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## Easter Egg Hunt on March 29, 2009

Submitted by the Social Committee

Happy New Year! The Social Committee hopes that you enjoyed a wonderful holiday season filled with happy memories.

The Social Committee will host our first event of 2009, the Crockett's Ridge Easter Egg Hunt, on March 29, 2009 at 1 pm. The rain date will be April

5, 2009 at 1 pm. This event will take place at the common area next to the pool. Please fill out the entry form on the last page of this newsletter and submit your completed form and 12 filled, plastic eggs (prepackaged snacks or non-edible items) to Wakae McLaurin at 2111

Pilot Mountain Court or Brenda Pappas at 2317 Brasstown Lane by March 27<sup>th</sup>.

If you have any questions, then please contact the Social Committee at [crockettsridgesocialcommittee@yahoo.com](mailto:crockettsridgesocialcommittee@yahoo.com) or 362-0299. We look forward to seeing you!

## Holiday Decorating Contest Winners are Announced

Submitted by the Social Committee

The Crockett's Ridge Holiday Decorating Contest occurred on December 13, 2008. The holiday contest committee drove through the neighborhood at sundown to determine the top three winners. Thanks to

everyone who participated in this contest!

The three winners are as follows:

- First place – Oates family
- Second place –

Motyka family

- Third place – Keith family

Congratulations to our winners! We look forward to hosting this event again in December.

## Join the Neighborhood Watch Program

Submitted by the Social Committee

Resident Gayle Sabol and the Social Committee are working with the Apex police to establish a neighborhood watch program in Crockett's Ridge. This program will allow us to receive first-hand information from the Apex police regarding potential crimes that may affect our neighbors. Also, we will receive useful tips for maintaining a secure home and neighborhood. The ultimate goal of the

program is to foster a cohesive and safe environment within our community. The primary form of communication will be email, so there will be minimal phone solicitation unless absolutely necessary. Furthermore, you do not need to do anything out of the ordinary. Just keep your eyes and ears open, and contact the Apex police at 362-8661 if you notice suspicious activity.

The Apex police will post

neighborhood watch signs in our neighborhood at no cost to us if we have **at least 50% or 106 households** who participate in the program. Therefore, we need your help! We currently have 10% participation. Please join the neighborhood watch program! If you are interested in receiving more information, then contact Gayle Sabol or the Social Committee at [crockettsridgesocialcommittee@yahoo.com](mailto:crockettsridgesocialcommittee@yahoo.com).

## WCPSS School Reassignment for Node 587 Submitted by Elizabeth Shugg

As many of you already know, the Wake County Public School System recently made some school reassignments for our node (587). Beginning next year (2009-2010), our traditional elementary school assignment changes from Penny Road Elementary to Baucom Elementary. Some students in our node may also currently attend Apex Elementary since that was briefly our node's traditional option last year.

Beginning in 2010-2011, our node's middle and high school assignments will change from Apex Middle to Salem Middle, and from Holly Springs High to Apex High. WCPSS has recommended that Apex Middle remain our node's traditional option when these changes take place, so families who do not wish to attend Salem Middle, a year-round school, can "opt out" and attend Apex Middle, currently our base middle school. Students attending Lufkin Road Middle, our current year-round option, will be reassigned to Salem Middle beginning in 2010 since it is also year-round. Current Lufkin Road Middle students should be able to remain there as grandfathered students if they desire.

As noted on [www.wcpss.net](http://www.wcpss.net) and in a recent News & Observer article, when the

"grandfathering" process leads to approval of a student's transfer, younger siblings who have already begun attending the same school as the older sibling being transferred will also be automatically approved to remain at that school. This mainly applies to elementary and high school students, since rising 7th and 8th graders in middle school are typically allowed to grandfather. A rising 6th grader, however, would not be allowed to attend the same middle school (such as Lufkin) as an older rising 7th or 8th grade sibling, because the rising 6th grader has not already begun attending that school.

