



# ACTION SERTOMA

## SPRING / SUMMER 2024

*"A Club helping those in the Community."*

### MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

*Anita Flassig*  
*Director*



I was born in Joliet, Illinois. I have lived in Frankfort my entire life and graduated from Lincoln Way Central HS. I have been working in the banking industry for over 45 years. For the past 20 years, I have been an Administrative Assistant for commercial lending at Byline Bank. I have been a Proud member of Action Sertoma since Oct 2009. I am currently on the Board of Directors and committee member for our Annual Fall Fest. I was Sergeant at Arms for a couple of years and managed the Serteen Club. I was honored to receive the Sertoman of the Year Award. My hobbies are cooking, reading, traveling, pottery/glass art, dining at new restaurants, spending time with friends and family, and I am a diehard Cubs fan. I am Proud to me a Sertoman!

*Action Sertoma was a Proud Sponsor for*



The Chicago Auto Show raised more than \$2.8 million benefiting 18 local charities (**incl. Sertoma Star Services**) at the 2024 First Look for Charity Gala. The fundraiser's 32-year event now tallies more than \$62 million raised. "The Chicagoland new-car dealers are proud to produce this annual fundraiser that directly benefits the organizations doing amazing work right here in our communities," said JC Phelan, 2024 Chicago Auto Show chairperson. <https://youtu.be/3d8YJBOh9T4>



# Action Sertoma 24th Annual Golf Outing is Wed, July 17 SPREAD THE WORD!!

<https://actionsertoma.org/golf-outing>



## NEWS

Happy 112th Anniversary, Sertomans! 🎉 On this special milestone, let's celebrate the incredible impact Sertoma has made over more than a century of service to communities across the nation. Your dedication to fostering communication, supporting hearing health, and enriching lives is truly commendable. Together, we've achieved remarkable milestones, and as we look ahead, let's continue to embody the spirit of service, compassion, and community that defines Sertoma. Here's to many more years of making a positive difference in the lives of others. Here is a walk down memory lane as we commemorate this milestone.

90 Years Ago...In 1934, the New Orleans Club and past International Director Warren V. Miller introduced a resolution for the club to sponsor a football contest held in New Orleans over the Christmas holiday season. This event became known as the Sugar Bowl.

60 Years Ago...Sertoma held its first International Convention outside the United States in 1964 when the annual meeting came to Mexico City.

40 Years Ago...President Ronald Reagan presented Sertoma with the Presidential Private Sector Initiative Commendation Certificate in 1984. This award celebrated 'outstanding civic responsibility' displayed by our members and was also supported by Senator John Glenn.

20 Years Ago...Over the course of 2004, Sertoma began work on SAFEears!®, an awareness program for the prevention of noise-induced hearing loss (NIHL). The program would officially launch in January of the next year. To learn more about our storied past, visit the Sertoma's History Page.

<https://www.sertoma.org/Who-we-are/Sertomas-History>

### About Sertoma Star Services

Sertoma Centre and New Star Services combined last year to form Sertoma Star Services. Sertoma Star Services is committed to delivering comprehensive opportunities and choices to those we support in an environment that promotes self-advocacy and personal success.

Sertoma Star Services serves over 2,000 individuals that range in age from 5 to 95 years old. We currently offer services at five locations to persons with Epilepsy, Cerebral Palsy, Autism and other substantial, chronic disabilities in addition to those living with mental illness. Our Illinois sites include Alsip, Chicago Heights, Crete and Matteson with one additional facility based in Merrillville, Indiana.

Our programs are driven by our passion for creating life-changing vocational, educational, therapeutic and residential opportunities for those we support.

Services are available to individuals based on their needs, eligibility requirements and program availability.

[www.actionsertoma.org](http://www.actionsertoma.org)

### Action Sertoma Cares!



Now Available  
Online Registration & Payment  
[www.actionsertoma.org](http://www.actionsertoma.org)

There will be Many Events On and Off the Course to Win

- **Closest to the Pin** (Men & Women)
- **Longest Drive** (Men & Women)
- **Fun Games**
- **Split the Pot**
- **Silent Auction**



24th Annual Golf Outing  
Wednesday, July 17, 2024  
Silver Lake Country Club

14700 South 82nd Avenue  
Orland Park, Illinois 60462  
7:30 - 8:30 Registration  
9:00 a.m. Shotgun Start, Best Ball Scramble

**INFLATION BUSTER**  
**SAME PRICE AS LAST YEAR!**

\$195 per person before July 1st  
\$770 per foursome before July 1st  
\$200 per person after July 1st  
\$800 per foursome after July 1st

Includes Greens Fee, Cart, Bloody Mary Bar, Continental Breakfast, Lunch, Steak Dinner, Drinks  
Game Card Featuring a chance to win a trip to Las Vegas and All Games on Course

[www.actionsertoma.org](http://www.actionsertoma.org)

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### Action Sertoma Cares!

