

# SHS PARENT ASSOCIATION

## WEEKLY BULLETIN

January 21, 2015

### Mark Your Calendars

- Jan 21-23 [Final Exams](#)
- Jan 24 [North Star Bistro – Harris Family Fundraising Event](#)
- Jan 26 [Parent Forum – Tech Talk with Teens](#) (& Mr. Patek too!)
- Jan 27 School Board Meeting - [agenda will be posted here](#)
- Jan 30 [Deadline for Senior Scholarship & Award applications](#)
- Jan 31 Boutique Blowout – 9am – 2pm Atwater\*
- Feb 3 Wine & Cheese for Parents new to the District\*
- Feb 4 Coffee and Bagels for Parents new to the District\*
- Feb 4 [The Bachelor](#) – Harris Family Fundraising Event
- Feb 5-6 No School
- Feb 11 [Post Prom Planning Committee Meeting](#) - **NOTE DATE CHANGE**

Various Dates in February – [College Goal Wisconsin](#)

[Full Year District Calendar](#) – pdf version – subject to changes

[Online Calendar](#) – customizable

[Daily Bell Schedule](#)

\* For more information on the boutique blowout and on events for parents new to the district, see the “District and Community Announcements” section below.

### Note from Mr. Kenney

Final exam week is here! I am very proud of our students as they have buckled down and increased their focus as the exams approach. While the tone is serious, students seem to be handling the stress well and I appreciate the support from all of our families! Final grades are due at the end of the school day on Wednesday, January 28. Students and parents will receive a paper report card this time, as well as other important information included in the same mailing. Powerschool will accurately reflect the semester grades by the morning of Thursday, January 29.

Martin Luther King Jr. Day saw a lot of activity in the Shorewood School District despite not being in session with students. In the morning, teachers had the opportunity to participate in several different workshops (depending on the level of experience) involving the use of Google Apps For Education (GAPE) in their classrooms. One of our school growth goals at SHS is to provide more and more 21st Century learning opportunities for our students. There was a lot of excitement from staff after the sessions. This training was timely and provided a chance for teachers to think about and plan for increasing these opportunities using this common platform in the Shorewood School District.

In the afternoon, teachers participated in selected service activities throughout the community and Greater Milwaukee Area. Service activities included cleaning/organizing local healthcare establishments that support families/patients undergo extensive treatment, creating Valentines for Senior Citizens, hosting BINGO for Seniors at River Park Court, baking cookies for patients at Aurora Healthcare, clean-up at the Urban Ecology Center and hosting free ACT preparation for SHS students in mathematics. I went to a non-profit called Kathy's House, which is located by the Milwaukee Medical Complex. Given that I have three highly active boys, I have become a bit of an expert in cleaning, so I put this hidden talent to use! I had the chance to clean multiple apartment spaces in preparation for new visitors to this extended housing facility. I was very impressed by the facility, but even more impressed by the small handful of

employees who run it. These people are truly in it because they care about others and just want to help. I left inspired, to say the least!

Have a great week, and all the best to our students as they complete their final exams  
Tim Kenney, SHS Principal

## **SHS News & Announcements**

### **Final Exams – January 21-23**

Each of the past two weeks, Mr. Kenney has used this bulletin to share some thoughts about final exam preparation and anxiety/stress.

[Click here to review his note from January 7.](#)

[Click here to review his note from January 14](#)

[Click here for a detailed final exam schedule.](#)

### **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. [To see details as to how to submit your ad, pricing and more, click here.](#) Deadline for submissions is February 20. Questions? Contact Copperdome advisor, Jeff Zimpel at [jzimpel@shorewood.k12.wi.us](mailto:jzimpel@shorewood.k12.wi.us).

### **The Bachelor – Fundraising Event – February 4**

On Wednesday, February 4th, SHS Student Council will be bringing to you, for one night only, *The Bachelor*. At 5:30 pm, this charity event begins with a pasta dinner in the high school's youth center. At 7:00 pm, the show opens in the auditorium, where Shorewood boys compete for a date with several lucky bidders. The comedic show includes both a talent portion and a question and answer portion, and concludes with an ice cream "date" after the show for the winners. You (or you and a group of friends) can be a boy's date by bidding the most money for a specific participant. The entrance fee for both the pasta dinner and performance is \$7, or \$5 for only the show or only the dinner. All proceeds will be going to the Mark Harris Fund. This event is fun for all ages, and spectators and bidders alike are highly welcomed!

