

Council Clippings

Monthly Newsletter of
St. Joseph PTA Council

Happy New Year!



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Presidents

Corner...

Greetings

As the Holidays are coming and going I would again like to wish everyone a happy season!

I recently had the wonderful opportunity to attend a learning session by invitation of the St Joseph School District. It was put on by the Flippen Group and is a program called "Capturing Kids' Hearts!" I was truly amazed by the wonderful suggestions they had to reach our children and promote personal responsibility! This is the same group our SJSD Faculty is meeting with and the program they are learning to develop better relationships with our kids.

I was deeply impressed as I had heard of this and had a picture in my mind that was nowhere near what this program offered. The biggest message was to teach kids personal responsibility and to respect them and to expect them to know their responsibilities and to follow them. I learned about myself that I need to learn to be a better ACTIVE listener. As I said I was deeply impressed! I have asked Sean Dunphy to give me a little write up so I am hoping to have that to provide to everyone soon.

Again I would like to encourage everyone to start the second semester with a BANG and get those membership juices flowing again. Remember PTA is an ADVOCACY group NOT a fundraising group and we need those memberships registered so the people in Washington know that we have names behind our numbers and voters behind those names! We are not lobbyists, we are advocates which means we do not pay people to sit at the legislatures doors, we want our members to speak up and let them know we are here and this is how we feel. If you have not thought about it, think about going to the MOPTA.ORG website and registering with the JC/DC (Jefferson City, Washington D.C.) advocacy group and they will send you emails letting you know where PTA stands on issues! Also on that website is the AT-Law Award application print one off and start gaining your points for your advocacy so we can recognize you!

Again if you have anything you need please don't hesitate to contact me!

Joyce Brewka
SJPTA Council President

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)

Signature _____

Title _____

Send Bill To:

Send request to:

Derrick Brewka
806 South 38th
St. Joseph, MO 64507
816-390-7287
j3girlsmom@yahoo.com

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 _____

TREASURER'S REPORT
Clarence Carpenter Memorial Fund Board
18-Nov-13

BALANCE ON HAND September 16, 2013 \$6,889.17

Receipts:

School PTA Donations	1,205.00	
Council/Other Donations		
Memorial Donations		
Interest Income (checking)	0.60	
Help a Child to See		
Miscellaneous		
Total Receipts		\$1,205.60
TOTAL		\$8,094.77

Disbursements:

Vision Expenses
Dental Expenses
Secretarial Expenses
Gifts to SJSJ
Postage
Treasurer's Expense
Help a Child to See Expense
Insurance Bond for Treasurer
Miscellaneous

 Total Disbursements: -

TOTAL BALANCE November 18, 2013 \$8,094.77

MONEY MARKET ACCT #7625

Beginning Balance 9/16/13	\$10,459.30	
Interest Paid	\$2.66	
Ending Balance 11/18/13	\$10,461.96	\$10,461.96

TOTAL FUNDS FOR CC BOARD \$18,556.73

Council Clippings Article Assignments for Feb. 2014
Articles are due January 10, 2014

❖ <i>Presidents Report</i>	❖ <i>Character & Spiritual</i>
❖ <i>Regional Director article</i>	❖ <i>Bylaws</i> ❖ <i>Membership</i>
❖ <i>Nominating committee report</i>	❖ <i>Salute to School report</i>

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.

"As we let our own light shine we unconsciously give other people permission to do the same." –
Marianne Williamson

Submitted by Mollie Siemens

Mary Lou Anderson Reflections Arts Enhancement Grants

This National PTA program provides matching-dollar funding to local PTAs to support in-school and after-school arts enhancement programs in local communities. PTAs serving at-risk student populations are particularly encouraged to apply. Applications will be available January 10, 2014 and are due March 14, 2014.

www.mopta.org

“Help a Child to See” Campaign kicks off

The Clarence J Carpenter Memorial
Fund Board’s annual fundraiser;
“Help A Child To See” Campaign
runs from **January 6th– January 21st**

See your School Nurse for more details.



AWARDS, AWARDS, AWARDS!!! It’s that time of year to complete the Awards applications for recognition at our February Founders Day.

- ❖ St Joseph PTA Council Outstanding PTA Volunteer
- ❖ St. Joseph PTA Council Outstanding PTA Unit Award
- ❖ PTA Council Outstanding Principal Award
- ❖ Davis-Langemach PTA Council Award of Excellence
- ❖ Dr. Dan L Colgan National PTA Foundation Award

All award applications can be found in the December 2013 Council Clippings AND online at www.stjoepta.org.

DEADLINE for applications is **January 15, 2014!** Mail to Jackie Grimwood, PO Box 8716, St. Joseph, MO 64508 or email Jackie at mojayhawk@aol.com.

Family and Community Engagement January 2014

Submitted by Charisse Giseburt

According to the National PTA publication *Our Children*, 62% of people polled had never heard of the Common Core State Standards. Of those who had heard about them, only a little more than half felt like they were somewhat knowledgeable of them.

PTA.org has some great information about this and what you can do to help your child(ren) to be successful.

The [Common Core State Standards](#) (CCSSI) is a joint effort led by the National Governors Association Center for Best Practices and the Council of Chief State School Officers to develop a common core of K-12 standards in English language arts and Mathematics. Read more about National PTA's position on [Education Standards](#).

The goal initiative is to develop internationally-benchmarked standards that ensure all students are held to consistent expectations that will prepare them for college and career.

More than 45 states, the District of Columbia, Guam, American Samoan Islands, U.S. Virgin Islands and the Anchorage, AK School District have adopted the standards.

I highly recommend you check out the *Parent’s Guide to Student Success* and the Family Engagement activities on the PTA website.



Please join us as we celebrate
St. Joseph PTA Council Founder's Day
Thursday, February 6, 2014

Registration begins at 5:30pm.
Dinner begins promptly at 6:00pm.

Catering by Spanky and Buckwheat's
Pulled chicken, brisket, potato casserole, green beans, corn, salad, dinner rolls and fruit cobbler.

Dress is business casual

Stoney Creek Inn, 1201 North Woodbine Road
816-901-9600

Cost-\$14.00 per person

Registration Form...
Registration Deadline: Wed. January 22, 2014
No Refunds—No Exceptions

School Name _____

Person(s) Attending

St. Joseph PTA Council Outstanding Volunteer Award Winners _____

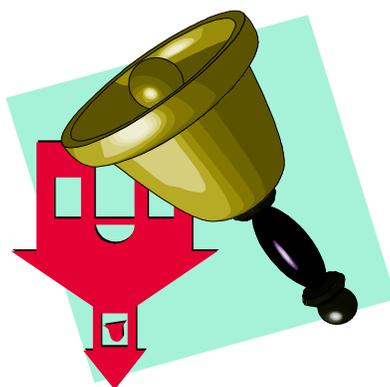
Total number of guests: _____ Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

Note anyone who is a Missouri Life Member (MLM) with *
Note anyone who is a Past Council President with #

Make Checks payable to: St. Joseph PTA Council
And mail to: PO Box 8716
St. Joseph, MO 64508

NEWSLETTER FOR PARENTS

COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS



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