



Harland Parrish

**October 4
Birthday**

Doug Anderson

**October 8
Birthday**

**Ken & Rosie
Westerhold**

**October 11
Anniversary**

**John & Judy
Shimonek**

**October 15
Anniversary**

Ken Gettman

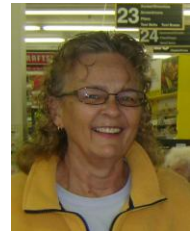
**October 23
Birthday**



**Bingo
Lancaster Manor
Saturday
October 22
10:00 a.m.**

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DONNA MAGWIRE – PRESIDENT’S NOTES



What a beautiful fall we are having!! Could we ask for better weather? Well we can always ask, but this might be as good as it gets. Let's hope it holds for the Becker's party October 1st.

For the past ten years, September has been a difficult month for most Americans and in October we go on as usual. On August 27th, President

Obama asked all of us to do some volunteer work for two weeks in honor of 9/11. I would like to believe most Americans are like Northeast Sertomans and make volunteering and service work part of their everyday life all year and not for just one month.

Fred Flintstone and I went to school in a time when students weren't required

to complete 20 hours of volunteer work in their senior year to graduate. I think whoever came up with that idea was a genius! Getting young adults involved hopefully teaches compassion and gratitude they will carry with them into adulthood and make volunteering part of their everyday lives. Hopefully they will become involved in groups like ours.

HELPING SAM HEAR



Just One of the Boys

On car rides, Jack and Sam point out fire hydrants, school buses, Dunkin' Donuts restaurants, and other objects of interest to each other. They giggle, they fight, and when things get too loud, Teresa and I make eye contact and smile. Before telling them to quiet down, we make it a point to recognize the irony in shushing Sam, whose ability to speak was once a major concern for us.

Not only can Sam speak, but he can also demonstrate subtleties of speech, like intonation and inflection. His

listening skills are equally impressive. On a recent visit to his grandmother's house, Sam overheard Teresa ask her mother in a normal speaking voice where he was. Separated by a wall with a doorway around the corner, a little voice from the family room said, "I'm in here."

It's hard to distinguish Sam's performance from the typical hearing child his age, but sometimes we notice him working to determine where a sound came from. We were told that localizing sound could be a challenge, but at this point it hasn't been a big issue.

(to be continued)



Football Party

October 1
Becker's Cabin
Dinner @ 6:00
Nebraska/Wisconsin
Game
7:00 on TV
Turf and Surf
Bring side dish



Programs

October 6
Connie Daly
NE Commission for the Blind
and Visually Impaired

October 13
Julie Cervantes
Big Brothers & Big Sisters

October 20
TBA

October 27
TBA



Cookies for Child Advocacy Center

October

Harland Parrish



Hiway Pickup

October 1

Breakfast 7:30

Hy Vee @ 84th & Holdrege

NeMAP

The “Hiway Angels” aka the Nebraska Motorist Assist Program assist motorists on I80 when they have breakdowns. Lincoln has two vans that travel east to the Platte River and west to Utica says **Randy Bybee**, State Trooper. *NeMAP* is sponsored by AAA, Nebraska Motor Club and the State Patrol. Some businesses donate services such as uniforms and reflective vests. The

program does not take money from travelers they serve, but they do hand them a response card with the opportunity to donate if they return it.

A volunteer must be able to change a tire. Most assists are tire changes, gas runs and transportation. Volunteers must go through 1 ½ days of training.

The vans run five days a

week but are pulled on football Saturdays for safety reasons. There are 34 volunteers in the Lincoln program.

The downside is the volunteers need to remove road kill. The State Patrol loves the Hiway Angels as it gives them more time to do what they do best, issue tickets. Our own **Ken Carlson** is a volunteer and will be glad to answer questions.

CAPITAL HUMANE SOCIETY

Groundbreaking for the new *Capital Humane Society* is scheduled for spring of 2012 according to **Bob Downey**, Executive Director. The Grand Opening is scheduled for ten months later. The 15,000 square foot building will be located at 70th & Hiway 2, with room for expansion. There is a walking path behind the facility which will make it easier to exercise the residents.

The reason the location was chosen is because of high traffic. It is hoped people will see it and stop to check it out. CHS has raised 2.1 million of the 2.9 million needed.

There will be several Cat Colonies in the new building, including one at the front that can be seen from the outside. A Cat Colony reduces stress and promotes better health for the cats.

Bob noted that the CHS is the Motel 6 for animals in Lincoln. If they sell it at PetSmart, they will see it at the shelter. CHS also offers free boarding for pets in transition, working with agencies such as Friendship Home and Red Cross. Eighty thousand cats and dogs pass through the current facility each year.

