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Anchors Make a Difference

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Pilot International Spirit of America Youth Conference

March 17-20, 2005

What better way to explore the close link between the rights and the responsibilities of citizens in a free society than a three-day conference at the Freedoms Foundation at Valley Forge this coming March? The conference will be held at the foundation's 105-acre campus in suburban Philadelphia adjoining Valley Forge National Historic Park.

Participants will tour the Philadelphia and Valley Forge historic sites and participate in seminars designed to develop leadership skills and promote a deeper understanding of the value of community service. Don't miss the chance to take part in an exhilarating educational experience.

The registration fee is \$400 per student:

- Includes shuttle to and from the Philadelphia airport, room, all meals, workshops and tours.
- Deadline for registration is March 1, 2005. The application form is available from your advisor or sponsoring

Pilot Club president or visit us online at www.pilotinternational.org in the "Resources" section.

The conference schedule includes:

- Living History Presentations
- Freedom Summit—Part 1 & 2
- Leadership Carnival
- Swap Meet
- Seminar—The Free Enterprise System
- Pilot Workshop
- Banquet and Keynote Address
- Signers Ceremony
- Dance
- Tours:
 - Freedoms Foundation
 - Valley Forge National Historic Park
 - Colonial Philadelphia

New Deadline

Now is the time to plan your entry for Anchor Advisor of the Year, which is due this year on January 15 (a month earlier than previous years). While there is no form to complete, there are some steps you can take to maximize your Advisor's chances:

- Brainstorm with club members and Pilot Club.
- Organize and document all club activities - this information can also be used to prepare your entry for Outstanding Anchor Club of the Year.
- Include details about club activities, especially specifics about how your Advisor has

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touched people's lives, both students and others in the community.

- Ask one to three good writers in your club and one or more sponsoring Pilots to write a letter to be included in the entry on how your Advisor has made a difference to your club.
- Include a "headshot" type photo (like an annual school photo) of your advisor along with other shots of club activities he or she took part in.

The next deadline will be for submitting the Outstanding Anchor Club of the Year form to your district. The dates vary by district, but none is later than March 15.

Anchor Convention

The Anchors held their Annual Convention in conjunction with the PI/PIF Annual Convention in Jacksonville, Florida this past July, and their schedule was just as packed as the Pilots'.

That schedule included leadership workshops, the Books & Bears service project, a Cultural Exchange Luncheon, and the Anchor Reflection and Graduation on Saturday afternoon. They also participated in some of the PI events, including the banquets and Anchor division workshops, the presentation to the convention body, and the PIF Walk.

The Anchors annual convention service project, Books & Bears, brought in 1,240 books and 897 bears. They delivered a portion of them to the Ronald McDonald House of Jacksonville and the Wolfson Children's Hospital & Baptist Medical Center (see the letters on page 5). The remainder of the books and bears were sent to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

The 2003-04 Anchor Awards were announced at the Convention:

Pilot International Outstanding Anchor Club of the Year:

Anchor Club of Jack Haywood High School, sponsored by the Pilot Club of Freeport, Bahamas

1st Runner-Up:

Anchor Club of Monroe Area Comprehensive High School, sponsored by the Pilot Club of Monroe, Georgia

2nd Runner-Up:

Anchor Club of Darlington High School, sponsored by the Pilot Club of Darlington, South Carolina

3rd Runner-Up (tie):

Anchor Club of Cuero High School, sponsored by the Pilot Club of Cuero, Texas

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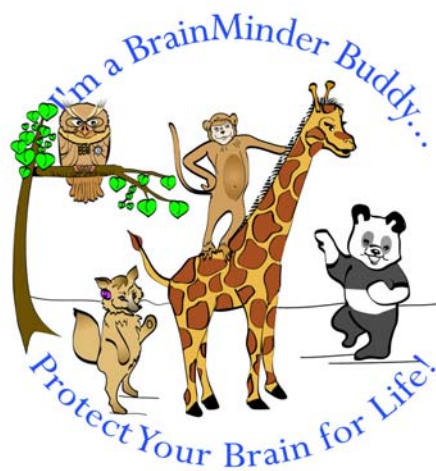
Anchor Club of East Sullivan High School, sponsored by the Pilot Club of Bristol, Virginia

Anchor Membership Award:

(for the greatest increase in membership during the year, with 52 new members)

Anchor Club of Roswell High School, sponsored by the Pilot Club of Atlanta, Georgia.

Congratulations all!



Anchors Are BrainMinder™ Buddies

Over a quarter of a million kids are safer because of BrainMinders™! That's how many have heard a presentation since the program started three years ago. And Anchors were involved in a good number of those presentations. Unfortunately, we don't really know that number because we don't get reports from Anchor Clubs - so we're asking for your help.

