

# ACTION SERTOMA FALL BULLETIN 2021

"A Club helping those in the Community"

## MEMBER SPOTLIGHT Bob Scott CO-VP Sponsorship



Bob was born and raised in Morton Grove and Mount Prospect. He attended Golf Elementary, graduated from Hersey High School, and attended Harper College. He started a career in retail management for Music Land at Woodfield Mall and went on to become a district supervisor, leaving that occupation in 1980. His career in the insurance business began later in 1980. In 1981 he began specializing in employee benefits and executive planning for small and medium size companies. He spent the next 40 years becoming an expert in his field by expanding his markets and continuing his education in employer benefits, business insurance and estate planning. Bob is a member of the Chicago Southland Chamber of Commerce, serving as a Board member on three separate occasions and on the board of The Sertoma Centre for nine years. He has been a 22-year member of Action Sertoma serving as President twice and Chairman of the Board twice. He has co-chaired the Golf outing since 2002. Bob and his wife Lori reside in St. John, Indiana and are members of Parkview Church in Orland Park. They have four children and two grandchildren. Bob enjoys fishing and sometimes golf.

## Action Sertoma Donates to Sleep in Heavenly Peace, Oak Forest, IL

Sleep in Heavenly Peace had its start like many other charities, in a garage. It was Christmas time, a time of joy and happiness, a time of giving and love, but also a time of bitter, cold weather and snowstorms. A project, that was started with the build of one bed for a single family developed into something a whole lot more. With wood left over from the first bunk, another idea was created. "Who else could benefit from this bunk"?

A simple post on Facebook sparked an unexpected response. What was thought would be a litter of requests from needy families, turned into a litany of local people eager to help and volunteer. The generosity of these volunteers was so surprising that it was no longer a search for one who needed a bed, but a question of how many beds we could provide. From there, the idea grew into reality. We can make a difference. Link at <a href="https://bit.ly/3qlNT3Y">https://bit.ly/3qlNT3Y</a>



#### **Annual Golf Outing**

Thank you for a Successful Golf Outing to the many of you that supported us by golfing, sponsoring, WORKING for months in preparation and the day of the event. We had beautiful weather, good times, and with your generosity, we had our best golf fundraiser yet. After expenses, we raised \$45,000 for those less fortunate. As you know, these funds will go to over 1000 adults with developmental challenges at the Sertoma Centre, as well as The Sertoma Speech and Hearing Centre, other community organizations, individuals and families in need. Photos at www.facebook.com/actionsertoma



### Porsche Race Raffle October 15, 2021

Thank you to all who purchased and/or helped sell Raffle tickets and a special thank you to Chris Obbagy, Ed Kelly and DJ for handling the drawing at Rizza Dealership in Orland Park, members who showed up at Rizza to show support and to the Rizza family for sponsoring this event. We sold approximately 115 tickets. Congratulations to the winners of the Porsche Race Raffle Drawing!!

1st Place – Porsche Day at AutoBan - Kirby Clare 2nd Place – Lottery Tickets - Ed & DJ Fioretti 3rd Place – PRP Wine Tasting - Bob Clifford



Photos at www.facebook.com/actionsertoma

#### **Memorial Dinner**

A Time to Celebrate and Remember our fellow members and their families who lost a loved one in the past two years. A Heartfelt Thank You to Bob Clifford for planning the event and to Gene Esposito, Jr for making the Memorial Slide Show.



Slide show/photos at www.facebook.com/actionsertoma



Oct 14, 1991, Sertoma opened its first CILA home. CILA stands for Community Integrated Living Arrangement and is designed for adults w/developmental disabilities to live in

residential settings under the supervision of an agency. It provides residents an opportunity to live as part of the community rather than in a state institution. On Oct 14, 30 years ago, five Consumers moved into the home in Evergreen Park, IL. These first residents all worked at Sertoma or in the community, so they only received inhome supervision in the evenings and weekends. Everyone shared the responsibilities of cooking, cleaning, laundry, and other household tasks. Sertoma now has nine CILA homes, with each group of residents receiving varying levels of care.



