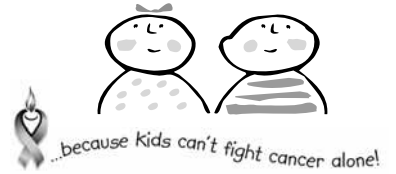


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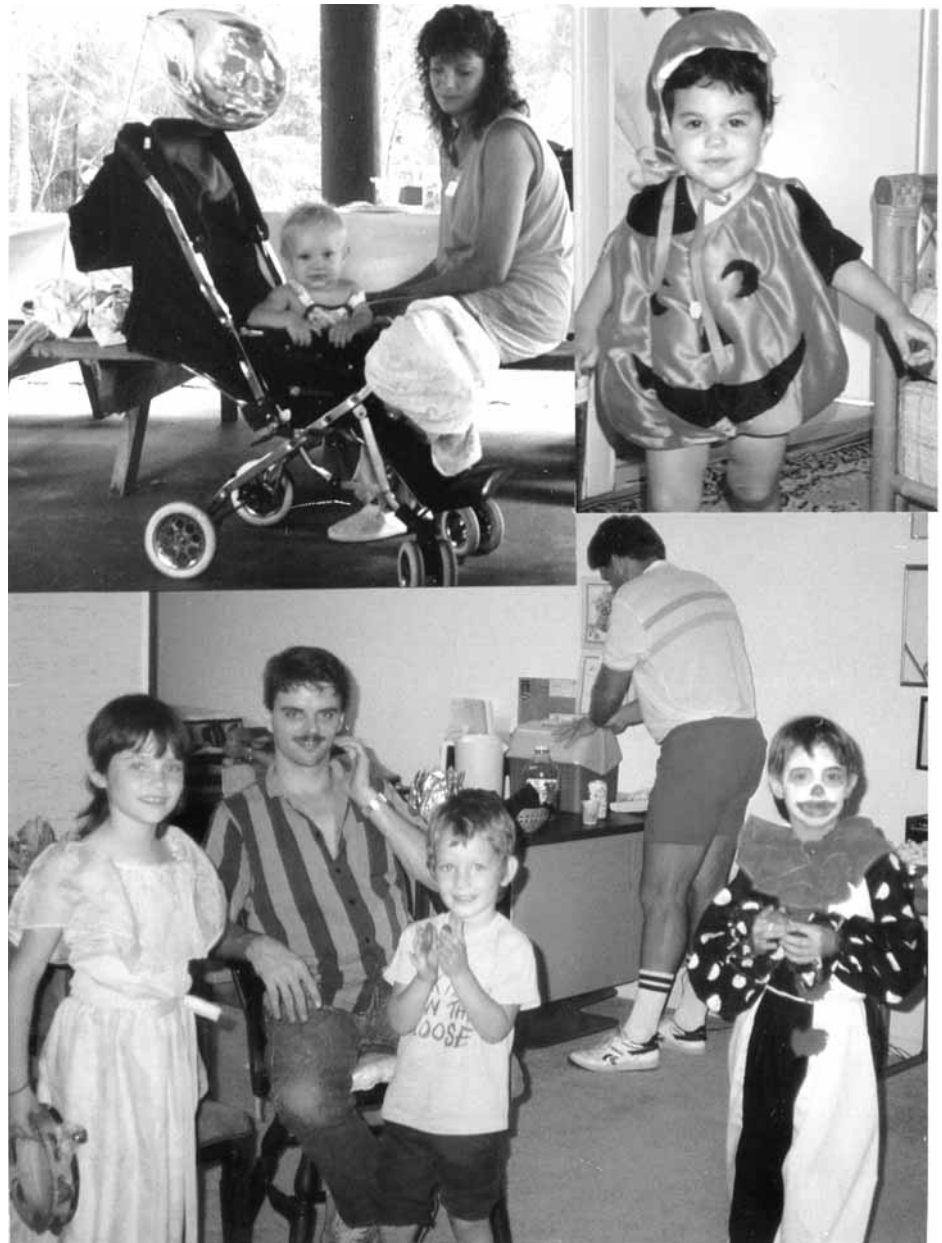
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Where were you in 1984? Candlelighters shares some "old time" memories along with new adventures as journey continues ...

