

APEX NEWCOMERS & FRIENDS CLUB

P.O. Box 1164

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www.apexnewcomers.org

SEPTEMBER 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 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

Welcome back to everyone from last year and a special welcome to our new members.

I hope everyone had a wonderful summer break. We really had a lot of 90 degree days. I spent a week on an Alaskan Cruise with days in the high 50's and low 60's. Very refreshing. Then I stepped off the plane at RDU and it took my breath away. I just returned last week from Kentucky where I visited the Noah's Ark Encounter and the Creation Museum and we had wonderful sunny days at 75 degrees. Both trips were just awesome.

Now Apex Newcomers and Friends Club is ready to start a new year. This will be our 21st year. We have some wonderful people serving on the board and are looking forward to bringing you a wonderful year with interesting speakers, wonderful trips, fellowship with meals and all the different committees. If anyone has new ideas to share about activities, please let us know.

Please remember to read your newsletter each month so you will know what activities are happening. ANFC dues are \$2 every meeting. I try to remember to keep several singles handy for this purpose. Our weather policy follows the Apex school district. If schools are closed because of inclement weather, we don't have a meeting. I will remind you of this from time to time. We will also try to send out an email, so please check your computer.

This is my first year as your president. I was promised a lot of help if I took this position and I'm sure I will be depending on these people. Thank you all for your continued support. I look forward to working for you and having a wonderful year.

Pat Hopper

President 2017-2018

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PROGRAMS Coordinator: Roberta C.

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

Next meeting Sept. 13th @ 9:30 A.M. General Meeting

It would be greatly appreciated if those whose last names begin A-L will bring a goody to share for the meeting.

AUCTION Coordinators: Roberta C., June Q

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: Jean G.

MEMBERSHIP Coordinators: Susan A. & Shirley M.

The registration fee is \$25.00. You can print out a registration form from the website or pick one up at the membership table prior to the meeting. The 2017-2018 directories will be printed by the end of October.

Only registered member information will be in the directory. Please be sure to review your emergency contact information on the registration form. Notate any needed changes. It is important that the club has current information in the event of an emergency at one of our meetings or outings.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Western Wake Crisis Ministry Coordinator: Judy M.

It won't be long before we have our first Newcomers Meeting in September. The current needs at the Western Wake Crisis Ministry are for soups, dried beans, rice, and household things like dish detergent, laundry detergent, Clorox, wipes, etc. There is always a need for toilet paper. Since January 2017 there has been a 17% need increase. They have instituted a Senior Program and have 90 seniors receiving extra every month. There is a new program for diabetics. Thirty-five people participate. They are now open the second and fourth Thursday's of each month to make it more convenient for people in need. There is a new program that delivers food to people home bound. They deliver to about twelve right now. There is a lot going on and we will be helping out once again. Look forward to seeing all of you.

Red Cross Coordinator: Eleanor S. **Hours are 10:30 A.M. TO 2:00 or 2:30 P.M. (Canteen finishes at 2:30 P.M.) I will try to simplify submission of application as soon as possible for new volunteers.**

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. New volunteers are asked to establish an Id on line. Specific instructions are provided under the sign-up sheet. 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. Volunteers will be needed for the upcoming year. Please sign up for any month from October on.

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

We will continue to visit Brookridge on the second Wednesday of each month at 3:00 PM. Anyone interested, please call Eleanor for directions. We made our regular visits during the summer months. Before you know it I will be getting my Christmas list for the residents. Seems like we just did that. Keep in mind any items you may wish to give the residents. Everything I deliver is usually kept and distributed. There are very few items that are not wanted. Thank you.

USO Coordinator: Eleanor S.

Neck Pillows: Did you buy fiber fill or material over the summer? I will bring a pattern and a pillow to the meeting to show how easy they are to make. We will deliver the pillows to the USO the week before Thanksgiving.

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., Sept. 14th @ 1:00 p.m. at Halle Cultural Arts Center.

If you haven't signed up for Sep, Oct., Nov., and Dec., please sign up at the Apex Community Center Senior Program. Bring what ever you are working on or work with Betty S. She is thinking acrylics. This group meets once a month for two hours.

BOOK CLUB Coordinators: Martha S. and Judy L.

Friday Sept. 15th at Cambridge Village of Apex @ 1:30 p.m.

Book for Sept. discussion is *Hillbilly Elegy* by JD Vance

Book for Oct. discussion is *The Other Einstein* by Marie Benedict

We currently have just seven members and would welcome new members. The Apex Newcomers and Friends Book Club has a Facebook page. You can just click below.

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.

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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.

I will bring what I have and hope that the puzzle lovers bring in some to share.

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

Sept. 12th - Host Dot L. **Sept. 26th** - Host: Nancy P. **Oct. 10th** – Host: Eleanor S.

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

Sept. 6 – Host - Esther T. **Sept. 20** – Host - Elaine C.

DINNER Coordinator: Nancy E.

Please reserve with Nancy no later than Friday, Sept. 8th.

Sunday, Sept. 10 @ 12:00 p.m.: Sunday Brunch at Buku, 110 E. Davie St., Raleigh

GAME NIGHT Coordinator: Judy M.

Saturday, Sept. 30th @ 7:00 p.m. Host: Judy M.

September will be here soon and we will get back to having GAME NIGHTS again. I will host the first night and am looking forward to having others share their homes with all of us this year. The sign up sheet will be at the meetings. Participants bring their own drinks and an appetizer or dessert. We always have a great time.

LUNCH Coordinator: Sharon V.

Tuesday, Sept. 19th @ 11:30 a.m. Mamma Mia’s 708 Laura Duncan Road, Apex

CARING & SHARING Coordinator: Kate D.

Please contact Kate 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 Coordinators: Pat K. & Roberta C.

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SPECIAL EVENTS Coordinator: Eileen K.

Oct. 28th @ 2 p.m. Garner Performing Arts, *Over the River and Through the Woods* by Joe DiPietro
Nick is a single, Italian-American guy from New Jersey. His parents retired and moved to Florida. He goes to his grandparents every Sunday for dinner. He gets the offer of marketing executive in Seattle. Thus begins a series of schemes to keep Nick around. Tickets \$12. Please call Eileen for reservations, I only have 20 tickets.

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Trinity Center May 2018. Call Eileen to reserve for next year.

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

5 Sarah F

10 Pat E

10 Joanne F

11 Pat K

19 Roberta C

19 Stephen H

22 Elaine C

25 Pat M

25 Alice V

NEXT BOARD MEETING

Wednesday, Sept. 20th @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, or visit to find out more about the town you now call home.

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					1 Red Cross 10:30 a.m.	2
3	4	5 Bolivia 1:00 p.m.	6 Bolivia 1:00 p.m.	7	8	9
10 Brunch 12:00 p.m.	11	12	13 Gen. Mtg. 9:30 a.m. Brookridge	14 Art 1:00 p.m.	15 Book Club 1:30 p.m.	16
17	18	19 Lunch 11:30 a.m. Bolivia 1:00 p.m.	20 Board Mtg. 9:30 a.m. Bolivia 1:00 p.m.	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30 Game Night 7:00 p.m.

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1	2	3	4 Bolivai 1:00 p.m.	5 Art 1:00 p.m.	6 Red Cross 10:30 a.m.	7
8	9	10 Bolivia 1:00 p.m.	11 Gen Mtg. 9:30 a.m. Brookridge	12	13	14
15	16					