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International Outstanding Anchor Club of the Year Winners



Walker High School Anchors from Alabama participating in "Pet Therapy" at a local extended care facility.

All the entries sent to PI Headquarters this year for International Anchor Club of the Year were extremely impressive! The judges had a difficult time picking just three entries to award.

First Place winner is Walker High School sponsored by the PC of Jasper, AL! From BrainMinders Presentations to swim meets at Special Olympics, Walker Anchors truly "Leap into Service". Walker Anchors were recognized by the State of AL for their many hours of volunteerism at the Special Olympics swim meets. Walker Anchors also strive to incorporate Brain Related projects into club activities such as jointly presenting BrainMinders presentations with their sponsoring Pilot Club and pumpkin carving activities with the special needs class at a local elementary school. Walker Anchors truly leave "Impressions for Life" which is why they are the Outstanding Anchor Club of the Year!

Second Place winner is the Anchor of Lucaya sponsored by the PC of Lucaya, BAHAMAS! Lucaya Anchors truly impact local communities with the service they participate in. Lucaya Anchors conduct numerous Brain-Minder presentations at local schools throughout the school year as well as at the local "Literacy Fun Day". They also dedicate much time to keeping their community beautiful by doing beach cleanups.

Third Place winner is the Anchor Club of Pace High School sponsored by the PC of Milton, FL. Pace Anchors host the "Anchor Fall Carnival" where they hold Brain-Minder puppet presentations and participate in numerous walks throughout the school year to raise awareness of Diabetes and helmet safety.

Congratulations to all District First Place International Winners! Keep up the Great Work Anchors.

Freedoms Foundations at Valley Forge, PA

The Spirit of America Youth Conference held



PI 1st Vice President Pat Jarvis, "Alexander Hamilton" and Anchors from John Milledge Academy in GA.

in April at Freedoms Foundation was once again a huge success! **22 Anchors and 5 Pilots** attended this year's event. The conference began with a special guest speaker "**Alexander Hamilton**". Anchors participated in a "Freedom Summit" where they focused

on looking more in depth at the Patriot Act. Each day of the Conference began with an **interactive "energizer"** before breakfast to get everyone started on a positive note for the day. Anchors also toured **Valley**

Forge Historical Park where Washington's Headquarters were located. The weekend was also filled with lots of "down time" so Anchors could explore the beautiful 85 acre Freedoms Foundation campus. The final day of the conference **Anchors toured historical downtown Philadelphia** where they visited the **Liberty Bell and Independence Square**. The conferences at Freedoms Foundation are filled with meeting new friends, seeing new places and discovering new things. **Make your plans now to attend the Conference in 2009 with fellow Club members and experience your country's rich history!**

The **Anchor Club of Alpine High School in TX** and the PC of Alpine

provided assistance to the Casa Hogar Orphanage in Ojinaga, Mexico, which cares for 32 children with a staff of eight caregivers. The Anchors and PC provided school supplies, birthday party funds, books, Christmas presents and toiletries. They also collected coats and sweaters for the children. The **Anchor Clubs of East Laurens and West Laurens High Schools in GA** attended an Anchor Leadership Workshop for their region that was hosted by the Pilot Club

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of Dublin. **Over 30 Anchors** attended. Anchors participated in officer training, basic auto care, scrap-booking, and time management workshops. The **Anchor Club of E.C. Brice Elementary School in TX** recently completed their first service project and what an accomplishment it was. Noticing that their school had no specialized playground equipment for a fellow classmate with a physical disability E.C. Brice Anchors raised money and got certain businesses to donate materials that were needed

to construct a specialized swing for their classmate at a discounted price. E.C. Brice Anchors and their classmate are pictured here during the ribbon cutting ceremony of the new



swing. **Send in your Club News to Headquarters for Publication!**

Pilot International Anchor Convention July 8th-11th, 2008 Phoenix, AZ

Come join us in beautiful Phoenix, AZ at the J.W. Marriott Desert Ridge Resort & Spa for the annual Anchor Convention! The Resort



provides luxury, unparalleled service and exquisite dining. There are ten different eateries to choose from that accommodate most every appetite. Not to mention the many activities available at the hotel: bike rentals, jewelry making workshops, stargazing activities, and walking trails. Anchors will once again participate in a service project while attending convention this year. The Foundation for Hospital Art's "Healing of Art" concept has reached over 1,500 hospitals in 179 countries. Anchors will have the unique experience of **hand-painting two canvas murals**.



