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SHS PARENT ASSOCIATION BULLETIN

September 28, 2011

Calendar – School and District

- Sept 30 Youth Options Applications Due for Spring Semester (forms available from counselors)
- Oct 5 End of Orchestra Candy and Coffee Sale – contact an orchestra student
- Oct 11 School Board Meeting – agenda will be posted [here](#).
- Oct 12 Testing Date (more information below)
 - 9th Graders – Explore Test
 - 10th Graders – Plan Test
 - 11th Graders – PSAT Test
- Oct 13 Teacher Dinner provided by SHS Parents – [click here to see how you can help](#)
- Oct 13 School dismissed at 11:30. Parent Teacher Conferences 12:30pm – 8:00pm
- Oct 14 No School – Parent Teacher Conferences – 8am – 11:30 am

Calendar – College Information & Planning

- Oct 5 & 6 [Parent Forum](#) – Guiding Your Student through the College Application and Selection Process (same program both nights, no need to come twice)
- Oct 9 [National College Fair](#) in Milwaukee
- Oct 10-14 – [Wisconsin Education Fair](#) at various Milwaukee area locations
- Oct 13 [Online College Fair](#)

Calendar – Community

- Sept 29 [Milwaukee Film Festival](#) Showing of *Memento Mori* – written by 2011 SHS Grad Celia Carroll
- Sept 29 [Shorewood Reads](#) – SHS Teachers and Students lead discussion session at Public Library – 7pm
- Oct 1 [Shorewood Reads](#) – SHS Teachers and Students lead discussion session at Public Library - 10am
- Oct 5 [Shorewood Reads](#) – Larry Watson, author of *Montana 1948* Speaks at Public Library

The complete District Calendar for 2011-2012 can be found [here](#).

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.

News & Announcements

Attendance Policy

The administration would like to remind parents of the SHS attendance policy. Please note, that in past years, some parents and students have been surprised to learn the specific rules, and disappointed to learn that an exam exemption opportunity had been forfeited. Please read the policy carefully to learn what types absences are excused, what procedures are required to have an absence be excused, and how parents will be informed of any unverified absences. If you have any questions, please contact assistant principal, Mark Harris. To view a summary of the policy go to: http://www.shsparentassn.com/uploads/6/1/2/5/6125612/attendance_policy.pdf.

Join SEED at Sprecher & Support our Schools – November 4

November 4 is the Sprecher Tour and Tasting Event hosted by SEED. Join us for locally brewed beer and soda! Tour the Brewery! Enter the bean bag toss tournament! This is a great way to spend a Friday night for less than the cost of going to

the movies, and you may make a few new friends while you're there. For more details and to make your reservation, [view the flyer](#). Questions? Call Tracey Grabowski at [414-963-0257](tel:414-963-0257) or email tracey_grabowski@yahoo.com

***Guiding Your Student through the College Application & Selection Process – October 5 & 6**

Join the SHS Parent Association and the SHS Student Support Services for a lively discussion about the process of applying to and selecting a college. Jane Frederick, Ph.D., experienced college counselor and parent of a 2011 SHS graduate, will share her professional expertise about what makes a college search successful.

- What should you do when your child is a Sophomore? Junior? Senior?
- What resources are available to you at school or online?
- What is the role of the parent? The student? The school?

Email your questions in advance to: omearastillwell@sbcglobal.net.

Please join us on either October 5 or 6 from 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm in the SHS Library.

The same program will be offered on both October 5 and October 6, no need to come both dates.

[Click here](#) to view the flyer for the program, which contains additional information.

Testing – Freshmen, Sophomores And Juniors – October 12

On October 12, SHS will be administering pre-college tests to all freshmen, sophomores and juniors. Fees were paid at registration, and there is nothing you need to do for your child to be registered for the appropriate test.

Additional information about these tests as well as the tests that are usually required for college admissions (ACT and SAT) can be found on the Student Support Services Page of the School website – [click here](#). Alternatively, some of the information from that page has been copied to [this document](#).

