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Action is "A Club To Involve Our Neighborhood"

OUR MISSION: Action Sertoma is a not for profit club formed in 1967 to raise funds in support of those in the community that are less fortunate than ourselves. The majority of the money that we raise through events noted below are donated to the Sertoma Centre in Alsip, Illinois. Action Sertoma along with two other Sertoma Clubs founded the Sertoma Centre in Alsip, IL. We are also a member of Sertoma, Inc.



We also support



and other local persons and groups in need.

"From what we get, we can make a living; what we give however, makes a life." ~Winston Churchill



Tuesday, June 29th, saw the Action Sertoma Club hold its first face to face board and dinner meeting since the COVID-19 pandemic started. With Illinois moving into Phase 4 of the Governor's *Restore Illinois* plan, group restrictions were somewhat relaxed and allowed for gatherings of up to 50 people. The club meet at the designated dinner location, Capri Restorante Italiano, for a combined Board and Dinner Meeting. Actually, The Board meeting



took place shortly before the Dinner Meeting. When the Board Meeting concluded, the club



members spread out to enjoy a meal and drinks. Of course, social distancing was the norm and followed by all. The dinners had their pick of a few entrees with most deciding on the Chicken Parmigiana. Each serving was enough to feed a small village. See you there next month in August.





Action Club Sertomans,



It is with a heavy heart that I tell you about the death of Tray McCampbell. Tray is the son-in-law of Dan and Nan Letizia.

Tracy "Tray" Jamaal McCampbell

May 1, 1986 ~ July 8, 2020 (age 34)

Tracy "Tray" Jamaal McCampbell passed away peacefully at his home in Kansas City, MO with his wife, family and German Shepherd, Frank, by his side. God took this angel home on July 8 at the young age of 34.

Tray was born in Iowa City, IA on May 1, 1986, to Tracy and Stacy Kienlen McCampbell. He graduated from the University of Iowa in 2008 where he earned a B.S. in Political Science. Tray met the love of his life, Mandy (nee Letizia), at the University of Iowa where they were both huge Hawkeye fans.

Tray had a passion for politics and policy that led him through a long career with the Social Security Administration.

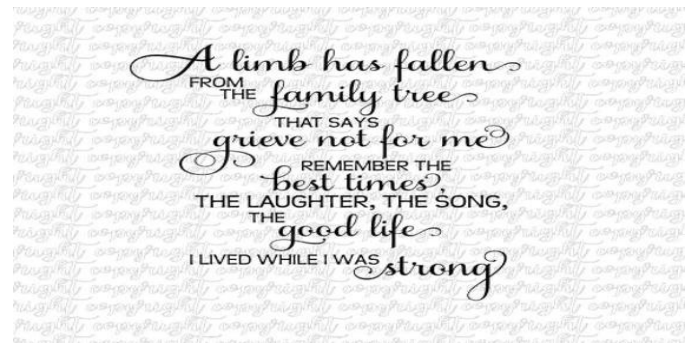
Tray's greatest love was his family. In addition to his wife and parents, he is survived by his great grandmother, Doris Johnson; grandmother, Bonnie Kienlen; siblings, Candice Ives, Carissa Jenkins (Matthew), Craig Brown (Katy), Taylor McCampbell (Kayle) and Chandra McCampbell; Mandy's family; 23 nieces and nephews; numerous aunts, uncles and cousins and countless friends.

Tray was a regular on the Action Sertoma golf tour playing on the teams' west course swing. His spot will be difficult to fill and his infectious smile impossible to replace.

Tray will be missed but never forgotten as he will live on through every smile that he gave, every story he told and every life that he touched.

If you wish to donate to a cause in Tray's name, please consider Dan's House of Hope (danshouseofhope.org), Operation Breakthrough (operationbreakthrough.org) or of course, Sertoma.

A Memorial Service for Tray was held on Thursday, July 16, 2020 at the *Burlington Memorial Auditorium* in Burlington, IA.



It's still here and doesn't appear to be going anywhere soon. Regression now appears to be the norm. While new coronavirus cases in Illinois dipped slightly, infection rates continued to rise in other parts of the country, particularly the West Coast and the Sun Belt.

California is shutting down again, banning indoor dining and closing movie theaters and bars. In Oregon, gatherings are being limited to no more than 10 people and masks are mandatory statewide. While Sun Belt states have been hit especially hard, most notably Florida, infection rates in Colorado, Kentucky, Montana, North Dakota and the District of Columbia are also rising.

