SHS PARENT ASSOCIATION

WEEKLY BULLETIN

January 22, 2014

Mark Your Calendars:

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 29	Holocaust Remembrance Program
Jan 31	Shaw Scholarship Applications Due
Feb 1	Course Selection Forms Due
Feb 4	School Day / Calendar Survey Closes
Feb 4, 10	<u>District Budget Sessions</u>
Feb 7-9	Winter Drama Show – I Never Saw Another Butterfly
Feb 9	Teens and Mental Health Book Club (see reminders section)

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

Note from Mr Kenney, SHS Principal

Good luck to all of our SHS students as exams begin this week. Remember to remain calm, study hard and do your best. SHS staff members and teachers are here to support you!

Tim Kenney, SHS Principal

Note from the Editor

It's hard to believe that this is the end of the first semester. As the kids are now into finals week, I wish them effective studies that pay off on their exams. May they then enjoy the long weekend before second semester begins! Speaking of second semester, they can check their course list on powerschool – some students will have few or no changes to their daily schedule, others will have many, so it's a good idea to review before the first day of class next week. One nice thing about the end of the semester is that even in year long classes, everyone starts with a clean slate - grades do not carry over from one semester to the next.

Debbie Eder, SHS Parent Bulletin Editor

SHS News & Announcements

Final Exams - January 22-24

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

2014-2015 Course Selection Forms Due February 1

During homeroom on Wednesday, January 15, SHS students were given a four-year chart with high school course offerings to help them as they sign up for next year's classes. A course selection form was also mailed home to SHS families. You can view course selection materials online here.

The form should be filled out (and signed by a parent/guardian) and returned on February 1 to the student's math teacher. If the student does not have a math class next semester, he/she should bring the form to the Student Support Office.

In addition to the course selection form, freshmen and sophomores will also receive their results from the EXPLORE and PLAN tests in the mailing. (Both tests were administered in October.) During homeroom, these students were also given information on the results that can help them plan for the future.

Lost and Found is Overflowing!

Parents, please remind your teens to check the SHS Lost & Found in the Attendance Office. The bin is full to the brim, and each of those items belongs to someone. There are clothes, winter items, books, lunch boxes and more.

SHS Athletic News

Weekly Athletic Update – January 13

Sports Wrap Ups – January 14 – Shorewood NOW

Swim Team Wins SHS Invite – first time in 15 years! – ShorewoodNOW

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:

- Thespians are forming a mac and cheese cook off team.
- Club Fest Meeting
- All students should clean out PE lockers by the end of the Wednesday. If you enrolled in 2nd semester PE class see
 Mrs. Bromley for the Girl's or Mr. Peterson for the boy's to make special arrangements.
- Shaw Scholarship applications due soon don't forget to ask a teacher for a recommendation timely
- Donate gently used jeans to homeless teens. Collection boxes in lobby. Sponsored by Key Club.
- Clubs and Groups Science Club, Anime Club, Feminism Matters, Art Club, Best Buddies, Milwaukee River Awareness, Key Club, Copperdome, Motorcycle Build Club, Anime Club, Outdoors Club, Dance Club, Science Club, Ripples Photography, Club RAK (Random Acts of Kindness), Stock Club

Congratulations, Kudo's and Thank You's

Feel Good Story of the Week

District Orchestra Teacher, Melissa Honigman's Brother, Michael Poll was recently featured on Fox 6 News. It's an inspiring story, that you'll no doubt enjoy. Watch the video here. To quote SIS Principal, Mr. Harris, "it shows how amazing a person Michael is and how we can all appreciate the perfect imperfections in all of us".

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.shsparentassn@gmail.com.

District and Community Announcements

District Budget Sessions

The district will hold budget sessions on February 4 and 10. As part of each session the Administration team will share the 2014-2015 enrollment and budget projections as well as the results of the recently conducted budget priorities survey. Read more details, including times and locations here.

The district has launched a survey to gain input regarding the school day/calendar. Read more about the survey and find the link to the survey in this entry on the district's blog.

The calendar – school day committee held their first meeting last week.

Read the recap of the first meeting here.

Read more on Shorewood NOW.

Shorewood Public Library Teen Photo Contest – Open to Grades 7-12

Submit your original photography and win! Contest open Jan 2 – March 28.

Visit http://shorlibteens.tumblr.com/ to submit your work and get inspiration for the theme of the contest, Memory. Photos can also be submitted via email to splteen@mcfls.org.

