

Council Clippings

Monthly Newsletter of
St. Joseph PTA Council



Happy St. Patrick's Day

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Presidents

Corner...

Thank you so much for attending our Founders Day dinner. Thank you to Angie Riggs and Sarah Gerving for doing a wonderful job. I know how hard they worked; this is a big project. I also need to thank the Lafayette ROTC students; they helped with set up and tear down. This was a great group of boys and a wonderful Commander, Major Tim Burns.

Congratulations to all of our honorees. To see the surprise on their faces made all of the secrets worth it. Our Clarence J. Carpenter Board Honoree was Eileen Duty; Honorary MO Distinguished Service Awards went to Debbie Irvin, Leo Blakely and Martin Rucker; Dr. Dan Colgan Honoree was Debbie Sisco and our Principal of the Year was Dr. Tyran Sumy. Again, congratulations and just know how much you are appreciated.

March is election month for PTA. Please make sure to get your list of new and returning officers into me before March 15th and the State PTA list to the State office by March 31st. It is really important to get this information to us as soon as possible. We will be using this information to send out invitations to our PTA University (formerly know as School of Information) and will build databases for correspondence. Thank you in advance for your quick response.

Membership deadline is March 1st. All memberships must be postmarked by March 1st. All membership awards will be based on the number of members sent in by this deadline. You can find the awards applications online at www.mopta.org or in your Tool Kit. The deadline for membership awards is April 1st. Don't miss out check them out.

April will bring our PTA University on Sat. April 10th; see article in this issue for more details. Our Reflections Award ceremony will be held on Thursday, April 15th at Keatley Center. Viewing will be at 6:00 and awards will be given out at 6:30. We will be hosting our Legislative Forum on Friday, April 16th at Hillyards from 4:30-5:30 room 103. April is a busy month for Council. One last event to be held in April is the MO State PTA Leadership Conference to be held at the Hilton, KC Airport. Find more details www.mopta.org. This event is right in our backyard so please make plans to attend.

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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 _____ Send request to:
(Plastic Cover, Shell, Pin Back=1 Component) Jena Kirschner

Signature _____ St. Joseph, MO 64507

Title _____ jena.kirschner@sjsd.k12.mo.us

Send Bill To: _____ Or at TMC 816-671-4390

_____ **Make Checks Payable to:**
_____ **ST. JOSEPH PTA COUNCIL**

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 _____

Clarence J. Carpenter Memorial Fund Board

Treasurer's Report
November 16, 2009 through January 19, 2010

Beginning Balance as of 11-16-09		\$10,783.22	
RECEIPTS:			
Interest on Checking 11-30-09	2.04		
Interest on Checking 12-31-09	1.60		
PTA Donations	230.00		
Total Receipts	233.64		
		\$	233.64
DISBURSEMENTS			
737 The Spec Shoppe	101.00		
738 Bond Ins	90.00		
739 Postage	17.60		
740 S.JSD	223.72		
741 Tobin Eye Inst	120.00		
742 Rosenaks Opt Eye Options	200.00		
743 Fields Eye Site	215.00		
744 Insight Eyecare	575.00		
745 East Ridge Vision	255.00		
746 Bonebrake Vision	305.00		
747 The Spec Shoppe	1273.00		
Total Disbursements	3375.32	(3,375.32)	
Ending Balance as of 1-19-10			<u>\$7,641.54</u>
Bank Balance Comprised of:			
Bank Midwest Checking			7,641.54
Bank Midwest CD 4910014155	Balance as of 05-20-09	10,143.35	
	Interest 11-18-09	68.28	
			10,211.63
			<u>\$ 17,853.17</u>

Council Clippings Article Assignments for

April 2010

Articles are due March 10, 2010

<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Presidents Report</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Character & Spiritual</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> <u>School of Information</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Council Award</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Budget (proposed)</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Application for Character & Spiritual 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 air is like a butterfly
With frail blue wings.
The happy earth looks at the sky
And sings."**

- Joyce Kilmer, *Spring*
Submitted by Shelby Hawkins

Presidents Corner

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Keep up the good work; don't hesitate to call or email if you need anything. We're here to help. Looking forward to all of our upcoming activities; hope to see you there.

Wishing you continued success.

Lori Prussman



PTA University 2010

PTA University has a new format this year!! Saint Joseph PTA Council will be hosting the event, April 10, with registration beginning at 9:00 a.m. at TMC for all 2010-2011 officers. We are very excited to have a variety of classes to choose from. If you would like to come to one class or are able to attend all day, this event will give you the knowledge you need on your upcoming PTA journey.

You will be given the opportunity to register for seminars relating to your office and committees. Each seminar will be taught by current and past state officers with the assistance of our current PTA Council officers. These officers can share a plethora of information regarding President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Budgeting and Taxes, Bylaws, Reflections, Procedure Books and more. The information gained from this workshop will help you in your PTA endeavors for years to come.

The Registration packets will be sent out to all 2010-2011 officers, so look for yours after March 15th.

Brigitte Lindstrom
School of Information



PTA COUNCIL SPONSORS BUCHANAN COUNTY SPELLING BEE

The Buchanan County Spelling Bee was held on Saturday, February 13, 2010, at Truman Middle School. A total of 90 contestants competed for awards in the Elementary and Middle School Divisions sponsored annually by the SJSD PTA Council.

