

Council Clippings

Monthly Newsletter of
St. Joseph PTA Council

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Corner...

I would like to begin by thanking everyone for his or her support the past two years. First to my Principal, Dr. Martz, thank you for all your support, advice, and understanding (of all the phone calls I have had to take). Life can be so much easier when you have a person you can vent to. Thank you for listening!

To all the Administration and Principals, Thank you for being supportive not only of Council but your individual units. We might not of had the membership numbers we would have liked (there is always next year) but we had Parent Involvement opportunities, School Community activities, and student programs in each of our units.

To the entire Unit Presidents and Officers, Thank you for your commitment to all the students of the St. Joseph School District.

Lastly, to all the Council Officers and Chairs. We have had a very successful and productive two years. Thank you for that! It has been an honor getting to know you and a privilege to now call you friends. I leave you in very capable hands.

Enough with the mushy stuff!

ATTENTION PRESIDENTS, We still need lists of officers (names, phone numbers, and addresses) for next year from Bode, Hall, Hosea, Humboldt, Lindbergh, Neely, Pershing, Skaith, and Webster. Please get these to me ASAP and send a copy to the State PTA office. We will be working to update the yearbook as well as mailing lists.

Last month we held our School of Information for the unit officers for 2005-2006 school year. We had Sheryl Hale, past PTA Council Treasurer, present the Treasurer's Workshop, Peggy Woods, PTA Council Secretary, present the Secretary Workshop, Joyce Clibon and Deb Conrad, President Elect, present the Membership Workshop, and I presented the President's Workshop. I hope everyone had an informative and good time. We had the drawing for the winner of the all expense paid trip, to Missouri PTA Convention in Springfield next October, including car rental, motel accommodations, and meals. The winner was Coleman Elementary. Congratulations, I know you will have a wonderful time at convention. Thank you, Joyce Clibon for organizing this and thank you to the presenters.

Earlier this month we received wonderful news from National PTA that we have a National PTA Reflections winner. Daniel Johnson from Central High School took top honors in Music Composition Senior Division. Daniel won on the piece he played for us at Founder's Day. The Reflection's Reception honoring all the students who participated at the State level was held April 21st at MWSC. Diane Slawson, our Reflection's Chair, Thank you for getting all the entries ready and mailed and organizing this event for the students.

Major Saver has kicked-off and I hope everyone is promoting this fundraiser. This is not only for PTA Council but each unit can benefit from the sales as well and don't forget the grants next year. Thank you for supporting this!

Our last meeting of the year is May 2nd. We will be handing out Membership Awards and I have packets for the new officers that were unable to attend last month's School of Information. Peggy Richey from the State PTA office will be installing the new officers.

I look forward to next year, after a very relaxing summer of course.

Thank you again, for all you do!

Kerry

Safety Town News

St. Joseph PTAs have been Safety Town supporters since it began 27 years ago. The Council and the Safety Town Committee would like to acknowledge and thank Bessie Ellison and Coleman PTAs in particular for their recent donations to the Safety Town program. If any one would be interested in assisting with Safety Town or would like more information, please have them contact the Safety Council at 816-233-3330 or by email, sjsc@ponyexpress.net. See enclosed flyers.

Council Clippings Article Assignments for September 2005

Articles are due August 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>Treasurer Membership</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> <u>State Convention Information</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> <u>National Convention Clarence Carpenter Annual report</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Ways & Means</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 St. Joseph Safety and Health Council and the St. Joseph School District have formed a partnership to offer Safety Town through the District's Summer Enrichment Program

**For Children ages 5-7 (Must be 5 by August 1, 2005)
A material fee of \$25.00 per child will be charged which includes
a Safety Town t-shirt, materials, and snacks**

**Location: Robidoux Middle School
(Parents are responsible for transporting children to and from Robidoux School)**

**Dates: June 6—16, 2005 or June 20—June 30, 2005
Times: 7:30—11:30 a.m. or 12:30—4:30 p.m.**

Look for the Safety Town registration form in the School District's Summer Enrichment brochure or contact the Safety Council, 816-233-3330, for more information.

