

# SHS PARENT ASSOCIATION

## WEEKLY BULLETIN

May 14, 2014

### Mark Your Calendars:

- May 15-17 Spring Musical – [West Side Story](#)
- May 14-15 [Online Book Fair](#)
- May 15 [Last Day to Opt Out of Jr. Year. P.E. Class for 2014-2015](#)
- May 16 [Cello Rock Quartet](#) – Orchestra Benefit
- May 17 Oakcrest 5-9 pm portion of proceeds go to SEED
- May 18 Chamber Orchestra Concert
- May 20 [Grad Gram Orders Due](#)
- May 20 [NHS Induction Ceremony](#)
- May 21 Buzz Cuts for Cancer – 2:15 Arena
- May 21 SHS Awards and Scholarships Night
- May 22 [Mental Health Awareness Event](#)
- May 27 School Board Meeting – [agenda will be posted here](#)
- May 28 [Finale Band Concert](#)
- May 30 [Music and More – SEED event](#)
- May 31 **DATE CHANGE** [Senior Celebration](#) – Date changed from original calendar

[Online Calendar](#) - [customizable](#)

### SENIOR INFORMATION EMAIL CORRECTION

The email address listed for submission of photos for the senior slideshow was incorrect. The correct email is: [cdomeseniortpictures@gmail.com](mailto:cdomeseniortpictures@gmail.com). (Editor's note – that was my error, sorry folks.) [Here is a link to a pdf version](#) of yesterday's email that **has this correction, a few other minor changes and new links** to some documents that are now available.

### Note from Mr. Kenney

SHS Families with Seniors - please look for important information regarding graduation tickets and the senior dinner/dance in the coming days. It will be delivered via the USPS mail.

Tim Kenney, SHS Principal

### Note from the Editor

If you didn't get a chance to see West Side Story last week, I encourage you to do so this week. Once again SHS drama has created a stellar show. The talent on stage is incredible and the hard work has paid off! Kudos to all the students involved in the show and to Mr. King, Mr. Spreadbury and countless others for harnessing the energy of 90 or so teenagers into such a unified and beautiful production.

Debbie Eder

SHS Parent Bulletin Editor

## SHS News & Announcements

### Juniors - College Letters of Recommendation

During two recent homeroom periods, juniors learned about requesting letters of recommendation for college applications. Please note the priority time for making requests is from May 15 to June 1. Students who make requests after June 1, may

find that their preferred teacher has already reached their limit. Note that there are **several steps that must be completed before a student may make a request of a teacher**. To learn how to request a letter of recommendation:

[Read this handout](#) that Juniors received in homeroom

[Watch the two videos](#) that students were shown during homeroom

If you are interested in what the recommendation forms look like, you may want to view the samples from the common application. (These are last year's forms, which may or may not be used again next year. Note schools that do not use the common application, will have their own forms, which may differ from these.)

[Sample teacher evaluation form](#)

[Sample school report form](#)

Reviewing these forms may influence which teacher your child chooses to ask for a recommendation.

### **Seniors – Graduation and Celebration Information**

Parents of Seniors should have received an email yesterday with information about the Senior Slide Show, The Senior Celebration, Graduation and Grad Grams. In addition you can expect to receive a mailing from school with more information on upcoming senior events. [You may click here to view a pdf version of that email, which has now been updated to include links to the letters that will be mailed home.](#)

### **Seniors Must Complete Survey Prior to Receiving Graduation Tickets**

During homeroom, seniors will receive information about the senior exit survey that they are required to submit by May 30 in order to receive their graduation tickets. The survey can be found on the family connection website, which they use their powerschool username and password to access. In order to accurately complete the survey they will need to gather information about their financial aid, scholarships and awards.

