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# SHS PARENT ASSOCIATION BULLETIN

January 25, 2012

## Note from the Editor

I wasn't going to write a note this week, but then something caught my attention..... the Computational Linguistics Olympiad has filled to capacity, and a second location has now been opened. I had never heard of computational linguistics before the information arrived in my inbox with a request to add it to the weekly bulletin. And I don't know what their original capacity was, or how many high schoolers they anticipated would register for this event..... but I think it's pretty cool that more kids than had been expected are interested in this! Anyway, if your child wants to sign up, it looks like there is still time. Check it out at <http://hslinguistsmke.wordpress.com>.

Debbie Eder

SHS Parent Bulletin Editor

## Upcoming Events

- Jan 31 [Shaw Scholarship Applications](#) Due
- Feb 2 [Band-o-Rama](#) – 7 PM – SHS Arena
- Feb 3 Deadline for [Senior Ads for Copperdome](#)
- Feb 8 Parent Forum – Teen Anxiety (see reminders section of this bulletin)
- Feb 14 School Board Meeting – [agenda will be posted here](#)

## Bulletin Submissions

Bulletin submissions should be sent by Monday evenings for inclusion in that week's Wednesday bulletin. (Of course, you can send earlier, too!) Send submissions to [news.shsparentassn@gmail.com](mailto:news.shsparentassn@gmail.com) or to [Debbie@ederfamily.com](mailto:Debbie@ederfamily.com). (For some reason some of you are having bounce back issues with the gmail address - not sure why – but use my personal email if that's you.)

## News & Announcements

### Actuarial Science Scholarship

Students who do well in mathematics and who are looking for a place to use mathematics in the business world should seriously consider a career in actuarial science. The challenge and excitement of using their mathematical abilities as a business professional is appealing to many students.

Jobs Rated Almanac consistently ranks actuaries as one of the top 5 professions and the demand for graduates in the field continues to be strong. Starting salaries are very attractive (the highest of any major at the Wisconsin School of Business) and the long-term career potential is excellent.

The University of Wisconsin – Madison is the premiere university in the country for Actuarial Science.

Once again UW Madison has an opportunity for students to apply for an actuarial science scholarship. The first place scholarship is \$2,000 per year for four years. There are also a number of one time scholarships (generally ranging from \$250 to \$1,000) that are given each year in addition to the first place prize. You may download [more information and a copy of the application here](#). More information can be found on the uw website at <http://bus.wisc.edu/bba/academics/majors/actuarial-science>. To learn more about a career in actuarial science, visit [www.beanactuary.org](http://www.beanactuary.org).

**College Fair and Workshop – March 4**

On Sunday, March 4, the Greater Milwaukee College Fair and Workshop will take place at the Hilton Milwaukee located at 509 West Wisconsin Avenue. The College Fair will run from 11:30 AM - 12:45 PM with the Workshop following from 1:00-5:00 PM, and exhibits open from 11:30 AM - 5:00 PM. Admission is free, and workshop topics will include the following:

- Where do I begin? This workshop will show you the steps to a successful career and college choice.
- Learn how to pay for college and potentially save thousands of dollars.
- Discover the "TIP" factors . . . those things that can "tip" a college application for acceptance.
- Better understand the confusing financial aid process and how to improve your financial aid package.
- An inside look at college shared by a panel of college students through their experiences.
- Learn money savings techniques even if you do not qualify for financial aid.
- Gain valuable insight about scholarships and how to earn them.
- Analyze the eight components to competitive ACT scores.
- Learn important tips on writing effective and competitive college essays for applications.
- Discover the differences between public, private and technical colleges.
- Understand how to prepare for college now and what to expect in college.
- Financial Aid: What it is and how to apply?

Go to [www.gmcollegeworkshop.com](http://www.gmcollegeworkshop.com) to register to attend and, when you register, you will receive two great reports: "Top Ten Financial Aid Mistakes" and "Top Ten Strengths and Experiences Colleges Look for in High School Students."

### **Swing with SEED**

Swing with SEED will be taking place on March 10 at Discovery World. Over the years, this event has raised almost \$585,000 for our schools. Please help keep this event strong by planning to attend (invitations will be arriving later), and/or by donating an auction item. Please take a moment [to read the letter from your hardworking chairpersons](#) as to how you can help. And if you are able to donate an auction item (it can be plain or fancy, a good or service, something you make, something you buy.... etc.) use the [auction donation form](#).

### **Shorewood Conservation Committee**

The mild winter this year makes us hope that the warm trend will continue, and an early Spring is a good possibility. What better way to celebrate the forthcoming spring than attending one or all of Shorewood Conservation Committee's three spring "how-to" workshops, *Green Fire*, an inspiring film about Aldo Leopold and the really fun Earth Day Celebration Green and Clean Event. They are all free and open to everyone. Come join us! No registration needed. If your new year's resolution was to become more environmentally sustainable, these events will show you how. [Click here to see a list](#).