SAFETY TOWN GOALS

1. What to do if separated from parents
2. Name, address & telephone numbers
3. How to follow instructions
4. How to identify house and surroundings
5. Meeting new friends
6. Small and large group participation
7. Crossing the street properly
8. Importance of crosswalks
9. Reason for stopping at curb
10. Crossing street with traffic lights
11. Meaning of "intersection, pedestrian, and motorist"
12. Dangers of walking between parked cars
13. Walking without sidewalks
14. Conditions in rain and snow
15. Walking on right side of hall, sidewalk, and roadways
16. Danger of playing outside after dark
17. Proper way to cross railroad tracks
18. Dangers of trains
19. Colors, shapes, and meanings of safety signs
20. Dangers of chasing a ball into the street
21. Safe places to play
22. Proper way to use playground equipment
23. Bus procedures
24. Proper way to get into and out of a car
25. Proper way to behave in a car
26. Importance of using safety belts
27. Dangers of household objects, cleaners, medicine, etc.
28. Bicycle, tricycle and pedal car safety and use of safety helmets
29. Importance of always being with a friend or group
30. Who strangers are and what to do if approached by one
31. What to do if lost
32. What to do in case of fire
33. Dangers of matches, lighters and fires
34. Emergency vehicles and what they do
35. Who police officers, firefighters, school patrols and guards are
36. How uniformed personnel can help
37. Being "helpers" to parents
38. Being courteous and obeying rules
39. Importance of thinking safety
40. Gun safety



Student Volunteers Needed

- ✓ Do you enjoy being around young children?
- ✓ Are you dependable, responsible and friendly?
- ✓ Do you want to do something other than sit and watch TV this summer?
- ✓ Do you want to feel like you are contributing to your community?
- ✓ Do you need community service hours for scholarship applications?

If the answer to any of these questions is yes, then contact the St. Joseph Safety and Health Council, 816-233-3330, before May 1st, and register to become a Safety Town Student Volunteer

REQUIREMENTS:

- A. Must have completed 7th Grade
- B. Get a letter of recommendation from a teacher, principal, or counselor
- C. Register at the Safety Council office with parent/legal guardian who must sign consent form

Session Dates and Times

June 6 - 16, 2005 or June 20 - June 30, 2005
7:15 - 11:30 a.m. or 12:15 - 4:30 p.m.

Safety Town will be held at Robidoux Middle School

Reflections news...

I am glad to report that 10 elementary schools, 3 middle schools and 1 high school participated in the Missouri PTA Reflections Program this year. We had winners at state in the following divisions:

VISUAL ARTS - **PRIMARY**

Emily Frazier - Honorable Mention

INTERMEDIATE

Brooke Huffman - 4th place

MIDDLE/JR.

Karissa Merritt - Honorable Mention

Casi Paolillo - Honorable Mention

SENIOR

Daniel Johnson - 1st Place

Alexander Domingo - 2nd Place

MUSIC

INTERMEDIATE

Stephen Schmidt - Honorable Mention

MIDDLE/JR.

Rylan Sampson - 3rd Place

SENIOR

Daniel Johnson - 1st Place

LITERATURE

PRIMARY

Kelsey Harris - Honorable Mention

Van Hopkins - Honorable Mention

MIDDLE/JR.

Seth Campbell - 2nd

Elizabeth Mace - Honorable Mention

PHOTOGRAPHY

MIDDLE/JR.

Ashley Slawson - Honorable Mention

We have also received word that **Daniel Johnson** from Central High School won **1st Place** in the National Division for his **Music** entry. Congratulations Daniel! The PTA council would like to congratulate all the people who participated and who placed at the State level. The theme for next year is "**I Wonder Why..**"

I would love to see more schools participate in the Missouri Reflections Program for the 2005/2006 school year.

Diana Slawson

School of Information

The Council School of Information on April 4th after the regular monthly Council meeting was a success. There were forty-nine PTA members in attendance. Many thanks to Kerry Funck, presenter of the President's workshop, Cheryl Hale treasurer, Peggy Wood secretary, Deb Conrad and Joyce Clibon membership, and Linda Peters for organizing the refreshments. Door prizes were given in each workshop. The president's door prize was four Council officers to volunteer for two hours at one of the units sponsored events. The treasurer door prize was an audit of the unit's books by Cheryl Hale. The secretary door prize was a subscription of the "Our Children" magazine. In the membership workshop the door prize was ten memberships sold for them by Joyce Clibon. At 8:05 all members gathered for the grand prize drawing of an all expense paid trip for two to the State Convention in Springfield in October of 2005. The Coleman unit won the grand prize! Congratulations to all the winners and thanks to everyone for volunteering to be a PTA officer for their school. All of you are helping the children of St. Joseph!

