

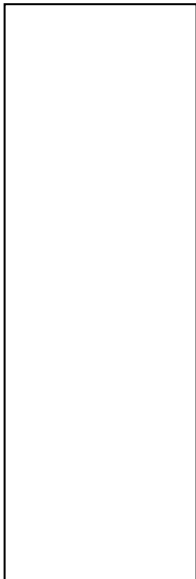


Saint David Men's Club

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February 2007
Newsletter

St. David Men's Club
3900 S. University Drive
Davie, FL 33328



Club Officers

Your officers for the 2006-2007 club year are:

President	Bob Balandis	954-473-0244
Vice President	Bill Greco	954-966-8050
Treasurer	Pete Schroeder	954-452-2083
Secretary	Marco Mora-Enriquez	954-322-0652
Board Member	Fran Lixie	954-434-0466
Board Member	Ed Matula	954-476-0467
Past President	Vinnie Marino	954-382-9179

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 have experienced serious illness or the loss of a loved one. If you are aware of a member in this situation, please contact either Ray Wyman (954-473-2147) or Tom Vinceguerra (954-227-9940).

Please keep Ed Matula in your thoughts and prayers as he recovers from his illness.

Annual Family Picnic

Our annual Family Picnic held in conjunction with the St. David Women's Club will be held Sunday February 11th at the Tree Tops Park in Davie starting at 12 Noon. Members are asked to show-up and enjoy a good meal prepared by your board members.

The women's club always hosts a great variety of games for the kids and plan on participating in the annual horseshoe Tournament for bragging rights all year long.

Tech Talk & Tips by Jim Blanchard

Did you know that you can stop those annoying calls from telemarketers by registering your phone at the Do Not Call Registry sponsored by our Federal government at <https://www.donotcall.gov>. You can register up to 3 phones, including your cell phone, but you must have an email address. If you do not have an email address you can call from your phone toll free to 888-382-1222. This is a FREE service and is good for 5 years

HUMOR

Fidel dies and goes to heaven. When he gets there, St. Peter tells him that he is not on the list and that no way, no how, does he belong in heaven. Fidel must go to hell.

So Fidel goes to hell where Satan gives him a hearty welcome and tells him to make himself right at home. Then, Fidel notices that he accidentally left his luggage back in heaven and tells Satan, who says, "No hay problema. I'll send a couple of little devils to get your stuff."

When the little devils get to heaven, they find the gates are locked - St. Peter is having lunch - and they start debating what to do. Finally, one comes up with the idea that they should climb over the wall and get the luggage.

As they are climbing the wall, two little angels see them, and one angel says to the other, "My goodness! Fidel has been in hell no more than ten minutes and we're already getting refugees."

God's Bumper Stickers

- I fish for a living. Ask Me How!
- Be patient, I'm coming
- I AM my own co-pilot
- God – a dyslexic's best friend
- Been there, done that
- What happens in Vegas ...still gets back to ME!

Committee Chairmen

For your reference, below are the committee chairmen.

Communion Breakfast & Retreat

Bob Balandis (954-473-0244)

Sunshine Committee

Ray Wyman (954-473-2147)

Tom Vinceguerra (954-227-9940)

Telephone Committee

Al Wieczorek (954-475-2150)

By-laws & Communications (Web Site & E-mail)

Jim Blanchard (954-583-8674)

Pancake Breakfast

Bob La Padula (954-472-2162)

Ash Wednesday Fish Fry

Ed Matula (954-434-0466)

Golf Tournament

Bob Gemma (954-433-5042)

Fran Lixie (954-434-0466)

November Calendar Sales

Vinny Marino (954-382-9179-)

Christmas Trees

Doug Blau (954-476-0467)

Christmas Party

Marco Mora (954-322-0652)

Annual Family Picnic

Pete Schroeder (954-452-2083)

Installation Dinner and Dance

Bill Greco (954-966-8050)

Thank You BB&T

Special thanks to BB&T Banking and Trust Company for their donation of mailing services for this month's newsletter. The thoughtful donation makes a significant saving to the expense of putting out this newsletter every month.

President's Corner from Bob Balandis

I hope that everyone who attended the Christmas tree worker party on January 6th had a great time. Special thanks to Bill and Cheryl Cull for hosting this event at their home. I also understand that Bob Salerno can almost retire from his job after winning 3 big "money pots" at the drinking game. I understand that he did keep his promise and took a midnight swim in Bill Cull's swimming pool after winning the last pot of money. Some intense Bean Bag games were also played while the frozen margaritas flowed.

