

SHS PARENT ASSOCIATION

WEEKLY BULLETIN

November 19, 2014

Mark Your Calendars

- Nov 21-22 [Showcase](#) (variety/talent show) 7:00 pm
- Nov 22 [Mark Harris Family Fundraiser at The Knick](#)
- Nov 25 School Board Meeting - [agenda will be posted here](#)
- Nov 26-28 No School – Thanksgiving Break
- Dec 4 Orchestra Concert
- Dec 7 Chamber Orchestra and Singers Concert
- Dec 7 [Arts & Crafts Fair](#)
- Dec 8 [Deadline for Jan 1 College Apps](#) to be in Student Support Services

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

[Online Calendar](#) – customizable

[Daily Bell Schedule](#)

Note from the Editor

Since I don't anticipate sending a bulletin next week, this will be my annual pre-Thanksgiving note. At our Thanksgiving table, we always start by acknowledging that we are all thankful for our family, our health, our loved ones' health, that we have plenty of food and roofs over our heads. Then as we go around the table we ask each person to share something in addition to those things for which they are thankful. It gets us thinking and keeps conversation interesting. And in that spirit, as I write this note each year, I try to think of something new or interesting to add to the list of things I am thankful for related to our schools and our community – but in the end – I think I say basically the same thing every year. So, my apologies for being redundant..... but I wrote something yesterday and then went back and looked at what I wrote last year, and it turns out the two notes were not only quite similar, but that last year's was better written, so this year's Thanksgiving note is not just overlap from last year – it's a copy and paste job! But it really does express what's in my heart this Thanksgiving.

I'm thankful that my children attended a high school that allowed them to explore not only their academic interests but also a myriad of extra curricular interests – a school where students are not pigeonholed as athletes, OR musicians, OR scientists, OR.....OR.....OR – but one where they can explore a wide variety of activities. I'm also thankful to live in a community where not only do I see and know my neighbors, but they know my children and we all keep an eye on each other's kids. And I'm blessed to be part of a community that works together to solve problems and to support and lift each other when need be. Thank you to each of you for being a part of the fabric of this special community that I call home.

Happy Thanksgiving,
Debbie Eder, SHS Parent Bulletin Editor

SHS News & Announcements

SHOWCASE – Variety/Talent Show – Nov 21 & 22 – 7:00 pm

The **Annual AFS Showcase**, a student-directed variety show that features the many talents of our Shorewood High School students, is coming on **Friday, November 21 and Saturday, November 22!** This is a joint fundraiser for AFS and for SHS Drama. [Click here for more information.](#)

Parents of Seniors – College Application Information

Parents of seniors, you should have recently received an email from Student Support Services with information about college application deadlines and other college application logistics. Please note that applications with a January 1 deadline should have materials submitted to Student Support Services by December 8. [You may view a copy of the letter here.](#)

Arts & Crafts Fair – December 7

The Shorewood Athletic Booster Club will be holding its 35th Annual Shorewood Arts & Crafts Fair on Sunday, December 7th from 10:00 a.m. until to 4:00 p.m. at Shorewood High School Arena. The fair will be packed with artists from the Midwest, and will also feature a silent auction and raffle as well as a bake sale and café. Shorewood High School spirit wear and accessories will also be available for purchase. This is a great chance to get some holiday gift shopping done—come check it out! [Click here for a \\$1 off admission coupon.](#)

Volunteer Opportunity – Arts & Crafts Fair

We are also still in need of volunteers to help for a couple of hours on the day of the Fair. Please view the schedule in the link below, note a job and time and email Karen at shorewoodbc@gmail.com if you can help. Thanks!
https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/ccc?key=0ApwcnAeQSWrdHg3U09ETDZwbldWOENKMHZMaFBIRIE&usp=sharing_eid#gid=0

BAKE for the Boosters!

The annual Shorewood Booster Club Arts and Craft Fair is Sunday, December 7th from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at Shorewood High School. We need bakers for our bake sale. The items can be full size pies, cakes, breads or individually packaged cookies, brownies, rice krispie treats, puppy chow, etc. Please drop your items off between 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. in the lower level of the Arena.

Spirit Wear Available at the Art Fair - Saturday, December 7

Stop by the Shorewood Spirit Wear booth, in the Arena, to pick up gifts just in time for the Holidays. We will have new Pom Pom hats for sale along with our very popular striped scarves (both great gifts at just \$20). Also new for the Fair are long sleeve performance tees and a new golf shirt for the guys. For the ladies, we have women's cut performance tees, knit jackets and yoga gear! We have re-stocked our stadium seats, which make fantastic gifts for parents. We are fully stocked with PJ pants, hoodies, fleece — all available to take home to wrap for the holidays. We accept cash, checks or credit cards. All proceeds benefit athletics in the Shorewood School District.

