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# SHS PARENT ASSOCIATION BULLETIN

February 1, 2012

## Note from the Editor

After working for 4 SHS principals over the past 19 years, SHS secretary, Terry Kumakura retired yesterday. Terry has seen countless parent association volunteers come and go over the years and she knows just how to guide each one of us through our jobs. She knows the tricks of the trade to streamline things, she knows who to contact whenever a piece of information is needed, and often times she knows what we need before we do! In fact when I became the Parent Association President 4 years ago, my predecessor walked me into the office and informed me that Terry is THE person who knows everything and could assist with anything. My predecessor was right! I will miss Terry's help and guidance as much as I will miss her smiling face and happy demeanor. Best wishes Terry for a happy retirement!

Debbie Eder  
SHS Parent Bulletin Editor

P.S. My apologies for the flurry of emails last week. Hopefully we are now ready to resume our regular weekly bulletin schedule without the multitude of "mini-bulletin" interruptions. Keep your fingers crossed – I know mine are.

## 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](#)
- Feb 11 [Boutique Blowout](#)
- Feb 14 School Board Meeting – [agenda will be posted here](#)
- Feb 17, 18, 19 – SHS Drama Presents: [Avenue Q](#), School Edition. [Buy tickets here.](#)
- Feb 18 & 19 [College Goal Wisconsin](#)

## 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

### Parent Forum – Teen Anxiety – February 8

Join the SHS Parent Association and SHS Student Support Services for an informative discussion on anxiety in teenagers. Learn the difference between normal, motivating stress, and problematic anxiety.

Our presenters, Presenters: Gwynne Kohl, PhD, Licensed Psychologist, and Cathy Pinter, M.Ed, AAMFT, LMFT, both professional counselors and Shorewood parents, will provide practical information, resources, and answers to your questions. Topics include:

- Prevalence of Anxiety in Teens, including Gender Differences
- Co-Occurring Problems (such as Depression)
- When Anxiety is a Problem
- Causes of Anxiety Disorders - Genetic and Environmental

- Ways to Help Children & Adolescents with Anxiety
- Strategies for Raising a Child with Strong Coping Skills
- Building on the Strengths in Your Family
- Ways to Include Play in Family Life
- Professional Treatment Options

All are welcome to attend. The meeting will be held in the SHS Library at 7 p.m. For more information, please refer to the flyer at

[http://www.shsparentassn.com/uploads/6/1/2/5/6125612/teen\\_anxiety\\_forum\\_feb\\_2012.pdf](http://www.shsparentassn.com/uploads/6/1/2/5/6125612/teen_anxiety_forum_feb_2012.pdf).

### Daily Bell Schedule

Second semester bell schedules are slightly different than those of first semester. To view the current bell schedules, [click here](#).

### From Student Support Services

- Course Selection Forms are Due February 1 – with Parent and Student Signatures
  - Forms were mailed home – please return those forms as they are color coded
  - Online forms can be viewed at [http://www.shorewoodschoools.org/main/our\\_schools/hs.cfm](http://www.shorewoodschoools.org/main/our_schools/hs.cfm).
  - Letter from Student Support Services can be found at [http://www.shsparentassn.com/uploads/6/1/2/5/6125612/2011\\_parent\\_letter\\_course\\_selection.pdf](http://www.shsparentassn.com/uploads/6/1/2/5/6125612/2011_parent_letter_course_selection.pdf).
- Kaplan is offering a discount on SAT and ACT test prep classes. [See details here](#).
- Keep in mind that the Recreation Department and UWM also offer (less expensive) ACT prep classes.

### SHS Profile

Those interested in viewing the [Shorewood High School Profile](#) that is included with transcripts that are sent to colleges can now view it online. (note the information is presented a bit more logically on the hardcopy version, which is one folded page.)

### National Honor Society

Eligible juniors will receive letters inviting them to join National Honor Society this week. Those interested in joining will return their forms during the first NHS Meeting, which will take place at school on February 6. For more information about NHS, visit [Mr. Aiello's NHS webpage](#).

### Boutique Blowout – February 11

Returning for its fourth year on Saturday, February 11 is the bargain hunter's paradise known as "Boutique Blowout." This one-day gathering of some of the area's most fashionable stores selling everything from summer sandals to cocktail dresses at steeply discounted prices has become an annual pilgrimage for style seekers all over the Milwaukee area. This year's event will be held at the Atwater Cafeteria from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. For a \$5 admission fee, which is donated to the SEED campaign, you may shop to your heart's content.

### The North Shore Parents Network – February 21

A Discussion on Assistive Technology and Accessibility in Education. A discussion for those with interest in special education. Tuesday, February 21st - 6:20 - 8:30 p.m., St. Francis Children's Center, 6700 N. Port Washington Road, Milwaukee. [See the flyer](#).

### 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:*

- Open Gym for those interested in playing softball this spring. North Gym – Sundays 10:30-12:15. All are welcome
- Students – be sure to lock your school and gym lockers – do not leave personal belongings unattended.
- Senior Superlative Sheets are due
- Seniors – Yearbook Quotes are due
- Outdoors Club is planning a spelunking trip
- Prom Committee is meeting

- Intramural soccer is beginning
- Coat drive – drop off your donations in the front hall
- As always, numerous Club and Group Meetings including: Stock Club, Forensics, Volunteer Shorewood, Cake Decorating, Bible Study, Robotics, Black History Month, Ignatus, Science Club, Art Club, Gay-Straight Alliance, Model UN, Spoken Word Club, AFS, and Chess Club.

### **SNACPAC Recipes**

This week's recipe from Dom Newman and SNACPAC is [Spinach Stuffed Pasta Shells](#)

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

## **Athletic News & Highlights**

**Boys Basketball PHOTOS** – Aaron Bailey has 29 points in the Greyhound's 8<sup>th</sup> game of season – MOST season wins in over a decade! <http://shorewood.patch.com/articles/photos-bailey-s-29-leads-greyhounds-to-dominating-win-over-cudahy#photo-8988280>.

**Boys Basketball** – profile of the much improved team. <http://shorewood.patch.com/articles/greyhounds-one-win-away-from-best-game-in-decade>.

**Greyhound Roundup** – Girls Basketball, Boys Basketball, Swimming <http://shorewood.patch.com/articles/greyhound-roundup-swimmers-prep-for-conference-state-tournaments>.

### **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**

**Student Council Planning Fundraiser for Greyhounds – the dogs, not the mascot or the athletes.**

<http://shorewood.patch.com/articles/shorewood-junior-preps-student-council-to-aid-greyhound-dogs>.

**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**\*\*\*\*\*

### **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](#).

### **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.

### **Actuarial Science Scholarship – Applications Due March 1**

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 PM - 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."

### **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 Jugglefest variety show put on by the Shorewood Rec. Dept. Be sure to sign up with a friend!

### **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).

### **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.](#)

### **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>.

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