When completed they will be donated to two Phoenix area hospitals. If your district is sending an Authorized Anchor Representative, please be sure to notify PI headquarters prior to June 1st!

Come Join us in Phoenix & Catch the Anchor Spirit!

You can register online at www.pilotinternational.org Or contact your sponsoring Pilot Club for registration information.

Provisional Membership

Provisional Membership status was **designed specifically for Anchor Club members!** This is a new membership status that is **sponsored by Pilot International** and is at no cost to the member! Upon graduation your **sponsoring Pilot Club will invite you to become a Provisional Member.** They will give you a "Provisional Membership" form to fill out, which you will then send to

PI Headquarters. A Provisional Membership card will then be issued to you. As a Provisional Member you will have the opportunity to attend and participate in Pilot Club activities while at home or away at college. **Provisional Membership is designed with the active college student in mind.** You can participate in Pilot as much or as little as you desire during your **six year membership!** As a past Anchor Club member we

understand that continuing to give back to your community while in college is important to you. If you are a senior and will be **graduating in May please consider** becoming a Provisional Member. **You can contact your sponsoring Pilot Club for the appropriate form or you can easily download the form at our website.** Your continued commitment to your communities is invaluable.



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Spend the Bucks Adopt Some Ducks!

This Year at International Anchor Convention in Phoenix, AZ it's about **Anchors and Lucky Ducks!** Anchors will be selling tickets for ducks throughout convention to compete in the "Duck Race" that will be held at the hotel's lazy river on Friday July 11th. All proceeds will go towards the Heritage Center at Pilot International Headquarters in Macon, GA. Anchors will also be assisting with the "Duck Race" on Friday morning.



The lucky winners of the race will receive **CASH PRIZES!** Anchors are also welcome to join in the fun and adopt some ducks. A prize will also be

Awarded to the Anchor who **SELLS** the most ducks. More details will be sent in the Anchor Acknowledgement packet you receive after you register and at "Orientation" the first night of Anchor Convention July 8th.

See you in
Phoenix!

Gear Up Your Wii® Moves

All across the country, nursing home residents and therapists alike are embracing **Wii** for its **recreational and rehabilitative opportunities**. Here in Georgia "Ethica Health & Retirement" and **Pilot International** have partnered to make the Wii program a part of its nursing center's daily activities. The "Wii Win" program was inspired by the efforts of the Pilot Club of Kansas. Wii consoles were provided to local extended care facilities with Pilots volunteering to teach staff and residents about the intricacies of the program. At its core, the **Wii is fun, but it's**

therapeutic too. As residents swing, serve, pitch and punch they are not only engaging in **cardiovascular exercise**, they are also boosting their **physical and cognitive abilities**. Residents are able to recapture their youth in a fun and safe environment. Another basic benefit of Wii is the **social interaction among residents**. The system which can accommodate up to four players at a time, spawns team-like camaraderie and encourages more reserved residents to come out of their shells. **Anchors contact your sponsoring Pilot Club to see how your club can get involved with the "Wii Win"**

program. "Wii Win" is a great new innovative program for your Anchor Club to participate in! Anchors can help explain the Wii program and teach residents how to use the different devices that accompany each game. Anchors can also assist with setting up the Wii at local facilities. The opportunities are endless for "Wii Win"!

Talk to your sponsoring Pilot Club today and see how your Anchor Club can get involved with the new interactive "Wii Win" Program.