ACCESS for ELLs Exam

The ACCESS for ELLs (English Language Learners) Exam will take place at SHS from December 1st to December 5th, in the mornings only. All ELL students who have yet to achieve a score of 6 on the ACCESS will participate in this exam. Every participant will be sent a unique testing schedule - no two schedules will be the same. Students will be tested in four domains: reading, writing, speaking, and listening. Students will be excused from classes during their testing time. It is important to note that this is a **mandatory** test for all ELL students in the state of Wisconsin. For more information on the ACCESS, please visit this website: <http://www.wida.us/assessment/ACCESS/> If you have any questions about the ACCESS at SHS, please contact Amanda Krueger at akrueger@shorewood.k12.wi.us.

North Shore Financial Aid Night – December 8 – TIME CHANGE

Due to the Packer Game, the College Financial Aid Night will begin at 6:30 PM

The North Shore Counseling Consortium is sponsoring a North Shore College Financial Aid Night on Monday, December 8 at 6:30 pm at Homestead High School. Once again, SHS Parent, Susan Teerink will be the presenter. She is the Director of the Student Financial Aid Office at Marquette University and will lead us through and answer questions about the financial aid process.

The federal form for financial aid is called the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). All families are encouraged to fill out this form regardless of need since some colleges use it to qualify the student for other aid and/or scholarships. Go to <http://www.fafsa.ed.gov> for the form and more information.

THIS EVENT IS OPEN TO ALL, but is most appropriate for **PARENTS OF SENIORS** who are about to begin the college financial aid forms, and to **PARENTS OF JUNIORS** who are interested in learning about the process while they and their teens are researching colleges and considering their options for next year. Parents and students of all schools in the North Shore Counseling Consortium are invited.

Tour of Historically Black Colleges

From Student Services: The YMCA will be offering a week long Black College Tour - a this spring to several historically black colleges and universities. There will be a presentation during lunch on Thursday 11/20 to explain the program. Lunch will be provided. Please sign up in Student Services by Wednesday morning.

State Senator Lena Taylor to Visit SHS

On Monday, November 24 at 7:15 a.m., Shorewood School District will welcome Wisconsin State Senator Lena Taylor to the Shorewood High School campus to observe the National School Breakfast Program (NSBP). At breakfast, students and staff will have the opportunity to discuss any topics related to the NSBP with Senator Taylor, and following breakfast, there will be a short question-answer session with Senator Taylor and Shorewood administrators. [Read more here.](#)

Athletics in the News

Football Season Recap – [Shorewood NOW](#)

Girls Swim takes 3rd and Sectionals – State Meet Preview – [Shorewood NOW](#)

Daily Announcements

Check the [daily announcement page](#) from time to time to keep up with some of the opportunities our teens have. Recent announcements have included information about a New Horizon's food drive – they are collecting cereal for hunger task force, as well as several club and group meetings such as Dungeons and Dragons, Sci Fi Club, Chess Club, Copperdome, Best Buddies, Gun Violence Prevention Club, knitting club, minecraft club, key club, winter play auditions (call out meetings are Nov 20 and 21 during lunch, auditions begin Nov 24.)

Congratulations, Kudo's and Thank You's

SHS Drama Earns Numerous Tommy Award Nominations

Congratulations to Shorewood High School Drama! This fall's production, "Little Shop of Horrors," has been nominated for 13 Tommy Awards. [See the complete list here.](#)

SHS Theater Program Receives National Coverage

In an article entitled "Dealing with Sensitive Themes Onstage" featured on Arts Edge—the **John F. Kennedy Center's** free digital learning platform for arts education—Shorewood High School's theater program takes center stage. It is a huge honor to be featured by such a nationally recognized organization, and the article delves into SHS's decision to embrace theater as a vehicle for putting such sensitive youth-centric themes under the lights. To read the entire article, visit the [Kennedy's Arts Edge website.](#)

Shorewood Students Raise Money for Veterans

In conjunction with their Veterans Day Assemblies, Atwater, Lake Bluff and SIS students raised over \$6000 to send 13 veterans on honor flights. During the past 6 years, Shorewood Students have been able to send 44 veterans on these trips to visit Washington DC Memorials. [Read more here.](#)

Alumni Spotlight – Robert Shaw

As many of you know, 1935 Alumnus, Robert Shaw designated a portion of his estate to fund scholarships for SHS graduates. Shaw was a writer for many popular television shows, and included amongst his credits the writing of the “Who Shot JR” episode of Dallas! [Read more about Robert Shaw on the district’s blog.](#)

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.

shsparentassn@gmail.com.

