

CAMP SERTOMA CLUB OF NC/VA/MD



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Several of our club members attended the Sertoma convention in Nashville, TN last month and helped elect our fellow club member, Chris Weston, to the position of junior vice president of Sertoma, Inc. Congratulations Chris!

The theme of Sertoma, Inc. President Julie Hejtmanek this year is "Energize Sertoma." She seeks to energize our organization by the recruitment of new members. It's a truism that Sertoma's future, and the future of the deaf camp, lies with the recruitment and retention of new people to Sertoma clubs. Just think how energized our club could be if we doubled in size? How much more money we can raise for the camp? How much more service we can render?

As an incentive to clubs, each club with positive growth by the end of the year (June 30, 2010) will receive an "Energize Sertoma" banner medallion. The top two clubs with highest percentage of growth will receive an LCD projector.

Wouldn't it be nice to have a compact projector that we can make available to the deaf camp committee for its use in fund raising, public relations, and camper recruitment? Our club could use it for our own projects. The recipients of the projectors during 2008-2009 increased in size by more than 100% but that only means that each member recruited one or more members. What's so impossible about that? We've got a great product to sell. A great opportunity to recruit a new member is just around the corner. Invite a friend, neighbor or other

prospect to attend fun weekend.

I hope you've made plans to attend this year's fun weekend. A restful weekend at the peaceful and bucolic Sertoma 4-H Center will recharge your batteries and will energize you for the year ahead.

See you in September,

John Kelly

IN MEMORY OF ED QUEIN



Mr. Quein, 68, of Charlotte, died Tuesday, July 21, 2009 at Carolinas Medical Center, Main. Born June 20, 1941 in Bridgeton, NJ, Mr. Quein was a son of the late Byard John Quein and Ida Gwendolyn Russell Quein. He served in the U.S. Army during the Vietnam War and was a graduate of the University of

North Carolina at Charlotte. Mr. Quein owned and operated Carpet Genie Cleaning and Fibercare for over 20 years. He played 'Santa Ed' for the Shriner's at the Southern Christmas Show for 17 years. More recently, he drove professionally for Carmel Hill Retirement Community. He was a member of the Charlotte Choral Society and sang in the Singing Christmas Tree. Mr. Quein was a member of the Bill Parker Sertoma Club, where he volunteered at Camp Sertoma, a camp for speech and hearing impaired children.

He is survived by his loving wife of 37 years, Karen Quein, and two sons, Eddie Quein and Brian Quein, all of Charlotte; a brother, Doug Quein and his wife, Barbara of Newfield, NJ; his sister, Nana Quein of Bridgeton, NJ; and his loving dog, Sable. Ed will be missed by all.

SERTOMA 4-H CENTER UPDATE

- T-1 internet line is installed, we are working on networking it to the hotel.
- Demolition of three cabins, North State, Burlington and Bull City, begins this week.
- Kampshroeder Construction will begin constructing the new cabins to replace these three on September 10.
- Low Ropes is partially complete with 4 elements in use, 2 more elements will be built in the same area. We hope to open up a second area for additional elements over the winter.
- Classes for Forsyth Technical Community College will begin here on our site, August 17. Some of the classes offered include welding, HVAC, carpentry, electrician helper, plumbing, landscaping, computer basics, digital photography and mixed media painting.
- The new archery classes were a great success this summer, thanks to all for helping to build it to last.

Keith Russell

SERTOMA TURNS 100

At the national convention, the anniversary planning committee shared its ideas. The proposed event will be strictly a social event held the summer of 2011 to bring the members of Sertoma together to share the great history and relationships that have provided 100 years of service. This is not a convention, no training, no meetings, just fellowship. Preliminary plans would include an opening night social/party – a second evening with a noted speaker or entertainer, and then closing with a formal dinner. During the day, share time with your Sertoma friends. A search is underway for resort options that will support a wide variety of social and recreational activities for those attending. We are looking at locations that will be the most cost effective when including travel, rooms, and registration (think Cancun). Watch for more details as the search continues for the perfect spot for our kick-off event and other plans for our 100th Anniversary!!

Dates to Remember

Fun Weekend – Sept. 18-20, 2009 Camp Sertoma

Atlantic Coast Regional Convention – April 22-24, 2010 Columbia, S.C. Embassy Suites Greystone Blvd.

LOGO DESIGN CONTEST

Keith Russell, the Center Director, has asked me to find a new logo for camp. I am asking all former and current counselors who are interested to design a logo for camp. Keith would like to somehow use/incorporate the original Vade Mecum Springs Logo. I like the idea of using a five lined skink/blue tailed lizard (yes I was inspired by Jason Kubota's tattoo). You can add your own unique touch. It needs to say Sertoma 4-H Educational Center not Camp Sertoma and be in color and black and white. Krista Hilzinger (lead horse instructor '09) and Becca Samuelson (lead ropes instructor '09) have already made one each. I will show Keith the designs and he will pick camp's new logo!!!



The original logo

Janis Henderson-Hunsucker

SILENT AUCTION FOR FUN W-END

Because of the Fun and Success we have had with our "Silent Auctions" we will be having another one at our upcoming Fun Weekend to raise money for Camp Sertoma. If you can... please bring something from your club, yourself, family or friends to auction off for a GOOD CAUSE. It could be as simple as something out of your attic, to a weekend stay with George & Jean Bridger in Wilmington for a day trip "Deep Sea Fishing". The items will be on display for inspection and bids until 6:00 Saturday evening, at which time they will be given to the highest bidder. Another Fun Event at Fun Weekend. If you have any questions, please email me at: jeffrey299@aol.com

Jeff Cape