

# Apartment Association of WNC (AAWNC) Suppliers' Council Agenda

Wednesday, April 1 from 12-12:45pm



Microsoft Teams meeting

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## Supplier Council Leadership 2026:

President: Anne Smith, College H.U.N.K.S. Hauling Junk & Moving (828) 708-4263

Vice President: Tina Baker, Apartments.com

Secretary: April Cole, Loeb sack & Brownlee, PLLC

Immediate Past Pres: Katy Duncan, Loeb sack & Brownlee, PLLC

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## Welcome

### Introductions

### Overview of Goals of AAWNC Supplier Council

AAWNC:

- Is open to all supplier members
- Guests are invited to attend. Annual membership dues are \$225.
- AAWNC Supplier Council actively engages supplier members, encouraging participation in events and educational activities.
- AAWNC Supplier Council is responsible for gathering feedback from supplier members to understand their needs and preferences within the association, aiming to support the growth of their business.
- Suppliers Council plans two key events: annual Supplier Showcase and Maintenance Appreciation event

## Upcoming Meetings & Events for the Year

*\*As a general rule, Supplier Council events are usually held the hour prior to AAWNC social; if a AAWNC social is not planned, a virtual supplier council meeting will be planned instead.*

*Save the Date for 9/29/26 AAWNC Bus Tour: (tickets go on sale in June)*

Wed, April 1 at noon: Virtual Supplier Council Meeting

Th, April 16 at 5pm: Supplier Council Meeting: Chorus Asheville (410 Smokey View Road, 28806)

Th, April 16 at 6pm: AAWNC Member Appreciation Social: Chorus Asheville (wine /massage therapist)

Wed, May 20 at noon: Virtual Supplier Council Meeting

Th, May 28: 3:30-5:30pm Maintenance Appreciation Event: Bowling at Sky Lanes (*Sponsorship available*)

June 11: 5-6pm: Supplier Council Meeting TBD

June 11: 6-8pm Member Social at Salt Face Mule

July: Summer Break! no meeting

August: TBD

Th, Sept 17:10-11am: Educational Webinar (register on [www.AAWNC.org](http://www.AAWNC.org)) *Brand Like a Boss! Supplier Marketing That Works*

Tuesday, Sept 29: AAWNC Bus Tour (*sponsorship available*); After party at Thirsty Monk

Th, Oct 29: Supplier Showcase (*volunteers needed for planning*)

November: TBD

December: TBD

**Supplier Tip of the Month:** Use the list of AAWNC Platinum Award nominees/winners to congratulate them and introduce yourself; volunteer to assist in planning an event to get involved!

**Supplier Education Ideas:** What would you like to see?

**Sponsorship Opportunities:**

Bus Tour Sponsorship

Bowling event on 5/28: 10 lane sponsorships available for \$200 each

**Open Discussion:**

\*Volunteers Needed for task force to plan Supplier Showcase on Oct 29

\*Supplier "Ambassadors" needed to greet/welcome guests. Volunteers?

\*Other discussion

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