

# THE GREEN FLASH

## February 2009- SWFL CHAPTER OF THE KIWICLUB

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including airlines purchased or merged with AAL.

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### Gratitude

We would like to offer **Pat Stokes MacAniff** and **Kay Kongslie Sutter** many thanks for hosting our successful and profitable auction. We all had a wonderful time



### Next Event

**The Interline Luncheon** will be held Saturday, February 28th at Collier's Reserve. Please remember to remit your checks to Carita Paret. Our own, Pat Stokes MacAniff is in charge of the door prizes. If you have a gift or gift certificate you would like to donate, please send them to Pat prior to the event.



### Presidents' Message

I want to thank all of the Kiwis who supported our fundraiser/auction by either providing an item to be auctioned or generously bidding on the various items. It was a huge success and thanks to everyone's generosity we raised \$1,150.50 for our charities. On the day of the auction, we decided that the majority of the money raised would go to the Pace Center for Girls in Immokalee. This wonderful organization is a support system for girls who are in need of an education and guidance. We also decided to give a nominal amount to the Collier County Hunger and Homeless Coalition and to buy a brick for the Freedom Memorial, which is being built in Naples. We had enough money in our treasury from various fundraisers to send the following checks. Pace Center received \$1,500.00, \$200 was sent to the CC Hunger and Homeless Coalition and \$300 will be sent for a memorial brick in honor of American Airlines personnel who were killed in the 9/11 attacks on the World Trade Center in New York and the Pentagon in Washington D.C. The memorial brick will be inscribed with three to six lines of the brick. American Airlines, The Southwest Florida Chapter of the Kiwi Club and perhaps a farewell message to AA members and friends lost on that sad day will be included.

It was wonderful to see all of you in January and now we look forward to the Interline Luncheon on February 28th. This is the tenth anniversary of the Interline Luncheon, which was started by our very own local SW Florida Kiwis. The first luncheon was held at member **Gini Ratliff's** house in Ft. Myers and hosted by 16 Kiwis. Nineteen ladies from Piedmont, United, Eastern, TWA, Pan Am and a few out of town Kiwis attended. The rest is history!!! Last year the luncheon attendees numbered 140 vivacious and fun loving former stewardesses, hostesses and flight attendants. We look forward to another happy reunion with our former flying associates.

Fondly,

**Patricia Stokes MacAniff**

President of the SW Florida Kiwi Club



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### Charities:

The Pace Center in Immokalee

The Collier County Homeless Coalition

A Memorial Brick will be purchased in memory of American Airlines personnel who perished during the 9/11 attacks.

### Where in the World are South West Florida KIWIS:

This month, there was no information supplied on KIWI travel. Per-



haps Naples, Florida is such a paradise that everyone wished to stay home and enjoy it!

### From Donna Montgomery:



No words can express my deep gratitude for all your support and love over the last six weeks. Tom would have been filled with joy. He loved and adored each one of you. Even though he teased me about **Cincy McCain**, she is no match for my KIWI sisters. The flowers are magnificent and hold a place of honor in our home. Tom and I thank you from our hearts. May God bless you all.

Love, **Donna**

### Cares and Concerns:

**Louise Goodwin** continues to be in our prayers for a complete recovery

**Chris Carlson's** husband, **Bruce**, for a full recovery

**Gerry Egan's** **Tom** for continuing good health.



### Birthdays:

Happy February Birthday to the following KIWI:  
**Frances Kasper Busch**—February 22



### Thought for the Day:

#### The Measure of Success:

When sunset falls upon your day  
And fades from out the west  
When business cares are put away  
And you lie down to rest,  
The measure of the day's success  
Or failure may be told  
In terms of human happiness  
And not in terms of gold.



Is there beside some heart tonight  
More joy because you wrought?  
Does someone face the bitter fight  
With courage you have taught?  
Is something added to the store  
Of human happiness?  
If so, the day that now is o'er  
Has been a real success.

Dear Kiwis,

This poem reminded me of all of you during our recent auction/treasure sale. Your generosity was overwhelming. During the difficult times that our country is experiencing, all of you thought of others and gave your best to offer a better quality of life to those whose needs are greater.

Thank you for your support. Here's wishing all of you a beautiful February and a Happy Valentine's Day!

Love,

*Eileen*



**March Meeting:**

The March Meeting will be held on Saturday, March 28th at 11:30 am at Brio's Tuscan Grill, located at the Waterside Shops in Naples.

**Gerry Egan** and **Linda Lambertsen** will be co-hostesses. Further information will follow in our next newsletter.

**The National Website is [www.thekiwiclub.org](http://www.thekiwiclub.org).**

The user name is **kiwiclub** and the password is **birds**.

You can read up on other chapters  
and might even see the name of someone you have known from the past.