Joyce Clibon
School of Information Chairman

The Clarence J. Carpenter Memorial Fund Board would like to thank all of the schools that made a donation to our organization. It is these donations that allow us to continue helping the students of the St. Joseph School District with gaining eye care when there is no other resources for them. We have helped numerous students in years past and with your continued support we will help many, many more.

Please consider a line item in your budget for next year to help us continue this most needed program.

Thank you in advance for your continued support.

Lori Prussman
Corresponding Secretary
Clarence J. Carpenter Memorial Fund Board

Congratulations to our Davis-Langamach Award winners for 2004-2005. We would like to say thank you for your dedication to the students of the St. Joseph School District. Your hard work has not gone unnoticed. Again, thank you.

September David Liechti

October Mary Jo Hornaday

November Col. Kenneth Nash

December Nicholas Saccaro

January Sue Wagner & Janet Fite

February Tony Dudik

March Lida Lowe

May Beverly Maugh



Congratulations to our graduating Seniors. Good Luck in your Future in devours.

Each of us must climb our separate mountain

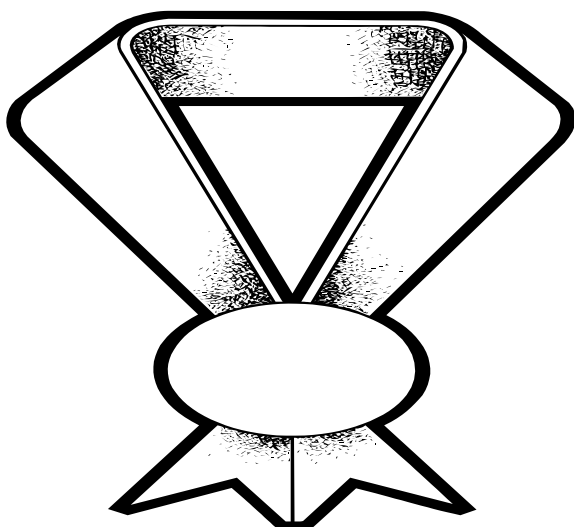
*Each of us must climb our separate mountain
To reach at last our own extended view.
We can be no more than what we are,
Yet that is quite enough for us to do.*

*The world is far too great for comprehension,
And so we only know what we can know.
But given the abilities we're given,
That's still a long and weary way to go.*

*Yet on the way, how beautiful the moments!
How good it feels to have some skill or art!
How wonderful to pause in awestruck wonder
At what must fill the unsuspecting heart!*

*And so we're proud of each of you today
For all you've learned, and all you've tried to
learn.*

*Knowledge brings the deepest satisfaction,
Not least because it's something that you earn.*



ST JOSEPH PTA COUNCIL

<u>INCOME</u>	<u>BUDGET</u> <u>2004/2005</u>	<u>ACUTAL</u> <u>as of 03/31/2005</u>	<u>BUDGET</u> <u>2005/2006</u>
All Day Skates	\$1,000.00	\$681.00	\$1,000.00
CD & Checking Interest	\$350.00		
Council Dues	\$750.00	\$750.00	\$750.00
Summer Skates	\$2,500.00		\$2,500.00
Major Savor Cards	\$18,000.00		\$23,000.00
TOTAL INCOME	\$22,600.00		\$27,250.00
 <u>EXPENSES</u>			
Council Projects			
American Education Week	\$100.00	\$12.74	\$100.00
Founders Day	\$1,300.00	\$2,711.75	\$2,600.00
Grants		\$16,800.00	\$17,500.00
Reflections	\$700.00		\$700.00
Salute to School	\$350.00	\$262.03	\$350.00
School of Information	\$650.00		\$650.00
Undistributed Funds			\$500.00
Spelling Bee	\$175.00		\$175.00
#1 Total Council Projects	\$3,275.00	\$19,786.52	\$22,575.00
Organization			
Bylaws	\$20.00		\$20.00
Character & Spiritual	\$250.00		\$500.00
Legislation	\$450.00	\$25.00	\$450.00
Membership	\$600.00		\$600.00
Ways & Means	\$200.00		\$250.00
#2 Total Organization	\$1,520.00	\$25.00	\$1,820.00
Promotion			
Awards	\$300.00	\$281.65	\$300.00
Council Clippings	\$250.00	\$119.98	\$250.00
Other Publications	\$50.00		\$50.00
Our Children-Contact Magazines	\$100.00		\$100.00
Parent Involvement	\$200.00		\$200.00
#3 Total Promotion	\$900.00	\$401.63	\$900.00
Officers			
President	\$350.00	\$178.86	\$350.00
1st Vice	\$50.00		\$50.00
Recording Secretary	\$20.00		\$20.00
Correspondence Secretary	\$200.00	\$69.00	\$200.00
Treasurer	\$30.00		\$30.00
Sgt At Arms	\$100.00	\$83.58	\$100.00
#4 Total Officers	\$750.00	\$331.44	\$750.00
Supplies			
Office Supplies	\$75.00		\$75.00

