# SHS PARENT ASSOCIATION

# WEEKLY BULLETIN

January 15, 2014

### Mark Your Calendars:

- Jan 15 <u>Teens and Mental Health Speaker</u>
- Jan 17 Boys Basketball Game on Time Warner TV
- Jan 20 No School Martin Luther King Day
- Jan 22-24 Semester 1 Final Exams
- Jan 24 Mac & Cheese Cookoff
- Jan 27-28 No School
- Jan 28 School Board Meeting <u>agenda will be posted here</u>
- Jan 31 Shaw Scholarship Applications Due

<u>Full Year District Calendar</u> - pdf version – note: some dates subject to change <u>Online Calendar</u> - <u>customizable</u>

### Note from the Editor

As you know, I usually include some recent daily announcements in this bulletin. I do so for a several reasons. First, they sometimes include some "need to know" or "really good to know" information for parents. They also allow parents to ask some specific questions about what's going on at school or maybe to encourage their teen to get involved in something that the teen hadn't mentioned. And finally, I think they are a good reminder of wide array of things going on at school, often times planned and organized by students. Reading them always brings a smile to my face, as they remind me of what a diverse and active student body SHS has, and what great opportunities exist for our kids – everything from the quirky to the serious. It's easy to know about sports and the arts, but without the daily announcements most of us wouldn't know that there is an ovarian club or an anime club or a multitude of others. This week's list seems particularly varied – I hope you take a moment to glance over the daily announcements from time to time.

Debbie Eder, SHS Parent Bulletin Editor

### Note from Mr Kenney, SHS Principal

This Friday's home boys basketball game will be broadcast on TWC Sports 32! We will be giving away 200 free t-shirts to students, and all fans are encouraged to wear red and participate in our "red out." The action begins at 7:30, so come on and cheer on the team and take part in this great community event!

Tim Kenney, SHS Principal

# **SHS News & Announcements**

### Final Exams – January 22-24

First semester exams take place on January 22-24. View the schedule here.

### **SHS Awards**

Information about SHS Scholarship and Awards available to students in all grade levels have now been posted to the SHS website. Nominations may come from teachers, peers or self nominations. <u>The list of awards and all forms can be found here.</u> Shaw scholarship nominations are due January 31. Nominations are due February 21 for most other senior awards and March 3 for most underclass awards. See forms for more specific details.

### **Recognize Your Favorite Senior in the SHS Yearbook**

Put a personal, congratulatory message to your favorite SHS senior in this year's Copperdome, the SHS yearbook. These ads are a perfect way to let special students know how much you care and provide a lifelong memento. <u>To see details as to</u>

how to submit your ad, pricing and more, click here. Deadline for submissions is February 22. Questions? Contact Copperdome advisor, Jeff Zimpel at jzimpel@shorewood.k12.wi.us.

### Mac & Cheese Cookoff to Support Suicide Prevention

From SHS Student Council: Hope everyone had a wonderful holiday break and happy new year to all! To kick start the year, Shorewood High School's student council will be hosting a Mac & Cheese Cook Off to fundraise for the charity of the year, American Foundation for Suicide Prevention. The AFSP works to fund research as well as to heal families that have been effected by suicide. On Friday, January 24th from 5:30 to 7:30pm come to the high school cafeteria and celebrate the creative cooking of your fellow neighbors while supporting this charitable cause. Or better yet, show off your talent and ability and enter the competition for only \$15! Whip up your best recipe of mac n cheese, and bring at least a crockpot full to share. We will also hold a bake sale and fun activities for kids of all ages. Students and kids \$5, adults for \$8, and families of 3 or more for \$20. There are prizes to be won for the top three chefs. Bring your friends, family, a large appetite and get ready to taste some amazing mac & cheese! Please contact Zoe Deprez (zdepre@gmail.com) if interested or with any questions!

# SHS Boys Basketball Game to be Shown on TWC Sports 32 – January 17

The SHS varsity boys basketball game on Friday, January 17 will be broadcast on TWC Sports 32. The game begins at 7:30, and the first 200 students in the door will be given free t-shirts. All other fans are invited to wear red as part of a "Red Out." In addition, the SHS Dance Club will be performing at half-time. Come check out this great community event & cheer on your Greyhounds!

Tickets are \$4 for adults, and \$3 for kids.

