

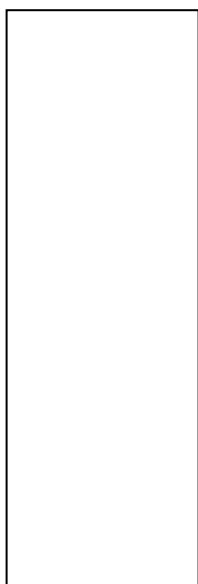


# Saint David Men's Club

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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
Vice President	Tom Fitzgerald	954-214-4803
Treasurer	Bob Salerno	954-581-8718
Secretary	Jim Harrison	954-804-1419
Board Member	Steve Armstrong	954-797-7497
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 have experienced 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:

<i>Barbara Blanchard</i>	<i>Debbie Motta</i>
<i>Hilda Cull</i>	<i>Pete Nelson</i>
<i>Laura Greco</i>	<i>Mary Smith</i>

### 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.

### In Memoriam

In honor of all souls day, please remember the following deceased members: Tony Antonacci, Bob Fabian, Eddie Matula, Jim McDonough, and Ray Wyman.

### Humor

An old preacher was dying. He sent a message for his banker and his lawyer, both church members, to come to his home. When they arrived, they were ushered up to his bedroom. As they entered the room, the preacher held out his hands and motioned for them to sit on each side of the bed. The preacher grasped their hands, sighed contentedly, smiled, and stared at the ceiling.

For a time, no one said anything. Both the banker and lawyer were touched and flattered that the preacher would ask them to be with him during his final moments. They were also puzzled; the preacher had never given them any indication that he particularly liked either of them. They both remembered his many long, uncomfortable sermons about greed, covetousness, and avaricious behavior that made them squirm in their seats.

Finally, the banker said, "Preacher, why did you ask us to come?" The old preacher mustered up his strength and then said weakly, "Jesus died between two thieves, and that's how I want to go."

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A Brit, a Frenchman and a Russian are viewing a painting of Adam and Eve frolicking in the Garden of Eden. "Look at their reserve, their calm," muses the Brit. "They must be British."

"Nonsense," the Frenchman disagrees. "They're naked, and so beautiful. Clearly, they are French."

"No clothes, no shelter," the Russian points out, "they have only an apple to eat, and they're being told this is paradise. Clearly, they are Russian."

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A businessman on his deathbed called his friend and said, "Bill, I want you to promise me that when I die you will have my remains cremated."

"And what," his friend asked, "do you want me to do with your ashes?"

The businessman said, just put them in an envelope and mail them to the Internal Revenue Service and write on the envelope, "Now you have everything."

### **Basketball at the Activity Center**

There is a pick-up basketball game every Tuesday evening at 7 pm at the parish activity center. Get out for a little exercise and test your jump shot against Tim Stead or see if you can out re-bounce Bob Balandis under the goal. All are welcome, so get off the couch and have some fun.

### **2009 Retreat Videos**

The April 2009 retreat at our Lady of Florida featured two very good videos that are listed below for you to enjoy.

1. The winner of the 2008 Cannes Film festival was this short story "Historia de un letrado" or "The story of a sign". The best place to view this is on YouTube.com. Search for Historia de un letrado. There are subtitles for the small bit of conversation that does take place.
2. The second set of videos is from a website called CatholicsComeHome.org. There they have a series of three videos, but be sure to watch the "Epic" video which describes the history of our church. It will make all of us proud of the contributions the church has made.

### **Annual Christmas Party**

Folks it is not too soon to begin thinking about our annual Christmas party to be held in the Parish Hall. Our traditional pot luck supper and entertainment from Bill, Bob and Doug at the Karaoke mike are not to be missed. Stay tuned for details to be announced soon.

### **Pancake Breakfast**

The November pancake breakfast was a success with 51 meals sold. Chairman Tommy Fitzgerald thanks everyone who came out to assist last Sunday. Jim Harrison and the Boy Scout troop sponsored by St. David will host the gazebo breakfast on Sunday December 13, while we are selling trees. Thanks Jim.

### **President's Report From Bill Greco**



Guys

Once again I'd like to remind you that we are coming up on our busy season. Starting with the calendar sales, hope everyone sold fifty. Next is the tent set up for the Christmas tree lot, and then the actual tree sales followed by breaking down the tents afterwards.

I know I can depend on you guys to give Doug all the help he needs in these projects. Please see Doug at the next meeting and sign up for one day or evening, weekends are the most hectic times, the quicker we sell them; the quicker we get to close up shop till next year.

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 Nov. 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 start the Friday after Thanksgiving and will continue until they are all gone, typically 2 weeks. Remember our efforts at this time of the year enable all of our other projects.

## **2009 Communion Breakfast**

The Communion Breakfast this year is scheduled for Sunday, November 15th. Men's club members are encouraged to attend the 8:45AM Mass and then participate in the Communion Breakfast at the home of Bob & Sue Balandis.

Breakfast will be served from 9:30AM until Noon. You can expect Eggs Benedict, made to order omelets, French toast, fruit, bacon, sausage, coffee, etc. And yes, adult beverages (Mimosas and Bloody Mary's) will be available. Cost for the breakfast is \$10.00/adult and \$5.00 for children under 12. Please contact Bob at 954-473-0244 if you are interested in attending.

Doug Blau this year has made paying for this event even easier with our new credit card machine. You may also want to take Vinnie Marino's Communion Breakfast challenge and try to consume his 12 EGG Omelet Gut Buster. Hope to see all of you at this event.

## **Everglades City Fishing Trip**

The legendary Saint David Men's Club fishing trip in beautiful downtown Everglades City will be on the weekend of November 6, 7 and 8th. This will be the first trip during "cooler weather" and the bugs should not be a problem. Snook season will be open.

Rooms are reserved; restaurant and bait are set up. Carter is finalizing dinner plans for Friday night. I will get beer and door prizes this week. Eric Grampa is the "Lunchman". Fish are anxiously waiting. See y'all on Friday!  
Bill

## **2009-2010 Dues**

The annual membership fees are now officially past due. The fee is now \$20. If you don't pay your dues you will not be eligible for the upcoming holiday parties and family picnic. Please see Bob Salerno to become current.

## **November Calendars**

Our annual sale of November Calendars is underway led by Doug Blau, Bob Salerno and Tommy Fitzgerald. Calendars are sold for \$10 each and one lucky number is drawn each day of the month with prizes ranging from \$50 to \$500 on Thanksgiving. For each 10 calendars sold, members are awarded a bonus calendar with their name on it. Please make sure all monies and calendars are turned into the calendar committee before the 1<sup>st</sup> of November. Contact Doug Blau if you need additional calendars (954-401-6765).

## **Christmas Tree Set-Up**

Can you believe it is that time of year again? We will be gathering Saturday morning, November 14<sup>th</sup> to set up the tents and trailer for our annual Christmas tree sales. We need volunteers to help us get the poles in the ground and then to share some lunch when we are done. Come on out and give us a hand, you'll have a good time

## **Support Our Disabled Veterans**

Join the Flea Market staff, 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. Tickets for the buffet are available now by telephone (800.PLAN FUN) and at the SUDS Flea Market the day of the event for \$30 per person. However, only a limited amount of seats are available.

Book your group to anchor up with the troops and staff now. Space is limited and on a first come basis. Hotel reservations are available now at Bahia Mar Yachting Center where the soldiers will be based.