

## SERTOMA SERVICE TO MANKIND AWARD

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The High Noon Sertoma Club's nominee for the Sertoma Service to Mankind Award is Kevin Brocksieck. Kevin started community service at an early age as a volunteer for the Salvation Army.

During his high school years, he became the Children's Program Director at the Salvation Army Horizons Corps where he started an after-school program, a feeding program, a literacy program, and a summer day camp in one of Wichita's poorest and most dangerous neighborhoods.

While attending college at Friends University in Wichita, Kevin worked for two years at the Salvation Army's Booth Children's Home as a parent/teacher on the boy's unit. At the same time, he continued to run the Children's program at The Horizon Corps, and sang as a soloist for several churches. This work with troubled children and teens led him to change his major to psychology.

In 1992, while attending Friends University, Kevin became the Public Relations Assistant in the Development Department where he continued to work until graduation in 1996. In this position, he was the editor of *Tower Talk*, the campus newsletter, and he wrote and edited articles for the *FOCUS*, the alumni magazine.

Kevin also sang in the Friends' elite choir, *The Singing Quakers* and was a regular soloist. After graduation, Kevin moved to San Francisco and co-founded *Tapestry Performing Arts*, a collection of arts and artists. The non-profit organization produced plays and musicals throughout Northern California. Kevin stayed with that until he felt the call to return to Kansas and enter the ministry.

In 1997, he joined the staff of a Methodist church in Wichita while continuing to act as music director, business and marketing manager for *Tapestry*. At the church, he programmed and designed "PV Fellowship" (a progressive worship service). He administered Education, Evangelism and Youth Departments, and he taught various classes. He also planned and led portions of Sunday morning worship services.

After a couple of years with the church, Kevin took a job with the Kansas Children's Service League. In this position, he was involved in pioneering privatized adoption programs in the U.S.

In 2001, Kevin was again called to a church, this time as Music Director for a large community church in Oceanside, CA. In 2003, he moved to Colorado Springs for an employed position with the Salvation Army. Along with his Public Relations duties, he runs the annual Red Kettle Campaign. In his first year, Kevin led the effort to raise the most Red Kettle donations in Colorado Springs' history.

Kevin was destined to serve his fellow man. At the time of his birth, both of his parents

were career Salvation Army officers, and they have both continued their careers to the point that both of them are Lt. Colonels. It took Kevin some years and some job experimentation before he “followed in their footsteps,” but he finally made the decision in 2003 to become an employee of the Salvation Army in Colorado Springs.

Kevin’s resume reads as if he is a man without any roots. This has been brought about mainly due to the career choices made by his parents. He has lived for various spans of time in Peoria, IL, Chicago, IL, Richmond, IN, Detroit, MI, Wichita, KS, San Francisco, CA, Oceanside, CA, and Colorado Springs. He went to high school in Wichita, KS, where he also went to college. His interests other than community service include: music, sound technology and recording, reading, creative writing, teaching, theatre, hockey, computers, and web/graphic design.

We are proud to know Kevin and of his accomplishments. We feel that he would be a worthy recipient of the Sertoma Service to Mankind Award.