



# COLUMBIA SERTOMA CLUB

Post Office Box 1667, Columbia, South Carolina 29202

## Membership Application

[www.columbiasertoma.org](http://www.columbiasertoma.org)

### Personal Information:

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Nickname: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Residential Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Alternative (PO Box, etc.): \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile: \_\_\_\_\_  
 (A) E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

### Business Information:

Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
 Employer: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Business Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Pager: \_\_\_\_\_  
 (B) E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

### Other Information:

Spouse's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Nickname: \_\_\_\_\_ Wedding Anniversary: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Children's Names, Gender, and Ages: \_\_\_\_\_

School / College: \_\_\_\_\_ Degree Attained: \_\_\_\_\_

Memberships and positions in other Clubs, Organizations, and groups (such as Chamber of Commerce, Boy Scouts, public offices, Civic Clubs, etc): \_\_\_\_\_

Interested in:  Arts  Boating  Basketball  Badminton  Baseball  Biking  Boating  Bowling  Cards  
 Computers  Canoeing/Kayaking  Dancing  Fishing  Football  Golf  Hiking  Hunting  
 Ping-pong  Physical Fitness  Pool  Running/Walking  Sailing  Snow/Water Skiing  Soccer  
 Softball  Swimming  Tennis  Volleyball

Other (1) \_\_\_\_\_ (2) \_\_\_\_\_

Hobbies: \_\_\_\_\_

I am interested in the following areas usually sponsored by Sertoma Clubs: \_\_\_\_\_

Please, bill me  ANNUALLY  QUARTERLY at address  (A)  (B) above or  (C) other:  
 (C) \_\_\_\_\_

Please e-mail my Sertoma Bulletin to  (A)  (B) above or  (C) other: \_\_\_\_\_

I have read the **Introduction to the Columbia Sertoma Club** and understand the rewards and expectations of Membership.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsor: \_\_\_\_\_

Introduction  
to  
**Columbia Sertoma Club**  
Sertoma means **SER**vice **TO MA**nkind

**MISSION STATEMENT**

The purpose of the Columbia Sertoma Club is to bring together members who care for each other and their community. We take pride in and enjoy providing service to others. Our Club forms a circle that faces outward for real service to mankind by supporting the Carolina Children's Home and other local causes; and inward for friendship, acquaintanceship, fellowship, and growth through personal involvement.

**HISTORY**

The Columbia Sertoma Club was formed June 10, 1950 with William W. Bruner as the first President. Three of the Charter members are still active! The Club has provided Service to Mankind here in Columbia for all these years through many projects. We currently have approximately 35 members. We are one of the largest, strongest, and most active civic / service clubs in the Midlands and in Sertoma, Inc. Our largest annual projects are the Carolina Children's Home Fund Drive, Football Parking and the Tailgate for Charity, which generate funds for a wide variety of charities. **Chris Burnette** serves as President and **Danny Williams** Chairman.

**CAROLINA CHILDREN'S HOME**

The Carolina Children's Home (CCH) is a private facility founded in Columbia in 1909 as an orphanage. Today CCH serves "today's orphans." These are children who must be removed from their parents for lack of care or many other reasons. In 1968, the Columbia Sertoma Club began a campaign to raise annual operating funds for CCH. We do this by calling on donors to make an annual pledge or contribution. Every member participates in this project and is expected to generate a minimum of \$500.00 in pledges per year. Since the campaign's inception, the Club has raised approximately \$3,300,000 for CCH.

**FUND RAISERS AND SERVICE PROJECTS FOR LOCAL CHARITIES**

**FOOTBALL PARKING** - Over the last several years, the Club has parked cars prior to football games at the University of South Carolina. SCANA and Public Storage donate parking lots and Sertoma members coordinate parking. All dollars generated net of any costs are donated to local charities.

**TAILGATE FUNDRAISER** - The Club coordinates and hosts an annual tailgate party for a USC football away game. Attendees are treated to the game on big-screen TV's, great food, a live band, free prize giveaways and an open bar. Net proceeds are donated to local charities.

**FUN**

1. Interesting and entertaining meetings with speakers who cover a wide range of topics.
2. Social outings such as the annual Christmas party, June Installation Banquet, golf tournaments, summer lake outings, oyster roasts, football tailgating, etc.

**BENEFITS OF THE COLUMBIA SERTOMA CLUB**

1. Opportunity for Community Service.
2. Opportunity to make new friends and business acquaintances.
3. Opportunity for personal growth and developing and refining your public speaking and leadership skills.

**MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS**

1. The Columbia Sertoma Club meets every Monday (except fifth Mondays and Holidays) from 12:30 P.M. to 1:30 P.M. at 300 Senate Street. There are approximately 31 meetings per year. We require a minimum attendance of 60% of all meetings.
2. The Club dues are currently \$150 per quarter which may be paid annually or quarterly. There is a \$35 one time application fee which must be paid before an applicant can be considered for membership. **You are responsible for your dues until you submit a written resignation. A late charge will be applied to all invoices not paid within 60 days.**
3. Members should be willing to participate in the Tailgate Fundraiser, Football Parking and Carolina Children's Home projects and serve on a Club Committee. You may anticipate a minimum of 20 hours annually outside the regular meetings.
4. Members must have the sincere desire to promote, by willing service and hearty cooperation, the life and usefulness of our Club.
5. Members are encouraged to make every effort to earn the GEM Award (Good Enthusiastic Member) during their first year of membership by completing the following list of 10 items: **(1)** Be formally inducted into the Club; **(2)** Attend a new member orientation; **(3)** Be a greeter at five Club functions; **(4)** Serve on a Committee; **(5)** Maintain 60% Attendance; **(6)** 20 hours of Project / Community Service work; **(7)** Attend a Board Meeting; **(8)** Attend a meeting of another Club; **(9)** Attend a PAC, District Conference, Regional, or International Convention; **(10)** Sponsor a new member.