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SHS PARENT ASSOCIATION BULLETIN

April 4, 2012

Upcoming Calendar Items

- April 4 District Orchestra Festival – 7 PM – SHS Arena
- Apr 6-13 Spring Break
- April 17 School Board Meeting – [agenda will be posted here](#)
- April 17 Cap & Gown Distribution
- April 18 Budget Town Hall Meeting – 6:30 PM – SHS Library
- April 21 Shorewood Connects – Spring Yard Cleanup – Register by April 17
- April 24 School Board Meeting – [agenda will be posted here](#)
- April 28 SHS Prom

Note from the Editor

I hope you enjoy reading this edition of the bulletin as much as I enjoyed putting it together. There are lots of kudos and congratulations this week, and that's one of my favorite parts! If you know of more – send them to me. And don't be shy about letting me know when your own child has done something that ought to be celebrated in the bulletin.

I was joking with some of the staff last week that “school teachers and administrators are the only people who hope for lousy spring weather”. Not sure how true that is – but we all know that there is a direct correlation between good weather and spring fever. When we return from break, there will only be 7 weeks of class left – but it's not time for our teens to “check out” yet. Seven weeks is close to a full quarter – so help them stay on task for these final weeks. That being said – enjoy the spring, enjoy your break and encourage your student to come back and finish strong.

Debbie Eder
SHS Parent Bulletin Editor

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

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.
- 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.
 - 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

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, etc. If your teen would like to put an ad in our listing, have them send it to

news.shsparentassn@gmail.com by April 20. 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.)

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, 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, [use these instructions](#). If you still have questions, contact your student's guidance counselor.

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 to participate in Buzz Cuts for Cancer – sign up sheet is in the office
- Pledge towards Mr. Joynt's buzz cut – if he receives \$2500 in pledges he'll participate!
- Peer Mentors Meeting
- Stock Club will have a guest speaker – all are welcome.
- Meeting for those interested in open gym basketball during lunch
- Seniors – turn in your photos for the senior slide show!
- Volunteer Shorewood is going to the homeless shelter "The Gathering". Sign up to join us.
- Congrats to Science Club Members who competed at State Science Olympiad. Tim Perry and Nori Moy placed in their event. Eight SHS girls took 1st and 2nd in the ROTC Challenge.
- Seniors – order your t-shirts
- Baseball – information/parent meeting – April 4 – 6 PM – SIS Commons
- Congrats to Cat Erba and Maja Ivanovic who won the Pegasus Poetry Contest
- Prom Tickets cost \$45 this week. The price increases \$5 per week from now until prom.
- New Club Forming – Ck 4 Youth Network – dedicated to making Shorewood a kinder place. All are welcome.
- Art Café – Illustrator Carol Schwartz will be speaking about her work with children's books.
- Gay-Straight Alliance is working on plans for National Day of Silence.
- As always, numerous Club and Group Meetings including: Ignatus, Thespians, Best Buddies, Photography Club, Art Club, Gay-Straight Alliance, Bible Study.

District, Village & Community Announcements

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.](#)

Lake Bluff Teacher, Sachin Pandya, Awarded Kohl Fellowship

Congratulations to Mr. Pandya. Read more at <http://shorewood.patch.com/articles/sachin-pandya-awarded-kohl-fellowship-for-creative-teaching-at-lake-bluff>.

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 Shorewood [Booster Club's Athletic Director page](#).

Spring Sports begin in March

- Check the [district calendar](#) for start dates for each sport
- See the [calendar of wiaa dates](#) including post season dates as well as start dates for all sports, all seasons.

Congratulations, Kudos & Thank You's

Katie Koester, SHS Senior, Sings on Grammy Winning Album!

Congratulations to Katie Koester, who was a cast member in the Florentine Opera Company's production of Elmer Gantry. The album won TWO Grammy Awards (and was nominated for a third!) Katie's voice is part of the production. Read more [about the production and the recording here](#). And read [about the Grammy win here](#).

Katie has also been selected as a 2012 National YoungArts winner in the Voice Category! YoungArts is a national organization that recognizes and supports the country's most talented 15-18 years in visual, literary and performing arts.

