

SHS PARENT ASSOCIATION

WEEKLY BULLETIN

November 5, 2014

Mark Your Calendars

- Nov 5 Winter Sports Meeting – athletes and parents 7:00 pm
- Nov 6 [Chubby Cheesesteaks – Harris Family Fundraiser](#)
- Nov 5 Band Students – Fundraising Orders Due
- Nov 8 Shorewood Connects Yard Clean Up
- Nov 11 School Board Meeting - [agenda will be posted here](#)
- Nov 14 Blood Drive
- Nov 21-22 Showcase (variety/talent show)

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

[Online Calendar](#) – customizable

A Note from the Editor

I'm having a difficult time writing this week's note. Not because I don't know what I want to say, but because I don't know how to say it. Or how to say it well, or how to say it succinctly. So I think I'll keep it short and leave out the examples and explanations that I'm inclined to share and assume you'll all "get it".

Like all of us, Mark Harris and his family have been on my mind and in my heart these past two weeks. It's clear that multitudes of parents and students felt connected to Mark, even if they had had only brief encounters with him. And this is one of the things I find remarkable about his legacy. While I know there are a many reasons for his ability to make these instant connections, there are two that stand out to me.

First, Mark wore his heart on his sleeve. He spoke often and openly about things that mattered to him, things that he loved. He did so in meetings, when chatting with someone he bumped into in the hallway, and through his SIS weekly bulletin messages. Things that mattered to him included his family, his students, his staff, his students' and staffs' families, his friends, sports, Marquette University... the list goes on, but the long list does not diminish the true passion and love he had for each of these and more. The fact that he was so very open about his passions allowed us all to feel like we really knew him, and we did – because he shared himself with us.

Secondly, Mark was fully present in every conversation he had. As a school administrator, he was pulled in many directions but when he spoke with someone, he was 100% engaged in the conversation. It didn't matter if it was a "heavy duty" issue, or a "hey – how are you, how are your kids" moment in the hallway – he genuinely wanted to hear what you had to say, and per my first point, he genuinely wanted to share the good things going on in his life. To an outsider, his conversations may have at times sounded like "small talk" – but he was never, ever a small talker or a small listener.

Those are the two things for which I will most remember Mark, and I will honor Mark by trying to be more like him. He is missed.

Debbie Eder, SHS Parent Bulletin Editor

P.S. On a related note, a big thank you to all who were involved in the planning of the community memorial service. It was a beautiful tribute to Mark, and I know it took a lot of thought and effort for it to go as smoothly as it did. Thank you.

SHS News & Announcements

Mark Harris Obituary

If you missed the lovely Mark Harris obituary in the Journal Sentinel last week, you may view it here:

<http://www.jsonline.com/news/obituaries/educator-harris-left-indelible-influence-on-his-students-b99380541z1-280811782.html>

Cards for the Harris Family

Those that would like to send a card to the Harris family may do so by dropping off (or mailing) to any of the 4 district schools. Please mark them in care of Kim Grady, as she will forward them to the family.

Chubbys Cheesesteaks Mark Harris Family Fundraiser

The Hamdan Family, who are longtime Shorewood community members and who own the restaurant [Chubby's Cheesesteaks](#) (on Oakland and North Ave.), are hosting a day at their restaurant in honor of Mark Harris. This Thursday, Nov. 6, 15% of all purchases made at Chubby's will be donated to the family of Mark Harris. Please come out and show your support for not only the Mark Harris family, but the Hamdan family as well.

Winter Sports Meeting – November 5

Each student participating in winter sports and a parent/guardian should plan to attend the winter sports meeting on November 5 at 7:00 pm – that's **TONIGHT!**

SHOWCASE – Variety/Talent Show – Nov 21 & 22

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.](#) And [click here for a ticket order form.](#)

North Shore Financial Aid Night – December 8

SAVE THE DATE! The North Shore Counseling Consortium is sponsoring a North Shore Financial Aid Night on Monday, December 8 at 7:00 pm at Homestead High School.

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 of all schools in the North Shore Counseling Consortium are invited.

Student Support Services Website

Student Support Services is in the process of creating a new website, with much information already loaded into it. Visit the new site at <https://sites.google.com/a/shorewood.k12.wi.us/shorewood-high-school-student-support-services/>.

Transition to Tomorrow Conferences

PARENTS OF JUNIORS – if you have not yet signed up for your Transition to Tomorrow Conference, you [may do so here](#). Please note – that these conferences are for parents of juniors who are currently enrolled in Lifetime Activities (or is exempt from the class). If your student will be taking Lifetime Activities next semester, your conference will be held during second semester.

