

# Flagship Newsletter

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## 2009-2010 International Outstanding Anchor Club of the Year!

Each year our Anchor Clubs, both nationally and internationally, submit the winning entries from their Districts to Pilot International Headquarters to compete in the Outstanding Anchor Club of the Year contest. As always, we are amazed at the talent, creativity and organization contained in the variety of scrapbooks received. This year was certainly no exception. The scrapbooks were colorful, full of creative artwork, writings and pictures. To browse through each book was truly somewhat of a walk with the Anchors during this past year.



### **FIRST PLACE WINNER:**

**MIAMI SPRINGS SR. HS, FL - PILOT CLUB OF MIAMI**

The Anchors at Miami Springs Sr. HS had several outstanding service projects, i.e., the inaugural Brain Walk, BrainMinder Buddies and BrainMinders. The documentation, creative art display and pictures of the service projects were excellent. One of our judges commented, "Community service seems to be valued by this Club. Commitment to community includes much more than brain-related activities."

### **SECOND PLACE WINNER:**

**GUNTERSVILLE MIDDLE SCHOOL, AL - PILOT CLUB OF GUNTERSVILLE**

This District winner was our only middle school entry. The work done in their scrapbook was amazing. Our judges were very impressed with the organization and attention to detail displayed in this scrapbook.



### **THIRD PLACE WINNER:**

**MONROE AREA HIGH SCHOOL, GA - PILOT CLUB OF MONROE**

The Anchors at Monroe Area High School consistently present a winning entry at District competition and this year was no exception. Our judges were impressed with the degree of organization and appreciated the "historical focus" contained in this scrapbook.

**MORE WINNERS:** Our 2010 Anchor Project Lifesaver Scholarship Winner is ASHLEY McCARTHY of the John Carroll Catholic High School Anchor Club in Ft. Pierce, Florida. Ashley plans to attend the University of Florida in the Fall pursuing a degree in Pre-Med/Biology. Congratulations, Ashley!!

# Anchor Club News



The *Alabama Anchor District Convention* was held on March 6-7, 2010 in Montgomery, AL. In addition to 24 Pilots, a total of 115 Anchors and advisors met representing 12 of the District Anchor Clubs.

Attendees enjoyed presentations by Miss Alabama 2005 and former Anchor Alexa Jones, past PI President Cindy Weaver, and inspirational messages from Pilot Lt. Governor Benny Jo Sasser and Hokes Bluff Anchor Advisor Sammye Hill.



**A recent *BrainMinder* presentation to 211 students at Ripley Elementary School**



**Ripley H.S. Anchors, W. Va.** have been real busy with *BrainMinders*, helping eight schools, three Senior Centers and a nursing home. They also helped the Jackson County Pilot Club with their annual Dinner Theater; made up relief packages for Haiti; and will be assisting with the Pilot Club Safety Jamboree.

A fundraiser will provide four scholarships to four deserving seniors at Ripley H.S.



**A St. Patty's Day Fundraiser at Centennial H.S., GA.** The Anchors sold St. Patty's beads and all their items were sold out in

the first 30 minutes. The Anchors will also be presenting the *BrainMinder II* class with the puppets at an elementary school in the next quarter.



**Jones County HS Anchors** in Georgia conducted a Quilt Fundraiser on behalf of Zach Pruitt, a ninth grader, who had an inoperable brain tumor. Zach traveled back and forth to Atlanta for his treatments. The Fundraiser helped defray those traveling expenses. Zach's grandmother made the quilt.

## Club News ..... (continued)



**The Madison County HS Anchor Club, GA,** volunteered at the Madison County Local Spring Special Olympics on April 6th. Anchors spent the day cheering for athletes, coaching softball, scoring events and setting up and breaking down equipment. The Special Olympic athletes really enjoyed hanging out with their peers.

Also, in February, several Madison County HS Anchors spent an afternoon at Fine Finish, a facility for adults with intellectual disabilities. The Club members helped install a Wii video game device and then spent some great time playing interactive games with the clients and members of the Madison County Pilot Club.



