

**APEX NEWCOMERS & FRIENDS CLUB  
DECEMBER 2019**

P.O. Box 1164  
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<http://apexnewcomers.org/>

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**

Hello Members,

December has come once more. A very busy time for all, shopping, visiting, entertaining visitors for the Holidays. I wish everyone a Merry Christmas, Happy Holidays and a very Happy Healthy New Year to you all and your families.

A big Thank You to Georgiana for chairing our Thanksgiving food drive, it was so very successful. We were asked to provide six meals to our local food bank, Western Wake Crisis Ministry; we not only met that goal, but exceeded it. Good job Georgiana and everyone that helped with this project.

Another well deserved Thank You goes to Julia and Shirley L for their hard work that went into getting our annual membership directory completed. If you missed receiving a directory at our last meeting, please come join us in December so you can pick up one.

At our December 11th meeting, we will be entertained by one of our own members, Terry, who will be singing Holiday songs for our pleasure. Please come and join us in this Holiday fun.

Thanks Peg for chairing our annual cookie bake. We each bake and bring two dozen cookies to combine together and put in tins for our donation to Western Wake Crisis Ministry. The food bank then distributes them to their clients.

I hope to see all of you at our Holiday meeting. Don't forget your cookies.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Roberta C.  
President

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**PROGRAMS/PUBLICITY** Coordinator: Bette F.

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

Next meeting: Dec. 11 @ 9:30 A.M

Program: Cookies for WWCM

**FIRST VICE PRESIDENT FUNDRAISING** Marie H., Cheryl B., Judy D. & Ann S.

**Save The Date - ANFC Annual Auction Fundraiser: April 8, 2020.** Detailed information about the auction-our Spring Fling- as well as copies of the solicitation letter for your use will be handed out at the December meeting.

**PHOTOGRAPHY** Coordinator: Linda W. Anyone who is at a function, please feel free to take pictures.

**SCRAPBOOKING** Coordinator: Judy E.

**SECOND VICE PRESIDENT MEMBERSHIP** Julia M. & Shirley L

We currently have 78 members.

**COMMUNITY  
OUTREACH**

**Western Wake Crisis Ministry** Coordinator: Georgiana F.

We collected 259 pounds of food and \$68.00 Thank you everyone for a great Thanksgiving drive. We made a lot of people have a pleasant Thanksgiving.

**Red Cross** Coordinator: Eleanor S. **Hours are 11:30 A.M. TO 3:00 or 3:30 P.M. (Canteen finishes at 3:30 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. 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.

**from 11:30 to 3:00 p.m. Friday - Dec. 6 Canteen – Marie H. Ambassador: Eleanor S.**

I hope that everyone has watched the video for the Red Cross.

(You need to access the following from our web site copy of the newsletter on line to have this play.)

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bRrL\\_gDmeGY&feature=youtu.be](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bRrL_gDmeGY&feature=youtu.be)

I will need Ambassadors in the future months.

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

Saw Miss Edythe and she wanted to let us know how much the residents enjoyed the fair. They got free breakfast and were able to buy sundry items they wanted. Some even went on rides. They truly enjoy our monthly visits and supply us with so many smiles. Christmas gifts to be delivered to me the latest Dec. 6 or 9. Be sure to have names on bags. Gifts will be distributed the afternoon of Dec. 11. Anyone is welcome to join us.

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**USO** Coordinator: Eleanor S.

The neck pillows, cards and lots of sundry items were delivered on Monday the 19th. It was very well received as about 100 marines were arriving on Tuesday.

**CHRISTMAS COOKIES** Coordinator: Peg K.

Just a reminder to bring two dozen (or more) cookies to the December meeting. We will set up an assembly line to pack the cookies in tins that will be given to Western Wake Crises Ministry. Small and mid size cookie tins are needed. Please no large tins. Gloves will be provided to assure sanitary packing. Last year we filled a car...Let's do it again. Thanks

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

**We will not be collecting coupons** any longer since St. John's is not collecting coupons for the military anymore. Many thanks to all who have supported the collection in the past.

**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.

**Tin tabs** Coordinator Cheryl B.

We are now collecting the tin tabs off the top of cans for Durham Ronald McDonald House.

