

Council Clippings

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St. Joseph PTA Council

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Presidents

Corner...

Peggy Wood, Council President

My first thought as I type my first article of this school year isWHERE DID THE SUMMER GO?!!!!!!!!!!!!!! Time goes soooo fast. Your Saint Joseph PTA Council has already been preparing for another year of great events. The 2007-2008 membership drive is at the top of our list. The membership theme for this school year will be Power In Membership.....Join PTA!!!! Membership is what PTA is all about. I urge each unit to begin your membership drives early and don't stop until you reach every parent, grandparent, or other significant adult involved in a child's life. Please let us know if we can be of help in any way.

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 in January with this year's theme of I Can Make a Difference By..... Salute to Schools is in January and February activities include the Buchanan County Spelling Bee and PTA Founder's Day Dinner. Your 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.

August has been a busy month for PTA Council. A workshop was held on August 6th for incoming unit presidents. The presidents had an opportunity to get to know each other and learn the ins and outs of the summer packet information provided by the Missouri PTA. On August 9th, your PTA Council was one of many community organizations represented at the Salvation Army School Supply Giveaway. This provided us with a great opportunity to provide information about PTA and hopefully increase involvement. Many thanks to Diana Slawson, Ashley Lawson, Wesley Lawson, Linda Peters, Camryn Peters and Trenton Singleton for hanging out with me and helping with this event.

Remember that the Missouri PTA Conference is just around the corner. This year's conference will take place on October 12-14 in Columbia, Missouri. Unit presidents should have a complete listing of workshops available. This is a GREAT opportunity to network with fellow PTA people and share information.

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Clarence J. Carpenter Memorial Fund

Board of Trustees Annual Report 2006-2007

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. A volunteer board of 12 members manages the fund – the St. Joseph PTA Council elects 9 and the Council President and Coordinator of Health Service also serve on the board. 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 2006-2007 were Joyce Clibon - Chairman, Sandy Frazer - Vice-chair, Karen Williams - recording secretary, Lori Prussman - corresponding secretary, and Lisa Little - treasurer.

This year a total of 81 students were helped with eye care, 20 more students from last year. The cost of this care was \$6321.85, an increase of almost \$1500.00 from the previous year.

This year dental care expense was \$611.80 an increase of \$568.00 from the previous year.

HELP A CHILD TO SEE 2007 CAMPAIGN received \$2,011.94 in donations.

Carol Stobaugh, former PTA Council and CC Board officer, was honored at the Founder's Day dinner in February. The St. Joseph PTA Council made a donation to the Carpenter Fund, in her honor.

The Board at the expense of \$1592.10 purchased supplies for all of the school's medicine cabinets.

At the May meeting a budget of \$7,700.00 was approved. New officers elected for the coming year are: Joyce Clibon-Chair, Deb Conrad- Vice chair, Karen Williams-recording secretary, Allene Wright-corresponding secretary, Cherly Hale-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 Board to give eye and dental care to the students of the St. Joseph School District.

Submitted by Joyce Clibon

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We hope to see you at our next Executive Council Meeting on Monday, October 1 at 7:00. If you cannot attend this meeting, please try to find someone in your unit that will be able to attend.

Please feel free to contact myself or anyone on the PTA Council if you need help. We are more than willing to help out in any way.

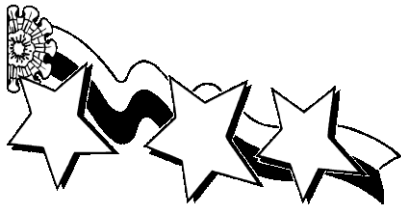
Peggy Wood

PTA Council President

Thought for the day...

You are never too old to set another goal or to dream a new dream.

C. S. Lewis



Council Clippings Article Assignments for
October 2007
Articles are due September 10, 2007

<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>
<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Bylaws</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Council Award</u>
<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.

Procedure books!!

Each unit should have in place procedure books. They are essential to make your unit run smoothly. Having everyone on the same page will make a world of difference. What should be included in a procedure book?

The basic sections should be.....

- First each should have a copy of “The Purposes of the Parent Teacher Association” and the “Mission Statement of the Parent Teacher Association” . This can be found in your tool kit that the state office will send out.
- Next should be a copy of your roster (officers list) including chairman. Please include names, numbers and email addresses for all of these people.
- Next should be your budget for the year. This should include all line items (Salute to school, Founders Day, Principals Day, etc.). At a glance you will have all of your financial numbers.
- Next a working calendar for the year. Makes planning a breeze if you have all of your dates sets before school starts.
- Next your current bylaws. These need to be updated every three years. The state office will have a list of when to renew and make updates.
- Next a section for your meeting agenda’s. It is good to have them on hand in case you need to go back and verify a task.
- Next a section for your meeting minutes. Again, a good thing to have on hand in case a question arises and you have them to refresh everyone’s memories.
- Next a section of your treasurer’s reports. Always good to have to keep track of spending.
- Presidents, I suggest you include your tool kit (supplied by the state office). This will contain valuable information you will need. Make copies of sections and distribute them to appropriate officers or chairman, but keep a complete copy for your records. This will help keep a handle on things if a copy is lost; you have an original to fall back on.

