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SHS PARENT ASSOCIATION BULLETIN

November 22, 2011

A Note from the Editor

Happy Thanksgiving! It's my favorite holiday – no presents, no “star of the show” just family and friends enjoying time together and thinking about the good things in their lives. And as the cook, I am especially appreciative that I always have lots of help with preparing food, and that no one expects me to be even a little bit creative – whatever we did last year and the year before and the year before that is exactly what people want! (Not that I object to creativity in generally, I just don't have much of it in the kitchen.) While being thankful for family, health and all the “usual” stuff, I am also thankful for this great community in which I live and the unique and special school that my children attend. They are offered so many opportunities – how I wish I had had that when I was their age. And I know that many of those opportunities are due to staff and teachers who advise extra curricular clubs, to parents who volunteer time and resources, to the community that comes together to support these kids in so many ways. So thank you to each of you for being part of this special place.

Debbie Eder
SHS Parent Bulletin Editor

Upcoming Events

- Nov 22 All School Assembly – Suzy Favor Hamilton Guest Speaker – [Details and Adjusted Bell Schedule](#)
- Nov 22 Band Concert 7 PM - Auditorium
- Nov 22 School Board Meeting – agenda will be posted [here](#).
- Nov 22 Fall Band Concert
- Nov 24-25 No School – Happy Thanksgiving!
- Nov 25 Parent Survey Closes (see below)
- Dec 1 Booster Club Speakers – Careers in Sports Fields
- Dec 4 Booster Club Arts and Crafts Fair
- Dec 6 No School Board Meeting - change from district calendar – (Dec 6 meeting moved to Dec 13)
- Dec 8 Wellness Committee Meeting – all are welcome – see below for details
- Dec 9 & 10 Showcase (Student Talent Show) 8:00 PM – SHS Auditorium
- Ongoing College Representatives Visit SHS to talk with students about their schools. Students must sign up in the Student Support Services (formerly guidance) office at least 24 hours in advance for each session they wish to attend. Use Family Connection to view which colleges are visiting when.

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 or to 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

Let your Voice be Heard – Parent Survey Closes November 25

The district is conducting a survey of all parents. If you did not receive an email from Blane McCann, (which contains the link you need to get into the online survey), please access the survey via [the district website survey page](#)

Band Concert – November 22 – TONIGHT!

On Tuesday, November 22, 2011, the Shorewood Intermediate and High School Bands will present their first concert of the school year, at 7:00 P.M., in the Shorewood High School Auditorium. The program, which includes the SIS 8th Grade Band

and the SHS Concert Band and Wind Ensemble, will feature works by John Philip Sousa, Johann Sebastian Bach, and Lennie Niehaus, among others. Admission to all School District of Shorewood Band concerts is free.

Booster Club Speaker Series – Careers in Sports Fields – All are Welcome – December 1

The first of three Shorewood Athletic Booster Club Speaker Series for the 2011-12 school year will be held on Thursday, December 1st at 7:00 p.m. in the Shorewood High School Library. This event, sponsored by the Booster Club, will include a panel of four professionals who have careers in the field of sports. Students and parents are encouraged to attend. Confirmed for the panel are Jessie Garcia (Channel 4 Sports Reporter), Dan Lipski (Big Ten Football Head Referee), Jessica Hoepner (Owner of Performance Running Outfitters), and Bill Haury (Athletic Director). **Any SIS or SHS students who attend this event will receive extra credit for their Physical Education class.**

Did you receive an Email from School Yesterday re. Today's Guest Speaker?

If you have not been receiving emails from the school, please go to the district website at www.shorewoodschoools.org and sign up to be added to their list. Scroll down to the bottom of the left hand side of the web page, and you will see the sign up form. (If you aren't sure if you've been receiving them – they usually come with a from address of "Alert Now Message from Shorewood SD", or "listserv@shorewoodschoools" although the survey ones came from "Blane McCann". (Note the email you are currently reading is from the parent association – NOT the school – there is much overlap in the two lists, but not 100%). If you did not receive yesterday's email, you may find the [contents of it here](#).

College Applications with a December 1 Deadline

If your senior student is applying to any colleges with a December 1 deadline – they should turn their transcript request forms into the Student Support Services Office ASAP!

College Planning – Tidbit of the Week

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.

From Student Support Services

Student Support Services would like parents to be aware of the website www.scholarships.com which may be of assistance to students who are seeking college scholarships.

