

SHS PARENT ASSOCIATION BULLETIN

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Note from the Editor

I had the pleasure of seeing a portion of a *RAGTIME* dress rehearsal this week. With one son and three nieces involved in the show, I may be a bit biased, but..... it will be fabulous. And I'm pretty sure that is the same word I'd use if I wasn't biased. So maybe I should say it will be super-fabulous. When I saw it there were still a few kinks to be worked out, but even with those – the story is powerful, the singing is out of this world, the acting and dancing are amazing.... need I go on? (I'd like to, but I'm running out of superlatives!) And, I have no doubt the kinks will be worked out in time for opening night, to make it super-super-fabulous.

No surprise that the singing/dancing/acting is great – it always is. But I was unfamiliar with the story, and even though I do not yet know how it ends (I had to leave before they were done with rehearsal that evening) it is a great story. Do yourself a favor, and make time to see 50 or so fabulous students put on a great show that will definitely move you. And while you won't see the dozens of students working on the crew, you'll know they've been there when you see the sets, the lighting, the costumes, etc. Putting on *Ragtime*, is no small feat for a high school. If you want to know more about what it takes to stage the "biggest show" SHS has ever produced, read this [Shorewood Patch Article](#). (after viewing the photos on the Patch Page, scroll down to find the article.)

Debbie Eder
SHS Parent Bulletin Editor

P.S. Thanks to all for allowing me to use this space to share my excitement with you! Ragtime runs this weekend and next weekend, see [below](#) for more details.

UPCOMING EVENTS

(It's May – we're approaching the end of the year, which means the calendar is packed – but it's lots of good stuff!)

- May 2-13 Advanced Placement (AP Tests)
- May 7 Shorewood Woman's Club Wearable Art Show 9:30-4pm – lower level of public library
- May 6,7,8 SHS Musical – RAGTIME – [tickets available online](#), or at the box office
- May 9 [Eat at Culvers, Raise Money for 4th of July Festivities](#) (thanks to SIS student volunteers!)
- May 10 School Board Meeting – agenda will be posted [here](#)
- May 11 [Northshore Parent Network](#) Meeting
- May 11 [Advanced Placement Art Night](#)
- May 12,13,14 SHS Musical – RAGTIME – [tickets available online](#), or at the box office
- May 14 [Rain Garden/Rain Barrel Workshop](#)
- May 15 Deadline for [Photos for Senior Slideshow](#)
- May 17 Rec. Dept.'s Cinematic Series concludes the year with *Philadelphia*, SHS Aud at 7 p.m.
- May 18 SHS Awards & Scholarships Evening – 7 pm - auditorium
- May 18 [Capture the Flag](#) Fundraising Event
- May 19 [Buzz Cuts for Cancer](#) – 3:15 SHS Arena
- May 19 National Honor Society Ceremony – 7 pm - auditorium
- May 20 Deadline for [Grad Gram Orders](#)
- May 22 SHS Chamber Orchestra Concert, North Shore Presbyterian Church, 7 p.m.
- May 23 [Athletic Recruiting Speaker](#) – 7PM – SHS Auditorium

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ACTION ITEMS, UPCOMING EVENTS & “LAST CHANCE” REMINDERS

2011-2012 School Calendar Approved

On April 26, the School Board approved the 2011-2012 School Year Calendar, [Click here](#) for a list of important dates for the 2011-2012 school year. The full calendar will be available online mid-summer. The District will continue to release all schools at 2:15 p.m. each Wednesday

Ragtime – SHS Spring Musical – Tickets on Sale NOW!*

May 6, 7, 13 & 14 at 8 PM May 8 at 2 PM May 12 at 7:30 PM

Over 50 students are performing in Ragtime with many more working on sets, costumes and music. Ragtime was heralded by Time Magazine as “A triumph for the stage” and by the International Herald Tribune “the best musical in twenty years,” this acclaimed musical won 1998 Tony Awards for Best Score, Book and Orchestrations, and won both the Drama Desk and Outer Critics Circle Awards for Best Musical and Best Score.

Ragtime is not only a powerful portrait of life in turn-of-the-century America, but a relevant tale for today. To read more about the show, [click here](#). To read about the huge effort it has been to take on a show of this magnitude, [click here](#). To purchase tickets online go to at www.shorewooddrama.org. Buy your tickets today and support this SHS tradition.

The SHS Advanced Placement (AP) Art Night May 11

This is an evening celebrating the diverse portfolio of works by this year's AP art students. They have completed a rigorous year of art making – completing 24 pieces before their exam the first week of May! The students will be presenting their artwork throughout the halls and rooms of the Art Department and will also speak about their work and artistic process in a slideshow held in the Studio Theater at 6 p.m. All are welcome to attend.

