

SHS PARENT ASSOCIATION

WEEKLY BULLETIN

September 3, 2014

Mark Your Calendars

- Sept 5 School Spirit Day
- Sept 9 School Board Meeting – [agenda will be posted here](#)
- Sept 13 [Plein Air Workshop](#) – kids and teens
- Sept 15 [REDgen](#) showing & discussion of [Race to Nowhere](#)
- Sep 17-20 [Plein Air Shorewood](#)
- Sept 23 SHS Open House (aka Parent Night)
- Sept 26 [Senior Photos Due](#)

[Full Year District Calendar](#) – pdf version – subject to changes

[Online Calendar](#) – customizable

Message from Tim Kenney

What a great start to the 2014-15 school year! Despite the usual student schedule adjustments and last minute details to work out, our 9th grade students enjoyed a morning of walking through their daily schedule, locating and setting up lockers and reconnecting with friends in a low-pressure start to the school year. Later in the morning, the class of 2018 was joined by the 10th - 12th grade students as the regular bell schedule commenced for the remainder of the day. The beautiful weather afforded students the opportunity to pack the front lawn during lunch, enjoying music, games and friendships. The unique structure of our campus is certainly something to celebrate as it provides such opportunities for the students. I enjoyed touring the school several times and admire the respectful behavior of our students as they get down to work for the next 10 months.

SHS is excited to have 12 new staff members join us this year! Here is a list of all the new people who have joined our ranks. SHS is already enjoying the energy and passion that these fine people bring!

Joe Patek, Assistant Principal
Sarah Johansson, School Counselor
Molly Norris, School Counselor
Sara Kitzinger-Anton, Spanish Teacher
Elysha Rice, Mathematics Teacher
Patrick Sullivan, Social Studies Teacher
Maylan Thomas, Tech Theater Director
Sara Van Loon, Costume Designer
Nick Castonguay, Band Director
Emily Barr, Special Education Reading Teacher
Danielle Schuster, Library Aide
Tamiko McVicker, Academic Lab Aide

As always, if I can ever assist you in any way, please do not hesitate to contact me. Have a great year!

Tim Kenney, SHS Principal

Note from the Editor

Well, 19 years ago I walked my oldest son to Lake Bluff for the first day of K4. A year ago, I watched my youngest leave on his bike for his final year at SHS. A lot has happened in between, and throughout it all I've always been happy

to part of the Shorewood School Community. Yesterday came and went with no “first day” excitement in the house, and a very sad, empty looking September calendar on my refrigerator. I’m glad I’ll be your bulletin editor for another year – it will allow me to gradually step away from the school scene while living a little vicariously through many of you. Happy beginning of the school year to each of you!

Debbie Eder
SHS Parent Bulletin Editor

SHS News & Announcements

Powerschool

- Students will receive their new powerschool passwords at school this week.
- Parent passwords will be distributed later – for now you may ask your student to show you powerschool information with their password.

Open House – September 23

Save the date! SHS open house (aka parent night or back to school night) will be held on Tuesday, September 23. The evening is scheduled to begin at 6:00 pm, and is an opportunity for parents to follow their student’s daily schedule and learn about each of their child’s classes.

College Representative Visits at SHS

Colleges and Universities from around Wisconsin and the country will send representatives (usually admissions officers) to SHS throughout the fall. To sign up to meet with specific representatives, students (juniors and seniors) must get a pass from the Student Support Services Office at least 24 hours in advance. Schools that will be coming in the next few weeks include Middlebury, UW-Madison, UW-Green Bay, Lake Forest, St. Olaf, and more! Check the list often as schools will be added as they call to schedule dates.

To see the list of schools currently on the schedule [log into your Family Connection Account](#) click on “colleges” and then on “view all upcoming college visits”. Parents, if you have not yet registered for a Family Connection Account, [click here to learn how to do so](#).

Bell Schedules

Bell schedules will continue to be altered through next Tuesday, September 8 to accommodate class meetings. You may find the altered schedules and the regular schedules on [page 5 of the summer mailing](#).

Drama Announcements

- Students interested in participating in the 48 hour play project should attend the call out meeting this Thursday and be available Friday after school, and all day Saturday and Sunday.
- Students interested in auditioning for Little Shop of Horrors should attend either a call out meeting either this Thursday or next Monday after school. Auditions will be held Tuesday, September 9.

Congratulations, Kudo’s & Thank You’s

SHS Junior is Youth Peace Ambassador

Ananya Murali, Junior at SHS was chosen as one of the Youth Peace Ambassadors from WI to attend the 9th International Youth Peace Ambassador Training in Phoenix AZ from August 21-28, 2014. She gave a presentation about her workshop on Peace and how she is planning to educate middle school girls about the dangers of bullying and violence. She also taught a peace song to all the youth ambassadors around the world. She received a week long

training from various professionals around the world including the former UNESCO Regional Adviser for Asia and the Pacific and the former Vice-Rector of the United Nations University. Good Job Ananya!

