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SHS PARENT ASSOCIATION BULLETIN

April 18, 2012

Upcoming Calendar Items

- April 18 <u>Budget Town Hall Meeting</u> 6:30 PM SHS Library
- April 21 Shorewood Connects Spring Yard Cleanup Register by April 17
- April 24 School Board Meeting <u>agenda will be posted here</u>
- April 28 SHS Prom
- May 7-18 Advanced Placement Testing see schedule students must have pre-registered

Note from the Editor

In last week's note I pointed out that I had particularly enjoyed putting together that bulletin, as there were so many congratulations and kudos in that edition. (And there are more great ones this week too!) I do enjoy sharing the accomplishments of SHS students with you – they are worth being celebrated! But, on a different, yet related note, while cleaning of my filing cabinet last week, I came across some parenting articles I had filed away when my kids were young. And one in particular, I've always remembered, and tried to keep in mind – its main point is that "good kids" don't have to be superstars to become good people. And we ought to be proud of and celebrate ALL of our "good kids". You can read the column here. (Excuse the sad quality of the copy – even my brand new scanner couldn't correct all the yellowing, and wrinkles in a 15 year old newspaper clipping – but it is definitely readable.) So while I can't list everyone's name in the kudos section of the bulletin – I am fully aware, as no doubt are you - that SHS is loaded with good kids, who are well on their way to becoming good adults!

Debbie Eder

SHS Parent Bulletin Editor

P.S. Happy 24th wedding anniversary to my hubby – I love my new scanner! (All he got was a card.)

P.P.S. – If you were too busy packing for spring break to read last week's bulletin, and are wondering what kudos you missed, you can view the 4-4-12 bulletin here.

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.

News & Announcements

Is Your Teen Looking for a Summer Job?

We are compiling a list of SHS students and recent alumni who are looking for summer employment. Specifically we are thinking of babysitters, gardeners, tutors, dog-walkers, etc. If your teen would like to put an ad in our listing, have them send it to news.shsparentassn@gmail.com by April 22. The ad should be worded exactly as they want it to appear. Note – the listing will be posted on the Parent Association website, and links to it will be provided in future bulletins. However, since it will be online, your child should not include information that they do not want to appear online – they may want to provide first name only, email contact rather than cell phone, etc. (Our website does not get a lot of traffic, but better to err on the side of caution.)

Boston Store Community Days Coupon Books - Save Money and Support the Boys Basketball Team

The Shorewood boys basketball program is selling Boston Store community days coupon books for April 27 and 28. For \$5 (all goes towards boys basketball program), you receive a coupon booklet valuing up to \$225. You receive a coupon for \$10 off a regular or sale price item priced over \$10. There are many other coupons in the booklet. To purchase, contact any of the boys basketball players.

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:

- Sign up for intramural bowling in the recreation department office
- This week is "Week of Change" each day we will focus on one of "Rachel's Challenges"
- Best of luck to the Forensic Team members that are going to the State Tournament
- Please do not stream you tube videos or play games, unless necessary for school work. We have exceeded our maximum bandwidth. See Ms. Hersch in the library if you have questions.
- AP Test Takers must attend a pre-administration session in the cafeteria during reading break Srs. A-K on Thursday, Srs. L-Z on Friday, Sophomores and Juniors on Monday.
- Peer Mentors are hosting after school games such as relay races. Sign up your team of 4 (one member from each grade) in the Student Support Services Office.
- Come in and see the display of new books in the library!
- Boys baseball players open gym Sundays at the Pumping Station from 10:00-11:30.
- As always, numerous Club and Group Meetings including: Amnesty International, Gay-Straight Alliance, Art Club, AFS, Stock Club, and Guatemala Club.

District, Village & Community Announcements

Summer Enrichment Activities

Advanced Learning Coordinator, Jennifer Cosgrove has compiled a list of summer enrichment activities to compliment those compiled earlier by the SHS Parent Association. <u>View the list of additional activities here</u>. (The list compiled by the Parent Association was sent as an attachment to previous emails.)