SHS Student Collecting Used Prom Dresses for Cinderella Project

Asia Cruz, is collecting used prom dresses for distribution to underprivileged young ladies. Please, if your daughter's dress is not going to be worn again – ask her to consider donating it to this worthwhile cause. Collection bins are located in the front hall of SHS.

Grad Grams – Send a Special Message to SHS Grads

Surprise and delight as many SHS graduates as you know! Each of your messages is printed on an individual GRAD GRAM, and the personalized GRAD GRAMS are assembled in a booklet for each graduate and delivered by graduation night. Graduates really enjoy them!

- Who will you send GRAD GRAMS to? Relatives, friends, neighbors, employees, classmates, babysitters.
- Need a list of who's graduating? – There's one on the order form.
- How much does it cost? Only \$1.00 per GRAD GRAM (less than a greeting card... and more personal):
- Special group rate: same message to all graduates for \$75.
- Write your own message(s), or choose from a list we've provided
- Proceeds go to the SHS Band Parent Association which supports our band students in grades 5-12.
- Order your Grad Grams SOON. Deadline is May 20.
- You should have received an order form in the mail, if you missed it – you can [get the electronic version here](#).

Shorewood 4th of July Fundraiser Monday, May 9, 5-9 p.m. Culver's Restaurant

Plan on joining **Shorewood Intermediate School student volunteers** at Culver's Restaurant on Monday, May 9 to help raise funds for Shorewood's 4th of July. Students will be greeting guests and delivering food to tables and cars from 5-9 p.m. Ten percent (10%) of all proceeds from the evening will be donated to the Shorewood Foundation to help offset the costs of the 4th of July parade and evening entertainment. Please help the SIS students to give back to their community!

LOOKING AHEAD & GENERAL INFORMATION

Learning Fair – An Evening of Exploration about District Initiatives – May 24 - Intermediate School Commons

The The School District of Shorewood invites parents and community members to attend our Learning Fair 2011 - an evening of discussion and interaction with the professional staff of our District – on May 24 at the Shorewood Intermediate School Commons from 6:00-8:00 p.m. “The Learning Fair is a great opportunity for District parents to learn more about a wide array of District initiatives,” shared Dean Schultz, interim Co-Director of curriculum. A sampling of topics includes:

- Literacy Workshop Model
- Adolescent Literacy
- Student Support Services
- Integration of Technology
- Curriculum in the Shorewood Schools
- New Horizons and the Community

To read more about the Learning Fair, [click here](#).

Dinner Dance for Seniors & Their Parents June 4

Parents of Seniors - You won't want to miss this joyous and sentimental event that boasts nearly 100% attendance each year, as graduating seniors and their parents come together to enjoy a celebratory program and meal, followed by a student dance. (Mom's and Dad's stay for the first dance – bring your cameras and maybe your tissues!) (

If you missed the April 28 email about this event, you may [view it here](#). Also, note that **photos for the event** are due by May 15 – details as to what photos, how, and why are included in the [April 28 email](#).

Save The Dates! Enjoy A Performing Arts Concert this Spring

Our highly respected band, choir and orchestra programs will be hosting a variety of concerts throughout May to showcase the many talents of our students.

- May 22: SHS Chamber Orchestra Concert, North Shore Presbyterian Church, 7 p.m.
- May 25: SHS Band Finale Concert, SHS Auditorium, 7 p.m.
- June 1: SHS Orchestra Spring Concert, SHS Auditorium, 7 p.m.
- June 5: SIS/SHS Choral Benefit Concert, SHS Auditorium, 3 p.m.

Rain Garden and Rain Barrel Workshop, May 14th, Lower Level of Library 10 am – noon – FREE

Learn about the benefits of residential rain gardens and rain barrel use and installation. Learn how you can collect and use rain water to beautify your lawn and garden, save on watering costs, and help improve the quality of our lake and river. You can reduce water pollution and lower your water cost by capturing water from your roof's downspout into a rain barrel or into a rain garden.

From The SHS Daily Announcements

This is a sampling, (by no means all), of some of the morning announcements the students hear each day at school.

