# **SHS PARENT ASSOCIATION BULLETIN**

July 26, 2011

#### A Note from the Editor

The note I wrote this week, concerns my own "helpful" hints for registration. This is mostly written for first timers, although I know some of you who've been through it before, appreciate the reminders. It's a little lengthy, so I moved it to just before the reminders section of the bulletin. You may also download a <u>printable version</u> of the Registration Hints. To see registration information from school including details as to fees and other items, see the <u>summer newsletter that was mailed home from school</u>.

Debbie Eder SHS Parent Bulletin Editor

### **Upcoming Events**

- Registration August 15 & 16 (Monday & Tuesday) 8:00am -12:00.
- New Student/Parent Orientation Wed., August 17 7PM SHS Auditorium
- First Day of School September 1 Special Bell Schedule First Day Only
  - Freshman with a zero hour begin at 7:35 am those without begin at 7:45
  - o Grades 10-12 begin at 9:10 am
  - o Students with a zero hour end the day at 3:07, those without a zero hour end at 2:27
  - See the complete opening day bell schedule in the <u>summer mailing from school</u>.
  - Also see the <u>summer mailing</u> for special bell schedules to accommodate class meetings through the second week of school.

## Calendars & Schedules - 2011-2012

- School Calendar Major Dates 2011-2012 <u>click here</u> look for full calendar to be posted on the district website – <u>http://www.shorewoodschools.org/</u> in August.
- Daily Bell Schedule <u>click here</u>.
- Fall sports start dates various dates in August. See mailing from athletic office.
- Athletic Schedules <u>click here</u> (your child's coach will update you if changes occur during the season)
- WIAA Dates for Winter, Spring and Summer Sports see the wiaa website

## **News & Announcements**

#### **Election Information**

The recall election will be held on August 9. The Village has asked us to remind residents about the new Voter ID Bill, and how it will affect this election. <u>To view the village's info sheet, click here</u>.

#### New Student & Parent Orientation – August 17 - 7:00 PM – SHS Auditorium

New students and parents should plan to attend this important orientation meeting. More information in the summer mailing from school

#### **Activity Code**

Now is a great time to review the SHS activity code with your child. Of course, this is an important school document – but it is also a great tool for parents to use as a conversation starting point with their teens. New students received a hard copy of the activity code with the summer mailing from school. Others are welcome to stop in the office to pick up a copy, or to view the online version. To view the letter from school regarding the activity code, click here.

#### **Other Documents to Review**

For those looking for additional SHS information – you may find the following documents helpful:

- <u>Student/Parent Handbook</u>
- Curriculum Handbook

#### **Volunteer Opportunity**

We need volunteers to work at the Parent Association table at Registration on August 15 &16. This is a fun job, as you will greet parents (a.k.a. friends and neighbors) as they visit our table to pre-order student directories and sign up for the email distribution list. If you are interested contact Debbie Eder at <u>Debbie@ederfamily.com</u> and let her know which shift you would like to work

- Monday 8:00 am 10:15 am
- Monday 10:00 am 12:15 pm
- Tuesday 8:00 am 10:15 am
- Tuesday 10:00 am 12:15 pm

#### Parent Open House - Save the Date - September 15

Mark your calendars for the SHS Parent Open House on September 15. This is the evening where parents follow their child's class schedule, hearing a brief presentation from each teacher. The schedule for evening is:

- Administration Lobby Opens at 5:30 PM for parents to visit with administrators and other parents
- Parents begin visiting their children's classes at 6:00 (6:17 for those who do not have a zero hour)
- The evening continues with 10 minute classroom visits and 7 minutes of passing time between class periods until 7<sup>th</sup> hour concludes at 8:09 pm.

It's always an important and informative evening – and a nice opportunity to get the feel of how your child's day goes. Plan to attend!

#### Senior Photos for Yearbook - Due September 23

To read the letter that was mailed to parents of incoming seniors about requirements and procedures for submission of senior photos, <u>click here</u>.

#### **Honor Roll**

The spring 2011 honor roll has been released. Congratulations to all SHS Honor Roll students and their families! <u>To view it, click here</u>.

#### Support YOUR Parent Association – Purchase a Student Directory

Please consider purchasing an SHS Student Directory, and/or making a contribution to the parent association. THIS IS THE PARENT ASSOCIATION'S ONE AND ONLY FUND RAISER OF THE YEAR. We use our monies to bring in speakers for parents, buy items for the school, pay the listserv provider that allows us to distribute this e-bulletin, and more.

