

Council Clippings

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St. Joseph PTA Council

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Corner...

Happy New Year to all! I hope you have had a chance to relax and spend time with family and friends.

By the time you get this newsletter the invitations for Founder's Day have been sent out. Please take time to discuss Founder's Day at your next meeting. Registration and money for dinner are due to Lori Bergman by January 30th. Look for the Founder's Day notice in this newsletter issue.

We handed out the Grant forms at our December Meeting and the rest were sent out through inner school mail. I am sorry for getting them out late (through inner school mail) but with work, family matters, and being sick I am a bit behind.

Valuable information may not be getting to all the units. Please make sure that if you, as President of your unit, are unable to attend our meetings you send a representative in your place.

Membership is not over! Plan on another membership drive to get any remaining parents. Membership does not end until March 1st! Have you asked Dr. Colgan to be a member? Have you asked me? Bring 2 cards to the next meeting, one for Dr. Colgan and one for me; let's see if we can become members in all 25 units. Don't forget to send your membership money to the state. I would like to see a BIG increase in membership when I get our next report from state.

We will be forming our Nominating Committee at our next meeting. Hard to believe it is that time already. Make sure you are thinking about officers for your unit next year. List of newly elected officers need to be turned in to the state office and council at the end of March. Don't let time slip away start working on this now.

As Always, Kerry Funck Council President

"A DIFFERENT KIND OF HERO"

St. Joseph PTA Council Founder's Day
Tuesday, February 15, 2005
Stoney Creek Inn
Registration at 5:30 p.m. and
dinner at 6:00 p.m.

Attn: Principals and Presidents
You should have already received your
invitation

but if for some reason you didn't
receive one,
please let me know by email at
>bergmanslbb4@hotmail.com and
I would be glad to send out another
invitation.

We need reservations by Monday,
January 31st

Lori Bergman, Chairman

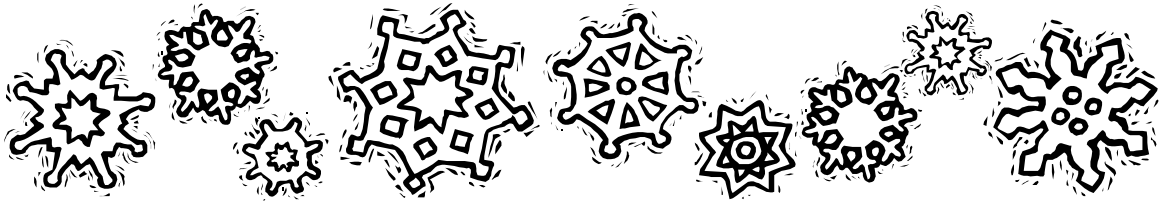
Happy New Year!!!

Council Clippings Article Assignments for February 2005

Articles are due January 10, 2005

<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Presidents Report</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Character & Spiritual</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Regional Director article</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Bylaws</u> <input type="checkbox"/> <u>Membership</u> <input type="checkbox"/> <u>Salute to School report</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Nominating committee report</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Council Award</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.



THE SECRET BUTTON

Submitted By: JIM

Date Submitted: 8/23/2004

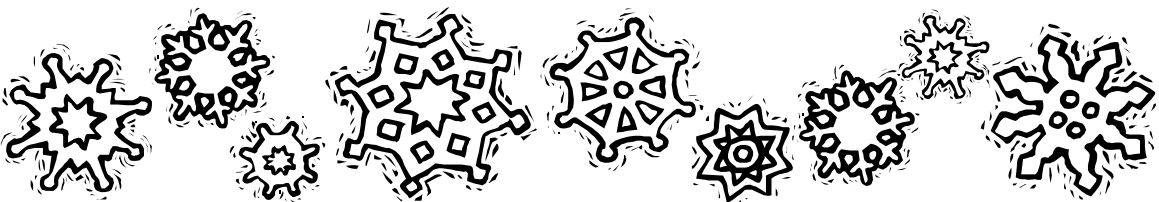
A small boy came into my office completely out of control and the teacher said, "We can do nothing with him, he was throwing sand and he won't behave."

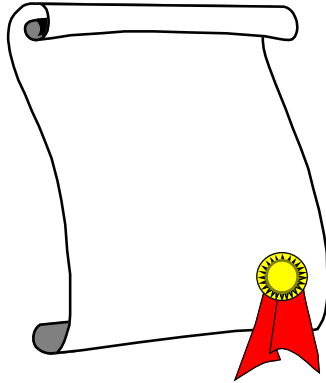
I picked up the pre-schooler and set him in a large comfortable chair in front of my desk. He continued to cry and yelled at me, "I'm not talking to you!" I was finishing my lunch so I asked him if he wanted a slice of peach--he said, "I told you, I'm not talking to you!"

