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The Lodestar

Alabama Anchor
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Newsletter



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Lake Guntersville State Park

Let's Talk About Anchor Convention!

It's never too early to start talking about Anchor Convention! The 35th Alabama Anchor District Convention will be held at the beautiful Lake Guntersville State Park Lodge on March 7-8, 2008. We announced two wonderful speakers in the September edition of the Lodestar – Andrew Winfrey and HK Derryberry. Andrew will be our opening speaker and HK will speak at the installation banquet. You will LOVE both of these young men!

There will be an Anchor led presentation called "Do More" which will showcase a special project from each club in attendance. Advisors, please choose 1-2 Anchors to present one of your best projects to the attendees. The presentation should be no longer than 5 minutes. If you are using power point/pictures, you may send those to me ahead of time so that we hopefully can cut down on technical difficulties!

The opening session will start at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday. The state park offers several fun activities for those arriving on Friday or early Saturday. These include: geocaching, walking trails, zipline, golf and fishing. The website for the zipline is lakeguntersvillezipline.com. Reservations are suggested. There is a restaurant in the lodge and a hospitality suite with snacks will be available. If you wish to eat fast food, you should stop in Guntersville before you "head up the mountain" to the park.

The "After Party" will be Karaoke! Each club is asked to dress up and sing your favorite song for a contest. Awards will be given! After the contest is over, everyone is free to sing whatever they wish.

District Awards- Every club is encouraged to enter AT LEAST one entry. Don't wait until the last minute to put your entry together. The district awards only take about 30 minutes to complete. Read the entry forms now so you will know what to include in your project. You do not have to be present to win!

District Officer Nomination forms and Standing Rule proposal forms will be attached to this newsletter. Only one member per club may be nominated. Start getting your members fired up about convention! We hope to see some new clubs in attendance this year!!



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.



DUES- The deadline for Alabama District Anchor dues (\$4.00 per member), District Project contribution (.50 per member) and Anchor International dues/insurance (\$14.00) were due November 1, 2019. Forms can be found on both the district (alabamadistrictpilot.com) and the international (anchorclubintl.org) websites. Please mail these ASAP!

DATES TO REMEMBER

January 7, 2020- District Officer Nomination Deadline
January 7, 2020 – Standing Rules Proposal Deadline
February 1, 2020- Convention Hotel Reservation Deadline
February 7, 2020- Alabama District Awards Entry Deadline
February 16, 2020 – Alabama District Anchor Convention Registration Deadline
March 7-8, 2020 – Alabama District Anchor Convention
April 3-5, 2020 – Traumatic Brain Injury Camp at Camp ASCCA

GRADUATION CORDS

Anchor International will once again provide cords for graduating seniors. To qualify for these cords, your dues must be paid by November 30, 2019. Your club will also be required to pay \$8.00 shipping fee.

DISTRICT PROJECT

The DAAC voted to sponsor a camper to attend TBI camp again this year. We will also make "Pick Me Ups" for the TBI camper's caregivers. These will be presented at TBI camp.



This is a GREAT project for Anchors to do. This project encourages families to "Get Real" at mealtimes by putting down electronic devices – both at home and out to eat. It was designed to do during Care and Kindness Week, but it is a great project to do any time. ALL of the materials you need can be found @ www.pilotinternational.org.



This is International Care and Kindness Week! It is not too late to plan a project. Don't forget to share your pictures on Facebook and with Suzanne to be included in the next Lodestar.

Facebook: Alabama Anchor District
Instagram: [anchorclubintl](https://www.instagram.com/anchorclubintl)
Twitter: [@AnchorClub](https://twitter.com/AnchorClub)
Facebook: Anchor Club International

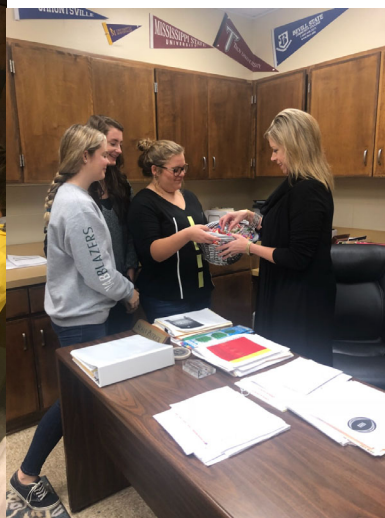


Demopolis HS Anchor Club participated in Trunk or Treat. Their theme was "Land & Safety Awareness" to prevent brain injuries. They also hosted a party for Mrs. Tuberville's special ed class. Her students wrote a script, A Trip to Screamland' and performed for the parer Our Anchor's assisted in building the props and throwing the party.



Muscle Shoals HS Anchor Club hosted its 2nd Annual "Hats For Pets" fundraiser. Students paid \$1.00 to be able to wear hats at school for a day. Anchors volunteered at the Colbert County Animal Shelter and will donate \$250.00 for medical care for adoptable pets.

Cold Springs HS provided candy for their teachers on Halloween. What a great little Pick Me Up!





October has been a busy month for Guntersville Middle School Anchor Club. They hosted a blood drive and recruited 72 donors! After learning about Alzheimer's Disease, they visited Marshall Manor Nursing Home and talked with the residents for an hour. They also participated in the Homecoming Parade. Several Anchors made and carried posters promoting Brain Awareness while the others handed out candy along the parade route.



Guntersville HS Anchor Club has also had a busy October. They participated in CAST for Kids which is a fishing event for children with special needs. They hosted a game area at Special Olympics. The athletes could play carnival games for treats while waiting on their next event. They hosted a Halloween Party for Marshall County ARC and hosted games and safe Trick or Treat at the Guntersville Public Library!

Alabama Anchor District
Standing Rules Proposal Form

Current Reading:

Proposed Reading:

Rationale:

Budgetary Implications:

Clubs may submit proposals to amend the Alabama Anchor District Standing Rules. The proposal must be accepted by a majority vote from the submitting club prior to being presented to the Alabama Anchor District.

I certify that the above proposal was accepted by a majority vote of the Anchor Club of _____ at the business meeting on _____.

Signature of Anchor President

Signature of Faculty Advisor

**THIS FORM MUST BE POSTMARKED (ELECTRONIC OR
WITH STAMP) NO LATER THAN: January 7, 2020
FORMS STAMPED WITH A POSTAGE MACHINE WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.**

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