

# Council Clippings

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St. Joseph PTA Council

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Corner...

Do you have all your new officers elected yet? I hope everyone takes advantage of the School of Information in April. We moved it to April since May is so busy. We have a lot of information to share with you and even if this is your second year this is a great time to share ideas with other units. Reflection's Reception is scheduled and Diana Slawson is waiting patiently, as of this writing, for a list of honorees and winners to be recognized at the Reception Thursday, April 21st at Missouri Western State University. Major Saver Card Fundraising is coming soon. We have a flier in this month's Clippings and I will be sending each school a copy of this through e-mail so you can put it in your newsletters. We will also be sending this to print shop for all the schools so be looking for that. Thank you for your support in this fundraiser. We will split the proceeds of each card your school sells with you. Major Saver fundraiser is responsible for all the programs we sponsor - Reflections, Salute to Schools, School of Information, Spelling Bee, Founder's Day, and PTA Grant just to name a few. B&J Summer Skate cards will be going on sale soon watch for the fliers. Thank you for supporting this sale as well. For the past 4 years the proceeds from the Summer Skate has gone to the Clarence Carpenter Fund to help with Vision, Dental and Health needs of students. This is a wonderful opportunity for us to help our students achieve without having health obstacles in their way.

Keep up the great work you do for our students.

Kerry

## I Wish

I wish you the courage to be warm when the world would prefer that you be cool.  
I wish you success sufficient to your needs;  
I wish you failure to temper that success.  
I wish you joy in all your days;  
I wish you sadness so that you may better measure joy.  
I wish you gladness to overbalance your grief.  
I wish you humor and a twinkle in your eye.  
I wish you glory and the strength to bear its burdens.  
I wish you sunshine on your path and health to carry you on your journey.  
I wish you peace -- in the world in which you live and in the smallest corner of you heart where truth is kept.  
I wish you faith -- to help define your living and your life.  
More I cannot wish you -- except perhaps love -- to make all the rest worthwhile.

-Robert A. Ward

## Council Clippings Article Assignments for May 2005

*Articles are due April 10, 2005*

<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Presidents Report</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Character &amp; Spiritual</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Regional Director article</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Reflections</u> <input type="checkbox"/> <u>Ways and means</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Membership report</u> <input type="checkbox"/> <u>Budget for 05-06</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Council 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.**

## **Major Saver Sales! Coming Soon!**

**St. Joseph School District Parents/Guardians-**

**The Major Saver Fundraiser is a district wide fundraising event sponsored by the St. Joseph PTA Council. We want to take this opportunity to thank you in advance for your continuing support of our fundraising efforts. Major Saver Fundraising helps support Salute to Schools, Buchanan County Spelling Bee, Legislative Forums, and Reflections just to name a few. Each school will also benefit from the fundraiser by receiving proceeds from each card they sell.**

**The Major Saver Preferred Card is a restaurant discount- dining card, which sells for \$10.00, and entitles the cardholder to receive a BUY-ONE-GET-ONE-FREE meal at 12 popular restaurants in our area. Money from the sale of these cards will be split between our schools and the St. Joseph PTA Council to provide funding for special activities and educational materials.**

**Major Saver cards will be sold through our schools from April 27<sup>th</sup> through May 10<sup>th</sup>. St. Joseph's goal is to sell 12,000 cards, and we need your help! Please sit down with your student and make a list of friends, family, and co-workers who may want to help out by purchasing Major Saver Cards. These cards make great gifts for birthdays, graduation, and other special occasions.**

**Thank you for your continued support!  
St. Joseph PTA Council**



## **Thank You for Participating in National PTA Virtual Lobby Day**

Virtual Lobby Day was a great success with PTA members from across the US emailing, calling, or faxing his or her United States Senators and United States Representative. Many PTA members also contacted President Bush. Thank you for your participation in supporting such issues as

- **Providing a quality public school education for all children**
- **Increasing education funding – “Five cents out of every federal budget dollar for public education makes sense.”**
- **Opposing vouchers – or being against using tax dollars to finance education vouchers for private and religious schools. Vouchers, tax credits deductions, and other such funding sources do not provide the means for bringing about improvements in our public schools.**
- **Supporting funding for before and after school care.**

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### **Last 2005 Legislative Forum**

The last scheduled Legislative forum for this year will be held on Friday, April 29, 2005, at Hillyard Technical Center in Room 103 from 4:15 to 5:15 p.m. The public is invited to attend.