### **Lunch Information – Exam Week ([from the daily announcements](#))**

Wed.-Bag lunches (first come first serve)

Thurs.-Full hot lunch

Fri.-No lunch service

There will be no carte du jour this week!

### **Attention Junior Parents – Post Prom Committee is Forming**

#### **NEW MEETING DATE SCHEDULED FOR FEBRUARY 11th AT 7PM - SHS Admin Bldg - Room 116**

The 2015 Shorewood High School Prom will be held on April 25<sup>th</sup> at Renaissance Place.

Post prom is held following Prom at the same location from 11:30 - 2:00 a.m. Post prom is an event sponsored by the parents of the junior class and provides the students with a fun and safe place to be late into the evening. The Post Prom committee is in full swing planning an entertaining evening for the students which includes two and a half more hours of music, food and fun activities. Last year approximately 250 students attended this event!

**Junior Parents** – please come join the fun and help our kids have a fabulous and safe time during their high school prom. There will be a planning meeting on Wednesday, February 11 at 7:00 pm in room 116 of the SHS Admin Building.

For more information or if you are unable to make the meeting but would like to help in the pre-planning contact Sarah Rock at [sjrock@yahoo.com](mailto:sjrock@yahoo.com).

### **Parent Support Needed for Prom!**

Please consider making a donation of time and money to this year's post prom fund. Without a post prom, the festivities would be lacking many fun activities and this special evening would end before midnight, which would be a huge disappointment for our teens. Prom tickets cover the cost of prom, but donations from parents and local businesses are what allows post prom to continue the fun. Please consider making a donation large or small – every bit helps! [Donation forms can be found here.](#)

### **Please mail in your contribution today so we can finalize the plans!**

Donations (checks payable to Shorewood High School - marked post prom)

Donations can be dropped off at the SHS office or mailed to Kelley Seibel at 2613 E Wood Place, Shorewood, WI 53211 .

### **Volunteer at Post Prom**

If interested, sign up for a one shift or stay the whole night and sign up for two volunteer slots!!!!

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/805084bafac2ea31-post>

### **Athletics in the News**

Girls Basketball - two wins in tough circumstances - [ShorewoodNOW](#)

Sports Shorts January 15 - [ShorewoodNOW](#)

### **Daily Announcements**

Check the [daily announcement page](#) from time to time to keep up with some of the opportunities our teens have. Some recent daily announcements have included information about: Key Club, Anime Club, Dance Club, Feminism Matters, The Mens Room, Physics Club, Bake Sale, Prom Committee and more!

## **Congratulations, Kudo's and Thank You's**

### **SHS Junior is Prep Athlete of the Week**

Congratulations to SHS Junior Michael Perry who was recently awarded the Journal Sentinel "Prep Athlete of the Week" for Boys Swimming. [Read more here.](#)

### **District Participates in National Day of Service**

On Monday, January 19, Shorewood School District staff took part in the third annual National Day of Service. From 12:30 – 3:30 p.m., teachers and faculty members will work in teams, volunteering their service for various non-profit organizations and events across the Milwaukee area and within the Village of Shorewood. [Read more here.](#)

### **Know Students, Staff, SHS Clubs, etc. Who Deserve Recognition?**

Please let us know of an SHS student, staff member or school group who deserves recognition, whether your own child, a friend, a 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](mailto:shsparentasn@gmail.com).

## **District & Community Announcements**

### **New To Shorewood School District?**

**Shorewood SEED Foundation would like to welcome new families to the district!** If you are new to the district or would like to learn more about Shorewood SEED Foundation, please join us at one of the following events to meet other new families and SEED board members.

- **Wine and Appetizers - Tuesday, February 3 at 7pm**  
At the home of Amy Cade – 4411 N. Ardmore
- **Coffee and Bagels at Atwater & Lake Bluff**  
**Wednesday, February 4 - 8:30-9:30am**  
Join us at either Atwater or Lake Bluff for coffee and bagels in the teacher's lounge. Young children are welcome to attend!

Please RSVP for these events to Amy Cade at [AmyCade@yahoo.com](mailto:AmyCade@yahoo.com) by February 1.