# I Never Saw Another Butterfly – Order Tickets Now

SHS Drama will be performing I Never Saw Another Butterfly on February 7, 8 and 9. The play tells the story of more than 15,000 Jewish children who passed through the Terezin Concentration Camp. One of the survivors, Raja, having lived through it all, taught the children when there was nothing to teach with, helped to give them hope when there was little reason for hope, and created a world of laughter, flowers, and butterflies behind the barbed wire. There were no butterflies at Terezin, of course, but for the children, butterflies became a symbol of defiance, making it possible for them to live on and play happily while waiting to be transported. <u>Order Tickets Now</u>.

### **UWM Research Project**

The District is pleased to be partnering with the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee on research project that looks at the speaking skills of high school students. A detailed description of the project will soon be mailed to the families of many of our students. The mailing will also include consent forms, which must be signed and returned before a student becomes eligible to participate. The information developed by the project will be used to better serve our speech-language students; therefore, the District encourages students and their families to sign up. For more information, click here: <a href="http://www.shorewood.k12.wi.us/page.cfm?p=2618&newsid=199">http://www.shorewood.k12.wi.us/page.cfm?p=2618&newsid=199</a>. Parents, check your mail for a letter from UWM – this includes the consent form.

# **Chamber Orchestra to Perform at Carnegie Hall**

On Sunday, February 16, 2014, the Homestead and Shorewood High School Chamber Orchestra, directed by John Emanuelson and Karen Frink, will perform a concert at Carnegie Hall in New York City. This 66 member orchestra was accepted by audition for the honor of performing in the famous Isaac Stern Auditorium at Carnegie.

The student musicians from the two high schools will be joined by Milwaukee-area pianist Jeannie Yu as they perform works by Mendelssohn, Doyle, and Bloch. While in New York, the students will tour the Lincoln Center of the Arts, the archives at Carnegie, and the Museum of Modern Art. Students will also experience the "Top of the Rock" at Rockefeller Place and *The Phantom of the Opera* on Broadway.

A special send-off concert will be held on Tuesday, February 11, 2014, 7:30 p.m. at the Schlitz Audubon Nature Center (1111 East Brown Deer Road). The concert is free and open to the public.

SHS Athletic News Sports Wrap Ups – Jan 7 Shorewood NOW Boys Basketball Wins against Beloit Turner – Shorewood NOW Swim Team Wins 17 Team Invitational – Shorewood NOW Girls Basketball Ready for Upcoming Challenges – Shorewood NOW

Athletic Master Calendar Individual Team Schedules

# **Daily Announcements**

<u>Check announcements daily online</u> so you don't miss out on what's happening at school. They are cleared from the website every week.

Snippets from recent announcements include:

- NEW CLUB Interested in fast motorcycle? Come join Shorewood newest club called Build. The goal is to rebuild a junky old motorcycle into a mean fast racing machine. The motorcycle will be driven by Taylors dad at Road America in June- maybe breaking the speed of sound. Meet at lunch this Friday at 11:30 in Mr. Kane's room. Room 126.
- Speaker Ovarian club meets Thursday in Mrs. Frink's room. OBGYN Deb Larkey from Columbia St. Mary's is giving a talk about womens health and becoming a young adult. Dr. Larkey is commonly known as mother to Lanie Harris so trust that it will be a great meeting. Be there!
- Key Club is collecting gently used jeans for homeless teens. Drop off in main lobby.
- Meeting for those who may be interested in going to Guatemala this summer
- New Horizons selling puppy chow and brownie bits at lunch
- Congrats to Mock Trial Teams 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place at Nicolet Scrimmage
- Come watch AFB Semi Finals at lunch
- Science Club Students vs. Teachers competition at lunch all welcome to attend
- Clubs and Groups Prom Committee, Ovarian Club, Key Club, Sci Fi Club, Anime Club, Mock Trial, Prom Committee, Best Buddies, Model UN, Dance Club, Outdoors Club, Ethnic Foods Club, Spoken Word Club, Black History Club, Cupcake Club, Stock Club

# Congratulations, Kudo's and Thank You's

# SHS Sophomore Named WCCCA Runner of the Year!

Congratulations to Morgan Florsheim, who was named the Division 2 Runner of the Year at the Wisconsin Cross Country Coaches Clinic on Saturday. Way to go, Morgan!

# 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 <u>news.shsparentassn@gmail.com</u>.

# **District and Community Announcements**

# **School Board Candidates Announced**

Five residents have filed paperwork to run for Shorewood School Board. Two current School Board members, Paru Shah and Ruth Treisman, are up for reelection. A primary election will be held on Tuesday, January 17 to eliminate one candidate before the general election on Tuesday, April 1. The candidates who will appear on the ballot are as follows:

- Wendy Daniell-Rhodes, 3836 N. Murray Ave., Shorewood (414) 963-4832
- Gregg Davis, 1901 E. Lake Bluff Blvd., Shorewood 773-398-9460
- Margaret Schmidt, 4300 W. Woodburn St., Shorewood (414) 828-8967
- Paru Shah, 4259 E. Larkin, Shorewood (414) 988-9132
- Ruth Treisman, 2701 E. Beverly, Shorewood (414) 967-0330

District employee Kim Grady will be drawing names out of a hat to determine ballot order on Friday, January 9 at 3 p.m. in the Shorewood High School Administration building. Members of the public are invited to watch, but a video of the selection will also be made available upon request.

