

APEX NEWCOMERS & FRIENDS CLUB

APRIL 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

Greetings!

I just returned from New York City where people were streaming in from all over the globe for the big St. Patrick's Day parade. It's quite amazing to see all these people converging on the city, busload by busload. We had a great time talking to them in the hotel and restaurants and elevators. They come to shop, mainly, as the prices here are so low in comparison with the Euro nations. Now back to business.

First off, the Nominating Committee is busy filling slots for next year. Keep an open mind about taking an office when or if they call you. This is a wonderful Club that does good things for its members and the community, but someone has to step up and say "yes" despite busy schedules. Get involved...you'll enjoy it.

Next, we are starting to gather items for the great April auction. So search your closets for old treasures or unused pieces to auction off. We need them all! Get them to me or Alice Van Orden by Sunday, April 6. Call if you need us to pick up. We are contacting the business community and have high hopes of having an outstanding event to make money for our charities. We know that Western Wake Crisis Center can always use our monetary help and I am excited about our new charity, the Horse and Buddy Therapeutic Riding program. It's small and local but growing to fit the needs of the disadvantaged community. Go to their website (horseandbuddy.org) and read what some parents have to say about the program. It will bring a lump to your throat if not a tear to your eye. So, bring your checkbook and plan to raise money for two good causes.

Finally, Ginni Palmer's last gesture for the club has resulted in a piano player for our Whimsical Fashion Show in May along with the Mellowtones to entertain while the models get into costume. Plan to get your friends together and bring them to this meeting. Guests and husbands are very welcome. We'll need to vote in new officers in addition to all the other goings on. Don't miss either meeting as we wind down the 2007/2008 Apex Newcomers year.

Marge Connors, President

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

MEMEBERSHIP RENEWAL: Applications will be made available at the April meeting for submission at the May meeting. This will make renewals move with more ease and speed!!!!

SUGGESTION BOX: We have reserved Bentley's for our December Christmas Dinner. This at least reserves a restaurant as reservations must be put in early. If you would like to go somewhere else, please put your suggestion in the box and we will bring it up at our April and/or May meeting.

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:, Elaine C. 387-8707 Our annual auction. Please supply items by April 6th. Call Alice VanO or Marge is items need to be picked up.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Coordinators: Pamela J., 362-5827

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

Donations have been a little slow. Please continue to donate canned goods, rice, cereal, pasta and sauces, peanut butter and jelly or paper goods to the Western Wake Food Drive. Bags of groceries are distributed to approximately 300 local families in need each month. Please try to remember those in need!!!!

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.

April volunteers: Shirley L. and Marge C.

BOOK CLUB Coordinator: Pat C. 387-3655

Apr. 18th @ 12:30 pm Host: Linda S. 362-1831 for directions

Book club will **watch** *"Into the Wild"* on DVD. Movie snacks will be provided.

GAME NIGHT Coordinator: Shirley H. 387-0368

April 12th @ 7:30 p.m. Host: Nancy & Tony

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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

Thurs. April 10, North Carolina Botanical Garden, Display Gardens & Totten Center, Chapel Hill

This is a native species collection. Meet at Lowes Food at Olive Chapel & Rt. 55 at 9:30 a.m. to carpool.

Rita’s Garden in Apex is holding an open house on April 12th from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at her home at 103 Beechtree Ct. If you are heading west on Rt. 64 take the street before Hwy 55. You can check her web site at www.ritasgarden.net. This is not an organized trip.

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

Apr.—To be announced.

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.

Apr 9th @ 11:45 am AFTER the New Comers meeting

LA COCINA, 1000 Mc Gregor Pines Dr. Cary, NC 27511 (919) 467-0780

DINNER - Nancy E. 303-4868 Reservations required.

April 24th @ 6:30 PM at Chop House Grill at Stone Creek, 500 Ledgestone Way, Cary 467-5252

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

April 18th Host: Tony P.

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

April 1st Host: Carol C. **April 15th:** Host: Judy Ep.

April 29th: Host: Nancy P.

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

April 2nd Host: Elaine C.

April 16th Host: Judy El.

April 31 Host: Judy L.

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CARING & SHARING Coordinator: Alice VanO. 303-7516

Apr. 2 Millie N.

Apr. 8 Dolores DeF

Apr. 18 Marylynne K.

Apr. 30 Martha S.

NEXT BOARD MEETING

Board meeting Apr. 16 @ 9:30 Host: Carol M.

HOSPITALITY Coordinator: Barbara K. 387-1902

The following people have signed up to supply refreshments for the March 12th

Millie M., Lydia V., Kate D., Nancy P., Eleanor S., Margaret D

Ladies please come at 9 a.m. to help set up and stay after the meeting to help clean up.

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

RECEIVED THIS NOTE REGARDING OUR FLORIST: Warren Pusack, after 9 ½ years as general manager has accepted another position. He made this decision so he would receive better health benefits for his family especially since his wife is still being followed for thyroid cancer treatment. Mary, the owner, still plans to continue the monthly donations so let's be sure to continue supporting Abloomin' Garden.

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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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 9:30 AM Bolivia	2 Bolivia 1:00 PM	3	4	5
6	7	8	9 General Mtg. Lunch 11:45	10 Garden Trip 9:30 am	11	12 Game Nite 7:30 pm
13	14	15 9:30 AM Bolivia	16 Bolivia 1:00 PM	17	18 Book Club 12:30 Men's night 6:30 pm	19
20 Movies	21	22	23 Board Mtg. 9:30 am	24 Dinner 6:30 pm	25	26
27	28	29 9:30 AM Bolivia	30 Bolivia 1:00 PM			

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