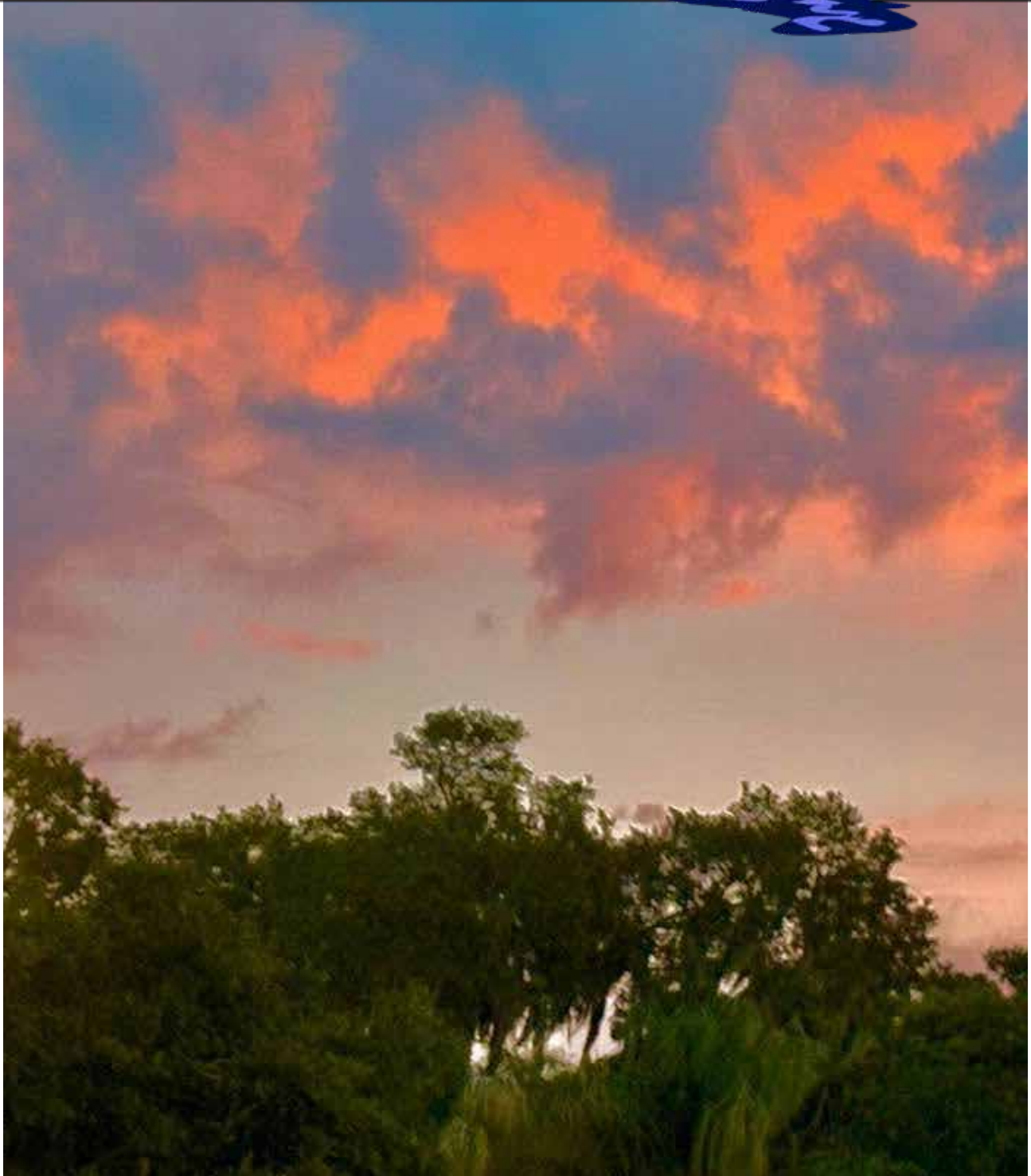


# The Seagull

Lakeside Terrace | 24 Sunrise Lane, Fruitland Park, FL 34731  
[www.lakesideterrace.net](http://www.lakesideterrace.net)



August 2026



**Sunset**

**Terri Ellis**

**2026**

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## Monthly Activities

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Sun. Ladies of Faith

July 12 was our **last Sunday** outing **till 2027**. We look forward to others sharing their place of worship with us next year.