Candlelighters Leadership



By Klair Snellbaker
Executive Director/Founder

By Mike Constantine
President

Get to know your fellow Candlelighters? With so many new families joining Candlelighters it would seem this isn't difficult but yet it can be especially hard for a new family. Since 1983, over 500 Southwest Florida families have been a part of the program. We have seen many new faces at various gatherings like at the family picnic; holiday parties; aboard chartered boats; dinner theatres; and the more recent trip to Sea World. Unless you are out there introducing yourself to other families you are not receiving the full benefits of being a part of Candlelighters. My Mom is 87 years old, she is quite a talker, but she never misses an opportunity to meet someone new. Remember how awkward you felt when you arrived at a Candlelighter event and you saw so many families gathered in one room. If you are like most people, you search the room for someone familiar, which is ok, but I'm suggesting the next time we are all together as a Candlelighter "family" take a step beyond those boundaries and meet someone new. When Candlelighters sponsored the more traditional parent support groups, we really did have a chance to sit and talk and realized so many common things we shared as we went through treatment. A lot was learned and shared from other parents. It was during one of those group meetings we offered the emotional support a parent needed or sometimes just lent an ear to their concerns. Chance encounters? Two families who sat across from one another on one of the charter buses to Sea World found themselves chatting away as their children conversed for the 3 hour trip. While volunteering at our holiday gift wrapping fund raiser three Candlelighter mom's worked side-by-side speaking in Spanish after they met one of our 5 year cancer survivors asking the parent what to expect when treatment ends and the challenges they can expect to face. Sometimes, we think we are alone but look around at the many families who are part of this unique group — The Candlelighters of Southwest Florida. You begin to realize there is a group who truly understands how this diagnosis has turned your world upside down, there is a group of people who will help you laugh again, who become an extended family and best of all your friend. Life will never be the same again but life will go on for each of us. At a recent gathering, I introduced one of our more seasoned members to a family whose child was diagnosed in January ... the Mom says "oh, you're just a "New-be"! For those of you in familiar Candlelighter territory, please don't forget the "New-be" families when you attend the next outing, they may become your new best friend.

There are many ways for a business to increase name recognition. One way would be to spend money advertising but if you don't have a good product, it could give you a bad reputation. Another way is to offer a great product and/or service and let the satisfied people spread your name. Candlelighters of Southwest Florida chose a slow approach as to not waste valuable dollars advertising instead let the families do the talking. In 1983, perhaps only 3 families recognized the name, eleven years later, when I became involved, I spread the word about a great charity helping all children with cancer. Most people would say "Oh, I walked in the Relay" or something along those lines. I would then explain Candlelighters was a small local charity who raised its own money to support activities which were of benefit to local kids and no, we didn't receive any support from those "big guys". Over the years, the number of new families registering with Candlelighters grew. Families shared their personal experiences with friends and we found new sponsors interested in supporting us because they knew their contribution would be used for local families living throughout their own community. Candlelighters continues to get the word out in the community through two major fundraisers each year: the Step Into Spring Fashion Show and the Gold Ribbon Classic Golf Tournament. We are thankful to our past sponsors who have supported us over the years as well as always welcome the addition of new ones. We've had far too many helping hands for me to mention by name, grocery stores who sell gold ribbons, restaurants who donate a portion of their profits, individuals and business who support us financially. While we may not be as well known as many local charities, we continue to make great progress, enlightening local folks as to what Candlelighters is all about. I would like to thank all our sponsors as well as our own families who have helped to increase more awareness of the Candlelighters. Unfortunately, there continues to be an increase in the number of children diagnosed each year with cancer and/or blood disorders and these numbers are growing at an alarming rate. We need your continued help in spreading the word so in the future, with your help and mine the name Candlelighters will be known to everyone. Don't forget "... kids can't fight cancer alone" with your continued support they don't have to!



And Now From the Heart of Our Candlelighter Families



Thank you so very much for helping us this month. We were drowning in medical bills and couldn't have made it without your help!

Lee County

Thank you so much for all that you do for us!

Lee County

Thank you for all the special events you invited us to this year!

Lee County



Thank you so very much for all you have done for my daughter and her family. You have helped brighten many days this past year.

Lee County

Without Candlelighters , our family may not have made it. The love and compassion of people helped make the struggle bearable!

Lee County

Thank you so much for all you do for us. You are the best!!!

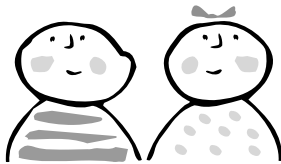
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We received the trophy and gift package last night - he was sooo excited...he slept with it on his pillow.

