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## Champaign PTA Council News

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**Next Meeting: THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2006, 6:00pm to 8:30pm**  
**Founder's Day Dinner, Hawthorn Suites Conference Center**  
**101 Trade Center Drive, Champaign**

### Informational Items:

**Founder's Day Dinner:** The Founder's Day Dinner will be held Thursday, February 2, at the Hawthorn Suites Conference Center. Check-in will run from 6:00pm to 6:30pm. Dinner will be served at 6:30pm and will be followed by the awards presentations at 7:30pm. A copy of the invitation is included at the end of this newsletter. If you are interested in attending and have not sent in your reservation, please e-mail Cyndy Lammert at [rbboys@insightbb.com](mailto:rbboys@insightbb.com) or call at 351-2085 by Saturday, January 28<sup>th</sup> to let her know the number of people attending and your meal choice(s). If your PTA is honoring someone and you have not already done so, please e-mail or call me at the contact information above so you can be included on the program.

**School Referendum:** The school board has approved a referendum for building new schools and upgrading existing facilities. Some details of the plan are available on the Unit 4 website at [www.champaignschools.org](http://www.champaignschools.org). The election will be on March 21<sup>st</sup>, which is during Spring Break. The PTA Council will be working with all of the PTAs to provide information on registering people to vote and how to vote absentee. Remember, as non-profit organizations, PTAs are not allowed to lobby on behalf of or against the referendum. PTAs may provide information about the details of the plan and how it would affect their schools.

**Town Hall Meeting on School Safety:** The school district is hosting a second Town Hall Meeting on School Safety at Stratton Elementary on January 31<sup>st</sup> from 7:00pm to 9:00pm. The first Town Hall Meeting was one of the best-run community meetings in the district in years, had participants from all areas of the community, and allowed everyone to provide ideas for enhancing school safety. This second meeting will focus on clarifying the ideas and strategies from the first meeting to be developed into action plans for Fall 2006. Parents and students are encouraged to attend.

### Important Dates:

January 31	Town Hall Meeting II on School Safety, Stratton Elementary, 7:00pm
February 2	Founder's Day Dinner, Hawthorn Suites, 6:00pm
February 9	School Board Meeting, Mellon Building, 7:00pm
February 16	Early Dismissal - Parent/Teacher Conferences (4:00pm-8:00pm)
February 17	No School - Parent/Teacher Conferences (8:00am-11:00am)
March 2	PTA Council Meeting, Jefferson Middle School, 7:00pm

*You are invited to Champaign and Urbana PTA Councils' Annual*

***Founder's Day Dinner***

*Thursday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Hawthorn Suites Conference Center  
101 Trade Center Drive  
Champaign*

*Registration 6:00pm - 6:30pm  
Dinner 6:30pm - 7:25pm  
Welcoming Remarks 7:25pm - 7:30pm  
Awards 7:30pm - 8:30pm*

*Menu:*

*Mixed Garden Greens with a Selection of Two Dressings*

*Choice of:*

*Chicken Scallopini (Flour-dusted chicken breast sautéed and finished with wild mushroom and herb sauce)*

*-or-*

*Stuffed Portobello Duet (Pair of portobello mushrooms stuffed with steamed risotto and finished with a bouquet of roasted vegetables)*

*Fruit Tart with Bavarian Cream*

*PTA units will be presenting awards to individuals for their service to the schools and the community.*

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**Name(s) of those attending:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Organization(s):** \_\_\_\_\_

*Please mark your dinner selection(s) below:*

*Chicken Scallopini \_\_\_\_\_ or Stuffed Portobello Duet \_\_\_\_\_*

*Please return this portion of the invitation along with a check for \$19 per person (payable to Champaign PTA Council) to:*

*Cyndy Lammert, 611 W. Union, Champaign, IL 61820  
217-351-2085*

***Reservation Deadline: January 28, 2006***