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Fri. Book Club Aug. 14, 2:00 PM



(At the **Fruitland Park Library**,  
604 W. Berckman St.,  
Fruitland Park)

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Tue. Guys & Gals Luncheon Aug. 18, 1:00 PM



(At the **Old Time Diner**, 1350 W N Blvd  
/ AKA Route 441,  
Leesburg)



3<sup>rd</sup> Wed. Not Your  
Grandma's **Bingo + Wine**  
Aug. 19, 6:30 PM



3<sup>rd</sup> Thu. **Birthday  
Bash Potluck**  
Aug. 20, 5:00 PM

## Weekly Activities

**Billiards** Su - Tu - F 1 - 3 PM  
**Bingo** M 5 PM

**Mah Jongg** Thursdays 1:00 PM  
(Location varies)

### **Mexican Train Dominoes**

Saturdays (Location varies) 1:00 PM  
(To attend either game, please RSVP by 11:00 AM that day to Donna + Will Johnson. We'll respond with that day's game location. RSVP via (802) 258 - 1865, [djwj23@gmail.com](mailto:djwj23@gmail.com), or on LST's facebook. All are welcome.)

### **Morning Exercise with Peg**

(Clubhouse) M - W - F 7 AM

### **Not Your Grandma's Bingo**

W - F 6:30 PM

### **Pool Noodle Exercise**

Tu - Th 9 AM

### **Shuffleboard**

Th 1 - 4 PM

### **Water Aerobic Exercise**

(No Equipment) M - W - F 9:30 AM

### **Water Weights Workout**

M - W - F 9 AM

place in the Create a Unique Flag competition and to Dawn Reed for her 2nd place entry. It was great seeing everyone, including some of our newest residents. Thank you to everyone who took pictures. We have some really good photographers in the community.

The community **Birthday Bash** will start again on **Thu. Aug. 20**. For new residents, this is a potluck event where we all come together to celebrate our neighbors' birthdays. Dinner starts at 5:00 PM. This community loves to eat, and we have some amazing cooks. Bring your food by 4:45 PM. Coffee is available; bring your own drinks. All residents are invited to attend. This is a great way to meet new people.

The **Labor Day Cookout** will be on **Mon. Sept. 7 at 4:00 PM**. The menu will be Sloppy

## Social Club News

*Linda Greer, Social Club President*

"August rain: the best of the summer gone, and the new fall not yet born. The odd uneven time." - Sylvia Plath

The July 4th event was a lot of fun. Mother Nature allowed us time to represent each state in the Union. The afternoon sky was not so kind, dumping a lot of rain on any afternoon plans. Thank you to everyone who participated. Congratulations to Chris and Amy Seelye for 1st

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CLUB**

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Joes, Hot Dogs, Potato Salad, Coleslaw, and Dessert. Coffee and Iced Tea will be provided. We need 3 - 4 people to donate baked goods for the event.

The first **Social Club Meeting** of the year will be **Tue. Oct. 6**. Dues are just \$12 per year. These meetings are a great way to meet neighbors and find out about events happening in the community. If you are interested in hosting an event or activity, reach out to any Social Club Officer. Our events are all volunteer led and we welcome new ideas and workers.

Reminder: we are still in the heart of hurricane season. Please look around your house and make note of those items that will need to be moved inside carports or homes if a storm hits our area. Trash cans, plants, chairs, tables, etc. all need to be secured. Please ask for help before the storm, not after you have left town.

It will be so great to see everyone once again enjoying our community events. I have seen some of the Clubhouse improvements, and it is very nice. Change is good, but sometimes hard to accept.

"Blessed are the flexible for they will not be bent out of shape" - Robert Ludlum.

"If June was the beginning of a hopeful summer, and July the juice middle, August was suddenly feeling like the bitter end." - Sarah Dessen

## Important Florida Voting Info

*Will Johnson*

The Lake County Supervisor of Elections offers voting options to absentee military voters, overseas voters, and those voters who are unable to vote using a traditional ballot without assistance. If you would like to take advantage of these options, complete the appropriate information below and include it with your vote-by-mail request.

<https://www.lakevotes.gov/DocumentCenter/View/1829/Statewide-Vote-by-Mail-Request-Form-with-BallotTrax-Coversheet-English-Accessible-Fillable-PDF>

Or call them at (352) 343-9734.