Look at the exciting things going on at SHS:

- The tables and benches are back in the front lobby of school! Treat them well.
- Ms. Shepard is collecting school supplies for her daughter to deliver to Tanzanian orphans
- NEW CLUB – Grassroots Shorewood
- First person to turn in a completed Ripples Crossword will win a prize
- Seniors – pick up your caps and gowns if you haven't yet!
- Food services will be preparing and serving BBQ lunch on certain days
- Box office is open after 7th hour for Ragtime tickets

- Those interested in running for Student Council should pick up a sheet in the office
 - Executive Board speeches will be on May 18, with elections on May 19
 - Class Representative Speeches will be on May 25, with elections on May 26 & May 31
- Sign up to read to students at Clark Street School
- Model UN – Officer Elections for next year
- It's teacher appreciation week! Tell your teachers you appreciate them!
- Baki Day was a grand success – thanks to all who participated
- Crepe Party for those who went on the spring break trip to France
- Bring in your old prom dresses to donate to the Cinderella Project
- Still need families to sign up to host a French student next October for approx. 2 weeks
- Peer Mentor applications are available
- As always, numerous club and group meetings including: Volunteer Shorewood, Scrabble Club, Graphics Club, Roots & Shoots, Mock Trial, Stock Club and Bible Study

CONGRATULATIONS, KUDOS AND THANK YOU'S

Shorewood High School Student Wins Milwaukee Film's Collaborative Cinema Competition

Congratulations to SHS Senior, Celia C., whose script, "The Magical Camera" was chosen by Milwaukee Film as the winner of this year's Collaborative Cinema Competition! This July, under the guidance of Milwaukee Film, professional filmmakers and college and high school film interns will produce Celia's film. The completed film will be screened during Milwaukee Film Festival's annual showcase of Milwaukee-made short films. The Film Festival will run Sept. 22 – Oct 2, 2011. The film will be shown at the Shorewood School District sometime after the festival. Read more about Celia's script, see the [Shorewood Patch article](#). **Congratulations Celia!**

Shorewood Band Teacher Receives Prestigious Award – Congratulations Mr. Hughes

Congratulations to Robert Hughes who was recognized by The Civic Music Association as their Music Teacher of the Year. Bob has been teaching band to our students at Atwater and Lake Bluff Elementary Schools since 1994 and at Shorewood Intermediate School since 2009. His hard work and dedication has enhanced the lives of our students. To read more, [click here](#).

State Solo & Ensemble Results – Once Again Shorewood Music Students Due us Proud!

The School District of Shorewood congratulates our many performing arts students who received Silver, Gold and Exemplary Performer Awards at the Wisconsin School Music Association State Solo & Ensemble Festival held at UWM on Saturday, April 30. The students' hard work, dedication and passion for their art was evident during the festival. Congratulations to the District's Music Department Teachers!

On March 19, over 150 band, choir and orchestra students entered 158 events in the Wisconsin School Music Association District Solo & Ensemble Festival, which was held at Hamilton High School. Of the events, 75 received a 1-star rating, which means they earned the honor to advance to the State Festival that was held on Saturday. Having nearly 50% of our events advance to the State Festival was truly an impressive honor!

To read about more individual results, including the Choirs milestone event of every vocal event earning a Division 1 (Gold) rating, see the [press release](#).

Congratulations to all the Band, Choir and Orchestra Students who participated in the State Festival!

***** Do you know students, staff, school clubs, etc. who deserve recognition? *****

Please let us know if you know of an SHS student or staff member or school group who deserves recognition – whether your own child, a friend, neighbor, teacher, coach, mentor, co-worker, etc. We are thrilled to use this space to share student and staff achievements, but we can only do so when someone tells us about them! Send your submissions to news.shsparentasn@gmail.com.

IN THE NEWS

When you have time, take a look at some of these articles about our district, our school and our teens.

Shorewood Today Magazine – Spring 2011. You should have received a hardcopy in the mail. The electronic version can be found at <http://www.walkshorewood.com/pdfs/ShorewoodTodayApril2011.pdf>. It includes articles about the village and the schools including

- Schools Matter in Shorewood – a column from Paul Zovic, School Board President
- Young Artist Conference
- Improving Classroom Instruction
- Pro-Start Culinary Team – Shorewood Students
- Arts in the Schools
- Shorewood's Neighborhood of the Year
- Business Development in Shorewood
- Sewer Improvement Meeting – May 9
- Much More!

Ragtime <http://shorewood.patch.com/articles/behind-the-scenes-peek-at-shorewoods-ragtime#video-5924013>.

After viewing the video and photos, scroll down to get to the article

Senior, Celia C's Screenplay to Appear on the Big Screen <http://shorewood.patch.com/articles/students-screenplay-to-appear-on-the-big-screen>.

Girls Track – Conference Relay Meet <http://shorewood.patch.com/articles/shorewood-girls-win-2-events-at-conference-relays>.

