

RUSTY ROCKET REVIEW



Donna Magwire

**September 9
Birthday**

Earl Griffin

**September 12
Birthday**

**Ken & Dorothy
Gettman**

**September 14
Anniversary**

Sally Karel

**September 19
Birthday**

Maxine & Jim Bishop

**September 23
Anniversary**

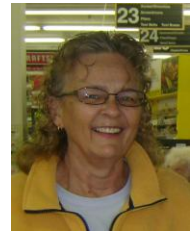


**Bingo
Lancaster Manor
Saturday
September 24
10:00 a.m.**

Life is too short to eat
vanilla ice cream and
dance with boring
men.

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DONNA MAGWIRE – PRESIDENT’S NOTES



Another very successful Ribfest has come and gone by so fast (maybe not to the Ribfest Royalty). In a summer that has seen very HOT weather and windy storms, we were blessed with a near perfect weekend!

On behalf of Northeast Sertoma, I would like to send out a big THANKS to our volunteer groups: CASA, Fresh Start and Volunteer Partners. They really came through for us

with people and hours. Hopefully, they also had some fun. We extend an open invitation to all of them to visit a Thursday morning meeting anytime for a good breakfast, program and usually a few laughs.

Thanks also to all our club members for supporting a great fundraiser. A special high five to Cathy and Jim Becker, Sharon Cunning and Dave Brown, (The Ribfest Royalty), for

giving up their personal lives for four days. They even pulled laundry duty. These are dedicated volunteers!

Now on to fall and some social activities, where instead of serving refreshments, we get to enjoy them. We are even working on getting the Social Committee to schedule another Wine Tour.

KRISTIN HOTOPP - NEWMEMBER



My name is Kristin Hotopp. I am new to the Northeast Sertoma Club, but have been a Sertoman before as a member of the Midtowne Sertoma chapter. I have been married to Ruark for seven years and have a three-year-old son, Brett.

I moved to Lincoln in 1998 to go to the University of Nebraska and never moved away. I have a Bachelor's degree in Business Administration with a double major in Management and Marketing and a minor in Sociology.

I am currently a Co-Manager at the North 27th Street Walmart. I have worked for Walmart for eight years at several different stores including Beatrice, Fremont and Omaha. Before Walmart, I was a restaurant manager.

In my free time I enjoy spending time outside playing with my son as well as mindless games on Facebook.

I look forward to serving our community with all of you.

Welcome, Kristin! You jumped in with both feet by working Ribfest. We are looking forward to getting to know you better!

Adults are always asking children what they want to be when they grow up because they're looking for ideas.

I never panic when I get lost. I just change where it is I want to go.



Programs

September 1
Jim Krysl
Nebraska Hearing Aid Bank

September 8
TBA

September 15
Randy Bybee
Nebraska State Trooper
Nebraska Highway Safety
Program

September 22
Dr. Robert Diffendal
UNL Professor Emeritus
Changes in China: Observations
from 8 visits from 1979 - 2010

September 29
Dr. Christian Binck
UNL Associate Professor of
Physics
Magnetic Thin Films

Oops! Missed a committee
last month...
Community Sponsorship –
Donations
Lee/Kent/Harry
Thanks to all our
volunteers!



**Cookies for Child Advocacy
Center**

September

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NEBRASKA COMMUNITY BLOOD BANK

Donating blood is not philanthropic anymore but a business, says **Joyce Halverson**.

Qualifications to donate blood change all the time. Today, you have to be 17 years old, 115 lbs., and in general good health. The wait period for tattoos is 30 days.

The Blood Bank has developed a scholarship program for high schools

who meet their goal. 22 schools have qualified and scholarships worth \$170 to \$4,000 have been given. Students get a t-shirt saying "I Bleed (school colors)".

Blood testing is sent to Minneapolis which has 24 hour staffing. We have developed a working relationship with them.

People can donate every eight weeks, Platelets can

be donated every two weeks. Red cells are good for 42 days and platelets are good for five days. 40% of the population can donate red cells. 20% may be not be able to donate because of low hemoglobin. 70% of the blood comes from blood drives. Five percent of the population provides 100% of the blood needed each day.

Be a lifesaver! Donate blood.

BRIDGES TO HOPE

Bridges to Hope is a meeting and resource agency for the formerly incarcerated or soon to be released says **Julia Stroebel**. Their mission is to accompany former offenders while they are moving out of the correctional institutions and into the community. The vision is to be the leading community resource in accompanying former offenders on the path of re-entry back into

the community.

The first time Bridges is contacted, the person needs a few things for transitional housing. The second time, the person is getting an apartment and needs furniture.

Bridges has a 4800 sq. ft. warehouse of household supplies. They also want to do training for job readiness and preparedness. The

former offenders are leaving a place where all decisions were made for them even what to eat, to being forced to make their own decisions. They have special needs. Other resources provided are housing, food, medical information and community resources.