Parent Teacher Conferences October 13 & 14

Parent – Teacher Conferences will be held on October 13 from 12:30 pm – 8:00 pm and on Friday October 14 from 8:30 am – 11:30 am. No appointment is necessary. When you arrive you will see teachers seated at desks, and you may make your way from teacher to teacher in which ever order you choose. In order to avoid long lines building up, please keep your conference time to about 5 minutes. If you need more time with any teacher(s) you may schedule separate conferences with them. Watch for more information from school including details as to which day shared staff members will be at SHS.

Student Directories

There are about 50 of you who paid for student directories, but have not yet picked them up. If you are one of those people – you or your student can stop in the SHS office and get yours. If you didn't preorder – directories are still available for sale, also in the SHS office.

Candy & Coffee Sale – Support SHS Orchestra – Sale Ends October 5

SHS Orchestra Students are selling Serogy Chocolate and Stone Creek Coffee to raise funds for their spring trip to Italy. To purchase candy or coffee, contact any orchestra student by October 5. Questions, or need the name of an Orchestra Student – contact Beverly Goldberg at 961-8850.

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:

- Congrats to the Girls Tennis Team on Winning Conference!
- Ripples Layout Meeting
- Peer Mentors Meeting
- Congrats to the Cross Country Teams!
- Model UN Meeting – time to prepare for Carthage Conference
- Buy Fan Poms from Cheerleaders – only \$5 a pair
- Start thinking about your acts for Showcase (talent show)
- As always, numerous Club and Group Meetings including: Pegasus, Volunteer Shorewood, Photography Club, Outdoors Club, Science Club, Animal Rights Club, Robotics Club, Best Buddies, Art Club, Stock Club, AFS, Guatemala Club, Chinese Club, and Gay-Straight Alliance.

From Student Support Services

Family Connection – College Search & Planning Website

- Earlier this week you should have received email(s) from Student Support Services about using Family Connections.
- The email(s) contained your registration code.
- Use that code to register at <https://connection.naviance.com/shorewood>.
- You need only use that code once.
- After your first visit, using your registration code, you can then sign in using a password of your choosing.
- To learn more about this process and how Family Connection may be of use to you and your student go to
 - The “College Preparation and Search” Section of this bulletin (after reminders) or [click here](#).
 - Read the email(s) you received from Student Support Services on 9/25 and 9/26 – or view a combined version of the two emails [here](#).
- Remember – this is the program that allows you to do a college search based on your specific criteria, to see which colleges are sending representatives to SHS to meet with students, to view data specific to SHS regarding college acceptances (data still being input), and much more.

Bryant & Stratton Open House

Bryant & Stratton College is holding an open house for high school students and their parents at their Bayshore campus on October 8 from 10 am to 1pm. All are welcome. For more information contact **Amanda Zander** at (414) 961-9600 ext. 406 or aezander@bryantstratton.edu

Village and Community Events

Shorewood Foundation – Dinner & Silent Auction – November 19

The Board of Directors of the Shorewood Foundation would like to invite you to attend the Shorewood Foundation's Annual Dinner which will be held on **Saturday, November 19, 2011 at the Hubbard Lodge in Shorewood.**

The proceeds from this event support the activities of the Shorewood Foundation. The management of Hubbard Lodge generously provides delicious, gourmet dinners for the event at a substantially discounted price, and Foundation Board members have historically purchased the wine for the dinner. Thus, *almost all of the ticket price goes directly to the grant recipients of the Foundation.*

Those who attend the annual Shorewood Foundation Dinner readily attest to the fact that this is a delightful and wonderful evening. The Foundation supports many of the good things that happen in our Village. This includes the activities of many worthy civic groups, improvements for the Shorewood Schools (including a recent \$22,000 grant to SHS!), the annual 4th of July Fireworks Celebration at Atwater Park and more. [Click here for more information and to RSVP.](#)

Recreation Department Highlighted Programs

Bowling Fun! - Grade 3-6, 7-8 or whole families, Friday, Oct. 14 - Nov. 11. Come enjoy bowling with friends or family in the newly remodeled SHS Bowling lanes. We will moon-glow bowl the last Friday of each session.

American Red Cross Babysitting Course - Age 10 and up, Wednesday, October 12 and 19 from 2:45 - 6:15. This is an ideal course for current and future babysitters teaching them the best way to keep the children in their care safe. Feeding, diapering, safety, professionalism, first aid, leadership, and safe play are some of the topics that will be covered.