Lacrosse Team – photos and article <http://shorewood.patch.com/articles/lakeshore-lacrosse-team-knocks-off-madison-regents#photo-5890988>.

Softball Tournament - <http://www.shorewoodnow.com/sports/121194798.html>.

ATHLETIC NEWS AND HIGHLIGHTS

Spring & Summer Sports Schedules can be found [here](#).

Baseball Begins – May 13

Athletic Highlights

- **Girls Soccer**
 - Rallied from a 0-1 deficit to come back and win against Milwaukee Lutheran. Goals were scored by Hannah F and Thersa L, while Megan M had three key saves in goal.
 - JV Team won the Eastside cup!
- **Girls Softball** - Along with Whitefish Bay, hosted a 6 team tournament. Highlights of the tournament included
 - A complete game by pitcher Ellie L
 - A Grand Slam by Celia C
 - Good hitting by Addie P, Cindy S and Lindsay B and Quncy R
- **Girls Track and Field Highlights from the 7 Team Wauwatosa West Invite**
 - A win in the 1600 by Haley H
 - A win in the 400 by Kristin M
 - 2nd place finish by Alexis F in the 200
 - 3rd place finish by the 4 x 200 relay team of Krisin, Alexis, Lily B and Brigitte S

Read more about recent athletic highlights in the athletic directors report on the [Booster Club Website](#).

REMINDERS FROM PRIOR WEEKS

YOU CAN STOP READING NOW IF YOU AREN'T INTERESTED IN REPEATS

Seriously – you can, no one's feelings will be hurt. If this information is redundant, you need not read it!

But if you missed a bulletin, or want a memory refresher – it's here for you. ☺☺☺☺

Graduation Information – Graduation information has been mailed home to parents of seniors. If you missed it, you can view the [online version here](#).

School Board Agendas and Packets Now Online

We are rolling out the public access view of our school board agenda and packets. The agendas were always available on our website but now you can also access the public view of the board packet before each regular meeting. You will also find minutes posted here once they have been approved by the board. To access materials, go to:

<https://v3.boardbook.org/Public/PublicHome.aspx?ak=1000450>

Please note – meeting information is usually posted on the Thursday or Friday prior to a regular 2nd & 4th Tuesday board meeting. Meeting information can then be revised up to 24 hours prior to the meeting, or in a rare case, even later. Note that some meetings (e.g. closed meetings and “big idea” meetings) will not have agendas and packets posted, just notice of the meeting.)

Buzz Cuts! - Finding Cures For Childhood Cancer May 19th - 3:15 PM - SHS Arena

This is an annual event held in conjunction with the MACC Fund (Milwaukee Athletes Against Childhood Cancer) to raise money for their pediatric cancer research. Students get pledges from friends and family to take the bold step to buzz their hair off (a “buzz cut”). Buzz Cuts shows that SHS understands *cures* are more important than *hair*. Please encourage your student to get involved – by attending the event, buying a t-shirt, getting buzzed, or pledging someone who is! This event is so fun and inspiring to watch, so come if you can!!

Build the Bleachers – Final Fundraising Efforts Must be Completed SOON

Along with the flowers, we are enjoying the festive D2D “Got Seats/Got Mine” signs springing up around the Village. We are pleased to announce that **we will have the bleachers built for next fall!** However, **we MUST raise an additional \$150,000 in less than 2 months** to put in the concrete foundation on which the restrooms, concessions, etc will sit. If we do not raise this money there will be no foundation and we will have ONLY bleachers for all eternity. This means we will not be able host the larger events at our field that will bring business into our community. The D2D committee is working tirelessly to raise the additional money. **We need everyone's help** to get this project finished. See last week's "[Mini-Bulletin](#)" to see how you can help by sponsoring a seat, donate towards a seat in honor of a teacher, encourage a business to purchase a seat.

Calendar Clarification – No School May 27

Unless there is another snow day between now and May 27 (there is only a bit of sarcasm in that phrase) – there will be NO SCHOOL on May 27. That day was held on the calendar in the event that we had 2 or more snow days during the year. So keep your fingers crossed.... and we'll have a 4 day weekend over Memorial Day.

