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Is it fun?





This Week's Program

David H.van de Velde



David van de Velde has been the President of Luctor International for the past 25 years and retired 10 years ago and settled in The Villages FL.

He founded Luctor Intl. in 1982 for the purpose of importing beer and vodkas from his native country, The Netherlands.

In particular, he founded Ketel One vodka (1983 - 1996) and Van Gogh vodkas (1997 - 2008).

Mr. van de Velde became a US citizen in 1975.

David resides with his wife Suzanne in The Villages, FL. He is a native from Zierikzee, the Netherlands.

Prior to being President of Luctor International, in his younger days, he was a deck officer for Holland America Line and climbed-up to the rank of Port Captain.

Being one of the first employees at the ECT (European Container Terminus) in Rotterdam as Operations manager, he got deeply involved in the new mode of transportation, called containerization.

He emigrated to Oakland CA where he was instrumental in creating the first public container terminal. Also on the West Coast, container shipping was new and again became very much a challenging endeavor.

As a true entrepreneur, he changed his career, to move on as President of an international transportation company in the business of maritime shipping of automobiles and port operations.

Moving on, as part owner of an aerospace testing company in the Los Angeles area, he took on a challenge in a whole new field to turn this company around with great success. When he founded Ketel One vodka, which is a story by itself, another successful career emerged. After he sold Ketel One, he wanted to do it again by founding Van Gogh flavored vodkas.

Each of the companies, which David either founded or was instrumental in establishing, are all still successful and considered to be medium to large companies.

In today's world of retirement, he is involved daily with Rotary charity programs. His motto, that he has advocated through his business life in the US is: "Find a hole and fill it"

He saw this painted on a cement truck in San Francisco in 1969 and indeed, he found many holes and did fill them.

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Sponsors & Volunteers Needed



October 21, 2018

Champions Ride is looking for sponsors. We are asking everyone in the club to please try and bring in at least one sponsor each! If we put effort into this collectively we could have an amazing outcome! Champions Ride For Charities is one of our club's premier events for fellowship as well as raising considerable funds for a number of local charities.

The organizers need your help with both sponsorships and volunteers.

Can your company or your circle of influence participate? Please contact Melissa, Jeff, or Mandy if you need any help approaching a corporation or small business. This is an excellent opportunity to be involved in a local event that positively impacts many.

Calendar

Club Programs

	Rithdays
9/13	Take Stock in Children
9/6	Nathan Ogden, Chair the Love
8/30	David H. Van de Velde

9/3 Sandra Prieto Jim Greene 9/4 9/5

Wedding Anniversaries

9/3 Don & Janie Harris 9/5 Dustan & Marjorie Smith

Carl Cannon

Member Anniversaries

8/30 Wes Hohman

Upcoming Events

10/24 World Polio Day





Please keep those who cannot be with us due to illness or injury in your thoughts.

Do you have input for the newsletter? Send email to mcculley@stackframe.com.

The House Committee those tireless workers who, among other duties, protect the badge box every week and sell the 50-50 raffle tickets - need one or two volunteers to help out. If you are interested, please talk to either Dustan Smith or Charlie Covington.

You should have recently received an invoice for dues and other outstanding balances. Please pay promptly.

Please review your information on DacDb and ClubRunner to make sure your address, phone number, and email address are all up to date for the new year.





Donate at www.endpolio.org.

World Polio Day is October 24, 2018