Action Sertoma provides support to Community Organizations that provide for the Homeless, those suffering from Domestic Violence, Family Services, as well as Individuals with Developmental Disabilities, Speech & Hearing, and Mental Health issues.

Help us support Sertoma Star Services, The Crisis Center, Respond Now, Together We Cope & Sertoma Speech & Hearing.

Reservations on First Come First Serve Basis

**Limited To 144 Golfers This Year**

**SERVICE TO MANKIND**

Please consider helping Sertoma by purchasing a sponsorship:

<b>GOLD</b> .....	\$4,000.00
• 12 Banners for your business included in all marketing materials	
• Banner displaying your company name	
• 2 Invitations for Golf	
• 2 Hole Sponsorships	
• Beer Cart Sponsorship	
• 20 Soft Drinks	
<b>SILVER</b> .....	\$2,500.00
• 2 Banners displaying your company name	
• 1 Invitation for Golf	
• 1 Hole Sponsorship	
• Beer Cart Sponsorship	
• 10 Soft Drinks	
<b>GOLF CART SPONSOR</b> .....	\$1,750.00
• Springs on all golf carts your equipment & bag fee	
<b>BEER CART SPONSORSHIP</b> .....	\$500.00
• Includes signage on all beer carts	
<b>DINNER SPONSORSHIP</b> .....	\$300.00
• Includes signage at dinner	
<b>HOLE SPONSORSHIP</b> .....	\$200.00
• Includes signage at your hole	

Please make all checks payable to Action Sertoma  
Send with registration form and your check to:

Action Sertoma  
PO Box 164, Oak Forest, IL 60452

**REGISTER & PAY ONLINE @**  
[www.actionsertoma.org](http://www.actionsertoma.org)

Or Contact:

John Parker .....	708-204-0454	<a href="mailto:johannm@att.net">johannm@att.net</a>
D. J. Fioretti .....	708-945-8085	<a href="mailto:djfioretti@yahoo.com">djfioretti@yahoo.com</a>
Bob Scott .....	708-922-9450	<a href="mailto:bob@rs-abc.com">bob@rs-abc.com</a>
Rick Lukie .....	708-878-2822	<a href="mailto:rlukie@cc-le.com">rlukie@cc-le.com</a>
*Kristine Kalnins .....	708-243-1943	<a href="mailto:kristinekalnins@yahoo.com">kristinekalnins@yahoo.com</a>

\* Questions regarding silent auction items or donor price donations contact Kristine Kalnins

**Please Reserve \_\_\_\_\_ tickets for Golf and Dinner @ \$195 per person (\$770 per foursome or \$200 per person) \$800 per foursome after July 1st**

COMPANY OR INDIVIDUAL:

ADDRESS:

PHONE:

EMAIL ADDRESS:

Golfer # 1: \_\_\_\_\_

Golfer # 2: \_\_\_\_\_

Golfer # 3: \_\_\_\_\_

Golfer # 4: \_\_\_\_\_

Reservation total cost: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

All games on course included \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsorships:

GOLD @ \$4,000

SILVER @ \$2,500

GOLF CART SPONSORSHIP @ \$1,750

BEER CART SPONSORSHIP @ \$500

DINNER SPONSORSHIP @ \$300

HOLE SPONSORSHIP @ \$200

DINNER ONLY @ \$60

I cannot attend. Please accept my donation of \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsorship Total Cost: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL ENCLOSED: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Credit Card:  Visa  MasterCard  American Express

Card No. \_\_\_\_\_ CSC# \_\_\_\_\_

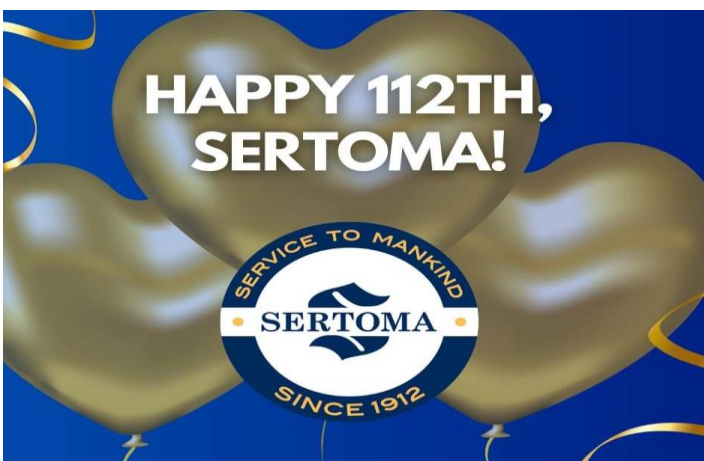
Exp. Date \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Billing Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Email completed form to: [djfioretti@yahoo.com](mailto:djfioretti@yahoo.com)