### Teens and Mental Health Speaker – January 15

Red2 is a coalition that was formed among community members from numerous North Shore communities following suicides in the area earlier this year. Currently, the group is made up of a wide variety of individuals, including UWM professors and staff members, mental health professionals, pastors, priests, and community members, among others. The group will host an event titled "Teens and Mental Health: Up Close and Personal" on Wednesday, January 15th from 7-8:30 p.m. in the Whitefish Bay High School cafeteria focusing on teens and mental health.

The third part of a three part series of presentations regarding teens and mental health is open to all interested parents and students, regardless of whether you participated in parts 1 and/or 2 of this series. <u>Click here for more information about the event.</u>

# Teens and Mental Health – Book Club – February 9

Along with co-sponsoring the speaker series, RED2 is also sponsoring a book club that, to date, has read one book related to teen mental health entitled *The Blessings of a B-.* The club has now selected a second book authored by William Damon - *The Path to Purpose: How young People Find Their Calling in Life.* All interested parents are encouraged to read this book and join with other North Shore parents in discussing it on Sunday, February 9, at 4:00 PM at Colectivo Coffee, 2211 N. Prospect Avenue. For further details, please see the flyer included with this week's Link.

# **District Staff to Participate In Day of Service**

On January 20, District Staff will participate in the National Day of Service. Read more on the District's Community Blog.

# Past Bulletins, Bulletin Submissions, Etc.

# Do You Know Someone Who Should Be Added to this List?

- Current parents and parents of alumni should <u>use this form</u>
- Community Members and staff should use this form

### **Past Bulletins and Documents**

To view past bulletins and related documents - visit the parent association website at www.shsparentassn.com.

# **Bulletin Submissions**

Send your bulletin submissions to <u>news.shsparentassn@gmail.com</u> or to <u>Debbie@ederfamily.com</u>. Submissions are due by Monday evening for inclusion in that week's bulletin.

# \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*Reminders from Prior Weeks\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

### Robert Shaw Scholarship – Applications Due January 31

Robert Shaw, Shorewood High School graduate of 1935, has given our school community the opportunity to assist students in pursuing higher education. Students names Shaw Scholars are awarded a substantial, renewable scholarship for each of the first four years of college provided the maintain a B average and remain a full time student.

Seniors received information about the Robert Shaw Scholarship in homeroom on Wednesday, December 18<sup>th</sup>. The application materials may be downloaded from the Student Support Services page of the district website: <u>http://www.shorewoodschools.org/page.cfm?p=3175</u>

All applications are due to Mrs. Clark in room 236 by Friday, January 31<sup>st</sup> at 3:30pm.

# **ACT Test Prep Classes**

- The Shorewood Recreation Department will be offering ACT Test Prep classes via a co-op program with other communities. Classes begin in February. If your child is interested please see the <u>Winter-Spring Recreation Guide</u> for details.
- UWM will be offering ACT Test Prep Classes beginning in February. For information, click here.

# **College Financial Aid Presentation**

If you missed the College Financial Aid presentation last week, or you were there but you'd like to review it, you may <u>find a</u> <u>link to the powerpoint slides here.</u>

### **Standardized Test Results**

PSAT results are expected to be mailed to juniors the week before winter break. Explore and Plan test results will be mailed to freshmen and sophomores a little later.

# Best Buddies Over Half Way to Their Goal – Help them Reach It

Best Buddies is an organization that creates opportunities for one-to-one friendships for people with intellectual and development disabilities.

For years, the buddies with special needs have watched their peers load buses for Italy, Guatemala, and St. Louis over spring break. Now they can have a similar experience in Hawaii where they will spend time hiking and exploring as well as applying critical social and travel skills.

The kids have worked hard and have raised over \$22,000 for the trip, but are still fundraising. Please think of including the Best Buddies in your year-end gifts. Every gift big or small gets us closer to sending these students on a trip of a lifetime. For more information about the Best Buddies organization and their trip and to MAKE A DONATION, <u>click here</u>.

