\*\*\* This is a corrected/updated version of the email that was sent May 13\*\*\*

#### Changes include:

- a corrected email address for photo submissions
- more precise wording about the cost of the event
- information for families for whom the senior celebration may present a financial hardship
- an updated email address for people who have questions about graduation tickets.
- Links have been added for some of the documents

Dear Parents of Soon to Be SHS Graduates,

Please read the following information carefully as there are some quick deadlines coming up.

Some of what follows is reminder information, some is new information, and some is a heads up about information you should be receiving this week. This is a busy time, but it is a good busy – all for a happy reason. Graduation – Celebration – Congratulations are all on the to do list in the next 4 weeks. Enjoy! And an early Congratulations to each of you! ~Debbie

#### SENIOR SLIDE SHOW - Photos Due Wednesday May 16 May 21

- Exciting News The students on the Copperdome staff have agreed to create a slide show for
  the senior celebration! This is a tight time frame for the video creators, so we need to get photos
  to them asap! Please submit individual and/or group photos of SHS class of 2014 students from
  early childhood through now to the <u>cdomeseniorpictures@gmail.com</u>. (Senior photos that you
  submitted to the yearbook staff in the fall are not needed.)
- Submissions should be sent to <a href="mailto:cdomeseniorpictures@gmail.com">cdomeseniorpictures@gmail.com</a> by 5:00 pm THIS Friday, May 16.
- When you submit your photos, please use "Senior Slide Show" as your subject line.

## **SENIOR CELEBRATION – May 31**

The annual SHS Senior Celebration is a joyous and sentimental event for graduating seniors and their parents to gather together as a group one last time before the students become alumni. You won't want to miss this! It's coming up quick, so get your payment and rsvp's in soon! Then get your cameras and tissues handy, you'll want them both for the event.

**Invitations were recently sent via email.** If you did not receive yours, please accept the committee's apologies (they are aware of some delivery issues), and consider this your invitation! Contact Becky Dennis at Rebecca.dennis@harley-davidson.com if you have questions. Some logistics to note:

- The Senior Celebration will take place on May 31 in the SHS Arena.
- The event will consist of dinner and a program from 6 pm to 8 pm and a dance from 8 pm to 11 pm. Parents will be excused after the first dance, which will be a parent-child dance.
- The cost is \$22 per person for those that will be attending the dinner. For students who are unable to attend the dinner, but would like to join their classmates for the dance, the cost is \$10
- If you'd like to contribute to a class gift that will be presented to the school by the SHS class of 2014, you may add that onto your check.
- Please RSVP via the email you received, and mail your payment. (If the evite did not make it to your inbox, then your payment will be considered your rsvp, but using the evite will help the committee with their headcount.)

- When you send your check, please include your child's name and the number of people who will be attending as well as the amount (if any) you are including for a class gift.
- Checks should be made payable to Shorewood High School and mailed to Becky Dennis 2014 E.
   Menlo Blvd. Shorewood WI 53211
- RSVP's and payment are due Thursday, May 22.
- Due to space constraints, this is a parent/guardian-senior event only. Unfortunately, siblings, grandparents and others cannot be accommodated.
- **WE WANT ALL SENIORS TO ATTEND!** If the Senior Celebration presents a financial hardship for any family, please contact SHS Principal Tim Kenney directly. You can stop by his office in the high school, you can email him at <a href="mailto:tkenney@shorewood.k12.wi.us">tkenney@shorewood.k12.wi.us</a> or you can call 414-963-6927.

The committee still needs people to assist with set up and decorating which will take place on Friday, May 30 at 5:30 pm. If you'd like to help, please contact Becky Dennis at Rebecca.dennis@harley-davidson.com. This always turns out to be a fun time with great people, and as we all know, many hands make light work – so if you are available please consider helping out with set up and decorations.

**Editor's Note:** I am frequently asked about the dress for this event. While there is a range of what people wear, in the past most of the girls have worn dresses or skirts and most of the boys have worn slacks and a nice shirt and many (maybe even most, but I'm not certain) have also worn a tie and/or a jacket.

## **GRAD GRAMS – Orders Due May 20**

**Editor's Note** – I've had several people ask me what grad grams are and if many parents send them. The answer to the second part is yes, in my experience, many families send at least a few grad grams – one to their own child and often to at least a few other graduates they know – some send to a small group and some to a large group or even the entire class. Some students send to their friends. Some parents send the order information to relatives so that messages from them can be included as well.

Now, how to describe them better than the promotional material does – I'm not so sure. Each graduate will receive a booklet. Each page of the booklet will have one grad gram – a message of congratulations and good wishes from a friend, family member, etc. The kids (and the parents) do enjoy looking through them, and they become sweet keepsakes. While they are offered as a band fundraiser, they really are a community service that happens to raise a bit of money for the Shorewood Bands. ~ Debbie

# Orders will be taken until May 20th.

- To learn more view this flyer
- To order online or to print a paper order form, go to <a href="http://shorewoodbands.org/gradgrams">http://shorewoodbands.org/gradgrams</a>.
- Be sure you don't miss anyone view a complete list of the SHS Class of 2014

If you have any questions, please send an email to <a href="mailto:shorewoodbandparentassn@gmail.com">shorewoodbandparentassn@gmail.com</a>.

### **GRADUATION LOGISTICS & PREPARATION**

Caps and Gowns have been distributed. If your child has not picked theirs up, they should see
Ms. Schneider in room 311. If they picked theirs up, but you have not seen it, you may to want
encourage them to pull it out of the bottom of their backpack, or bring it home from their locker.

- The school mailing that was sent May 14 included:
  - A letter about graduation to parents of seniors
  - The commencement schedule
  - o A letter to students from Mr. Kenney
  - o Senior Celebration Information
- Click here for the reminders from letter that was distributed to students in February
- Click here for a flyer about professional photographs
- Review all items carefully to be certain that you have all the information you need pertaining to;
  - Timing seating processional
  - Mandatory rehearsals
  - Photos

#### **GRADUATION TICKETS**

- Students will receive their tickets at the Thursday rehearsal. Tickets will NOT be given out before then.
- Each student will receive 5 tickets for the graduation ceremony. If additional tickets are needed, students will need to see Ms. Schneider, graduation coordinator, after graduation rehearsal on Thursday, June 13. Additional tickets will not be given out before then. Please note, additional tickets are limited and will be distributed as equitably as possible.
- If you will not be using all of your 5 graduation tickets, please give them to someone who will, or return them to Ms. Schneider so that she may give them to someone who is looking for them. (We don't want empty seats in the house when people who wanted to attend could not obtain a ticket.)
- Seating will be by assignment. You need not arrive early to get a "good" seat. But you must be in your seat by 7:50 in order to view the processional.
- Please note that your five tickets will not all be together. You will have 2 in one section of the auditorium and 3 in another. This ensures that one family isn't front and center while another is in the back corner.
- If any individual attending the graduation ceremony needs seating accommodations or has questions about tickets, please email Marie Schneider at <a href="mailto:mschneidershs@gmail.com">mschneidershs@gmail.com</a> or 262-309-2240, ASAP. (Email is preferred, and this email address is more preferred over her school email address.)

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