

APEX NEWCOMERS AND FRIENDS CLUB NEWSLETTER

March 2024

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 2nd Wednesday of each month (September through May) at the C.C. Jones Building, 309 Holleman Street, Apex, at 10:00 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 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 two entries into the door prize drawing****

“PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE”

Welcome all Members,

We only have 3 months left of our 2024 General Meetings and I am wishing and hoping for the warmer weather. Warm breezes always make us feel more energetic and happier.

Please keep up the good work with the donations to Western Wake Crisis Ministry. Looking forward to seeing you at our next General Meeting.

**Stella T
President**

PROGRAMS & PUBLICITY: Bette F.

Our Honor, Jacques Gilbert, Mayor of Apex, NC, will be the Speaker for the club at our General meeting on March 13th at 10:00 AM.

FIRST VICE PRESIDENT FUNDRAISING: Betty S. and Esther T.

Thank you for making our BINGO and 50/50 great Fund Raising for February. March is now here, and we will be doing our 50/50.

SECOND VICE PRESIDENT MEMBERSHIP: Julia M., Ann McD., Marie Z.
We currently have 68 members. All of us need to continue inviting people to join our GREAT CLUB. I want to advise you to arrive no later than 9:30 on March 13 to socialize with snacks and drinks and review all activities that you might want to sign up for in the future. Stella will begin our meeting promptly at 10:00. See you on Wednesday, March 13.

“COMMUNITY OUTREACH”

PROM SHOPPE: Judy S.
Prom Shoppe 2024 is almost here!!!

Thank you, thank you, to all who have already so generously contributed to the event and volunteered to participate in the Prom Shoppe on **March 8 and 9th**.

You still have time to donate, and you don't even have to leave your living room. Go to our Amazon Prom Shoppe Wish List, order your items, and they will be sent directly to Prom Shoppe. You can also send an Amazon Gift Card.

Your support is very much appreciated!

Amazon link below.

https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/1PFPP7C4J539C?ref=wl_share

WESTERN WAKE CRISIS MINISTRY: Betty W. and John H.

Donations for last three months:

12/12/23 86 lbs. of food

1/10/24 15 lbs. food, \$54.00 checks and cash donations

2/14/24 26 lbs. of food and \$108.00 checks and cash donations

Members will continue to collect all food and donations until Betty W and John H are able to join us again.

USO: Eleanor S.

Anyone interested in buying the fleece blankets at Walmart, let me know.

Anyone interested in cutting out neck pillows, let me know.

READ AND FEED: Peg K.

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TIN TABS: Billie S.

Save those “tin tabs” for the Durham Ronald McDonald House.

“ACTIVITIES”

SPECIAL LUNCHEON:

CAMBRIDGE VILLAGE: Upon the invitation for lunch at Cambridge, ten ladies had a delightful time. The luncheon dinner was great followed with delicious assortment of desserts. Many of the ladies were interested in Cambridge and a brief tour was given. The time and attention given to us was much appreciated.

BOOK CLUB: Marie H. and Joanie V.

By the time of our next book club meeting in March, it will be spring! Our selection for March 20 is *Remarkably Bright Creatures* by Shelby Van Pelt. It is a New York Times Bestseller, described as a "charming, witty and compulsively readable exploration of friendship, reckoning, and hope that traces a widow's unlikely connection with a giant Pacific octopus." Our last meeting of the club year will be held on April 17. For the April meeting, we are reading *Crow Mary* by Kathleen Grissom. This historical fiction novel was inspired by the real life of an indigenous woman in 19th century North America that highlights "the beauty of the natural world, while at the same time probing the intimacies of a marriage and one woman's heart." NOTE: At the April meeting, we'd like to select a summer reading book, and we'd appreciate any recommendations you may have. As always, anyone interested in books and reading is encouraged to join our group!

BOLIVIA (Tuesday): Eleanor S.

March 12 - Host - Judy E. March 26 - Host - Marie H. April 9 - Host - Gay G.

BOLIVIA (Wednesday): Kate D.

3/06 - Bette Foster

3/20 - Georgiana Fillinger

CARING & SHARING: Barbara F.

As always, please send me all requests.

DINNER OUT: Janice H.

**Due to the overwhelming amount of people who are signing up for Dinner Out and due to the limit restraints of the restaurants, two separate Dinner out nights are being discussed. Information will follow when a co-worker with Janice is found.

March 26

Late Lunch

5:00 pm

Leo's, 1301 Market Center Dr., Morrisville, NC 27560

DURHAM BULLS: Eleanor S.

GAME NIGHT: Eleanor S.

There will be NO Game Night in the month of March.

HOSPITALITY: Connie L., Joanne F., and Barbara F.

A Sign-up Sheet will be circulated at Meeting for supplying dessert/cookies.
We always can use help cleaning up after the meeting.

LUNCH OUT: Eileen K.

NEWSLETTER: Eleanor B.

PHOTOGRAPHY:

If you have any photos that you think should be on our website, please e-mail them to Judy S.

SPECIAL EVENTS: Ann S.

Historic Raleigh Trolley Ride, 1 Mimosa St. Raleigh
Mordecai Historic Park
March 16th
\$10.00 per person

Unnecessary Farce
Neuse Little Theatre
104 S Front St, Smithfield
Sunday April 7th at 3.00 p.m.
\$15.00 per person.

PROCEDURES FOR SPECIAL EVENTS: A Calendar of proposed events will be available for all members to preview. The purpose of the Sign-Up Sheet is to gauge how many members wish to attend the event listed. (1) The Event will have a deadline; this is the time to make any cancellations or additions, within that deadline payment is required, if payment is not made that member will be taken off the list. (2) Once the tickets are purchased there will be no refunds. Any member who needs to cancel is responsible for finding someone to replace them. If a replacement cannot be found, consider donating to the Club. (3) Payments to be made out to the Club (ANFC). Members meet at Lowe's Food Parking Lot for carpooling. If arrangements are made ahead of time, please notify the Special Events Coordinator so members are not delayed waiting at the Parking Lot. (4) Please check your emails regularly for any changes that may occur and respond promptly to any requests. (5) If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me by email, voicemail or text and they will be addressed in a timely manner.

(IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO CALL THE COORDINATOR IF YOU CANNOT ATTEND ANY ACTIVITY FOR WHICH YOU HAVE SIGNED UP)

TRINITY: Bette F.

There is an opening for one more Member. Dates are Monday 6/3-7.

WEBMASTER: Judy S.

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

Julia M.	03-03
Judy B.	03-08
Esther T.	03-11
Stella T.	03-11
Fran B.	03-14

NEXT GENERAL MEETING

March 13
10:00 – 12:00

NEXT BOARD MEETING

March 27
10:00 – 12:00

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, (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 Train Depot, at 220 North Salem Street**, has the map of Apex as well as Raleigh, Durham, and North Carolina. 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 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) _____ EMail _____

Birthday of Member (month/day) _____

Hobbies/Interests _____

Meetings & Dues: Prospective members are welcome to attend two meetings/activities of ANFC 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 of damage occasioned by, or in connection with any activity of 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, and in the event I, my spouse or my children are 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 _____

Emergency Contact Name/Phone Number _____

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