



SERTOMA NEWS

Sertoma Club of Emporia October/November 2017

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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

Oct. 26	Noon
Program – Terri Summey	
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Nov. 2	Noon
Open Meeting	
Nov. 4	<i>ESU Flags</i>
<i>ESU Football vs. Missouri Western</i>	
Nov. 9	Noon
Program – Jerry McCalla	
Nov. 11	<i>U.S. Flags</i>
<i>Veteran's Day</i>	
<i>ESU Football vs. Washburn</i>	
<i>(No ESU flags due to Veteran's Day)</i>	
Nov. 16	Noon
Program – Bill McCord	
Nov. 21	5:30 p.m.
Board Meeting – First Christian Church	
Nov. 23	
<i>Happy Thanksgiving – No meeting</i>	
Nov. 30	Noon
Program – Russell Beck	
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Dec. 7	<i>U.S. Flags</i>
<i>Pearl Harbor Day</i>	
<i>Sertoma Christmas Program TBA</i>	
Dec. 14	Noon
Program – Glenn Boyce	
Dec. 16	<i>ESU Flags</i>
<i>ESU Winter Commencement</i>	
Dec. 19	5:30 p.m.
Board Meeting – First Christian Church	

IN MEMORIAM

We were saddened by the death of Richard (Bud) Stapp on Oct. 1. No matter the project or cause, Bud was always willing to help. Shortly after he joined the club, he accepted a leadership role and eventually served as club president and chairman of the board. As one of the leaders of the Scholarship Breakfast planning committee, he helped move the project to a new level of success.

We express our sincere sympathy to Mary Beth and the Stapp family.

THANK A VETERAN

At this time of the year we are reminded of the sacrifices made by men and women to protect the freedoms we enjoy each day. As we celebrate Veteran's Day, let's reflect on the debt we owe our veterans including the many who are members of our Sertoma Club.

The following is from an unknown author but sums up how the unselfish service of veterans paved the way for things Americans often take for granted:

It is the Veteran, not the preacher, who has given us freedom of religion.

It is the Veteran, not the reporter, who has given us freedom of the press.

It is the Veteran, not the poet, who has given us freedom of speech.

It is the Veteran, not the campus organizer, who has given us freedom to assemble.

It is the Veteran, not the lawyer, who has given us the right to a fair trial.

It is the Veteran, not the politician, who has given us the right to vote.



OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

Oct. 16 Alice Dreier
24 Ron Dinkel
25 Larry Brown

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Nov. 25 Belinda Schlesener

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.

FLAG PROGRAM REMINDERS

These are a few reminders if you're involved with the American and/or ESU flag routes:

- Pick up and follow a route sheet each time as the lists are constantly changing.
- A decision is made by 6 a.m. whether to cancel flag days due to inclement weather. A sign will be posted on the door of the flag storage room.
- If you notice changes of business ownership or location on your flag route, contact Ulli Wallace (366-1516; ulliwallace20@gmail.com).
- If there is a need for repairs to flag brackets or snaps, contact Russell Beck (342-4900).

BITS & PIECES

- Highlights from recent meetings:

Sept. 14 – Dr. Linda Wendling, Chair and Professor in the ESU Dept. of Nursing, introduced two of the five students who received Sertoma scholarships this year. Each student thanked the club for the financial support and talked about why they wanted to be a nurse. The students were Kaitlyn Van (Sr., Kansas City, Mo.) and Brendan Janes (Jr., Stilwell, Kan.). Starting next year the number of students admitted into the nursing program each academic year will increase from 50 to 100. She also said ESU will roll out a Master's Degree in Nursing program next academic year. Dr. Wendling is also involved in the formation of a Collegiate Sertoma Program at ESU which will be open to all students.

Sept. 21 – Danny Giefer, Emporia city commissioner, gave an update on various things going on in the city.

Sept. 28 – Two nurses from USD 253 accepted a check from the club. The money will be used to help nurses in the district get certified in a program dealing with students' hearing issues.

Gary and Renee Wyatt presented the program and were introduced by Elton Jensen. Gary is the Director of the ESU Honors College. They talked about a recent trip to Uganda along with five ESU students. They spent six weeks in a remote mountain village and the slums of the capitol city, living and working with the residents. They both said it was a life-changing experience.

Oct. 26 – Clara Corn, Director of Plumb Place, was introduced by Mark Summey. Plumb Place is a homeless shelter for single women age 18 and over. The Plumb House on East Sixth Ave. started undergoing changes from 1919-1921 and has served women for nearly a century. There are 18 rooms for women to live in. In addition to providing living space, the organization offers various services to help its residents get back on their feet and integrate into the community.

- Mark your calendars now! The dates for Sertoma's annual international convention is Feb. 1-3, 2018, at the Kauffman Foundation Center in Kansas City, Mo. Additional information will be coming soon.
- The club is once again part of the Emporia Community Foundation's Match Day in November. More details will be announced at upcoming meetings and through local media outlets.

SCHOLARSHIP BREAKFAST

Thanks to all who participated in any way with the annual Scholarship Breakfast on Oct. 7. The accounting is being finalized as bills are received and paid. Proceeds go to student scholarships at Emporia State University and Flint Hills Technical College.