If your child is scheduled to begin middle or high school next year (2009-2010), and you would like him or her to attend our 2010-2011 assigned schools (Salem Middle School and Apex High School), you can request a transfer for your child to attend that school a year before the reassignment takes place, since he/she will be reassigned there the following year anyway. If there is space at the school, these transfer requests are typically granted. Also, families with students who currently attend Lufkin Road Middle may also want to consider requesting a transfer for a younger sibling to attend Lufkin IF that student will

not have attended Lufkin when the reassignment to Salem Middle takes place in 2010. The transfer process begins after official school assignments are sent home (typically in mid-May). Below is the exact wording from WCPSS regarding this process:

"The Request for Transfer form is available at all schools, the Central Office Customer Service Desk, and on the school district website at [www.wcpss.net/forms](http://www.wcpss.net/forms). The request must be submitted within ten business days of receiving the official school assignment which is typically sent home on May 15th. The specific reasons for requesting a transfer must be stated by the parent(s) on, or attached to, the request form. The administrative staff of the WCPSS Growth Management Office reviews the initial request for transfer and is bound by provisions of Board Policy 6203. Building capacity, classroom capacity, and diversity in all schools are factors considered when deciding whether to approve or deny a request for transfer. Requests for transfer filed more than ten days after the date of the original receipt of assignment will be denied, except for extraordinary or unusual reasons. Reassignment that is based upon approval of a voluntary request for

transfer results in the waiver of the school system's requirement to provide transportation and ***the parent assumes responsibility for transporting the student to and from school.***

Keep in mind, also, that the N.C. Supreme Court recently heard the Wake CARES case. If the Supreme Court sides with Wake CARES, WCPSS will be required to continue offering all students traditional options for elementary and middle school. If the court decides against Wake CARES, WCPSS will be able to assign students to a year-round elementary or middle school at will, without offering a traditional option. The case was heard this past fall, and supreme court decisions typically take 6 months to come down. We will let you know as soon as that decision has been made.

**Magnet School Application Process:** If you would like to apply to a magnet school, magnet applications will be available online starting Feb. 9. The application period ends Feb. 28. Magnet applications will only be accepted online. Visit this link to learn more about this process: [http://www.wcpss.net/magnet/application\\_process.html](http://www.wcpss.net/magnet/application_process.html)

## Summary of Referrals submitted by the Social Committee

The Crockett's Ridge "chat" is a great place to solicit referrals for all kinds of issues, such as house repairs or maintenance. The following list is our attempt to consolidate the referrals for your convenience. If you have additional referrals to add to this list, then please contact the Social Committee at [crockettsridgesocialcommittee@yahoo.com](mailto:crockettsridgesocialcommittee@yahoo.com) or 362-0299. We will do our best to periodically update this list. Neither the Home Owners Association nor the Social Committee are affiliated or sponsored by the following companies. We encourage you to obtain multiple quotes and research all companies thoroughly prior to committing to a contract.

### Air Conditioner/Heater Repairs:

- Austin Heat & Air: 919-557-7090
- Bell's Heating & Air Conditioning: 919-362-8762
- Cool Solutions (Allen Cooley): 919-418-6587
- Comfort Wizards: 919-625-6613; [www.comfortwizards.com](http://www.comfortwizards.com)
- Techniques Inc. (Roger Bushee): 919-362-5256

### Car Detailer:

- Going Green Car Detailing (Hugo Esparragoza): 919-520-7376

### Carpet Cleaning:

- Hurricane Carpet Cleaning (Carlos Lopez): 919-697-6351

### Electrician:

- RL Griffin: 919-522-0305

### Garage Door Repair:

- Absolute Garage Door Repair Specialists: 919-284-4719
- Brannan Garage Door: 919-524-3394
- Precision Door Service: 866-443-7672; [www.precisiondoor.net](http://www.precisiondoor.net)

### Granite and Kitchen:

- Apex Cabinet Company: 919-362-7979; [www.apexcabinet.com](http://www.apexcabinet.com)
- The Kitchen and Bath People: 919-933-7855; [www.thekitchenandbatpeople.com](http://www.thekitchenandbatpeople.com)

