

## **CAMP SERTOMA OF S.C.**

P.O. Box 1808 Anderson, S.C. 29622

October 1, 2020

Dear Friends,

Camp Sertoma of South Carolina and the Clemson University Outdoor Lab have made a great team for over 50 years. Since the day we had to announce that Camp Sertoma 2020 was closing, we had two priorities. First to make sure our campers knew that we loved them and that we still wanted them to have a great summer (see June, July and August issues of "The Bell"). Second, we immediately began our preparations to make sure that Camp Sertoma 2021 was the best summer ever. Plans for camper safety are already in place and are being updated and modified as new information becomes available. There will be several improvements around camp that we think will make the best-ever summer camp experience even more "best-ever-y!" The reservation forms were sent to clubs today via their Camp Sertoma Representative and can be turned in at any time (with a deadline of February 1).

Cases of coronavirus seem to be diminishing in many areas, and Sertomans continue to serve in creative ways through this pandemic. As you'll see in the October issue of "The Bell," Clemson Sertoma was able to procure see-through masks for individuals who rely on lip-reading for communication, AND got some GREAT publicity in the process. They also got a \$500 camper sponsorship and a potential new member by holding their camper gift basket event outdoors in a very visible area. Great job, Clemson Sertoma!

In coming months, our board will be working hard to develop plans to not only make camp more awesome, but help clubs USE camp to promote their club growth and fund raising (as we all bounce back from this microscopic spiky sphere). Sertomans around the state are working hard and coming up with some incredibly creative ways to raise funds during a pandemic so that, for the 19th year in a row, every single one of our 240 spots for campers is paid for completely, placing zero expense on the families of our precious and awesome campers. WE MISS OUR CAMPERS! WE MISS OUR SERTOMANS! And we can't wait to see our friends again!

Sincerely,

Dale Treash, Chairman Camp Sertoma of S.C.

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