From The SHS Daily Announcements

This is a sampling, (by no means all), of some of the morning announcements the students hear each day at school. Look at the exciting things going on at SHS:

- Auditions for Avenue Q, School Edition will be held the second week of December. This is a puppet and actor musical with lots of fun and humor. The script will be available in the library after Thanksgiving.
- Robotics and Engineering – turn in your field trip permission slips
- Youth Haiti Club is collecting gently used coats, hats and mittens for the Holten Youth and Family Center.
- Counselors will be available to those that feel the need to talk about the recent, tragic deaths of two Nicolet students.
- Intramural Dodgeball begins November 30. Sign up in the Recreation Department
- If you are on school grounds after school you MUST be involved in a supervised activity or studying in the library
- As always, numerous Club and Group Meetings including: Feminism Matters (NEW), Pegasus, Bible Study, Animal Rights Club, Science Club, Best Buddies, Art Club, Outdoors Club, Photography Club, Gay-Straight Alliance, Volunteer Shorewood, and Comic Book Culture Club

District, Village & Community Announcements

Wellness Committee Meeting – All are Welcome – December 8

The School District continues to revise the wellness policy guidelines and we would love your input! Our next meeting is Thursday, December 8 from 7:00-8:00 am in the Shorewood High School Conference Room 116 located in the Administration Building. We will be discussing the physical activity guidelines for the School District. If you have any questions, please contact Deb Stolz at DStolz@shorewood.k12.wi.us or 963-6913 x4. Hope to see you there.

Stop Shop and Restore – Business District Event – December 3

Shorewood invites you to relax and shop local this holiday season! Forget Black Friday madness and put the fun back into holiday shopping. Be sure to stop in at these Shorewood businesses on December 3 between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. for holiday cheer, free refreshments, free restorative services and great holiday gifts for everyone on your list! The first 50 shoppers who turn in \$200 in Dec. 3 receipts from any participating Shorewood business will receive a \$50 gift certificate redeemable at any business in the Shorewood business district. See the long list of participating businesses and what free goodies and services they'll be offering at <http://shorewoodwi.com/blog/>.

Recreation Department – Highlighted Program - Ski and Snowboard Club

Has your child wanted to learn how to ski or snowboard? Do they already know how, but don't have opportunities to get to the ski hill very often? The Shorewood Rec. Dept. offers learn to ski/snowboard courses at Sunburst in Kewaskum. Each week, participants will receive one hour of lessons, followed by open ski/snowboard time to work on what they learned. This is a great gift for the holidays. In addition, participants will be able to ski/snowboard at Sunburst for a nominal fee after our four week session ends. All transportation to and from Sunburst is provided. If your child doesn't have the equipment, Sunburst will provide it for them. If you would like to register or are looking for more information, please check out our website at: <http://www.shorewoodrecreation.org/Default.aspx?mode=sc&scid=22&id=10&cid=10>, or call our office at 414-963-6913 x 4. Registration Deadline is December 9, 2011.

School Board Meetings

Please note that the School Board will be holding a meeting on December 13, rather than December 6, and that at this time there is no meeting planned for December 20. (This is a change from the published calendar.)

SNACPAC Recipe of the Week

This week's recipe from Dominic Newman and SNACPAC is [Lemon Chickpea Stirfry](#). You can see more recipes by going to <http://www.shsparentassn.com/documents.html> and scrolling down to the recipe section.

Athletic News & Highlights

Girls Swim Team

Read about the girls' second place finish at the State Meet, which included first place finishes by Kristin Malone in the 100 free and by the Medley Relay Team. Read about the focus and dedication of this great team that supports each other in each race. <http://www.shorewoodnow.com/sports/malones-state-titles-give-shorewood-a-glimpse-of-glory-as-tankers-grasp-second-j032eob-133924958.html>.

2009 Graduate's Unusual Path to Big Ten Soccer Team

Read about Tim Lancina, SHS 2009 grad, and his usual road to playing Big Ten Soccer at UW Madison. <http://shorewood.patch.com/articles/tim-lancina-story>.

Winter Sports Start Dates

Winter sports will begin in November. Check the [district calendar](#) for start dates for: Girls gymnastics, boys ice hockey, girls ice hockey, boys basketball, boys swimming, and girls basketball. And don't forget ALL winter athletes need to register and pay their fees in the athletic director's office.

Congratulations, Kudos & Thank You's

News Article about SHS Sisters Sailing Accomplishments and Passion

Last week, we told you about Kate and Elizabeth Hays who took 5th place in the National J30 Championship Sailing Regatta. Read more about the event that these girls (who were the ONLY TEENAGERS to compete) excelled in. Congratulations again – Kate and Elizabeth! <http://shorewood.patch.com/articles/shorewood-sisters-carry-a-sailing-legacy>.

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.

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

Summer Programs

Thank you to all who have replied to our request recommendations for summer programs for teens. This list is looking quite interesting, and we will be publishing it next week. If you have something to add to it – send your submission ASAP to Laura Peracchio at lperacch@gmail.com.

