

**APEX NEWCOMERS & FRIENDS CLUB  
JANUARY 2021**

P.O. Box 1164  
Apex, NC 27502  
<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**

Dear Newcomers and Friends,

I hope this finds you all healthy and that you were able to enjoy the holidays even under the most unusual circumstances imaginable! Our lives changed in 2020; I think it will be the year we will never forget. My wish for all of us is that the new year – 2021 – will turn out indeed to be a **Happy New Year!**

As we start the new year, we still have no idea when we will be able to actually be together in person. We will have to wait and see.

I want to take this opportunity to thank all the club members who participated in our Special Western Wake Crisis Ministries Fundraiser. Members sent a total of \$935 to the club mailbox! This money will be turned over to Bette F to pursue the matching donation from the local company she has identified, and then the total donation will be presented to WWCM. Thank you Bette for making this possible.

With my best regards to you all and please continue to stay healthy and safe.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Marie H., President

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

An immense THANK YOU to all who donated funds to the Western Wake Crisis Ministry. \$1,000 was collected, so \$2,000.00 will be sent to the WWCM. What a wonderful tribute from our Members. And don't forget if you itemize on your taxes, you are able to get credit for your donation, because the Club is Non-profit.

I'm wishing you all a Safe, Healthy, and Blessed Happy New Year!!

**FIRST VICE PRESIDENT FUNDRAISING** Cheryl B., Pat K.

As you may recall, this past Spring our annual auction was postponed due to coronavirus safety measures. As North Carolina continues to fight the coronavirus we are still limited on our ability to meet in a large group setting. Therefore, our auction has been put on hold until further notice. We remain hopeful that North Carolina can lift quarantine safety measures by early 2021. If so, our auction will resume Spring 2021. Please keep an eye out for developments! Thank you for your patience!

**SECOND VICE PRESIDENT MEMBERSHIP** Coordinator: Julia M. & Marie Z

I want to wish everyone a very belated Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

If anyone has a message that they want to be sent to all of our members, please send the email to me at [jkmoore@nc.rr.com](mailto:jkmoore@nc.rr.com) and I will then send your email out to ALL OF OUR MEMBERS. Hopefully, the upcoming year (2021) is going to be a GREAT YEAR FOR ALL OF US. It's got to be better than 2020 has been.

As I mentioned last month, if anyone has any changes or additions that need to be put in our NEW DIRECTORIES, please send those to me and I will send the corrected or additional information out to everyone. I want to send a SPECIAL THANK YOU TO Marie Z. and Shirley L. for putting the information together for the new directories in September when I was sick. Then Marie Z. and I reviewed all the information before we carried it to the printer.

**WESTERN WAKE CRISES MINISTRY** Coordinator: Marcia K., Lois D.

The food drop off at the Lowes Foods parking lot in December resulted in 193 pounds of food our club donated to Western Wake Crisis Ministry during this time of need. Monetary donations were also made to the ministry.

We plan another collection date in February and the details of this will be published and emailed to members at a later time.

Thank you for your faithful commitment and assistance to help those in need.

**SPECIAL EVENTS** Coordinator: Stella T., Ann S.

Wishing you all a Merry Christmas, Happy Holidays and a better New Year.

Events for January: Still streaming.

North Carolina Symphony

Saturday, January 16, 2021 8 pm Musicians' Choice including Mozart's Oboe Quartet.

Saturday, January 30, 2021 Vivaldi's Four Seasons

Anyone interested let me know.

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**RED CROSS** Coordinator: Eleanor St.

I am cancelling our first Fridays. We will no longer participate as a club. If you are interested in volunteering on your own, call Sylvia at 919-861-1661 or Jennifer at 919-861-1660.

**USO** Coordinator: Eleanor St.

Office is closed. If you want me to store any neck pillows, please call me.

**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.

**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.

Activities are not yet planned.

**BOOK CLUB** Coordinator: Roberta C.

Book club will meet via Zoom January 15 at 1:30 pm. All are invited but must call or email me first. We are reading "Lovely War" by Julie Berry. Thanks all for your patience for my lack of technology skills.

