

APEX NEWCOMERS & FRIENDS CLUB

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APRIL 2016

Apex Newcomers & Friends Club (ANFC) is a not-for-profit social organization. ANFC promotes interest in local, civic, cultural, and service programs. General Meetings are the 2nd Wednesday of each month (September through May) at the C. C. Jones Building, 309 Holleman Street, Apex, at 9:30 a.m. Prospective members are welcome to try 2 visits to any function before joining. The annual non-refundable dues are \$25.00 per year plus a donation of \$2.00 at each meeting to help defray the cost of hospitality and building use. An additional fee of \$7.50 will be charged for those people requesting a copy of the newsletter be mailed to them. **SPECIAL:** Bring a friend to the general meeting and receive 2 entries into the door prize drawing!

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Is it really auction time? I can't believe my first year as president is winding down. It's been so much fun and you have all been so supportive. I've been blessed to have so many wonderful friends. Thank you.

Fran H., Eleanor S., and Eileen K. have had great success filling all open positions for next year. I appreciate their efforts and look forward to working with everyone next year, old board members and new. Thank you to everyone who served this year.

We can still use many items for the auction: cakes, cookies, an unwanted gift you may have received, or a gift certificate to a favorite restaurant, hair salon, or message spa. Ask the owner if they would be willing to help us out. Don't forget to tell them the charities we support (USO, Western Wake Crisis Ministry, Horse and Buddy Therapeutic Stables, and the Chamber of Commerce's Bookbag Program). If you haven't already turned in your raffle tickets, please bring them to the auction and give them to Bette. A huge thank you for her efforts and to Gale C. who has once again shared her talents and provided us with what many are saying is the best quilt yet !

Trinity is around the corner. It will be my "first time." I have heard such wonderful things about this trip and am looking forward to spending time with everyone. Then, there's the picnic. Don't forget the sign up sheets at the auction meeting to let us know what you can bring to share. We will meet at 9:30 at the Apex Community Park off Laura Duncan Road. This event is always a good time.

See you at the Auction.

Always,
Susan A.
President

Auction: Wednesday, April 13th after a brief business meeting at 9:30 am. Please bring your raffle tickets if you have not already done so. We have lots of items to bid on. Let's make this year great!

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PROGRAMS Coordinator: Bette F.

Location: CC Jones Bldg, 309 Holleman St., Apex

Next meeting Wednesday, Apr. 13th @ 9:30 A.M. Auction/Raffle

Social gathering begins at 9:00 A.M. Meeting begins promptly at 9:30 A.M. Please come early for coffee and breakfast treats.

FUNDRAISING/AUCTION Coordinator: Bette F

Items should be at the home of Eleanor S. by 9 AM on April 11th. On that day we will organize all items for the auction. Help will be needed to take items and bring them to the C.C. Jones Building the morning of the auction.

Thank you to all who have returned their Quilt Raffle tickets. Asking all who haven't returned their tickets to please return them to me ASAP. The winning ticket will be picked during the Auction.

Although we have some wonderful gifts to be auctioned off, we are still in need of a few more gift cards from vendors or merchants. If you are able to help out, please contact me to see what merchants have been contacted.

Some popular gifts are: Breakfast cooked by Leigh Vaughan; jewelry; delicious baked goods; several large pictures and frames for a living room or bedroom; a handmade child's quilt; bed linen sets; a two night stay at a cottage on Lake Gaston; GC for \$75.00 Rusty Bucket, as well as GCs for several area restaurants, and many other items.

MEMBERSHIP Coordinator: Frances H.

We currently have 85 registered members. Registration for the 2016-2017 year will begin in May. Early registration is \$20.00.

PHOTOGRAPHY Coordinator: Linda W.

Anyone who is at a function where the photographer is not in attendance feel free to take pictures.

SCRAPBOOKING Coordinator: Gerry W.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Western Wake Crisis Ministry Coordinator: Judy M.