Any Florida driver's license or ID card which you renewed after July 31, 2024 has a new number. You can update your registration with the new number in person at Motor Vehicles:

DMV

1720 Citrus Blvd, Leesburg, FL 34748

Phone: (352) 343 - 9602

Hours: M - F

8:30 AM - 5 PM

or online at:

<https://registertovoteflorida.gov/home>

If you're at the Motor Vehicle office and the clerk asks you if you'd like to update your voter registration, you should always answer "Yes."

If you'd like to vote by mail, you must request a ballot online or by phone. Even if you've voted by mail before, you must request a ballot before each election. If you make a request now, you'll receive both a primary and general election ballot when they become available. You also have the option of bringing your blank ballot to your voting location on election day, handing it back, and voting in person.

<https://www.lakevotes.gov/175/Online-Vote-by-Mail-Request>

***I like receiving my primary ballot by regular mail so I don't forget to vote.***

### **PRIMARY ELECTION:**

(Voter Registration Deadlines by Mail (postmarked), In Person, or Online: passed already)

Last Day to Request a Vote-by-Mail Ballot: Aug. 6, 2026

Last Day for Vote-by-Mail Ballot Counter Pickups: Aug. 7, 2026

EARLY **Primary** Election voting: Aug. 6 - 15, 2026, 10 AM - 6 PM

**Primary** ELECTION: Tue. Aug. 18, 2026, 7 AM - 7 PM

Vote-by-Mail Ballots must be received no later than 7 PM on Election Day

### **GENERAL ELECTION:**

Voter Registration Deadlines by Mail, In Person, or Online: Oct. 5, 2026

Last Day to Request a Vote-by-Mail Ballot: Oct. 22, 2026

Last Day for Vote-by-Mail Ballot Counter Pickups: Oct. 23, 2026

EARLY **General** Election voting: Oct. 19 - 31, 2026, 10 AM - 6 PM

**General** Election: Tue. Nov. 3, 2026, 7 AM - 7 PM

Vote-by-Mail Ballots must be received no later than 7 PM on Election Day





## Bits and Pieces

*Rich McFadden*

-Life is not a puzzle to be solved, but rather a window looking out on the world. And when you see more clearly, you realize the world is your window.

-Real opportunities often don't proclaim themselves to get your attention. You have to possess the appetite, the goal, and the curiosity to find the way to accomplishment.

-When you are too deep in the game - a position gamblers call "pot committed" - it's not an ideal position to make decisions from. What if you were less invested and no pride was involved?

-Without a goal in life, how will you know if you score? If you take away your goal today and do pointless things, you won't realize that you - yourself - are the prize.

-It's not paranoia - just awareness. What others want is not always yours to give. Share yourself with the right people at the right time. For the right reasons.



**Guys & Gals' Luncheon**

**Olive Garden, Leesburg**

**June 2026**

## Happy Anniversary

Martha & Ron  
Grove, Bobbie  
& Moe Lavoie,  
Richard & Sue  
McFadden, Bucky & Susan Neely, Don & Mary  
Ann Paquette, Debbie & Mel Porritt, Deborah &  
Gary Serdar, & Anne & Terry Walker.



## Happy Birthday

Mary Jane Beckhans,  
Lynn Bernier, George  
Clody, Robert Cruse,  
Dianne Henry, Ed King, Bob Larmay, Brenda  
Pierce, Harry Salmon, Sherry Shaw, Carolyn  
Thompson, & Dee Walker.



## Sheriff's Department's "Senior Watch"

*Terri Ellis*

If you live alone or are  
handicapped/disabled and need  
medical assistance, you can sign  
up for the Sheriff's Department's  
Senior Watch program, or 911.com.



The Senior Watch is a personal call from the  
Sheriff's Department. They will call you each  
morning to make sure you are okay.

The Smart911.com is a federal program.  
You provide personal and contact information  
to them. If needed, the EMT/Fire Department  
will have your information on hand before they  
arrive to administer medical assistance.

Every second counts when there's a medical  
emergency. The estimated time for EMT  
assistance is 10-15 minutes; this could be a life  
or death situation.

If anyone needs help to get in touch with  
these two programs, or have any questions,  
please reach out to me. I highly recommend  
both of these programs.



