

Council Clippings

Monthly Newsletter of
St. Joseph PTA Council

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Presidents

Corner...

Deb Conrad, Council President

Welcome back! I hope this finds all of you rested, recharged and ready to begin another school year. Your Saint Joseph PTA Council has been preparing for another year of exciting events. The 2006 - 2007 membership drive is certainly at the top of our list. This year's theme is *Believe In Every Child...Join PTA!* Membership is what PTA is all about. It unites nearly six million parents each year to help their children succeed academically, emotionally and personally by building a bridge between home and school. So, begin your membership drives early and don't stop until you reach each and every parent, grandparent or other significant adult involved in a child's life. Online Membership Dues Reporting (OMDR) will be a new process available to PTA units interested in providing additional state and national information to their membership. Please let us know if we can assist with your drives or OMDR in any way.

August was a busy month for PTA council. A workshop for the incoming unit presidents was held on Aug. 7th. At this event the presidents had an opportunity to get to know each other, learn the ins and outs of the summer packet of information provided by the Missouri PTA, and gain additional insight on the use of OMDR. On August 10th your PTA council was one of many community organizations represented at the Salvation Army's School Supply Giveaway. This provided us with an opportunity to reach parents, provide information about PTA and hopefully increase involvement in PTA.

Council will continue to host a number of other projects this year as well. In November, American Education Week will be celebrated. The Reflections Program will conclude locally in January with this year's theme of *My Favorite Place*. Salute to Schools will also be celebrated in January. February activities include the Buchanan County Spelling Bee and PTA Founder's Day Dinner. Throughout the year, your Saint Joseph PTA Council will provide each unit with updates on Legislative issues concerning our children, parent involvement ideas, and information from the state and national PTA branches.

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CLARENCE J. CARPENTER MEMORIAL FUND BOARD OF TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT 2005-2006

The Clarence J. Carpenter Memorial Fund was established by the St. Joseph Parent Teacher Association in 1937 in memory of Clarence J. Carpenter, former principal of Neely Elementary School and principal of Bliss Junior High School at the time of his death. The fund is managed by a volunteer board of 12 members – 9 are elected by the St. Joseph PTA Council – the Council President and Coordinator of Health Services. The Superintendent of Schools is an advisor to the Board. We currently have 3 Honorary Trustees: Mrs. Vincent Bumbacher, Mrs. Robert Beaver, and Mrs. William Mooney, Jr.

The Board meets in September, November, January, March, and May.

Officers of 2005-2006 were Joyce Clibon - Chairman, Sandy Frazer - Vice-chair, Carol Stobaugh - recording secretary, Lori Prussman - corresponding secretary, and Lisa Little - treasurer.

This year a total of 64 students were helped with eye care for a cost of \$4,855.94.

This year dental care expense was \$43.80.

HELP A CHILD TO SEE 2006 CAMPAIGN received \$2,352.26 in donations.

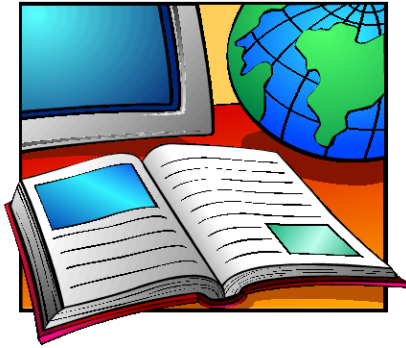
Mrs. Ellie Stark and Patricia Ashlock, Dairy Queen owners, were honored at the Founder's Day dinner in February. A donation to the Carpenter Fund, in their honor, was made by the St. Joseph PTA Council.

Supplies for all of the school's medicine cabinets were purchased by the Board at the expense of \$500.00.

At the May meeting a budget of \$7,732.00 was approved. New officers elected for the coming year are: Joyce Clibon-Chair, Sandy Frazer- Vice chair, Karen Williams-recording secretary, Lori Prussman-corresponding secretary, Lisa Little-treasurer.

The Board wishes to thank all the units and individuals for the donations they have made to make it another successful year for the students of the St. Joseph School District.

Joyce Clibon, Chair



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Finally, remember that Missouri PTA Convention is just around the corner. The conference will take place October 6-8th at the Tan-Tar-A Resort in Osage Beach. This is earlier than previous years so don't put off your registration. Unit Presidents should have a complete listing of workshops available. This is a great opportunity to network with fellow PTA people and share information. So don't miss out. We hope to see you at our next Executive Council meeting (for PTA Presidents) on Oct. 2, 2006 at 7:00.