On the practical side – we call it a student directory – but it is just as often used by parents who need/want to speak with other parents. (A running theme of the parent association – is "talk to each other" – we all are able to parent better when we speak with and know the parents of our children's friends and classmates – and this is so much easier to do if you can figure out their names & phone numbers!) Buy the directory!!! Or, if you really don't want a directory, consider making a small donation to the parent association – you can do that using the order form, too.

<u>Download the directory order form here</u> – and bring it with you to registration, where the parent association will be taking orders – we expect to have directories available for pick up at Open House on September 15. Directories cost \$15 for the first one, and \$5 for a second directory to the same family.

#### Hurry Hurry – Step Right Up - then Sit Right Down!

#### Bleacher Campaign is Ending – Deadline is July 31 – Construction is Beginning!

We have had a great response from the Shorewood business community and our residents to our "D2D Sponsor a Bleacher Seat" campaign. We are writing to let you know the deadline to sponsor a seat is July 31<sup>st</sup>.

Construction is beginning soon so the bleachers can be ready by Homecoming in September. The D2D committee is working feverishly to finish raising **\$100,000 during the last two weeks of July** so the cost of the bleachers will be covered. If you would like still like to contribute you can go online to <u>www.drivetodistinction.org</u>.

Please help us thank and support the following businesses who have contributed to our campaign: Peter Gramoll American Family Insurance, Culver's, Harley's, Goody Gourmet, Wells Fargo, Edward Jones Investments, Hayek's, Scenario Hair Design, Kircher Family Dentristy, Shorewood Press, 3 Lion's Pub, Goldis, Einsteins, Sendik's, Thirst and Vine, Design Group Three, Holton Brothers, Handeland Flooring

-Submitted by your D2D Committee

## Congratulations to the SHS Baseball Players who Earned Awards and Recognition this Year Conference and District Awards:

- All-Woodland Conference......Declan Gruber
- 2nd Team Woodland Conference Blue Division......Cooper Lang
- 2nd Team Woodland Conference Blue Division......Ian Roudebush
- Honorable Mention Woodland Conference Blue Division.....Adam Kessenich
- Honorable Mention Woodland Conference Blue Division....Elliott Kucharczyk
- District All-Academic Team.....Declan Gruber

#### **Team Awards**

- Varsity Most Valuable.....Declan Gruber
- JV Most Valuable .....Oskar Bjornstad
- Varsity Most Improved.....Evan Ludwig
- Varsity Leadership Award......R.J. Adams
- Varsity Heavy Hitter Award.....Elliott Kucharczyk
- JV Silver Slugger Award.....Ben Steigman
- Varsity Most Vaulable Pitcher Award......lan Roudebush
- JV Most Valuable Pitcher Award.....Alec Nelson
- Varsity Golden Glove Award.....Charlie Dixon
- Varsity Rookie of the Year.....Cooper Lang

#### Fall Athletes – Register with the Athletic Office\*

Fall athletes must have registered, paid and submitted their physical card prior to participating in a sport. Forms may be obtained during the summer in either the SHS or the SIS office. They may also be downloaded here:

- <u>Athletic Card</u> (the green card if you pick up a copy at school)
- <u>Alternate Year Athletic Card</u> (the ivory card if you pick up a copy at school)
- See the <u>June mailing from school</u> to
  - o Determine which card your student needs
  - o Read about athletic fees

#### **Community Wide Reading Event\***

Shorewood Reads is a community-wide event that launches this year with the reading of **Montana 1948** by Milwaukee resident and Marquette Instructor, Larry Watson. Events related to the reading of this book will occur in September, 2011 – and the entire Shorewood Community is invited to participate. For more information, <u>click here.</u>

## **Registration Information – Hints from the Editor**

SHS Registration is on August 15 and 16 this year from 8 am – noon each day. During registration, your child will receive their class schedule & have their yearbook/I.D. photo taken (seniors – I.D. only – senior photos are submitted separately) and you will pay your child's school fees, etc. This will be my 7<sup>th</sup> year registering a child at SHS. I know some of you have done it many more times than that, but for others of you this is new, so let me give you some hints from a parent's perspective. (These are just hints as to how best navigate registration, for

details as to what happens at registration, what fees are required, etc. see the <u>summer newsletter that was mailed</u> <u>home from school</u>.)

