APEX NEWCOMERS AND FRIENDS CLUB NEWSLETTER

September 2025

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 held the 2nd Wednesday of each month, from 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 \$30.00 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 to the door prize drawing ****

"PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE"

Hello Everyone,

I hope you have had a great summer with lots of travel and family time. I think we all are ready for some cooler weather and things getting back to "normal."

I am looking forward to being your President for the coming year. With all of us working together I know we will have a great year!

Thought for the month: "Nobody ever injured their eyesight by looking on the bright side of things!"

Margaret Hutcheson President

FIRST VICE PRESIDENT FUNDRAISING: Betty S., Esther T., Pat K.

Our plans for fundraising:

- 50/50 starting October General Meeting
- BINGO starting October General Meeting

Thank you for all your donations in these projects

SECOND VICE PRESIDENT MEMBERSHIP: Julia M., Ann McD., Marie Z.

We hope everyone had a great summer. Now, it's time for us to work hard and invite friends to join our ANFC. Currently, we have 64 members. Margaret will start our meeting at 10:00 a.m. Get to our meeting by 9:30 so you'll have time to sign up for events that will be happening in the future and catch up with what's been going on this summer with your friends.

PROGRAMS & PUBLICITY: Trish M.

"COMMUNITY OUTREACH"

WESTERN WAKE CRISIS MINISTRY: Pat M. and Lee D.

You may have heard that Western Wake Crisis Ministry and Dorcas Ministries have merged together over the summer. They are looking to provide stronger services and create a deeper impact on the Community. The Board of Directors will be exploring a new name, and a unified vision of the newly merged organization.

There is a long list of pantry item needs at this time, and a few of them are:

- Toothpaste, Shampoo and Deodorant
- Paper Towels
- Canned Beans
- Laundry Detergent/Pods
- Cookies/Crackers
- Pasta with Pasta Sauce

You can see the entire list on the Western Wake website. Those of our members who volunteer at Western Wake will probably furnish us with more current needs closer to our meeting on September 10th.

USO: Eleanor S.

READ AND FEED: Peg K.

In October we will collect individual snacks and beverages for the Read and Feed Program. Specific information will be discussed at the September Meeting.

TIN TABS: Billie S.

Save those "tin tabs" for the Durham Ronald McDonald House.

PROM SHOPPE: Judy S. and Sandy V.

Save the Date! Prom Shoppe will be held on February 27th and 28th, 2026.

"ACTIVITIES"

BOOK CLUB: Sally G.

Our first meeting after summer break will be Wednesday, September 17th, at 1:00 PM. We will continue to meet at Cambridge Village. Plan to meet in the lobby, and Marie H will escort us to the meeting room.

Our book for September is *Sparks Like Stars* by Nadia Hashimi. It is a novel about a young girl's life before and after the coup of 1978, and her escape from Afghanistan. It follows her life as an adult in the U.S. and coming to terms with the vast changes in her life. It's a fascinating story - one I have had trouble putting down! I do have a copy I can loan if you have trouble getting it at the library.

We would love to have you join us, Our discussions are fun and lively, and not too erudite!

Our book for October is The Art Thief by Michael Finkel

Happy Reading!

BOLIVIA (Tuesday): Eleanor S.

Meets at Cambridge, in the 4th floor living room, every other Tuesday at 1 pm. See the monthly calendar for specific dates.

BOLIVIA (Wednesday): Esther T.

We play on the first and third Wednesdays of the month and also when there is a fifth Wednesday. There will also be a signup sheet at the meeting for anyone interested in learning how to play Bolivia or wanting to be a substitute. See the monthly calendar for specific dates.

CARING & SHARING: Barbara F.

As always, please send me all requests.

DINNER OUT: Nancy E.

Dining Out is the fourth Thursday of each month.

FLOWERS: Pat K.

GAME NIGHT: Eleanor S.

Hosts for Game Night are needed! If interested, please contact Eleanor S. with the month that you would like to host.

The September game night will be held Saturday September 20th, from 5:30 pm to 9:00 pm, at Tom M's house. Due to the games that we've chosen, we must limit attendance to 12 people. There will be a sign-up sheet and the September meeting.

Bring your preferred beverage. If you wish to bring food, bring something sweet for 5 or 6 people. Tom & Terri have all of the necessary plates, bowls, and serving utensils so just bring your treat.

We will be playing up to 3 different games, they are:







You can google them to find out more about them, if you're curious.

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

TRINITY: Bette F.

Trinity 2026 is scheduled for June 1st through June 5th.

PHOTOGRAPHY:

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

SPECIAL EVENTS: Ann S.

On Sunday, September 14th @ 2 pm at the Temple Theater in Sanford, we will be going to see the play "Grease." Tickets are \$33 and 15 seats have been reserved. Please contact Ann S. to purchase your seats.

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.
- 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.
- 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.
- Payments to be made out to Ann Sola, not 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.

Lowes Foods 5400 Apex Peakway Apex, NC

- Please check your emails regularly for any changes that may occur and respond promptly to any requests.
- 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)

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Sandy F.	Sep 4 th
Jo Anne F.	Sep 10 th
Pat K.	Sep 11 th
Joanie V.	Sep 17 th
Roberta C.	Sep 19 th
Billie S.	Sep 24 th
Alice V.	Sep 25 th
Pat M.	Sep 25 th
Rita K.	Sep 28th

NEXT BOARD MEETING

TBD

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 continue to supply a floral arrangement for our monthly meetings.

If you have any special occasions coming up, check out their website at danielsflorist.com!

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 to find out more about the town you now call home!

www.apexchamber.com

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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1	2 Bolivia 1:00 pm Judy E.	3 Bolivia 1:00 pm Peg K.	4	5	6
	Labor Day					
7	8	9	10 General Mtg 10:00 am	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
	10	Bolivia 1:00 pm Gay G.	Book Club 1:00 pm Cambridge Village	10	13	Game Night 5:30 pm Tom M.
"Grease" Temple Theater Sanford, NC 2 pm			Bolivia 1:00 pm Georgiana F.			
21	22	23	24	25 Dinner Out 5:30 pm	26	27
28	29	30				

Apex Newcomers and Friends Club Membership Application

September 2025

Na	ame	Spouse				
Ad	ddress	City	State/Zip			
Su	ubdivision	Moved from				
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Bir	irthday of Member (month/day)					
Ho	obbies/Interests					
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Ma	you wish to receive the Newsletter by mail, check lail to: Apex Newcomers and Friends Club Box 1164, Apex, NC 27502 r give to the club treasurer at the next general mee		(\$7.50 printing and mailing fee applies)			
	Apex Newcomers and Friends Club	Statement of Wa	aiver (Please check all that may apply)			
	Member Spouse	Children o	of Member/Spouse			
1.	 I accept any and all risks and hazards that may function offered by the Apex Newcomers and Fr property losses of damage occasioned by, or in 	iends Club (ANF	C) including but limited to personal injuries and			
2.	 I hereby waive, release, absolve, and agree to h arising out of any personal or property injuries th function. 		e ANFC and its officers or agents from any claims or my children may suffer during an AFNC activity	or		
3.	spouse or my children are physically and/or mer proper emergency medical care for me, my spou	ntally unable to a use and/or my ch ct the Emergency	njury during an ANFC activity, and in the event I, mact on my own behalf, I authorize ANFC to obtain hildren should I, my spouse and/or my children be by Contact listed below. It is understood that any arme by me and not ANFC.	in		
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