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Rotary Club of Apex

"SERVICE Above Self"

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## APEX ROTARY NEWSLETTER - NOV 19, 2009

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The following is a quote from a personal eulogy given by a past member of the Apex Rotary Club for a deceased member at gravesite. A concept by which we members should all abide.

"For those of us who remain, and especially for our fellow Rotarians, we should always be mindful of this life well lived, a life of service above self, a life in which service to God, service to country and service to family was an unending mantra. Would that we all live such a life!"

THE BASICS

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Host Margo Bills, Julie Oster, Dir. Apex AOIT, Erin LePage & Matt Christopherson, Seniors at Apex HS

**Attendance:** 39 Apex Members

**Rotarian Visitors:** Bill Rousseau, Holly Springs. .

**Guests:** None.

**Inductions:** None at this time.

**Makeups:** None Recorded.

**Speaker: Julie Oster, Dir. Apex AOIT.** Apex High School began its Academy of Information Technology (AOIT) in the fall of 2001. May of 2005 saw the successful graduation of 58 students from that first class. Over 90% of these students have continued their education at post-secondary institutions. The Academy provides students with a rigorous academic curriculum, while exposing them to the varied career paths and opportunities available in the information technology industry. Students engage in a rigorous, project-based learning curriculum focused on providing transferable skills and exposure to the ever-growing IT field. Apex High School AOIT students participate in numerous school athletic teams and extra-curricular activities. They are also active in the community as volunteers, interns, and employees.

Students complete paid internships, during which time they receive hands-on exposure, professional supervision, and practical work experience. This allows students to begin the process of building a resume while "trying on" their future professional roles. Students are selected for these industry- specific placements on the basis of interviews and their fulfillment of coursework requirements.

## THE WEEKLY "PEAK POST" FOR NOV 19, 2009

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The Weekly "Peak Post" issued by Lora Bulla, for use at meetings as an Agenda, will also be included in this and future E-mailed Newsletters for those who miss or makeup a meeting. To view the November 19th issue, [CLICK HERE](#).

APEX SUNRISE CLUB NOVEMBER 17, 2009

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**Speaker Terry Winebrenner** (upper right) gave a talk on his journey from Ohio to join the Apex club as a transfer. There were approximately 50 Rotarians and guests at this Sunrise Club "kick off" meeting. Many were from the Cary clubs. Margo Bills, Karen Byrd, Lora Bulla, Taki Donovan, Dudley Moorhous, John Rodgers, Mike Stellar, Bruce Velsor, Terry Winebrenner & Steve Wingerter attended from the Apex Club.

Future meetings will be held on Tuesdays at 7:15am and will be limited to one hour giving everyone ample time to get to work. Buffet Breakfast will be served at the TGIF restaurant in Apex.

## IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS & REMINDERS

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Golden Ager's Luncheon - December 03, 2009 at the CC Jones Center in Apex, (replaces usual Carrabba's lunch). We are asking every Rotarian to **bring a big bag of candy** to the luncheon to help defray the cost of candy that Apex Rotarians will be handing during the Christmas parade. The proceeds from the parade will benefit the Western Wake Crisis Ministry and our goal is to contribute as much to that organization as possible. Thank you in for putting smiles on the faces of the children eagerly awaiting Santa! Many Thanks. Tammy Yates, Parade Committee.

Speaker Assignment Schedule for 2009-2010: Members have been assigned to a meeting date where you are asked to provide a speaker. [Click here](#) to see the schedule. For additional information or assistance, Contact Brenda Steen at 919-362-6456 or email at brenda@apexchamber.com -or- email support@apexrotary.org.

December 5, 2009 - Apex Fire House from 7:00am: Pancake Breakfast & Hot Dog Sales

December 5, 2009 - The Christmas Parade hosted by Apex Rotary. Details to follow.

URGENT - CHRISTMAS POINSETTIA SALES

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**LAST PUSH TO SELL BEAUTIFUL POINSETTIAS** to Benefit the Apex Rotary, Apex High Scholarship Program. Please contact your office manager, business associates and neighbors to purchase these lovely holiday plants. Our club, which has 64 members, should be able to sell most of the plants to make sure that we can give another student a scholarship this year and to help offset the price of books!

**You have to get the order and the money to me NO LATER THAN 12pm next Wednesday, November 25th.** Plants will be delivered on Wednesday, December 2nd and **will have to be picked up that same day from Margo Bill's home.** We suggest you deliver them to your buyers before Friday, December 4th so they'll be able to enjoy them the entire Holiday Season. Email Cat Kearns with your order at [catkearns@remax.net](mailto:catkearns@remax.net) or call her at 919 274-2281

## APEX ROTARY WEB SITE NEWS

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If you haven't already looked at the club's web site, please take a little time to familiarize yourself with it. It can be useful when you are questioned about the club and its programs. Just refer them to the site.

The web site address is <http://www.apexrotary.org> or [click here](#).

SPECIAL NOTES & GUIDELINES

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**Make Ups:** Please remember to submit all make- up notifications to the Club Secretary as soon as you can. They can be submitted two weeks before and/or two weeks after a missed meeting.

**Guests and Visiting Rotarians:** We are always excited about having guests and visiting Rotarians to our weekly meetings. Please share the names of your guests with the Club Secretary each week. We do keep a record of who attends and this information will help with the book keeping.

**Using the Microphone:** Whenever you are speaking to the Club, whether it be as a speaker, making announcements or any other address to the Club, please come forward and use the microphone. Not only are there hearing impaired members, there is the problem with the Restaurant's kitchen fans blasting away so that the tables near the kitchen miss half or more of what you will say. Some of you feel you have loud voices. What you do not know is that when you start off, it's fine but as you go on, your voice gets lower and softer. You don't hear it but we do. Thanks for your cooperation.

**Apex Rotary Member Database Update:** You can update your personal data as follows:

1. Go to [www.apexrotary.org](http://www.apexrotary.org).
2. Click on "Membership"
3. Insert your email address (the one you used when you joined). In "Password", enter your Rotary ID number leaving out the first zero digit and click "Login".
4. Go to "Members" (top left) and click on "View My Data". It will automatically find your file.
5. Click on "Edit Member" and update your data.
6. On completion, at the very bottom of your data file, Click on "Update".

**The weekly newsletter** can now be viewed on our web site [www.apexrotary.org](http://www.apexrotary.org), click on "Newsletters". The file is in PDF format and you will need to have [Acrobat Reader](#) installed. If you do not have it, download it free at [Acrobat Reader](#).>

**Speaker Schedule** is now posted on the Club's web site <http://www.apexrotary.org>. Click on "Club Documents and then on the "Speaker Schedule (current year)". The file is in PDF format and you will need to have [Acrobat Reader](#) installed. If you do not have it, download it free at [Acrobat Reader](#).

**Apex Rotary Web Site News:** Click on the **NEW "Club Documents"** link on the Apex Rotary web site to see and have the option to download & print forms and copies of important club documents. The files are in PDF format and you will need to have [Acrobat Reader](#) installed. If you do not have it, download it free at [Acrobat Reader](#).

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