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Quote of the Month:

**"All, everything
that I understand,
I understand only
because I love."
Leo Tolstoy**

Best of the best here in the STL Area high school juniors impress on assessment

Ivy Neyland-Pinkston's son, **Drake**, is president of the Clayton High School 2012 class that earned the distinction of being first in the world in science and reading plus second in the world in math according to an international assessment test.

The highly-respected Program for International Student Assessment (PISA) benchmarks young people's readiness to tackle real-world challenges. The district participated in the 2009 program to see how they matched up against the highest performing countries in the world. In order to participate in the assessment, Clayton formed the equivalent of its own country. However, unlike other U.S. schools that just tested a small sample of their students, Clayton tested all sophomores making the results even more impressive.

Gold keeps coming for figure skater

Congratulations yet again to **Marsaw Isabella Middleton-Helmsing, Dorothy Middleton's** granddaughter, and her team for winning two gold medals for their performances at the Sweetheart Open synchronized figure skating competition last month. This is Marsaw's third gold medal so far this skating season. The team's next event is the ISI Winter Classic Games later this month.



Comptroller's January Employee of the Month

Congratulations to **Antionette Thomas**, payroll specialist II in the payroll section, for earning the January Employee of the Month Award. Thomas was nominated for her easygoing spirit, her smile and her helpfulness in training new employees. She chose eight hours comptime as her award.

Office News

Test your knowledge with the Trivia Challenge

In honor of Valentine's Day, the February Trivia Challenge asks you to relive some of the best love songs in history. Simply name the artist pictured for a chance to win one hour of comptime. Good luck.



Congratulations to Michele Graham for earning one hour comptime for correctly answering the January celebrity birthday trivia.

Submit your answers to John Farrell at farrellj@stlouiscity.com. The first to reply with the correct answers wins one hour comptime.

News & Notes

As the comptroller's office turns...

New employee



The entire comptroller's office welcomes **Marilyn Maxwell**, our new telecommunications specialist, to the office team.

Helping hand

Michele Graham and her family were driving late one night last month when her daughter **Briana** noticed a little girl on the corner alone in the freezing snow. They stopped the car and got the attention of an approaching police officer who put the young girl in his car and took her home. Way to go Briana for spotting the child and getting her help.

Super printers

Kudos to the records retention section for printing and binding 4,000 new telephone directories in just two days. If you are keeping score, that is 102,000 copies. Great work everyone.

January Trivia Quiz answers

1. Cuba Gooding, Jr., 43
2. Michael Stipe, 51
3. January Jones, 33
4. Robert Duvall, 80
5. R. Kelly, 44
6. Alicia Keys, 29
7. Neil Diamond, 70
8. Paula Deen, 63

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February Birthdays

Mohammad Adil	1
Mary Huggins	2
Shalonda Covington	5
Keith Vernell	12
Keith Taylor	13
Sandra Mantia	14
Amy Williams	14
Barnadette Davis	15
Tammy Garrett	15
Dorothy Middleton	19
Jeannie Head	22

Continuous Service Anniversaries

None this month