

## **APEX NEWCOMERS & FRIENDS CLUB**

**P.O. Box 1164**

**Apex, NC 27502**

[www.apexnewcomers.org](http://www.apexnewcomers.org)

**JANUARY 2017**

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 2<sup>nd</sup> 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**

**HAPPY NEW YEAR and HAPPY 20 YEARS !!!**

Congratulations ANFC. 20 years old this year.

We can look forward to lots of events in 2017.

Roberta is "hosting" a fashion show for our group. I understand there will be some high profile models sporting clothing from the Christopher Banks store in Cary.

We will have a wonderful celebration in March. Bette and her crew are planning menus and lining up speakers for this luncheon anniversary gala.

Auction is, as always, in the works for April. Start collecting those items you wish to donate. Please remember this is a group effort. Pat H. needs lots of help getting those gift certificates which seem to bring in lots of cash. So please talk to your favorite salon, grocery store, massage spa, etc. and see if they will help our cause. Remind them of the charities we support (USO, Western Wake Crisis Ministry, Horse and Buddy, the Chamber of Commerce Book Bag Program, and CAPA).

In May we'll picnic at the park. Planning for this event begins in January, so if you are interested in assisting or have any ideas, please let the board know.

I hope to see you all at the January meeting. Have a safe, healthy, and happy New Year.

As ever,  
Susan A.  
President

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### **PROGRAMS** Coordinator: Roberta C.

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

**Next meeting Jan. 11<sup>th</sup> @ 9:30 A.M.** Our speaker for our January meeting will be the officer in charge of the **Apex Community Police and Crime Prevention Bureau. Matt Hunter** will help make us aware of what is happening in our town to help keep us safe in 2017

### **SAVE THE DATE - MARCH 8, 2017**

#### **APEX NEWCOMERS 20<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY** Coordinator: Bette F.

Apex Newcomers and Friends Club will celebrate their **20th Anniversary** with many surprises!!! Details will follow in the coming months. A committee is in place, and is working to make this a wonderful celebration. A vote for the club to fund a luncheon was taken at the September meeting and was unanimously approved.

### **PHOTOGRAPHY** Coordinator: Linda W.

Linda W. asks anyone who is at a function where she is not in attendance to feel free to take pictures.

### **SCRAPBOOKING** Coordinator: Gerry W.

### **MEMBERSHIP** Coordinators: Frances H. & Shirley M.

We currently have 77 registered members. Registration for Jan-May 2017 is \$12.50.

### **COMMUNITY OUTREACH**

#### **Western Wake Crisis Ministry:** Coordinator: Judy M.

Thank you so much for the 200 pounds of cookies and food for Western Wake Crisis Ministry.

We also had \$60.00 to give to them. For those who have asked, everyone needs to fill out a form to shop at the center and to receive help with bills. But anyone in Apex, New Hill, and parts of Holly Springs can come to the center for services. There has to be a need. They are in need of all types of household items like paper products, cleaning products, etc. Let's focus on that as well as food for January. Thank you for all of your gifts.

#### **Red Cross:** Coordinator: Eleanor S. **Hours are 10 A.M. TO 12:30 P.M.**

#### **VOLUNTEERS ARE ALWAYS NEEDED**

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. 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. I have been reminded to please be sure you fill out an attendance sheet every time you work. Book and blank sheets are at the Greeter's desk.

**Friday, Jan. 6<sup>th</sup>**      **Canteen:** Carolyn C.

**Greeter:** Eleanor S.

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### **BROOKRIDGE ASSISTED LIVING: 312 Lynch St., Apex.** Coordinator: Eleanor S.

We delivered Christmas gifts to all the residents on the 14th. They were very happy to see us and were very appreciative of the gift they received. Pictures were taken and will be on display at our January meeting. I have received many winter items that were delivered to the main office and they are very grateful for all items. The main items that are given must be washable. Again, thank you members for the support you are giving to these people.

**USO:** Coordinator: Eleanor S.

### **MANUFACTURER'S COUPONS FOR THE MILITARY:** Coordinator: Diane E.

Thanks to all that have participated in collecting manufacturer's coupons for the military (they accept them up to 5 months expired). We will continue participating in this program, so get your scissors out and bring any coupons that you can't use to our monthly meeting.

### **BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION:** Coordinator: Pat M.

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.

**Thurs. Jan. 5<sup>th</sup> @ 1:00 p.m.** at Halle Cultural Arts Center. Come sign up at the Apex Community Center Senior Program for the winter/spring meetings. We will be working in water colors...supplies will be there ...

