

APEX NEWCOMERS & FRIENDS CLUB

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MAY 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

Wow, what a great auction ! Thank you to all who made it such a great success. Roberta will give you the report on the actual numbers but we did very well.

A special thank to all of the following:

All those who donated items or procured gift certificates,

Tony P. for his time and good humor as our auctioneer,

Eleanor S. who assisted Tony and graciously stored all the items at her home,

Nancy E. who catalogued each and every item and produced the item lists for us,

Betty S. who along with Eleanor, used her artistic talent and spent many hours arranging our item groupings,

Members who transported items from Eleanor's home to the CC Jones Building,

Our "Vanna Whites" on the sidelines, Kate D., Peg K. and Judy M., who helped showcase our items,

Bette F. who served as runner and made sure everyone got their purchase slips,

Roberta. C, Barbara C., and Georgiana F. for their bookkeeping skills,

All the buyers who generously opened their wallets.

Of course making a list like this means I probably left someone out. I am sorry and thank you.

The proceeds from the auction will allow us to increase our donations this year. We will vote on this at the picnic:

Chamber of Commerce Bookbag Program \$750

Western Wake Crisis Ministry \$1750

Horse and Buddy \$1000

USO Raleigh/Durham \$1000

CAPA (Apex PD ID Program) \$ 500

Our Executive Board for next year will consist of President Susan A., 1st Co Vice Presidents (Fundraising) Pat H. and Roberta C., 2nd Co Vice Presidents (Membership) Fran H. and Shirley M., Secretary Joanne F., and Treasurer Ginny H.

As per our By-Laws we will vote on the continuation of Fran and Shirley in their positions as this will be their third year. They have generously agreed to stay on.

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I look forward to our picnic. Our theme this year is an Hawaiian Luau. Feel free to wear a flower shirt or a muu muu and/or a flower in your hair. Please bring a dish to share unless of course you signed up for drinks. Download a membership form for next year and bring your \$20 fee (it goes up to \$25 on June 1) and your \$2 dues. Checks for membership will not be processed until June when our new fiscal year begins.

Always,
Susan A.
President

PROGRAMS Coordinator: Bette F.

Location: Apex Park, Laura Duncan Rd, Large Picnic Shelter

Next meeting Wednesday, May 11th @ 9:30 A.M. Picnic

Social gathering begins at 9:00 A.M. Meeting begins promptly at 9:30 A.M. There will be coffee and lemonade. Stay for lunch and games. Our theme this year is an Hawaii Luau. Feel free to wear a flower shirt or a muu muu and/or a flower in your hair.

FUNDRAISING/AUCTION Coordinator: Bette F

The Auction! There are so many thanks that are needed to be given out after such a successful auction. A huge thank you to all who participated in the club's annual auction in any capacity. Thanks go to Eleanor S, who every year opens her house to storing the items; to Betty S for 'putting together' many items for great packages; to Georgiana and Barbara for being cashiers, and Roberta as Treasurer; to Kate, Peg, and Judy M for being runners; to all who came to pick up items to transport them to the hall on the day of the Auction; to Nancy who types up and runs off the program; to Tony who did a great job as auctioneer; and to all who purchased items. Also, thanks are given out to all who went out to solicit gift certificates or gift cards to many fabulous vendors, to those who made private monetary donations; and also to the merchants who generously donated them to us. It takes a village to run a successful endeavor as we just did. So please pat yourselves on the back for your help, it was greatly appreciated.

The Raffle! Thank you to Gail Coles for each year donating a beautiful quilt for the club to use for a \$1,000 plus money making raffle, and thanks to the many members that did purchase the 15 tickets. Big thanks also to Eleanor S, Kate, Roberta, Gerry, and Candy, who gave several hours on a busy Saturday to sell raffle tickets in front of the Rusty Bucket.

Thanks also to Susan for her back of the scenes help.

MEMBERSHIP Coordinator: Frances H.