### **Advanced Placement Tests**

If your student is planning to take one or more Advanced Placement (AP) this May, please mark your calendars so that you do not schedule doctor's appointments, travel or other events that conflict with the testing schedule. These national tests are offered only once, and cannot be rescheduled. <u>Please view the schedule here</u>.

### **District January Newsletter**

You should have received the District's January Newsletter via email earlier this week. If you missed it, you may view it here.

### **Shorewood Short: Spotlight on 2013**

This recent Shorewood Short highlights events from 2013 across the district. Watch the video here.

### **School Calendar Committee Forming**

Shorewood Community members are being invited to serve on a District committee aimed at researching best practices surrounding school starting and ending times as well as the school calendar. Although nothing has been finalized, some topics that could be discussed include moving to a later starting and/or dismissal time as well as year round schooling.

The first committee meeting will be held Tuesday, January 14 from 5-7 p.m. in the coach's conference Room, located in the physical education building on the Shorewood High School campus. A second meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 11 from 5-7 p.m. in the same location. Individuals interested in serving on the committee are encouraged to contact Dr. Nicholas at tnicholas@shorewood.k12.wi.us or by calling 414-963-6903. More information about the committee can also be found on the <u>District blog.</u>

#### Wisconsin's New Assessments

Beginning next school year (2014-2015), Shorewood, as well as other school districts across the state, will be moving from the paper and pencil tests with multiple-choice questions to an online assessment system with computer-adaptive questions. Read more about the format and subject areas to be tested in the <u>December 19 posting to the District</u> <u>Community Blog.</u>

# **Bright Beginnings Open House**

Bright Beginnings preschool will be holding open houses this month. You can <u>click here</u> for more information. Please share this with friends and neighbors with preschool age children.

### **District Childcare Feasibility Study**

Read about the Districts plans for a childcare feasibility study in the December 17 posting to the District Community Blog.

### **Recreation Department – Highlighted Programs**

#### Family Snowshoeing, Vendor Program - Grade 4 – Adult (Families)

Travel with us along the surrounding areas on our way to the Urban Ecology Center and back. This section parallels the Milwaukee River Basin and various County Parks making for excellent snowshoeing for both the beginner and advanced persons. Listen and ask question of our Guide while viewing the many wonders and wildlife that inhabit this time of year, so bring your camera and enthusiasm. Dress for the weather. Riverwest Outdoors will provide snowshoes for participants. **Date:** Saturday, January 25 - February 22 (No class 2/15)

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#### Babysitting – American Red Cross, Vendor Program - Grade 5 – 11

This is an ideal course for current and future babysitters, teaching them the best way to keep children safe while in their care. Feeding, diapering, safety, professionalism, first-aid, leadership and safe play are some of the topics that will be covered. Be sure to wear comfortable clothes and bring a water bottle and a snack.

Date:	Wednesday, January 22 & 29
Time:	2:45 – 6:15 pm
Location:	SHS Conference Room
Fee:	Resident - \$110 / Non-Resident - \$160

### **SHS Speed and Agility Camp**

Speed and agility camps have begun for the winter. The camps are held every Sunday from 5:15 to 7:00p.m. The camps run from November through the month of March and are open to all middle and high school students with no cost. The camps will help develop running mechanics,foot quickness,speed and agility. If there are any questions coach Davis can be reached at antoinedavissr@yahoo.com or 414-759-6343.

#### Band-o-Rama – DATE CHANGE

Shorewood Bands are commissioning a new piece for the Band-O-Rama concert, in February, which will be conducted by the composer, himself. Unfortunately, members of the department recently discovered that he is not available on the original date (February 12), the Band-O-Rama concert, which involves all Shorewood Band students in grades 4-12, will be moved to February 19.

### **Customize Your School Calendar**

You can create a customized school calendar that includes events for specific schools, as well as specific types of events (athletic, arts, vacations, etc.). Follow these <u>step by step instructions</u> to create your calendar.

# **Important Documents**

Student/Parent Handbook and/or Curriculum Handbook Activities Code of Conduct Athletic Forms Athletic Travel Release Form Daily Bell Schedules

# **District Communications**

District Blog School Board Meeting Recaps District Monthly Bulletin "How are the Children" District Hiring Updates Other District e-news archives In the News

# **Raise Money for SEED while You Shop Online**

- Use <u>GoodSearch.com</u> when doing your online shopping and a money will be donated to the Shorewood SEED Foundation each time you search!
- Use <u>GoodShop.com</u> when you do your online shopping and a percentage of each purchase will go to the Shorewood SEED Foundation
- To get started, register and select Shorewood SEED Foundation as your charity of choice
- <u>View the flyer here</u>.