

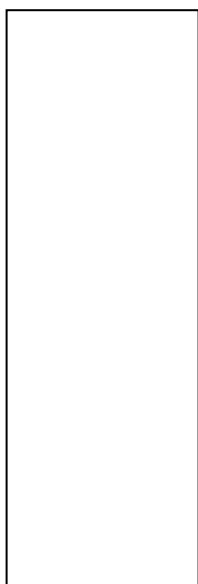


Saint David Men's Club

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Newsletter

St. David Men's Club
3900 S. University Drive
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Club Officers

Your officers for the 2008-2009 club year are:

President	Bill Greco	954-966-8050
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Board Member	Scott Lee	954-472-5497
Past President	Bob Balandis	954-473-0244

Please feel free to contact any board member with any questions or comments. Please meet at the monthly board meeting to ensure your issues are added to the agenda. Note: all board meetings are held two weeks prior to the general meeting at 7:30pm in the parish hall. Board meetings are open to all members.

Sunshine Committee

The Men's Club Sunshine Committee exists to provide a way for all of us to express our sympathies to members and their immediate family who experience serious illness or the loss of a loved one. If you are aware of a member in this situation, please contact either Tom Vinceguerra (954-227-9940) or George Caffrey (954-680-0733).

Please keep the following persons in your prayers:

Barbara Blanchard, Hilda Cull, Debbie Motta and Mary Smith

Prayer for the Night of Christmas

Let us ask the Lord to grant us the grace of looking upon the crib this night with the simplicity of the shepherds, so as to receive the joy with which they returned home (see Lk 2:20). Let us ask him to give us the humility and the faith with which St. Joseph looked upon the child that Mary had conceived by the Holy Spirit. Let us ask the Lord to let us look upon him with that same love with which Mary saw him. And let us pray that in this way the light that the shepherds saw will shine upon us too, and that what the angels sang that night will be accomplished throughout the world: "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among men with whom he is pleased." Amen!

Humor

A mature lady gets pulled over for speeding...

Older Woman: Is there a problem officer?

Officer: Ma'am, you were speeding

Older Woman: Oh, I see.

Officer: Can I see your license please?

Older Woman: I'd give it to you, but I don't have one.

Officer: Don't have one?

Older Woman: Lost it 4 years ago for drunk driving.

Officer: I see...Can I see your vehicle registration please?

Older Woman: I can't do that.

Officer: Why not?

Older Woman: I stole this car.

Officer: Stole it?

Older Woman: Yes and I killed and hacked up the owner.

Officer: You what??

Older Woman: His body parts are in plastic bags in the trunk.

The officer looks at the woman and slowly backs away to his car and calls for back up. Within minutes, 5 police cars surround the lady. A senior officer slowly approaches the car, clasp his half drawn gun.

Officer 2: Ma'am, could you step out of your vehicle please.

The woman steps out of her vehicle.

Older Woman: Is there a problem sir?

Officer 2: One of my officers told me that you have stolen this car and murdered the owner.

Older Woman: Murdered the owner?

Officer 2: Yes, could you please open the trunk.

The woman opens it and reveals nothing but an empty trunk.

Officer 2: Is this your car ma'am?

Older Woman: Yes, here are the registration papers.

The officer is quite stunned.

Officer 2: My officer claims that you do not have a license.

The woman digs into her purse and pulls out a license and hands it to the officer. The officer examines the license and looks quite puzzled.

Officer 2: Thank you ma'am, but my officer told me you didn't have a license, that you stole this car and that you murdered and hacked up the owner.

Older Woman: Bet the liar told you I was speeding too!

Moral: Don't mess with Mature Ladies.

Thank You BB & T!

BB&T is kind enough to provide mailing services, which offset the cost of distributing our newsletter each month. We are grateful to Thom Bambenek and BB&T for their generosity.

Annual Christmas Party

Our annual Christmas party will be held in the Parish Hall. Friday December 11 at 7 pm. Please bring a covered dish and a new unwrapped toy that will be donated to those less fortunate. We look forward to seeing all members and their better half at our annual get together. Entertainment will be provided with a DJ and the usual karaoke gang.

Pancake Breakfast

Jim Harrison and the Boy Scout troop 317 sponsored by St. David will host the gazebo breakfast on Sunday December 13, while we are selling Christmas trees. Stop by after mass and support our local scouts.

