

WELCOME BACK, KIWIS!

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President's Message...

Happy September, everyone, and welcome to a brand new term...I hope you all had a fabulous summer break! It was especially busy around our house ('grands' & guests), a few trips out of town and inconsistent stabs at minimizing and decluttering. I honestly don't know how I justify owning five spatulas!?

We've celebrated the graduation of a new police officer in the family (grandson), our oldest daughter turning 50 and the life of my brother-in-law who recently passed away. Life is speeding by too quickly...cherish the memories!!

It will be delightful to see you all again next month...stay well and plan to join in at The Red Onion for lots of catching up!

Big Kiwi Hugs!
Linda



Convention 2028!

Palm Springs will be the host city for Convention from May 3-5, 2028. We'll be staying at the Omni Rancho Las Palmas Resort and Spa. Plan right now to be there for a fantastic time!

DUES Are Due...

As you are "reluctantly aware", National dues are payable 9/1 through December 1. You will soon receive an email from National that includes a LINK that will take you directly to the website and allow you to pay dues with a credit card. There are also instructions on the

site in the event you'd rather pay by check. Please refer to this email and get your dues taken care of while it's still fresh in your mind. They'll be considered late and subject to a fee after 12/30.

Do You Have Changes to Your Personal Info?

To ensure that our National Database can stay in touch with you, they need current and accurate records. If you've had any changes to your personal info...name, address, phone number, emergency contact, etc., please let me know as soon as possible.

A recent Zoom meeting was held for all Chapter Presidents and Treasurers where one of the topics included info on updating one's personal information via the online National website. That particular capability is hoped to be in place after the start of the new year. As with dues renewal, it will be a quick and efficient way to make your personal changes. I'll keep you updated to this regard.

2026 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

September 7...LABOR DAY

September 8...Kiwi Luncheon...The Original Red Onion 11:30 a.m

September 11...WE WILL NEVER FORGET!!

November 26...Happy Thanksgiving!

December 8...South Bay Chapter Christmas Party...TBD

December 25...MERRY CHRISTMAS!



Randy James	September 7
Linda Radke	September 25
Sherry Graham	September 27*
Billie Hamrick	October 1
Linda Corvan	October 15
Muriel Savikas	October 30
Carolyn Fitzpatrick	October 31
Dottie Haydis	November 7
Denise O'Neil	November 22
Susan Zygband	November 23
Donna Nall	November 28
Nora Inuzuka	November 28

***Decades Birthday**

2026-2028

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Please feel free to contact Pam if you have suggestions for a future luncheon venue.



**'Remembering all those lost on
that fateful day.**

SEPTEMBER LUNCHEON '26

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

The Original Red Onion

736 Bart Earle Way ~ Rolling Hills Estates

310-377-5660

~ 'Doors will open' at 11:30 a.m. ~

Menu is available online and in the restaurant

*Unfortunately, The Red Onion doesn't provide individual checks.
(We'll figure it out! 🎉)

'Hope to see you there...let's begin the new term together!

RSVP to Pam at: pamandjim2@cox.net



JUNE 9, 2026

LOTUS RESTAURANT ~ REDONDO BEACH



Donna Nall, Denise Hebden and Lori Foley



Dianne Wilson... 'Centerpiece Winner'!



Jill Corba and Anne Morton



Surprise Guest, Patti Briles (LAX Chapter)
She simply walked in and delighted us all as we
hadn't seen her since our 'flying days'!



Left...Deirdre Rinehart-Nicholls,
Suzann Sako and Lynne Variano



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Billie Hamrick and Sherry Graham



Linda Corvan and Linda Radke



Lori Foley and Stana Edgington



Muriel Savikas and Patti Briles



Lori Foley provided the most beautiful table decorations...despite what you may have thought, these flowers were not 'alive'!



Michael, our ever patient and gracious host at Lotus...a fabulous menu served with warmth and caring!



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Our Special Charities...

Fundraiser 2026-27

WINGS

Providing urgent and critical financial support to AA Flight Attendants who find themselves in need due to illness or tragic circumstance.



*Forget not those
who cannot remember*

Fundraiser 2025-26

The John Douglas French

Alzheimer's Society

...whose mission is to accelerate finding a cure, or a way to delay the onset and advancement of Alzheimer's disease, by funding innovative research in new areas of discovery.

2026

ADOPT-A-FAMILY

Holiday Caring

We look forward to 'adopting' families at Christmas time and providing gifts cards and holiday treats that will add some cheer to their celebrations.