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# SHS PARENT ASSOCIATION BULLETIN

March 13, 2013

## **Calendar Items**

- Now thru Mar22 <u>Shorewood Games</u>
- Now thru Apr 6 District Art Show @ the Shorewood Public Library
- March 13
  Buffalo Wild Wings 4 to 8 pm 10% goes to MACC Fund Shorewood Games
- March 14 Spring Choir Concert
- March 16 <u>Shorewood Games Pancake Breakfast</u> (pre register for a discount)
- March 16 <u>Swing with Shorewood</u>
- March 19 School Board Meeting <u>agenda will be posted here</u>
- March 19 SHS Band Concert
- March 20 Buzz Cuts for Cancer after school in the arena
- March 21 Parent Forum <u>Discuss Spring Awakening Topics</u>
- March 22 End of 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter
- Mar 25- Apr 1 Spring Break
- April 2 School Resumes

# A Note from the Editor

If all goes well, this bulletin should look a bit different than those of the past. You'll probably notice some things are formatted better, and others worse – depending on whether you are reading on a mobile device or your desktop. Please bear with me over the next few weeks, as I try to figure out how to get the formatting "just right" and determine whether the effort to do so is worth changing programs. More important than formatting is delivery - if you find you are having delivery issues with the bulletin, you can always find the online version at <u>www.shsparentassn.com</u>. (That's kind of silly, because if you are reading this, you didn't have a delivery issue, but if you know someone who does, or if you do in future weeks, you've got a plan B.) The online version is usually posted on Wednesday mornings.

And I'm not the only one creating a newsletter these days - if you haven't yet done so, please subscribe to the email version of the NEW district monthly newsletter. It's full of good news from each of the 4 schools, as well as a note from Superintendent, Marty Lexmond. To sign up to receive the newsletter go to

http://www.shorewood.k12.wi.us/page.cfm?p=2738. While it's nice to keep up with all the happenings at SHS, I think you'll also enjoy seeing a bit of what's going on at the other schools and hearing our Superintendent's thoughts on children, education, the Shorewood schools and whatever else he may choose to write about. You may view the March newsletter here. And if you're like me, you'll find yourself reminiscing about the days when your children were in elementary and intermediate school – in some ways, it feels like yesterday, in others it feels like a lifetime ago, but I'm sure you'll find yourself smiling at a few of the memories. This month's edition includes an article about K4, and just seeing the photo of those smiling faces proudly wearing their 100 day crowns made me feel quite nostalgic.

Debbie Eder SHS Parent Bulletin Editor

# SHS News & Announcements

## Parent Forum – March 18 – Cancelled

The parent forum that had been scheduled for March 18, has now been cancelled.

SHS will be hosting a parent/guardian/community forum on March 21 to address the topics that are addressed in *Spring Awakening*, the production that SHS students will perform this spring. *Spring Awakening* deals with controversial material which the drama department and the SHS Administration believe can lead to open and honest discussions among parents, students and community members. Plan to attend the forum on March 21 to learn more about how the musical's topics relate to teenagers. <u>Read more about *Spring Awakening* and the forum</u> in Matt Joynt's letter to parents.

# Spring Band Concert – March 19

The Shorewood High School Band will present its annual Spring Band Concert at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 19th in the SHS auditorium. The concert, which will feature the SHS concert band and wind ensemble, will include selections from the Broadway musicals "Phantom of the Opera" and "West Side Story," as well as other composers. Admission to the concert is free.

# Shorewood Games off to a Great Start

Opening ceremonies were held last Friday during school, and later that evening the first event of the two week long games raised \$2700 for the MACC Fund as Roberta (aka Bobby) Kohl was crowned the new Ms. Shorewood. <u>Read more and</u> <u>watch videos on Shorewood Patch</u>. Jailhouse Rock was held on Saturday, and bail was raised to keep representives of our school and community out of jail – with all proceeds going to the MACC Fund. Read on to see what events are coming up.

# Shorewood Games – March 8-22

If you've been paying attention, you already know that the Shorewood Games are a two week long series of events created and planned by the SHS student body to raise money for the MACC Fund. (If you haven't been paying attention, read the press release below and/or the notes from the principal and editor above.) Events of particular interest to parents include:

- March 13 **Buffalo Wild Wings** Eat at Buffalo Wild Wings between 4 pm and 8 pm and 10% of the cost will go to the MACC Fund, if you mention the Shorewood Games. Check in with Ms. Bromley while there and your child will earn points for their class.
- March 16 **Pancake Breakfast.** Join your neighbors for a pancake breakfast from 8-11 in the Atwater Cafetorium. Tickets are \$6 if you reserve in advance and \$8 at the door. <u>Download the reservation form here</u>. Raffle drawing will be held at 10:30.
- March 20 Buzz Cuts for Cancer Several students (boys and girls) are raising pledges and will buzz their hair after school on March 20. All community members are welcome to join this festive and moving event in the SHS Arena.
- View the press release and the complete list of activities planned

