



Kansas Sertoma District

Governor's Newsletter

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Message from the Governor

Part 2 in a 3 part Series

In the last newsletter, we covered implementing Vision-Mission-Values statements into your clubs. In this edition, the focus is on action.

The presentation by Kansas City Club, President, Bob Hill at the Fall District Conference had a very simple theme, "Don't rest on your laurels." Bob's presentation made me think seriously about the work of our clubs.

All of our clubs, without exception, do great work in their community. Some clubs have fantastic traditions that go back decades. The suggestion here is not to abandon the traditions that make our clubs great, but use them as the foundation for expanding the work our clubs do in our communities.

My suggestion, in order for clubs to continue to thrive there must be some change. Change can make some uncomfortable, but it can also be very beneficial. A favorite comic strip of mine from, "Calvin and Hobbes" said it very well. The two of them are racing down the mountain on a toboggan. Calvin says to Hobbes, "*Change is invigorating! If you don't accept new challenges, you become complacent and lazy! Your life atrophies! Change forces us to experiment and adapt! That's how we learn and grow.*"

Ok now re-read the quote above and think about your club. When was the last time your club tried a new fundraiser? When was the last time your club actively reached out community and asked where help is needed?

Sometimes change isn't successful. Sometimes however, change leads to wonderful outcomes, way beyond people's imagination. What kind of wonderful outcomes can you imagine for your club?

John Cassida
Kansas District Governor

Heart of America Regional Convention

The conference is in Lafayette, Louisiana on April 20-22 at the Hilton Inn Towers.

My question to you, if we had a bus leaving KC late the afternoon on April 19, returning to KC late on April 22 and the cost would be approximately \$125 each, would you be interested? Just so you know, the trip will take about 15 ½ hours. Please let me know by phone or email by February 1st if you are interested or if there are any questions.

Way To Go Lenexa!

Look at the membership report on the last page and find your club – how is your club doing? Is your club making an effort to grow so that it can better serve the community for decades to come?

If you'll notice, the Lenexa Club is the only club with growth for the fiscal year. There's a reason for this too, the Lenexa Club made growth a primary goal this year and they are not done growing yet!

No Playing Around in Emporia

Actually, thanks to the Emporia club there will be plenty of playing to be done at the Peter Pan Play Ground. The club is buying two new pieces of equipment! Additionally the club is helping a local Boy Scout Troop replace equipment and buy uniforms.

Miami County Hosts Class for 1st Responders

The Miami County Club recently hosted two sign language classes for emergency personnel in Miami County. The course was a big hit with the local police, ambulance and even parks departments. Did you know that someone who is deaf has a white background on their driver's license? Well neither did local law enforcement until this class. If you'd like more information about the program, give the Miami County Club President, Jon Hammond a call at (913) 294-2321.

Quarterly Activities Report/Dues Jan. 10

By the time you read this, Quarterly Activity Reports, regional and district dues are, well, due. My apologies for not getting this reminder out earlier. Please do what you can to get these reports in as quickly as possible.

District Calendar

Jan 10	<p>ACTION REQUIRED <u>Quarterly Activities Report</u> to be sent to the Kansas District Governor: John Cassida 32427 Keystone Drive Louisburg, KS 66053 <u>District dues to be sent to the Kansas District Treasurer</u> (\$2.50/mbr/quarter): Make check payable to Kansas Sertoma District Rita Cassida 32427 Keystone Drive Louisburg, KS 66053 <u>Regional dues to be sent to our International Director</u> (\$0.25/mbr/quarter): Julie Hejtmanek PO Box 797 Topeka, KS 66601-0797</p>
Jan 22	<p>Lenexa Sertoma Pancakes for Hearing Fundraiser 7:00 AM - 1:00 PM Prince of Peace Catholic Church/Parish Hall 16000 W. 143rd Street, Olathe, KS Breakfast provided by Chris Cakes! - \$5.00 Donation Contact John Cassida (913-526-8469) for details</p>
Jan. 31	<p>Community Service Matching Grant Forms Due For great information see the Manuals/Training section of the Sertoma International website: http://www.sertoma.org/%5EMemberServices/Manuals-Training.htm</p>
Feb.	Clubs should form a nomination committee and present a slate of officers/directors to your members.
Feb. 4	<p>Manhattan Evening Pancake Fundraiser. Contact Don Bice for details (785-313-2098)</p>
Mar.	Clubs should vote on their new officers
Mar. 11	<p>Manhattan Luncheon Anniversary Celebration Congratulations on 10 of Service!</p>
Apr. 1	Action Required: Club Officers Report Form due to Sertoma International and to the District Governor.
April 20-22	<p>Heart of America Regional Convention Lafayette Hilton Inn Towers - Lafayette, Louisiana</p>

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Kansas District Membership Report

Club	7/05	1/06	+/-
Atchison Sertoma Club	13	10	-3
Emporia Sertoma Club	48	48	0
Golden City Sertoma Club	17	17	0
Johnson County Sertoma	39	35	-4
Junction City Sertoma Club	23	21	-2
Lawrence Sertoma Club	40	40	0
Lenexa Sertoma Club	19	21	+2
Manhattan Evening Sertoma	42	42	0
Miami County Sertoma Club	26	21	-5
Overland Park Sertoma Club	15	12	-3
Sertoma Luncheon Club	28	27	-1
Topeka Evening Sertoma	39	39	0
Topeka Heartland Sertoma	26	25	-1
Totals	375	358	-17

Please feel free to submit calendar items for your club events.