### **College Goal Wisconsin, Feb. 7, 14, 21, 25 & 28**

College Goal Wisconsin is an event that provides free information and assistance to families who need to complete the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid), the federally required form for students seeking financial aid, such as grants and loans. [Click here for more information.](#)

### **Boutique Blowout – January 31**

The bargain hunter's paradise known as "Boutique Blowout" returns to Shorewood for its seventh year on Saturday, January 31st. Many of Milwaukee's chicest boutiques will be there to sell everything from summer sandals to cocktail dresses at steeply discounted prices. This year's event will be held from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. at the Atwater Cafetorium in Atwater Elementary School (2100 E. Capitol Dr., Shorewood). The \$5 admission fee will be donated to the Shorewood Recreation Department's "Round-up for Recreation" program to provide financial support to anyone who is unable to afford the department's activity fees.

Attendees are advised to bring cash as not all vendors will accept credit cards. Entrance is at the back northwest corner of the school.

### **Village Trustee Election**

Shorewood will have an election for village trustee, as three candidates are running for two open seats. Trustee Jeff Hanewall will seek reelection, while newcomer Davida Amenta and former Shorewood School Board member Paul Zovic seek election for the first time. Trustee Thad Nation will not seek reelection. Village President Guy Johnson will run unopposed.

## **Bulletin Submissions and Sign Up Forms**

### **Need an Email Address Added to this List?**

- Current parents and parents of alumni should [use this form](#)
- 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](http://www.shsparentassn.com).

### **Bulletin Submissions**

Send your bulletin submissions to [news.shsparentassn@gmail.com](mailto:news.shsparentassn@gmail.com) or to [Debbie@ederfamily.com](mailto:Debbie@ederfamily.com). Submissions are due Monday evening for inclusion in that week's bulletin.

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

### **School Board Primary Election – February 17**

There are three candidates running for one school board seat (no incumbents) which creates the need for a primary election. The primary election will be held on Tuesday, February 17, 2015. The three candidates are: Nathaniel Cade, Jr. Rodney Cain, and Gregg Davis.

### **Harris Fundraiser at North Star American Bistro**

Join North Star American Bistro (4518 N. Oakland Ave.) on Saturday, Jan. 24, as they host a fundraiser to raise money for the family of Mark Harris. Dinner will be served from 5-10 p.m. and the bar will be open until 12 a.m. Thirty-five percent of sales that evening will go towards the Harris Family fund. To make reservations, call 414-964-4663 or visit [northstarbistro.com](http://northstarbistro.com).

**Unable to attend?** You can still participate:

**Raffle:** 50/50 raffle tickets are being sold and you don't need to be present to win. Contact Tami Vincent at [tvincen2@wi.rr.com](mailto:tvincen2@wi.rr.com).

**Gift Card:** 25% of all North Star gift card sales (now through Jan. 24) will go to the Harris Family Fundraiser. To purchase, call 414-964-4663 or visit [northstarbistro.com](http://northstarbistro.com).

**Donate Direct:** Send a check made out to Mark Harris Family Fund & send to Mark Harris Family Fund, in care of Chase Bank, 111 E. Wisconsin Ave., 2nd Fl., Milwaukee, WI 53202.

### **REDgen Book Club – February 22**

In an ongoing effort to advocate on behalf of the mental health of North Shore youth, the REDgen Book Club has chosen its next reading selection - Brainstorm: The Power and Purpose of the Teenage Brain by Daniel J. Siegel, MD. Any and all interested North Shore parents/community members are encouraged to read this book and then join with others who've done the same for discussion on Sunday, February 22, from 4:00-5:15 PM at Colectivo on Prospect. [Click here for more information and to register.](#)

### **Zoo Volunteer Opportunity for Students**

(from the [daily announcements](#))

Are you looking for volunteer hours and love working with animals? The Milwaukee Zoo is looking for students aged 15-18 to assist with summer camps. See Student Support Services for more info about this totally majestic opportunity!

### **Calling all STEM Enthusiasts!**

Marquette University's Opus College of Engineering has announced its Spring 2015 engineering opportunities. Many classes are offered on Saturdays and are open to K-12 students and adults. [Click here for class descriptions.](#) Then visit [Marquette's K-12 Engineering Academies](http://www.marquette.edu/engineering/k12-outreach/academies.php) page at <http://www.marquette.edu/engineering/k12-outreach/academies.php> for more information or to register.

