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A Message from your President

Hello Anchors and Advisors,

I hope everyone's school year has started off well and you are gearing up to "Be More" through Anchor projects.

I had the privilege of representing the Alabama District at the Annual Anchor International Leadership Summit in Montreal Canada this past July. There were 7 other Alabama Anchors representing 3 schools at this convention. We learned a lot about what our fellow Anchor districts are doing with their conventions and projects, and we hope to implement some of the same strategies as we plan for this year's convention.

Speaking of convention, I hope all of you are planning to join us in Montgomery in March. We had our first planning meeting this month and we are planning some activities for Anchors from different clubs to get to know each other a little better. We hope to have a good mix of fun and learning. We want every club to have the skills to "Be More" and attending convention is one way you can help us help you.

If you ever need anything, please do not hesitate to contact me at japhillips99@yahoo.com
Jayla Phillips, 2016-2017 President

A Message from your President Elect

Hello Anchors and Advisors,

I am so excited for the 2016-2017 Anchor year! I hope that you are all looking forward to a great year and an even better convention. As always, remember to do more, care more, and be more.

I hope to see you all soon!

God bless,
Madeleine Lasseter, 2016-2017 President-Elect



**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.



AWARDS & SCHOLARSHIPS

Anchor Club of the Year

District deadline for the Club of the Year entry is February 3, 2017. There will be two categories. The first category will be for clubs with 40 or fewer members. The second category will be for clubs with 41 or more members.

Anchor Advisor of the Year: Our Anchor Advisors give many hours planning and implementing our club activities. Please consider nominating them for this award. The deadline is April 15, 2017.

Anchor Club Star Award – This is a new award for graduating seniors and is based on participation and service to your club and community.

Anchor Achievement Scholarship – This is also a scholarship for graduating seniors.

The Project Lifesaver Scholarship – The scholarship is for graduating seniors.

The Dreams Ahead Scholarship was established in 2014 to provide financial assistance to Anchors who are seeking to develop leadership skills. Applicants are to be Anchor Club members in grades 9 through 12.

Ruby Newhall Anchor Scholarship – This is a scholarship based on Anchor participation.

The Bob King Service Scholarship: This scholarship was established in 2015 and Anchors receive additional points.

International Service Awards: In addition to the Alabama District Anchor Awards, you can also enter 3 individual Anchor International Service Awards. They are:

BrainMinders, Community Service and Visibility
Pick-Me-Ups, Community Service and Visibility
Anchor Community Service and Visibility

Support of Anchors Award for Pilot Clubs: This award is presented to Pilot Clubs who have shown outstanding support to their Anchor Clubs.

The forms for all of these awards can be found on the Anchor International website at: www.anchorclubint.org/awards. Some of the forms have not been update with the new year, but I have been assured that the criteria will not change this year. Hopefully, they will be updated soon.

Reminders

DISTRICT CONVENTION - March 4-5 at the Doubletree Hotel in Montgomery, Alabama

Registration Deadline is February 13, 2017. Please be prompt!

INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION - July 2017 at the Paris Hotel.

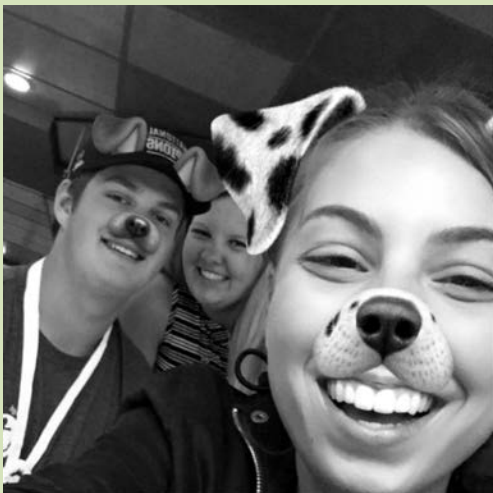
AWARDS DEADLINE - Awards must be postmarked by February 3, 2017

NOMINATIONS - Postmark deadline is January 9, 2017. These may also be emailed to kendra3317@charter.net

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Guntersville High School Anchor Club hosted a Tailgate party for special needs elementary school students. They ate pizza, played a game for snacks, participated in the Spirit Line and watched the football game.



bags of candy, did crafts and even had a pet goat for the kids to pet!

ALABAMA DISTRICT ANCHOR PROJECT

The 2016-2017 DAAC met and voted to adopt the 2017 Alabama District TBI Camp as their service project. This year's TBI Camp will be held April 7-9, 2017 at Camp ASCCA. 12 Anchors representing 4 clubs met in Montreal, Canada and spent time together and got to know each other all their lives

Fun at Anchor International Summit in Montreal Canada

and stepped right in when they saw a need. What a great experience!