**Friday, Jan. 6<sup>th</sup> @ 10:00 a.m. Trip to the Page-Walker Arts & History Center** to view the Fine Arts League of Cary's Annual Members' Show. We will meet at Loews Foods on the Apex Peakway to car pool to Cary. A stop for lunch is planned afterwards. You do not have to be in the art group to participate. Give Betty a call if you plan to join us.

### **BOOK CLUB:** Coordinators: Martha S. and Judy L.

**Fri., Jan. 20<sup>th</sup> @ 1:30 pm. till 3:00 pm.** at Cambridge Village.

We will be reading *The Summer Before the War* by Helen Simonson.

The Apex Newcomers and Friends Book Club has a Facebook page. You can just click below.

[www.facebook.com/ApexNewcomersBookClub](http://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.

### **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.

Please bring puzzles with all of the pieces to share and to pass along to other members. I will place them next to the books.

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

**Jan. 3<sup>rd</sup> – Host: Anne G.    Jan. 17<sup>th</sup> - Host: Dot L.    Jan. 31<sup>st</sup> - Host: Nancy P.**

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

**Jan. 4<sup>th</sup> – Host: Esther T.    Jan. 18<sup>th</sup> - Host: Judy L.**

**BREAKFAST** Coordinator: Georgiana F. & Barbara C.

**Monday, Jan. 16<sup>th</sup> @ 10:00 am. @ Another Broken Egg Cafe, Parkwest Village Shopping Center, Morrisville**

**DINNER** Coordinator: Nancy E.

**Thursday, Jan. 26<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30 p.m., The Provincial , 119 N. Salem St., Apex**

Please reserve no later than Tuesday.

**GAME NIGHT** Coordinator: Judy Ep.

**Saturday, Jan. 21<sup>st</sup> @ 7:00 p.m. Host: Judy M.**

Participants bring their own drinks and an appetizer or dessert.

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

**Tuesday, Jan. 3<sup>rd</sup> @ 1:00 - 1:15 p.m. Host : Judy M.**

**LUNCH** Coordinator: Sharon V.

**Tuesday, Jan. 24<sup>th</sup> @ 11:15 a.m. Red Bowl Asian Bistro, 2020 Boulderstone Way, Cary**

It is just off High House and Davis Drive.

**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.

**Just a Reminder:** Members: Peg K., Billy S., Martha S., Pat E., Jean G., Billy S., Sharon V., Connie L., and Patricia E. bring snacks for the buffet.

**SPECIAL EVENTS** Coordinator: Judy M.

**Tuesday, Feb. 7<sup>th</sup> , The Barn Dinner Theatre, *The Kitchen Witches* , \$36.00 per person. Payment was due Dec. 27<sup>th</sup>. Thanks so much.**

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**SPECIAL EVENTS** Coordinator: Eileen K.

**May 2nd – May 5<sup>th</sup>** Trinity Center Trip, \$300.

If you are signed up for this trip, deposits of \$45 are due before the end of November. There are still some places available. Sign up sheet will be available at the Dec. meeting. Join us for beach walks, cards, and lovely buffet meals.

**SPECIAL EVENTS** Coordinator: Eleanor S.

**Wednesday, June 21<sup>st</sup> @ 1:05 p.m. Durham Bulls Baseball Game**

Anyone who hasn't signed up and is interested please let me know by January 9<sup>th</sup>. I always order tickets in January. The approximate cost will be about \$15. I will know the exact amount after they add the tax. Please email or call me.

### **JANUARY BIRTHDAYS**

Jan 2 Kate D  
Jan 5 Ricardo C  
Jan 10 Fran H  
Jan 14 Beulah B  
Jan 17 Elaine C  
Jan 20 Anne G  
Jan 21 Beverly H  
Jan 29 Shirley H

### **NEXT BOARD MEETING**

**Wednesday, Jan. 18<sup>th</sup> @9:30 a.m.** Location: 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](http://www.apexchamber.com), or visit to find out more about the town you now call home.

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1	2	3 Healthy Living 1:15 p.m. Bolivia 1:00 p.m.	4 Bolivia 1:00 p.m.	5 Art 1:00 p.m.	6 Red Cross Page-Walker Art Trip 10:00 a.m.	7
8	9	10	11 Gen Mtg 9:30 a.m. Brookridge 3:00 p.m.	12	13	14
15	16 Breakfast 10:00 a.m.	17 Bolivia 1:00 p.m.	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 Lunch 11:15 a.m.	25	26 Dinner 6:30 p.m.	27	28
29	30	31 Bolivia 1:00 p.m.				

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Bolivia 1:00 p.m.	2 Art 1:00 p.m.	3 Red Cross	4
5	6	7	8 Gen Mtg. 9:00 a.m. Brookridge 3:00 p.m.	9	10	11
12	13	14	15 Bolivia 1:00 a.m.	16	17 Book Club 1:30 p.m.	18