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SHS PARENT ASSOCIATION BULLETIN

September 12, 2012

Calendar Items

- Sept 13 Picture Retake Day
- Sept 13 Parent (and student) Forum – [College Search and Application Process](#) **NEW TIME – 6:30**
- Sept 16 [Heart Auction](#)
- Sept 20 SHS Parent Open House (evening event for parents to follow students' daily schedule, meet teachers)
- Sept 24 School Board Annual Meeting
- Sept 25 Band Parent Meeting
- Sept 27 AFS Information Night – 7 PM – SHS Conference Room
- Sept 27 [NHS invitation letters to be distributed](#) to qualifying juniors
- Sept 28 [Senior Photos Due](#)
- Oct 1 [Youth Options](#) Application Deadline for Spring Semester
- Oct 5 Homecoming Parade and Football Game
- Oct 6 Homecoming Dance

A Note from the Editor

I'll keep my note short – because this is long bulletin. So much to report and share at the beginning of the year. If your child is a junior or a senior – they may already be missing out on visiting with college representatives that have been to SHS this week. Open House is just 8 days from now. And how could I resist including the article about the two SHS student who tutored Bhutanese refugees 3 days a week this summer! Oh..... and don't forget the Parent Forum is tomorrow night (Sept 13) at 6:30 PM. Come and learn about the College Search and Application Process from Jane Frederick, college counselor. And did you know that Messwood was the TMJ4 Friday Frenzy Team of the Week? All that and more in this week's bulletin! Read on.

~Debbie Eder, Parent Bulletin Editor

News & Announcements

Parent Open House – September 20

Parent Open House is scheduled for September 20. Typically the schedule goes like this:

- 5:30 Doors open for meet & greet, mingling and directory pick up
- 6:00 Zero hour begins for parents whose students have zero hour this semester
- 6:15 (approx) 1st hour begins – all parents should be at their child's first hour class
- 8:10 (approx) – 7th hour ends
- 8:15 (approx) – Presentation by student support services

Watch both your snail mail and your e-mail for a finalized schedule. Plan to enjoy an evening learning about your child's school day and each of their teachers' plans for the semester/year.

REMINDER: Change In Start Time For SHS Parent Forum On Thursday, Sept. 13th

Please note that due to the Packers-Bears game, next week's Parent Forum on the **College Search and Application Process** will begin at **6:30 pm** (rather than 7:00) and will end at 8:00. The Forum will be held in the Studio Theater, which is in the Auditorium Building. Enter via the door closest to the parking lot and go straight; the theater is on the right and signs will be posted. Students are welcome to attend with their parents. If you have any questions, please contact Parent Forum organizers Sue Kelley (skelley1@wi.rr.com) or Kim Apfelbach (kapfelbach@wi.rr.com).

[View the printable flyer with the corrected time here.](#)

Kleenex and Hand Sanitizer Collection – September 20

We will be collecting tissues and hand sanitizer for the classrooms during Open House on September 20. Please bring your contributions to the front lobby of the administrative building before or after open house. Thank you for helping to provide these much needed items for the SHS classrooms.

Volunteer Opportunity – September 20 – Before and After Open House

We will need a few volunteers to help distribute student directories on September 20 before and after Open House. Times have not yet been finalized, but most likely the main shifts will be from 5:30-6:10 pm and from 8:15 to 8:45. You will not need to miss visiting any of your child's classrooms. If you'd like to volunteer, please contact Mary Gorman at mrobrecht@sbcglobal.net or 964-4775. If you are volunteering and your child happens to NOT have a first hour class and/or a 7th hour class, please note that when replying, as it would be very helpful to have a couple of people who don't need to rush to first hour, or can help out while other parents are still in 7th hour class.

National Honor Society – Candidate Letters to be Distributed on September 27

Students who have a cumulative GPA of 3.6 or higher at the beginning of the first semester of Junior year, are qualified to apply to become members of NHS. Candidate letters will be distributed on September 27 to qualifying students. The first meeting will be held on October 18 and applications will be due on November 1. For more information about NHS, click on the National Honor Society Tab of [Mr. Aiello's website](#).

Juniors & Seniors – Sign Up to Meet with College Representatives

Junior and Senior Students are welcome to meet with college representatives that visit SHS. To do so, students must obtain a pass from the Student Support Services Office at least 24 hours in advance. These visits are an opportunity for students to learn more about a specific school, and also an opportunity to show "demonstrated interest" in a school, something which some (not all) schools consider in the admissions process.

The following schools are coming within the NEXT SEVERAL DAYS – Northwestern, Univ. of Chicago, UW-Milwaukee, Northern Michigan U., Grinnell, Oberlin, Case Western, George Washington University, Boston University, Miami University, Oxford Ohio, Knox College, St. Olaf College, Lakeland College, Carleton College, Union College, Furman University.

To see additional schools that will be coming, use family connections – go to <https://connection.naviance.com/fc/signin.php?hsid=shorewood>, log in and choose the "colleges" tab. Check back often, as additional schools will continue to be added. More information about using Family Connections will be available at Open House on September 20.