ATHLETIC NEWS AND HIGHLIGHTS

Conference Champions! Girls Tennis

As in recent years, the girls tennis team won the right to play for first place in the conference by winning their division. For the past three years, the Shorewood girls have finished second in conference, losing to Greendale each year.

This year was different! The girls WON THE CONFERENCE CHAMPIONSHIP with a 5-2 victory over Wauwatosa West. Singles winners were Saabirah Abdullah at No. 1 and Victoria Nelsen at No. 2. Doubles winners were Mary Matoba and Lizzie Tews at No. 1, Grace Hayes & Kirsten Repins at No. 2, and Ellen Gough and Jenna Vourinen at No. 3. Jenna and Ellen clinched the team's win with a second-set comeback. It was truly a team effort and a huge accomplishment for girls tennis and head coach Margie Van Lieshout and assistant coach Patrick Kelly. **Congratulations Girls!**

Read More about the Conference Champions at <http://www.shorewoodnow.com/sports/130661718.html>.

Greyhound Update – Soccer, Swimming, Tennis, Cross Country, Volleyball -

<http://shorewood.patch.com/articles/greyhound-update-girls-tennis-team-wins-woodland-dual-crown>.

Sports Roundup – Tennis, Volleyball, Cross Country and Swimming -

<http://www.glendalenow.com/sports/130234173.html>.

CONGRATULATIONS, KUDOS AND THANK YOU'S

Congratulations to our SHS Chamber Orchestra

The Shorewood High School Chamber Orchestra, under the direction of **Karen Frink**, has been invited to perform at the 2011 Wisconsin State Music Conference sponsored by the Wisconsin Music Educators Association. The SHS Chamber Orchestra will combine with the Homestead High School Chamber Orchestra, under the direction of John Emanuelson, for the performance. The orchestras were selected after submitting audition materials last spring. Students will perform works by Mendelssohn, Telemann, Tchaikovsky, and Apocalyptica. The performance will take place on Thursday, October 27 at 10:00 AM in the Madison Ballroom at Monona Terrace in Madison, Wisconsin, and it is free and open to the public. [To read more, click here.](#)

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*******

Volunteers Needed – Teacher Dinner – October 13

The SHS Parent Association has a long tradition of providing dinner to teachers on the days that evening conferences are held. This allows the teachers to enjoy a home-cooked meal during their short half hour break in what proves to be a very long day for them. If you are interested in helping out this year, please click [here for details](#), then contact Connie Eastman at ceastman1@wi.rr.com or Lindy Yeager (Florsheim) at lflorsheim@weycogroup.com. THANK YOU!

Applications for AES Scholarships Due October 7.

While these scholarships are offered by AES Engineering Solutions, they are NOT just for engineering students. For more information go to: <http://www.aesengineers.com/scholarships.htm>.

Using Family Connections to Determine when College Representatives are Visiting SHS

- All juniors and seniors are welcome to meet with these representatives.
- Students must have a signed pass from the guidance office 24 hours in advance.
- To see which schools are sending representatives on which days,
 - Use Family Connection – <http://connection.naviance.com/shorewood>
 - Log in using your student's powerschool login and password information
 - Click on the colleges tab
 - There is a section labeled " Upcoming College Visits"
 - You can see the scheduled visits for the next few days
 - Click on "view all upcoming college visits" to see future weeks
 - Expect this to be updated frequently as more colleges schedule visits to SHS.
- Attending these sessions, not only allows a student to learn more about a specific college, it also allows them to show "demonstrated interest" in that college – something that some (not all) schools consider in the admissions process.

Youth Options Applications Due September 30

- Youth Options is the program through which high school students take classes at local colleges.
- Applications for spring semester classes are due September 30.
- Forms are available in the Student Support Services Office.

Memento Mori – Short Film Written by 2011 SHS Graduate, Celia Carroll – September 29

Celia Carroll's script was chosen by Milwaukee Film as the winner of last year's Collaborative Cinema Competition. Her script has now been made into a film titled **Memeto Mori** and will be shown during the Milwaukee Film Festival on September 29. For more information and to purchase tickets go to <http://www.milwaukee-film.org/tixSYS/2011/filmguide/Title/MM>.