The number of confirmed cases of the coronavirus around the world has now topped 14.5 million. The United States rose to over 3.7 million with 139,700 deaths. Closer to home, Illinois has over 163,000 cases with 7,500 deaths. Cook County hit 98,670 with almost 5,000 deaths of which Chicago accounts for 57,000 cases and over 2,700 deaths.

ACTION SERTOMA 20th ANNUAL GOLF OUTING

-Sponsored by ESPO Engineering Corp.



Once again, the best golf outing in the south suburbs was held at Silver Lake Country Club on July 15th. We caught a big break with the weather. Cloud cover helped beat the heat, and the rain held off until the golfing was done. The outing again raised a substantial amount of \$\$\$, which will help fund the Sertoma Centre and it's over 1000 consumers, the Sertoma Speech and Hearing Center and other local needs.

Registration was conducted with the appropriate social distancing norms being observed. Once again, the Fioretti clan dug into the piggy bank to sponsor the Bloody Mary bar. Nothing like a good BM to smooth out your swing. Sertomans and their guests enjoyed a quick continental breakfast, courtesy of Fleckenstein's Bakery, before heading out to the links.

A 9:00 shotgun start got things rolling with the North Course filled with interesting games of skill and/or pure luck as provided by SMT Golf Outing Services. How can one go wrong with teeing off with a potato gun golf ball launcher, trying to hit your ball into a license plate frame on a short par 3, or shooting to be the closest to a sack of cash. Longest drive and closest to the pin contests were also held.

This year the Schmo made an appearance with a "Beat the Schmo" hole. All that was required was to simply beat the Schmo's shot on the par 3 12th hole. Some did and some didn't.



Beating his shot got you into the drawing for a basket full of wonderful golf related items. Booze is golf related, isn't it?

After golf, and during a brief cocktail hour, the golfers headed to the Silent Auction tables to



peruse the numerous items that had been donated. Baskets filled with goodies,

tee times at local golf courses and framed pieces of memorabilia were up for auction.

The group dined on salad, steak, chicken and veggies along with a steaming baked potato.



Dessert followed with everyone enjoying a piece of delicious chocolate cake. At least I think that it was chocolate cake.



The patrons (The Masters has nothing on us and can't hold a candle to

this event) truly enjoyed the festivities and settled in for the big raffles.

The event ended with a virtual “50/50 Split the Pot” raffle which this year had a twist...3 winners. The pot yielded a big winner of \$400.00 and two more at \$200.00. The closest to the hole and longest drive winners were given their prizes, and the arms-length raffle winner walked away with a rather nice big screen tv.

As it is every year, there are far too many people to thank for all of their efforts and the time spent on this event, obviously the entire committee deserves kudos. This year presented special problems...problems presented by COVID 19. Under the determined leadership of D.J. Fioretti and Bob Scott, the golf committee stayed the course, stuck with it and pulled it all together. The obstacles put forth by the ever-changing parameters of *Restore Illinois* were overcome by adapting to, and overcoming, them. The committee kept its head down, planned for all of the alternatives and worked out all the options. Without this dedication, there would not have been a golf outing this year. The entire committee is to be lauded for a spectacular job. **Bravo!!!**

Some special recognition is also necessary for others, who, without their assistance, the outing might not have been the success that it was. Kristine Kalnins dealt with the thankless job of coordinating the auction activities and Providence Bank, SouthPoint Insurance and the Aileen S. Andrew Foundation are all to be commended and thanked for being *Silver Sponsors*. A big thanks also goes out to our Golf Cart, Dinner, Beer Cart and Hole sponsors. **Thank You all!!!**

Last, but certainly not least, the person who again deserves a super big Sertoma thank you is our very own Gene Esposito, Jr. Gene and *ESPO Engineering* stepped up once again to be our outing's *Gold Sponsor*. **Thank you!!!!**

Check out our *Facebook* page for more photos of the outing.



“To my dear friend, D.J., from your good friend, *The Most Interesting Man in the World*. Stay safe my friend.”

Meet One of the Most Interesting Sertomans in the World!