Youth Options Deadline – October 1

The Youth Options Program allows some Wisconsin high school students to take classes at various colleges and universities. If you would like more information, visit the [Youth Options website](#). The application deadline for the spring semester is October 1.

Daily Announcements

Daily Announcements are now available on the SHS page of the district website. If your child missed the morning announcements, or you are curious as to what they heard, (or should have heard), you may read the announcements online.

To find the announcements go to the district website (<http://www.shorewoodschoools.org>), choose the high school page, and then click on "daily announcements" on the green menu on the left hand side of the page. [Or click here to go directly to the announcements page.](#)

Recent Announcements include information about:

- Club meetings – including Spoken Word Club, Volunteer Shorewood, Broadcast Shorewood, Best Buddies, Art Club, Science Club, Model UN and MORE!
- Homecoming Floats
- Athletic Announcements
- Ripples
- Intramural Kickball

Check the website for details on any of these, and much, much more. It's a great way to find out some of what's happening at school!

Past Bulletins and Documents

To view past bulletins and related documents – visit the parent association website at www.shsparentassn.com.

Bulletin Submissions

Send your bulletin submissions to news.shsparentassn@gmail.com or to Debbie@ederfamily.com. Submissions are due by Monday evening for inclusion in that week's bulletin.

District, Village & Community Announcements

School Board Annual Meeting – September 24

The School Board's Annual Meeting is will be on Monday, September 24 at 7 p.m. in the SHS Library. All community members are welcome to attend. The Board will formally approve the 2012-2013 school year budget. The board will have a regular School Board Meeting at 6:30 p.m. that night and adjourn for the Annual Meeting at 7 p.m. As the meeting approaches more details will be posted on the district website.

Executive Director of Curriculum, Instruction and Pupil Services Hired

Read more in the [Shorewood Patch article](#).

Recreation Department – Highlighted Programs

Ballet for Teens - Grade 6 – 10

Students will focus on exercises, techniques, and steps of classical ballet with an emphasis on terminology and correct body alignment. Students will develop an aesthetic awareness of the art of classical ballet. Each class will include a warm-up at the barre and center floor work and combinations. A performance of the dances will occur on the last day! Be sure to wear fitted comfortable clothing and bring a water bottle to class. Ballet slippers are recommended.

Date: Wednesday, September 12 – October 17 **Time:** 6:00 – 6:45 pm **Location:** SHS Dance Studio

Instructor: *Matt Gillespie* **Fee:** Resident - \$30 / Non-Resident - \$45 **Course #:** 1535.3

ACT Workshop – See Reminders Section Below.

Intramural Sports

The Shorewood Recreation Department and Shorewood Student Council is working together to continue offering Intramural Sports. These sports will be held Wednesday afternoons from 2:30 – 3:30 pm.

UWM ACT Workshops

If the recreation department's ACT workshop (see reminders section) does not fit into your child's schedule, you may want to consider the UWM ACT class. [Click here for more information](#),

Heart Auction Sunday, September 16 • 4:30-7:30 p.m.

Celebrate the conclusion of this summer's "I Love Shorewood" Public Art Event by attending the heart auction at Hubbard Park Lodge (3565 N. Morris Blvd., 4 blocks south of Capitol Dr.) on Sunday, Sept. 16 from 4:30-7:30 p.m. Our beautiful hearts will be auctioned off to the highest bidders with proceeds to benefit the Shorewood Foundation, the event's presenting sponsor. Admission is only \$10/person and includes light appetizers and a cash bar – plus meet the artists~ You can pre-bid on a heart right now by visiting shorewoodtoday.com. Packets of heart notecards (\$7) are still on sale at Village Hall and will also be on sale at the auction. Plus, the name of the lucky winner of heart #2 by artist Kathy Hoffman will be drawn at the auction.

We gratefully acknowledge the following organizations and business sponsors for helping to make "I Love Shorewood" a great success this summer: Shorewood Foundation - Mandel Group Inc - Shorewood Men's Club - Shorewood Department of Public Works - Shorewood.Patch.com - John O'Hara Photography

Thanks also go to our talented artists and generous business sponsors for hosting a heart in front of their location. "I Love Shorewood" was produced by the Shorewood Marketing Program to promote all the great reasons to live, work and shop in our Village.

Athletic News & Highlights

Friday Frenzy Team of the Week..... Shorewood-Messmer! (aka Messwood!)

Congrats to the Messwood Football Team – the WTMJ Friday Frenzy Team of the Week. [View the video here.](#) The team is currently 3-0. Go Messwood!

Read more about Messwood's Recent Games:

- vs. St. Johns <http://www.shorewoodnow.com/sports/keeping-the-eye-on-the-prize-greyhounds-impressive-in-4914-rout-of-st-johns-lc6qubf-169358726.html>
- vs. USM <http://www.glendalenow.com/sports/zortman-and-sommers-still-friends-after-shorewoodmessmer-routs-usm-427-vj6o0er-168496636.html>.
- vs. Hamilton <http://www.shorewoodnow.com/sports/fast-start-puts-greyhound-gridders-in-control-early-in-3714-win-over-hamilton-o56kd5u-167732715.html>.