**1 DAY TO GO** April 13 & 14, 2024  
9 a.m. to 5 p.m.  
4100 W. 127th St. Alsip, IL

## Homewares Super Sale

www.sertomastar.org 708-755-8030

# THE HEARING LOSS GUIDE

Crucial Facts You Need to Know to Preserve Your Hearing and Protect Your Brain

Sertoma Speech & Hearing Centers

This ebook discusses how hearing works, the causes and consequences of hearing loss, treatments available, and how healthy hearing helps reduce cognitive decline and dementia. Topics include: How we hear, Causes of hearing loss, Types of hearing loss, Tinnitus. Guide at <https://www.sertomacenter.org/hearing/>

**FRIENDSHIP GATHERING**  
April 16  
9:30 am - 11 am  
1005 W End Ave  
Chicago Heights

Open to:

- Difference makers
- College Students
- High school students
- Future Sertoma Star Services Volunteers

Sign up at

### What is a Friendship Gathering?

Participants will discuss what it means to be a friend to someone with disabilities. This training is part of Sertoma Star Services's volunteer onboarding. This is also open to those who want to gain skills for work or school and advocate for people in their communities.



Helping others in need is not only a responsibility of life; it is what gives meaning to life.

Every Tuesday, 8 pm at Nite Games in Oak Forest

# ACTION SERTOMA CELEBRATES THE HOLIDAY AT JENNY'S GRILL AND BANQUETS



## Action Sertoma Donations

- Sertoma Centre Annually \$20,000
- Sertoma Speech & Hearing Annually \$15,000
- New Star Golf Outing \$2,000
- \$1,250 Toss for Tots
- \$500 Alsip Scholarship Fund
- \$2,000 RESPOND NOW
- \$250 Jones Center Halloween
- \$500 JDRF
- \$500 Pathlights
- \$1,000 Chicago Police Memorial Found.
- \$500 Navaro Farm
- \$300 Serteen Club
- \$1,000 Sertoma Star Coat Drive
- \$6,500 First Look for Charity
- \$2,500 Crisis Center GALA
- \$500 PAWS
- \$500 Oak Forest Fleadh
- \$500 GiGi's Playhouse
- \$500 St. Damian Food Bank
- \$500 House of Hope
- \$500 Operation Breakthrough

**Action Sertoma was a Proud Sponsor...**





On Wednesday, January 17th, tragedy struck and a fire broke out in the laundry room of P.A.W.S. of Tinley Park. If you are looking to help, the shelter needs monetary donations to help pay veterinarian bills, purchase of a new dryer and repairs.


### What's Happening?

A fundraiser on behalf of P.A.W.S. of Tinley Park. Expect great food, people, prizes, raffles and so much more. Come out and show your support!

### When & Where?

 Saturday, February 24th  
2-6 PM

 Nite Games  
5544 147th St  
Oak Forest, IL. 60452

Reach out to Kelly   
Hayes with questions



**MARCH 2**  
**OAK FOREST FLEADH**  
*celebrating 15 years of fitness, Family & Fun*

8:30a CNB 5k  
 Great course  
 to run or walk  
[www.raceroster.com/82494](http://www.raceroster.com/82494)

11a Family Parade on  
 Central Avenue, 151st to  
 Oak Forest Park District

Hunt for the \$1000 golden  
 ticket along parade route

Visit our bars &  
 restaurants all day



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**CL O V E R S**  
 BAR & GRILL

Thank you sponsors  
[www.oc-chamber.org](http://www.oc-chamber.org)

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**TOGETHER WE COPE IS BAACCKK..**



~IMPORTANT UPDATE~

Nu2u will be having their soft opening  
 Wednesday, April 10th from 10 to 5

**We will begin taking donations  
 starting next week**

★ **Tuesday/Thursday from 10 to 4** ★  
**Saturday 10 to 3**

If you would like to donate furniture,  
 please call Trina Arvetis @ 708-633-9180