## In Memoriam: Shirley Cruse

[Abridged. Her full obituary may be viewed at  
<https://www.tuckeryocumwilson.com/obituaries/Shirley-Hall-Cruse?obld=48597517>]



Shirley Cruse,  
75, died peacefully  
surrounded by family  
on June 4 in Lexington,  
Kentucky. Above all  
else, Shirley treasured  
her family. Shirley was  
preceded in death by  
her beloved firstborn  
son, Robert "Marc"

Cruse. Shirley will be lovingly remembered by  
her husband of nearly 57 years, Robert, and by  
her children and grandchildren.

Shirley dedicated much of her career to  
serving others through administrative and  
support roles at the University of Kentucky and  
with the Lexington Police Department. She was  
known for her strong work ethic, kindness, and  
quiet dedication to helping those around her.

Shirley loved nature in all its forms. She and  
her husband Robert looked forward to their  
annual winters in Florida, where they created  
many cherished memories together.

Her funeral and burial will be held in Kentucky.  
In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may  
be made to the Baptist Health Foundation  
Lexington Nursing Excellence Fund, 1740  
Nicholasville Road, Lexington, KY 40503, or  
online at [supportbaptisthealth.org/Lexington](http://supportbaptisthealth.org/Lexington).

## In Memoriam

Our condolences to the family and friends of  
the late David Murphy of 1 Lakeview Drive.





# AUGUST

| SUNDAY                                     | MONDAY                                                                                                                                                                        | TUESDAY                                                                                                                                                                              | WEDNESDAY                                                                                                                                                                            |
|--------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>MONTHLY</b>                             | <b>ACTIVITIES -&gt;</b>                                                                                                                                                       | August 18, 1 PM:<br><b>*Guys &amp; Gals Luncheon</b><br><br>1350 W N Blvd<br>(Route 441), Leesburg | August 19, 6:30 PM:<br><b>**Not Your Grandma's Bingo + Wine</b><br>                               |
| 2<br><br>1 - 3 PM Billiards                | 3<br><br>7 AM (Clubhouse)<br>Morning Exercise with Peg<br>9 AM Water Weights Workout<br>9:30 AM H <sub>2</sub> O Aerobic Exercise (no equipment)<br>5 PM Bingo                | 4<br><br>9 AM Pool Noodle Exercise<br>1 - 3 PM Billiards                                                                                                                             | 5<br><br>7 AM Morning Exercise with Peg<br>9 AM Water Weights Workout<br>9:30 AM H <sub>2</sub> O Aerobic Exercise (no equipment)<br>6:30 PM Not Your Grandma's Bingo                |
| 9<br><br>1 - 3 PM Billiards                | 10<br><br>7 AM (Clubhouse)<br>Morning Exercise with Peg<br>9 AM Water Weights Workout<br>9:30 AM H <sub>2</sub> O Aerobic Exercise (no equipment)<br>5 PM Bingo               | 11<br><br>9 AM Pool Noodle Exercise<br>1 - 3 PM Billiards                                                                                                                            | 12<br><br>7 AM Morning Exercise with Peg<br>9 AM Water Weights Workout<br>9:30 AM H <sub>2</sub> O Aerobic Exercise (no equipment)<br>6:30 PM Not Your Grandma's Bingo               |
| 16<br><br>1 - 3 PM Billiards               | 17<br><br>7 AM (Clubhouse)<br>Morning Exercise with Peg<br>9 AM Water Weights Workout<br>9:30 AM H <sub>2</sub> O Aerobic Exercise (no equipment)<br>5 PM Bingo               | 18<br><br>9 AM Pool Noodle Exercise<br>1 - 3 PM Billiards<br>1 PM <b>*Guys &amp; Gals Luncheon</b>                                                                                   | 19<br><br>7 AM Morning Exercise with Peg<br>9 AM Water Weights Workout<br>9:30 AM H <sub>2</sub> O Aerobic Exercise (no equipment)<br>6:30 PM <b>**Not Your Grandma's Bingo/Wine</b> |
| 23 <b>and</b> 30<br><br>1 - 3 PM Billiards | 24 <b>and</b> 31<br><br>7 AM (Clubhouse)<br>Morning Exercise with Peg<br>9 AM Water Weights Workout<br>9:30 AM H <sub>2</sub> O Aerobic Exercise (no equipment)<br>5 PM Bingo | 25<br><br>9 AM Pool Noodle Exercise<br>1 - 3 PM Billiards                                                                                                                            | 26<br><br>7 AM Morning Exercise with Peg<br>9 AM Water Weights Workout<br>9:30 AM H <sub>2</sub> O Aerobic Exercise (no equipment)<br>6:30 PM Not Your Grandma's Bingo               |