# **Daily Announcements**

Daily Announcements are available on the SHS page of the district website. Some announcements to note this week:

- Come watch the boys compete for the Ms Shorewood Title!
- From the Health Office: New Sick Room rule, effective TODAY! NO CELL PHONE USE while "resting" in the health office. You should be trying to feel better, not using your cell phone. Attach your name to cell phone, put in bin, and pick-up when you leave.
- Seniors if you missed the graduation meetin, see Ms. Croix
- Juniors who are planning to take the ACT in April should register by March 8 to avoid late fees.
- See Ms. Braun if interested in entering a community economic project prize is \$750
- Best Buddies is selling Spread the Word T-Shirts
- Blood Drive March 14
- Golf Player and Parent Meeting Tue Mar 12
- UWM Milwaukee rep will be meet with interested Juniors and Seniors on Monday. Sign up in support office.
- Stock Club Economic Competition First Place \$750. Those interested should see Ms. Braun
- Tech crew calls begin after school this week
- Pegasus short story contest
- Clubs lots of clubs and groups including: Writing Club, Spoken Word, Photo Club, Art Club, Amnesty International, Chinese Club, Science Club, Forensics and Gay-Straight Alliance.

# **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 <u>news.shsparentassn@gmail.com</u> or to <u>Debbie@ederfamily.com</u>. Submissions are due by Monday evening for inclusion in that week's bulletin.

# **District & Community Announcements**

# Health and Wellness Committee Seeking New Parent and Community Members

The Shorewood School District's Health and Wellness Committee comprised of parents, teachers, students and District employees is meeting Thursday, March 21 beginning at 4 pm in the High School Administration Building Conference Room 116. The Committee is seeking out additional parents and community members that may be interested in participating in our health and wellness discussions for the School District. The Committee's 2012-2013 goals include

- 1. To expand the District's Employee Wellness Program
- 2. To increase membership on the Health and Wellness Committee
- 3. To focus on the "whole" student with an emphasis on mental and emotional health

If you are interested in any of these topics or would like to find out additional information on the committee, please feel free to join us on March 21 or contact Deb Stolz, <u>DStolz@shorewood.k12.wi.us</u>, <u>414-963-6913 x4</u>.

# District Art Show – Now through April 6 – Shorewood Public Library

Shorewood's annual District Art Show exhibits work by students from all four District schools: Atwater Elementary, Lake Bluff Elementary, Shorewood Intermediate and Shorewood High School. Fine art, graphic art, ceramics, and more will be on display at the Shorewood Library for the next four weeks, showcasing the work of Shorewood's talented students fostered through the district's K-12 creative arts curriculum. Stop by and see the works of our very talented students!

# AFS USA announces new summer program to Ireland!

Individual Students May Apply Directly - Spend the summer in County Donegal on the Atlantic Coast of Ireland! Learn more about the history and culture of Ireland while enjoying an array of outdoor and adventure activities including learning how to surf! Get to know the residents of the town and participate in some community service opportunities. Students from age 14-18 are eligible to participate in this 4 week dorm program which hosts students from around the world. Applicants that apply in March - the month of Leprechaun and St. Patrick's Day may apply for Global Leaders Scholarships.

# **Athletic News & Highlights**

# Winter Sports Awards

Congratulations to all SHS athletes who earned team awards this year. <u>View the list of awards</u> presented at team banquets here.

# Congratulations, Kudos & Thank You's

# **Congratulations SHS Mock Trial**

Congratulations to the SHS Mock Trial Grey Team, which competed at the State Tournament this past weekend, winning 2 of their 4 rounds.

## **Two Shorewood Staff Members are Kohl Fellowship Recipients**

Congratulations to **SHS Guidance Counselor, Mandy Kluck and Amy Miller, Lake Bluff Teacher**, for who have each been awarded a Kohl Fellowship. The Kohl Teacher Fellowship program recognizes and supports teaching excellence and innovation in the State of Wisconsin, USA. Our goal is to support teachers in the pursuit of their unrealized goals for their classrooms or professional development. Annually, the Foundation awards 100 Wisconsin teachers with \$1,000 Kohl Fellowship grants, and each Kohl Fellowship recipient's school receives a matching \$1,000 grant. Recipients' professional accomplishments are celebrated at a recognition luncheon in the spring.

