



# Kansas Sertoma District

## Governor's Newsletter

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### Message from the Governor

#### International Convention – WOW!

What a great convention! It was wonderful blend of learning and fun. The guest speakers were truly inspiring. The keynote speaker on Thursday night was Dr. Angel Ramos. Dr. Ramos told of his struggles growing up deaf and his experiences at Gallaudet University. Although Dr. Ramos has been deaf nearly all of his life and he attended Gallaudet University, which is dedicated to higher education for the deaf and hard of hearing, ironically Dr. Ramos never heard of Sertoma until the last year.

There was also excellent training on SafeEars, insurance, club officer training and so much more. The SafeEars sessions were standing room only. This program is really catching on. I know several of our clubs purchased the SafeEars package of handouts and a banner and have successfully used this information to get out the word about the dangers of everyday noise. The insurance training outlined the details of our new insurance program from Lockton. If you ever have questions about insurance coverage for your club and its fundraiser, please contact Terri McClaskey by phone at 816.960.9241 or you can contact her by email at [tmclaskey@lockton.com](mailto:tmclaskey@lockton.com). A copy of our insurance program can be found on the District website.

There was also a great deal of fun at the convention. The sessions were full of useful information and fun. I documented via pictures several of the goings on as well as some of the adventures I took with my family while we were not in session. Check the District's website for more pictures [www.sertomakansas.org](http://www.sertomakansas.org)



*Kansas District members at the 2006 International Convention*

### Upcoming Club Fundraisers

Fundraising for our clubs is going into full swing as we approach the end of summer. Two major club fundraisers are scheduled.

On September 9<sup>th</sup> the Topeka Clubs come together for the 11<sup>th</sup> annual Great Topeka Duck Race. My family and I have been to several of the Duck races and we've had a great time. There will be plenty to do for kids of all ages leading up to the race itself. The winner of the race will drive away in a 65 Mustang! You can participate in this event in many ways:

- Attending in person
- Buy Duck adoptions from any Topeka Sertoman
- You can even go online to their website [www.topekaduckrace.org](http://www.topekaduckrace.org) to adopt a duck. There are teams competing to adopt the most ducks, the winning team gets a free dinner.
- Call Duck Central at (785) 23-DUCKS to adopt a duck.

A little later this fall on October 7-8, the Atchison Club is hosting a District favorite, river boat cruises! People are still talking about how wonderful the cruise was the last time Atchison held this fundraiser. Entertainment will be provided on each cruise – there's even talk of a "Ghost Story" cruise. You can purchase tickets now by sending a check for \$20 per ticket and a self addressed stamped envelope to:

Atchison Sertoma Club  
P.O. Box 1, Atchison, KS 66002.

Exact cruise times are not set yet. Checks will be held until the times are confirmed. The Atchison club will contact each member to let them choose their preference of a cruise date and time. Once dates and times are set, they will send out tickets in advance.

We have such a wonderful District, great clubs working together. I encourage you to mark your calendars now and plan on participating in these events. By the way, by participating in either of these fundraisers not only are you supporting one of our clubs, your own club gains points towards the Governor's Networking Award.

*John Cassida Kansas District Governor*

## District Calendar

<b>Sept 9</b>	<b>The Great Topeka Duck Race</b> Lake Shawnee in Topeka. You can adopt ducks now online at: <a href="http://www.topekaduckrace.org">www.topekaduckrace.org</a> or by calling Duck Central at (785) 23-DUCKS
<b>Oct 7-8</b>	<b>Atchison Riverboat Cruises</b> Please send a check for \$20 per ticket and a self addressed stamped envelope to: Atchison Sertoma Club P.O. Box 1, Atchison, KS 66002. Exact cruise times are not set yet. Checks will be held until we have confirmed times, etc. and will contact each member to let them choose their preference of a cruise time and will then send out tickets to them in advance.
<b>Oct. 27-28</b>	<b>Fall District Conference President's Advisory Council (PAC) Meeting #1</b> Club Presidents should Plan to Attend this important meeting.
<b>April 20-21 2007</b>	<b>Regional Convention</b> –Springfield, MO Put this on your calendar now as this will be a very important meeting, including the election of the 2007-2009 Kansas District Governor.

## Membership Numbers –

<b>Kansas District Membership Report</b>			
<b>Club</b>	<b>7/06</b>	<b>8/06</b>	<b>+/-</b>
Atchison Sertoma Club	10	10	0
Emporia Sertoma Club	49	50	+1
<b>Golden City Sertoma Club</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>0</b>
Johnson County Sertoma	33	32	-1
Junction City Sertoma Club	19	19	0
Leavenworth County	26	26	0
Lawrence Sertoma Club	40	40	0
Lenexa Sertoma Club	22	22	0
Manhattan Evening Sertoma	35	34	-1
Miami County Sertoma Club	15	15	0
Overland Park Sertoma Club	12	12	0
Sertoma Luncheon Club	29	29	0
Topeka Evening Sertoma	<b>42</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Topeka Heartland Sertoma</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>0</b>
Totals	387	386	-1

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