

APEX NEWCOMERS & FRIENDS CLUB

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JANUARY 2008

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 second Wednesday of each month (September through May) at the C. C. Jones Building on Holleman Street, in Apex, at 9:30 a.m.

Prospective members are welcome to try two visits to any function before joining. The annual non-refundable dues are \$25.00 per year plus a donation of \$2.00 each meeting to help defray the cost of hospitality and building use.

SPECIAL: Bring a friend to the general meeting & receive two entries into our door prize drawing!!

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The generous spirit of the Apex Newcomers and Friends Club was certainly evident in the number of presents given to our chosen family and all the cookies we provided to Western Wake Crisis Ministry. Thanks to all who participated in bringing gifts, baking cookies and filling all those tins. Remember that we will need more tins for next year, so keep your eyes peeled for new ones. We used all the Christmas tins, and the leftover tins are big and non-seasonal.

While our promised entertainment didn't make it to our December meeting, Howard Lem more than made up for them by leading us in Christmas carols. Thanks, Howard!

Well, here we are heading into the big holiday showdown with packages all wrapped (not mine), cards in the mail (made it by my usual deadline - the 15th) and plans finalized. What a wonderful time of the year! Hope you and yours have a very happy and safe celebration.

Then comes the time for New Year's resolutions, which in my case they may last one or two weeks. I always make the same ones and break them in short order. Hope you do better with yours.

I have a big event coming up...a 100th birthday bash for my son-in-law's great aunt. She still lives in her Raleigh home of 60 years with daily help. Her actual birthday is Dec. 28th but the reception will be on the 30th. She's great Southern lady who is much appreciated by her family and friends.

Marge C. President

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IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO CALL THE COORDINATOR TO CANCEL ANY ACTIVITY THAT YOU HAVE SIGNED UP FOR

TINS!! TINS!! TINS!! Keep the Christmas tins coming. You have been so generous with the tins but those that were remaining were **non-seasonal**. Anyone needing these non-seasonal tins, please let us know.

PROGRAM Coordinator: Ginni P. 363-6507, Elaine C. 387-8707

Our speaker for January is Jane Gannon. Jane spent five years in the White House on Laura Bush's staff as a volunteer. She now lives in Chapel Hill and is a member of the Governors Club which is a speakers resource group.

I would like to thank Howard Lem for stepping up to the plate and doing a Holiday Sing-a-Long at our December meeting. He did a wonderful job leading us in the songs of the season. Thank you, Howard. It was enjoyed by all.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Coordinators: Pamela J., 362-5827

We are very much appreciate of the many members that contributed gifts for our Christmas family at Apex Elementary.

Western Wake Crisis Ministry: Coordinator: Pamela J. 362-5827

Many thanks to club members for contributing canned and boxed foods to WWCC. Please continue to support this effort.

Red Cross: Billie S. 363-1942 **VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED**

Our Newcomers & Friends Club provides two 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, Suite 150. The work hours are 7:40 to 10:30. Donors are also always needed. Please call 231-1602, Ext. 422 for an appointment. Walk-ins are also accepted.

Jan. volunteers: Kate D. and Eleanor S.

BOOK CLUB Coordinator: Pat C. 387-3655

Jan. 18th Host: Peggy E. @ 1:00 pm 303-4860

The one choice for this month is "Don't Let's Go to the Dogs Tonight: *"An African Childhood"* by Alexandra Fuller. Peggy E' s friend will share her personal story of her childhood in Africa. Call Peggy for directions.

GAME NIGHT Coordinator: Shirley H. 387-0368

Jan. 26th @ 7:30 Host: TBA

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BOOK EXCHANGE Coordinator: Billie S. 363-1942

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 the books, you just take them, share and enjoy. Please, only soft covered books.

GARDEN TRIP Coordinator: Judy L. 387-8496

A January trip is being planned and information will be at the January meeting.

CRAFT Coordinator: Pam M. 303-7743

MOVIES Coordinator: Betty S. 1-914-980-3063

Jan 20th--Tentative.

BREAKFAST Coordinator: Theresa B. 363-9832

We sincerely wish someone would take over this endeavor to keep it going.

LUNCH Coordinator: Judy E. 303-6972. Call two days in advance to reserve.

Jan 11th at 11:30 Cheesecake Factory, Crabtree Valley Mall, Raleigh, NC TELE: (919) 781-0050
Carpooling: 11:00 at side of Office Max on Route 55.

If not carpooling, and going directly to place of lunch, please notify coordinator.

DINNER - Nancy E. 303-4868 Reservations required.

Jan 24th @ 6:30 PM at Ciao Osterio, 121 N. Salem St., Apex 363-8350

MEN'S NIGHT OUT Coordinator: Tony P. 303-4868

PLEASE NOTE: CHANGED TO THURSDAYS

Jan. 3rd @ 7:30 Host: Doug S. Feb. 7th: Host: TBA

Please call two days prior to event. Spouses usually go to the movies and finish the night with refreshments at the host's home.

BOLIVIA (AM GROUP) Coordinator: Eleanor S. 363-5490 **BACK TO 9:30 AM by popular demand!!!!**

Jan. 8th Nancy P. Jan. 22th: TBA

BOLIVIA (PM GROUP) Coordinator: Kate D. 303-3779 (Meets 1st, 3rd, & 5th Wednesdays) at 1:00 pm

Jan 16th Host: Elaine C. Jan. 30th Host: Betty S.

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CARING & SHARING Coordinator: Alice VanO. 303-7516

Jan 2nd Kate D.

Jan. 3rd Carol M.

Jan. 6th Carole D.

Jan. 11th Aileen S

Jan. 14th Anna T.

Jan. 17th Elaine C.

Jan. 18th Helen K.

Jan. 20th Anne G.

Jan. 23rd Lorraine O'B

Jan. 29th Shirley H.

NEXT BOARD MEETING

Board meeting Jan.16th @ 9:30 Host: Elaine C.

HOSPITALITY Coordinator: Barbara K. 387-1902

The following people have signed up to supply refreshments for the January 9th meeting:

Pat E., Irma M., Nancy E., Judy Eppo, Elaine C., Betty S., Carol M., and Veronica C.

INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY

In the event the Wake County Public Schools are closed or have a delayed opening due to weather conditions on the day of a meeting, the meeting will be cancelled.

SPONSORS

Abloomin' Garden Florist: Each month Abloomin' Garden Florist on the corner of Hwy. 55 and James Street will provide a floral arrangement.

Apex Chamber of Commerce. Thank you to the Apex Chamber of Commerce for their continued support; 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 and the 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 come visit and find out more about the town you now call home. Apex Newcomers & Friends Club, c/o Apex Chamber of Commerce, 220 N. Salem Street, Apex, NC 27502

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| 6 | 7 | 8 9:30 AM Bolivia | 9 General Mtg. | 10 | 11 Lunch 11:30 | 12 |
| 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 Board Mtg. Bolivia 1:00 PM | 17 | 18 Book Club 1:00 pm | 19 |
| 20 Movies | 21 | 22 9:30 AM Bolivia | 23 | 24 Dinner 6:30 pm | 25 | 26 Game Nite 7:30 pm |
| 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 1:00 PM Bolivia | 31 | | |

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