### Hair Salon:

- Charismatic Salon: 1011 Davis Drive, Apex; 919-290-2951

### Home Improvement:

- Hands On Demand (James Dozier): 919-271-4653

### Landscapers/Fence:

- Landscape Designs by Carl: 919-363-5545; [www.landscapedesignsbycarl.com](http://www.landscapedesignsbycarl.com)
- Level Construction: 919-772-3993; [www.levelconstruction.com](http://www.levelconstruction.com)
- Loreda's Landscape: 919-524-8459
- Queenscapes (Derrick Morgan): 919-786-4011

### Lawyers for LLC:

- Jeff Rosner: [www.rosnerlawfirm.com](http://www.rosnerlawfirm.com)

- Manning, Fulton, & Skinner: [www.manningfulton.com](http://www.manningfulton.com)

### Mailbox Numbers:

- Carolina Mailboxes: 888-434-5039

### Music Store:

- Local Guitars and Music (Steve and Joel Bond): 1005 Davis Drive, Apex; 919-362-9229; [www.localguitars.com](http://www.localguitars.com)

### Moving Companies:

- All My Sons: 919-875-1700; [www.allmysons.com](http://www.allmysons.com)
- Movin' on Movers: 919-362-8355; [www.movinonmovers.com](http://www.movinonmovers.com)

### Pest Control:

- Clegg's: [www.cleggs.com](http://www.cleggs.com)
- Orkin: [www.orkin.com](http://www.orkin.com)

### Pet Sitting:

- Pet Pal's (Kim Hellner): 919-367-8929; [PetPals@nc.rr.com](mailto:PetPals@nc.rr.com)

### Plumber:

- ARS: 888-762-7752; [www.ars.com](http://www.ars.com)
- Household Plumbing: 919-387-9944

### Pressure Washer:

- Fairway Window, Gutter, and Pressure Cleaning: 919-367-0059

### Real Estate Agents:

- Ivana Hanacek (Remax): 919-518-8130; [ivanahanacek.com](http://ivanahanacek.com)
- Janice Horne (HPW): 919-218-3420; [HorneJ@hpw.com](mailto:HorneJ@hpw.com)
- Jose Rubio (Remax): 919-846-3208
- Michele Leahy: 919-454-5961

### Siding Repair:

- Wendell Siding: [www.wendellsiding.com](http://www.wendellsiding.com)

### Tile Work:

- Ken & Denise Ennis: 919-522-4183

### Tree Removal:

- CS Tree Services: 919-961-2538; [www.cstreeservices.com](http://www.cstreeservices.com)
- Little Squirrels: 919-795-3869; [www.littlesquirrels.com](http://www.littlesquirrels.com)
- Tyndall Tree: 919-422-1012; 919-542-6247

## Local Businesses

Submitted by the Social Committee

Apex has a new indoor bounce facility! **BounceU** is located 3419 Apex Peakway in Apex. They had a grand opening on

January 24<sup>th</sup>. They offer a variety of activities, such as multiple bounce houses, an obstacle course, a giant slide, and

Spider Mountain Adventure. BounceU also holds open play times and indoor parties. For more information, go to

[www.bounceu.com](http://www.bounceu.com) or call 303-3368.

## Announcements

### Triangle T.R.A.C.K.S:

Beth Shugg is the founder and editor of **Triangle T.R.A.C.K.S.** (Tools, Resources, and Activities for Triangle Kids). It is a ONE portal website that consolidates ALL of the local resources for kids here in the Triangle. You will find lots of useful information! Visit [www.triangletracks.com](http://www.triangletracks.com) today!

### Wee-Tots, Wee-Toddlers, and Wee-Paint Classes:

Karyn Wolf is teaching new children's classes for the Apex Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Resources. Registration started on November 24<sup>th</sup>. For more information on the following classes,

please contact the Apex Community Center at 249-3402 or go to [www.apexnc.org](http://www.apexnc.org).

- **Wee-Tots** (ages 18-36 months) and **Wee-Toddlers** (ages 18-36 months):

Parent/child participation. Join us in this fun, active class for puppets, parachutes, music and more to enhance your little one's developmental and social skills. The cost is \$24 for Apex residents.

The following classes are held on Wednesdays:

- o Feb. 4-18
- o March 4-18
- o April 1-15

Wee-Tots is offered from 10-10:45 am, and Wee-Toddlers is offered from 11-11:45 am.