The winner receives a prize pack of goodies to help them keep taking pictures, plus will have their winning photograph framed and hung in the teen space of the library. Photos may be digitally manipulated or left unaltered. Maximum three entries per photographer. Be sure to include your full name when submitting, and your email address (or another better way to get in touch with you).

Suicide Survivor Support Group – Teens and Young Adults

Prevent Suicide Greater Milwaukee (PSGM) is offering a free support group that provides support to high school teens and young adults who have suffered the death of a friend, parent, sibling or other loved one due to suicide. The group meets twice a month to provide peer support for individuals who have experienced the death of a loved one due to suicide. Studies have shown that children and teens cope with death and grief differently than adults. The goal of this support group is for young people to be able to share their experiences and feelings with other bereaved youth, as no one understands this issue more than someone living with it. The group will be led by trained adult leaders. It is our hope that by offering our services to area schools/colleges and other programs, we will reach youth in the community, providing them with more support with this difficult life situation. To register- contact Adrienne O'Neil at Mental Health America of WI adrienne@mhawisconsin.org or 414-336-7970

The Power of Story: Holocaust Remembrance and Education

Shorewood Public Library - Wednesday, January 29, 7:00 pm

Presented in collaboration with the Nathan & Esther Pelz Holocaust Education Resource Center

Hear Shorewood resident Raye Szlosberg David tell her story of surviving the Holocaust. Following Raye's story, we will learn more from an educator with the Holocaust Resource Center who will further illuminate and contextualize the stories of the Holocaust. This is a unique community opportunity to prepare for Shorewood High School's production of "I Never Saw Another Butterfly," which dramatizes the stories of the Terezin concentration camp. Please join us for this local – and global – evening of celebrating the power of story to inspire, change, and unite us.

Recommended for people ages 12 and up.

Please contact Emily at the Shorewood Library (414-847-2670) or Joan at the Holocaust Resource Center (414-963-2714) with questions or for further information.

It's Not My Kid - or Is It? Substance Summit - January 22 & 29

The Elmbrook School District, along with the Waukesha County District Attorney, Department of Justice, and local/county law enforcement and medical providers will be hosting a "It's Not My Kid... Or Is It?" Substance Summit on Wednesday, January 22 at the Sharon Lynn Wilson Center (19805 W. Capitol Drive in Brookfield) at 6:30 p.m. The summit will help raise awareness about the rise of controlled substances such as heroin prescription drugs and opiates. All Shorewood School District families and community members are invited to attend the summit.

A similar summit is planned in Ozaukee County on January 29. <u>Read more in the Milwaukee Journal Sentinel</u>. The event is open to the public including youth ages 12-17 who are encouraged to attend with their parents/guardians.

Help for Parents and Caregivers of Adolescents With (or at Risk for) a Mental Illness

REFRESH support group connects parents and caregivers to share experiences, struggles and joys; learn strategies to care for your child, your family and yourself; gain information and resources as we cover a specific and timely topic at each

meeting. Meetings are informal and held on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of every month from 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. in Room 220 at the Whitefish Bay United Methodist Church, 819 Silver Spring Dr., Whitefish Bay, WI. For more information please contact Nanci Schiman, MSW at 414-520-1561 or visit the Karla Smith Foundation.

** Corrected** School Board Candidates Announced

The date for the primary election was incorrect in last week's bulletin. This is the corrected announcement: 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, February 18** 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.

Past Bulletins, Bulletin Submissions, Etc.

Do You Know Someone Who Should Be 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.

Bulletin Submissions

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

********Reminders from Prior Weeks********

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. The list of awards and all forms can be found here. 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 how to submit your ad, pricing and more, click here</u>. Deadline for submissions is February 22. Questions? Contact Copperdome advisor, Jeff Zimpel at <u>izimpel@shorewood.k12.wi.us</u>.

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!

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. Order Tickets Now.

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. If you purchase the book at Boswell Books on Downer, be sure to ask for the RED Book Club discount. Please RSVP to Nancy Salmon (salmongirls@wi.rr.com) to reserve your space & so we can plan discussion group sizes.

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: http://www.shorewood.k12.wi.us/page.cfm?p=2618&newsid=199. 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.

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 18th. The application materials may be downloaded from the Student Support Services page of the district website: http://www.shorewoodschools.org/page.cfm?p=3175

All applications are due to Mrs. Clark in room 236 by Friday, January 31st 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.

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>.

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.

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.

District Website

Shorewood Schools Website – www.shorewoodschools.org

Important Documents

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

District Communications

<u>District Blog</u> 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
- View the flyer here.