Membership dues for 2016-2017 will be collected at the picnic. Please print a registration form from the ANFC website. Bring the signed form and check or cash to the picnic. Registration is \$20.00 in May. This is a \$5.00 savings! Beginning June 1, registration is \$25.00. You can also mail your signed form to ANFC, PO Box 1164, Apex, NC 27502. **Checks will not be deposited until June.**

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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 all who have been so generous with food and money this year. We had five pounds of food and \$20.00 at the last meeting. Right now the WWCM could use peanut butter, canned fruit, toilet paper, and soups. I will be collecting things at the picnic. If you have donations over the summer, just call me and I will be glad to pick things up or you can drop things off at the center and let them know it is from Apex Newcomers and Friends. Have a wonderful summer.

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, May 6th @ 10:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Canteen – Donna N. Greeter: Kate D.

I need volunteers for August and September.

BROOKRIDGE ASSISTED LIVING Coordinator: Eleanor S.

We will continue to visit Brookridge on the second Wednesday of the month during the summer at 3 PM. Anyone interested can call Eleanor. Don't forget to collect any and all sundry items. Do not throw away your baseball hats. The men just "eat them up"!!! When visiting the Dollar Store, deodorants, aftershave and soap for the men would be appreciated

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.

USO Coordinator: Eleanor S.

If you want to do any project over the summer, don't forget about doing the neck pillows for the servicemen/women.

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ACTIVITIES

ART 101 Coordinator: Betty S.

Thursday, May 12th, @ **1:00 p.m.** at the Halle Center.

Just bring yourselves.

BOOK CLUB Coordinator: Sterling S. and Judy L.

Friday, May 20th @ **1:30 pm. till 3:00 pm.** at Cambridge Village.

Our book for this month is *Dead Wake: The Last Crossing of the Lusitania* by Erik Larson.

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.

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.)

May 10th – Host: Gay G.

May 24th - Host: Anne G.

Notification will be by email for summer months.

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

May 4th – Host: Kate D.

May 18th - Host: Peg K.

BREAKFAST Coordinators: Georgiana F. & Barbara C.

No breakfast this month.

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

Thursday, May 26th, @ **6:30 p.m.** **Location:** Dante's, 13200-117 Falls of the Neuse Rd., Raleigh

GAME NIGHT Coordinator: Judy Ep.

Saturday, May 21st, @ **7:00 p.m.** **Host:** Judy & Ray S.

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.

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

Tuesday, May 10th @ 1:15 p.m. Host: Roberta C.

Ongoing discussion on healthy food, exercise, etc. If you have input or questions come join us.

LUNCH Coordinators: Eleanor M. & Carol G.

No lunch this month.

MEN'S NIGHT OUT Coordinator: Tony P.

Friday, May 6th @ 6:15 p.m. Host: Howard & Dorothy L.

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.

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.

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.

Don't forget to bring the picnic food you signed up for. If you are canceling, please let the coordinators know.

BIRTHDAYS

May 19 - Carole H.

May 25 - Marty M.

May 30 - Dorothy L.

NEXT BOARD MEETING

Wednesday, May 18th , @ 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.**

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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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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3 Trinity	4 Trinity Bolivia 1:00 p.m.	5 Trinity	6 Trinity Red Cross Men's Night 6:15 p.m.	7
8	9	10 Bolivia 1:00 p.m.	11 Gen Mtg/Picnic 9:30 a.m. Brookridge	12 Art 101, 1:00 p.m.	13	14
15	16	17	18 Bd. Mtg. 9:30 a.m. Bolivia 1:00 p.m.	19	20 Book Club 1:30 p.m.	21 Game Night 7:00 p.m.
22	23	24 Bolivia 1:00 p.m.	25	26 Dinner 6:30 p.m.	27	28
29	30	31.				

JUNE 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2 Art 101, 1:00 p.m.	3 Red Cross 10 a.m. Men's Night 6:15 p.m.	4
5	6	7	8 Brookridge 3:00 p.m.		10	11
12	13	14	15			