

Flagship Newsletter

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Anchor Happenings and News!



Anchors—Dallas in July

We are going to Dallas, Texas in July. The 2011 International Anchor Conference will be held July 13-16, 2011 at the Sheraton Dallas Downtown Hotel, 400 North Olive Street, Dallas, TX. Steps away is the Plaza of the Americas, complete with shopping, dining and its own indoor ice skating rink.

Anchors will have a great schedule of events including an exciting service project, the annual Cultural Exchange, leadership training and so much more.

July will be here before you know it. Make your plans right now to attend this exciting Conference. Contact Bonnie at PI Headquarters for more information, bonnie@pilothq.org.

- PI Dues were due on November 1, 2010
- Freedoms Foundation— February 24-27, 2011
- Outstanding Anchor Club of the Year— postmarked by March 15, 2011.
- 2011 Annual Meeting and Leadership Conference. Make plans to attend July 13-16, 2011 in Dallas, TX



FLAGSHIP— YOUR NEWSLETTER

We Want Your Club's News To Share

- * Each issue will feature several of the District Anchor Coordinators - picture and bio
- * Provisional Members— send us your articles and photos - we want to know what you are doing
- * Anchor Clubs—send us your news and photos

Send me your suggestions and thoughts for the next Flagship: bonnie@pilothq.org!



News from the Anchor Clubs



During their visits, the Anchors got to spend some quality time chatting with the elderly. The **senior citizens enjoyed the visit** and the persons in charge of the Homes thanked the Anchors for their generous gifts.

Disabled Month 2010 - The Anchor Club of Lucaya celebrated **Disabled Month** with members of the **Northern Bahamas Council for the Disabled**. Anchors prepared bags of groceries and toiletries which they delivered to the members. In these tough economic times, the gifts of food were greatly appreciated.

We congratulate **Andrea McSweeney, Advisor** for the Anchor Club of Lucaya for doing a great job!

Anchor Club of Lucaya—Freeport, Grand Bahama

Members of the Club spent the **month of October** touching the lives of the elderly as they celebrated **Senior Citizens Month**. The Anchors prepared boxes and bags of food, fruits and toiletries which they delivered to the elderly.

Pilots and Anchors traveled from the east end of the island to the west end delivering Care Packages to those in need.

The Anchors made three special stops in Freeport; **Central Church of God Home for the Aged, Grand Bahama Home for The Aged, and Burrows Home for the Aged**.



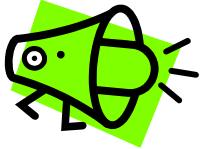
Thanksgiving & Christmas 2010

The Anchor Club of Lucaya collected canned goods and dry foods which were donated during the holiday season to the disabled and senior citizens in need of assistance throughout the community .

Included in their packages were **hand-made scarves** which were **knitted and crocheted personally** by members of the Anchor Club.



More news from our Anchors



Anchors join Pilots in Holiday Project

Members of the **Spring Ford High School** and the **Owen J. Roberts HS Anchor Clubs** joined with members of the **Pilot Club of Valley Forge** in a holiday project to benefit the needy in the community. Throughout the year, members of **all three Clubs** collected personal care items which were packaged in canvas tote bags along with hats, scarves and gloves **knitted by Pilot Club members**. The packages were distributed to **Phoenixville Area Community Services** and the local women's shelter for distribution to the needy.



Starkville Academy Anchor Club

The Starkville Academy Anchor Club teamed up with Starkville's United Way to participate in their annual Christmas project "**Adopt-A-Family Starkville.**" The Anchors gave a family of four their Christmas wishes: **Christmas dinner, warm clothes for the children, Christmas toys and other necessities.**



Above, the Anchors from **Spring Ford HS** joined members of the **PC of Valley Forge** during a holiday party at the **Golden Age Manor**, a residence for low income seniors and people with disabilities. The Anchors helped to serve a meal prepared by the Pilot Club members. After dinner, Pilots, Anchors and residents played a game of "Scattergories", sang Christmas Carols and were greeted by a visit from Santa. ***What a fun time for all!***

Thanks to our **Advisors, Rebecca Barnett, Spring Ford HS; Kimberly Nagy and Anna DePaol, Advisors for Owen J. Roberts HS.** A special thanks to **Dena Schlegel, PC of Valley Forge** for sending us such great pictures.



The Starkville Academy Anchor Club has recently started a **reading program**. The members of the Club read to six Pre-K and K classes each week. With **18 members**, the Club divides into 6 groups. Each group picks a book to go along with the class lesson plans. The Anchors bring in treats that go along with the book being read.

Barb Adkins is the Advisor of this Club. We congratulate Barb and all of the Anchors for doing a great job!

We love to read about our Anchors!

Let's hear more about our Anchors!

Thanks to all of our great Advisors!!!!



Monsignor Kelly Catholic HS

The Christmas season is always filled with many traditions, especially when it comes to the **Kelly HS Anchor Club**. The Club starts the holiday season with its **annual greenery sale**. By selling garlands and several types of wreaths, the Anchors raise enough money to fund Anchor Club projects for the rest of the year.

Another fun and important Anchor tradition is **making Christmas cards and caroling at the Hotel Beaumont Retirement Center**. Not only do the residents enjoy the Anchors' beautiful voices, but they also receive creative hand-made Christmas cards from the Anchors. Caroling at the Hotel Beaumont is one of the Club's favorite projects. It really puts everyone in the Christmas spirit and makes serving the community such fun.