### 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 <u>news.shsparentassn@gmail.com</u>.

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#### **Raffles – Raffles – Raffles**

Don't get confused, there are currently two raffles going on in our school community and both drawings will take place on March 16 – one in the morning and one in the evening – please consider supporting each of them!

- MACC Fund Raffle This raffle is part of the Shorewood Games and proceeds will go to the MACC Fund. Tickets are \$1 each, or 6 for \$5. Grand prize is a Trek 3500 Bicycle. 2<sup>nd</sup> prize is a sailing excursion. And there are 30 additional prized. See any SHS student regarding purchasing tickets.
- SEED Raffle WIN A TRIP TO NEW YORK CITY!!

SEED is selling raffle tickets for a trip to NYC valued at \$1500. You do NOT need to be present to win! Proceeds from the raffle will go to the Shorewood SEED Foundation that supports our schools. Tickets prices are: 1 for \$5; 6 for \$25; 30 for \$100 and can be purchased by filling out an <u>order form</u>. Forms can be returned to your child's school or to Tracey Grabowski, 4430 N Lake Dr, Shorewood, WI 53211

#### Less Than 100 Days Until Graduation! Senior Parents Please Read!

Seniors will have a graduation meeting today in homeroom where they will receive important information including a letter with many of the important logistics. <u>The letter is also available online</u>. Parents, please review the letter carefully (especially the second page which has important dates and times), as it includes:

- Information for students interested in speaking or performing during the ceremony
- Tickets. How many will you receive, when and how will you receive them
- Rehearsals they are mandatory put them on your child's schedule now.
- Timing when does the ceremony start? When does your student need to be there?

## Greater Milwaukee College Workshop – March 24

The Greater Milwaukee College Workshop will be held on March 24 at the Hilton in Downtown Milwaukee. It will include sessions on how to select good fit colleges, financial aid, ACT preparation, Writing essays, and more To learn more go to <a href="http://www.gmcollegeworkshop.com/">http://www.gmcollegeworkshop.com/</a>.

## Assistive Technology and Adaptive Living Discussion – March 14 6:20-7:30

# @ St Francis Children's Center - Port Washington Rd. - Open to All

The NSPN will be hosting a panel discussion about on integrating low to high assistive technology and adaptations in the school, home and community lives of kids with differing abilities. Please send any questions or areas you'd like the panelists to cover to <u>hartellis@sbcglobal.net</u>. Some examples of questions so far:

- My son cannot reach the faucet to wash his hands and feels like step stools are for babies. Are there any alternatives?
- Reading for school takes so much effort from my daughter that there's little energy or interest left over for leisure reading. I'm looking for a vast array of highlighted text-to-speech options for her.
- The IEP team seems reluctant or uncertain about discussing assistive technology options for school and this is becoming a barrier to accessing the general curriculum. Alternative curriculums are being discussed instead. What is the best approach to get the team back on track?
- What are some tools to keep organized both at school and at home?

Questions will be submitted to panelists before the event and some will be worked into the content they already have prepared to share with us. As usual, there will be time for large group discussion and networking time. Looking forward to it! RSVP's are encouraged but not required. For more information including location and time, click here.

# **Shorewood Today Magazine**

If you did not see the <u>recent edition of Shorewood Today</u>, you missed articles about students welcoming visitors to school, energy efficient equipment investments, the SHS fall sports season, and many other community related articles.

## Village of Shorewood Conservation Committee – Spring Events

The Village Conservation Committee will be holding a series of spring events including composting seminar, natural lawn care seminar, a rain garden/barrels and plant sale, and a conservation fair this spring. For more information including dates, times and locations, <u>click here</u>.

## **Travel Release Form**

Parents of athletes – please remember that student athletes are expected to ride the bus back to school with the team after each away game/meet. Each time that you will be transporting your child on your own, you will need to complete a <u>travel</u> release form. (Some parents like to keep a copy in their cars – in case they forget to have one with them.)

## **Speed and Agility Camp**

There will be a speed and agility camp held for all Shorewood athletes and students ranging from grades 5 - 12. The camps will be held each Sunday from Jan. 6 through March 31st. 5:30 to 7:00. All athletes should bring a water bottle. There is no cost to the camps. If there are any questions contact Antoine Davis at 414-759-6343 or at <u>antoinedavissr@yahoo.com</u>.

#### **School Board Meetings**

Please note that ALL school board meetings will now be held in the SHS Library. This is a change from what was printed on district calendars.

## SEED wants to be your friend!

Click on this link to follow us on Facebook - www.facebook.com/groups/62097239362/.

## **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
- <u>View the flyer here</u>.