District & Community Announcements

3D Printing Workshop for Students

UWM was chosen this year as one of five schools to participate in the X-Hab Challenge sponsored by NASA. As a part of this challenge they are hosting community outreach events.

The event that UWM will be hosting this semester is a 3D Printing in Space Workshop. It will be held on December 6th from 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. and lunch will be provided. In the morning, they plan to have a presentation on 3D printing in space, information on their project, and information on Future Engineers. In the afternoon, they will host a design workshop that will be tailored for K-12 students, and will also provide tours of their labs. If any Shorewood students are interested, UWM stated that they would help our students design a tool that could be 3D printed in space, and submitted to the Future Engineers Competition.

[Click here for more information, including a flyer and rsvp details.](#)

Important Yard Signs Reminder

Any parent or student looking to promote their school and/or upcoming school events via yard signs must remember to keep these signs on PRIVATE property. As much as the District loves the support, signs are not permitted on the grass between the sidewalk and the street or the grass on the boulevards. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

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.

Bulletin Submissions

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

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

Mark Harris Family Fundraiser at The Knick – Nov 22

On Saturday, Nov. 22, from 5:00 pm until close The Knick restaurant (1030 E Juneau Ave) will host a fundraising event in honor of Mark Harris. During the evening, 50% of all food and beverage purchases will go towards supporting the Harris children. In addition there will be a silent auction from 5:00 to 11:00. Space is limited, please call and reserve your spots today (414-272-011). Please make sure that when making a reservation, you note that you're attending the Harris fundraiser. [Read more here.](#) Thank you to The Knick.

If you would like to donate an auction item, please contact Jane Pankowski at jane.pankowski@milwaukeeemag.com

Elementary School Parents – Anxiety Presentation – Dec 3

Please join us for a presentation by Dr. Michael Mazius of the North Shore Center titled "Anxiety In Children Is On The Rise: What Parents Can Do About It", organized by the elementary student support team. These days, many of our children, perhaps more and more, look to us, their parents, for encouragement, support and, sometimes, even answers. When our kids struggle, it's easy to follow our instincts and offer help and protection. Sometimes, this is exactly what they need. And, sometimes, it robs them of a process from which they'll develop confidence, ingenuity, and resilience. We will address this very issue and offer advice on how to tell what exactly our children really need. This is the first of 3 planned sessions for this school year. It will take place on December 3 at 6:00 pm in the Shorewood Public Library.

District Monthly Newsletter

You should have received the District's November newsletter via email last week. If you missed it, you may [click here to view the online version.](#)

Shorewood Band Fundraiser Reminders

Wreath pick-up will be on Saturday, Dec. 6th, from noon-2pm at 1004 E. Congress
Questions? Contact Jill Ferone at 414-967-0287

Student Support Services Website

Visit the new Student Support Services website at <https://sites.google.com/a/shorewood.k12.wi.us/shorewood-high-school-student-support-services/>.

Recreation Department – Featured Program

Ski and Snowboard Club – Learn to Ski or Snowboard at Sunburst

Whether you are an experienced skier/snowboarder or have never tried it, this program is for you. Each session includes one hour of lessons with the remaining time for open skiing or snowboarding. Plus each participant who completes the lessons receives a Sunburst Ski Club Membership, allowing them to come back any time after completing the program and ski for the day for a nominal fee. Prices include bus transportation. Minimum number of 15 is required, so sign up early! This is a great program to sign up with a friend. All registrations and Sunburst paperwork must be completed no later than Friday, December 12. **All participants must rent a helmet if they do not bring their own. Helmet rental is \$20 for the 4 week session.** To register and to view all program and rental fees, please visit the Recreation Department website at <http://www.shorewoodschoools.org/page.cfm?p=2506>.

Registration Deadline is December 12

Grades 4 – 12

Date: Tuesday, January 6 – February 3 (No class 1/27)

Time: 3:30 pm departure from SHS Parking lot

8:30 pm return to SHS Parking lot

Win Packers Tickets!

Best Buddies is doing another Packer Ticket raffle to support their next BIG Trip in 2016. The winners of the raffle will be going to the Dec 8th Monday Night Game against the Falcons.

Tickets will be sold at conferences, the SHS Fall Drama performance, the Atwater Monster Mash, SIS Show Circle and SHS Showcase.

District Website

Shorewood Schools Website – www.shorewoodschoools.org

Important Documents

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

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