Thank you to AliceVO and everyone for doing the Western Wake Crisis Ministry work for me. Staples and last month's list from the crisis center still are related to what is needed : peanut butter, jelly, mac – n – cheese, pasta, canned beans, pasta sauce ie: Ragu, Hunts, etc., tomato products ie: diced, whole, etc., canned meats ie: tuna, chicken, etc., laundry detergent, dish washing soap. All food donations welcomed. Keep up the great work.

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Red Cross Coordinator: Eleanor S. **VOLUNTEERS ARE ALWAYS NEEDED**

Remember that the hours have changed to 10:00 AM to 12:30 PM. Hopefully, this will entice more of you to sign up. The duties for each position are very minimal.

Our Newcomers & Friends Club provides 2 volunteers on the first Friday of each month to work as a Greeter or in the Canteen at the Cary Blood Center, 3700 Regency Parkway. The work hours are **10:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.** You need to complete an application before volunteering the first time. These forms will be on the table to sign during the general meeting. Blood donors are always needed. Walk-ins are accepted.

Friday, Apr. 1st @ 10:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Canteen – Stella T. Greeter: Donna N.

BROOKRIDGE ASSISTED LIVING Coordinator: Eleanor S.

It is hard finding items for men, but they do like aftershave and deodorant.

COUPONS Coordinators: box tops: Pat M.- manufacturers coupons: Diane E.

If you clip coupons but don't use them please bring them to our meeting. We will send them along to the troops who can use them until 5 months after expiration. This might be a good reason to start clipping.

If you buy products with a "Box Tops for Education" coupon on them, you can also clip them and bring them to our meeting.

ACTIVITIES

ART 101 Coordinator: Betty S.

Thursday, Apr. 7th, @ 1:00 p.m. at the Halle Center.

Please remember to register at the Apex Community Center for the summer session.

BOOK CLUB Coordinator: Sterling S. and Judy L.

Friday, Apr. 15th @ 1:30 pm. till 3:00 pm. at Cambridge Village.

Our book for this month is *The Girl on the Train* by Paul Hawkins.

Exciting news! The Apex Newcomers and Friends Book Club now has a Facebook page!! And no worries, you don't need a Facebook account to view it. You can just type this address into your search engine, such as Google or Yahoo and go to the site.

www.facebook.com/ApexNewcomersBookClub

We hope you'll visit our page often and "Like" us! Any problems or suggestions can be emailed to Martha S. at msingle17@gmail.com

BOOK EXCHANGE Coordinator: Miriam M.

Check out the "box of books" at the next meeting, and bring your discarded books to share with the group. Remember, you do not have to return them; you just take them, share, and enjoy. If you have found a hardcover book you really enjoyed and would like to share, feel free to bring it.

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PUZZLE EXCHANGE Coordinator: Judy M.

If you have any puzzles, they would be wonderful for the exchange at our meeting.

BOLIVIA (Tuesday) Coordinator: Eleanor S. (Meets every other Tuesday at 1:00 pm.)

Apr. 12th – Host: Pat E.

Apr. 26th - Host: Judy Ep.

BOLIVIA (Wednesday) Coordinator: Kate D. (Meets 1st, 3rd, & 5th Wednesday at 1:00 pm.)

Apr. 6th – Host: Betty S.

Apr. 20th - Host: Elaine C.

BREAKFAST Coordinators: Georgiana F. & Barbara C.

WE ARE COMBINING BOTH THE BREAKFAST AND LUNCH GROUPS THIS MONTH!

Monday, April 25th, @ 11:00 am. Location: Toast Café, Waverly Place, 316 Colonades Way, Cary

DINNER Coordinator: Nancy E. Please call no later than Tuesday.

Thursday, Apr. 28th, @ 6:30 p.m. Location: Enrico's Italian Restaurant, 575 New Waverly Place, Cary

GAME NIGHT Coordinator: Judy Ep.

Saturday, April 23rd, @ 7:00 p.m. Host: Anne T. Participants bring their own drinks and an appetizer or dessert. If you sign up and are unable to come, please call the host to cancel.