Postage	\$75.00	\$45.40	\$75.00
Printing	\$50.00		\$50.00
Procedure Books	\$50.00		\$50.00
#5 Total Supplies	\$250.00	\$45.40	\$250.00
Conventions			
National Convention	\$1,500.00		\$1,500.00
State Convention	\$800.00	\$471.60	\$800.00
MO PTA Workshop	\$500.00	\$100.00	\$500.00
Special Workshop	\$100.00		\$100.00
#6 Total Conventions	\$2,900.00	\$571.60	\$2,900.00
Contributions			
Cotillion	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00
Creative Arts Production (CAP)	\$200.00		\$100.00
Allied Arts Council	\$225.00		\$75.00
Jr. Deputy			\$75.00
Nat'l Fire Safety			\$75.00
Safety Town			\$75.00
Performing Arts (Children's)	\$75.00		\$75.00
Project Graduation	\$100.00		\$100.00
SJSD Board Recognition	\$150.00	\$413.41	\$200.00
#7 Total Contributions	\$850.00	\$513.41	\$875.00
Other			
Accounting Cost	\$250.00	\$125.00	\$250.00
Installation of Officers	\$30.00		\$30.00
Life Membership (National)	\$100.00		\$100.00
Misc. Expense	\$200.00	\$147.28	\$200.00
SJSD Employees Reception	\$50.00		\$100.00
Treasurers Bond	\$100.00	\$90.00	\$100.00
Yearbook	\$50.00		\$50.00
#8 Total Other	\$780.00	\$362.28	\$830.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$11,225.00	\$22,037.28	\$30,900.00
Button Machine Account		\$732.70	
Future Bond & Levy Public Relations Certificate of Deposit		\$9,440.23	
Money Market Account		\$26,236.60	

<p>Clifford the Big Red Dog October 22, 2005 3:00 pm & 7:00 pm October 23,2005 2:00 pm</p> <p>Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory Dec. 13, 2005 9:30 am & 12:30 pm (School matinee) Call Kelly for ticket info 279-1225</p>	<p align="center">“Savor a Sloppy Joe”</p> <p align="center">Performing Arts Association is holding it’s annual Sloppy Joe Dinner. A portion of the proceeds will Go to the children’s theatre to help defray costs of Upcoming shows (Clifford the Big Red Dog & Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory) and to keep Missoula productions free for the participants. Show your support for the Arts.</p> <p align="center">Thurs., June 9th</p> <p align="center">Lunch will be served 11:00-1:00 Dinner will be served 4:30-7:30 at The Ashland United Methodist Church Contact Lori Prussman for more details (232-2125)</p>	<p align="center">Tickets are \$5.00 in advance \$6.00 at the door. \$4.00 for children (10 & under)</p> <div align="center" data-bbox="1198 1801 1442 1955"> </div>
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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 20th 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

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 _____

Check out date _____

Signature _____

Check in date _____

Signature _____

Number of Components Issued _____

Number Returned _____

Number Used _____ @ _____

Date _____

Total Due _____

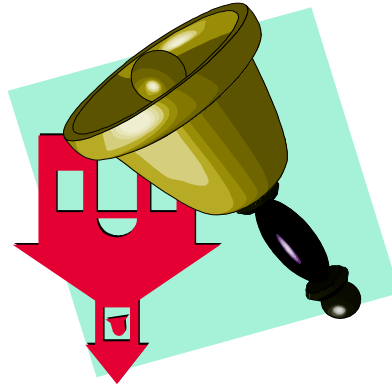
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Your Request for the Button Machine is Confirmed for _____

Signature _____ Date _____

NOTICE FOR PARENTS

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