### **SHS Finale Band Concert – May 28**

On Wednesday, May 28, the Shorewood High School Band will present its Finale Concert, at 7:00 p.m., in the Shorewood High School Auditorium, 1701 East Capitol Drive. The program, which features the SHS Concert Band and Wind Ensemble, will include a performance of Arthur Pryor's Blue Bells of Scotland by senior Charles Stahl (trombone) and a combined finale performance of a medley of music commemorating the 150th anniversary of the Civil War. A brief awards ceremony and reception, honoring this year's Band students, will follow, shortly after the concert.

### **ACT Test Preparation**

The Shorewood Recreation and Community Services Department will be offering an ACT Workshop on Mon through Friday the week of June 16 from 10:00-11:30 am. The course is open to students entering 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grade and the cost is \$220 for residents and \$270 for non-residents.

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 20 years of experience successfully preparing students to take the ACT. This course is for high school juniors and seniors for the 2014-15 school year. For more information and to register visit the [Recreation and Community Services webpage](#).

### **Mental Health Awareness Event - Thursday, May 22**

There will be a mental health awareness fair, with booths from various mental health providers, professionals & community organizations, as well as a performance of Pieces- In My Own Voice, a play that specifically address ADHD, depression, post-traumatic stress, bipolar, schizophrenia, and suicide. We feel this is an appropriate play for SIS students with a parent/guardian. SHS students can attend alone, but we are strongly encouraging all students to attend with a parent/guardian if possible. The performance will be 35 minutes long, and a talkback session will be held afterwards. [Click here for more information.](#)

### **Current Seniors – Still Looking for a College?**

Some seniors may think that if they haven't been accepted or applied to a college by now that it isn't possible to attend college in the fall. Here is a link to review a list of colleges in the US that are still accepting applications and admitting students for the fall of 2014. [College Openings Update 2014](#)

### **Staff Appreciation Week Well Received**

Staff Appreciation Week was a huge success! Our teachers and staff were treated to breakfast, lunch, desserts, and gift card raffles. Thanks to all the parents who donated time, food and gift cards to make this week possible. Also, a special thanks to **Breadsmith** and **Colectivo** for their generous donations.

### **SHS Athletic News**

Sports Shorts – May 15 – [Shorewood NOW](#)

[Athletic Master Calendar](#)

[Individual Team Schedules](#)

### **Daily Announcements**

[Check announcements daily online](#) so you don't miss out on what's happening at school. They are cleared from the website every week. Snippets from recent announcements include:

- Girls do you have any summer plans yet? If you are interested in math or science, and helping others in Guatemala, you should check out Enquest. An all girls engineering camp from August 3-8. For more info talk to Mrs. Gryzbowski.
- Buzz Cuts is May 21 - start raising awareness
- Clubs and Groups: She's the First, Model UN, Chinese Club, Gay-Straight Alliance, Cupcake Club

## **Congratulations, Kudo's and Thank You's**

### **Two SHS Students Named National Merit Scholars!**

SHS is excited to announce that seniors Anjana Murali and Emilie Lozier have been named National Merit Scholars! Congratulations Anjana and Emilie!

### **SHS Junior Medals at Junior Olympics National Gymnastics Meet**

Congratulations to SHS Junior, Nick Busalacchi who took 3<sup>rd</sup> place on the vault at the Junior Olympics National Gymnastics Meet. Due to a shoulder injury, Nick had to perform modified routines on two events, but that didn't stop him from taking 46<sup>th</sup> place overall. Congratulations, Nick!

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

## **District and Community Announcements**

### **Spirit of Shorewood Awards**

Congratulations to former trustee and long time community volunteer Mike O'Brien, and to SHS Mock Trial Coach, Nathan Bayer who are the well deserved recipients of this year's Spirit of Shorewood Awards. [Read more in Shorewood NOW.](#) (*Editor's Note* – as a parent of two students who have participated in SHS Mock Trial, I am more than pleased to see coach Nathan recognized for his work with our students. He has been an incredible mentor and role model, while giving countless hours of time over the past dozen years.)