THE HEALTHY LIVING SUPPORT GROUP Coordinators: Susan A. & Judy M.

Tuesday, Apr. 5th @ 1:15 p.m. Ongoing discussion on healthy food, exercise, etc. If you have input or questions come join us.

LUNCH Coordinators: Eleanor M. & Carol G.

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MEN'S NIGHT OUT Coordinator: Tony P.

Friday, Apr. 1st @ 6:15 p.m. Host: Shirley & John H.

Men play cards, and spouses usually go to the movies then finish the night with refreshments at the home of the host.

SPECIAL EVENTS Coordinator for this event: Eileen K.

Tuesday, May 3rd –Friday, May 6th Trinity Center, Emerald Isle, NC

The group will enjoy 3 days of relaxation, meals included, and lots of time to play cards and games and walk on the beach. If you would like to be placed on a waiting list, please contact Eileen. There usually is a last minute cancellation.

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SPECIAL EVENTS Coordinator for this event: Eleanor S. **DURHAM BULLS**

Wed., June 1st. Those of you who have not paid I would appreciate the money by our May meeting. I will notify you the after our April meeting if anyone still owes money.

CARING & SHARING Coordinator: Shirley H.

Please contact Shirley if you know of anyone in the hospital or has had a death in their family, and she will send a card from the members.

HOSPITALITY Coordinator: Connie L. & Diane E.

The following members signed up for treats for the April General Meeting:

Nancy P, Anne T, Veronica M, Judy E, Joanne F, Kate D., Gerry W., June Q., Judy M., and Wendy B.

BIRTHDAYS

Apr 5	Eleanor M.	Apr 18	Jane W.	Apr 19	Donna N.
Apr 23	Candy R.	Apr 25	Anne T.	Apr 30	Martha S.

NEXT BOARD MEETING

Wednesday, Apr. 20th , @ 9:30 a.m. Host: TBA

IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO CALL THE COORDINATOR IF YOU CANNOT ATTEND ANY ACTIVITY FOR WHICH YOU HAVE SIGNED UP.

INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY

The meeting will be cancelled if the Wake County Public Schools are closed or have a delayed opening due to weather conditions.

SPONSORS

***Daniels Florist*, 2829 Jones Franklin Rd., Swift Creek Shopping Plaza, Raleigh, NC 27606. Phone (919) 851-1500.** They will continue to supply a floral arrangement for our monthly meetings.

Apex Chamber of Commerce. We are a member of the Apex Chamber of Commerce, your one stop for Apex information. The Apex Chamber of Commerce located in the **Historic Trail Depot**, at **220 North Salem Street** has the map of Apex as well as Raleigh, Durham, and North Carolina maps. They have a calendar of events for the state as well as the town of Apex. Along with apartment guides the Apex Community Guide has a wealth of information including the history of Apex and a quick reference section with telephone numbers to everything needed to get started in Apex. Local newspapers are also available! All information at the Chamber is free! Visit their website at: www.apexchamber.com, or visit to find out more about the town you now call home.

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					1 Red Cross Men's Night 6:15 p.m.	2
3	4	5	6 Bolivia 1:00 p.m.	7 Art 101, 1:00 p.m.	8	9
10	11 Organize Auction Items 9:30 a.m.	12 Bolivia 1:00 p.m.	13 Gen Mtg/Auction 9:30 a.m. Brookridge	14	15 Book Club 1:30 p.m.	16
17	18	19	20 Bd Mtg. 9:30 a.m. Bolivia 1:00 p.m.	21	22	23 Game Night 7:00 p.m.
24	25 Brunch 11:00 a.m.	26 Bolivia 1:00 p.m.	27	28 Dinner 6:30 p.m.	29	30

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1	2	3 Trinity Center	4 Trinity Center	5 Trinity Center	6 Trinity Red Cross 10 a.m. Men's Night 6:15 p.m.	7
8	9	10	11 Gen Mtg/Picnic 9:30 a.m.	12 Art 1:00 p.m.	13	14
15	16	17	18			