SHS Boasts Top Scorer in Qualifying Round of US National Chemistry Olympiad

SHS student **Emilie Lozier** was just recognized as a top scorer on the qualifying round of the US National Chemistry Olympiad exam. 126 first and second year students from 16 schools across Southeastern WI competed for the opportunity to join the US National Team. Emilie earned second place in the first year student division.

Two SHS Students are National Scholastic Art Winners

SHS is honored to have two national Scholastic Art winners this year! **Marcus Hoffman** earned a Gold Medal for his monoprint "Protector" and **Theresa Le** earned a Silver Medal for her acrylic painting "Imani". Marcus' artwork will be sent to NYC's Parsons The New School For Design for display with the other Gold Medal winners in both art and writing. All winners will be recognized at a ceremony at Carnegie Hall in early June.

SHS Represented at Job Olympics

A number of students represented Shorewood High School in the Job Olympics on Thursday. The Job Olympics is a program comparable to the Special Olympics, but features competition in job skills. A majority of the students returned home with medals!

SHS Sophomore Earns First Place in Engineering Fair Physics Category

Anjana Murali won first place in the Badger State Science and Engineering Fair in the Physics category last weekend. Among the nearly 70 participants who participated from all over the state, her project was ranked in the top 5! Anjana also won the Best Materials Science Project Award for her project, which involves trying to find an alternative source of energy from crystals.

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.

*******Reminders from Prior Weeks*******

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 [budget 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.

Cap & Gown Distribution – April 17

Jostens will be in the administration building lobby during lunchtime on April 17 to distribute caps/gown/announcements for graduation. Seniors should bring their balance owed in the form of a cashier's check or money order made out to Jostens, a credit card, or cash in exact change only. Jostens no longer accepts personal checks.

Prom Information

- Prom tickets went on sale the week of March 26 for \$40 each. Note that the price will INCREASE by \$5 each week from now until prom – students should save some money and buy their tickets early.
- Grand March Tickets (for parents to view the Grand March at the beginning of prom) will be sold for \$5 on April 17 and April 19.
- Students who plan to bring a guest who does not attend SHS should complete the guest approval form and submit it by April 20. Forms are available in the office.
- More information will be coming soon.

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AFS Hosting Opportunity

AFS hosting opportunities still exist for the 2012-2013 school year. There are two slots left at Shorewood High School. Please contact faculty advisor Brian Schulteis, or AFS Club presidents Brian Helme and Annaliese Mueller with questions. Or, go directly to <http://www.afsusa.org/host-family/apply/> to file a host family interest form!

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 www.shorewoodrecreation.org. 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.](#)

North Shore Parent Network Announcements (Special Education Parent Group)

- The **Circles of Life annual family conference** registration is now open. <http://www.colwisconsin.org/>
- **I am Beautiful - Ariel's Story of determination, achievement and hope.**
A UWM graduate film student, Shu Ling, was captivated with SHS Student, Ariel. Shu Ling knew something was different about Ariel but didn't know what. As she learned about autism she was troubled by its tragic portrayal online and in film. Determined to paint a more positive picture, Shu Ling used Ariel Keane's family home and therapy videotapes and followed Ariel around twice a month over the course of a year. The result is the uplifting story, "I Am Beautiful". Please join us for this special showing - 6- 7:30 p.m. - Thursday, April 5th at the Milwaukee Center for Independence 2020 W. Wells, Milwaukee, WI Light refreshments provided. RSVP requested: 414-937-2030 or info@mcfi.net

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 [shorewood recreation department](#).

Study Abroad Program with AFS – Applications Due March 31 or April 16 – (depends on program/country)

To all students who are thinking of exploring a gap year, semester, year long, or summer AFS program - the time is NOW! March 31st is the deadline to apply for the 2012-2013 program.

To learn more - Go to: www.afsusa.org. Click on "Study Abroad". You'll see available programs and countries, and get scholarship information. Submit a preliminary application for the program of your choice. It's that easy.

Questions? See Mr. Schulteis, or your AFS Club presidents, Glenn Helme and Annaliese Mueller

**** Update - five AFS summer programs have extended their application deadlines to April--Italy, Spain, Costa Rica, France and Japan. Go to the AFS USA website for more information and to fill out an interest form--Applications must be Complete by April 16! (Others must be complete by March 31)

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.)

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](#).

District Art Show

The annual district art show is being held at the Shorewood Public Library now through April 14. It features works from students at each of the district schools. Stop in and see it!

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](#).