There will be a police sub station and open meeting rooms that can be used by groups.

HEARING AID BANK

Deaf people can feel like a piece of furniture in a room says **Jim Krysl**, Sertoma’s representative to the *Nebraska Hearing Aid Bank*. Northeast Sertoma presented **Jim** with our donation from the Pancake Feed.

210 hearing aids have been given this year. The Bank takes all kinds and sends them to Minnesota to be refurbished. Our partnership with Minneapolis works very well.

The *Okto Beerfest* is

scheduled for October 6 at the Lancaster Event Center. **Lee Arellano** asked for our help to work the event, to sell tickets and to obtain items for the silent auction. Proceeds are given to the *Nebraska State Stroke Association*.

CHANGES IN CHINA

Dr. Robert Diffendal has been visiting China since 1979. The pictures from that era showed hardly any traffic on the street and most people dressed in blue uniforms.

Today, the traffic is horrendous and the people dress as Americans. 90% of the people are Huong Chinese and 10% are minorities. China has four times our population but only 10-20% of the land is arable. The smog is thick in the cities.

All school children are taught English.

SERTOMA INC



Sertoma President **John Kerr** believes a good recruiting tool is for the club to have fun. He encourages clubs to plan social events.

The new convention format begins with "Club Leadership Development". Convention will be held April 26-28, 2012 in Kansas City, MO. Members are encouraged to have input on the training.



Okoto Beerfest

October 6, 2011
6:30-9:30

Beer Tasting,
Hors d'oeuvres,
Silent Auction

Lancaster Event Center
Proceeds to the Nebraska
Stroke Association



Trail Pickup

MoPac Trail from 70th to Wedgewood Bridge

October 1-31

Maxine Bishop

Superior Trail

October 1-31

Sally Karel
Donna Magwire

MAGNETIC THIN FILMS FROM BASIC TO RESEARCH TO SPINTRONICS

Why thin films? Size matters – length and time scales determine the physics of a system says Dr. **Christian Binek**.

Quantum mechanics – confinement of electrons of hovering dimensions affects the electronic states.

3D film, 2D film, 1 D wire – electrons move in different directions and are different distances from each other.

Comparison with characteristic length scale example: a superconducting thin film has the potential for

levitating trains. Nuclear MRIs are in existence now.



WINE TASTING TOUR SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16

DETAILS TO FOLLOW
SEE DAVE BROWN TO SIGN UP



Observations

I wish calories worked like sales. "One Day Only - Large Cheese Pizza just 200 Calories!"

All credibility is lost when you make a typo while sending an angry text message.

Cheese is like a villain from a horror movie: Whatever you do to it only makes it stronger. Shred it? Better. Slice it? Better. Melt it? Perfection



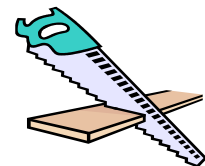
Food Distribution

Tuesday

October 25

4:45 – 6:00

Center for People in Need



Board Meeting

October 11

Fran Follett, Host

Northeast Sertoma



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Meet Thursdays
7:00 a.m.

HyVee Club Room
5010 "O" Street

Website: nesertoma.org

HUMOR



When my girlfriend said she was leaving because of my obsession with the Monkees, I thought she was joking.

And then I saw her face...

I was diagnosed with antisocial behavior disorder, so I joined a support group. We never meet.

Getting back together with an old boyfriend is pathetic. It's like having a garage sale and buying your own stuff back.

If I get a laugh, I'm a comedian. If I get a small laugh, I'm a humorist. If I get no laughs, I'm a singer. If my singing gets big laughs, I'm a comedian again.

George Burns

I have bad luck with women. A woman I was dating told me on the phone, 'I have to go. There's a telemarketer on the other line'.

Chuck Norris – the indestructible actor who inspired an Internet joke phenomenon that lists thousands of his impossible feats.

Chuck Norris can strangle you with a cordless phone.

Chuck Norris can hear sign language.

Chuck Norris knows Victoria's secret.

Superman owns a pair of Chuck Norris pajamas.

One great thing I noticed about living by myself: All of my annoying habits seem to have disappeared.

Pulling guard duty is dull work. But I never realized just how dull until one night when, with nothing else to do, I looked underneath my desk. There I found these words scrawled by a predecessor: *Man, you must really be bored!*



International Convention

April 26-28, 2012

Kansas City, MO

Look at every exit as being an entrance to somewhere else.

To swear off making mistakes is very easy. All you have to do is swear off having ideas.

If you can't change your fate, change your attitude.

The minute you settle for less than you deserve, you get even less than you settled for.

Pretending is a very valuable life skill.

The reason volunteers aren't paid isn't because they're worthless, but because they are priceless.

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