| 2026                                                                                                                                                |                                                                                                                                                                                               |                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
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| THURSDAY                                                                                                                                            | FRIDAY                                                                                                                                                                                        | SATURDAY                                                                                                                                                                                                       | LST Online Calendar:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| August 20, 5 PM:<br><b>***Birthday Bash Potluck</b><br>            | August 14, 2 PM:<br><b>****Book Club</b><br><br>Fruitland Park Library<br>604 W Berckman St                  | 1<br>1 PM Mexican Train<br>Dominoes<br>***** (Location varies)<br>For location of Thu.'s Mah<br>Jongg or Sat.'s Dominoes<br>RSVP by 11 AM that day to<br>(802)258-1865, LST/face-<br>book or djwj23@gmail.com  | <a href="https://calendar.google.com/calendar/u/0/r">https://calendar.google.com/calendar/u/0/r</a>                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| 6<br>9 AM Pool Noodle<br>Exercise<br>1 PM Mah Jongg<br>***** (Location varies)<br>1 - 4 PM<br>Shuffleboard                                          | 7<br>9 AM Water Weights<br>Workout<br>9:30 AM H <sub>2</sub> O Aerobic<br>Exercise (no equipment)<br>1 - 3 PM Billiards<br>6:30 PM Not Your<br>Grandma's Bingo                                | 8<br>1 PM Mexican Train<br>Dominoes<br>***** (Location varies)<br>For location of Thu.'s Mah<br>Jongg or Sat.'s Dominoes<br>RSVP by 11 AM that day to<br>(802)258-1865, LST/face-<br>book or djwj23@gmail.com  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| 13<br>9 AM Pool Noodle<br>Exercise<br>1 PM Mah Jongg<br>***** (Location varies)<br>1 - 4 PM<br>Shuffleboard                                         | 14<br>9 AM Water Weights<br>Workout<br>9:30 AM H <sub>2</sub> O Aerobic<br>Exercise (no equipment)<br>1 - 3 PM Billiards<br>2 PM **** <b>Book Club</b><br>6:30 PM Not Your<br>Grandma's Bingo | 15<br>1 PM Mexican Train<br>Dominoes<br>***** (Location varies)<br>For location of Thu.'s Mah<br>Jongg or Sat.'s Dominoes<br>RSVP by 11 AM that day to<br>(802)258-1865, LST/face-<br>book or djwj23@gmail.com | Available<br>for <b>brief</b><br><b>LOANS:</b><br><br>Emergency<br>Portable AIR<br>CONDITIONER<br>and<br>HEATER<br><br>If needed,<br>please<br>Contact:<br><br>Social Club<br>President<br>Linda Greer<br>(916) 541 - 7305<br><br>or<br><br>HOA President<br>Randy Ellis<br>(508) 697 - 8745 |
| 20<br>9 AM Pool Noodle<br>Exercise<br>1 PM Mah Jongg<br>***** (Location varies)<br>1 - 4 PM<br>Shuffleboard<br>5 PM <b>***Birthday Bash Potluck</b> | 21<br>9 AM Water Weights<br>Workout<br>9:30 AM H <sub>2</sub> O Aerobic<br>Exercise (no equipment)<br>1 - 3 PM Billiards<br>6:30 PM Not Your<br>Grandma's Bingo                               | 22<br>1 PM Mexican Train<br>Dominoes<br>***** (Location varies)<br>For location of Thu.'s Mah<br>Jongg or Sat.'s Dominoes<br>RSVP by 11 AM that day to<br>(802)258-1865, LST/face-<br>book or djwj23@gmail.com |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| 27<br>9 AM Pool Noodle<br>Exercise<br>1 PM Mah Jongg<br>***** (Location varies)<br>1 - 4 PM<br>Shuffleboard                                         | 28<br>9 AM Water Weights<br>Workout<br>9:30 AM H <sub>2</sub> O Aerobic<br>Exercise (no equipment)<br>1 - 3 PM Billiards<br>6:30 PM Not Your<br>Grandma's Bingo                               | 29<br>1 PM Mexican Train<br>Dominoes<br>***** (Location varies)<br>For location of Thu.'s Mah<br>Jongg or Sat.'s Dominoes<br>RSVP by 11 AM that day to<br>(802)258-1865, LST/face-<br>book or djwj23@gmail.com |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
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# 4<sup>th</sup> of July