Athletic News & Highlights

View Spring Athletic Schedules at:

http://www.shsparentassn.com/uploads/6/1/2/5/6125612/2012 shs spring schedules.pdf.

Athletic Results

View upcoming athletic events and results of recent athletic events on the Shorewood <u>Booster Club's Athletic Director page</u>.

Congratulations, Kudos & Thank You's

Rashad Packer, SHS Junior, Selected to Olympic Development Soccer Team

Rashad Packer, Junior at Shorewood High School has been selected as a member of the Wisconsin ODP 1995 Boys State team. The Region II Event will be held July 13-15, 2012 in Rockford, Illinois.

He has worked hard over the past year to achieve this goal. The Wisconsin State team of 18 players and those from 13 other state US Youth Soccer ODP teams will play and train in front of Regional and college coaches during the Region II camp. To prepare for the upcoming Region II Event players will participate in numerous trainings and scrimmages for their age group. **Congratulations Rashad!**

Two SHS Students are Members of the Milwaukee County Youth Task Force!

Rashad Packer and Helena Rose, students at Shorewood High School have been selected to be members of the Milwaukee County Youth Task Force! The Milwaukee County Youth Task Force was created to give young people a voice on how Milwaukee County government can better serve them.

The Milwaukee County Youth Task Force will meet bi-weekly for a total of 11 meetings to discuss programs and services for young people in Milwaukee County. The goal is to have a report completed by the end of August, and the Youth Task Force findings will be presented to the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors during the September Board Meeting.

The following is a list of some of the services the Youth Task Force will be looking into: • Youth violence prevention • Parks and recreation activities • Youth Sports Authority • Public transit • Children's court programming and youth services • The creation of a youth county government program • County sponsored youth employment opportunities Congratulations

Rashad and Helena – We know you will serve Milwaukee County Well!

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.

Budget Town Hall Meetings

As the budget process continues, be informed and participate in the process: attend a Town Hall Meeting. Superintendent Blane McCann and Business Manager Mark Boehlke will host two Town Hall Meetings to review the 2012-2013 <u>budget</u> recommendations that were presented to the school board on March 27.

Meeting Dates:

- Tuesday, April 3 at 6:30 p.m. in the Lake Bluff Library
- Wednesday, April 18 at 6:30 p.m. in the SHS Library

All parents and community members are encouraged to attend.

School Board Documents

Note that you may use the link provided above to view the budget recommendations made at the school board meeting. School Board documents are always available by going to https://v3.boardbook.org/Public/PublicHome.aspx?ak=1000450, clicking on the meeting for which you are interested and then clicking on the agenda packet for that meeting.

Prom Information

- Prom will be held at the Renaissance Place on April 28.
- Prom is open to Juniors and Seniors and their guests. (Students bringing a guest who is not an SHS student must submit a guest approval form by April 20.)
- Prom is from 8:00 pm to 11:30 pm. Post prom is from 11:30 pm to 2:00 am in the same location
- Prom tickets cost \$45 each this week. Price increases by \$5 each week. Tickets are \$50 this week (April 16-20)
- The Grand March is an opportunity for parents to view the students as they enter the ballroom you won't want to miss this opportunity to see the teens all dressed up and all grown up.
 - o The Grand March begins at 8:45, Parents may arrive at 8:30
 - Tickets to the Grand March cost \$5 each and will be sold at school on April 17 and 19

Support the SHS Mock Trial Team

Please consider supporting the highly successful SHS Mock Trial Team. If you work with a law firm please consider asking your firm to support this law education program. If you are a parent or supporter of Mock Trial please consider helping out as an individual. In addition to learning about law and courtroom procedures, Mock Trial participants gain

invaluable public speaking experience, quick thinking skills and much more. Help this program stay alive and vibrant at SHS! Read more about how to assist here.

Grade Point Averages

To determine a student's semester or cumulative grade point average, <u>use these instructions</u>. If you still have questions, contact your student's guidance counselor.