## **ACTIVITIES**

**ART 101** Coordinator: Betty S.

**Thursday, Dec. 5 @ 1:00 p.m.** at Halle Arts Center

Time to sign up for this activity at the Apex Community Center, Senior Program, Art Club.

**BOOK CLUB** Coordinator: Judy L.

**Friday, Dec. 13 @ 1:30 p.m. at my home.**

Our book for Dec. will be your choice of a biography. Members will share their experience.

Our book for Jan. will be *Where the Crawdads Sing* by Delia Owens.

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: Ann S.

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: Ann S.

Thanks again for the puzzles. Bring in some and be sure to take some home.

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

**Dec. 3** - Host - Eleanor S.      **Dec. 17** – 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.)

**Dec. 4** – Host – Peg K.      **Dec. 18** – Host - Esther T.

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**DINNER/CHRISTMAS PARTY** Coordinator: Nancy E.

**Sunday, Dec. 8 @ 4:00 p.m.** Lugano Ristorante, 1060 Darrington Dr., Cary

Please call Nancy to reserve.

**GAME NIGHT** Coordinator: Diane & John E.

**Saturday, Dec. 14 @ 7:00 p.m.** Hosts: Ann & Paul S.

Each person brings a small gift (\$10 or \$15). You are encouraged to car pool as there is limited parking. Please bring an appetizer or dessert and your own adult beverage. Please notify the host if you plan on coming or cancelling.

**LUNCH** Coordinator: Sharon V.

There will be no lunch this month. December is such a busy time for everyone. Enjoy the holidays and see you at next month's lunch.

**CARING & SHARING:** Coordinator: Barbara F.

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

**HOSPITALITY** Coordinator: Connie L., Judy DiD. & Marjorie R.

**Members from M to Z bring some snacks for the meeting this month.**

**SPECIAL EVENTS** Coordinator: Eileen K. & Stella T.

If anyone is interested in joining us, the sign-up sheets will be at the meetings or members can contact Stella by email, text or phone. All events are subject to changes due to date and ticket availability.

**Thurs., Dec. 19,** Suzy Boggus, *Swingin' Little Christmas* at Fuquay Varina.

Please mail your payments within 15 days of signing up for any events.

One exception is Trinity which has separate due dates.

To assist the Treasurer checks are preferred. Checks made out to ANFC should be in an envelope with your name and home address and event information and mailed to Stella at her home address.

Future events to follow once details are finalized.

**DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS**

Dec. 2 Diane E.

Dec. 6 Betty S.

Dec. 11 June Q.

Dec. 16 Ann S.

Dec. 20 Gay G.

Dec. 23 Rosalie A.

Dec. 28 Flo H.

**NEXT BOARD MEETING**

**Wed., Jan. 15 @ 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.**

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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](http://www.apexchamber.com), or visit to find out more about the town you now call home.

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	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3 Bolivia 1:00 p.m.</b>	<b>4 Bolivia 1:00 p.m.</b>	<b>5 Art 1:00pm</b>	<b>6 Red Cross 11:30 a.m.</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>8 Christmas Party 4 p.m.</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11 Gen Mtg 9:30 a.m. Brookridge</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13 Book Club 1:30 p.m.</b>	<b>14 Game Night 7 p.m.</b>
<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17 Bolivia 1:00 p.m.</b>	<b>18 Bolivia 1:00 p.m.</b>	<b>19 <i>Swingin Little Christmas</i></b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>
<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>
<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>				

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

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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sept-6, 2019 Temple Theater Marilyn	Oct-16, 2019 Jordan Lake Boat tour	Nov-1, 2019 Holly Springs John Denver Story	Nov-23, 2019 Judd Theater <a href="#">Agatha Christie's</a> Witness for the Prosecution.
Dec19, 2019 Suzy Bogguss Swingin' Little Christmas in Fuquay Varina			Feb-4 <sup>th</sup> , 2020  Barn Dinner Theater Mahalia
Feb-21, 2020 Temple Theater Jason Petty Every song has a story	Mar-2020 Goat farm	April-14, 2020 Lavender Farm	May-11 <sup>th</sup> -15 <sup>th</sup> , 2020 Trinity Retreat  <b>Emerald Isle</b>

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