The month of February continues to be a busy month for the Men's Club with a Pancake breakfast scheduled for 2/4/07, the Annual Picnic at Tree Tops Park on 2/11/07 and the Ash Wednesday Fish Fry on 2/21/07. I hope that you and your family can plan on attending some of these functions. The Annual Picnic is a co-sponsored event with the Saint David Women's Club. It is a free event for you and your immediate family. An assortment of food (chicken, ribs, corn, etc) is served along with kid games and the annual horseshoe tournament. Fun is guaranteed for all.

Your Board members are also busy trying to schedule some upcoming social events such as a boxing match or concert at the Hard Rock Live arena. This is YOUR club and if you have any interests or events that you would like us to pursue please contact one of the Board members. Hope to see you at our next meeting on February 1st.

Bob

Men's Club Sports

Basketball is played every Tuesday at 7:00 pmin the parish activity center. Get up off the couch and have a little fun playing some round ball against other members.

Attention all softball players. Recreational league play at Bamford Park is starting soon. Please see Doug Blau or Scott Lee for additional information.

2007 Club Calendar of Events

Feb 01 General Meeting 8PM
Feb 04 Pancake Breakfast at the Gazebo
Feb 11 Picnic at Tree Tops Parks
Feb 15 Board Meeting 7:30PM-Parish hall Room 202
Feb 21 Ash Wednesday Fish Fry
Mar 01 General Meeting 8PM
Mar 04 Pancake Breakfast at the Gazebo
Mar 15-18 Spring Carnival at the Church
Mar 22 Board Meeting 7:30PM-Parish hall Room 202
Apr 01 Pancake Breakfast at the Gazebo (Palm Sunday)
Apr 05 General Meeting 8PM
Apr 19 Board Meeting 7:30PM-Parish hall Room 202
Apr 20-22 Annual Retreat – Our Lady of Florida
May 03 General Meeting 8PM
May 05 Golf Tournament
May 11 Fishing Tournament – Everglades City (Tentative)
May 24 Board Meeting 7:30PM-Parish hall Room 202
Jun 04 Fr. O'Reilly's 40th Ordination Anniversary
Jun 07 General Meeting 8PM
Jun 16 Installation Dance (Tentative)

Pancake Breakfast

Thank You to all of the members who helped serve up pancakes at last month's breakfast. We served 74 hot pancake breakfasts to our fellow parishioners of Saint David.

The next pancake breakfast is scheduled for Sunday February 4th at the gazebo (7am-12 noon). Volunteers are always welcomed to stop by and help serve and sell a "stack of flapjacks". We can always use an extra set of hands (especially for the 8:45 and 10 am Masses). Please contact Bob LaPadula at 954-472-2162 if you are interested in lending a helping hand. This is a great way of getting involved with the Men's Club.

Prayer for Fathers

St. Joseph, guardian of Jesus and chaste husband of Mary, you passed your life in loving fulfillment of duty. You supported the holy family of Nazareth with the work of your hands. Kindly protect those who trustingly come to you. Assure those you protect that they do not labor alone. Teach them to find Jesus near them and to watch over him faithfully as you have done.

Amen
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2007 Saint David Men's Retreat

The men's weekend retreat at Our Lady of Florida Spiritual Center will be held April 20-22. This annual event is an excellent opportunity to give yourself a bit of peace and quiet time for reflection. The theme this year's retreat is "Fear Not, I am With You", and provides an opportunity to reflect on how our relationship with God can ease our worries in times of trouble. The cost of the retreat is \$25 to hold your reservation, then pay what you can afford. The recommended offering this year is \$195. Your Men's Club makes a donation every year to cover the costs for those members on a tight budget. Please do not let finances keep you from this wonderful opportunity to recharge your spiritual batteries away from the hectic hustle and bustle of your daily life.

This will also provide many of you the opportunity to meet the new director Father Paul Wierichs C.P. Father Paul replaces Fr. Francis Finnegan who was re-assigned to Paris, France. Fr. Paul was the chaplain for the FBI in NY during the Sept. 11th attacks and served as counselor to many from those dark days. Much construction has also taken place at the retreat center, especially in the kitchen, paving the parking lots and new AC. Make a visit to check out the progress. If you have any additional questions, please feel free to contact Rick Clawson (954-579-0917).

Emergency Contact Information

The state of Florida Department of Highway Safety has initiated a new service to provide emergency contact information to law enforcement in the event of an emergency. This information may save crucial time if ever it becomes necessary to contact family members, or other loved ones. This service is only available to individuals holding a current Florida Driver License or Florida Identification Card. To enroll in this program, please go to the Florida Drivers License website (www.hsms.state.fl.us).

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