

life



for the widowed  
and their future

Make new friends but keep the old, one is silver and the other gold.



This time honored advice has become our adopted "LIFE SLOGAN"  
Make good use of this advice each and every day.

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Summer is in full swing and our year is already half over. So far, so good. We had a very successful return to The Villages in May at our newest venue, North Lake Presbyterian Church. We were greeted with open arms by Pastor Dave Stahl and the wonderful dining staff. What a great meal! And the entertainment was also great. I'm looking forward to our continuing partnership with North Lake Presbyterian.

It's best to reach the fellowship hall by entering the driveway off Rolling Acres Road and taking the first right. There is parking on the grass in front of the entrance and plenty of other spaces available.

Our luncheons at **LAKE TECH** continue to be a huge success. Our meals are prepared by the wonderful Lake Technical Culinary Arts and held in their private dining room. With Lake Tech closed for the summer our June and July luncheons move to Golden Corral on Highway 441 in Eustis. In August, all LIFE members will gather in Leesburg for our annual Summer Spectacle. Bingo has always been fun but I'm considering adding something new. Any suggestions? As always, there will be prizes galore provided by members, along with my stockpile. Then it's back at Lake Tech in September, October and November. The vocational center is about a mile north of U.S. Highway 441 at 2001 Kurt Street in Eustis on the east side of the road. The dining room is on the north side of the building and there is parking inside the fenced area. Reservations are necessary as seating is limited.

As is our tradition, we will all gather for our Christmas luncheon at the Leesburg Community Building. Great entertainment will be provided, as always.

Don't miss out on any of our fun LIFE trips by waiting too long to sign up. Remember, you can bring family, friends and neighbors on our wonderful trips. Make sure you sign up early if you are interested in an upcoming excursion.

Hoping to see you at the next luncheon or trip.

Blessings and Peace

Rick Reed, Director

"The longer I live, the more I realize the impact of attitude on life. Attitude, to me, is more important than facts. It is more important than the past, the education, the money, than circumstances, than failure, than successes, than what other people think or say or do. It is more important than appearance, giftedness or skill. It will make or break a company... a church... a home. The remarkable thing is we have a choice everyday regarding the attitude we will embrace for that day. We cannot change our past...we cannot change the fact that people will act in a certain way. We cannot change the inevitable. The only thing we can do is play on the one string we have, and that is our attitude. I am convinced that life is 10% what happens to me and 90% of how I react to it. And so it is with you...we are in charge of our Attitudes."

-Charles R. Swindoll

# TRIPS

## Thursday, July 17 -- Life's a Trip--\$69.00 CAPONE'S DINNER & SHOW

Journey back in time to 1930's Chicago at Capone's Dinner & Show. Experience a one-of-a-kind prohibition era speakeasy and cabaret. A zany cast of characters deliver loads of laughs, toe-tapping musical productions, gangster action and stand-up comedy. Participate in the fun.

Plus, enjoy Mama Capone's real Italian feast plus a few American favorites, including a carving station. Eat hearty - "Mama Capone don't want no one going hungry!"

**Activity level = low.**

**1<sup>st</sup> Pick-up: Leesburg:** (corner of Main and Lee, behind law office) at 11:00 a.m.

**2<sup>nd</sup> pick up: Tavares:** Twistee Treat at 11:30 a.m.

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## Saturday, August 2 -- Life's a Trip -- \$74.00 THE WIZARD OF OZ

Begin your time in Tampa area with an authentic Cuban lunch at La Tropicana Café. Lunch choices are as follows: roast pork with black beans and yellow rice; roasted chicken with black beans and yellow rice; or 1/2 a Cuban sandwich with a bowl of black beans and white rice. Homemade bread pudding, plus non-alcoholic drink included with meal. **Please make lunch selection at time of reservation.**

Next visit Carrollwood Cultural Center and experience their Broadway Bound presentation of The Wizard of Oz - Young Performers' Edition. Enjoy the familiar tale of the Kansas girl who dreams of what lies over the rainbow. Join Dorothy, the Scarecrow, the Tinman, the Cowardly Lion and Toto too as they travel the yellow brick road! This shortened adaptation features many of the classic songs.

**Activity level = low.**

**1<sup>st</sup> Pick-up: Tavares** Twistee Treat at 9:30 a.m.

**2<sup>nd</sup> pick up: : Leesburg:** (corner of Main and Lee, behind law office) at 10:00 a.m.

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## Wednesday, September 3 -- Life's a Trip--\$68.00 GOLDEN FLAKE & APPLETON MUSEUM

Visit the maker of the South's original potato chip, Golden Flake. Created in 1923 in the basement of a Birmingham, Alabama grocery store, Golden Flake grew over the years, adding other snack items to their line, including pork skins, crackers and popcorn. Now, Golden Flake Brand has more than 1,200 employees and processes 100 million pounds of potatoes each year. Tour the Golden Flake Manufacturing Plant and see the process potatoes and corn go through to create the great tasting packaged snacks people love!