Expected to participate are Missouri Senator Charlie Shields, Representative Dr. Rob Schaaf, Representative Ed Wildberger, and Representative Martin Rucker. Also attending will be a legislative aide from the office of US Congressman Sam Graves.

PTA Council financially supports the forums which are held once a month from January through April.

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### **Lobbying Legislators at Washington, DC**

As the Legislative Chairperson for the Missouri Association of Career and Technical Education, it is an honor to visit Washington, DC, each year for the National Policy Seminar and visit with US legislators concerning issues that affect education. This year the seminar was held March 6-8, 2005. Over 500 career and technical center educators from across the United States attended the event. One of the major issues was President Bush's proposed budget cut of all Perkins' funding. This funding greatly supports career and technical centers, including Hillyard Technical Center. Perkins funding helps to pay for equipment on which students are trained, assists in paying for tuition for outlying sending schools so that high school students can gain job training in programs that are not offered in their home school, and Perkins funding provides professional development training for teachers, among other things.

**Sharon Kosek, Legislative Chair, St. Joseph PTA Council**

# **Ballot for election**

2005/2006 Officers

**Election will be held in April**

PTA Council:

President - Deb Conrad

1st Vice - Diana Slawson

2nd Vice - Linda Peters

3rd Vice - Lori Bergman

Recording Sec. - Peggy Wood

Corresponding Sec. - Kerry Funck

Treasurer - Christy Callaway

Sgt. at Arms - Tresa Marshall

Clarence J. Carpenter Memorial Fund  
Board:

Cheryl Hale\* (2005-2008)

Karen Williams\* (2005-2008)

Allene Wright (2005-2008)

\*Indicates 2<sup>nd</sup> term.

The following people have agreed to these positions for 2005-2006 school year:

Chairs:

Reflections - Diana Slawson

Spelling Bee - Karen Heyde-Lipanovich

Founder's Day - Lori Bergman, Debbie Elder and Kerry Funck

Membership - Christina Lund

American Ed. Week -

Salute to Schools - Laura Caton

School of Information - Joyce Clibon

Ways and Means - Ana Maria Klundt

Button Machine - Jena Kirshner

Bylaws - Diane Slawson

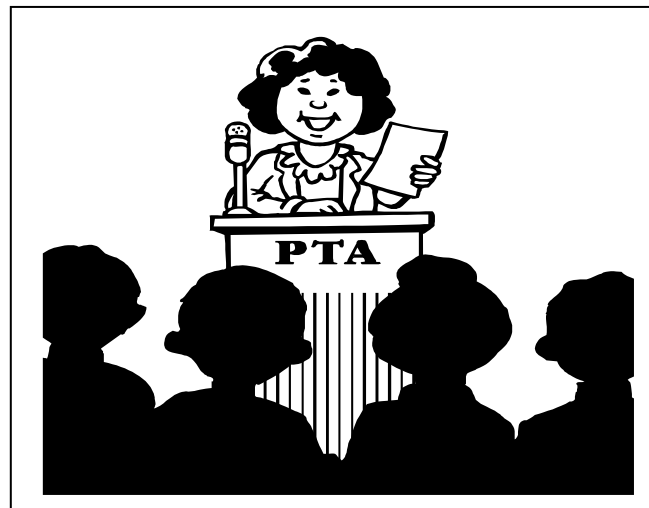
Clippings (Mailing and Typing) - Lori Prussman

Legislation - Sharon Kosek

Awards - Linda Peters

Character/Spiritual - TBA

Parent Involvement - Peggy Wood



## **ST. JOSEPH PTA COUNCIL CHARACTER AND SPIRITUAL LEADER SCHOLARSHIP 2005-2006**

**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 (2005-2006).
2. Must be a member of their high school PTSA for 2005-2006.
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 our 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, 2005**. Selection will be made by May 15, 2005. Applications will be forwarded to Lori Prussman, 2504 Ashland Ave, St. Joseph, MO 64506.

**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 2005-2006. Yes / No

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

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Date

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Signature of Applicant

# 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:**

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



Thank you for your interest!





