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SHS PARENT ASSOCIATION BULLETIN

February 8, 2012

Note from the Editor

I try to subdivide this bulletin into sections to make it easier for you to find what you are looking for. But once in a while I'm stumped as to where to put something. For example, this week Fox 6 News did a fabulous piece on the SHS gymnastics team. So, that should probably go in the athletics section. But it was also about Caitin Nadar, a special needs student who competes on the team, and about the other girls and their relationship with Caitlin. So maybe is should go in the Kudos section. But I think it I'll put it right here – where I hope most of you will see it – and take a moment to enjoy this great story. First I read the transcript and found it quite moving, then I watched the video and became misty-eyed – so I'd suggest the video over the transcript. Such a great story about a great group of girls! You'll find both the transcript and the video at http://fox6now.com/2012/02/02/fox6-profiles-shorewood-greyhound-gymnastics-program/. And if you like that story, you may want to revisit the Shorewood NOW article from two years ago when Caitlin first competed – but do get your tissues handy before you read these heartwarming stories.

And, on another note – don't forget that tonight is the <u>Parent Forum on Teen Anxiety</u>. Your parent association works hard to bring you programs like this that we think will be of interest to many of you. Please, consider joining us for this important discussion led by two excellent speakers.

Debbie Eder SHS Parent Bulletin Editor

Upcoming Events

- Feb 8 Parent Forum Teen Anxiety 7 PM SHS Library TONIGHT!
- Feb 11 Boutique Blowout
- Feb 14 School Board Meeting agenda will be posted here
- Feb 16 Last Chance Extended Deadline for Senior Ads for Copperdome
- Feb 17 Awards and Scholarships Nominations Due
- Feb 17&18 SHS Drama Presents: <u>Avenue Q</u>, School Edition. <u>Buy tickets here</u>. (Feb 19 performance has been cancelled)
- Feb 18 Avenue Q Family Friendly Event
- Feb 18 & 19 College Goal Wisconsin
- Feb 23 SHS Orchestra Benefit Concert
- Feb 24 Cinematic Series Presents Green Fire 7PM Auditorium

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

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, 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, gender differences, when is anxiety a problem, & much more. View the flyer at http://www.shsparentassn.com/uploads/6/1/2/5/6125612/teen_anxiety_forum_feb_2012.pdf for additional topics and details. All are welcome! This is YOUR parent association, please join us!

Copperdome - Senior Ads - Deadline EXTENDED TO February 16

Parents of Seniors - don't let your child miss out on this special memory! Deadline has been extended! 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, go to http://www.shsparentassn.com/uploads/6/1/2/5/6125612/senior_ad_letter.pdf. Deadline for submissions is February 3 February 16. Questions? Contact Copperdome advisor, Jeff Zimpel at jzimpel@shorewood.k12.wi.us.

Awards & Scholarships - Grades 9-12 - Nominations Due February 18

Shorewood High School is able, through the generosity of many public and private donors, to offer scholarships and awards based not only on student financial needs but also for students with widely different interests and talents. Students may be nominated by themselves, other students and/or teachers.

Click here to view the following:

- A list of awards and scholarships for Grades 9-11
- · A list of awards and scholarships for Seniors
- A self nomination form (for a student to nominate his/herself
- A student nomination form (for one student to nominate another)
- A senior scholarship application form
- A checklist of awards that can be used by those seniors who applied for a Shaw Scholarship

(If above link does not work, copy and paste

http://www.shorewoodschools.org/main/district/documents.cfm?sectionname=SHS%20Scholarship%20Information into your browser.) Use the above link to view brief descriptions for the available scholarships that outline the different careers, interests and service that our scholarships are intended to support. For those that are self nominating, please consider the purpose of the scholarship/award you are interested in, and be sure and support your candidacy with relevant information that demonstrates your link to the award. We are extremely fortunate to enjoy the continued support of the community and our Shorewood alumni, that allows us to offer these scholarships and awards.

I Love New York!

Swing with Shorewood's raffle grand prize is a trip to New York! Prize includes 2 airline tickets, a 2 night stay in a Manhattan hotel and \$100 visa card. Prize value is \$1500! Click here for the raffle ticket order form.

Volunteer Opportunity

Help sell raffle tickets and help SEED provide more money directly to Shorewood Schools. If you have any time help sell tickets at upcoming Shorewood School District events please contact Stephanie Snyder at RSSnyderFamily@sbcglobal.net. Any amount of time you can spare will help in a huge way. Examples of upcoming events: Band O Rama, Drama Productions at SHS, Atwater's Dining Around the World, Lake Bluff Family Dinner or take some to sell at your own functions out and about i.e. soccer games, basketball games family dinners.... Also, if you'd like to donate money to help buy the raffle prize and receive kudos in the official program and a tax deduction talk to Stephanie Snyder as well.