Lee County

Thanks for all you do for the children and their families.

Lee County

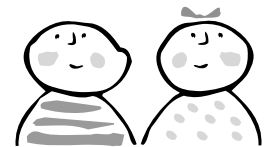


Thank you for always letting me get a toy from your treasure chest. I really like them.

Lee County

Thanks for all the prizes.

Lee County



Bret could only fight his brain tumor because of friends like you.

Lee County

Thank you SO much for all you have done and continue to do for our family. You are such a blessing.

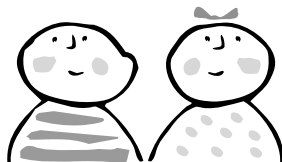
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Thank you for choosing us for the dinner at Starz Pizza we had such a wonderful time.

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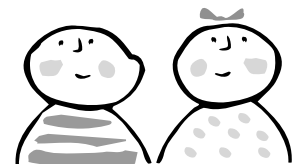
Thanks for you and all your wonderful volunteers for a memorable fashion show.

Lee County



Thank you so much for the tickets to Babes in Toyland & the goodie bags for the girls. They had a wonderful time. Candlelighters is always in my heart.

Lee County



Thank you again for inviting me to join you and the other Candlelighter Teens to the Universal trip. I truly had a wonderful and very memorable time.

Collier County

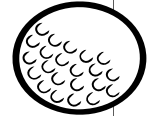
Thank you so much for the trip to Busch Gardens. It was so much fun and so great to spend the day with our family and friends.

Lee County



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6th Annual Step Into Spring Fashion Show

Models from WINK News and Candlelighters created a buzz at the 6th Annual "Step into Spring" Fashion Show and Luncheon held at the Forest

Country Club in Fort Myers. The highly anticipated event raised more than \$10,000 through the generosity of our guests and local donors.

This year's auction contained more lots filled with fabulous prizes than ever before. Winners walked away with items ranging from handmade shawls to fine china, airline tickets, gourmet chocolate and even a special V.I.P. tour of the WINK television studios.

WINK News Reporter Maggie Crane, and WINK News Anchor Jennifer Stacy joined Candlelighters Children, Parents, and Friends on their stroll down the catwalk. The models showcased spring collections from Stein Mart and Children's Couture. Lancôme and Elizabeth Arden makeup artists from Macy's Edison Mall highlighted each ensemble with the delicate spring color palates. The women looked radiant and drew appreciative nods but it was the children from the Candlelighters who truly stole the show as the audience strained to get a closer look at the girls in their summer dresses and the young men in their preppy spring attire.

WINK Meteorologist Brian Monahan gave live updates from the fashion show for the noon broadcast on WINK T.V. When the cameras were off he helped his colleagues coax higher bids during the live auction.

Guests are already looking forward to the 7th Annual Step Into Spring Fashion Show which will be held on Monday, March 30th, 2009. This is one special event you will not want to miss.



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2009

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Brighten My World

The annual *Brighten My World* art project has once again been a huge success. This year, Candlelighters received 24 entries from the children. Their original creations were then displayed at the Broadway Palm Dinner Theater for the 2007 holiday season.

In early February, the artists were invited to a special luncheon at Famous Dave's BBQ in Fort Myers along with two guests. They dined on BBQ chicken and pulled pork sandwiches, potato salad, baked beans and fountain drinks.

After the meal, the professionally framed artwork was returned to each artist along with a goody bag filled with sweets, art supplies and a limited edition Brighten My World T-shirt.

The artists aged 20 months to 14 years, chose various mediums from poetry to abstract syringe art as well as more traditional colored pencil drawings. The art therapy allows patients and their siblings the chance to express emotions that can be hard for a child to put into words.

We wish to thank the artists for sharing their talents with the community. This year's "*Brighten My World*" artists along with their artwork titles are:

