SHS PARENT ASSOCIATION BULLETIN

April 5, 2011

Note from the Editor

I hope everyone, parents and students had a great spring break. We are in the homestretch now! Only 9 weeks of school left, but who's counting?

These last few weeks of school always seem to fly by - as they are filled with so many "end of year" events – concerts, drama productions, banquets, awards, and so much more. It's all good stuff – but there is a LOT of it! And for upperclassmen, one of the most exciting of these events is prom. Parents of Juniors and Seniors, you've been asked to consider helping out with prom, and I want to make my personal plea to you here. Post prom is "hosted" by the Junior Class Parents. This means, that a small army of dedicated junior class parents is working hard to make sure that the evening continues to be fun so that students will want to stay in a supervised, safe and FUN environment. To do this the committee needs both donations and chaperones. Please consider helping out – don't make them beg and plead – rounding up all these people and stuff is really a thankless job, but it is so very necessary. So if you haven't offered to help out yet – with time, money or prizes - please read below as to how you can do so. Every little bit helps!

Debbie Eder SHS Parent Bulletin Editor

UPCOMING EVENTS

School & Student Dates to Note

- Apr 5 <u>Election Day</u>.... **TODAY**
- Apr 7 District Orchestra Festival
- Apr 8 Prom Tickets on Sale for \$40. After April 8 price is \$50.
- Apr 11 Revised Budget Recommendations to be presented to the Finance Committee
- Apr 13 Parent Forum Risky Behavior in Shorewood
- Apr 14 Town Hall Meeting re. 2010-2011 budget (to be repeated April 19)
- Apr 16 Prom (note this is the CORRECT date.... it has been published incorrectly in some places)
- Apr 19 Town Hall Meeting re. 2010-2011 budget (Also April 14)
- Apr 22 No School

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- Unsubscribe or change your email address see link at the very bottom of this email

ACTION ITEMS, UPCOMING EVENTS & "LAST CHANCE" REMINDERS

Election Day - TODAY - APRIL 5

Polls open 7 AM – 8 PM

- Wards 1-4 vote at the Shorewood Village Center (lower level of the library)
- Wards 5-8 vote at SHS in the North Gym
- Wards 9-12 vote at SIS in the Gym
- To determine where YOU vote (many of us have had our polling places changed in the last year)
 View the voting ward map at http://www.villageofshorewood.org/vertical/Sites/%7B5230848F-4209-4497-9E80-89EC90BA64AE%7D/uploads/%7B2295F792-83A7-471F-8FC3-17F6555D8A08%7D.PDF.
- Remember, in addition to many public offices, this election includes a school referendum, for more information on the referendum:
 - Visit the school district home webpage <u>www.shorewoodschools.org</u>
 - Visit the <u>Friends of Shorewood Schools</u> website. This partisan group has a detailed explanation of the referendum in their FAQ section.
 - Read a letter from Paul Zovic, School Board President <u>click here</u>.
 - See the flyer from Friends of Shorewood Schools
 - The tax implications of the referendum are a maximum of \$63 for a home valued at \$300,000

Parent Support Needed - Post Prom - April 16

Post Prom is held immediately after Prom, in the same location as prom. In fact, it looks and feels a lot like prom. The difference between prom and post prom is that junior class parents take over most of the chaperone duties and donations cover the expenses related to that portion of the evening. The purpose of post prom is to keep our teens happily entertained in a safe environment well into the evening. Parent help is needed to achieve this goal.

- Junior Class Parents More Chaperones are Needed! For more information click here.
- All Parents Donations are Needed. Please Consider contributing a few dollars (or more) or a raffle prize (big
 or small). This is important as the food and prizes that are available during post prom are what helps to entice the
 kids to stay! For more information click here.