Deb Conrad, Council President

**Council Clippings Article Assignments for
October 2006**
Articles are due September 10, 2006

<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Presidents Report</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Character & Spiritual</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> <u>American Education Week</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Parent Involvement</u>
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<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Reflections</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Regional Director report</u>

All articles must be emailed to Lori Prussman at aokmom@hotmail.com, subject: CLIPPING ARTICLE . Thank you for getting your articles to me in a timely manner.

List of Major Saver Preferred Card participating business

Please remember to thank them for their support

Hoof & Horn Restaurant

Godfather's Pizza

Maid-Rite and Cabana Grill (Saint Joseph locations)

Culver's

Legends Sports Café

Whiskey Creek

B & J Skate Center

Country Kitchen

The Golf Club

Denny's Diner (Saint Joseph locations)

Cold Stone

Bredeaux Pizza

Belt Bowl

Carlos O Kelly's

Pizza Shoppe

Saint Joseph PTA Members Unite

At the 9th Annual Missouri PTA Convention

October 6-8, 2006

This year's event will be held at the Tan-Tar-A Resort

In Osage Beach, Missouri

Over 50 workshops for student and adult delegates will be available

Information and registration is available through your PTA president, PTA council or at www.mopta.org

Registration deadline **September 8, 2006**

HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!!!

COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP

We're gearing up for another great year with PTA Membership! Everyone did such an amazing job last year within each of their own schools in recruiting members (see below for the awards). I am looking forward to working with each of the units again this year as we continue to meet and exceed expectations with membership in PTA.

Highest numerical increase compared to last year:

- Truman Middle School w/ 195 more members than last year!

100% Faculty – *Including Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Dan Colgan and PTA Council President, Deb Conrad*

1. Field
2. Lake Contrary
3. Mark Twain
4. Spring Garden
5. Webster

100% Membership or 10% above previous year's membership – *Based on the number of students enrolled at the 7-day count – see attached chart.*

1. Coleman (100% & 10% increase)
2. Ellison (100% & 10% increase)
3. Field (100% & 10% increase)
4. Benton (10% increase)
5. Bode (10% increase)
6. Lafayette (10% increase)
7. Lake (10% increase)
8. Lindbergh (10% increase)
9. Mark Twain (10% increase)
10. Noyes (10% increase)
11. Pickett (10% increase)
12. Robidoux (10% increase)
13. Skaith (10% increase)
14. Spring Garden (10% increase)
15. Truman (10% increase)

Units with 20 Business Memberships or more:

1. Central
2. Coleman
3. Field
4. Skaith

For less than 3 cents a day, you can become a PTA member, joining nearly 6 million other people who share your interest in issues affecting children. Everyone—parents, educators, students and other citizens active in their schools and communities—are invited to join our not-for-profit organization.

Respectfully submitted,

Christina Lund
PTA Council Membership Chair

Davis-Langemach/Kosek PTA Council Award of Excellence

Background

The “Davis-Langemach/Kosek PTA Council Award of Excellence” is named after Mrs. True Davis, Sr., and Mrs. Vernon Langemach, both highly admired St. Joseph ladies, who are past State PTA Presidents. This award is also in honor of Mrs. Sharon Kosek who is a past St. Joseph PTA Council President and Legislative chair.

Determination of Winner

The administrator, teacher, or staff member, who has been nominated, must have made a major difference in the life of a student of the St. Joseph School District. It should be something that will be of major impact in the child’s life and must have taken place between the first day of school and the last day of school.

A nomination may be made by a parent/family member, administrator, teacher, staff person, or other adult community member. (No self nominations please.)

The administrator of the nominee as well as the nominating party must sign the form to assure validity.

Each month one winner will be selected and recognized by the St. Joseph PTA Council. The winner will be awarded a certificate of recognition. In addition, a book valued at \$25 will be given in honor of the winner to the school where they are employed. If they are not employed at a school, then they may select which school will receive the book.

An impartial panel of three individuals will determine the winners. The panel will include a school district official, a PTA Council representative, and a local parent.

Nominations submitted will be kept for consideration for that school year unless they are chosen as a winner.

The child’s name will not be released to the public.

In order to be considered as the next month’s award recipient, three copies of the nomination must be received by the 20th of the previous month. The first award will be in September.

Nominations should be sent to:



Angie Davies

PTA Council Awards

4703 Huntsboro Ct.

St. Joseph, MO 64506

angieiscooking@yahoo.com

Thank you for your interest.