The Buchanan County Finals champion is **Jacob Sprague**, a 7th grader at Bode Middle School. He is the son of **Scott and Gita Sprague**. Second place at the County level went to **Elsa Kunz**, an 8th grader at Bode Middle School. She is the daughter of **Paul and Debbie Kunz**. Both **Jacob** and **Elsa** now qualify to compete in the Northwest Missouri Regional Spelling Bee, sponsored by the St. Joseph News Press, on Saturday, March 6, 2010, at St. Francis Xavier. The first alternate for the regional bee is **Cooper Williams**, a 5th grader from Bessie Ellison Elementary. He is the son of **Dave and Suzanne Williams**. The second alternate is **Tayla Caldwell**, a 6th grader from Coleman Elementary. She is the daughter of **Kip and Sherri Caldwell**. The final competition included the top five spellers in both the elementary and middle school categories.

The top five winners in the Elementary Division were; 1st Place- **Tayla Caldwell**, 6th grade, Coleman, 2nd Place- **Cass Holmes**, 5th grade, Eugene Field, 3rd Place- **Sara Schlange**, 5th grade, Bessie Ellison, 4th Place- **Larry Baker**, 5th grade, Coleman, and 5th Place- **Cooper Williams**, 5th grade, Bessie Ellison. The top five winners in the Middle School Division were 1st Place- **Cade Frye**, 8th grade, Robidoux Middle School, 2nd Place- **Matthew Peek**, 8th grade, Spring Garden Middle School, 3rd Place- **Jacob Sprague**, 7th grade, Bode Middle School, 4th Place- **Elsa Kunz**, 8th grade, Bode Middle School, and 5th Place- **Alexis Adkins**, 7th grade, Truman Middle School.

The pronouncers were **Lori Witham**, Middle School Division, and **Rhonda Slawson**, Elementary Division. The judges were **Kevin Koenig**, **Randy Harr**, **Joe Marmaud**, **Chandler Cooper**, **Patty Hawkinson**, and **Shelley Hughes**. Registrars were **Lori Prussman**, **Lisa Holmes**, **Lara Gilpin**, **Marie Puett**, **Julie Bravo**, **Suzanne Thomas**, **Deanna Majors**, and **Glenda Haley**. **Mark** and **Jean Donaldson** served as grievance judges.

An event this size cannot be successful without the help of many capable and dedicated people. In addition to the work of the pronouncers, judges, and registrars, **Don Noble** and the **Central JROTC** came out in force to provide help with parking and directions. The Truman custodial staff; **Gail Parker**, **Karen Cockriel**, **Donna Burns**, and **James Martinez** coordinated a well-equipped and spotless environment. Thanks also to the principals, vice-principals, teachers, parents, and friends who came out to support these wonderful students.

Respectfully,
Karen Heyde-Lipanovich
Buchanan County Spelling Bee Coordinator

2010/2011 PTA/PTSA Officers List

Send completed form to Lori Prussman, 2504 Ashland Ave, St. Joseph, MO 64506

This list will be used for St. Joseph PTA Council mailings.

Do not use school address for President mailing address.

Deadline March 15, 2010

School Name: _____

President's Name: _____

Address: _____ Zip: _____

Phone _____ Email: _____

1st Vice's Name: _____

Address: _____ Zip: _____

Phone _____ Email: _____

2nd Vice's Name: _____

Address: _____ Zip: _____

Phone _____ Email: _____

Secretary's Name: _____

Address: _____ Zip: _____

Phone _____ Email: _____

Treasurer's Name: _____

Address: _____ Zip: _____

Phone _____ Email: _____

Please continue to the back of this page for additional information needed.

School Name: _____

Membership Chair Name: _____

Address: _____ Zip: _____

Phone _____ Email: _____

Reflections Chair Name: _____

Address: _____ Zip: _____

Phone _____ Email: _____

**Please feel free to add additional officer's names, positions, addresses,
phone numbers and email addresses below.**

Address: _____ Zip: _____

Phone _____ Email: _____

Address: _____ Zip: _____

Phone _____ Email: _____

Address: _____ Zip: _____

Phone _____ Email: _____

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Phone _____ Email: _____

OFFICERS FORM

Important: Our **2010-2011** School Year Mailing List will be compiled from the information on this form.

Please mail this form by **March 31, 2010** with the names of NEW and/or RE-ELECTED officers. DO NOT use the school address for president mailings.

**CONTACT INFORMATION NEEDED BY MISSOURI PTA: PRESIDENT,
TREASURER, MEMBERSHIP CHAIR AND REFLECTIONS CHAIR.**

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT

REGION _____ DATE _____

UNIT NAME _____

CITY _____ SCHOOL DISTRICT _____

COUNTY IN WHICH SCHOOL IS LOCATED _____

PRESIDENT _____ PHONE _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ ZIP CODE _____

E-MAIL _____

TREASURER _____ PHONE _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ ZIP CODE _____

E-MAIL _____

**Information is due to Missouri PTA office by March 31, 2009. If you
have not filled all the positions, send what you have by the deadline.**

Please complete information on reverse side.

UNIT NAME _____

MEMBERSHIP CHAIR _____ **PHONE** _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ **ZIP CODE** _____

E-MAIL _____

REFLECTIONS CHAIR _____ **PHONE** _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ **ZIP CODE** _____

E-MAIL _____

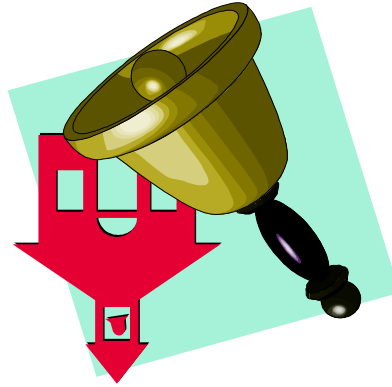
SEND COMPLETED FORM TO:

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2101 Burlington Street
Columbia, MO 65202

Fax: 573-445-4163
office@mopta.org

NOTICE FOR PESSMAN

COMMUNITY CENTER



ST. JOSEPH PTA COUNCIL

St. Joseph PTA Council
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St. Joseph, MO 64502