Caitlyn Bernardi (Summer Time) Justine Bernardi (High School Musical) Angelo Cerdas (Wahsing Hands) Joselyn Cerdas (Me and My Doctor) Rosmy Cerdas (Racing to the Finish Line) Dominik Culver (Me Getting Blood Drawn with Mommy & the Therapy Dog) Logan Culver (My Brother with an IV & Therapy Dog is Helping) Hunter Drum (Trees & Truck) Christopher Heintz (Strike Out Cancer) Nicolas Heintz (Roller Coaster) Chase Kennedy (The Prince of Cures) Sarah McKeown (I love My Friends from the Clinic-Sydney, Ethan & Gabriel) Kaden Meyers (Expression) Ana & Joshua Navaro (Going to Bush Gardens) Mallory Oliver (Hangin Out in the Hospital) Yuriko Ramirez (Hair Days) and (My Illness) Paige Santiago (Sun N Fun Lagoon) Miranda Sosa (I Love Candlelighters) Angeline Thompson (My Doctor is the Best) Brittney Thomley (The Shining Glory) Quandariaous Tullis (The Brave Black Knight) Ryley Wormood (My IV Pole as a Skate Board) and (I Want to be a Horseback Riding Teacher When I Grow Up).

Thank you! *You* "Brighten My World"...



Pine Lakes Family Picnic

More than 150 Candlelighters took part in the annual family picnic on Saturday, April 5th sponsored by our friends at Pine Lakes Country Club in North Fort Myers. Once again our sponsors proved to be the perfect hosts for this event. They spared no expense in providing an opportunity for the children to relax and enjoy a sunny afternoon with their family away from doctors, clinics and the hospital setting.



The Candlelighter kids took advantage of riding ponies, playing miniature golf and shuffleboard, fishing, learning to race remote controlled sailboats, having fun with arts and crafts projects, doing karaoke, having tattoo's painted on their faces, being entertained by clowns and much, much more.

The children met Firefighters from the North Fort Myers Fire Station, as well as deputies from the Lee County Sheriff's Office who brought members of their Canine Unit, Bomb Squad with the special disposal robot and the D.A.R.E corvette. The Blue Knights also roared into the parking lot offering motorcycle rides to the more adventurous children.

The highlight however may have been the incredible spread of picnic food prepared by those good ole folks at Pine Lakes. Families dined on grilled hamburgers and hot dogs, chicken nuggets, potato chips and French Fries. Then came the desserts — hand-spun cotton candy, fresh baked homemade cookies, hot buttered popcorn and an old fashioned ice cream buffet complete with toppings.

Each child left with a goody bag, baseball cap, and many fond memories of their day at Pine Lakes. Mark your 2009 calendar for April 4th — plans are already underway. Organizers proclaim "each year we plan to top the previous year." We have no doubt they will surpass all expectations!

Thank you Pine Lakes! *You* did it again ...



Memorials



May 2007— June 2008

In Memory of Katie Proulx
From Laura Jane Chaney

In Memory of my brother Alex Lopez
From Daniela

In Memory of Anne Whelan Jenkins
From Vivian D. Kenney

In Memory of Lois Spears
From Nancy L. & Leslie R. Markt

In Memory of Steve Swoish
From Patricia A. & Robert E. Strawman

In Memory of Bob Winters
From Nancy L. & Leslie R. Markt

In Memory of Mathew Keown
From Cynthia Edgington

In Memory of Marie Seabury
From the Candlelighter Families

In Memory of Henry Woods
From Vivian D. Kenney

In Memory of Chuck Balogh
From Faith Balogh

In Memory of Laura G. Farmer Davis
From Vivian D. Kenney

In Memory of Danielle Guevara
From The Candlelighter Families

In Memory of Gregory Lang
From The Candlelighter Families

In Memory of Robbin Sorrell
From The Candlelighter Families

In Memory Carol Negri
From Alan & Elizabeth Fullwood

In Memory of Eleanore Schiavo
From Salvatore & Janet M.
From Frances & Charles Gary Verwilt
From Ruth & Tony Gapp
From Venice Nolte
From Stanley P. & Joan F. Gubernowycz
From Rosalie Cospito
From Doreen Haskins
From Andrea Lopez
From Theresa Siciliano
From Dawn Marie Howard
From Kathy Hoolahan
From Mary & Jim Gentile

In Memory of Thomas Schiavo
From Ruth & Anton Gapp
From Nancy & Henry Sampers
From Mary & Jim Gentile
From Gary & Fran Verwilt

In Memory of Joyce Stowell
From the Candlelighter Families

In Memory of Julia Anne Cleary Muller
From Vivian D. Kenney

In Memory of Michael Rice
From T & D Automotive Service

In Memory of Eugene "Gene" McLean III
From Ann T. & Eugene S. McLean Jr.