Girls Volleyball Team wins Shorewood Tournament

<http://www.shorewoodnow.com/sports/young-shorewood-girls-volleyball-team-overcomes-injury-and-prevails-in-own-tourney-lc6qv99-169368176.html>.

Congratulations, Kudos & Thank You's

Prajwal Giri & Atish KC honored for Tutoring Bhutanese Refugee Children

This summer, Prajwal Giri and Atish KC, SHS students tutored Bhutanese children who had been born and raised in refugee camps in Nepal before coming to Milwaukee. Sadly, little or no educational opportunities had existed in the camps. Last year, the students met in the MPS New Comers Center, but due to MPS budget cuts, were unable to continue during the summer. The summer program was then taken over by the UWM Center for Urban Community Development. Originally students met in small, damp basement, and later the North Shore Presbyterian Church was secured to hold the Children's language and cultural program.

The following is an excerpt from a very touching note sent from Lloyd Hansen, renowned SHS substitute teacher, to Matt Joynt, SHS Principal. Lloyd presented awards to Prajwal and Atish during a ceremony recognizing their efforts.

This summer Dr. Devarati Syam and Dr. Kalyani Rai of the UWM Outreach and Continuing Education Department organized the Nepali School Shorewood. This effort was to tutor Bhutanese refugee children in Shorewood and other metro communities. These children had spent from two to eight years in refugee camps in Nepal before coming to our community. Sadly, no educational opportunities actually existed in the camps. Originally, the students met in someone's rather damp basement. My neighbor, Bob Heffernan, arranged for the classes to meet in the North Shore Presbyterian Church.

SHS Students, Prajwal Giri and Atish KC tutored immigrant students in their native Nepalese in math and English two hours per day, three days a week. At the ceremony both were highly praised for their patience and dedication. **I wish you could have seen the wonderful smiles on all faces present.** UWM, as part of the out-reach program, did pay the young men a stipend. Here is where I personally get misty-eyed. Atish and Prajwal donated all of their salaries to the Bhutanese Refugee Relief Fund. **Seriously, does it get any better than this?** ~ Lloyd

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

College Search Process

After you and/or your child attend the SHS College [Application and Selection Forum](#) on September 13, you may be ready to begin meeting with representatives of various colleges. Consider attending the National College Fair – September 30 – Frontier Airline Center – For a list of participating colleges, [click here](#). For more information and to register, go to <http://www.nacacnet.org/college-fairs/FallNCF/Pages/Milwaukee.aspx>.

The SHS Parent Association will be holding our second annual [College Application and Selection Forum](#) on September 13 at 6:30 PM (note new time) in the Studio Theater.

Also, check the Reminders Section of this bulletin for information regarding an ACT Prep Class offered by the Shorewood Recreation Department.

District Calendars

Hardcopies of the 2012-2013 District Calendar were distributed at SHS last week.

District Calendars are given only to the youngest district child in each family, so if you have a student at one of the other district schools, you will need to get yours from that school.

If your youngest child in the district attends SHS, then you may want to ask for your copy of the calendar before it spends too long sitting at the bottom of a backpack and becomes a science project of sorts. [The online version can be viewed here](#).

ACT Workshop Offered by the Shorewood Recreation and Community Services 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 19 years of experience successfully preparing students to take the ACT. This course is for high school juniors and seniors. More information can be found on pages 15 and 25 of the [Recreation Department Activity Guide](#). The first class will meet on September 13 – but sign up early to reserve your spot!

Parent Forum – College Search and Application Process – Sept 13 – 7:00 PM – 6:30 PM Studio Theater

Back by popular demand, we are pleased to present, "**Guiding Your Child Through the College Application & Selection Process – What You Should Know**", featuring Jane Frederick, PhD. Based upon feedback we received after last year's forum, we're encouraging parents to bring their children to this forum as well. [For more information, view the flyer here](#).

Parent Forum – Risky Behaviors in Shorewood – Save the Date - October 15

What's going on with SHS students in terms of risky behaviors? Learn about the results of the Youth Risk Behavior Survey taken by SHS students in 2011 and join in the discussion about the implications for parents, students, and the school.

Clubs and Activities at SHS

If you were at Freshman Orientation, you saw a sampling of the Clubs at SHS. What was represented at the Club Fair, was just a portion of the opportunities our kids have. There is so much to do at SHS, and I'd encourage all of you to encourage your children to pick one or two or more clubs to try. Some are competitive and require serious time commitments, but many are available as drop in clubs. Most meet at lunch – so sports don't conflict with them. Your child has nothing to lose by going to a club meeting and checking it out – and they are likely to meet new friends, develop new passions, and, while I'm not a proponent of doing something "just for the resume" – one of their new interests may actually end up looking really good on their college resume. [View a list of clubs on the school website](#) – but know that students continue to form and add clubs during the year. ~ Debbie

District Website

Don't forget to check the district website when you are looking for information about school. The new site was rolled out last spring and new pages and functions continue to be added. <http://www.shorewood.k12.wi.us/>.

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.)

Raise Money for SEED while You Shop Online

- Use [GoodSearch.com](https://www.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](https://www.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.](#)