**Every Tues 8pm - QUEEN OF HEARTS**  
 Fundraiser, Details at  
<https://actionsertoma.org/queen-of-hearts>  
**April 13 – 14 Sertoma Star Super Sale**  
**April 18 – ALS 5K Run/Walk**  
**May 4 – Chicago Police Memorial 5K Run**  
**May 20 – Crisis Center Classic Golf Outing**  
**July 17 – Action Sertoma Annual Golf Outing**  
**Nov 1 – Action Sertoma Fall Fest**

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| Tracy Fioretti-Moehle - Apr 1 | Tom Finger - Apr 6         |
| Anita Flassig - Apr 10        | David Nick - Apr 12        |
| Glenn Bylina - Apr 25         | Bob Clifford - Apr 26      |
| Carol Daggy - May 7           | Ken Castillo - May 23      |
| Eric Leader - May 26          | Jack Mclain – May 30       |
| Connie Barrera - June 7       | Pat Gill - June 9          |
| Stephen Reilly - June 10      | Joe Racine Jr - June 19    |
| George Fetcho - June 20       | Danie Letizia Sr - June 27 |
| Gene Esposito Jr - July 2     | Debbie DeMaar - July 5     |
| Christine Obbagy - July 6     | Joe Racine Sr - July 1     |
| Bill Kamholz - July 13        | Rick Lakie - July 15       |
| Rob Surrusco - July 15        | Bob Esposito - July 16     |
| Kim Simon – July 16           | Gene Esposito Sr - July 22 |
| Marco Corsi - July 29         | Lisa Molloy - Aug 3        |
| Andy Sampalis - Aug 4         | Dominic Porto - Aug 11     |
| Concetta Pinto - Aug 16       | Eileen Clancy - Aug 17     |
| Pat Harpold - Aug 21          | Bob Scott - Aug 26         |
| Mike Reeg - Sept 10           | Ed Fioretti - Sept 24      |
| Bob Hehl - Sept 28            |                            |

# Happy Anniversary

Bill Kamholz – Apr 1  
 Brian Letizia – May 5  
 Ed Kelly – May 11  
 Michelle Pinto – July 1  
 John Shanahan -July 1  
 Dan Letizia Sr – Aug 1  
 Bob Esposito – Aug 8  
 Kristine Kalnins – Aug 10  
 Tom Finger – Sept 1  
 Marco Corsi – Sept 1  
 Chris Obbagy – Sept 2  
 George Fetcho – Sept 18

John Parker – May 1  
 Dan Letizia Jr - May 5  
 Jason Nielson – June 1  
 Kim Simon – July 1  
 Gene Esposito Jr – Aug 1  
 Bob Scott – Aug 1  
 Dennis Fioretti – Aug 9  
 Jack Howe – Aug 16  
 Joe Racine Sr – Sept 1  
 Ken Castillo – Sept 1  
 Eileen Clancy Sept 2  
 Dominic Porto – Sept 29

## ACTION SERTOMA MEMBERS MEETINGS Welcome New Members!



**Action Sertoma Members Dinner Mtg**  
**1st Tuesday of the Month at**  
**GATTO'S RESTAURANT AND BAR**  
**8005 183rd St, Tinley Park, IL 60487**  
**6:00 pm Cocktails**  
**6:30 pm Dinner**



**Action Sertoma Board Mtg**  
**3rd Wednesday of the Month at**  
**BLARNEY STONE**  
**15400 Cicero Ave**  
**Oak Forest, IL 60452**  
**6:00 pm**

## ACTION SERTOMA BOARD MEMBERS

<b>CHAIRPERSON:</b>	<b>GENE ESPOSITO, JR.</b>
<b>PRESIDENT:</b>	<b>DOMINIC PORTO</b>
<b>TREASURER:</b>	<b>JOHN PARKER</b>
<b>SECRETARY:</b>	<b>ED KELLY</b>
<b>VP SPONSORSHIP:</b>	<b>JOE RACINE, JR</b>
<b>VP MEMBERSHIP:</b>	<b>EILEEN CLANCY</b>
<b>VP SOCIAL:</b>	<b>TOM FINGER</b>
<b>PUBLICITY/BULLETIN:</b>	<b>CONNIE BARRERA</b>
<b>SERGEANT AT ARMS:</b>	<b>ROBERT HEHL</b>
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	<b>DJ FIORETTI</b>
	<b>CHRIS OBBAGY</b>
	<b>CHAS LAZZARA</b>
	<b>KRISTINE KALNINS</b>
	<b>GEORGE FETCHO</b>
	<b>KEN CASTILLO</b>
	<b>ANITA FLASSIG</b>

**SERTOMA STAR BOARD MEMBERS**  
**DAN LETIZIA AND GEORGE FETCHO**

