

# Council Clippings

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St. Joseph PTA Council

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Presidents

Corner...

Kerry Funck, Council President

It is the middle of March that I sit here writing this article for clippings. Like most, my time has been consumed working to help pass this tax levy. I attended the last school board meeting and it scares me to think what will happen if this levy does not pass. I hope that as you are reading this we are celebrating the fact that the citizens of St. Joseph have gotten behind the students and shown them that we care about them and want the very best for them.

I know the individual units have done things to show their support of the levy whether by volunteering to make phone calls, helping with mailings, going door to door with flyers, helping with yard signs, and whatever else needed to be done. I want to thank you personally for all you have done.

PTA Council has been busy making buttons, about 6,500 buttons. Thank you, Maria and your family and thank you to my wonderful friends (Nancy and Wally Werner, Lori and Scott Bergman, John and Sheryl Schlange, and Lori Norcross) for helping me. You are truly great friends. Doug Conrad from KQ2 helped with our own ads that will run Thursday, Friday, and Monday prior to April 6<sup>th</sup>. I pray that all our hard work will prevail and the levy will pass.

**Thank you for all you do for the  
students of the St. Joseph School  
District.**

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## The Legend of the Starfish

A vacationing businessman was walking along a beach when he saw a young boy. Along the shore were many starfish that had been washed up by the tide and were sure to die before the tide returned. The boy was walked slowly along the shore and occasionally reached down and tossed the beached starfish back into the ocean. The businessman, hoping to teach the boy a little lesson in common sense, walked up to the boy and said, "I have been watching what you are doing, son. You have a good heart, and I know you mean well, but do you realize how many beaches there are around here and how many starfish are dying on every beach every day. Surely such an industrious and kindhearted boy such as yourself could find something better to do with your time. Do you really think that what you are doing is going to make a difference?" The boy looked up at the man, and then he looked down at a starfish by his feet. He picked up the starfish, and as he gently tossed it back into the ocean, he said, "It makes a difference to that one."

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## Reminder...

Don't forget to vote on April 6<sup>th</sup>.  
The future is in your hands.  
*You* can make a difference  
to our children!

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**Major Saver Cards**  
**Kick-off April 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>**  
**Final day May 10<sup>th</sup>**

Middle school students that sell at least 1 card will get a free pass to a school dance with a DJ to be held during school hours.

Prizes will be awarded to elementary students as they sell cards.

All students who sell 15 cards or more will get a limo ride and pizza at CiCi's Pizza.

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End of the Year  
Check List

- ✓ Send new officer list to the state office.
  - ✓ Send new officer list to Kerry Funck.
  - ✓ Attend PTA Council's School of Information
  - ✓ Approve next year's budget.
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Budget committee will be meeting the end of April (standing rule #18) and will present the proposed budget at the May meeting. All chairmen need to review their budgets and submit a request for either an increase or decrease in writing and give to Lori Bergman at the April meeting. Lori will be contacting the committee members regarding the time and place.

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**Council Clippings Article Assignments for May**  
Articles are due April 10, 2004

<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Presidents Report</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Character &amp; Spiritual</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Ways &amp; Means</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Treasurer</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Membership report</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Approved budget 04-05</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Clarence J Carpenter Memorial Fund Board Annual Report</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Application for 2004-2005 Character &amp; Spiritual Award</u>

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

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SCHOOL OF INFORMATION

Don't forget to send your reservation to me for the School of Information! It is going to be a fun and learning experience! I look forward to hearing from you.  
 Joyce Clibon, Chairman

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# 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 20<sup>th</sup> of the previous month. The first award will be in September.

**Nominations should be sent to:**

**Linda Peters**

PTA Council Awards  
406 Kentucky Street  
St. Joseph, MO 64504



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

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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](mailto:rama@magiccablepc.com)

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Title \_\_\_\_\_

Send Bill To:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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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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For Council Use Only

Button Machine reserved for  
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Signature \_\_\_\_\_  
Check in date \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature \_\_\_\_\_

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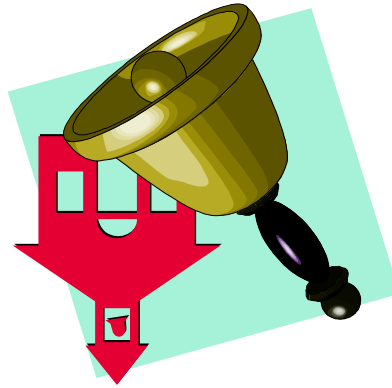
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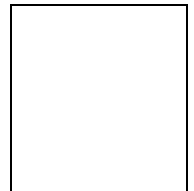
ADDRESS ONLY

COMMUNITY CENTER



ST. JOSEPH PTA COUNCIL

St. Joseph PTA Council  
PO Box 1271  
St. Joseph, MO 64501



## ST. JOSEPH PTA COUNCIL CHARACTER AND SPIRITUAL LEADER SCHOLARSHIP 2004-2005

**The St. Joseph PTA Council established this scholarship. The amount of this scholarship is \$250.00. This scholarship is for a one-year term to the student.**

### **Requirements for eligibility:**

1. Must be a graduating senior of a St. Joseph Public School.
2. Must be a member of their high school PTSA for 2004-2005
3. Must maintain at least a 2.0 GPA.
4. Must have one (1) letter of recommendation from a school personality (example: Teacher, Principal or Guidance Counselor.)
5. Must complete the application attached.
6. Must attach a transcript with application
7. Must write and attach an essay on your goals for college and career (150 words or less).
8. Must attend monthly General meetings of the St. Joseph PTA Council and the Founder's Day Dinner and be prepared with a motivational "thought for the evening" at these meetings. (Five meetings and one banquet)
9. Must prepare monthly motivational thoughts or short poem to be published in monthly newsletter (Council Clippings). This does not have to be an original work of art.

**\*\*Though not mandatory, please enclose a photo. It is good to have a face with a name.**

### **Application Process**

Applications will be available at guidance counselor office. Applications are due to the guidance counselor no later than May 1, 2004. Selection will be made by May 15, 2004.

APPLICATION FOR THE ST. JOSEPH PTA COUNCIL CHARACTER  
AND SPIRITUAL LEADER SCHOLARSHIP.

APPLICANT'S NAME:

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LAST	FIRST	MIDDLE	DATE OF BIRTH
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ADDRESS	CITY	STATE	ZIP
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TELEPHONE #	SOCIAL SECURITY #	PARENT/GUARDIAN NAME
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Name and address of high school attended and number of years at this school.

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Name and address of the college or university you plan to attend.

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I plan to be a member of my high school PTSA for the year of 2004-2005. Yes / No

I hereby certify that the above information is correct to the best of my knowledge.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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Signature of Applicant



