

Kiwi Klip Notes

The Official Newsletter

All the news that's fit to print, and then some!

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A Day to Remember

We all remember September 11th, 2001. As former and on-line AA flight attendants it



thought "what if I was on that trip?" That question still haunts me.

I see reruns TV, on-line and social media.

The pictures never change. Fire, shocking



ultimately the collapse of the Twin Towers.

This event changed us. Affecting each of us



digs deeply in our hearts. I suspect each one of us

pictures of people jumping from the highest floors to keep from burning to death and then

in a different way. The airline business suffered a huge change. The days of "yesterday"

never to return beyond 2001.

On this date, say a little prayer for our former sisters and brothers in flight....

Our Last Meeting-August

Held at Sal & Tony's in Buffalo Grove was as always, a big success, very well attended. I apologize for not having pictures. Our two photographers could not attend. I got so wrapped up in having fun it never dawned me that I should be taking pictures!

We have a meeting in October

Plan on attending!

From the Board...

Your board has decided to sponsor a local school (we still support WINGS) McArthur Early Childhood Center for the next five years. Your unbelievable response for school supplies was fantastic! We will collect school supplies for the June meeting 2026 and hats & gloves for our October (2025) meeting. The children are between 3-7 years. Warm clothing is appreciated. If you cannot attend the meeting, please give your donation to a Kiwi that is attending.

Thanks to Elia Martinez for coordinating our collection drives

Kiwi Visit

On August 4 your board went to visit Marlene Johnson at her nursing home in Des Plaines.

We had a party! Food and laughter and remembering "the good ole' days." Marlene will be 90 soon and she has a memory like an elephant. She was delightful relating what it was like to fly in the 50's.

We got a nice note from her: I want to thank everyone for such a wonderful party I appreciated this very much. Always happy for visitors. Have a great summer."

October Meeting

Where: Renate's German Restaurant
7213 Olde Salem Circle, Hanover Park
630-855-3596

When: Wednesday, October 15th
Meet 'N Greet 11:30AM -12:30PM Lunch
\$36.00 Per person or \$37.09 with credit card

October RSVP deadline: October 8th.
Call Joan Bourdage at: 224-558-3641
Remember a reservation **made** is a reservation **paid**.

If you are bringing a raffle prize, please notify Joan when you make your reservation.

O'Hare Outing

By: Patty French

Our 1st O'Hare Chapter Kiwi Meetup was a great success. We enjoyed the Pritzker Pavilion which was the perfect summer setting for the Grant Park Orchestra, singers, and chorus to perform timeless Broadway music of Rogers and Hammerstein. There were plenty of comfortable seats in the pavilion. Not only were there seats free but they also provided a nice view of the performers and enabled us all to sit together. The clear

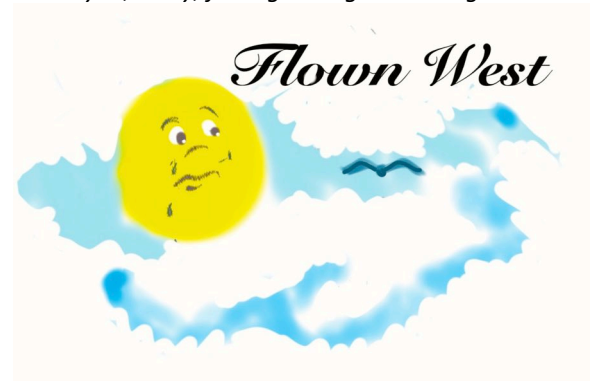
skies of Chicago and twinkling lights of the high-rises provided a beautiful back drop for the magical music as the sun set.

One group of Kiwi's coordinated to ride the same metra train and after dinner, met the rest of the Kiwi's at the designated time and place. Our thanks goes out to Susan Tremko, Darla Kehn, Joan Bourdage, Doug Gromer, Mary Burton, Liz Mallon, Elia Martinez, and Sal Martinez who were in attendance and help make the evening extra special.

We Hope to enjoy additional Kiwi meetup outings in the future.



Thank you, Patty, for organizing this outing.



I am so sorry to inform you that retired AA Captain Bill Haag has passed away. Condolences can be sent to the Haag family.

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Fly high Bill...