### **Oakcrest Tavern – Portion of Proceeds Goes to SEED – May 17**

Dine at Oakcrest Tavern on Saturday, May 17 between 5 pm and 9 pm and a portion of the proceeds will go to the Shorewood SEED Foundation! Happy 7<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, Oakcrest, and thank you for supporting Shorewood Schools!

### **District Start Time Survey Results**

[Click here to view the survey results](#) from the District survey that was conducted earlier this year in regards to our schools' daily start times.

### **School Board Standing Committees**

Have you ever wondered about the School Board's Standing Committees? You can learn more about them, and read recaps from their meeting, [on the district's website](#).

### **Atwater Principal Recommendation**

It has been recommended that Kayla Russick become the new principal of Atwater. The board is expected to have voted on this by the time you receive this email. [Read more here](#).

### **Just for Fun – The Eastside Turkey**

[Read about the Eastside Turkey](#) that has been spotted numerous times at SHS.

### **Recreation Department – Featured Programs**

#### **Tennis – Parent/Child Beginner - Grade 1 - Adult**

Come learn tennis with your child(ren). Learn the basics of forehand, backhand, volley and serve. Little to no experience is necessary for participants.

#### **Jr. Tennis Club**

##### **Grade 3 – 12**

The Junior Tennis Club features concentrated drills and competitive tennis against other clubs for those dedicated young players. Grade 3-5 will not play against other communities. Players MUST have had previous tennis lesson experience. Participation in league matches will be rotated among all players. Intermediate matches are on Wednesdays and high school matches are on Thursdays. We will have practice at SIS on days where our groups have a competition in another community. Limited school transportation will be provided. Parents will be needed to car pool to matches in the Greater Milwaukee Area. A t-shirt will be provided.

For more information and to register visit the [Recreation and Community Services webpage](#).

## **Past Bulletins, Bulletin Submissions, Etc.**

### **Do You Know Someone Who Should Be Added to this List?**

- Current parents and parents of alumni should [use this form](#)
- Community Members and staff should [use this form](#)

### **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.

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

### **Application to Opt Out of Junior Year Phy Ed Requirement – Due May 15**

The Shorewood School Board recently passed a policy allowing SHS students with junior or senior status to complete an additional credit in math, science, English or social studies in lieu of one credit of health education. To opt out of Junior Year

Lifetime Wellness (formally Lifetime Activities) students must meet specific requirements, [which can be found on the District blog](#). Any student interested in opting out for the 14-15 school year must submit an application to Mr. Kenney by May 15. [Click here to get an application](#).

### **Grad Grams – Orders Due May 20**

A Grad Gram is a great way to send all your favorite graduates a personalized note of congratulations. Send a message to one, a few, or the entire graduating class. Each member of the class of 2014 will receive their own booklet with messages written specifically to them. Be sure to have your message included in the booklets of your own children, their friends, your neighbors, the kids you've watched grow up, and those who you've chauffeured and fed over the years.

To learn more [view this flyer](#)

To order online or to print a paper order form, go to <http://shorewoodbands.org/gradgrams>.

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 us at [shorewoodbandparentasn@gmail.com](mailto:shorewoodbandparentasn@gmail.com).

### **Prom Photos**

Photos taken by the professional photographer at prom are now available online. To view and order copies, visit [www.lifetouchevents.com](http://www.lifetouchevents.com) and use PASSWORD: SHOREWOODPROM2014.

### **National Honor Society Ceremony – May 20**

The National Honor Society will hold its annual Induction and Recognition Ceremony on Tuesday, May 20 at 7:00 pm in the SHS Auditorium. Parents, if your student is being inducted or recognized, you will want to attend this event. [Learn more about the event, logistics and timing here](#).