Showcase 2011 – What a Wonderful World! – December 9 & 10

Come enjoy the many talents of SHS students as they sing, dance and perform in AFS's annual fundraising event. General admission tickets will be available soon. To purchase reserve seat tickets (front center section) – use the order form for [Donor and Patron tickets](#). These tickets include an additional donation to AFS and Shorewood Drama – but in return you'll be seated in some of the best seats in the house for this fabulous show! [Read more about AFS here](#).

Purchase your SHS Drama Season Tickets

Please consider purchasing season tickets for SHS Drama – which will include tickets to the fall and spring shows. You can find the [order form here](#). (Please note that drama season tickets do NOT include tickets to Showcase which is a joint fundraising effort of AFS and Drama Students.)

32nd Annual Shorewood Arts & Crafts Fair, December 4, 2011 10:00am – 4:00 pm SHS Arena

This annual show features over 120 artists from the Midwest including several from Shorewood will be offering a wide variety for the home, garden and one-of-a-kinds! Pottery, wood carvings, photography, copper art, jewelry, leather goods, metal work and more. 50 new artists to the show will be offering baby items, furniture, salsa, shawls, candles, garden orbs, holiday decorations that make wonderful gifts for you, family and friends!

A Silent Auction with \$3000 of items has been donated from the artists, raffle baskets, poinsettias, bake sale and luncheon faire will complete this one day major fundraiser for Shorewood Athletics.

\$4 admission supports Shorewood Athletics. Money raised in the past has bought SHS sports equipment / supplies, uniforms, partial salary of the athletic trainer, sound systems and more. Last year the Shorewood Booster Club provided 24% of the Athletic Budget that was needed last year for operational purposes! [Click here for a coupon good for \\$1 off admission!](#)

Event is held at the Shorewood High School Arena, North Gym and Cafeteria, 1701 E. Capitol Dr. at 10:00AM and ends at 4:00PM. For more information or to volunteer, please call Bonnie Adams (414) 332-3982. Sponsored by the Shorewood Booster Club supporting Athletics.

ADULT VOLUNTEERS are NEEDED (2 hour shifts). ALL SHS athletes are requested to be there at their assigned TEAM times on Sat/ Sun. Coaches / Sport Parents will notify athletes family of designates times~ Help make this a "WINNING" event!

Recreation Department Offering Online Courses

The Recreation Department is now offering online learning opportunities! We have partnered with Ed2go, the industry leader in online adult education, to provide convenient adult enrichment opportunities.

Our online courses include:

- An expert instructor
- 24-hour access
- Engaging student discussion areas
- 6 weeks of instruction
- New sessions beginning each month
- Confirmation of completion awarded with passing score

There are over 300 courses to choose from, some of which include:

- Assisting Aging Parents
- Going Green at Home
- Guiding Kids on the Internet
- Understanding Adolescents

For more information, or to register, visit the Shorewood Recreation and Community Services Department website at www.shorewoodschoools.org

Needed...LEGO NXT sets or parts for the SIS robotics team.

If your students have LEGO NXT ROBOT sets or parts that they are no longer using please consider donating them to the SIS Robotics team. We could use back up parts at our November 19th competition. To donate, please email Donna Whittle at dwhittle@wi.rr.com or drop the parts off at the middle school and label them "for Ms. Cabaniss/SIS Robotics team."

Thanks!

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 – Watch for your winter bulletin in the mail. Class will be:
 - 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/.

Note – it may seem early to think about classes in February, but sometimes the classes fill up quickly.

College Scholarships

In addition to the [college scholarship list previously distributed](#), Student Support Services would like you to be aware of a scholarship offered by US Bank. To learn more go to <http://www.usbank.com/scholarship>.

Recreation Department - Chicago Your Way!

Enjoy a day in downtown Chicago without the hassle of driving and parking! You will have the day to shop, visit the museums or just people watch. Leave December 3 at 8:15 a.m. and we will have you back home by 7:00 p.m. The bus will drop you off and pick you up at the corner of Rush & Superior. Cost is \$32 per person for Shorewood residents and \$48 for non-residents. For more details contact the Rec. Dept at 414.963.6913.

Senior Center Is Looking for Volunteers

The Senior Center is seeking volunteers to help their neighbors shovel snow this winter. It is the perfect family volunteer activity and will make a big difference in the life of a senior citizen in our community. If you, your family, or group would like to help, please call Elizabeth Price of the Senior Center at 414.847.2727 or via e-mail at eprice@villageofshorewood.org.

Crutches – Wraps – Boots – Braces, etc.

Bethany Shaw, our invaluable athletic trainer, is in need of any braces, wraps, boots, crutches, etc that you are no longer using. Also she has gone through a LOT of ACE bandages that go home with students and don't get returned. Please look through your medicine cabinets for any ACE bandages that don't look familiar, especially if they say SHS on them! Any items can be dropped off at Bethany's office or the main office