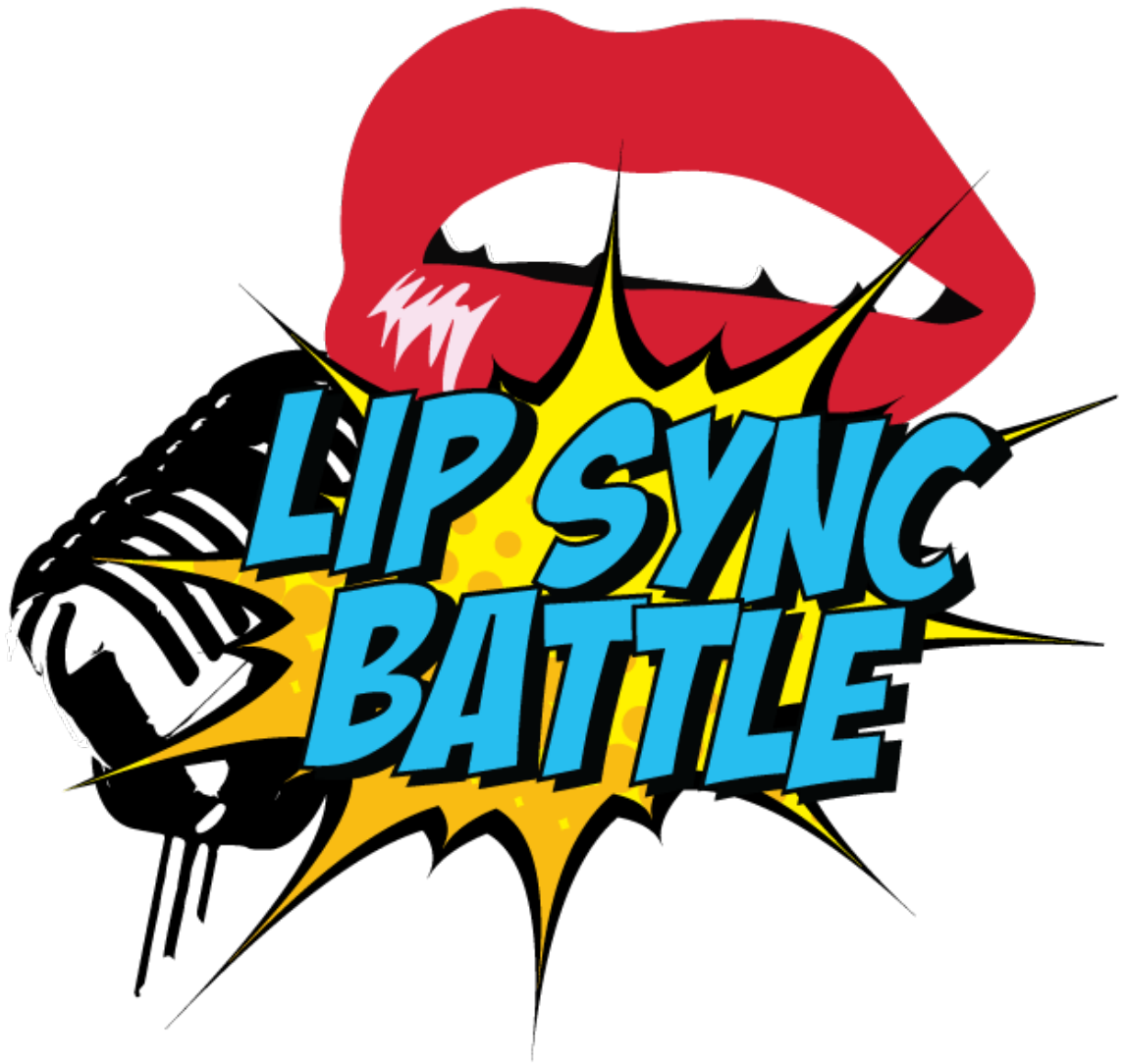
This year's TBI Camp will have a Mardi Gras theme. Anchors will host a Mardi Gras parade and decorate for the dance. Anchors will also make Pick-Me-Ups for the TBI Camper's Caregivers. A list of needed items will be listed in the next Lodestar. These items will be brought to Anchor Convention and the Anchors at TBI Camp will put the Pick-Me-Ups together. Guntersville High School Anchor Club did this last year and the Caregivers were greatly appreciative.

The money received from each club will be used to purchase items for the Mardi Gras parade, decorations and any additional items needed for the Pick-Me-Ups.



Anchors at the 2016 TBI Camp dance!

Sync-ing In The Rain



President Elect Madeleine Lasseter and the Hokes Bluff High School Anchors will host the after party at convention. ALL clubs in attendance are asked to participate in a Lip Sync/Air Band Battle