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Alabama Anchor
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Newsletter



Alabama District Anchor Convention *Let's Talk About Anchor Convention!*

The Alabama Anchor District Convention will be held at the Embassy Suites in downtown Montgomery on March 8-9. The cost of the room is \$208.10 including tax for 2 people. There is a \$10.00 charge for each extra person. This pays for your breakfast on Sunday. These are 2 room suites, so you can sleep more people in one room, if needed! Parking is \$10.00. The HOTEL reservation deadline is February 5. The link is included on the registration form. Go ahead and serve rooms now. You can cancel if you end up not needing all of them. There is an indoor pool at the hotel, so bring your bathing suit! The Embassy Convention Registration is \$75.00. Banquet only is \$60.00. Please note this is a decrease from the original price. The new form is attached. The deadline is February 21.

Alabama District Anchor Awards – Please consider entering at least 1 award this year. It only takes about 30 minutes to fill out the form and write up your project. I am willing to help you with your entry. We can zoom, email or talk on the phone to see what you might include in your entry to increase your chances of winning. The AWARDS deadline is February 6.

The DAAC met this past Saturday to put the final touches on the convention. We have a good mix of business, fun and information planned. The officer nominations, proposed budget and proposed standing rules change are attached to the email.

REMINDER – We had a Standing Rules change last year which states: VI., G. Each Club not represented at the Alabama Anchor District Convention shall pay one (1) full registration fee to be mailed to the Anchor District Treasurer within thirty (30) days of the close of the Alabama Anchor District Convention. If your club is not attending convention, please send your money to Treasurer Kay Chandler. Her information is on the registration form. We would rather see you at convention though! 😊

Dress – Saturday is casual. Wear your club shirt. Saturday night is Sunday to Sequins. The afterparty is casual. Must be school appropriate. Sunday is casual.

AFTER PARTY – We will karaoke, dance and play games. This is a fun time to get to know members from other clubs.

There will be an optional Sunday inspirational service on Sunday morning at 9:00 a.m. The closing session and awards will follow.

DOORPRIZES- Each club needs to bring 2-3 \$10.00 gift cards.

I hope to see some new clubs and faces this year!

Suzanne Kendra – District Anchor Coordinator

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.



Alabama District
Anchor Clubs

GRADUATION CORDS

If your club is in good standing (paid dues and sent in all forms by December 31, 2024) you are eligible for free cords. You must pay \$8.00 shipping. If you did not pay dues on time, they are \$8.00 each. It is recommended that you order ASAP.

DISTRICT PROJECT

The district collected \$111.50 from clubs for the district project. Feminine hygiene products will be purchased to donate to a local agency. If your club would like to donate additional supplies, please bring them to district convention, send with a Pilot or another club. It is not too late to send money to Kay Chandler, Treasurer.

Pick Me Up Grants – Anchors can apply for PMU grants and receive up to \$200.00. The information can be found on the Pilot International website. The next deadline is March 15.

Scholarships – Pilot International has several scholarships that Anchors can apply for. These can also be found on the website.

International Anchor Awards – Check out the Anchor International website for more details.



Becca Butler will be our inspirational speaker and entertainer for the installation banquet Saturday night. She became blind 3 years ago and has an amazing outlook on life. She will share her story and sing some songs for us to enjoy. You won't want to miss her!



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