### **Recreation Department Highlighted Program – JUGGLING!**

Juggling for Beginners (Grade 2-adult) – Tuesdays 2/21-3/27 3:45 to 4:45 - \$30.

Learn how to juggle in the six week course. This course is for beginners and up. All participants will have the opportunity to perform in the 7<sup>th</sup> annual Juggfest variety show put on by the Shorewood Rec. Dept. Be sure to sign up with a friend!

### **SNACPAC Recipes**

You can see previous recipes by going to <http://www.shsparentassn.com/documents.html> and scrolling down to the recipe section.

## **Athletic News & Highlights**

### **Basketball Team wins against Brown Deer!**

Deion Jackson-Brody's 29 points lead Greyhounds to an exciting win!

<http://www.shorewoodnow.com/sports/137544328.html>.

**Greyhound Roundup** – Girls Basketball, Boys Basketball. <http://shorewood.patch.com/articles/greyhound-roundup-girls-basketball-team-tops-usm-in-ot>.

**Sports Wrapups** – Boys Swim <http://www.glendalenow.com/sports/sports-wrapups-jan-17-q93re3h-137528208.html>.

### **Speed and Agility Camp for Athletes**

This Sunday and all Sundays until the end of March there will be a speed and agility camp held in the SHS Arena from 5p.m. to 7 p.m. There is no cost to the students. Camp will consist of developing linear and lateral speed, power burst, vertical work, quick feet movements, flexibility, and core work. The camp will be ran by Coach Antoine Davis of the Messwood football team. Any questions - Coach Davis can be contacted at [\(414\) 759-6343](tel:4147596343) or [antoinedavissr@yahoo.com](mailto:antoinedavissr@yahoo.com).

## **Congratulations, Kudos & Thank You's**

### **SHS Freshman Secures Grant to Help Girls Find Beauty Within**

SHS Freshman, Alexis Beverly is working with girls to help them find the beauty within themselves. Great Job Alexis – You are an inspiration! [http://shorewood.patch.com/articles/shorewood-freshman-helps-girls-find-beauty-within#comments\\_list](http://shorewood.patch.com/articles/shorewood-freshman-helps-girls-find-beauty-within#comments_list).

### **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](mailto:news.shsparentassn@gmail.com).

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

### **SHS alumnus of Class of 1953 and Current Senior Student Work Together to Create Puppets for Avenue Q**

If you haven't seen it yet, be sure to read the [article in Shorewood Patch](#) about the collaborative effort between Bill Trost, SHS class of 1953 and Emily Hoffman, SHS class of 2012 to create the puppets for Avenue Q. I don't know Emily, and I don't know Bill – but wow – what a amazing individuals they must be to take on this project together and what an amazing team they seem to make – they've already put 325 hours into this project and the show doesn't open for another month!

### **SHS Drama Presents – Avenue Q, School Edition – February 17, 18 & 19**

Grab your Valentine, go online, and buy tickets for a show! The Shorewood High School Drama Department presents AvenueQ, the School Edition, on Friday evening February 17 at 8 PM ; Saturday, February 18 at 8PM; And Sunday, February 19 at 2 PM.

Avenue Q, the School Edition, won the 2004 Tony Award for Best Musical. It is a coming-of-age tale set in New York city, performed by live actors and almost-lifesized puppets.

Tickets for the rated-PG13 performances are \$8 for students and seniors and \$10 for adults. Tickets can be purchased in advance at [www.shorewooddrama.org](http://www.shorewooddrama.org) or at the box office, between the hours of 3 PM and 5 PM the week of the performances.

### **Shaw Scholarship Information – 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 named Shaw Scholars are awarded a substantial renewable scholarship for each of their first four college years** provided they maintain a B grade point average and remain a full-time student in good standing. Students considered for this award will be evaluated based on scholarship, leadership, service, character and financial need.

- For more information [click here](#).
- For the required forms, (application, teacher recommendation & financial aid forms), go to:  
<http://www.shorewoodschools.org/main/district/documents.cfm?sectionname=SHS%20Shaw%20Scholarship%20nformation>.

- Applications are due January 31, 2012.

### **College Goal Wisconsin – February 18 & 19**

College Goal Wisconsin is a national event that provides free information and assistance to families who are filling out the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid), the federally required form for students seeking financial aid, grants and loans. Completing the FAFSA is the first and most important step in qualifying for aid. College Goal Wisconsin will take place on February 18-19 and several locations throughout the state. To read more about the event, see a list of locations and to see what materials you should bring with you, go to <http://www.collegegoalwi.org/>.

### **Opportunity Fair – “Cool Stuff for Kids” – February 11**

P.A.G.E. (Parent Advocates for Gifted Education) is sponsoring their 8th annual youth opportunity fair, known as the “Cool Stuff for Kids Fair” on Saturday February 11, 2012. This event connects parents, kids and teens in Southeastern Wisconsin with organizations that offer enriched educational opportunities for K -12 students during the summer and/or throughout the year. This year, the event will be held at Marquette University, and there will be free tours of the new Engineering Building as well as the entire campus. [Check out the flyer](#) for more information, or contact Jennifer Cosgrove at [jcosgrove@shorewood.k12.wi.us](mailto:jcosgrove@shorewood.k12.wi.us).