Optional sections may include....

- A list of current PTA members. Remember, only members have a vote in matters concerning PTA. If a membership has not been purchased then they do not have voting privileges. (The membership chair and the secretary should have this list at all times.)
- Standing rules. These are a record of items that your PTA traditionally follows. Such as; the annual Founders Day dinner held by the Council will be attended by....or the scholarship committee will consist of.... Anything not spelled out in your bylaws.
- A running “Wish List” from your school staff. If extra funds are available ask your staff for a list of items that would be helpful.

Submitted by Lori Prussman

Clarence J. Carpenter Memorial Fund Board
Treasurers Report May 2007

**Beginning Balance as of
3/19/07**

\$18,986.47

RECEIPTS/INCOME:

Donation	\$ 2.00
Donation	\$ 25.00
Interest	\$ 1.94
Interest	\$ 1.56
CD Interest #1590	\$173.60
CD Interest #7986	\$129.84

Total Receipts \$ 333.94

\$333.94

DISBURSEMENTS:

CK#663 Dr Tom Aldrich	\$95.00
CK#664 Bonebrake Vision	\$95.00
CK#665 East Ridge Vision	\$95.00
CK#666 Fields Eye Site	\$260.00
CK# 667 Rosenak Optical	\$210.00
CK# 668 Spec Shoppe	\$286.00
CK# 669 Tobin Eye Institute	\$155.00
CK# 670 Dr Tom Aldrich	\$95.00
CK# 671 Bonebrake Vision	\$95.00
CK#672 Dr Harold Childress	\$140.00
CK# 673 Fields Eye Site	\$70.00
CK# 674 Rosenak Optical	\$155.00
CK# 675 Spec Shoppe	\$390.00
CK# 676 John McGee Agency	\$100.00
CK# 677 Rosenake Optical	\$100.00

Total Disbursements \$2,341.00

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Ending Balance as of 5/21/07

\$16,979.41

Balance Comprised of:

Bank Midwest Checking Acct.	\$2,523.62
Bank Midwest CD #7986	\$6,185.54
Bank Midwest CD #1590	\$8,270.25
TOTAL	\$16,979.41

Clarence J. Carpenter Memorial Fund Board

Budget for 2007-2008

	04-05 Budget	04-05 Actual	05-06 Budget	05-06 Actual	06-07 Budget	06-07 Actual	07-08 Budget
INCOME							
School Donations	4,000.00	1,346.00	1,200.00	1,305.00	1,200.00	1,385.00	1,200.00
Council & Other Donations		5,560.00	2,800.00	3,303.75	3,500.00	3,994.00	3,500.00
Memorial Donations		25.00		0.00		50.00	0
Interest Income	75.00	225.89	100.00	521.21	500.00	*595.41	500.00
Help A Child to See	2,200.00	2,225.56	2,300.00	2,352.26	2,532.00	2,011.94	2,500.00
INCOME TOTALS	6,275.00	9,382.44	6,400.00	7,482.22	7,732.00	8,036.35	7,700.00
EXPENSES							
Vision Expenses	4,000.00	4,103.95	4,000.00	4,855.94	6,000.00	6,321.85	6,000.00
Dental Expenses	935.00	852.20	1,000.00	43.80	1,000.00	611.80	732.00
Secretarial Supplies	50.00	53.61	50.00	0.00	25.00	25.00	25.00
Gifts to SUSD	1,000.00	2,954.38	1,128.00	500.00	500.00	1,592.10	732.00
Postage	100.00	37.00	37.00	37.00	37.00	41.00	41.00
Treasurers Expense	20.00	0.00	20.00	0.00	20.00	20.00	20.00
Help a Child to See							
Expense	25.00	0.00	25.00	0.00	25.00		25.00
Insurance Bond	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
Miscellaneous	45.00	0.00	40.00	0.00	25.00		25.00
EXPENSE TOTALS	6,275.00	8,101.14	6,400.00	5,536.74	7,732.00	8,625.75	7,700.00

* Bal as of 5/21/07
will still earn checking interest for 3 months

Name _____

Date _____

Address _____

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

10489 SE State Rt. A

St. Joseph, MO 64507

816-244-1687

jena.kirschner@sjsd.k12.mo.us

Or at TMC 816-671-4390

Signature _____

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

For Council Use Only

Button Machine reserved for

Check out date _____

Date _____

Signature _____

Confirmation Sent _____

Check in date _____

Signature _____

Number of Components Issued _____

Number Returned _____

Date _____

Number Used _____ @ _____

Total Due _____

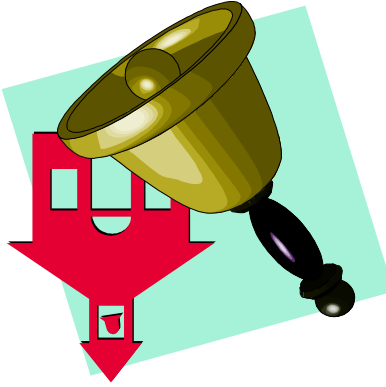
Confirmation

Your Request for the Button Machine is Confirmed for _____

Signature _____ Date _____

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