

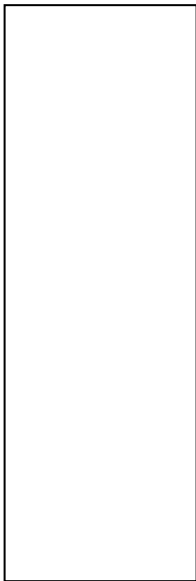


Saint David Men's Club

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Newsletter

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

Your officers for the 2005-2006 club year are:

President	Vinnie Marino	954-382-9179
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Board Member	Fran Lixie	954-434-0466
Board Member	Tim Stead	954-424-8559
Past President	George Caffrey	954-680-0733

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

Remember if any club member or member's family is ill or hospitalized please contact Ray Wyman (954-473-2147) or Tom Vinceguerra (954-227-9940).

Men's Club Shirts

Men's Club shirts are a great way to identify yourself as a member of the Men's Club at all functions. Shirts are available in either Green or White with our club Logo and embroidered with your first name. Shirts cost \$20 each. Contact Fran Lixie at 954-434-0466 for info.

Basketball Game

Tim Stead invites all members to join him at the Activity Center every Tuesday at 7:00 pm for a weekly pick-up game of basketball. Come on out, have a little fun and get a little exercise against your fellow club members.

Thank You BB & T !!!

BB&T (Branch Banking & Trust) donates mailing services for the St. David Men's Club and significantly reduces our newsletter expenses. A heart-felt thanks to the Plantation branch offices and especially to Thom Bambenek for all their assistance.

Humor

A stingy old fellow who had been diagnosed with a terminal illness was determined to prove wrong the saying, "You can't take it with you." After much thought and consideration, the old codger finally figured out how to take at least some of his money with him when he died.

He instructed his wife to go to the bank and withdraw enough money to fill two pillowcases. He then directed her to take the bags of money to the attic and leave them directly above his bed. His plan was that when he passed away, he would reach out and grab the bags on his way to heaven.

Several weeks after the funeral, the widow had gone up in the attic to clean. Coming upon the two forgotten pillowcases stuffed with cash she exclaimed, "Oh, that darned old fool, I knew he should have had me put the money in the basement."

Two women were playing golf, one teed off and watched in horror as her ball headed directly toward a foursome of men playing the next hole. The ball hit one of the men, he immediately clasped his hands together at his groin, fell to the ground and proceeded to roll around in agony.

The women rushed down to the man, and immediately began to apologize. "Please allow me to help. I'm a physiotherapist and I know I could relieve your pain if you would allow me," she told him.

"Oh no, I'll be all right. I'll be fine in a few minutes," the man replied. He was in obvious agony, lying in the fetal position, still clasping his hands together at his groin. At her persistence, however, he finally allowed her to help. She gently took his hands away and laid them to the side, loosened his pants and put her hands inside. She administered tender and artful massage for several long moments and asked, "How does that feel?"

He replied, "Well *that* feels great, but my thumb still hurts like crazy."

2006 Men's Club Retreat

Our annual retreat will be held April 21-23, 2006 at Our Lady of Florida Spiritual Center in North Palm Beach. Passionist priest Fr. Francis Finnigan leads the retreat. The theme for the retreat program this year is "**On Being a Christian in the World Today**".

Don't miss out on an opportunity to do something for yourself. The retreat offers you a rewarding weekend and an opportunity to relax in a quiet, peaceful, and prayerful atmosphere. It's a time to forget your business problems, home and family worries, a time to get a fresh slant on your career, your family, your friends and your God.

The cost of the retreat is \$170 per person and dress is casual all weekend. Fees include a private room, meals and snacks. The check-in time is from 5:00pm to 7:45 pm Friday evening and the retreat ends Sunday at noon.

Registration forms will be available at the meeting and also on-line. For additional information contact Tom Zaverchnik or Rick Clawson or visit www.ourladyofflorida.org

Hope Outreach Pantry

The Hope Outreach center is serving the needs of many needy parishioners. Please make a donation of non-perishable goods to help feed those in their time of need.

Club Calendar of Events

Mar 01	Ash Wednesday Fish Fry
Mar 02	General Meeting at 8:00 pm
Mar 05	Pancake Breakfast at the Gazebo
Mar 16-19	Spring Carnival
Mar 23	Board Meeting at 7:30 pm
Apr 06	General Meeting at 8:00 pm
Apr 16	Easter
Apr 21-23	Our Lady of Florida Retreat

2006 Golf Tournament

Fran Lixie is heading-up the 2006 Annual Golf Tournament committee. Fran is bringing some new ideas and a new course for this year's tournament. The scramble will be held on Saturday May 13 at the new Plantation Preserve Golf Course and Club located at 7050 W. Broward Blvd. See their website at : www.plantationpreserve.org

The 7,000-yard par 72 von Hagge, Smelek & Baril designed course opened in February this year and will be an exciting change for this year's participants. The cost is \$100 per golfer and includes green and cart fees and meal in the clubhouse afterwards. Stay tuned for additional details in the coming meetings and newsletters.

All members are requested to obtain any donations for door prizes (i.e. dinner certificates, basket of cheer, etc.) to help in the fund raising activities.

Prayer to St. Patrick

God our Father, You sent Saint Patrick to preach your glory to the people of Ireland. By the help of his prayers, may all Christians proclaim your love to all men. Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

Did you Know?

St. Patrick used the shamrock to explain the Trinity, and it has been associated with him and the Irish since that time.

St. Patrick's Day is a traditional day for spiritual renewal and offering prayers for missionaries worldwide.

St. Patrick died March 17th, 460 AD. This year marks the 1,546th anniversary of his death.

Patrick was a humble, pious and gentle man, whose love and total devotion to and trust in God should be a shining example to each of us. He feared nothing, not even death, so complete was his trust in God, and of the importance of his mission.

2006 Family Picnic

Our annual Family Picnic was held Sunday February 12th at Tree Tops park. We had a very good turnout, especially considering the blustery conditions that started out the day. (Thank you Ed Matula for the use of your tarp, it really made a difference blocking out the wind.) Approximately 100 persons attended and enjoyed the fine BBQ presented by the officers for the members and their families.



Tim Stead, Fran Lixie, Carter Clough and Bob Balandis work the grill as Al Leja performs a Quality Control tasting)

Every year your board members conduct the picnic to say thank you to all members for their contributions throughout the year. This event is also designed to allow all family members to participate in a Men's Club social event.

This event is run in conjunction with the Saint David Women's club. The women provided the children's entertainment, salads and deserts and split all costs with the Men's club. A special thank-you to the Women's Club for all of their contributions.

All photographs were provided by Bob Grampa (please see our website for additional picnic photos). Thanks Bob !!

Sarah Looker leads the kids in a game of Simon Says



The annual horseshoe tournament was another success (Thank You Doug!). This year we had the first co-ed winning team headed up by Steve Armstrong and Rick Arneson's daughter Steffi. The two were unstoppable, though Steffi had to carry the team through several tough matches.



Steve Armstrong shows his winning form