### **Caps & Gowns**

Don't forget to get your student's cap and gown ordered timely, before the price increases substantially! Also, please note, that the caps and gowns are the same as the past few years so you can use your older child's gown, or borrow one from a neighbor if you prefer to do so.

### **Copperdome – Senior Ads – Deadline February 3**

Put a personal, congratulatory message to your favorite SHS senior(s) 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 3. Questions? Contact Copperdome advisor, Jeff Zimpel at [jzimpel@shorewood.k12.wi.us](mailto:jzimpel@shorewood.k12.wi.us).

### **Volunteer Opportunity – FUN! – Help Plan Swing with Shorewood!**

Do you want to join a fun committee? Would you like to help raise funds for a good cause? Would you like to help plan a really fun community event? It is not too late... We need YOU to be on the Swing with Shorewood committee to raise money for SEED. Swing with Shorewood is scheduled for March 10<sup>th</sup> and many hands make light work. If you are interested, please contact Melissa Nelsen at [mnelsen4@wi.rr.com](mailto:mnelsen4@wi.rr.com)

### **Violin Art to Support SHS Orchestra Trip to Italy**

Eleven Shorewood and Wisconsin artists have created stunning works of art from old violins to benefit the SHS orchestra trip to Italy this spring. Violins will be displayed at local businesses for the next two months. Interested buyers may begin the bidding process. The fundraising event will close with a celebration and live auction on February 29. For more information about the trip and the art [including photos of select pieces and viewing locations of all pieces, click here.](#)

### **Save the Date – Parent Forum – Teen Anxiety – February 8**

The SHS Parent Association will be holding a forum on February 8 at 7:00 PM. The topic will be “Understanding Anxiety in Teens: Knowing How and When to Help”. Gwynne Kohl, PhD, Clinical Psychology and Cathy Pinter, M.Ed, AAMFT, LMFT will be the featured presenters.

### **ACT Test Prep Classes**

Two ACT Test Prep Classes of which we are aware:

- **UWM** – Feb 18 through March 31 – [See flyer for fees, dates times, etc.](#)
- **Shorewood Recreation Department** –
  - Students will gain direct experience with each of the four multiple choice sections of the ACT. They will become familiar with the types of questions they will encounter on the tests as well as learn a variety of strategies to attack those questions. The instructor has 18 years of experience successfully preparing students to take the ACT. This course is for high school juniors and seniors.

- February 15 – April 4 – 6:30 to 8:30 PM
- Class takes place at Nicolet High School
- Cost is \$200 for residents
- Additional Details are available in the Winter Bulletin which is available at [http://www.shorewoodschoools.org/main/pk\\_rec/](http://www.shorewoodschoools.org/main/pk_rec/).

### **Tony Nominated, Former SHS Drama Student Performing at Sharon Wilson Center – March 23**

Former SHS Drama Student and 2011 Tony Award Nominee, Kate Baldwin will be performing at the Sharon Wilson Center. The March 21 performance is already SOLD OUT, but there are 60 tickets to the March 23 show reserved for Friends of Kate. Get yours NOW. For more information go to <http://www.wilson-center.com/onstage/katebaldwin-club.php>.

### **Computational Linguistics Olympiad – Open to All – February 2**

You may not have heard of this before, but your student may be interested in participating in this unique competition. Not sure what it is.... Check it out at <http://hslinguistsmke.wordpress.com>.

### **2012 Shorewood Neighborhood of the Year Competition**

The Shorewood Connects Neighbors workgroup is seeking applications for the second annual “Shorewood Neighborhood of the Year” competition. Applications will be reviewed by the Shorewood Connects Neighbors workgroup, and the winning neighborhood will be featured in Shorewood Today in addition to having an opportunity to march behind a “Neighborhood of the Year” banner at the Village’s annual 4th of July parade. Applications will be accepted through February 28, 2012 (deadline extended). To download the application, [click here](#).

### **College Planning – Helpful Hint**

If your student is planning on taking the ACT this spring, you might want to make note that the April test date is during SHS’s spring break. If this is a conflict for you, you may want to consider an alternate test date. Also, while it is probably not anyone’s idea of a great vacation day – your child can register to take the test near where you will be vacationing. To see a complete list of ACT test dates, [click here](#). To see a list of SAT test dates, [click here](#). June test dates fall just before or just after final exams, which may be something to consider as well.

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

- Use [GoodSearch.com](http://GoodSearch.com) when doing your online shopping and a money will be donated to the Shorewood SEED Foundation each time you search!
- Use [GoodShop.com](http://GoodShop.com) 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](#).