

**APEX NEWCOMERS & FRIENDS CLUB  
DECEMBER 2020**

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 doing well and that you were able to have a happy Thanksgiving this year even if your celebration was not in its usual form.

The Board met on November 16 and for your information all the active committee updates and other items to be noted are in this newsletter.

Quite a few of us enjoyed lunch in Fuquay-Varina. It was a lovely warm day and we were able to visit in a very safe way. Thank you, Eileen.

RESPONSES WANTED: Please let the board know your feelings on the subject of the club's scrap books.

We have collected the books from 2010 to the current year. It was concluded that they are very bulky for the present chair of that committee to store in her home. We discussed dismantling them and offering to give away the pictures to anyone in the club who would be interested. Now they are in the care of Eleanor St. Eleanor has taken the time to look through all of them. The books are beautiful and she hates the thought of doing away with our history. Of course, that comes back to where do we store eight volumes, and who is really interested in them. Everyone please let us know your thoughts on this important subject. Please direct your responses to me at mhughes903@gmail.com.

The board will meet again in January 2021. In the meantime, I hope you have a wonderful holiday season in whatever form it takes during these very challenging times.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Marie H., President

**Reminder: Check out our pictures on the website. There are some new ones !**

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

The Western Wake Crisis Ministry is in need of funds!! Due to the Corona Virus, many people have lost their incomes and are in desperate need for help to pay their rents and utilities and have turned to the Ministry. We are asking our Members to contribute \$5, \$10, \$20, whatever they are able to give to help the needy. If you are able to donate funds, please send a check made out to the ANAFC and addressed to the post office mail box, P O Box, 1164, Apex NC 27502. We have a company that will match the total of donations, which will mean that double the amount would be donated to WWCM. Because the Club is a non-profit organization, your donation will be tax deductible. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

**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 have prepared the current directories and have already had them printed. At the upcoming board meeting on November 18, we will discuss how we plan to get these new directories into the hands of our members. After a decision has been made, I will send out an email and inform everyone of what was decided.

I have TWO CHANGES that will need to be made in your NEW DIRECTORY when you receive it.

1. Debbie J home phone number should be: 919-387-8718 and not what we have listed under her name.
2. Nancy E has disconnected her landline that is listed in the directory. Please delete it and insert the following mobile number under her name: 919-616-1851. She has also changed her email address. Delete the one that is listed in your new directory and please insert this new one: [nancyleeeric@gmail.com](mailto:nancyleeeric@gmail.com).

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

We will be collecting items for the Western Wake Crisis Ministry on December 9 from 3:30 until 4:15 at the Lowes Foods parking lot close to the gas station. The following items are recommended: Toilet paper in 4-roll packages, cans of fruit, boxes of mac and cheese, cans of meat, cans of soup, rice and pasta, canned vegetables ( not corn and green beans ), pasta sauce, and canned tomatoes. If you would rather write a check, it can be made to the Western Wake Crisis Ministry and we will hand deliver it with the things that are taken.

Please email either Lois ([loisdimari@gmail.com](mailto:loisdimari@gmail.com)) or Marcia ( [boysmommarcia@hotmail.com](mailto:boysmommarcia@hotmail.com)) if you would like a special pick up at your house. You can also leave things on Marcia's porch at 105 Kinship Lane in Hollands Crossings, Apex at any time between now and Dec. 9. Many thanks for your donations.

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**CHRISTMAS COOKIES** Coordinator: Peg K.

We will not be making cookies this year due to COVID restrictions. Please be generous in the food drive that Lois and Marcia are organizing.

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

I am listing concerts each month for members to sign up for. If anyone is interested to contact me and I will give them the links etc. for streaming.

North Carolina Symphony

December 5, 2020 8pm Zuill Bailey plays Rachmaninoff - Cello Sonata

December 12, 2020 8pm The Kruger Brothers will infuse classical sounds into folk music to create a unique experience.

December 23 2020 8pm - Holiday Pops Classic carols combine festive holiday music as we celebrate the holiday season.

**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.

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

I am sad to report that Brookridge is closing as of December 14th. I will not need any further gifts as I will have many items left over. I will deliver what I have by December 4th. Some folks are leaving by the end of November (Stefanie and Jo Goodwin). Thank you for supporting Brookridge for the past several years.

**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.

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**BOOK CLUB** Coordinator: Roberta

**Friday, Dec. 18<sup>th</sup> @ 1:30 pm** via zoom which will be sent to members a few days beforehand by email. December's book is a biography of your own choosing.

Here are the books we have selected for the upcoming months:

**January** is Lovely War by Julie Berry selected by Susan G

**February** is Here's to Us by Elin Hildebrant 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.

Any member is invited to our book club meeting, so if you have read any of these books or wish to, just give me a call and I will add you to our meeting, either by zoom or in person. I'm sure everyone is anxious to get back to normal when the pandemic has left our shores, but for now we read read read.

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!

**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.)

Merry Christmas!! Hope to see everyone next year!!

**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.

**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.

No other activities planned for this year.

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

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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.

**SEE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

**DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS**

Diane E	December 2
Betty S	December 6
Ann S	December 16
Gay G	December 20
Gloria E	December 23

**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.

**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: \_\_\_\_\_