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# ***THE SEAGULL***

**needs** one or two **new EDITORS** (either one full-year editor, or two who do 6 months each). If you have any type of computer skills and an eye for detail, we can use your help. The job duties are **editing** and compiling articles, photos, and other information for the monthly community newsletter. Editors can be any full-time or part-time resident. Our Guest Editor, Donna Johnson, is available to train anyone interested in this volunteer job. Please contact any Social Club Officer for more information.



Here is the group who went to the St. Paul Catholic Church in July. This is the last Sunday till 2027. We look forward to others sharing their place of worship with us next year.



**Seagull contributions** (writing and photos) are welcome. Deadline: 10th of the prior month. Send items to Guest Editor Donna Johnson at [djwj23@gmail.com](mailto:djwj23@gmail.com). My phone # is (802) 258 - 1865.

### **Lakeside Terrace Office**

Property Manager.....Malinda Brown  
Office Hours.....M - F.....8 AM - 5 PM  
.....352 - 326 - 9455  
Emergency ONLY.....352 -932 - 3373  
Lakeside Terrace is in an unincorporated area of Lake County.  
Mail Delivery...Fruitland Park, FL...34731

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### **Community Assistance Fund**

Residents may request funds by completing an application and submitting it to a Social Club officer. CAF applications are available on the Clubhouse bulletin board.

Additional help with rent can be found through the LST Office. See Park Manager Malinda Brown for more information.

### **Rent / Utility Assistance Programs**

#### **Lake Community Action Agency**

1010 North Blvd East, Leesburg, FL 34748  
.....Mondays..... 9 AM - 1 PM

#### **Salvation Army of Lake and Sumter Counties**

2605 South Street, Leesburg, FL 34748  
.....M - F.....8 AM - 4:30 PM

### **Web Page** [www.lakesideterrace.net](http://www.lakesideterrace.net)

Activities, photos, and full-color *Seagull* newsletter **online**. Electronic *Seagulls* are also available via **email**. Please send your name and email address to Webmaster Rich Aniol at LTSeagull@aol.com.

### **Closest Hurricane Shelters**

#### **Primary:**

Leesburg HS 1401 Yellow Jacket Way

#### **Special Needs AND Pet Friendly:**

Leesburg Elementary Sch. 2229 South St.

### **Utilities**

FL Governmental Utility Authority Water / Sewer.....M - F.....8 AM - 5 PM  
[www.fgua.com](http://www.fgua.com).....352 - 633 - 9700  
Leesburg Electric Department Customer Service.....M - F.....8 AM - 4:30 PM  
.....352 - 728 - 9800  
Emergency / Outage.....24/7  
.....(833) 223-1313

### **Non - Emergency Law Enforcement**

Lake County Sheriff ....352 - 343 - 2101  
Sheriff's "Senior Watch" Daily Check-ins  
.....352 - 343 - 2101  
Sheriff's Info Desk.....352 - 343 - 9500

**Help** with food, rent,+ utilities: [www.findhelp.org](http://www.findhelp.org).

### **Food Assistance Programs**

#### **Benevolence Center / Christian Care Center**

118 North 14th St, Leesburg, FL 34748  
.....M thru F.....9 AM - 11 AM

#### **Beyond the Walls Food Pantry**

609 W Berckman St, Fruitland Park, FL 34731  
.....M - W - Th.....9 AM - 11:30 AM

#### **Joining Hands Food Ministry**

130 S Lone Oak Dr, Leesburg, FL 34748  
.....Fridays.....8:30 AM - 10:30 AM

#### **Leesburg Food Bank**

503 N 13th St, Leesburg, FL 34748  
.....M - W - Th.....8:30 AM - NOON

#### **Life Church Assembly of God Food Pantry**

4001 Picciola Rd, Fruitland Park, FL 34731  
.....M + Th.....10 AM - NOON