Prom and Post Prom - April 16

Ticket Sales: While plans for prom and post prom are well underway with a committee of volunteers led by teachers Mary Kay Anderson & Julie Grisar and parent Bonnie Adams, many students have yet to purchase their tickets. No doubt, this is due to the timing of spring break in relation to prom, but if your junior or senior child is planning to attend and has not yet purchased their ticket, please encourage them to do so asap. Tickets will be on sale this Friday, April 8 during lunch for \$40 each. Next week, the cost will be \$50.

Logistics and Timing: Prom and Post Prom will be held at Renaissance Place (1451 N. Prospect Ave.) on April 24. Prom, a school sponsored event is from 8:30-11:30. Post Prom, held at the same location from 11:30pm - 2:00 am, is sponsored by parents of the junior class. Note: parents of students who arrive late or leave early, will be notified. Details of this will be provided in a letter to be mailed home to those students with prom tickets. (Note, if your child purchases their ticket after April 12, the letter will be given to the child to be delivered to you, rather than mailed.) Please read this letter carefully as it has important information!

Grand March: Parents are invited to attend the Grand March, which is a fun opportunity to see the students "all grown up and cleaned up" in their prom attire. Spectator tickets for the grand march cost \$5 for each and can be purchased during the lunch hour in room 130 (foods room) on April 8, 12 & 14 in foods room. Doors open for the grand march at 9:30 pm, and the march will begin at 9:45 pm. Of course, the proceeds help offset the cost of prom.

Summer ACT Test Prep Class

Students are now able to register for the Summer 2011 ACT Prep Class that UWM is offering through College for Teens. The class will be held July 25 through August 5, M-F, 2:00-4:00 p.m. The pre- and post-assessments will be scheduled following registration.

There are DPI scholarships available, which will cover the cost of the class, but they're limited. You'll need to speak with College for Teens regarding current availability. The class fee without a scholarship is \$185.

If you have any questions about this program, please contact College for Teens at 414.227.3360. Or you may visit the following website: http://www4.uwm.edu/SCE/course.cfm?id=14842

2011-2012 School District Budget Process Continues*

All community members are invited to attend the District's next series of finance and budget meetings.

- Monday March 21 Budget Recommendations to the Finance Committee of The School Board.
 6:30 PM SIS (Intermediate School) Commons
- Monday, April 11 (post referendum vote): Superintendent McCann will present revised 2011-2012 Budget Recommendations to the Finance Committee of The School Board.
 6:30 PM SIS (Intermediate School) Commons
- Thursday, April 14: Town Hall Meeting to answer questions and provide feedback
 6:30 p.m. in the SHS Library
- Tuesday, April 19: Town Hall Meeting to answer questions and provide feedback
 6:30 p.m. in the Atwater Cafetorium

Please know there are still a large number of unknowns regarding next year's budget including passage of the district's referendum, state budget bill changes and timing of the passage of a budget bill.

LOOKING AHEAD & GENERAL INFORMATION

Save the Date - SHS Drama Presents RAGTIME May 6, 7, 8, 12, 13 & 14 - Tickets on Sale Now

Tickets for the SHS Musical, Ragtime, are now available online at www.shorewooddrama.org. Admission is \$12 for adults and \$10 for seniors, students, and children. Performances will be Friday, May 6 at 8 pm; Saturday, May 7 at 8 pm; Sunday, May 8 at 2 pm; Thursday, May 12 at 7:30; Friday, May 13 at 8 pm; and Saturday, May 14 at 8 pm. To purchase tickets online, use the above link and click on "box office".

Summer Engineering Academies - offered for Students K-12 at Marquette University

There are several engineering programs for high school students offered at Marquette University this summer. If your child is interested, you may find the brochure here.