**Anchors at Muscle Shoals High School , AL,** have been very busy all year long. In September, they participated in making a homecoming float; in October/November, they delivered gift baskets to Alzheimer's patients at Wellington Place Assisted Living Center. The Anchors had a great experience getting to talk with the patients. In December, the Club had a bake sale to raise money for Santa Bus to help underprivileged children have a great Christmas; and since January, the Anchors have been raising money for the 4th Annual Nancy Almond Breast Cancer Walk. They raised \$3037.00.

## Stay Active in Pilot ... After Graduation



***Congratulation on Graduating and beginning a new phase in your life!*** Transitioning into college life is an exciting time filled with new experiences and challenges.

Though your time as an Anchor member is somewhat complete, we understand that serving your community is still top priority!

*We would like to invite you to **STAY ACTIVE IN PILOT** and become a **PROVISIONAL MEMBER!*** Provisional Membership is a unique membership introduced by PI a few years ago.

This exciting opportunity is exclusively available only for past Anchor Club members! **The best part is.....it is FREE!** **Your local PC** can provide you with a form, simply fill it out and mail it to Headquarters. You will then be mailed a Provisional Membership Card and letter congratulating you and letting you know the location of the PC closest to your college. That PC will begin to invite you to events while you're at home and while you are away at college.

**Feel free to attend as little or as much as your schedule**

**allows. PC understands that college students are busy, but also understand past Anchor's strong desire to continue serving their communities.**

Log onto the PI website and click on "Anchor" Documents" and download the Provisional Member form **TODAY!**

[www.pilotinternational.org](http://www.pilotinternational.org)



Any questions about Provisional Membership, please contact [bonnie@pilothonline.org](mailto:bonnie@pilothonline.org) or

call 478-477-1208 x 307.

Join us at ...

## International Anchor Convention July 7-10, 2010!



In 2010 Louisville, KY is rolling out the red carpet for Pilots and Anchors from around the world! Did you know that Louisville can boast about **120 city parks**, a stunning waterfront skyline, the largest Victorian neighborhood in the USA, and the **largest urban forest in the nation?** That is just for starters! Your Pilot/Anchor Convention will be in the famous **Galt House Hotel** in the heart of Louisville. The hotel features two towers with a beautiful sky-walk/ conservatory with views

of Fourth Street on one side and the River view on the other. There is much to do in downtown Louisville: the popular **“Fourth Street Live”** is an entertainment venue filled with restaurants and a variety of night life events to choose from. Within walking distance

is the **Louisville Slugger Museum**, if you love baseball you will love this museum! Louisville is also home to the famous **“Kentucky Derby”!** Visit the museum which is next to Churchill Downs where the races are held. It features an exciting 360° high definition multimedia show of the thrill and traditions of the Kentucky Derby. The Louisville Science Center is also close by. it features a **four story IMAX theatre** and 40,000 square feet of hands-on science! ***Make your plans now to attend.***

### *An Evening at Churchill Downs*



***Anchors*** - make plans to travel by coach ride from your hotel to the famous Churchill Downs for supper and an evening of mock racing fun. The price of your ticket for this event is **\$60.00** which includes your meal, transportation and the mock racing program. This fantastic event will be on Friday evening, July 9th. ***Reserve your spot for this fun night.***

## Activities for International Convention ...



**The Anchors will participate this year in “Hospital Art” projects. This was a huge hit several years ago at a previous convention. Anchors will paint and present the wall art to various healthcare providers in the Louisville area. Also, we will again have the annual “Cultural Exchange” event. This is always a treat. Anchors bring all sorts of goodies from their states and countries to share with other Anchors. Some groups bring food, perform skits, wear customary dress and even share some traditional dances. Another great event will be the Anchors’ session with Vicki Clark. You can also take part in the annual PI Foundation Walk on July 9th down 4th Street Live—Park. July will be here before you know so make plans to attend and become part of Anchor history.**