

APEX NEWCOMERS AND FRIENDS CLUB

NEWSLETTER

October 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”

Our September meeting went well. We had several visitors, and a few joined our club. Welcome, we are so happy to have you!

The Wellness Fair at Apex Senior also went well. We had 26 people say that they may be interested. Ann McDonald is emailing each of them an invitation to come to a meeting.

We will be having the 50/50 drawing and our bingo fundraiser at the October meeting, so please invite all your friends that love bingo!

Thought for the month: “ Always be kind. You never know what someone is going thru.”

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 for these projects

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

As of September 10th, we have 67 members. I'm looking forward to seeing more friends joining us in the near future. See you at our next meeting, which will be on October 8th.

PROGRAMS & PUBLICITY: Trish M.

October program is BINGO!!

“COMMUNITY OUTREACH”

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

At the September meeting, we donated 65 pounds of food/paper items and \$149 in cash/checks. Quite nice totals for our first meeting this Fall.

Pantry items needed at this time are:

- Beef Ramen Noodles
- Vienna Sausage
- Pasta with Pasta Sauce
- Canned potatoes or vegetables
- Hamburger Helper
- Peanut Butter
- Grape Jelly
- Toilet Paper
- etc.

You can see the entire list on the Western Wake website.

USO: Eleanor S.

We are making and donating neck pillows for the USO to distribute to military travelers. A pattern and sample will be available at the October meeting. Eleanor plans on delivering the pillows to the USO in November.

READ AND FEED: Peg K.

We will continue to support the vital Read and Feed Program by providing after school snacks to the children attending this program.

The snacks are provided to the children as they partake in the reading program. Many children don't have access to books at home and may be learning to enjoy and read books. Having a snack is important to enhance their experience.

Limitations

- No peanut or tree nuts.-.possible allergy.
- No bulk packages - snacks should be individually wrapped.
- No fruit gel snacks that contain beef or collagen

Suggestions

- Crackers with cheese
- Puddings/Jello
- Goldfish
- Chips
- Pretzels
- Beverages
- Other things that children would like.

Please be generous and let's fill a car as we have in the past. The snacks will be distributed at each of the classes for the entire school year.

Thank you in advance.

A leader of this program will be at our October meeting and will pick up the supplies.

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.

Newcomers Book Club met on Wednesday, September 17th, to discuss our summer read Sparks Like Stars. Everyone enjoyed the book, and the discussion was interesting.

In October, we will once again be meeting at our normal location, Cambridge Village. The meeting will be on Wednesday, October 15th, at 1:00 PM. We will be discussing The Art Thief by Michael Finkel. The book is based on a true story. Judy Brew will be leading our discussion. Plan to meet in the Cambridge Village main lobby a few minutes before 1:00. Marie Hughes will be taking us up to the meeting room.

I will be sending an email to all on the book club email list with the names and dates of the books we will be discussing this year. If you know of anyone interested in attending some or all of our meetings, please send me their contact information so that I can let them know about our books and dates.

Looking forward to seeing you Wednesday October 15th.

Happy Reading!

BOLIVIA (Tuesday): Eleanor S.

Meets at Cambridge, on 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 and hosts.

BOLIVIA (Thursday): Margaret H.

We play on the first and third Thursdays of the month. 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 and hosts.

CARING & SHARING: Barbara F.

As always, please send me all requests.

DINNER OUT: Nancy E.

Dining Out is the fourth Thursday of each month.

GAME NIGHT: Eleanor S.

Saturday, October 25th at 5:30 pm. Hosted by Nancy E.

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

TRINITY: Bette F.

There are openings for four additional people at Trinity, June 1st - June 5th. If you are interested, please see Bette F. at the next meeting or give her a call.

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

FLOWERS: Pat K.

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.

October 16th (Thursday)

1:00 lunch at Chicken Salad Chick

Then to Color Me Mine \$10 (pay when you get there)

Pick a ceramic piece to paint (starting at \$18)

It's fun ! You don't have to be an artist!

Waverly Plaza , Cary

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.
Lowe's 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

Judy S.	Oct 8 th
Debbie J.	Oct 13 th
Linda W.	Oct 15 th
Ann DeL.	Oct 20 th

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 Bolivia 1:00 pm Elaine C.	2 Bolivia 1:00 pm Margaret H.	3	4
5	6	7	8 General Mtg 10:00 am	9	10	11
12	13 	14 Bolivia 1:00 pm Cambridge Gay G.	15 Bolivia 1:00 pm Esther T. Book Club 1:00 pm	16 Bolivia 1:00 pm Tom M.	17	18
19	20	21	22	23 Dinner Out 5:30 pm	24	25 Game Night 5:30 pm Nancy E.
26	27	28 Bolivia 1:00 pm Cambridge Ann S.	29 Bolivia 1:00 pm Barbara C.	30	31  Halloween	

Apex Newcomers and Friends Club Membership Application

October 2025

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 \$30.00 membership fee that is non-refundable. The \$30.00 dues include 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:

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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 and 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 AFNC 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 _____ Date _____

Signature of Member _____

Emergency Contact Name/Phone Number _____