### **Senior Celebration – Volunteer Opportunity**

The Senior Celebration Committee is looking for several volunteers to **assist with set up and decorating on May 30 at 5:30 pm**. Many hands makes light work, so please consider helping out with this fun activity. If you are interested, contact Becky directly at [Rebecca.Dennis@harley-davidson.com](mailto:Rebecca.Dennis@harley-davidson.com).

### **District May Newsletter**

You should have received the District's May Newsletter recently via email. If you missed it, you may [view it here](#).

### **See FROZEN on June 1 for FREE!**

SEED is hosting a FREE movie event for the families of Shorewood. All are welcome on Sunday June 1 at 2:00 pm in the SHS Auditorium. Doors open at 1:30, concessions will be available for sale, but admission is free! Questions? Email Tracey\_Grabowski@yahoo.com.

### **STEM Opportunities**

Ms. Cabaniss has created a STEM Opportunities web page with links to science, technology, engineering and math opportunities for students in and around Milwaukee. [Check it out](#), and check it often as she will regularly update it.

### **Barnes & Noble Book Fair May 10 at Bayshore (May 10-15 online)**

SEED's Barnes & Noble Book Fair will be on May 10 at Bayshore Mall. Please come in and stock up on summer reading materials. [Bring this voucher to use at check-out](#). To shop online, visit <http://www.barnesandnoble.com/bookfairs/> from May 10-15 and support us by entering Bookfair ID 11329521 at checkout.

### **Music & More - SEED Event on May 30**

Please mark your calendar for Music & More on Friday, May 30th at 7pm at the home of Pam & Paul Miller (2700 E. Shorewood Blvd). This is a new SEED event that will replace Wine & More.

The cost is \$50 per person, which includes wine, beer, hors d'Oeuvres and entertainment from some of Shorewood's most talented students. It will be a fun evening and raise funds to support Shorewood Public Schools. [RSVP online today!](#) Or mail contributions to: Melissa Nelsen, 2618 E. Shorewood Boulevard, Shorewood, WI 53211.

### **Hershey Track Meet**

The Hershey Track Meet for boys and girls ages 9-14 (age as of Dec 31) will be held on May 27 at the SHS Track. Local winners will advance to the district meet. More information and registration forms available at the recreation department.

### **West Side Story Tickets**

Tickets are now on sale for West Side Story. You can purchase them at [shorewooddrama.org](http://shorewooddrama.org).

### **Senior Celebration – \*\*\*\* DATE MAY 31 \*\*\*\***

One more time – parents of seniors – the Senior Celebration will be held on MAY 31. This annual dinner dance is a sentimental and joyous event that allows the senior class and their parents/guardians to come together one final time before the class of 2014 become SHS alumni. Mark your calendars!

### **Cello Rock Concert to Benefit SHS Orchestra – May 16**

On Friday, May 16, at 7 p.m. the cello rock quartet Break of Reality will be performing locally, with proceeds benefiting the Shorewood High School orchestra program. The performance, which is open to the public, will be held at Homestead High School in Mequon and will be free, although a \$5 donation is suggested. The band will also host a workshop with students at SHS earlier in the day. [Click here to read more about this great fundraiser.](#)

### **Registration for 2014-2015 School Year – Dates Changed**

SHS registration for the 2014-2015 school year will be held on August 14 from 3-7 p.m. and on August 15 from 8 a.m. until 12 p.m. Please note: This is a change from the original dates listed on the District calendar that was distributed at the beginning of the school year.

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### **District Website**

Shorewood Schools Website – [www.shorewoodschoools.org](http://www.shorewoodschoools.org)

### **Important Documents**

[Student/Parent Handbook](#) and/or [Curriculum Handbook](#)

[Activities Code of Conduct](#)

[Athletic Forms](#)

[Athletic Travel Release Form](#)

[Daily Bell Schedules](#)

### **District Communications**

[District Blog](#)

[School Board Meeting Recaps](#)

[District Monthly Bulletin “How are the Children”](#)

[Other District e-news archives](#)

[In the News](#)

### **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.](#)