Jan Ford-Butler is the **Advisor** of this growing and dynamic Anchor Club. Thanks to Jan and all who work with her and the members of the **PC of Beaumont**.



Handley HS Anchors

The Anchors are shown above helping the **PC of Roanoke** with their **Christmas for Kids Project**. Thanks to **Advisor, Amy Robertson** and all the members of the **PC of Roanoke** for their hard work and dedication to the Anchors of Handley HS.



Brenham Anchor Club

Above, the Anchors are shown with some of the toys they collected for the **Goodfellows Toy Drive** in Brenham. Each year the Club holds a Toy Drive at the local Cinema on the first Saturday in November. **Admittance is a new toy** to be given to a child up to 12 years of age. The toys are given to the local Goodfellow organization and are **distributed along with food and gift items** to those less fortunate.

What a great tradition! Thanks to **Judith Finke, Advisor** and to the sponsoring Club, **PC of Brenham**.

More Anchors in action

Anchor Club of Trinity Catholic HS

The Anchors have been involved helping **Project Hope**, a not-for-profit charitable organization. Its sole purpose is to take in **homeless families**, guide and counsel them for up to two years. Project Hope now has a contract on 42 apartments, known as the "**Knights Apartments**". The apartments are just two years old and most of the units have renters, a major financial help in paying the mortgage. The Anchor Club hopes to raise enough money during their **Anchor Runway** to buy kitchen items for one or two apartments. The Club is also considering donating money to their **Scholarship House in Gainesville**.

Way to go Anchors! Thank you **Linda Steer, Advisor** for your guidance and work with this Club. Thanks also to the members of the **PC of Ocala**.

Sayville HS Anchor Club

The **PC of Sayville** recently hosted a "**Meet and Greet**" for the Sayville HS Anchors, parents and **Anchor Advisor, Melissa Shore-Rizzo**. There were sixty-seven (**67**) Anchors and parents, their Advisor and thirteen (**13**) Pilots in attendance. **PC President, Dee Fiederlein** spoke briefly as well as **Anchor President, Francesca**, updating the Pilots about the many projects the Anchors are working on this year. A great time was had by all with singing (**including a song written by Francesca**), pizza and a lot of desserts.

Monroe Area HS Anchor Club

The Anchors always help the **Pilot Club of Monroe** sell its raffle tickets (fundraising event). The winning ticket for \$250.00 was sold by **one of the Anchors to one of the teachers**. The winning teacher was so impressed with the service projects of the Anchor Club that she **donated half of the money back to the Club**. The Club used the money to buy needy children toys for Christmas.

The Anchors have also been involved with the following service projects: **Operation Christmas Child** (filled 20 shoeboxes); helped at a local **Christian Thrift Store**; tutoring at **Boys and Girls Club** after school and playing Bingo with residents at a local assisted living home. **Meredith Farmer is the Advisor of this outstanding Anchor Club**.

Reminder to Seniors Provisional Membership

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!** 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 or you can download the form from our website. Simply fill it out and mail it to Headquarters. You will then be mailed a **Provisional Membership Card** and the location of the **PC** closest to you. That **PC** will begin to invite you to events while you are at home and while you are away at college.*

*Feel free to attend as little or as much as your schedule allows. The **PC** understands that you follow a busy schedule, but also understands the past Anchor's strong desire to continue serving their communities.*

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

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Highlighting Our District Anchor Coordinators



Lynda Goodwin - District Anchor Coordinator, Georgia

Lynda has been a Pilot member **since 1990** and has served in every office and every coordinator position in her Clubs including serving as **President four times**. She first joined the Peachtree PC of Atlanta and in 2005, **helped charter the PC of Cherokee County**, where she is now an active member. Lynda served as **Georgia District Governor 2002-2003** and **Georgia District Anchor Coordinator 2005-2006**.

Lynda holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Elementary Education. She is **co-owner of Goodwin and Associates**, a family consulting business. She has served the past **25 years** as **Chair of the Girl Scout Gold Award Committee for the Girl Scouts of Greater Atlanta** and has assisted over 1100 young women in achieving Girl Scouting's highest award.

Lynda has been married to **Ed Goodwin** for 42 years. They have two grown children, **Byron and Christi**. Lynda enjoys reading, traveling and spending time with her five grandchildren, ages 4 to 11.

Carolyn Waybright-District Anchor Coordinator, KY-OH-WV

Carolyn retired from **Kaiser Aluminum & Chemical Corporation** with **27 years** of service. She then went to work for the **West Virginia Supreme Court of Appeals** as a legal secretary for the next **13 years**. Retired now, Carolyn stays very active with her church, various clubs and organizations as well as volunteering in her community.

She has been a **charter member of the PC of Jackson County** since November, 1987, having served in various positions throughout the years. Carolyn has been very involved as a sponsor with both of the Anchor Clubs in Jackson County. The **Anchor Club of Ripley HS** has won Outstanding Anchor Club for the OH-KY-WV District for the past **3 years**. There are currently **4 Anchor Clubs** in this District and Carolyn counts it a privilege to serve as District Anchor Coordinator. She feels very blessed to work with the Anchors and believes they are outstanding young people, so willing to be very involved with the Pilot Club.



Carolyn has been married to her wonderful husband, **Conard** for 41 years, blessed with **4 children and 9 grandchildren**. She is an active member of Ripley Tabernacle Baptist Church, managing the Prophet Chambers (housing for visiting missionaries), helping with Infant and Toddler Nursery and serving as Chair for their recent renovation project.