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# SHS PARENT ASSOCIATION BULLETIN

March 6, 2013

## Calendar Items

- March 6 [District Art Show – Opening Reception](#)
- March 6 [Village Board Candidate Forum](#)
- March 6 [Graduation Information Distributed to Seniors](#) – It's less than 100 days away!
- March 9 [Jailhouse Rock](#)
- March 8-22 [Shorewood Games](#)
- March 12 School Board Meeting - [agenda will be posted here](#)
- March 14 Spring Choir Concert
- March 16 [Shorewood Games Pancake Breakfast](#) (pre register for a discount)
- March 16 [Swing with Shorewood](#)
- March 19 School Board Budget Meeting
- March 20 Buzz Cuts for Cancer – after school in the arena
- March 20 SHS Band Concert
- March 22 End of 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter
- Mar 25- Apr 1 Spring Break
- April 2 School Resumes

## A Note from the Principal

I am excited about the fact that we will begin our big push to support the MACC Fund this week by formally kicking off the Shorewood Games. This year is the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the event. In 1986, a group of students, spurred on by fellow classmate Gus Rich's battle with childhood cancer, organized two weeks of fundraising to support the MACC Fund – an organization which funds research to cure childhood cancer and related blood disorders. The event is kicked off by an all-school assembly (March 8<sup>th</sup>) and concluded with an all-school assembly (March 22<sup>nd</sup>) to celebrate the school and community's efforts related to the cause.

The Shorewood Games will include a number of opportunities for us to build community and support the opportunity to fight childhood cancer. As part of the effort, a few "lucky" stakeholders in the school community have been faced with a daunting task. Key members of the student, teacher, parent, and administrative groups have been "arrested" and must now raise money to help the cause. Please consider helping them "post bail" prior to March 9th so that they don't have to trade in their Red and Grey for an orange jumpsuit! To support the MACC Fund cause you can make an online donation at:  
[2013jailhouserock.kintera.org](http://2013jailhouserock.kintera.org)

If you are making a donation for this event, please choose one of the following participants (listed in alphabetical order) to support:

- *Sean Cummings – SHS Parent*
- *John Jacobson - SHS Social Studies Teacher*
- **Charlie Koczela** - SHS Senior Class President
- **Elliott Kucharczyk** - SHS Student Council Executive Board President
- *Marty Lexmond - Superintendent*
- *Colin Plese - School Board Member*
- *Jen Runde - SHS School Counselor*

The last field in the donation form is mandatory in order for a donation to be processed. You can choose to pledge your allegiance to a student, teacher, or administrator.

Matt Joynt, SHS Principal

### **And a Follow Up Note from the Editor**

Please, support the Shorewood Games. Like the Olympics, this 2 week long event takes place every 4 years (or so), and is a spectacle for the community. Not only are there many events for parents and community members to join, but the idea that a student body of 600 or so students sets a fundraising goal of \$15,000 is pretty spectacular in itself. (And don't be surprised if they far exceed their goal!) Donate what you can, buy what you want and most of all come to one or more of the activities if you can. Buzz Cuts is always moving for the spectators, Ms. Shorewood is a hoot, Who doesn't like pancakes. and raffle tickets can offer everyone a bit of excitement and hope (they're only a buck) – and if none of that or the other events work for you, just encourage your child to get involved – this is truly an all school project!

The Jailhouse Rock that Matt mentioned above is a new event, and is being held in honor of Jimmy Macken, class of 2009 who is currently fighting cancer (and winning!). View the list of participants above, and consider helping one or more of them post bail – note that those that do not raise \$1000 prior to March 9 will don an orange jumpsuit and head to jail where they will work to raise the remaining funds they need to be released. There will be a reception at 9:00 am at Alterra *on Prospect* to kick off the event on March 9.

My own thanks go to the SHS Administration for supporting the students in this endeavor, to the SHS Students for making it happen, to Advisor Lisa Bromley for guiding the kids as needed, and to the Shorewood Community for being so supportive as these teens work to make the world a better place. Once again I am reminded that my children are fortunate to attend the school they do – as what they learn and absorb goes far beyond academics!

~ Debbie

P.S. There are more specifics about the games below. You may also read the [Press Release and complete list of activities here.](#)

## **SHS News & Announcements**

### **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 prizes. 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.  
Ticket prices are: 1 for \$5; 6 for \$25; 30 for \$100 and can be purchased by filling out an [order form](#).  
Forms can be returned to your child's school or to Tracey Grabowski, 4430 N Lake Dr, Shorewood, WI 53211

### **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 8 **Pasta Dinner and Ms. Shorewood.** Pasta dinner will be served from 6:00 to 7:45 in the Youth Lounge. Ms. Shorewood begins in the Auditorium at 8:00. Pasta dinner costs \$5.
- March 9 **Jailhouse Rock** Several members of the community – students, staff, parents will be arrested and will need to raise \$1000 for the MACC fund before they are released from jail. Please support them and the MACC Fund by contributing towards their bail!
- 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.