**IMPORTANT: You must wear CLOSED-TOED shoes on this tour.**

Enjoy lunch at Horse and Hounds Restaurant & Pub. Family owned and operated, located right in the middle of horse country, this casual dining spot is sure to please. Lunch choices are as follows: certified angus beef prime rib sandwich; grilled chicken sandwich; or chef salad. Sandwiches served with steak fries, coleslaw or fruit. Plus, non-alcoholic drink and chef's choice for dessert. **Please make lunch selection at time of reservation.**

Tour the Appleton Museum of Art which contains European, American and Contemporary sculptures and paintings, plus African, Asian, Islamic and pre-Columbian artifacts and antiquities.

**1<sup>st</sup> Pick-up: Tavares** Twistee Treat at 8:15 a.m.

**2<sup>nd</sup> pick up: Leesburg:** (corner of Main and Lee, behind law office) at 8:45 a.m.

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**To make reservations, please contact Rick Reed at 352-787-0403.**

Payment is due at time of reservation. Please make checks payable to Life's a Trip Tours and mail to LIFE, 1116 W. Main Street, Leesburg, FL 34748.

**Deadline for cancellation with a refund is 30 days prior to the trip.**

# LUNCHEONS

\*\*\* Luncheons are \$10\*\*\*

*Entertainment subject to change*

*Please call 787-0403 to RSVP or for more information.*

## JULY

### July 10 – Thursday – 11:30 a.m.

*Leesburg Community Center -  
109 East Dixie Ave., Leesburg*

After a delicious buffet-style lunch, we will be entertained by the talented and versatile DJ Bob Fowler, who will get us clapping our hands, stomping our feet and singing along while he sings plenty of our favorite oldies but goodies.

### July 16 – Wednesday – 11:30 a.m.

*Golden Corral Buffet & Grill -  
15810 Us Highway 441, Eustis*

Enjoy the plentiful lunchtime buffet at Golden Corral as LIFE tries a different venue in as Lake Tech is closed for the summer. The cost of lunch includes a beverage and the dessert and salad buffets. Entertainment to be announced.

### July 18 – Friday – 11:30 a.m.

*North Lake Presbyterian at Lady Lake*

*975 Rolling Acres Rd,  
East of US Highway 441, Behind Home Depot.*

Welcome to our newest luncheon. It takes place in the new North Lake Presbyterian facility with the meal prepared by the wonderful staff. Entertainment will be DJ Bob Fowler, who will get us stomping our feet, clapping our hands and singing along as he sings many of our favorite oldies but goodies.

## AUGUST

### August 14 – Thursday – 11:30 a.m.

**SUMMER SPECTACULAR**

*COMBINED LEESBURG/EUSTIS/VILLAGES  
LUNCHEON - \$10*

*Leesburg Community Center*

*109 East Dixie Ave., Leesburg*

Food – Fun – Fellowship – Games. An afternoon designed with you in mind! After a spectacular summer buffet enjoy Bingo, including Rick Reed's Speed Bingo. Prizes galore!

## SEPTEMBER

### September 11 – Thursday – 11:30 a.m.

*Leesburg Community Center*

*109 East Dixie Ave., Leesburg- \$10*

While eating a fine buffet meal enjoy the food and fellowship with old and new friends. Back for an encore will be some of Lake County's finest dulcimer musicians as they play a variety of songs with its roots in Americana music.

### September 17 – Wednesday – 11:30 a.m.

*LAKE TECH - 2001 Kurt Street, Eustis- \$10*

(About a mile north of US Highway 441 on Kurt Street) Our lunch, prepared by Lake Tech's excellent Culinary Arts Program, will be a highlight of the afternoon. Entertainment to be provided by talented and versatile DJ Bob Fowler, who will get us clapping our hands, stomping our feet and singing along while he sings plenty of our favorite oldies but goodies.

### September 19 -- Friday -- 11:30 a.m.

*North Lake Presbyterian at Lady Lake*

*975 Rolling Acres Rd,*

*East of US Highway 441, Behind Home Depot.*

After a fine buffet style meal prepared by North lakes excellent staff, entertainment will be some of Lake County's finest dulcimer musicians as they play a variety of songs with its roots in Americana music.



*The Lighter  
Side of  
LIFE*

Why is the third hand on the watch called the second hand?

*Spiritual Gem*

The best sermons are lived, not preached.



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**Thoughts**  
FOR YOUR DAY  
If you were always guided by other people's thoughts,  
what's the point of having your own? - Oscar Wilde

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## ***LIFE Mission Statement***

*"The goal of the LIFE Program is to create an environment of comfort and support for those who have experienced the loss of a spouse. By helping members redirect their grief to more positive avenues, the program instills a sense of self-confidence and purpose to those who may otherwise be feeling lost and alone. LIFE provides opportunities for enhancing the quality of life by encouraging members to learn, share, and reach out to one another."*

### ***Let us remember the businesses that support LIFE:***

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