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:

- Buzz Cuts for Cancer Pledge Sheets in the Office
- Sophomores and Juniors interested in being peer mentors should see Mrs. Kluck for an application
- Penny Wars to support Clark Street School
- MATC is offering a free culinary camp this summer see Mrs. Anderson
- There is still time to join the prom decorating committee
- If you are 18 and need to know how to register to vote, information is available in the front lobby during lunch
- Girls still time to join soccer
- Baseball players come to a meeting to choose new uniforms
- Boys & Girls Basketball players turn in your uniforms
- Grab a good book in the library we've got new books, audio books and items recommended by your peers
- As always, numerous club and group meetings including: Amnesty International, Stock Club, Graphics Club, Scrabble Club, Gay Straight Alliance, Volunteer Shorewood, Bible Study, Robotics, Airsoft, Science Olympiad

CONGRATULATIONS, KUDOS AND THANK YOU'S

SHS Students Perform at District Solo and Ensemble

Band, Choir and Orchestra students participated at the District Solo and Ensemble Festival in March. Results include the following:

- Band The SHS Band had 15 events in last Saturday's Solo & Ensemble Festival, at Hamilton High School, in Sussex. Of these, 7 qualified for the State Festival, at UWM, on April 30.
- Choir The Shorewood Choirs had 42 students in grades 7-12 participated in District Solo & Ensemble Festival
 at Hamilton High School in Sussex. It was a terrific day and Mr. Clark was very proud of the students efforts. The
 kids performed very well and their hard work resulted in 88% of vocal events earning a division 1 rating of some
 kind, including 20 events or 66% of them advancing to State Solo & Ensemble on April 30 at UWM.
 Congratulations to the following state qualifying students.

The SHS Chamber Singers, SIS Kantorei and SHS Concert Choir Madrigal and the following solo and small group participants: Emme B, Seth B, Ana B, Henry C, Haley D, Maddie F, Abbey G, Lydia H, Martha H, Deme H, Maggie H, Sofia J, Drew K, Lauren K, Katie K, Ben K, Hannah M, Molly S, Casey T, Ryan T,

Orchestra – look for more information in a future bulletin

Table Tennis Team Earns 3rd Place at State Championship

The SHS Table Tennis team took home a third place trophy at the State High School Table Tennis Championship, where they competed against 15 other teams from 6 different schools. New Berlin Eisenhower took first place defeating Madison West (second place) in the finals in a close, dramatic doubles match. Shorewood defeated Whitefish Bay in a team match. The Shorewood Table Tennis Club hosts a High School meet in the Fall and the State Championships in the Spring. Shorewood High School team members include: The SHS Table Tennis Team consists of Marshal M (12th grade), Jom S (12th), Yee W (10th), Austine Y (10th), and Team Captain Nori M (9th).

Students Win Medals at the "Job Olympics"

Congratulations to the following students who won medals at the Job Olympics: Ben P, Collin B, John C, Ariel K, Shannon R, Caitlin N, Tim M, Alex K and Gina G.

*** 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.

IN THE NEWS

When you have time, take a look at some of these articles about our district, our school and our teens.

ATHLETIC NEWS AND HIGHLIGHTS

Congratulations to the following winter athletes who received SHS awards this year:

Boy's Swim

Scholar Athlete - Isaac F-M Most Valuable - Kasmir B Greyhound Award - Andrew E Most Improved - Henry S Most Dedicated - Jay T

Boy's Basketball

Varsity Most Valuable - Deion J-B Varsity Most Improved - Donovan F Chairman of the Boards - Bobby K JV Most Valuable - Alec G JV Most Improved - Michael M JV Chairman of the Boards - Harvey B Freshman Most Valuable - Anthony B Freshman Most Improved - Ben S Freshman Leadership Award - Josh K

Girl's Basketball

Greyhound Award - Jenny V Most Valuable - Mary L Most Improved - Bella N Defensive Specialist - Johnna O Most Dedicated - Abby P

Gymnastics

Most Valuable - Lily B Most Improved - Carissa C Greyhound Award - Erin V Co-Rookie of the Year - Anna N-M & Carolyn M

REMINDERS FROM PRIOR WEEKS YOU CAN STOP READING NOW IF YOU AREN'T INTERESTED IN REPEATS

RISKY BEHAVIORS IN SHOREWOOD:

What Do We Know About Our Teens And How Should We Respond?