### **Calling all ADULTS.**

You are invited to participate in MakeShift--a monthly series of evening events in the maker space at the Betty Brinn Children's Museum. The monthly open sessions that begin Thurs. Feb. 5 will provide access to tools and equipment, all kinds of hands-on projects – from traditional crafts to electronics – and guest makers who will share their knowledge and skill. [Click here for more information and to purchase tickets.](#)

### **Course Selection for 2015-2016 School Year**

The counselors will be visiting Lifetime Activities and Team Concepts classrooms on Thursday and Friday of this week to discuss course selection for the 2015-2016 school year with sophomores and juniors. If you have a **10th or 11th grader who is currently enrolled in Lifetime Activities or Team Concepts**, please ask to see their course selection form at the end of this week.

Counselors will be facilitating course selection for **current freshmen, as well as sophomores and juniors enrolled in Team Concepts and Lifetime Activities during 2nd semester**, within the coming weeks.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact your child's counselor at 414-963-6942

### **Senior Scholarships and Awards – Applications due January 30**

Attention seniors and families of seniors: Please continue your work on Senior Scholarship and Award applications! All applications are due in hard copy form to room 308 SHS by Friday, January 30th at 3:30 pm. If you have any questions, or if you missed the homeroom meeting on December 17th, please see Profe Anton. You can see her in room 308 SHS, or e-mail her at [santon@shorewood.k12.wi.us](mailto:santon@shorewood.k12.wi.us). Thank you!

[Click here for application materials and additional information.](#)

### **Tech Talk with Teens – FORUM – January 26**

#### **Learn about Teen use of technology and meet Mr. Patek too!**

Join the SHS Parent Association for an interesting discussion about teen cell phone use at school and the applications/Apps that have replaced voice and Facebook as the preferred methods to communicate. Just when parents have become their children's best friend on Facebook, they again find themselves figurative generations behind in the quickly changing tech world of Social Media. Cell phones, long silenced in Intermediate School backpacks for risk of confiscation, are now mostly tolerated by teachers and openly used in our SHS high school classrooms.

Mr. Patek and his student experts will brief us on the new favorite Apps and the impact they have on learning. This is also a wonderful opportunity to meet Mr. Patek and discover for yourselves why our students respect and like him as much as they do!

The forum will take place on Monday, January 26 from 7:00 to 8:30 pm in the SHS Library. Mark your calendars now.

### **Inclement Weather Closing Procedures**

[Click here to read about the district's inclement weather closing procedures.](#)

### **Harris Family Donations**

Donations will be accepted by the "Mark Harris Family Fund" at Chase Bank. Checks should be mailed or delivered to: Chase Bank, 111 E. Wisconsin Avenue, 2nd Floor, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53202.

### **Opportunity Fair**

An Opportunity Fair will be offered to connects parents, kids, and teens in Southeastern Wisconsin with organizations that offer enrichment classes, programs, camps, and activities during the summer and/or throughout the year for preschool through high school students. The free fair is taking place on Saturday, February 28, 2015 from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM at Golda Meir High School located at 1615 North Martin Luther King Drive, Milwaukee. Any and all families are welcome to attend. For questions, please email [cesaonepage@gmail.com](mailto:cesaonepage@gmail.com) or visit the PAGE (Parent Advocates for Gifted Education) website at <http://www.cesaonepage.org/cool-stuff-for-kids-opportunity-fair>.

### **Recreation Department – Featured Program**

#### **Dance for Musical Theater - Grades 6 – 9**

In this class, students will learn and study a wide vocabulary of dance terminology encompassed in the Musical Theatre Dance Style. They will learn dance combinations from musical numbers to help understand the idea of telling a story through dance, how to use their bodies on stage, and build confidence to audition for productions! Dance for Musical Theater will prepare children with the techniques used in different variations of Shorewood Drama Productions. 5, 6, 7, 8! **Dates:** Sundays, January 25 – March 8 (No class 2/15). For more information visit the [Recreation Department webpage](#).

**Got a new phone for the holidays? Recycle your old one!**

Best buddies is recycling again! Please bring your old cell phones, smartphphones, ipads, ipods, gold/silver jewelry and ink cartridges to the main office of SIS or SHS. Look for the bin with the "eco phones" flyer.

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**District Website**

Shorewood Schools Website – [www.shorewoodschoools.org](http://www.shorewoodschoools.org)

**Important Documents**

[Student/Parent Handbook and/or Curriculum Handbook](#)

[Activities Code of Conduct](#)

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[Athletic Travel Release Form](#)

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