- Plan your timing wisely. The administration is not kidding when they say that Monday morning is typically the busiest time. If you were to drive by the SHS Arena at 7:45 am on Monday of registration you might wonder if Aaron Rodgers or Donald Driver is inside signing autographs as the line to enter can be snaking through the parking lot. (I've never arrived early enough to figure out how early the line starts forming but either it's very early or a TON of people arrive between 7:40 and 7:50, as that's when I usually arrive to work at the parent association table.) But when the very efficient staff opens the doors at 8 AM, they are starting with quite a logjam. I've seen people who register on Monday morning wait an hour just to get to the first station. For the second half of Monday and most of Tuesday (except maybe the very beginning of the Tuesday) I've generally noticed lines from zero to 10 minutes. After this was made more clear last year, things did seem to even out a bit. Not completely but it was much better. So..... kind of like the 405 freeway in Los Angeles this summer..... maybe 8 am on Monday morning will be free and clear due to all the warnings about heavy traffic..... but...... probably not. I still recommend coming at a different time.
- Bring your checkbook. You will need separate checks for your registration fees, yearbook order, Ripples subscriptions, student directory orders, school photo orders and no doubt some other things I've forgotten. Of course, cash is acceptable too, and if I recall correctly, credit cards are accepted for at least some of the above items, but definitely not all. Many of the items are optional purchases, but be prepared with enough checks so that you can pay for what you both need and want to purchase.
- Read the School Mailing. You recently received a mailing from school review it for the details as what you can expect at registration including specific fees. (And read all the other info too –it is loaded with good stuff registration info, calendar info, first day info etc. etc. etc.) <u>To view the online version, click here</u>.
- A plug for Ripples. There are usually Ripples staff members on hand selling home delivery subscriptions to the SHS Student Newspaper. From my perspective, Ripples is the best news in town. You can attempt to rely on your student to share his/her copy with you, but I encourage you to consider supporting Ripples by purchasing a home delivery subscription. The fee is usually quite reasonable, and our student journalists do a great job of sharing both community and school news items that you won't always hear about from your child.
- Save Time at Registration Do Some of the Paperwork Ahead of Time
  - **The directory order form** can be <u>downloaded here</u>. Bring it and and your check with you to registration. (Remember this is the Parent Associations ONLY fundraiser of the year!)
  - Picture order forms were included with the summer mailing from school complete it and write your check ahead of time.
  - There will be other forms to complete and checks to write once you get there, but we recommend doing what you can ahead of time.
- Keep a Copy of Your Child's Schedule for Yourself. This will come in quite handy when you attend Parent Open House on September 15 – as classrooms are much easier to find if you know the room numbers! (And by the second week of school, your child will most likely have long forgotten room numbers – so they won't be as much help as you might expect.) I also find it handy to have the schedule on hand during the school year, for the times when I need to make an emergency orthodontist appointment, etc.

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## **Reminders from Prior Issues**

#### **Ripples Map**

In case you missed it – the "Ripples Map" that shows the plans of each of the 2011 graduates is available online. <u>Click here to see it</u>. Thank you to Ripples, for allowing us to publish this!

#### Purchase an Alumni Association Membership

The members of the class of 2011 are now proud alumni of SHS, and are invited to join the alumni association. (As are graduates of previous classes!) If you know a grad who'd like to join, share this <u>membership form</u> with them. Or maybe you want to purchase membership for them as a graduation gift – what a great way to celebrate their new status!

#### Summer Concert Series – Thursdays – June 30 through Aug 11 – Hubbard Park – 6:30 PM

PNC Bank, Hubbard Park, and Village of Shorewood Marketing Program along with additional sponsors will be presenting 7 free concerts at Hubbard Park this summer. Bring a lawn chair or a blanket and enjoy these great events. Picnic food and assorted beverages will be available for sale. Park opens at 5 PM, concerts begin at 6:30 on Thursdays from June 30 through Aug 11. To see line up of shows, and other information, <u>click here</u>.

#### **College Planning Tip for Student Athletes**

If your soon to be high school senior is considering playing on a varsity sports team in college, they (and you) should review the information at the NCAA Clearnighouse website which gives details of student eligibility requirements to play NCAA Division I and II sports, as well as some information regarding Division III sports. The site includes a printable <u>Guide for College Bound Student-Athletes</u>.

Interested students can learn how to register with the ncaa clearinghouse at <a href="http://professionals.collegeboard.com/guidance/prepare/athletes/clearinghouse">http://professionals.collegeboard.com/guidance/prepare/athletes/clearinghouse</a>.

In addition, if student athletes are interested in specific colleges, **they should go to those schools' websites and fill out the athletic recruiting forms this summer.** This is often the first way that coaches become aware of a specific athlete. Furthermore, it informs that coach, that the student is indeed interested in that school, which makes it more likely the coach will contact him/her. Students may also choose to find coach email addresses or snail mail addresses via the internet, and use that to send out athletic resumes.