2009 Communion Breakfast

The Communion Breakfast was held Sunday, November 15th at the beautiful home of Bob & Sue Balandis. The food was outstanding and many thanks go out to Tim Stead, Vinnie Marino, Tom Fitzgerald, Kevin Murray and the entire Balandis family (especially birthday girl Jackie) who made the event a great success.

Hope Outreach

The Hope Outreach pantry is almost empty. Many of our parishioners have fallen victim to the poor economy. Please bring in a donation of canned food, paper products or other household necessities to assist our neighbors in their time of need.

Congratulations to Joe Underwood

Member Joe Underwood has won the prestigious Award for Teaching Excellence from the Florida Education Association. He will represent Florida in the National Education Association's competition in February. Congratulations to Joe for his recognition as an outstanding teacher at Miami High.

President's Report From Bill Greco



Guys

Your club needs your support for the next two-three weeks. The annual sale of Christmas Trees provides our club with the financial means to support a multitude of parish charities including Hope Outreach, St. David school athletics, Our Lady of Florida, Boy Scouts, Altar servers, St. Vincent de Paul, St. David School Library, High School scholarships for St. David students and various parish improvement projects.

If you haven't paid your annual dues, you are now delinquent. Please check with Bob Salerno to see if you are current. Remember you must be a member in good standing [paid up] to participate in our many drawings and events, such as our members Christmas party and our annual picnic. Looking forward to seeing all of you at the December meeting. Hope all is well

Bill

Christmas Tree Volunteers

We are in big need of volunteers for this year's Christmas tree sales. Every board member will be responsible for one day of the week. Please volunteer as much as your schedule will allow. Tree sales will started the Friday after Thanksgiving and will continue until they are all gone. Remember our efforts at this time of the year enable all of our other projects, both social and charitable.

Everglades City Fishing Trip

Forty-two anglers participated in our first and last November fishing trip to Everglades City. A cool front brought 20+ mph Northerly winds, which blew all of the water out of the swamp and provided many fishermen the opportunity to walk in the Everglades Mud as they tried to free their boats.

The fishing calcutta was \$240 split 3 ways. Bob Salerno won the biggest red fish at 18 inches, John Paul won big snook with a 28 ½ incher and the largest snapper was a 14 incher won by Mario Hernandez (TECO).



Bob Salerno and his winning redfish.

There were door prizes for everyone and we had a total of \$960 in the 25/25/25/25 (Thanks Annabelle for the help selling tickets!). Winners were Larry Orlando, Ryan Clark and Jim Caragnano.

As always a big round of appreciation to everyone who helped make the trip a success: Carter's BBQ was great as usual, but the crowd is asking for a return of the ribs next time! Thanks to Dennis Staruch for the ice and coolers, Eric "The Lunch man's Son" Grampa for filling his dad's shoes and taking care of all our Saturday lunches, Tim Stead and Tom Vinceguerra for their help in cleaning and of course none of this would have been possible without Bill Cull's selfless organization and hard work. Thanks Bill. Our next trip will be sometime around April-May.

November Calendar Winners

<u>Nov.</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Winnings</u>
1	Bill Doyle	\$100
2	Tom Vinceguerra	\$50
3	Larry Monk	\$100
4	Bob Balandis	\$50
5	Charles Day	\$50
6	Fran Lixie	\$50
7	Patrick Ferrante	\$50
8	Edna Sanchez	\$100
9	Steve Watson	\$50
10	Doug Crews	\$50
11	Domingo Torres	\$200
12	Anthony Harrison	\$50
13	John Daddoma	\$50
14	Jennifer Klingman	\$50
15	Victoria Utter-Jones	\$100
16	Tim Van Kirk	\$50
17	Ralph Ferrante	\$50
18	Mary Harrison	\$50
19	Suzanne Balandis	\$50
20	Robert Boyd	\$100
21	James Harrison	\$50
22	Wini Ford	\$100
23	Scott Williams	\$50
24	Mike Popick	\$50
25	John Thompson	\$50
26	Samantha Van Kirk	\$500
27	Doug Crews	\$50
28	Karen & Gary Martin	\$50
29	Larry Orlando	\$100
30	Joe Kessling	\$300

Support Our Disabled Veterans

Join South Florida Divers and the training staff and soldiers of S.U.D.S. (Soldiers Undertaking Disabled Scuba) as we celebrate at the Downtowner Saloon on the river from 8-11pm March 13, 2010. Call Sam Rich for additional details 954-761-1426.