In Memory of Erin Mobley
From Vivian Kenney

In Memory of Irene Danahey
From Judith & Gerald Kernagis

In Memory of Lloyd Patno
From Judith & Gerald Kernagis

In Memory of Billie Roseberry
From Nancy L. & Leslie R. Markt

In Memory of Beth Francis
From the Candlelighter Families

In Memory of Typhani Kulikowski
From the Candlelighter Families

In Memory of Anne Jenkins Whelan
From Vivian D. Kenney

In Memory of Katie Proulx
From Laura Chaney

In Memory of Jason Michael Gaylor
From Donna & Phil Gaylor

In Memory of Mimi O'Grady
From Rene & Charles O'Grady III

In Memory of Johnie Martinez
From the Candlelighter Families

In Memory of Caleb Whan
From the Candlelighter Families

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In Memory of Evdoxia S. Douglas
From Stacey Yai Yai

In Memory of Grace Conidaris
From The Candlelighter Families



Our Heartfelt Sympathy to our Candlelighter friends, families and supporters who have suffered a loss.

Happy Notes

Congratulation to the Newlyweds Phyllis & Jack Geagan

From Gordon & Janice Farlow
 From Larry & Judith Budreau
 From P. Foote Shocknesse
 From Linsey McCarthy
 From Craig Shaush
 From John & Joan Spalik
 From Donald E. Martin
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 From Barbara M. Daley
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 From Louis & Barbara J. Parmentier



From Edward J. & Dorothy A. Jankura
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 From Wayne D. & Judy E. Emmons
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 From Philip J. Bleser
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 From George A. & Gloria B. Wertz
 From Gertrude Burdo
 From Charleen L. & Charles F. Davis
 From Michael R. & Kathleen A. Rhodus
 From Ronald M. & Donna J. Fournier
 From Arthur A. & Judy E. Hale
 From Candide & John J. O'Rourke Jr.

Congratulations to the Newlyweds Rena & Nolan Shifren
 From The Candlelighter Families

Congratulations to Andrea & Edward Gray on your 10th Wedding Anniversary and Vow Renewal
 From Jessica, Shane & Ava Hehir

In Honor of Dr. Emad Salmon & Staff
 From James & Karen Nathan

In Honor of Mr. & Mrs. Edward J. Brown
 From Kathleen K. Brown



In Honor of Pat & Bob Drum
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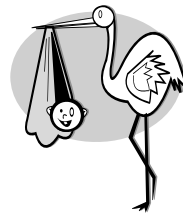
In Honor of Rebekah Berth
 From Wilma Johnson

In Honor of Fela Ortiz
 From Vivian D. Kenney

In Honor of Austin Wood
 From Salvatori & Wood

In Honor of Fela Ortiz
 From Vivian Kenney

In Honor of Heather Wallin Rubino
 From Jeremy Harrold



Congratulations Rachael & Eddie Bell on the birth of Samuel McFall Bell
 7lbs 14.5oz 20" long
 From The Candlelighter Families

Congratulations Robert & Brea Lugo on the birth of Abigail Lugo
 From The Candlelighter Families

Congratulations Clint Perkins & Kelli Wyatt on the birth of Taylor Perkins
 From Klair & Roy Snellbaker

Congratulations Jessica & Shane Hehir on the birth of Ava Jane Hehir
 7lbs 1oz, 19 3/4" long
 From The Candlelighter Families

Congratulations to Camille Buckhaults, Statesboro College on your Presidential Honors Recognition
 From Aunt Klair & Uncle Roy

Congratulations Class of 2008



Deanna Johnson Davis, Assoc. Degree in Nursing, Edison College
Adam Clark, Fort Myers High School
Natasha Salman, Fort Myers High School
Maggie Sikes, St Vincent's Academy
Demica Santiago, Cape Coral High School
Sam Bachman College Graduation

Visit our website for the latest Candlelighter news and check out the event photo gallery at www.Candlelightersswfl.org

Sea World Family Fun Trip



Sometimes change can be a good thing. We all know, a break from reality can help recharge our batteries, redefine our goals and simply relax our minds from the stress we feel in dealing with everyday things.

Candlelighters believe when families have a chance to enjoy life outside of the medical world ... change happens and that's a good thing!

We can't escape from the medical problems our children face or the surging price we pay for gas at the pumps ... "things could be worse" we say to ourselves. Ahh! Relief is ahead, there is a chance to have fun and create lasting friendships and memories with Candlelighters.

Saturday, May 17th the Candlelighters once again sponsored the Family Fun Trip to Sea World in Orlando. The trip was made possible through various donations and fundraisers benefiting Candlelighters of Southwest Florida.