Athletic Recruiting Speaker – May 23 – 7PM – SHS Auditorium

The Shorewood Booster Club invites parents and athletes in Grades 7-12 to attend a presentation by Jack Renkins, National Recruiting Expert. Mr. Renkins is the founder of Recruiting Realities, an organization dedicated to exploding the

myths and presenting the realities of athletic recruiting to student-athletes, their families, coaches and school counselors. [Read more here.](#)

2011 – 2012 Budget Recommendations

To see the Post Referendum Budget Recommendations for 2011-2012, [click here.](#)

Harvard – Stanford – Penn – Duke – Georgetown – Exploring College Options – May 25 – Marriott Waukesha

Exploring College Options is a special recruitment program sponsored by the undergraduate admissions offices of five of the country's leading universities: [Duke University](#), [Georgetown University](#), [Harvard University](#), the [University of Pennsylvania](#), and [Stanford University](#). Representatives from the five universities will conduct brief slide presentations about their institution and answer your questions about the sometimes-mystifying world of college admissions. You will learn what distinguishes one fine university from another, what competitive colleges look for in the selection process, and what you can do to enhance your college application. [Read More Here.](#) [See location information.](#)

ACT and SAT Test Preparation

For students that are preparing for the ACT and/or SAT Tests, we are aware of the following classes and practice sessions:

- Free practice tests followed by free score review. See details [here](#) (this is open to underclassmen too)
- Kaplan Test Prep Class – to be held at SHS – See details [here](#)
- Shorewood and Nicolet Co-Op Class offered through recreation departments
 - See page 36 of the [Nicolet Bulletin](#)
 - See page 35 of the [Shorewood Bulletin](#)
- UWM Test Prep Class, please contact College for Teens at 414.227.3360. Or you may visit the following website: <http://www4.uwm.edu/SCE/course.cfm?id=14842>

If this is of interest to you and your student, review each of the options to find the dates/programs/pricing that works for your family.

Teen Volunteer Applications

Teens that are interested in volunteering with the Shorewood Recreation Department this summer should complete an application, which can be found [here](#).

Student Council Upcoming Fundraiser of the Year Events

Clark Street School has been chosen by SHS Students as the SHS Charity of the Year. Under the leadership of the SHS Student Council. Several events have been planned to benefit this organization.

- Penny Wars between classes – now through the end of the year
- Capture the Flag – May 18 3:00 PM – Hubbard Park. \$5
- Carnival and Live Music – May 21 12:00PM – 5:00 PM – Atwater School. Prices will vary per activity
- Beach Boogie – May 26 – 8PM – 11PM – SHS Arena. Food, Drink, Party Favors Included. \$12
- Shorewoodstock – June 3 – 6PM - 8PM. SHS Auditorium. \$5

Please encourage your student to be part of some of these exciting events!

North Shore Parent Network – May 11

North Shore Parent Network is for those with an interest in special education needs of students of all ages. The topic for this meeting will be “Meeting on Social Ground: Preparing our Kids and Others”. The meeting will be held from 6:20 – 8:30 pm at St. Francis Children’s Center. For more information, [click here](#).

Scholarship Information

Student Support Services continues to post some scholarship information on the “school bulletin” section of [powerschool](#). Additionally, they recommend www.fastweb.com as an excellent scholarship database.

Raise Money While You Shop Online

Don’t Forget to use GoodSearch.com and Raise Money for SEED while you shop, by doing your online shopping with www.goodsearch.com. GoodSearch is powered by yahoo – all you have to do is choose ShorewoodSEED as your favorite cause, and then search the internet just like you normally would. For more information, [click here](#).

Donate your Used Books!

Don't forget to donate your used books for the Spring Book Sale to be held on May 21. A Collection box is in the SHS office. If you have a large (or even medium) donation, contact Carrie Wetstein at cwettstein@sbcglobal.net to arrange for pick up. Additionally, collection boxes will be available in the auditorium lobby during SHOUT!

LOOKING FOR MORE DISTRICT NEWS?

- Sign up for the district e-newsletter. (This is bulletin from the district is separate from the email you are reading, which is published by the parent association.) Look for the "sign up" link at the bottom of the left hand column on the [School District's home web page](#).
- Follow the District on Twitter. <http://twitter.com/shorewoodlearns>.

RENTAL SPACE

Looking for space for your next meeting or performance? SDS has a beautiful theater, arena and other spaces for rent. Contact our Rec. Dept. at 414.963.6913 ext. 4 for more info.

HELPFUL LINKS

[Click here to find links to:](#)

- **District Information** – home page, twitter, staff directory, recreation department and more
- **SHS Information** – home page, student/parent handbook, curriculum handbook, activity code, support services (formerly guidance), and more
- **Parent and Student Organizations** – Athletic Booster Club, SAFE, SEED, Shorewood Orchestra, Student Newspaper and more
- **Athletic Information** – conference schedules, WIAA and more
- **Community Pages** – ShorewoodNOW, Shorewood Patch, Shorewood Today, Shorewood Village, Shorewood BID, Shorewood Public Library
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