Village and Community Events

- **Shorewood Waters Project** – Free Lake Michigan excursion, fishing clinic, rain gardens and more. To view the complete list [click here](#). To read details about select events, [click here](#).
- **Shorewood Reads** – All Shorewood community members are invited to participate in Shorewood Reads by reading **Montana 1948** by Larry Watson and participating in Shorewood Reads events which will include discussion sessions on September 29 (7pm) and October 1 (10am) led by SHS Students and teachers, and will culminate on October 5 with two appearances by the author at the Shorewood Library at 3pm and 7pm. To learn more, [click here](#).

Opening of School – Letter to Parents from Mr. Joynt

If you missed it last week, please read the [letter from Mr. Joynt](#) regarding the Opening of School for 2011!

College Preparation and Search Information

Repeated from 9/21 bulletin

Family Connections

Family Connections is a new tool to assist SHS students and parents with the college search and application process. To access Family Connections go to <http://connection.naviance.com/shorewood> and use the code you were provided via email on 9/25 and/or 9/26. After using that code one time, for all future visits you can sign in using your powerschool login and password. Once there, some things you will be able to do:

- View a checklist of tasks you should be completing in upcoming weeks and months
- Use the college search function to obtain a list of colleges that you may wish to consider based on geography, size, cost, admission statistics and other data you choose to select.
- View the list of upcoming college representative visits to SHS
- Input names of colleges you are interested in – you may then view
 - Application Deadlines for those schools
 - Scheduled visits of those schools to SHS

- View what schools have application overlap with that school for SHS students (click on overlaps)
- Specific information about SHS students application success to that school (click on school stats)
 - Note this information is still being updated
 - Eventually this will include information about test scores, gpa's and admission success rate
- Admissions data from the school (not SHS specific) – click on grey box labeled “admissions”
- Request that transcripts and recommendations be sent to schools to which they are applying
- Read messages and access documents from Student Support Services
- More! Lots More!

Each parent and student should spend a bit of time poking around this very useful site.

Family Connections – Parent Data – IMPORTANT

Parents – it is important that you register in family connections with your current email address. To do this, log on with YOUR powerschool logon and password which is different from that of your student. Then update your email address.

College Fairs

- **National College Fair Coming to Milwaukee – October 9**
 - Frontier Airlines Center 12:00 – 3:30
 - Students (and parents) can meet with representatives from 200 colleges
 - Workshops will be offered
 - Free!
 - Pre-Registration is not required, but will streamline your admittance
 - For more information, and to pre-register for the fair, go to <http://www.nacacnet.org/EventsTraining/CollegeFairs/ncf/Fall/Pages/11FMil.aspx#general>.
- **Wisconsin Education Fairs**
 - Will be held at various locations throughout Wisconsin in the fall (Milwaukee area in October)
 - Schedule, list of participants and more can be found at <http://www.wefs.org/>.
- **Online college fair** will be held on October 13 from noon until 9 PM. [Click here](#) for more information and details

College Representatives at SHS

Juniors & Seniors interested in meeting with any of the many college representative that will be coming to SHS this fall are reminded to get their passes from the Student Support Services Office at least 24 hours in advance. Meeting with these representatives not only allows students to learn more about specific colleges, but also allows them to show “demonstrated interest” in that college – something that some (not all) schools consider in the admissions process. To see the list of representatives scheduled to visit SHS, use Family Connection – <http://connection.naviance.com/shorewood> and log in with your powerschool password. Check back often, as the list will be updated as additional visits are scheduled. (Additional details about how to log on and find the information are in the Reminders section of this bulletin.)

ACT Test Preparation

Three ACT Test Preparation Programs of which we are aware:

- Shorewood Recreation Department is offering two classes
 - Sept 8 – Oct 20 at SHS
 - Oct 24 – Nov 28 at Nicolet High School
 - For more information and to register for either, see [page 13 of the rec dept. bulletin](#), or go to the [registration website](#) and click on the course number.
- Nicolet Recreation Department – see page 29 of the [Nicolet Bulletin](#)
- UWM – See [UWM Trio and Pre College web page](#) (scroll down page for fall and future dates)