Know Students, Staff, SHS Clubs, etc. Who Deserve Recognition?

Please let us know of an SHS student, staff member or school group who deserves recognition, whether your own child, a friend, a 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.

District & Community Announcements

District September Newsletter

If you missed the District September Newsletter which was sent via email, [you may view it here](#).

Save the Date - SEED Trivia Night – October 17

Save the Date! Shorewood SEED Foundation will host a new social event and trivia night at The Milwaukee Beer Bistro. Start brushing up on your trivial knowledge and save the date, Friday October, 17! Watch for more details, coming soon.

Supplemental Math Course to be Offered

A supplemental math course to enhance the offerings at SHS is planned to be offered by a Shorewood resident and University Professor this fall. [Click here for more information](#).

REDgen Race to Nowhere Showing & Discussion – September 15

As part of the Resiliency Through Change Speaker Series, REDgen will be showing the film Race to Nowhere on September 15 at 7:00 pm in the Whitefish Bay High School Auditorium. After the showing there will be an expert panel available to answer the audience's questions. This movie is pertinent for parents of middle and high school students as their children are of age to experience the stress discussed in the movie. [View the flyer here](#)

Plein Air Quick Paint for Kids of All Ages – Sept 13

On Saturday, September 13, a professional Plein Air artist will lead a hands on guided workshop for kids of all ages. [RSVP is required](#). Then on September 17-20, 65 Plein Artists will be painting outdoors throughout the Village of Shorewood. Read about [additional children and teen Plein Air events](#) here. Find the full schedule and other information at <http://pleinairshorewood.com/>.

Recreation Department Featured Program

Dance for Musical Theater Grades 6 – 9

In this class, students will learn and study a wide vocabulary of dance terminology encompassed in the Musical Theatre Dance Style. They will learn dance combinations from musical numbers to help understand the idea of telling a story through dance, how to use their bodies on stage, and build confidence to audition for productions! Dance for Musical Theater will prepare children with the techniques used in different variations of Shorewood Drama Productions. 5, 6, 7, 8! For more information and to register [please visit the recreation department web page](#).

Bulletin Submissions and Sign Up Forms

Need an Email Address 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.

Bulletin Submissions

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

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

News from Mr. Kenney

Hopefully you received two emails from Mr. Kenney on August 15. If you did not, please contact the SHS office to let them know that you need to be added to THEIR distribution list (*this email comes from the Parent Association list.*) The two emails that you should have received on Friday, August 15 were:

- [Registration Recap](#) (and plan for improvement) - from address was "Alert Now Message"
- [Hiring Update](#) – from address was "School District of Shorewood"

Editor's Note – These emails came from two different from addresses. If you received one email but not the other, be sure to let the office know which email you did not receive.

Athletic Booster Club Membership

If you haven't yet done so, please consider joining the booster club for the 2014-2015 school year. The booster club assists our SHS athletes with everything from uniforms and equipment to partial funding of the athletic trainer position. [Click here to download a membership form.](#)

Annual Notifications

On August 11 you should have received an email from the district with a copy of the Shorewood School District's Parent and Student Notifications for the 2014-15 school year. Each year, the District is required by the state Department of Public Instruction to present community residents with a copy of these annual notifications. [To view the email and find a link to the notifications, click here.](#)

Plein Air Shorewood – September 17-20

Plein Air Shorewood will feature 60 professional plein air artists painting outside throughout Shorewood for four days. Come share in the excitement. [Read more and see the schedule here.](#)

Northshore Resiliency Coalition Speaker Series

In the aftermath of several tragic deaths this past summer, concerned community members came together to form a group initially referred to as RED or RED2, then REDbird. Our new name is REDgen (<http://www.redgen.org>).

REDgen is a community action group consisting of parents, community members, schools, interfaith congregations, mental health professionals and university employees. We are committed to working together across systems to promote balance and resiliency in the lives of our youth and families. We hope to develop a new generation of resilient youth with a healthy understanding of what success means. As a next step in advancing these aims, REDgen is planning a three part **Resiliency Through Change** speaker series for August, September and October. Accordingly, please save the following dates.

* Monday September 15th, 7pm, WFBHS auditorium - showing the Race to Nowhere (<http://www.racetonowhere.com>) documentary movie followed by an expert panel talk back.

* Wednesday October 22nd, 7pm, Nicolet auditorium - University of Pennsylvania's Dr. Kenneth Ginsburg will speak on the topic of resiliency. For more about his work see <http://www.fosteringresilience.com/about.php> .

District Website

Shorewood Schools Website – www.shorewoodschools.org

Important Documents

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

[Activities Code of Conduct](#)

[Athletic Forms](#)

[Athletic Travel Release Form](#)

[Daily Bell Schedules](#)

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