**St. Joseph PTA Council
Request/confirmation Form
For Button Machine**

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Telephone # Home _____

Organization _____

Work _____

Project or function _____

Email _____

Date & Time Requested _____

Number of Components Needed _____
(Plastic Cover, Shell, Pin Back=1 Component)

Send request to: Jena Kirschner
1121 N 18th St.
St. Joseph, MO. 64501
816-671-4410

Signature _____

jena.kirschner@sjsd.k12.mo.us

Title _____

Send Bill To:

Make Checks Payable to: *ST. JOSEPH PTA COUNCIL*
Send Payment to: St. Joseph PTA Council
PO Box 1271
St. Joseph, MO 64501

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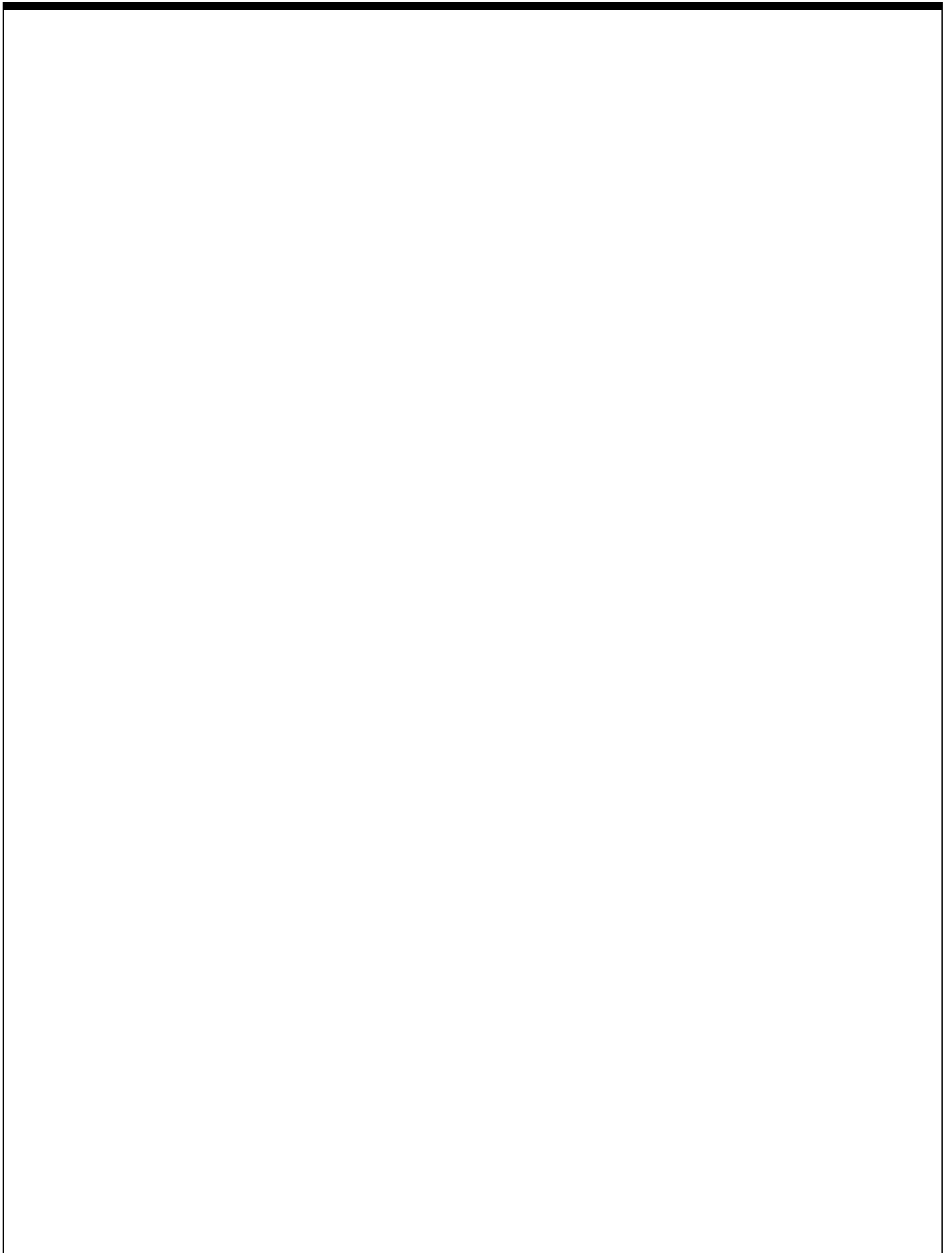
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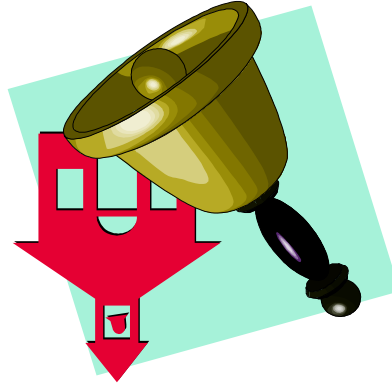
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