



Sertoma Bulletin

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President's Message

After the fund raising events to start the Sertoma year we turn our attention to our membership activities. We have some initiatives that we will strive to put in place to make our members and guests feel more welcome and to help retain our membership.

♦ **Greeters** – Have two members volunteer for a month at a time to assist the Sergeant at Arms in greeting at the door. The concept is not unlike that of greeters/ ushers at Sunday church services. Please be open to this service when you are called upon to serve as a greeter for a month.

♦ **Meeting attendance** – We will put together a membership committee to contact those members that have missed consecutive meetings. We will solicit the member's feedback. If anyone is having a transportation problem, as an example, we can pair him or her up with a member that can pick them up for the club meeting. Lack of attendance will eventually result in the loss of a member, so it is in our club's interest to promote good attendance.

Guests

Tim Williams
guest of Doug Brown
Tony Robinson
(awaiting induction) &
Glenn Doty
guests of Joseph Azar

Speakers & Events

October

- 20 Joe Farmer
Public Information
Officer for the S.C.
Emergency
Management Division
- 27 Regular Meeting

November

- 1 Fall District
Leadership
Conference
- 10 Ms. Inez Tenenbaum
State Superintendent
of Education
- 17 Congressman Jim
Clyburn

We are looking forward to a website as a reference site on the Columbia Sertoma Club for guests, speakers, and members. Any organization needs to learn to take advantage of the communication and time saving potential of websites and emails. Our bulletin is an example of how we can now do more communication with less effort through the web.

Finally, take the time to get know our members and enjoy the acquaintances that result from club participation. It's another way to leverage your return on investment in dues and time spent with Sertoma. See you at next week's meeting.

Tommy

Quite A Run

Since Late August our Club has generated about \$12,000 in sponsorship funds:

Football Parking	\$2,400
Farewell Farm	3,500
Fair (Net?)	6,000
Golf Bag Raffle	275

Being a member of our Club is not easy, but from those given much, much is expected. There is a lot of need out there. Those of you who helped with these events can rest well tonight knowing you have taken a stand, but don't rest too long. Our Important Mission continues.

Business Meeting

- **Kenny Potter** gave the Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.
- **Football Parking** ~ The parking lot quickly sold out last week netting \$800! Please contact Reggie Belcher to help out with this week's Small Group fundraiser. Members with additional tickets are urged to donate them to our volunteers.
- **Coaches Corner**~



Sterling Anderson couldn't believe it, but the kicking game, averaging 40 yds. per punt, won it for USC last week against Kentucky. Two offensive linemen were injured and the defense continues to be ranked in the Top Ten. Our next opponent is LSU; good team, well coached (5-1 record). ESPN will televise the 7:45 kickoff. The play of the Q.B. will determine the game.



Neal Sutker mused that the referees officiating the Virginia game resembled Cyclops with an eye patch, but The Tigers prevailed anyway. For Clemson's first six games they were favored to win only two. Now, with a 4-2 record the future looks so bright you gotta' wear shades. Neal made some other astute comments, but they went over the ed.'s head.

State Fair Fundraiser~ Joby reported that 40 members worked and brought 30 helpers with them. We grossed \$10,000, and ed. estimates a net of \$6,000, or about \$150 per active member. Would we have made more if we had more than 50% participation? With full participation would more members now be personal friends of new members Greg Moody (& family) and Mack Goodwin? With full participation, would we be more faithful to the expectations and promises made when we joined this club: to actively perform Service to Mankind? Are you a Proud Sertoman who just shows up to eat lunch Mondays and be entertained? You shouldn't be. Why do you think Tommy, Reggie, Chris, Joby, Mark, Alvin, Todd, John, Sterling etc. are so active? If the truth is known it's because they gain personal satisfaction from a sincere effort to fulfill their mission and purpose here on earth: to help the poorest and most needy in our community. * All the other benefits are just sidelights. If you have not been actively helping this Club fulfill her mission it's not too late. Prayerfully consider your calling and start making a list of new contributors for the April Carolina Children's Home Fundraiser. Bring new prospects to our meetings and keep an eye out for new fundraising opportunities.

* "From everyone to whom much has been given, much will be required: and from the one to whom much has been entrusted, even more will be demanded." Luke 12:48(b).

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Sergeant @ Arms Report
34 Members and 3 guests attended and the \$32 Pot was LOST!~ By Dancin' Dave Daniel, who was in attendance ~ but pinless.

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