- **Wee-Paint:**

This class is for ages 2-4 years old, and the cost is \$24 for Apex residents. Parent and child create fun paint projects with sponges, brushes, fingers, and more! \$3 supply fee due to instructor at the first class.

The following classes are held on Thursdays from 10-10:35 am:

- o Feb 10-March 3
- o March 17-April 7
- o April 21-May 12

The following classes are held on Thursdays from 5:15-5:50 pm:

- o Feb 12-March 5
- o March 19-April 9
- o April 23-May 14

Do you have an announcement or achievement that you wish to share? Please submit it to the Social Committee at [crockettsridgesocialcommittee@yahoo.com](mailto:crockettsridgesocialcommittee@yahoo.com) or 362-0299.



## Hone Your Culinary Skills at Classy Kids Cook

Submitted by Wakae McLaurin

Do your children have a passion for cooking, or do you want to learn the basics in the culinary arts? Our very own resident, Karyn Wolf, teaches at **Classy Kids Cook**, which is a culinary and etiquette

school for children and adults. Classy Kids Cook offers culinary camps, Saturday classes, and birthday parties for kids. Despite its name, Classy Kids Cook also provides basic cooking classes and

birthday parties for adults in addition to corporate team building opportunities. Classy Kids Cook is located at 1240 NW Maynard in Cary. For more information, go to

[www.classykidscook.com](http://www.classykidscook.com) or call 481-1645. Bon appétit!

**Apex Water Restriction Still in Effect** submitted by the Social Committee

Please refer to the chart below for the watering schedule dictated by the town of Apex. If you have further questions, contact the Town of Apex Public Works and Utilities Department at 249-3427.

Effective April 1, 2008							
	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT	SUN
Odd addresses	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO
Even addresses	NO	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES
* Hand-held watering is allowed everyday *							

**Reminders** Submitted by the Home Owners Association Board

**Tuesday** – Trash day. Place your trash can and recycle bin by the curb. Please do not put items out to the street until the night before and remember to take them in that evening. Loose items should be secured to

avoid being blown into your neighbors’ yards or in the street.

**Wednesday and Thursday** – Leaves and grass clippings are collected curbside year-round by vacuum trucks.

Please **bag your animal’s waste** when you are walking your pets. Town of Apex Ordinance requires it. It also allows our lawns and common areas to look nicer.

For safety reasons, please

**close your garage door** at night or while you are away.

Please **SLOW DOWN when driving through our neighborhood**. Let’s keep everyone safe!

**Parked Cars on Streets:**

According to the Town of Apex Ordinances, no parking is allowed within 15 feet of a private driveway or near an intersection. Also, “no person shall park a vehicle, whether attended or unattended, so as to interrupt or interfere with the passage of public conveyances or other vehicles.”

Please be mindful of how your car affects traffic flow when you park on our residential streets. There is not enough room for vehicles, especially larger ones such as an ambulance or a fire truck, to maneuver around cars that are parked on BOTH sides of the street. Imagine the tragedy that may occur if an emergency vehicle cannot reach its destination in a timely manner due to lack of access on our streets. Furthermore, certain areas in our neighborhood are dangerous blind spots. Some of them include the first intersection of Brasstown Lane and Frissell Avenue and the intersection of Frissell Avenue and Pilot Mountain Court. Therefore, parking at or near these intersections is unsafe due to the additional lack of visibility from your parked car. We appreciate your effort in keeping these points in mind if you decide to park your car on the street.

**Classifieds/Items for Sale**

**Mackenzie’s Dog Care Service** – Call Mackenzie Wolf at 341-4133 for dog walking (\$0.50 each), dog baths (\$3 each) or dog sitting (\$0.50/hour). Closed on Sundays and Mondays.

**Party Directors** – Party Directors offers party planning, implementation, and entertainment, such as balloon animals, face painting, temporary tattoos, jewelry beading, nail painting, games, mini

hotdogs, and popcorn. Call Rachel Hartner at 387-8222 for more details.

Do you offer a service, such as babysitting, lawn mowing, dog walking, etc.? Are there items that

you want to sell? Contact the Social Committee at [crockettsridgesocialcommittee@yahoo.com](mailto:crockettsridgesocialcommittee@yahoo.com) to list your service or item in this section.