**February** is Here's to Us by Elin Hildebrandt selected by Marie H.

**March** is From Scratch by Tembi Locke selected by Judy L.

**April** is The Book Woman of Troublesome Creek by Kim Richardson selected by Janice A.

Apex Newcomers and Friends Book Club has a Facebook page. You can just click below.

[www.facebook.com/ApexNewcomersBookClub](https://www.facebook.com/ApexNewcomersBookClub)

We hope you'll visit our page often and "Like" us!

**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. Please call me if you want a book.

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

Hope to see everyone in 2021 !

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

Still inactive. Same as last month!! Out with the old, in with the new!!

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**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.

**DINNER** Coordinator: Nancy E. No dinners

**GAME NIGHT** Coordinator: Diane & John E. No game night.

**HOSPITALITY** Coordinator: Connie L., Judy DiD.

**LUNCH** Coordinator: Eileen K.

I have a ZOOM account where we can visit as long as we want. I would like to set up a **VISIT TIME** for anyone who wishes to join once a month for as long as this virus controls our lives. I am planning it for the **second Wednesday of the month at 9:30 AM for the next several months.** If you wish to join, just let me know and I will send you an invite.

**PHOTOGRAPHY** Coordinator: Linda W.

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

**PUZZLE EXCHANGE** Coordinator: Ann S.

Thanks again for the puzzles. Bring in some and be sure to take some home. Please call me if you would like a puzzle.

**SCRAPBOOKING** Coordinator: Eleanor Sp.

**JANUARY BIRTHDAYS**

Kate D.	January 2
Frances H.	January 10
Larry E.	January 12
Elaine C.	January 17
Anne G.	January 20

**NEXT BOARD MEETING**

**Wed., Jan. 20<sup>th</sup> @ 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.

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**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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**Apex Newcomers and Friends Club Membership Application**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_, State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Subdivision \_\_\_\_\_ Moved from \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone (H) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

Birthday of member (month/day) \_\_\_\_\_ Hobbies/Interests \_\_\_\_\_

**Meetings and Dues**— Prospective members are welcome to attend two meetings/activities of Newcomers during any calendar year without regard to the payment of dues. On any third visit during a calendar year, the prospective member agrees to pay the \$25.00 membership fee that is non-refundable. The \$25.00 dues include a monthly newsletter and a membership directory. Additional fees and charges may apply for events scheduled throughout the year.

If you wish to receive the Newsletter by mail, check here \_\_\_\_\_ (\$7.50 printing and mailing fee applies)

Mail to: **Apex Newcomers and Friends Club, Box 1164, Apex, NC 27502**

or give to the club Treasurer at the next general meeting

**Apex Newcomers and Friends Club Statement of Waiver (Please check all that may apply)**

Member \_\_\_\_ Spouse \_\_\_\_ Children of Member/Spouse \_\_\_\_

1. I accept any and all risks and hazards that may result from my, my spouse or my children's participation in any function offered by the Apex Newcomers and Friends Club (ANFC) including, but limited to personal injuries and property losses or damage occasioned by, or in connection with any activity or event sponsored by the ANFC.
2. I hereby waive, release, absolve, and agree to hold harmless the ANFC, its officers or agents from any claims arising out of any personal or property injuries that I, my spouse or my children may suffer during an ANFC activity or function.
3. In the event I, my spouse and/or my children suffer a personal injury during an ANFC activity, in the event I, my spouse or my children am physically and/or mentally unable to act on my own behalf, I authorize ANFC to obtain proper emergency medical care for me, my spouse and/or my children should I, my spouse and/or my children be in need of such services and to immediately contact the Emergency Contact listed below. It is understood that any and all costs associated with this emergency medical care will be borne by me and not ANFC.

**Printed Name of Member** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature of Member** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_

**Emergency Contact Name/Phone Number:** \_\_\_\_\_