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L.I.F.E. A Year of Creativity

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Starbird L.I.F.E. Players

Lowrey's own Joanie Manero and **Starbird L.I.F.E. Players**, pictured below, recently gathered for a mini-music-making-workshop-marathon. Three different workshop sessions and some lively music-making were the outcome of a delightfully busy day. The Starbird L.I.F.E. Players are hosted by **Starbird Piano and Organ** located in Portland, Maine.



Prairie State L.I.F.E.

Prairie State L.I.F.E. members, hosted by Music Education Centers of South Elgin, Illinois were all decked out for their 4th of July Parade. Featured marchers getting ready to step off are: (Left to right) Sue Glaze (Recorder), Jim Dybass, Suzy Koldan (past president), Karen Kugelman (president) and Don Glaze (who decided to ride his decorated bicycle).



Boise Has L.I.F.E.

A group of thirty-four dedicated men and women unselfishly give of their time to brighten the days of many senior citizens. They are the members of the **Boise Has L.I.F.E.** chapter, hosted by **Dunkley Music**. Dunkley Music also hosts a L.I.F.E. chapter in the Nampa/Caldwell area. Twice a month, usually on Thursdays, from 11:30 to 1:00 the Boise students play a medley of songs ranging from classical to western and bluegrass genres. The chapter members are made up of folks ranging in age from their forties to nineties. All are students in weekly classes offered by Dunkley Music in Boise. Many are beginning students with no prior musical background while some are students continuing their many years of musical education.



Boise Has L.I.F.E. member, Dick Clemens (93 years young) plays for an appreciative audience. All are having a ball due mainly to the world class instruction presented by Lowrey trained instructors Marion Sundwall and Terri Fife. The audiences receive the presentations enthusiastically and enjoy the music-making completely. The students learn how to play in front of fairly large audiences. It's a win-win situation with a lot of fun thrown in. Often times members from the audience want to play and we help them. It's great to see their eyes light up and the smiles on their faces. - Gerri Baker

Boogie Woogie

It time to boogie with the Boogie Woogie piano style. It's a **Big Band Variation** and if you don't have that style use **Rock** 'N Roll Variation 0 (50's Swing Rock). Just turn off the Genie and Orch Plus and you'll have a boogie bass (especially when you use Auto Bass 2). The little melody inside is often used with a boogie style and is easier than it looks. The fingering displayed above the notes (starting on the 2nd line) is the same for all the chords. All you have to do is change your hand position (at the vertical dashed line). Some fingerings have a "1" (thumb) and the next note is also a "1". These occur from Eb to E, Ab to A, and Bb to B. You just "slip" you thumb off the black key down onto the next higher white key. Try using a piano or honky tonk piano (R.P. 8) but change the harmony to Duet. Start really slow and gradually increase the tempo. Hope to see you all at the Florida Home Organ Spectacular! - *Turn the page for Boogie Woogie Music*.

Boogie Woogie by: Bil Curry

The Set up for Boogie Woogie is on the cover page.



Chapter Updates

Hope you all are enjoying this nice summer weather! Some more than others, we suspect. L.IF.E. has undergone some changes since the first of this year. Sometimes a friendly reminder is helpful. Here are a few we would like to share with you. *Dennis & Joyce Kaplan*1. **Jennifer Gonzalez-Horton** has been succeeded by

- **Jacqueline Mavros** as LIFE Coordinator. We hope you will welcome Jacqueline and provide her with the kindness, patience and respect that you have given Jennifer. LIFE-related emails should now be sent to JacquelineM@Lowrey.com
- 2. **2010 L.I.F.E. Forms:** Each Sponsoring Dealer was sent a pack of L.I.F.E forms in March. Everyone should be using the 2010 L.I.F.E. Forms. If your Sponsor has run out, ask them to re-order more from Lowrey/L.I.F.E.. L.I.F.E. Members need not order supplies.
- 3. Visa Gift Cards are still a hot item. They are mailed to you as soon as L.I.F.E. receives them from Visa. The average turnaround time is approximately 8 weeks.
- 4. **Reward Points:** Please retain the top copy of your L.I.F.E. Reward Authorization Form. You **MUST** keep these forms in a secure place because you must attach them to your redemption request to order items. This sheet identifies what you did to earn points and shows you the amount of points you earned. It is your responsibility to keep track of them and to add up your totals. The volume of forms in the L.I.F.E. Coordinator's file plus the many forms that are received on a daily basis prohibits Jacqueline from being able to verify each point request. When you redeem points, Jacqueline will contact you if there is a
- 5. A reminder to all Chapters. Please send the date you hold Election of Officers, i.e., the 2nd Fri in Dec., plus the list of your current Chapter Officers, phone numbers and email address to Dennis & Joyce Kaplan at ChapterPres@Lowrey.com To the few Chapters who have responded, thank you.
- 6. Lowrey is not holding **Home Organ Holiday** this year in Chicago. As you know Dennis Awe and Seth Rye have assumed that role next month in Orlando, for the Florida Home Organ Spectacular. Lowrey will be supplying organs, special equipment, and Lowrey Artists for the event; Dennis and Seth will be the hosts. Expect it to be something new and different with special surprises. You'll just have to see it for yourself. Hope to see you all there on Monday, Aug. 30th. For further information, contact Dennis Awe through his website, www.DennisAwe.com or email Dennis Awe@aol.com; phone: 407-810-8443 or 407-365-5006.

"Absolutely fabulous news for all those who have not registered yet, our attendance numbers made it possible to renegotiate the free \$400.00 software deadline. It has now been extended to August 15th." There are plenty of rooms at The Marriott Hotel, but to "lock-in" all the extras, we need everyone to be prompt making a reservation. Would each of you with the ability to email, please send us the model organ that you have for us to order the appropriate free software for you.

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If you cannot email, please call Ginny at 407-810-8443 or 407-365-5006 and leave her the information. Don't forget to leave her your name & phone number as well. A smart casual dress code would be perfect for the event and please watch for updates on my website, www.dennisawe.com as we will be requesting meal choices."

> "See all of you in Orlando!" ~ Dennis Awe ~