- 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. [Download the reservation form here.](#) 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:

- Spring Awakening Auditions; also meeting for those interested in tech
- Blood Drive March 14
- The Boys Basketball banquet will be held Wednesday, March 20 at Golden Corral in Waukesha. Players should check e-mail for more details. Players must pay at SHS Athletic Office between 11:30 and 3:30 p.m. by Friday, March 15.
- Rec Department seeking volunteer performers for Jugglefest on April 7
- Prom Committee Meeting
- Intramural Dodgeball begins March 20. Sign up in the rec department office
- Meeting for those interested in girls softball
- Congratulations to the SMART team members of the SHS Science Club for their outstanding presentation at the regional colloquium this past Friday! Your work on understanding these complex biochemical structures WILL make a difference in our future world. THANK YOU!
- Pegasus – Creative Writing and Short Story Competition – Submissions Due March 15. Theme is Horror.
- Shorewood Games – sports-a-thon next Friday afternoon. \$30 gets you a t-shirt designed by Donovan Freeman, 3 hours of your favorite activities and an endless supply of juice and bagels. Spaces are limited – sign up now!
- Everyone – keep selling raffle tickets to support the MACC Fund and to earn points for your grade!
- Clubs – lots of clubs and groups – including: Best Buddies, Stock Club, Volunteer Shorewood, Habitat for Humanity, Chinese Club, Cupcake Club, ProStart Culinary Team, Writing Club, Spoken Word, Gay-Straight Alliance and more!

### Past Bulletins and Documents

To view past bulletins and related documents – visit the parent association website at [www.shsparentassn.com](http://www.shsparentassn.com).

### Bulletin Submissions

Send your bulletin submissions to [news.shsparentassn@gmail.com](mailto:news.shsparentassn@gmail.com) or to [Debbie@ederfamily.com](mailto:Debbie@ederfamily.com). Submissions are due by Monday evening for inclusion in that week's bulletin.

## District & Community Announcements

### District Monthly Newsletter - NEW

The Shorewood School District will now be publishing a monthly newsletter. Please subscribe to the online version by going to <http://www.shorewood.k12.wi.us/page.cfm?p=2738>. Once there you'll need to register an account and then you'll be prompted to subscribe to the district newsletter. Update your settings and you should begin receiving your newsletters next month. [You may view the March newsletter here.](#) Once you see it, I'm sure you'll want to subscribe!

### 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 [hartellis@sbcglobal.net](mailto:hartellis@sbcglobal.net). 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 [recent edition of Shorewood Today](#), you missed articles about students welcoming visitors to school, energy efficient equipment investments, the SHS fall sports season, and many other community related articles.

### **District Art Show – March 6 – April 9**

Students from each of the district's schools will have artwork on display at the Shorewood Public Library. Please stop in and view it. The opening reception will be held on March 6 at 6:00 PM.

## **Athletic News & Highlights**

### **Weekly Athletic Highlights**

[Read the Weekly SHS Athletic Highlights](#). This week's edition includes Boys Hockey, Girls Hockey, Gymnastics, and Girls Basketball.

## **Congratulations, Kudos & Thank You's**

### **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.shsparentasn@gmail.com](mailto:news.shsparentasn@gmail.com).

## **\*\*\*\*\*Reminders from Prior Weeks\*\*\*\*\***

### **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. [The letter is also available online](#). 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?

### **Shorewood School District Budget Conversations**

The Shorewood School Board and Administration invite all Shorewood Residents to a review and discussion of the 2013-14 proposed school budget. The Board intends to review the recommended budget in March. Input and feedback from community members is very important and welcome. View the [timeline of the budget approval process](#).

### **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 <http://www.gmcollegeworkshop.com/>.

### **Newsletter from School**

Last week, you should have received a newsletter from school in your home mail. [Read the Online Version Here](#)

### **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, [click here](#). (NOTE – this document has been corrected since last week.)

### **KIK Texting App Poses Risks**

The Shorewood School District Administrative team has become aware of some dangers associated with the popular texting app, KIK. Please read [this statement](#) on the district's website for more information.

### **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 [travel 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 [antoinedavissr@yahoo.com](mailto:antoinedavissr@yahoo.com).

### **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/](http://www.facebook.com/groups/62097239362/).

### **Raise Money for SEED while You Shop Online**

- Use [GoodSearch.com](http://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](http://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](#).