

Cedar Valley Sertoma Club

Chartered March 6, 1964

P.O. Box 385, Cedar Falls, IA

Meets every Tuesday noon at BECK'S

MARCH 2007

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Mar. 4 BANQUET – 5:30 p.m.
- Mar. 6 Grad student in speech pathology from St. Petersburg, Russia – Ekaterina Smyk
- Mar. 13 NO MEETING – Spring Break
- Mar. 20 11:30 a.m. Board meeting
- Mar. 20 Business meeting
- Mar. 27 An Inconvenient Truth



BOARD and Business MEETING

We have received 29 responses from our flag customers in regards to interest in joining the club: 1 Yes; 19 No thank you; and 9 Interested but cannot make that date.

We will be sending out another wave of letters to a different neighborhood (Cliffs old route) and will choose two dates to have a dinner and will plan to invite the 9 interested to attend those dates as well. A different letter will be needed to send to those 9 interested. – Cliff will prepare.

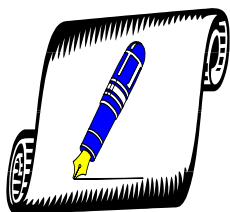
Their will be 32 people attending our Sertoma Awards banquet which has been rescheduled due to the ice storm for Sunday March 3rd @ 5:30 (Note the time change)

Bob Robinson will be alleviated from his Presidential duties starting July 1st, He will be spending more time traveling. It was thought that VP Michelle may be staying home with her new baby, so hopefully will be able to become our new President.

Cliff Highnam will be formulating some ideas on how to give money away to UNI students via Scholarships.

We still have not determined if we are going to donate to the deaf services commission this year.

Donna Hansen needs to be contacted in regards to information on Camp Sertoma.



ROBERT'S RULES

February has been a very busy month.

We successfully carried out the Valentine Bun Sales project and will celebrate on Sunday, March 4th with our annual Awards Banquet. March promises to be a busy month also. We will be organizing the flag project for the year. Also during March we will be discussing our meeting times, dates and frequency. But for now, LET'S JUST GET TOGETHER AND HAVE A GOOD TIME AT THE BANQUET.

MARCH PROGRAMS – Todd/Donna
APRIL PROGRAMS – Donna

CONGRATULATIONS BILL ROBINSON
On 50 years of SERTOMA membership!!

CONGRATULATIONS BOB ROBINSON on
once again receiving the SERTOMAN OF THE
YEAR award.

2007 Service to Mankind Recipient Christine Carpenter

Our 2007 Service to Mankind Award recipient, Christine Carpenter of Cedar Falls, was leading a normal life, which only serves as a backdrop for a crisis which transformed her forever.

This award is for Christine's courage and determination as a breast cancer survivor and activist. In 1993, Christine, a school psychologist with husband and 14-year-old daughter, was diagnosed with an aggressive form of breast cancer. As Christine's strength returned, she knew that she needed to do something, not only for herself, but for others diagnosed with breast cancer.

From that time to this, Christine has made unique contributions to our community, the state, and the nation. In 1997, Christine organized a small local group called *Iowa Breast Cancer Edu-action*. The group eventually published a resource manual for those with breast cancer, the *Iowa Breast Cancer Resource*, now in its 3rd edition. Sensitive to the growing Bosnian population both locally and throughout the state, Christine's group knew that a Serbo-Croatian guide was needed, and achieved that goal. The resulting resource manual has been distributed free across Iowa wherever there are Bosnian populations. Concerned that pesticides might be a source of cancer, Christine currently is participating in the University of Northern Iowa's Center for Energy and Environmental Education efforts with schools, parks, businesses, churches, and home owners to reduce lawn pesticide use in Iowa.

However, Christine's advocacy is not limited to our state. It has been felt throughout the nation, as she has worked tirelessly on behalf of the National Cancer Coalition's efforts to receive research funding from the Department of Defense Funding, and is campaigning currently for passage of the Breast Cancer & Environmental Research Act. This article can only skim over Christine's accomplishments. Those attending our re-scheduled Annual Awards Banquet on March 4th will have the pleasure of meeting Christine and Del, and hearing the details of her remarkable achievements.

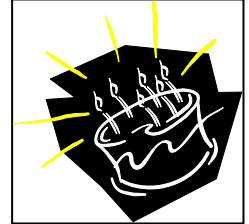
**GREAT PLAINS REGIONAL CONVENTION
MANKATO MINNESOTA**

**May 3-6, 2007
St. Cloud, Minnesota**

Can you go? Let Bob R. know

HAPPY BIRTHDAY to

David Greene	Mar. 8
Bill Robinson	Mar. 11
Judith Harrington	Mar. 13
Troy Delagardelle	Mar. 22
Paula Padavich	Mar. 28
Rick Koch	Mar. 31



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