### Action Sertoma Donations

United Sertoma \$1,250
Paul Lockwood \$500
Pipes & Drums \$100
New Star \$4,450
Fran Fioretti \$200
Reg. Conv. \$200
Lemont/United \$250
Chicago Lawn Club \$1,000
Sertoma Centre \$10,000
Toys for Tots \$1,000
Alsip Scholarship Fund \$500
Sertoma Speech and Hearing \$7,500



Dennis Canalini ~ Oct 5 Kristine Kalnins ~ Oct 28 Joe Varanauski ~ Nov 3 Jean Biela ~ Nov 14 Tom Annerino ~ Nov 20 Charles Lazzara ~ Nov 27 Ed Kelly – Dec 4 Al Maggi – Dec 5 Lorraine Schultz – Dec 13 Brad Nielson – Dec 15



Andrew Sampalis – Oct 1
Jean Biela – Oct 2
Tracy Fioretti – Oct 2
Anita Flassig – Oct 8
Constance Barrera – Oct 25
Glenn Bylina – Nov 1
Bob Clifford – Nov 1
Ed Fioretti – Nov 1
Joe Varanauski – Nov 1
Stephen Reilly – Nov 10
Gene Esposito Sr. – Nov 11
Joe Racine Jr. – Nov 13
Charles Lazzara – Dec 9



Every Tues 8pm - QUEEN OF HEARTS Fundraiser, Details at <a href="https://actionsertoma.org/queen-of-hearts">https://actionsertoma.org/queen-of-hearts</a> March 4, 2022 - Circle of Friends Dinner at Sertoma Center

March 8 & 9, 2022 - Housewares Pack Up at McCormick Place

April 2 & 3, 2022 - Super Sale at Sertoma Center May 14, 2022 - Big Event at 115 Bourbon Street

## They can't afford for you not to give



Our vision is to create communities where all people with disabilities live, work, and fully participate In 1971, three local Sertoma Clubs created a sheltered workshop agency called Sertoma Job Training Center. The purpose was to create a place for individuals with disabilities to work. The facility opened with 11 individuals and four staff. In 1987, the name changed to Sertoma Career Center and supported more than 200 adults with disabilities.

Throughout the 1990s, additional services were added, and Sertoma opened its first Community Integrated Living Arrangement (CILA) home. Programs included Senior Services, Bridge Program, Developmental Training, Transportation, and Janitorial Services.

Sertoma's offers the south suburbs Community Mental Health and Counseling programs from its location in Matteson, IL, and has permanent supportive housing apartments in Homewood.



Discovering the potential in all of us

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## National Sertoma News:

# **Election Schedule**

12/1— Candidates must declare in writing if they want to be included in Sertoma publications

1/27— Candidates must declare in writing if they wish to be on the ballot

3/1— Club ballots mailed

3/28— Individual member online voting opens

4/1— Club ballot postmarked by April 1 and received at Sertoma HQ by April 8

4/12— Individual voting closes



Vote by mail or online



Action Sertoma's QUEEN OF HEARTS Every Tuesday, 8 pm, at Nite Games in Oak Forest, Min. \$5.00 for six tickets. Details at <a href="https://actionsertoma.org/queen-of-hearts">https://actionsertoma.org/queen-of-hearts</a>



Members Dinner Mtg
1st Tuesday of the Month at
CAPRI RISTORANTE ITALIANO

12307 S. HARLEM AVE. Palos Heights, IL 60463 6:00 pm Cocktails 6:30 pm Dinner



Action Sertoma Board Mtg Last Tuesday of the Month Blarney Stone, 15400 Cicero Ave, Oak Forest, IL

#### **BOARD MEMBERS**

CHAIRPERSON:
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CO-VP SPONSORSHIP:
VP MEMBERSHIP:
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