

NEW BOARD MEMBERS AND OFFICERS

Sertoma Center is pleased to announce its new officers and board members for the 2009-2010 fiscal year. The new officers are President Pam Gaut of Blue Cross Blue Shield of Tennessee, President-Elect Bob Paylor of Optima Recovery Services, Vice President John Stone-retired, Secretary Kathy May of TVA, Treasurer Bill Slayden, CPA and Past President Lee Montgomery of UBS.

The newly elected Board members are Allison Burchett of Watson Pharmaceuticals, Kandyce Harber, attorney, Dean Rice of Pratt, Pratt & Rice, Tim Wheeler with the Knox County Circuit Court and Pam Zachary of Re/Max Preferred Properties.

Returning Board members are Michelle Allan of Thompson Oncology Group, Foster Arnett, Knox County Clerk, Jeff Bailey of Kinzel Springs Development, Gay Bera, a mental health counselor, Michelle Bowling of Label Industries, Gary Cousins of Mesa Associates, Donna Davis of Butler, Vines & Babb, Consultant Mark Hancock, Chris Kerr of Tender Heart Support Services, Betty Lane of LaFrench Properties, Larry Murphy of East Tennessee Children's Hospital, Harry Ogden of Baker Donelson, Judge John Rosson-City Judge, Chris Skalet of Advanced Appraisal Services, Karen Spires of T J Development and Management, John W. Watts with Knox County Court and Ellie Whitesell of DPM Enterprises.



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SERTOMA CENTER'S MISSION

Sertoma Center is dedicated to serving adults with developmental disabilities through providing the highest quality of residential, vocational and community services that empower the persons served to lead richer, fuller lives.



Board of Directors

Michelle Allan	Lee Montgomery
Foster Arnett	Larry Murphy
Jeff Bailey	Harry Ogden
Gay Bera	Bob Paylor
Michelle Bowling	Dean Rice
Allison Burchett	Judge John Rosson
Gary Cousins	Chris Skalet
Aubrey Cowan, <i>Emeritas</i>	Bill Slayden
Donna Davis	Karen Spires
Steve Fogarty	John Stone
Pam Gaut	John W. Watts
Mark Hancock	Tim Wheeler
Kandyce Harber	Ellie Whitesell
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Betty Lane	Becky Massey, <i>Executive Director</i>
Kathy May	



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SERTOMA INDIVIDUALS ADOPT GRANDMOTHER

Sertoma Center's Mobile Meals delivery groups are always looking for ways to give back to the community. Recently a great opportunity opened up to them. One of our regular staff was visiting her aunt at Holston Health and Rehab Center and discovered that her aunt's roommate, Anna, had no family, having lost her last living relative three years ago. A group of clients from Sertoma Center started visiting her and this became a regular outing. She was then "officially" adopted as Sertoma's own!

Each visit would include different individuals from Sertoma Center thus giving her lots of visitors. This thrilled her to no end! Our staff, Dan and Dot, became especially important to her and she began calling Dan "her son" and "big boy". Every visit brought a genuine smile and her eyes would light up with excitement and delight to have so many visitors caring about her.

After talking with the nurses, Dan and Dot found out that it was OK to bring her lunch and special treats that she especially enjoyed. On another occasion, our art classes made cards that were decorated and signed by each individual and our greenhouse horticulture therapist sent her a beautiful plant to brighten up her room.

These special visits continued until Miss Anna moved to another facility. Our staff soon located her using a little detective work and the visits with Miss Anna and her group of "adopted grandchildren" will continue. Miss Anna, like many of Sertoma Center's individuals, has no family. What wonderful and loving relationships have developed from this unexpected connection!



Richard with Coach Pearl

SERTOMA CENTER CELEBRATES FRIENDSHIP DINNER WITH HONORED GUESTS

Sertoma Center hosted its third annual Sertoma Center Friendship Dinner in May to raise support, awareness and funding for the Sertoma Center programs, which serve adults with cognitive disabilities. The Friendship Dinner was held at the Foundry on the Fair site. The event brought in more than 430 guests, and approximately \$39,000 for Sertoma Center. Funds will be directed toward medical services, horticulture and art therapy, and refurbishments at center homes, along with other unfunded services that are offered.

Bruce Pearl, the University of Tennessee's head men's basketball coach, attended the event as the keynote speaker. WNOX- FM 100's Hallerin Hilton Hill returned for the third year to emcee the event.

"We were thrilled with wonderful attendance and are very appreciative of the support the community provides Sertoma Center and the individuals that we are privileged to serve," said Becky Duncan Massey, executive director of Sertoma Center. "Everyone enjoyed Coach Pearl's remarks, and we appreciate him taking time out of his busy schedule to spend the evening with us."

Sertoma Center is a non-profit organization with programs dedicated to enriching the lives of adults with cognitive disabilities. Sertoma offers employment placement assistance, as well as on-site employment opportunities, more than 20 supervised residences and medical services to assist Sertoma clients. The center also offers recreational activities and cultural experiences to those individuals. Sertoma is dedicated to improving the quality of life and providing valuable relationships to those they reach.

BIDDIN' AWAY IN SERTOMAVILLE!

Put on your best tropical shirt and flipflops and join Sertoma Center for our 2009 Auction Gala on Friday, August 28th at 6:30 at the Foundry for "Biddin' Away in Sertomaville"!

Bring all your Parrot Head friends for an evening of live and silent auctions, music, food and fun, Jimmy Buffet style! We might even have some "Cheeseburgers in Paradise" waiting for you!

You can get an early start on the bidding process by logging on to www.sertomaauction.com and placing your bid online starting on August 1st.

Then join us live for more exciting items. For more information, to make a reservation or to donate an auction item, email joan@sertoma.com or call 524-5555 ext 239. Tickets are \$75 each or a Table Sponsorship is \$1250 for a table of 8. Hope to see you at the auction!



The 2009 Kenny Withers Sertoma Center Golf Challenge was held this past May 8th at Avalon Golf Course. Mark your calendar now for the 2010 challenge to be held on May 14th. Pictured: Kenny Withers, Bill Slayden, and Jimmy Hyams, event chairman.