

# THE GREEN FLASH

## JANUARY, 2008—SWFL CHAPTER OF THE KIWI CLUB

The Kiwi Club is an organization for former and current AAL F/A's,  
Including airlines purchased or merged with AAL.

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### Annual Auction

We will hold our Annual Auction on January 19 at the beautiful home of **Pat Stokes MacAniff** at 11:00 am. Please remember this is our largest fundraiser for the year. If everyone contributes up to her ability, I'm sure we will be able to attain our charitable and social goals. Just think of the many lives that will be improved with our generosity. Please RSVP to **Pat** by the 16th of January (514-3597) to let her know if you will attend so she can give list of names to guard house. Lunch will be pot luck and remember to let Pat know what dish you wish to bring to be shared. Just a reminder: no clothes or shoes. No jewelry (jewelry will be auctioned at the May meeting at the home of **Susan Martinez Realbuto**). We ask that you please bring nice items that can be used for the auction. Don't forget your 3 x 5 card with item name, description and value printed on the card. Our famous auctioneers, **Susan Martinez Realbuto** and **Sandy Barkel Pagden-Gribaudo** will be with us again for this fun event.

Directions to Pat's:

- **From 75** - take exit 111 Immokalee road. Head west for three miles ( road is under construction).
- Stay in right lane for last 1/2 mile. Exit for Collier Reserve Drive is on right (there will be a light. here). If you go too far you will be at 41, Tamiami Trail.
- Proceed to gate and give your name to guard.
- After gate stay straight go over a bridge, make a right turn to Collier Reserve Drive.
- Drive one mile and take 1st left onto Gormican Lane.
- Proceed to 1468, which is the 5th house on left.
- **From 41, North or South** - Exit at Immokalee and take left at light
- Follow directions above. [Just a reminder that there is no sign for Collier Reserve because new hurricane lights are being installed].
- If you are coming west on Immokalee, go past Goodlette Frank Road and the North Collier Hospital.
- On right there is a light for Collier Reserve, but as of today there is no sign.
- If you are coming East on Immokalee take the first left at the first light.

**Be prepared for a lot of laughs and fun!!!**

### December Christmas Party

We are all deeply indebted to **Louise Greene Goodwin** for hosting our annual Christmas Party at the Montenero and for making these beautiful arrangements available to the Kiwi's. We had 56 people attending.

The food was superb. The centerpieces designed by **Susan Martinez Realbuto** were lovely.

The decorating committee which consisted of **Louise Greene Goodwin, Pat Roche, Susan Martinez Realbuto, and Eileen Cahill Martino** added a great festive atmosphere.

The great Karaoke singing by **Susan Martinez Realbuto, Bob Thomas** (husband of **Karen**) **Sandra Muehlig, Buck Cody** (husband of **Marilyn**) made our event a fun evening.

**Carole Roach Doherty's** dancing brought us back to nostalgia.

Thank you all for the delicious food. Everyone looked like a fashion model from Vogue Magazine.

**Happy January Birthday** to the following Kiwis:

**Betty Michener Morris**

**Dusty Dostie Stamp**

**Kay Kongslien Sutter**

**Dottie Gough**

**Phyllis Hirsh Finnegan**



Remember to keep checking our **Kiwi Website**:

[www.thekwiwclub.org](http://www.thekwiwclub.org).

To open password-protected pages,  
the User ID is **kiwiclub** and the password is **birds**

Click here to go direct to our SWFL page:

<http://www.thekiwiclub.org/chapters/tkcsflorida.html>

### New Officers:

Just a reminder that ballots will be forthcoming for new officers.

### Upcoming events:

- February 16—Interline Luncheon to be held in Fort Myers on at the Colonial Country Club at 11:00am. **Sandy Gribaudo** will co-chair this special event.
- March 15 - Our meeting and lunch hosted by **Bonnie Bogan Lindenberg** and **Kathy Schmidt Kuzminski** - in Fort Myers. Election of new officers will take place.
- April 26th meeting, lunch and installation of new officers at the home of Donna Hornsby Montgomery in Naples .
- May 17 meeting , lunch and jewelry auction at the home of Susan Martinez Realbuto. Beth Miller Lambert and Eileen Cahill Martino will also be hostesses. this will be a final meeting for the year.

### More Social News:

**Bonnie Bogan Lindenberg's** beautiful daughter, **Brianne** became **Mrs. Donald Carter** at the Fiddlesticks Country Club on December 22. The bride and Mother Bonnie looked exquisite and the wedding was absolutely elegant.

**Louise and Don Goodwin** took a Mediterranean Cruise and they had 17 family members here for Christmas.

**Pat Roche** and brother, **Tom**, and **Kathy and Steve Kuzminski** cruised to the Panama Canal.

**Judy Bercine Appel** and husband, **Grant** cruised to South America in November and last summer traveled to Japan, China and Mongolia

**Linda Miller Mcateer** and husband **Ed** are planning a trip to Istanbul, and plan on taking a cruise while in Turkey.

**Lorna and Dave Craig** are on the Queen Victoria's maiden voyage and are going half way around the world. If I have not mentioned you, It is because I don't have any info on you.

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Please be sure to give **Dusty** or **Sandy** any news about yourself or family so we can get the info in the newsletter.

Besides our monthly business meeting, **Pat Roche** organized a monthly luncheon. **Pat** is assisted by **Eileen** has in this endeavor. This luncheon has become a huge success.

It is so nice for the Kiwis to get together and have wonderful fellowship. The last luncheon was held on January 7 at Bricktop Restaurant at the Waterside Shops in Naples. 20 Kiwis attended.

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Since I could not attend, **Dusty** wrote me the following information:

**Jeanne deCourville Preston Horvath's** husband, **George...**made a beautiful poster to display the pictures from the Kiwi Christmas party. Thank you, **George!!**

Pretty **Barbara Tracey** is back for the winter. **Barbara** flies out of Boston in the summer.

**Jane McCormick** just came in from a Madrid trip and **Jane** and **Barbara** recognized each other from being Boston based in the 70's.

It was nice to see **Sandy McFarland Cappas** and **Chris Dudd Carlson**.

**Sandy Muehlig** could not attend at last minute since husband, **Ralph** had to be taken to emergency room for treatment. We hope **Ralph** is feeling better

If you have any suggestions for restaurants where the Kiwis can have a luncheon, please contact **Pat Roche** (591-8079) or **Eileen Martino** (596-5732).

As I am writing this newsletter, we have 48 members. I would like to personally wish all of you a healthy and happy new Year . Enclosed is a saying that I saw on a Christmas card that I would like to share with you: *"Slow us down Lord and inspire us to send our roots deep into the soil of life's enduring values that we may grow toward the stars of our greater destiny."*

I would like to thank my Kiwi sisters for their support, love and generosity of spirit during my husband **Al's** illness. You will always hold a special place in my heart.

Gratefully and with love,

*Eileen*

