



# Kansas Sertoma District

## Governor's Newsletter

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### Message from the Governor

#### Time to take your foot off the brake

Our International President, has asked each club to "Give me 5!" His charge to our clubs, end the year with a positive growth of five members. Across the nation, clubs are focusing on the importance of growing their club. The results are impressive:

- Seven clubs qualified for GEM Hunt by recruiting six or more members during the 1st quarter of 2006-2007!
- 103 clubs have membership growth.
- 17 Districts have positive membership growth – sorry to report, the Kansas District is down 6 members so far.

Our International Director Julie Hejtmanek has also asked each District to pick up the pace, challenging the Heart of America Region to take the lead with the greatest increase in new members.

Are you seeing a theme here? We all know we need to add members to our clubs right? The future of our clubs and our organization depends upon our efforts to add new members. So what is keeping us from what we know needs to be done? I heard an interesting perspective the other day that really applies here: When put in a difficult situation, some may be tempted to try to work harder, do more to try overcome obstacles. I don't know many Sertoman's who shy away from hard work, I think we need to review the things holding back our efforts – we need to take our foot off the brake and eliminate the things that block our efforts.

I'm a big believer in the work smarter not harder approach myself. So come on Kansas! Its time to roll up your sleeves, have some fun and invite a friend to a meeting and watch your club and our district grow!

*John Cassida*

*Kansas District Governor*

### Fall District Conference

There is still time to register for the Fall District Conference (October 28th)! Although all members are encouraged to attend, at a minimum, your Club

President, Secretary and Treasurer should make every effort to attend. The \$70 registration fee includes a welcome party Friday night, breakfast and lunch on Saturday, and best of all an interactive experience guaranteed to be packed with information and fun! [Click here for the registration form.](#)

### Tentative Agenda

<b>Friday Evening</b>	Reception by the pool – no theme
<b>Saturday</b>	Breakfast
7:30-8:30	Mult-District Presidents' Advisory Council Meeting.
8:45-10:15	Topics include: SafeEars, Membership, Chapters and Fundraisers
10:15-10:30	Break
10:30-11:15	Lockton Insurance Presentation
11:15-12:00	District Breakout Meetings
12:00-1:30	Awards Luncheon

### Community Service Matching Grant – Deadline Fast Approaching!

*Excerpt from our International Director, Julie Hejtmanek's Newsletter*

Each year a portion of the gifts that you make through the Sertoma Foundation are utilized for Community Service Matching Grants applied for by Sertoma clubs. January 31<sup>st</sup> is the deadline each year. On the [www.sertoma.org](http://www.sertoma.org) website, you can obtain all of the forms, applications and information necessary to apply for a 2-for-1 Matching Grant. Last year the Sertoma Foundation gave over \$200,000.00 back to our clubs for those who applied for the matching grants and participated in the Foundation. Additionally, hearing impaired and communication disorder scholarships were given with another portion of these matching grant funds. Don't miss the boat! Each and every club should be applying for a matching grant with the funds that you have raised for your Sertoma Club this year. You are truly missing out on a wonderful opportunity to increase the funding you give to your charities by not applying for these matching grants. This is money that is given by Sertomans for your charities, and thus, please consider applying for a matching grant. Again, the deadline is January 31, 2007. Don't wait until the last moment.

## District Calendar

<b>Oct. 10</b>	<p><b>Quarterly Reports Due:</b> Form 116: Quarterly Activities Report Form 117: Quarterly Dues Statement Send \$0.25 per member to our International Director Julie Hejtmanek and \$2.50 per member to the Kansas District Treasurer Rita Cassida.</p>
<b>Oct. 27-28</b>	<p><b>Fall District Conference/Presidents' Advisory Council (PAC) Meeting #1</b> Club Presidents should Plan to Attend this important meeting. <a href="#">Conference Registration Form</a> <a href="#">Golf Tournament Registration Form</a></p>
<b>Nov. 4</b>	<p><b>Manhattan Biscuits and Gravy + Garage Sale! Portoff Hall</b> – For more details or tickets, contact the Manhattan Luncheon Pres. Gerald Wilde at 785-532-4729</p>
<b>Jan. 31</b>	<p><b>Community Service Matching Grant Deadline</b></p>
<b>April 12-14 2007</b>	<p><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.</p>

## Kansas Membership Numbers

<b>Kansas District Membership Report</b>				
Club	7/06	9/06	+/-	
Atchison Sertoma Club	10	10	0	
Emporia Sertoma Club	49	49	0	
<b>Golden City Sertoma Club</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>0</b>	
Johnson County Sertoma	33	30	-3	
Junction City Sertoma Club	19	19	0	
Leavenworth County	26	28	2	
Lawrence Sertoma Club	40	40	0	
Lenexa Sertoma Club	22	22	0	
Manhattan Evening Sertoma	35	34	-1	
Miami County Sertoma Club	15	16	1	
Overland Park Sertoma Club	12	12	0	
Sertoma Luncheon Club	29	24	-5	
Topeka Evening Sertoma	<b>42</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>-1</b>	
<b>Topeka Heartland Sertoma</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>1</b>	
Totals	387	381	-6	

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