ACT Workshop - Offered by the Recreation Department

Students will gain direct experience with each of the four multiple choice sections of the ACT. They will become familiar with the types of questions they will encounter on the tests as well as learn a variety of strategies to attack those questions. The instructor has 18 years experience successfully preparing students to take the ACT. This course is for high school juniors and seniors. The class will be taught by Fred Silver and take place on Wednesdays from April 18 – May 30 from 6:30-8:30 PM in SIS room 312. To register or for more information contact the shorewood recreation department.

ACT: The Cambridge Approach

Improve your ACT score by at least 1 to 2.5 points? You will take both a pre- and post-test to help understand your growth within the program. If you haven't improved your score after taking this course (attending ALL sessions), you may join the next session for FREE! The course covers the four multiple-choice tests: English, Reading, Science and Math, plus writing and test anxiety. Two volume textbooks are included. Classes held: T, Apr 24-May 29, 5:30pm-8:00pm

Pre-test (required): Sat, Apr 14, 8:00am-12:00pm Post-test (included): June 2, 8:00am-12:00pm For more information click here.

Shorewood Connects – Spring Yard Clean Up: Teen – Family - Adult Volunteer Opportunity – April 21

Volunteers are needed for the Shorewood Connects Spring Yard Clean-Up on Saturday, April 21st (9 til noon) to benefit older adults and disabled adults in the Village. This is a great opportunity for teens, families and adults. (Note NHS members can usually earn service hours for this project.) Please register no later than April 17th by contacting Sue Kelley skelley1@wi.rr.com or (414) 961-7262.

Recreation Department Summer Bulletin is Available

View the Recreation and Community Services Summer Bulletin at <u>www.shorewoodrecreation.org</u>. Online registration begins for residents on April 16 and for non-residents on April 20. Paper and Phone registration begins on April 30 for residents and May 2 for non-residents.

Wish List Items

Swing with Shorewood was a wonderful success on March 10th raising more than \$88,000 to support our schools. If you were unable to attend but would still like to help, here is the principal's "Wish List" by school. If you would like to donate and make some principals' "dreams come true" please send a check made out to SEED in any amount to 2618 E. Shorewood Blvd. In the memo section of your check, please notate what school or schools' wish list you are supporting. To view each school's wish list, click here.

College Planning Information

We've revised the SHS Parent Association's Guide to College Planning. We know that at this time of year many juniors (and their parents) are beginning the search in earnest and that many sophomores (and their parents) are beginning to think about what they will need to do next year to prepare for the college search and application process. View the revised guide here.

Hershey Track Meet

Coed, Age 9 – 14

Local Qualifying Meet for District Hershey Meet for ages 9-14 will be held on the SHS track at 4:00 pm on Friday, May 11. To register, return the 2012 Hershey Track & Field form to the Shorewood Recreation Department by Monday, May 7 at Noon. Event options are determined by age division. The Recreation Department must verify your child's date of birth from your child's ORIGINAL birth certificate at the office. No copies of the birth certificate will be accepted. For more information contact the <a href="https://www.shorewood.com/shorewood.com

Travel Release Form

Parents of atheltes – 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.)

Summer Athletic Opportunities from the Recreation Department

The Shorewood Recreation Department will be offering the following this summer

- Fastpitch (Girls) Softball teams that will play at least 15 games both in Shorewood and in around the North Shore. Practices will begin mid to late may and the season will go until the end of July. (Ages 10-14) Also, there is a Fastpitch Clinic for grades 3-8.
- Youth Basketball Summer League for grades 5-9. Starting this summer, the Shorewood Basketball Association (SBA) will be under the supervision of the Shorewood Recreation Department. These summer basketball leagues are being run as a feeder program to further prepare our youth for basketball when entering high school. Depending on enrollment, we may need to hold evaluation practices to determine player skill level and what basketball league or setting is most appropriate for each participant. This program will require travel to Cedarburg for league games. The earliest game time is 5:30 pm. Each team will play 2 games per night.

For more information on either program visit the **Shorewood Recreation Department website**.

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.