I drank some water and retrieved a small yellow stuffed animal with the ability to shake and actually speak. I pressed the secret button on his hand and it laughed and said, "That's funny." I pressed it twice. The little boy stopped crying and started to watch me. As I began to eat my apple, I asked him if he wanted some. He nodded yes and I gave him a small piece. I asked him if he wanted some water. He nodded yes, so I gave him some from the fridge. I asked him who made the beautiful beaded bracelet that he had taken off his wrist and he told me his mom did.

About that time, the teacher returned and said she couldn't reach Mom by phone. I said he might be ready to return to the classroom. I put his bracelet on his wrist; he said goodbye to the stuffed animal by pressing the secret button and off he went. Before he walked through the doorway he turned, looked at me and said, "Thank you."

Chances are no earth-shaken problem was solved that afternoon in my office but a small boy had time to cool his heels, laugh, and experience kindness. My objective was to calm him down, let him take a deep breath of fresh air and realize that someone does care.





THE ST. JOSEPH PTA COUNCIL OUTSTANDING PRINCIPAL OF THE YEAR AWARD

Our school principals provide a great deal of leadership for the children, their families, staff, teachers, other principals of the St. Joseph School District, and our community. They deserve recognition for their dedicated efforts.

The St. Joseph PTA Council (since 1994-95 school year) will honor one outstanding St. Joseph School District principal at the annual Founder's Day Banquet.

The principal must be nominated by a member of his or her PTA/PTSA unit and should be an exemplary individual for his/her peers.

The principal should actively encourage PTA/PTSA leaders in his or her school; use creativity in working with the school's unit; encourage PTA/PTSA membership; attend PTA/PTSA functions; encourage teachers and staff members from his or her school to be members of PTA/PTSA as well as encourage them to attend PTA/PTSA functions; and work for the overall betterment of PTA/PTSA.

Nomination forms for this award, **MUST** be received by the St. Joseph PTA Council Awards Chairman **NOT LATER THAN January 21, 2004!!** Please only one nomination per principal.

Nominations are to be sent to:

Bea Dobyen
PTA Council Awards
4603 S. Lakewood Drive
St. Joseph, MO 64506

Only the Award Winner will be announced at the PTA Founder's Day Banquet. He or she will receive a prestigious, engraved PTA Medallion Award and a financial stipend for his or her outstanding leadership in PTA/PTSA. The individual's name will also be put on display in the School Board Room of the St. Joseph School District.

St. Joseph PTA Council
Outstanding Principal of The Year Award
Nomination Form

Nominator's name: _____

Nominator's home address: _____

Nominator's work phone: _____ home phone: _____

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Principal's name: _____

Principal's position in the PTA/PTSA _____

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How my principal encourages individuals to become PTA/PTSA members and how my principal encourages individuals to attend PTA/PTSA activities:

Please list and explain THREE great ideas or things your principal has done at your school during this school year.

Davis-Langemach PTA Council Award of Excellence

Background

The “Davis-Langemach 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.

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:

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PTA Council Awards
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St. Joseph, MO 64506



Thank you for your interest!

DAVIS-LANGEMACH PTA COUNCIL AWARD OF EXCELLENCE

NAME OF NOMINEE _____

SCHOOL / ASSIGNMENT _____ WORK PHONE _____

WORK ADDRESS _____ ZIP _____

HOME ADDRESS _____ ZIP _____

HOME PHONE _____

NAME OF NOMINATOR _____

ADDRESS / SCHOOL _____ PHONE _____

HOME ADDRESS _____ ZIP _____

HOME PHONE _____

MY NOMINEE MADE A DIFFERENCE IN A CHILD'S LIFE BY

(Please use back of page if necessary.)

ADMINISTRATOR'S SIGNATURE _____

NOMINATOR'S SIGNATURE _____



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

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: Maria Reynolds

1115 E. Highland Ave.

St. Joseph, MO 64505

816-364-2848

rama@magiccablepc.com

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
Date _____
Confirmation Sent _____

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Signature _____
Check in date _____
Signature _____

Number of Components Issued _____

Number Returned _____

Number Used _____ @ _____

Date _____

Total Due _____

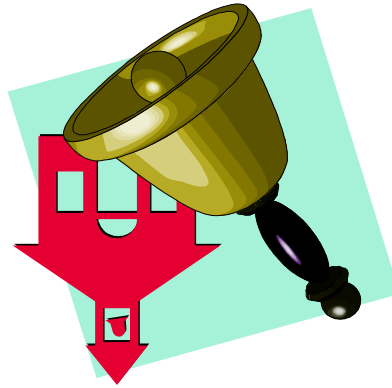
Confirmation

Your Request for the Button Machine is Confirmed for _____

Signature _____ Date _____

ADDRESS ONLY

COMMUNITY CENTER



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