

**APEX NEWCOMERS & FRIENDS CLUB  
MARCH 2020**

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**

Hi Everyone,

Spring is here! Or is It? It doesn't appear that it is totally here yet, but it's trying. I can see the Forsythia and Daffodils blooming. The pear and other flowering trees are also starting to bloom.

This makes me think that the end of our year is coming all too soon. It also reminds me that our auction is only a month away.

I hope everyone is getting ready for our 'only' charity fund raiser of the year. Please start asking friends, neighbors and family members to save Wednesday, April 8th at 10 a.m. as an important date for our organization. I know that our auction committee has been working hard to make this year a big success.

Please continue working on your handmade gifts and crafts. We really could use a donation of a weekend or week get-a-way place to auction off. If anyone knows of a vacation house, big or small, that we can auction off, please call someone on the auction committee.

Please get your check to Eileen to finalize your spot for our annual retreat in May. Don't forget the retreat is the second week of May, which makes our annual picnic on Wednesday, May 6th. Please mark your calendar for both events.

Respectfully Submitted

Roberta C.  
President

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

**Next meeting: Mar. 11 @ 9:30 A.M.**

**Program: TBA**

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

Save the date and mark your calendars!! April 8th is our annual spring auction fundraiser! The auction committee has decided on a major change in the plans for our annual fundraiser this year.

The silent auction is going to be eliminated completely. There will just be the live auction for all items. We have become aware that some of you have expressed concerns about the timing and length of the event. Since this is the club's only fundraiser, it is important that the entire membership is on board and contributing!

This decision was announced at the February meeting without discussing first with the executive board because of timing. By a show of hands, it was obvious that a majority of members present were in favor of this change.

Time schedule:

- 9:15. Check in, get bid number and bidding paddle.
- 9:30. Short membership meeting to present nominations for 20-21 officers for vote at the May meeting.
- 9:45-10:30. Enjoy refreshments, entertainment, and preview all items to be auctioned.
- 10:30. Start live auction
- Noon. Auction over; cashiers take over.

**PHOTOGRAPHY** Coordinator: Linda W.

Anyone who is at a function, please feel free to take pictures.

**SCRAPBOOKING** Coordinator: Judy E.

**SECOND VICE PRESIDENT MEMBERSHIP** Coordinator: Julia M. & Shirley

As of 2/12/20 we have 84 members.

**WESTERN WAKE CRISES MINISTRY** Coordinator: Georgiana F.

We donated 24 pounds of food and \$64.00. Food is always needed and we appreciate anything you can give.

**RED CROSS** Coordinator: Eleanor St. **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 1 volunteer on the first Friday of each month to work in the Canteen at the Cary Blood Center, 3700 Regency Parkway. New volunteers must complete an application to establish an ID. Specific instructions are provided under the sign-up sheet. Volunteers are reminded to fill out an attendance sheet every time worked.

**Friday - Mar. 6 - Canteen – Jane W.**

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

Continue to collect sundry items for the residents, soaps, shampoo, toiletries, etc. All are welcome to visit with us on second Wed. at 3:00 p.m.

**USO** Coordinator: Eleanor St.

Consider making neck pillows for the service personnel all year. If needed, I will have a pattern.

**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

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

**BOOK CLUB** Coordinator: Judy L.

**Friday, Mar. 20 @ 1:30 p.m. at Avalon Peaks Club House**, 2000 Kiftsgate Ln., Apex

Our book for Mar. will be *Clifton Chronicles, Only Time Will Tell* by Jeffrey Archer

Our book for Apr. Will be *The Language of Flowers* by Vanessa Diefenbach Our book for

Our book for May will be *Life of Sam Hell* by Robert Dugani

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.)

**Mar. 3** - Host - Marie Z.

**Mar. 24** – Host-Nancy P.

**Apr. 7** - Host- Eleanor S.

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

**Mar 4.** -Host-Judy L.

**Mar. 18** – Host – Kate D.

**DINNER** Coordinator: Nancy E.

**Thursday, Mar. 26 @ 6:30 p.m.** Pro's Epicurean, 211 E. Chatham St., Cary

Please call Nancy by Tues. before to reserve.

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

**Saturday, Mar. 28 @ 7:00 p.m.** Host: Judy Ep.

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.

**Wednesday, Mar. 25 @ 11:30 a.m.** Briggs, 1225 NW Maynard Road, Cary

Hope you can join us.

**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.

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

**If you signed up for snacks for the meeting this month, please remember to bring them.**

Those signed up are:

Cheryl B.

Eleanor Sp.

Eileen K.

Jane W.

Carol G.

Aurelia C.

Heide F.

Laura T.

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

**NOTICE: READ THIS BEFORE YOU SIGN UP FOR EVENTS:**

**A. SIGN YOUR NAME, PHONE #, EMAIL ADDRESS**

**B. MAKE OUT CHECKS TO ANFC, SEND CHECKS TO STELLA T's HOME WITHIN 15 DAYS, (see directory for her address).**

**C. THIS IS VERY IMPORTANT. (IF STELLA DOES NOT RECEIVE PAYMENT WITHIN 15 DAYS OF YOUR SIGN-UP DATE, YOUR NAME WILL BE DELETED FROM THE LIST.)**

Pending trips are:

**Mar. 13, 2020, @ 2 p.m.,** Meymandi Concert Hall, Raleigh, *An American in Paris*, \$22, no more tickets available

**May 11 - 15, 2020** Trinity Retreat on Emerald Isle - \$412 (price includes all meals) See Eileen or Stella about availability.

**SPECIAL EVENTS** Coordinator: Eleanor St.

**DURHAM BULLS BASEBALL**

There will be no game this year. When I called in for reservations, the gentleman did not set aside seats as previously requested.

**MARCH BIRTHDAYS**

Mar. 1 - Lorrie S.

Mar. 3 - Julia M.

Mar. 11- Gail R., Stella T., Esther T.

**NEXT BOARD MEETING**

**Wed., Mar. 18 @ 9:30 a.m.** Location:

**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.

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*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 1:00 p.m.</b>	<b>6 Red Cross 11:30 a.m.</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11 Gen Mtg 9:30 a.m. Brookridge</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13 <i>American in Paris</i> 2 p.m.</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18 Board Meeting 9:30 a.m. Bolivia 1:00 p.m.</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20 Book Club 1:30 p.m.</b>	<b>21</b>
<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24 Bolivia 1:00 p.m.</b>	<b>25 Lunch 11:30 a.m.</b>	<b>26 Dinner 6:30 p.m.</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28 Game Night 7 p.m.</b>
<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>				

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			<b>1 Bolivia 1:00 p.m.</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 Bolivia 1:00 p.m.</b>	<b>8 Gen. Mtg/Auction 9:30 a.m. Brookridge</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>

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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sept-6, 2019	Oct-16, 2019	Nov-1, 2019	Nov-23, 2019
Temple Theater Marilyn	Jordan Lake Boat tour	Holly Springs John Denver Story	Judd Theater <u>Agatha Christie's</u> Witness for the Prosecution.  Feb-11th , 2020
Dec 19, 2019 Suzy Bogguss Swingin' Little Christmas in Fuquay Varina			Barn Dinner Theater Mahalia
Feb-21, 2020  Temple Theater Jason Petty Every song has a story	Mar-13, 2020 Meymandi <i>American in Paris</i>	April-14, 2020  Lavender Farm	May-11 <sup>th</sup> -15 <sup>th</sup> , 2020  Trinity Retreat  <b><u>Emerald Isle</u></b>