Wed. April 13 (three days before Prom!) 7:00 - 9:00 pm - SHS Auditorium Building - Studio Theater In 2009, Shorewood High School students participated in an "Online Youth Risk Behavior Survey" intended to gather information about behaviors related to sex, use of drugs and alcohol, bullying, nutrition, and suicide.

Please join us for a presentation and discussion about the results of this survey, teen growth and development, and typical parental responses to these behaviors. Parents are encouraged to submit questions/comments in advance in order to protect family privacy. Read more about how to submit questions and about the format of what promises to be a thought-proving evening.

Questions? Contact: Sue Kelley at: skelley1@wi.rr.com, or Gretchen Miller at gretmil@wi.rr.com

Volunteer Opportunity for STUDENTS – Battle of the Books – April 14

Lake Bluff School is hosting the annual regional Battle of the Books Competition, which means they need a small army of volunteers to help out. The event will take place on April 14, and in addition to being available for an hour or two on April 14, volunteers will need to attend a short (1 hour) training session, at a date to be determined.

Lake Bluff organizers would love to have high school students help out with this – Battle of the Book Alums may particularly enjoy helping out at the event, but it is open to all – and the volunteer time will count towards service hours. If your child is interested, please contact Stephanie Snyder ASAP at rssnyderfamily@sbcglobal.net.

Scholarship Information

Student Support Services continues to post some scholarship information on the "school bulletin" section of <u>powerschool</u>. Additionally, they recommend <u>www.fastweb.com</u> as an excellent scholarship database.

SHS Student Collecting Household Items for Refugees

Alex M, SHS Junior, is organizing a collection of household items to provide to refugees from around the world who have fled conflict, oppression and violence to find a new life in Milwaukee. He is doing this in conjunction with the Lutheran Social Services, an organization for which he has volunteered for the past 3 years. Please <u>review the flyer</u> to see what items you may be able to donate to help Alex with his goal of assisting those in need. The flyer also has information about when and where to send your donations.

Raise Money While You Shop Online

Don't Forget to use GoodSearch.com and Raise Money for SEED while you shop, by doing your online shopping with www.goodsearch.com. GoodSearch is powered by yahoo – all you have to do is choose ShorewoodSEED as your favorite cause, and then search the internet just like you normally would. For more information, click here.

Donate your Used Books!

Don't forget to donate your used books for the Spring Book Sale to be held on May 21. A Collection box is in the SHS office. If you have a large (or even medium) donation, contact Carrie Wetstein at cwettstein@sbcglobal.net to arrange for pick up. Additionally, collection boxes will be available in the auditorium lobby during SHOUT!

LOOKING FOR MORE DISTRICT NEWS?

- Sign up for the district e-newsletter. (This is bulletin from the district is separate from the email you are reading, which is published by the parent association.) Look for the "sign up" link at the bottom of the left hand column on the School District's home web page.
- Follow the District on Twitter. http://twitter.com/shorewoodlearns.

RENTAL SPACE

Looking for space for your next meeting or performance? SDS has a beautiful theater, arena and other spaces for rent. Contact our Rec. Dept. at 414.963.6913 ext. 4 for more info.

HELPFUL LINKS

Click here to find links to:

- District Information home page, twitter, staff directory, recreation department and more
- SHS Information home page, student/parent handbook, curriculum handbook, activity code, support services (formerly quidance), and more
- Parent and Student Organizations Athletic Booster Club, SAFE, SEED, Shorewood Orchestra, Student Newspaper and more
- Athletic Information conference schedules, WIAA and more
- Community Pages ShorewoodNOW, Shorewood Patch, Shorewood Today, Shorewood Village, Shorewood BID, Shorewood Public Library
- Powerschool
- Wiscareers
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