On June 17, we'll travel to one of the Barefoot Beachcombers' favorite beaches,

North Jetty Park at Nokomis

This may be one of the most simplistic, back-to-nature beaches we offer our members. How does 4 hours of total relaxation in a beautiful setting on the Gulf sound to you? Since there is nothing commercial to distract us, the rest of the world will feel many miles away. As you can see, this park facing the Gulf is lined by a channel leading from the intercoastal waterway to the Gulf.

Some serious fishing happens in the Venice Inlet. There is a bait shop on site if you'd like to bring your rod and join these anglers. Just be sure your catch can be stored on ice below the bus—out of aromatic range!

Or you can set up a chair with a good book and occasionally look up to watch boats pass by and see dolphins and large rays jumping in the inlet.

Oh yeah ~ there's also a quiet beach and crystal clear water awaiting your pleasure. To ensure your safety, there are lifeguards on duty year round.

(Unfortunately, they tend to rescue girls under age 25 first.)

A modern concession serves only fresh made-to-order food worthy of the short wait you'll experience. There are also relatively new restrooms, covered picnic pavilions, and simple old-fashion picnic tables under the shade of waterfront trees.

By reducing our time a bit at this quiet beach, we've preserved two hours to stop-halfway home--at the Shops at Wiregrass in Wesley Chapel for dinner.

In addition to browsing all that there is to see here, you'll also have the choice of many restaurants, (see https://www.theshopsatwiregrass.com/directory/#Restaurants) to share a relaxing meal with old or new friends.

Hopefully Wiregrass won't have to train you back to the bus after a heavy meal!

To join us on this trip, print the reservation form (click on green button below) and mail it along with your check (made out to the BBC) for \$28 per person to the address below. On June 5th, we will conduct our lottery and you will be notified shortly thereafter of your seat confirmation or waitlist status.

Barefoot Beachcombers Club ('BBC' will also suffice) 333 Colony Blvd. #110 The Villages, FL 32162

You could instead hand your addressed envelope to a person at the counter at Safe Ship in Colony Plaza, saving you the stamp.