D.J. Fioretti



**“Stay thirsty my friends”
He is indeed, one of the most interesting Sertomans in the world!**

- His feet don't get blisters, but his shoes do.
- He once went to the psychic, to warn her.
- His tears can cure cancer, too bad he never cries.
- He can kill two stones with one bird.
- The dark is afraid of him.
- He once made a weeping willow laugh.
- The *Holy Grail* is looking for him.
- Even if he holds a lady's purse, he still looks manly.
- He can make orange juice out of apples.
- In a past life, he was himself.
- On multiple occasions, he has vouched for himself.
- He once parallel parked a train.
- When he eats at a restaurant, the waiter tips him.
- When he has a 50/50 shot, the odds are 80/20 in his favor.
- He doesn't shave his head, his head shaves him.
- His pronunciation is impeccable, even after five margaritas.
- He chose to shave his head because his brain needed room to grow.





It's been just about three years now that this edition of

Action Sertoma's award winning *Newsletter* has been in existence. The goal at the start was to put together a newsletter that was relatively decent, informative, somewhat educational, a bit enlightening, and the best of its kind in the entire Sertoma organization. I need your help to keep this newsletter going. I need your input, thoughts, ideas and suggestions. Without them, this *Newsletter* will wither and die on the vine.

Articles about our members, the heart and soul of the club, and what they're doing is essential to the vitality of the newsletter. Remember, this is a club letter and its primary focus is to inform our club members about club events, other related events and the members themselves.

Without your assistance, it's a boring Newsletter. Boring is no good. Without your help, there will be no *Newsletter*.

What do you want to see in the Newsletter? Contact me at rcdogs@sbcglobal.net and let me know what you think.

Bob Clifford, Newsletter Editor



ACTION SERTOMA CLUB NEWS

Club Members:	None
Sertoma Centre:	None
Sertoma Centre Foundation:	None
Club Board Minutes:	None

As I said above, please send me your news, good or bad, happy or sad, boring or not, so that your fellow Sertomans can know what's going on with our club members. Without it, there will no Newsletter!

BIRTHDAYS & CLUB ANNIVERSARIES



August 1	Cheryl Noto
August 3	Lisa Molloy
August 4	Andrew Sampalis
August 11	Dom Porto
August 17	Eileen Clancy
August 26	Bob Scott



August 1	Gene Esposito, Jr.
August 1	Dan P. Letizia
August 1	Bob Scott
August 8	Bob Esposito
August 9	D.J. Fioretti
August 10	Kristine Kalnins
August 16	Jack Howe

ATTENTION!

ACTION SERTOMA CLUB DINNER & BOARD MEETINGS ARE BACK IN ACTION.

UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE, THE BOARD MEETING WILL TAKE PLACE AT 5:30 P.M. PRIOR TO THE DINNER MEETING.

WHAT'S FOR DINNER?



BOARD/DINNER MEETING

When: 1st Tuesday of the Month
Where: Capri Italiano Ristorante
12307 S. Harlem Ave.
Palos Heights, IL

-Board Meeting will be held at 5:30 p.m.

-Dinner Meeting will follow with cocktails at 6:00 p.m. and dinner at 6:30 p.m.



“Woohoo, everybody made the meeting!”

ACTION SERTOMA BOARD MEMBERS

CHAIRPERSON: BOB SCOTT
PRESIDENT: DENNIS FIORETTI
TREASURER: JOHN PARKER
SECRETARY: ED KELLY
VP SPONSORSHIP: JOE RACINE, JR
VP MEMBERSHIP: EILEEN CLANCY
SOCIAL: STEPHEN REILLY
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DIRECTORS: BILL KAMHOLZ
CHRIS OBBAGY
DOM PORTO
JOE RACINE, SR.
KRISTINE KALNINS
CHAS LAZZARA
CHRIS OBBAGY

SERTOMA BOARD MEMBERS:

CENTRE:	FOUNDATION:
BOB SCOTT	ED KELLY
CHRIS OBBAGY	DAN LETIZIA
	GLENN BYLINA

SAVE THE DATE

ROCTOBERFEST is still scheduled for Friday, October 16th. However, where it will be held is still to be determined, as well as the very nature of the event itself.

Keep current about *Rocktoberfest* by visiting the club's Facebook page.

Also, there are no events listed on the Sertoma Centre website.

Due to the COVID-19 restrictions as outlined in Phase 4 of Restore Illinois, not much is going on from the perspective of Sertoma events.