Volunteers are needed to pick up and deliver donations and for job training.

NEBRASKA FOSTER & ADOPTIVE PARENTS ASSOC.

Children who used to be institutionalized do better living with families says **Joan Kinsey**.

A licensed foster family can have six children under 12. The foster family does not always have the family history.

There may be conflicts of values. Allegations of abuse by the foster child are hard to deal with. Parenting is different than with your own children.

The primary goal is reunification with the biological family. If a child

is adopted through foster care they are entitled to Medicare. With the reduction in funding, high needs benefits may no longer be available. A guardianship may also be an option.

SENIOR FOUNDATION

In 2020, one in five people will be 65 years old or older. Enriching the lives of older adults in Lancaster County is the mission of *Senior Foundation*, says **Diane Rolfsmeyer**, Executive Director. The *Senior Foundation* supports programs not funded by the Federal government.

The *Administration on Aging* under the auspices of the Federal government is working on the Affordable Care Act concerning readmissions to hospitals. The *Senior Foundation* is the facilitator for St. Elizabeth Hospital

and UNMC to try to keep patients at home.

The Older Americans Act was passed in 1965, but funding did not begin until 1971.

They are working on acquiring 58 acres at the old VA site on south 70th. Possible collaborators are St. Elizabeth to build a physician's office complex and a hospitality house for families of the chronically ill; LPS to form a Health/Science high school and various for profits and non-profits.

HELPING SAM HEAR



Help from Big Brother

Our oldest son Jack, now four years old, plays a big role in Sam's progress. Like all older siblings, he's a role model to Sam. He also has been exposed to the implant and therapy for a good part of his life, enabling him to be the helpful big brother he wants to be.

Jack says sounds he learned from therapy for Sam to repeat, and using the audiologist's standby noise – "bop, bop, bop" – seeks to get a response from Sam whenever he wants to ensure the implant is working. In the morning, Jack helps his mom assemble the parts

of Sam's implant, and at night he presses the start button on the machine that dries the moisture from the equipment.

Teresa and I, who are so technically challenged that we've yet to use the iPod we received as a gift three years ago, can strip the implant components down and reassemble the unit with military speed and precision. We remove the external components when Sam takes a bath, swims or sleeps. Help messages on the implant's display assist in identifying low battery power and other issues that might arise. The manufacturer has been quick to ship

replacements when parts have worn out.

(to be continued)

People always ask me if I come from money. I actually come from coupons.

Sometimes I'll stand up in a meeting and say, "You just gave me an idea!" Then I leave the room, drive home and go to bed.

If there are no stupid questions, then what kind of questions do stupid people ask? Do they get smart just in time to ask questions?

SERTOMA INC



Sertoma President **John Kerr** has announced a new Growth Incentive structured around the 100th anniversary. Each Sertoman who recruits a new member by June 30, 2012 will receive a 2nd Century Recruiter growth pin.

Sertoma has obtained 25 copies of the H.E.A.R.'s (Hearing Education & Awareness for Rockers) newest film called *ListenSmart* for young people. This is great for a student presentation and the cost is \$45



Trail Pickup

MoPac Trail from 70th to Wedgewood Bridge

September 1-30

Lee Bring

Superior Trail

September 1-30

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Donna Magwire



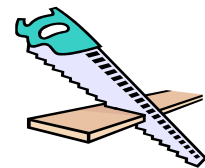
Food Distribution

Tuesday

September 27

4:45 – 6:00

Center for People in Need



Board Meeting

September 13

Maxine Bishop, Host



2011-2012 Officers

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Suzanne Frasier

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Cathy Becker

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Harland Parrish

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Maxine Bishop
Ken Carlson
Sharon Cuning
John Shimonek
Harry Wimer

Meet Thursdays
7:00 a.m.

HyVee Club Room
5010 "O" Street

Website: nesertoma.org

HUMOR



How to tell a Bedtime Story

By
Lemony Snicket

Ask your child what the title should be. This stalls for time and spreads the blame if the story's no good."

Name the villains after people who wronged you in high school.

When you get stuck, remember Raymond Chandler's advice: "When in doubt, have guys come through the door with guns." The bedtime equivalent is a clumsy talking animal holding a tray of cream pies.

My husband, an American Coast Guard pilot, served in England. Everyone who drove through the base gates was required to hold an official ID card up to the windshield for inspection by the guards, who never seemed to be particularly vigilant. So my husband's squadron started flashing different forms of ID, such as a driver's license, just to see what they could get away with.

The winner: the guy who breezed past waving a piece of toast.



Air Show Concessions

September 10-11

More information to follow

If I don't ask "Why me?" after my victories, I cannot ask "Why me?" after my setbacks and disasters.

Representatives from our Partners in Ribfest: Volunteer Partners, CASA and Fresh Start.



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

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