

Dinner to aid visually impaired

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DAYTONA BEACH — Eating in **the** dark will take on a very different connotation Oct. 17 at **the** Plaza Resort and Spa.

People attending a **Center for the Visually Impaired** fundraiser will be dining in a darkened banquet room, relying on senses other than sight to identify **the** gourmet food. Members of **the** Volusia County Sheriff's Office, wearing night-vision goggles, will serve **the** three-course meal. A lighted reception begins at 5:30 p.m. with entertainment being provided by **the** Florida School **for the** Deaf and Blind's "Outta Sight" band. After **the** reception, guests will be guided into a "light lock" room and then seated at their tables in a pitch-black banquet hall.

The items on **the** menu will not be disclosed until **the** lights are turned on **for** coffee.

Vegetarians and people with food allergies can select an alternative meal.

Tickets **for** general seating are \$50 each, or \$500 **for** a reserved table of eight. **The** hotel is at 600 N. Atlantic Ave. **For** more information, call 386-253-8879, ext. 15.

-- Ray Weiss