Avenue Q Family Friendly Meet and Greet

Avenue Q, School Edition is rated PG-13, and therefore not quite appropriate for the little ones. NOW there is an event appropriate for them. On Saturday, February 18 at 2:00 PM there will be Meet and Greet with the cast, the crew and the puppets of Avenue Q. There will be an opportunity to touch and feel the puppets, to hear a few songs from the show and to see a demonstration of the actors sing and dance with their puppets. This event is free, with a \$5 suggested donation at the door. But in order to plan for the event, we are asking for advance registration. You can do so at the same site where you can buy tickets to Avenue Q. Look for this special event to be added to the list of performances at

<u>www.shorewooddrama.org</u> soon, and then you'll be able to use that site to register. Alternatively – you may make your reservation by calling the box office at 963-6940. Questions – call the box office.

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:

- Congratulations to the Science Olympiad Teams. The Nanotech and Material Science took first place in their event and the Oceanography team was undefeated in the first five rounds, advancing to finals to take 3rd place overall.
- Doghouse will be selling chocolate dipped pretzels after school.
- Interesting Black History Facts are being read during morning announcements
- New Lunch Venue Join the Pot Luck Club in the art room bring a dish to pass.
- Basketball Game will also be a fundraiser for Rachel's Challenge
- · Open Gym for girls interested in softball
- Watershed Wisdom Informational Meeting
- Conservation Committee is presenting the film Green Fire about environmentalist Aldo Leopold on Feb 24. All are welcome.
- Juniors interested in being a Ripples Editor next year meeting in Mr. Halloran's room. New and returning staff all welcome.
- Volunteer Shorewood is beginning a weekly trash clean up at school. Meet in front hall after school to help us help our school.
- As always, numerous Club and Group Meetings including: Guatemala Club, Robotics, Forensics, Bible Study, Gay-Straight Alliance, Pegasus, Feminism Matters, Photography Club, Art Club, AFS, Stock Club and Spoken Word Club.

SNACPAC Recipes

This week's recipe from Dom Newman and SNACPAC is Soft Serve Frozen Bananas

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

Athletic News & Highlights

Greyhound Roundup Girls Basketball, Boys Basketball, Swimming. http://shorewood.patch.com/articles/greyhound-update-boys-girls-basketball-swept-by-brown-deer.

Boys Swim – Exciting Conference Meet ends with SHS missing first place by one half point. Many season best times, and great efforts by all. http://www.glendalenow.com/sports/shorewood-tankers-fall-in-woodland-meet-by-thinnest-of-margins-8v43r0v-138877504.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 or antoinedavissr@yahoo.com.

Congratulations, Kudos & Thank You's

Congratulations to SHS students who won Gold Key, Silver Key and Honorable Mentions in the Scholastic Art Awards. Their work will be on display at the Milwaukee Art Museum until March 6. Asia Cruz not only won a Gold Key, but is also nominated for an American Visions Award which goes to the five best in show pieces across all categories. Congratulations Asia! Other Gold Key winners from SHS are Rebecca Diesing, Marcus Hoffman, Theresa Le, Madeleine Herisson-Leplae and Austine Yu A Silver Key was won by Maura Curtis and Honorable Mention went to Addie McKeown and Veronica Lourich. View their works and read more at http://shorewood.patch.com/articles/young-shorewood-artists-step-into-professional-world#photo-9048023.

SHS Student Artwork to be Featured on the Stone Creek Coffee

Pick up some of the new Shorewood Blend Coffee at Stone Creek, and you'll see SHS Student Artwork on the package! From Shorewood Patch: "Stone Creek will use Will Johnson's work Feb. 27 to March 4, Anthony Sibila's March 5-11, Diana Yakshimaniedova's March 12-18, and Elliot Kucharczyk's March 19-25. They will all run together March 26 to April 1." Read more in the same article as above: http://shorewood.patch.com/articles/young-shorewood-artists-step-into-professional-world#photo-9048023.

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.

Daily Bell Schedule

Second semester bell schedules are slightly different than those of first semester. To view the current bell schedules, <u>click</u> here.

SHS Profile

Those interested in viewing the <u>Shorewood High School Profile</u> 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 last 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 weeppage.

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 a 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 Accessability 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.

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

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;

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 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.

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 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."

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.

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 10th and many hands make light work. If you are interested, please contact Melissa Nelsen at 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 https://www.wilson-center.com/onstage/katebaldwin-club.php.

Raise Money for SEED while You Shop Online

- Use <u>GoodSearch.com</u> when doing your online shopping and a money will be donated to the Shorewood SEED Foundation each time you search!
- Use <u>GoodShop.com</u> 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.