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# The Lodestar

Alabama Anchor  
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Newsletter



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## Message from President Mamie

Hey Anchors!

I hope all of you have had a successful month of projects and good works. November 8 kicks off International Care and Kindness Week. I encourage all of you to show your appreciation for your teachers, essential workers, or underappreciated community members during this time. November is also the month of Thanksgiving. I am so thankful for the opportunity to serve my community through Anchor Club. As we head toward the end of a crazy year, I expect all of you to continue to "be the light" in your school and community. Because of the COVID19 new normal, this is the perfect opportunity to get creative with your holiday season projects. Do not be afraid to think outside of the box! Show the world the awesome things we Anchors can do!

Your Anchor friend,  
Mamie Patton, President

## Let's Talk About Anchor Convention!

It's never too early to start talking about Anchor Convention! The 36<sup>th</sup> Alabama Anchor District Convention will be held at the Birmingham Marriott on March 6-7. This hotel is conveniently located off of Hwy 280 just down the street from the Summit! Come early and shop!! We are still in the planning stages, but here is what we know!

The opening session will start at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday. There will be an Anchor led presentation called "Do More" which will showcase a special project from each club in attendance. Advisors, please choose 1-2 Anchors to present one of your best projects to the attendees. The presentation should be no longer than 5 minutes. If you are using power point/pictures, you may send those to me ahead of time so that we hopefully can cut down on technical difficulties! This workshop was very popular last year.

President Elect Kaylee and the Hokes Bluff Anchors are working on the "After Party" fun.

District Awards- Every club is encouraged to enter AT LEAST one entry. Don't wait until the last minute to put your entry together. The district awards only take about 30 minutes to complete. Read the entry forms now so you will know what to include in your project. You do not have to be present to win! Forms will be attached to this email.

District Officer Nomination forms and Standing Rule proposal forms will be attached to this newsletter. Only one member per club may be nominated.

The remainder of our speakers and workshops will be announced in the December Lodestar.

Start getting your members fired up about convention! We hope to see some new clubs in attendance this year!!



# 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.



**DUES-** The deadline for Alabama District Anchor dues (\$4.00 per member), District Project contribution (.50 per member) and Anchor International dues/insurance (\$14.00) were due November 1, 2020. I've heard from several clubs that your dues will be late due to Covid. Both the district and international is understanding about this. Please mail them as soon as you can.

## DATES TO REMEMBER

January 5, 2021- District Officer Nomination Deadline  
January 5, 2021 – Standing Rules Proposal Deadline  
February 19, 2021- Convention Hotel Reservation Deadline  
February 4, 2021- Alabama District Awards Entry Deadline  
February 12, 2021 – Alabama District Anchor Convention Registration Deadline  
March 6-7, 2021 – Alabama District Anchor Convention  
April 9-11, 2021 – Traumatic Brain Injury Camp at Camp ASCCA

## GRADUATION CORDS

Anchor International will once again provide cords for graduating seniors. Anchor Specialist Susan Woodard will send out the order forms at a later date. These will be free to all graduating seniors. There will be a small postage fee.

## DISTRICT PROJECT

The DAAC voted to adopt Camp Smile A Mile as our district project. Smile-A-Mile started more than 30 years ago with just a single summer camp session for children in Alabama with cancer. Over the years, we have grown to be a year-round program that serves children and their families from diagnosis and through the years beyond treatment. Our purpose is to provide hope for these families through their cancer journey.

A representative from Camp Smile A Mile will speak at our convention and receive our donation. The district project funds will be used to purchase gift cards for campers. If you would like to purchase additional items from the attaché "wish list" you may bring them to District Convention.



International Care and Kindness week is November 8-14, 2020. It is not too late to plan a project. Don't forget to share your pictures on Facebook and with Suzanne to be included in the next Lodestar.

Facebook: Alabama Anchor District

Instagram: anchorclubintl

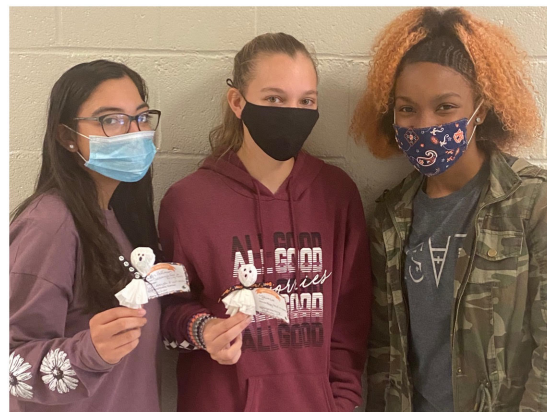
Twitter: @Anchor Club

Facebook: Anchor Club International



Hokes Bluff HS has been very active this year! Their most successful project has been help building bed for *Sleep In Heavenly Peace*. This organization builds beds for local children who have been sleeping on the floor. They also made Hurricane Relief Kits for victims of Hurricane Sally and participated in a Trick or Treat Drive Thru.

Geneva High School hosted a Halloween Party for the Special Needs students at their school. They decorated, hosted and cleaned up after this event. It was a major hit! They also sold close to 400 Halloween Ghost Grams!







Guntersville Middle School Anchor Club participated in the Guntersville Homecoming parade. Several members made posters depicting Brain Safety. Alabama District Anchor President Mamie Patton was elected Miss Anchor Club!



Guntersville High School Anchors and Guntersville Middle School Anchor officers participated in Catch A Special Thrill (CAST) for Kids

Alabama Anchor District  
Standing Rules Proposal Form

Current Reading:

Proposed Reading:

Rationale:

Budgetary Implications:

Clubs may submit proposals to amend the Alabama Anchor District Standing Rules. The proposal must be accepted by a majority vote from the submitting club prior to being presented to the Alabama Anchor District.

I certify that the above proposal was accepted by a majority vote of the Anchor Club of \_\_\_\_\_ at the business meeting on \_\_\_\_\_.

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Signature of Anchor President

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Signature of Faculty Advisor

**THIS FORM MUST BE POSTMARKED (ELECTRONIC OR  
WITH STAMP) NO LATER THAN: January 7, 2021  
FORMS STAMPED WITH A POSTAGE MACHINE WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.**

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