



# SERTOMA NEWS

## Sertoma Club of Emporia

## May 2017

### 2016-2017 Officers and Board of Directors

President – Mark Summey  
President-Elect – Wes Matson  
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Treasurer – Gary Dains  
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1-year term – Bob Hush, Elton Jensen, Charles Wilhite  
2-year term – Larry Brown, Justin Hensley, Mar Jean Anderson  
3-year term – Bill Huth, Jerry McCalla, Wes Matson

Newsletter Editor -- Ron Dinkel

Items for the newsletter should be submitted by the 25th of the month. By phone – 343-3482; fax – 342-9482; e-mail – dinkel@cableone.net

### MARK YOUR CALENDAR

May 4	Noon
Open Meeting	
May 11	Noon
Program – Tom Kriss	
<b>May 13</b>	<b>ESU Flags</b>
<b>Spring Commencement</b>	
May 16	6 p.m.
Board Meeting – First Christian Church	
May 18	Noon
Business Meeting	
<b>May 24</b>	
<b>Keep It a Safe Summer</b>	
May 25	Noon
Program – David Simon	
<b>May 29</b>	<b>U.S. Flags</b>
<b>Memorial Day</b>	
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June 1	Noon
Open Meeting	
June 8	Noon
Program – Spencer Allen	
<b>June 14</b>	<b>U.S. Flags</b>
<b>Flag Day</b>	
June 15	Noon
Program – Open	
June 20	6 p.m.
Board Meeting – First Christian Church	
June 22	Noon
Business Meeting	
June 29	Noon
Installation of Officers	

### REGULAR TRAIN SCHEDULE BEGINS JUNE 1

June 1 marks the official start of the miniature train season in Soden’s Grove Park. The summer schedule is on the back page of this newsletter.

Much work has taken place over the past several months on the track and train.

- Several new concrete ties have been installed and the track grade has been improved in some areas. Thanks to everyone who spent numerous hours during the past months repairing and improving the track.
- The two passenger cars have been painted and striped, thanks to the generosity of Jesse and Beth Wilson of Thurston’s Plus Autobody.

Although the regular schedule starts soon, the train has been running for several parties and fundraisers. Once again we will be using the procedures adopted last year for scheduling parties, signing up volunteers, etc.

The club has a dedicated phone number **(620-412-3806)** for scheduling special train events. Ulli Wallace monitors the number, takes reservations, and notifies members via e-mail when workers are needed. There is a master calendar (Google version) which any member can monitor in real time. If you are not receiving the information from Ulli or need assistance using the Google tool, please contact her. Her address is ulliwallace20@gmail.com.

The cost of a private party is \$40 per hour.

### KEEP IT A SAFE SUMMER (K.I.S.S.)

Volunteers are needed to help at our booth at Keep it a Safe Summer on Wednesday, May 24, in the Anderson Building on the Lyon County Fairgrounds. We will set up the booth at 4 p.m. and the event is from 5 to 7:30 p.m.

We will feature the Sertoma SafeEars program and the train. Come and help hand out ear plugs, book marks, and train tickets.

We generally reach several hundred children and parents during this event. Thanks to Terri Summey who is once again chairing this project.

## **MAY BIRTHDAYS**

May 25 Bob Hush

## **JUNE BIRTHDAYS**

June 1 Pat Foraker  
3 John Newland  
11 Ulli Wallace  
14 Sarah Richardson  
16 Bill Huth

*Members celebrating a birthday will have their meal paid for by the club when they attend the meeting the week of their birthday.*

*The birthday list is compiled from the membership roster in the club directory. Some members choose not to have their birthday published. If your birthday was mistakenly omitted from the directory or you wish to have it listed in the newsletter, please contact Ron Dinkel.*

## **WELCOME NEW MEMBER**

Welcome to Dan Johnson, our newest member. Dan works for the USD 253 Transportation Department. He was sponsored by Wes Matson.

Dan's contact information:

E-mail – swjohn1887@gmail.com

Phone – 620-344-4031

Birthdate – Aug. 5

## **BITS & PIECES**

• Highlights from recent meetings:

**April 6** – Lee Alderman, director of the Emporia Rescue Mission, accepted a donation from the club and talked about the work the group does. The men's shelter has a capacity of 18 men and was at capacity most of the winter. Abundant Harvest serves about 2,200 meals per month between the soup kitchen and the men's shelter. The group has only three half-time employees and over 170 volunteers.

**April 13** – Members of B.A.C.A. (Bikers Against Child Abuse) Bogi, Slick and Easy talked about what they do for children who have been abused. They also talked about the upcoming Free Kids Day at Soden's Grove which includes train rides..

**April 27** – Mary Ann Newton was the guest speaker. She is with the local organization Independence, Inc., and works with adults with physical disabilities. Their Assistive Technology Grant Program assists individuals with disabilities throughout Kansas in acquiring assistive technology or accessibility modifications to their home.

## **MINIATURE TRAIN SCHEDULE**

**June through August**

**Wednesday, Saturday & Sunday  
6:30 to 8:30 p.m.**

**Thursday – 9 to 11 a.m.**

*It takes a minimum of three people for everything to run smoothly – sell tickets and concessions, drive the train and assist with boarding and ticket punching.*

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