Calculating Grade Point Averages

With the end of first semester, some parents and students are looking for clarification as to how grade point averages are calculated. [Click here for a refresher.](#)

Athletics in the News

- Cross Country Teams both advance to State amidst grief – [Shorewood NOW](#)
- Boys Cross Country Team took second place at State. Girls took third. Look for more news about State in next week's bulletin.

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 college transcript requests, cheerleading, blood drive and more.

District & Community Announcements

Mr. Gemingnani to be SIS Principal

SIS welcomes Kevin Gemignani as their new interim principal. Mr. Carl DeLeo will be teaching 8th grade Social Studies in "Mr. Gem's" place.

Shorewood Fowl 5K Run/Walk – November 15

The 20th annual 5K off-road run/walk will have a new route for 2014! The race takes participants through the streets of Shorewood, down the scenic bike path and finishes on the SHS track. Proceeds will benefit state champion Shorewood High School Boys and Girls Cross Country Teams. Race day registration and mandatory packet pick-up begins at 8:30 a.m. at the Shorewood Intermediate School Commons. Run/Walk begins at 10:00 a.m. at SHS track. All pre and post-race activities will be held in the Shorewood Intermediate School Commons. Random drawings for prizes (must be present to win) and refreshments will be served after run/walk. Awards will be presented to the top three men, women, boys (12 and under), and girls (12 and under). Entry Fee is \$20 adult/ \$10 youth. [Register with the Recreation Department](#)

REDgen Book Club – November 9

Please join us for a discussion of our **Resiliency Through Change** series and the book, [Building Resilience in Children and Teens](#) by Kenneth Ginsburg on November 9 at 4:00 pm at Colectivo on Prospect. We will be sharing insights and perspectives from our different events and discussing the book (if we started to read it yet!). For this book club, there is no need to read Dr. Ginsburg's book though the themes outlined in his book will likely overlap with the themes addressed throughout the series including parenting, transitions, stress, resiliency, and redefining success. If you'd like a copy of the book, there will be some at the book club to purchase. They are \$15. You can also arrange to get one by contacting Barb Stutz @ stutzmatthiasassoc@gmail.com. Sign up to join us at Eventbrite: <http://www.eventbrite.com/e/redgen-book-club-tickets-14009066495?aff=eac2>

Congratulations, Kudo's and Thank You's

SHS Student is a "Fox 6 Hot Shot"

SHS Junior, Carter Warren, has been named a "Fox 6 Hot Shot". Carter worked with staff and other students to create a Mountain Bike Racing team at SHS! Congratulations Carter! [Watch the video 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.

shsparentassn@gmail.com.

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*****

SHS Fall Blood Drive – November 14

Shorewood High School's Fall Blood Drive will be on Friday November 14th from 8 AM - 1 PM in the north gym, it is open to the public, and all community members can move right to the front of the line.

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

Shorewood Band Parent Association News

Reminder for 6th-12th grade band students--

Noble Valley Farms Wreaths and Gourmet's Delight Cheesecakes **fundraising orders and money (NO CASH, checks only--payable to SBPA)** are due, in your band room, **by WEDNESDAY, NOV. 5TH!!**

- **Cheesecake pick up date: Saturday, Nov. 15, from noon-2pm, at 4420 N. Wildwood.**
- **Wreath/garland pick up date: Saturday, Dec. 6th, from 10am-noon, at 1004 E. Congress.**

- Large wreath orders can be picked up early. Please call Jill Ferone at 967-0287 to schedule an early pick up on the evening of Friday, Dec. 5th.

Please contact Sue Froelich at psfro@hotmail.com with any questions/concerns regarding these fundraisers. Thank you!

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.

Winter Sports

Winter sports will begin on the following dates:

- November 10 – girls basketball, gymnastics and hockey begin
- November 17 – boys basketball, wrestling and swimming begin

If your child's athletic physical card is not yet on file for this school year, you may find the forms here:

- [Participation Physical Form](#)
- [Alternate Year Card](#)

College Representative Visits

Juniors and Seniors should continue to check Family Connection often and sign up to meet with representatives from colleges that they are interested in.

Boston Store Community Day Books – Basketball Fundraiser

Purchase a Boston Store Coupon Book and save yourself some money while you help the boys basketball team raise some money – it's a win-win!

The coupon books cost \$5.00 each and can be used on Friday, November 14th and Saturday November 15th. With your purchase you will receive a coupon for \$10.00 off any regular or sale priced item that is priced at \$10.00 or more! There are also so many other valuable coupons in each book. The sale will take place until Monday, November 10, 2014. Please see a member of the SHS boys basketball team to purchase your book.

Food Allergy Conference – November 15

Children's Hospital will be hosting a food allergy conference on November 15. If your child has food allergies, consider attending to gain valuable information. [Read more here.](#)

Directory Pick Up

Student directories that were not picked up during Open House are now available in the office. If you did not preorder, there are additional directories for sale in the office.

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](#)

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