**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  
Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Confirmation Sent \_\_\_\_\_

Check out date \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature \_\_\_\_\_  
Check in date \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature \_\_\_\_\_

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Number Used \_\_\_\_\_ @ \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

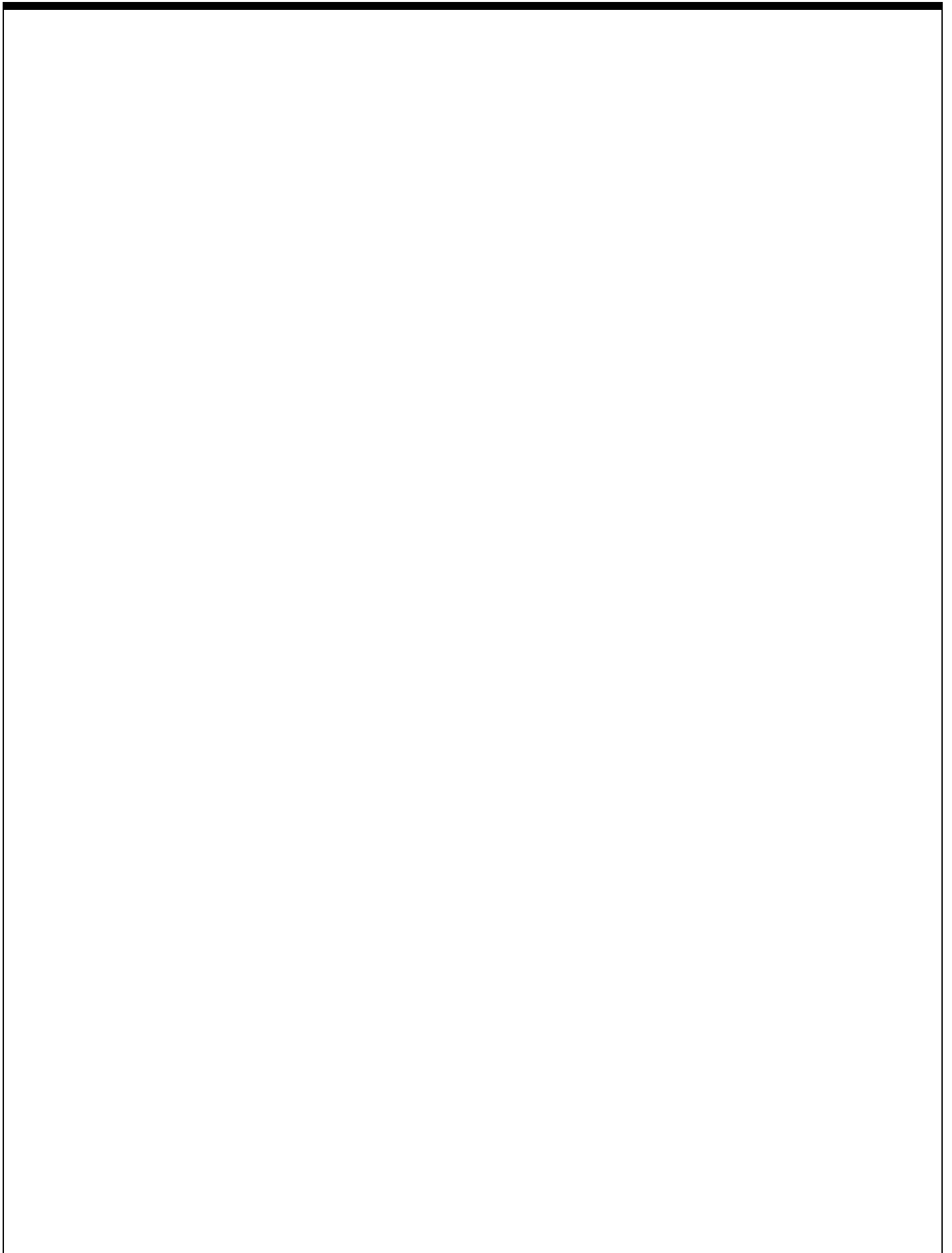
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Confirmation

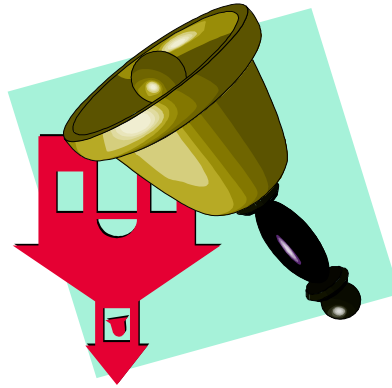
Your Request for the Button Machine is Confirmed for \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_



ADDRESS ONLY

COMMUNITY CENTER



ST. JOSEPH PTA COUNCIL

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