If your Anchor Club participates in the BrainMinders™, please drop us a line to let us know

how many Anchors are involved, how many presentations they made to how many kids, how they coordinate with Pilots on the project. We're especially interested in personal stories about how the kids reacted, how it made a difference.

To report, call De Flucker at (478) 743-7403, ext. 12, fax (478) 743-2173, e-mail def@pilothonline.org, or send by regular mail to P.O. Box 4844, Macon, GA 31208-4484.

("Day of the Child") Party for the children of a poor barrio in San Luis. They also hosted the 2nd Annual Exposition of Cultures, an event to showcase the diverse ethnic and national backgrounds of the people of San Luis.

- The Anchor Club of South Brunswick High School, sponsored by the Pilot Club of South Brunswick Island (North Carolina) proposed to their

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- The Barbers Hill High School Anchor Club, along with their sponsors, the West Chambers County Pilot Club (Texas), presented the BrainMinders™ program to second graders at the Barbers Hill Elementary School. The clubs also gave away six bicycle safety helmets to students.
- The Anchor Club of Holly Pond High School, sponsored by the Pilot Club of Cullman, Alabama, donated \$1,000 for research on Battens Disease, a neurological disorder.
- The Sullivan North Anchor Club, sponsored by the Pilot Club of Kingsport, Tennessee, held a number of fundraisers throughout the school year to purchase needed supplies at their school. Their work at projects like yard sales to buy things like supplies for the school clinic.
- The Anchors from Heritage and Salem High Schools, along with their sponsors, the Pilot Club of Conyers, Georgia, served as Big Buddies to special needs children in a baseball game on the state-of-the-art Miracle League Field in Conyers.
- For the second year, Club Ancla (Argentina) held the Dia del Nino

school board that the campus be made 100% smoke-free. Their county was among the last in the state to allow smoking.

- The Miami Springs Anchor Club visits the Spinal Cord Injury Unit of Miami V.A. Hospital twice a month, decorating for upcoming holidays, and serving homemade treats.

We Want Your Club News

It's the first Flagship of the school year and a good time to review some tips for sending news to The Pilot Log. Appoint one person to be responsible for submitting articles to The Log. E-mail is preferable—send text and photos to donna@pilothonline.org. Or send by regular mail to P.O. Box 4844, Macon, GA 31208 or fax (478) 743-2173.

When you write your story, remember WHO, WHAT, WHERE, WHEN, and WHY:

- WHO did something (your club, your club and Pilot Club, joint project with another group, etc.)? Different Anchor Clubs may have similar name, so include your city and state.
- WHAT did you do? Describe the project in detail.

- WHY was it held? Provide details such as who benefits from the project and how?
- WHEN and WHERE was the event held? Include specific dates and describe the location of the project (school, park, mall, theater, golf course, etc.).

Stories are published in the order in which they're received, so send news of your club's activities as they occur. A delay of a few months between your submission and its appearance in *The Log* or *The Flagship* is not unusual.

Include photos (candid shots of Anchors in action are best) if possible. When you get your photos developed, get double prints—please don't send your only copy of anything—and ask for the glossy finish. Newspaper clippings, Polaroid photos, photocopies, and anything printed on a computer printer aren't reproducible. If you have a digital image, e-mail it or include it on a diskette. Please be sure to identify everyone in the photo.

We appreciate your contributions—we couldn't publish *The Log* or *The Flagship* without them! If you ever have any questions, just call your friendly *Pilot Log* editor at (478) 743-7403, extension 13 or e-mail donna@pilothonline.org.

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BUDDY	HERO	PIG	TOOLIP
DANNY	MONKEY	PILOT	WISE

Meet the New PI Anchor Coordinator\

Miriam Garner

Miriam is a member of the Pilot Club of Houston, Mississippi. She has been on the Anchor committee for the past six years and the sponsor for the Houston High School Anchor Club for five years. Before becoming a Pilot she was also a HHS Anchor member for two years.

Currently employed at Houston High School, she taught English and Journalism for seven years and will serve this year out as the new librarian.

Along with Pilot she is an active member of First Baptist Church, Houston, helps sponsor a PEP club at school, sponsors the high school newspaper and has sponsored the color guard/majorettes.

Miriam doesn't have much time for other activities between school, Anchor, Pilot, church, and family. She's married to Jesse Garner, who was deployed with the 155th National Guard Unit this past September, and they have two daughters, Sandy, five years old, and Emma Lee, eighteen months.

A word from PI President Maryann:

Dear Anchors, I hope your school year is off to a great start! Your Anchor Club service projects can be the most important and meaningful activities in your busy schedule. You will touch the lives of others, and enrich your own life. Please call your Anchor Advisor or sponsoring Pilot Club for any assistance.

Best wishes for a fun and productive year!

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