Yes, times are difficult and gas prices are high but for the 209 participants who boarded the (2) chartered coaches (discounted by Cruisers Transportation) and the (2) adventurous drivers who volunteered their time to help us reach our destination (Lenny Gorman and Bob Steinberg) and those delightful people at Sweetbay Supermarket (Plantation Shoppe) for helping to tame the early morning hunger pains of our families at 7:00 am by furnishing us with some breakfast goodies for the road and especially we thank the car loads of families who arrived at Sea World right on schedule for entry into the park ... on behalf of Shamu, Seymoure & Clyde (our friends at Sea World) and all of us at Candlelighters we say thank you for a perfect day and a fabulous chapter of new memories!

Please check Candlelighters photo gallery at www.Candlelightersswfl.org and see if YOU were among the many participants we spotted at the park?



Candlelighters Childhood Cancer Foundation

The national office was founded in 1970 by a group of concerned parents of children with cancer, its membership has grown to over 43,000 which includes:

- Parents of children who are being treated or have been treated for cancer
- Children with cancer
- Survivors of childhood cancer
- Immediate or extended family members
- Bereaved families
- Health care professionals
- Educators
- Local groups

To learn more information about childhood cancer or to locate the nearest Candlelighters affiliate group visit the national website at www.Candlelighters.org

With the Support of Community Friends ...



PUMP IT UP



Welcome Candlelighters to the newest and hottest inside giant inflatable bounce place located in Fort Myers. If you can jump, bounce, tumble and fall and can laugh at yourself, you would have had a fantastic time with our families at this event. There was a cheering crowd for every age as we competed in various relay races, tested our skills on the obstacle course and shot baskets. Over 100 Candlelighters members participated and enjoyed pizza and drinks after the two hour session.

MOM'S NIGHT OUT



Candlelighter mom's look so forward to having a night out to share trade secrets and have a few good chuckles. This recent outing found the "Candlelighter girls" at Iguana Mia in Fort Myers munching on chips and salsa as well as sampling a variety of delicious Mexican dishes. Our eyes widened as the waiter set our huge portions in front of us. A great time was shared by all.

TEEN GROUP HEADS TO NAPLES



A very special Thank You to FreedomWaters Foundation for inviting our Candlelighter teen group to Naples for a two hour sunset cruise down the Gordon River and into the Gulf of Mexico. We boarded (2) private yachts from the Naples Pier to the beat of volunteer Bongo drummers and soon it was anchors away. Sandwiches, cool beverages, chips and vegetables were available on board for all to enjoy. The teens and chaperones socialized making this adventure another memorable time. For some of the teens, this was their first experience on "wet land".

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Donors can have the satisfaction of knowing their support and contributions are directly helping all Southwest Florida families.

If you know of a local family dealing with childhood cancer or blood disorders, please call (239) 432-2223.

Make a tax deductible contribution today to:
Candlelighters of Southwest Florida, Inc.
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Donate: Gift Certificates to movies, restaurants, fast food chains, theater, concerts, ice cream parlors, phone cards, cell phone minutes, hair salons, clothing stores, birthday & greeting cards etc. You can't imagine how a small token of generosity can make a big difference to our families.



Childhood Cancer Car Magnets

Help Candlelighters get the word out in your Community by driving the message home ...

Purchase a Gold Ribbon Car Magnet to help promote Childhood Cancer Awareness for \$5.00 each.

Don't Forget!
 September is Childhood Cancer & Blood Disorder Awareness Month

Find Out How You Can Make A Difference.
 Contact Candlelighters at 239-432-2223



Sign Up Today to ADOPT A CANDLELIGHTER FAMILY

Want to find a way to give back to your community and help one of our special families in need?

Each year we identify Candlelighter families who need a little extra help especially during the holiday season.

Local housing communities, business leaders, service clubs, school groups, as well as individuals assist the Candlelighters through the Adopt A Family Program.

Opportunities are available to provide gift cards for a family for any occasion but are especially appreciated during the traditional holidays.

For more information on the ADOPT A FAMILY Program or to sign up call 239-432-2223

"It was the most humbling experience for me and my co-workers to participate again this year".



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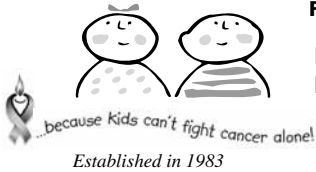
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