## Crockett's Ridge Social Committee

E-MAIL:  
crockettsridgesocial  
committee@yahoo.  
com

## Crockett's Ridge HOA Board

E-MAIL:  
crockettsridgehoa@  
yahoo.com

We're on the Web!

<http://crockettsridge.org>

## Property Management Company

### RS Fincher

Community Manager:  
Sheri Fincher

P.O. Box 1117  
Apex, NC 27502

(919) 362-1460

email address:  
sheri.fincher@rsfincher.c  
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## About our Property Management Company ...

Our property management company is RS Fincher, and our community manager is Sheri Fincher. Ms. Fincher's phone number

is 362-2460, and her email address is [sheri.fincher@rsfincher.com](mailto:sheri.fincher@rsfincher.com).

All requests and questions

should be directed to Ms. Fincher. If she does not know the answer to your question, then she will forward it to the HOA board.

## About the Social Committee ...

The Social Committee will offer the following events this year: March/April Easter egg hunt, May/June pool party, June yard sale, Halloween party, and December holiday decorating contest.

In order to host successful events, the Social Committee needs your help! We will request volunteers on an event-

by-event basis using the Crockett's Ridge "chat" email list. If you wish to join the chat, then go to [crockettsridge.org](http://crockettsridge.org) and click on "Mailing Lists" on the top, right-hand side of the web site. We use the chat email list to distribute information, so we highly encourage you to join!

We are always open to your suggestions and are willing to host additional

events if we have sufficient resources. We can use additional members to help organize and host events. If you want to help your neighbors and have fun at the same time, then join the Social Committee! Please contact us at [crockettsridgesocialcommittee@yahoo.com](mailto:crockettsridgesocialcommittee@yahoo.com) or 362-0299.

## Upcoming Neighborhood Event:

Easter Egg Hunt  
March 29, 2009  
at 1 pm

## ALICIA MOTYKA Stampin' Up Demonstrator

2000 Crocketts Court, Apex, NC 27502

(919) 387-7586

[amotyka@gmail.com](mailto:amotyka@gmail.com)

\*Interested in stamping or making simple holiday cards & crafts, check out my website at <http://aliciamotyka.stampinup.net>

Landscape Designs by *Carl*, Inc

2344 Brasstown Lane  
Apex, NC 27502

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Call for a free estimate  
Office: 919-363-5545  
Cell: 919-427-9486

## Grand Reopening

### Sparks

50% off

Coming in March! New menu, New Look, New Sparks!  
Olive Chapel Center off HWY 55 Apex, NC

Any entrée with the purchase of an entrée of equal or greater value. Dine-In Only, Valid Sun-Thurs, Not valid with other specials.

919-303-0074

[www.sparksamericansportsgrill.com](http://www.sparksamericansportsgrill.com)

## Pet Pal's



## In Home Pet Sitting Services Kim Hellner

Apex, NC

owner (919) 367-8929  
[PetPals@nc.rr.com](http://PetPals@nc.rr.com)

# Crockett's Ridge Easter Egg Hunt

Presented by the Crockett's Ridge Social Committee

March 29, 2009, 1 pm

Rain date - April 5 at 1 pm

Common area next to the pool



The Easter bunny is anxiously awaiting the arrival of Spring! He will be in our neighborhood on Sunday, March 29<sup>th</sup>, to hide Easter eggs for our children. The rain date for this event will be April 5<sup>th</sup> at 1 pm. If you're interested in joining the Easter bunny and the Social Committee for this fun-filled event, please fill out this form and provide 12 filled, plastic eggs for each child (ages 12 and under). If you are filling your eggs with snacks, please make sure that they are prepackaged items.

You may drop off your form and eggs to the following locations:

Wakae McLaurin at 2111 Pilot Mountain Court

Brenda Pappas at 2317 Brasstown Lane

Please submit your completed form and eggs by March 27<sup>th</sup>. If you have any questions, then please contact Wakae McLaurin at 362-0299 or [crockettsridgesocialcommittee@yahoo.com](mailto:crockettsridgesocialcommittee@yahoo.com).

Names of Children:

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Parent's phone number or email address:

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