle caps of all colors and sizes. Start collecting now. If you will not be attending the Summit, you can give your collection to your sponsoring Pilot Club to take to Atlanta.

<u>Anchor International Summit</u> – This year's Summit will be held in Atlanta, GA July 7-10. This is Pilots 100 year anniversary. The planning committee has planned a fun and informative convention. There will be speakers, service projects and trips to Coke World and The Varsity! Registration forms can be found @ anchorclubintl.org.

Traumatic Brain Injury Camp – There are still openings for Anchors to participate in TBI Camp. It will be held at Camp ASCCA April 9-11. Registration forms can be found @ alabamadistrictpilot.com.

Hope Academy making food bags for Asbury Church







President Mamie and Secretary Millie Claire present Camp Smile A Mile with our district project contribution. \$390 in gift cards for Bingo prizes!

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