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FROM SHORECREST PTSA

NEXT PTSA MEETING:

**Tues, April 12 @ 7pm
General PTSA Meeting
Shorecrest Library**

Voting for the Executive Committee for 2011-2012 will take place. Please join us prior to Astronomy Night.

EMBRACE SHORECREST:

**Saturday, May 14
9am-Noon**

Help refresh & beautify the SC campus. Bring a garden tool & your student—community service available! Meet on the front steps.



EVENTS

ASTRONOMY NIGHT ~ TUESDAY, APRIL 12TH @ 7PM

Shorecrest High School's annual Astronomy Night is just around the corner! Enjoy a family evening complete with games, art projects, food and more. This entertaining and educational event appeals to everyone, from the budding astronomer to the inquisitive student. Join us on Tuesday, April 12th at 7pm in the Shorecrest Cafeteria. There will be a planetarium, cosmic bowling, a cake walk, star watching and you'll be able to take home your artistic creations! Astronomy Night is free, and it will happen rain or shine!

EMBRACE SHORECREST

Embrace Shoreline Schools Committee invites all local PTA units to join in the last event for this school year: Saturday, May 14th from 9am to noon at all of the Shorecrest schools.

Parents, neighbors, students, and church volunteers are joining together. Help clean up the school grounds, meet neighbors and inspire students to learn!

Bring: gloves, hand tools, and a willing heart. If you don't have the back for the yard work, drop by with a treat and socialize with your neighbors.

PTSA NEWS

PTA APPRECIATION LUNCHEON:

Wednesday, April 13, 11:30am, Spartan Room at the Shoreline Center. Reminder to all presidents, RSVP to Craig Degginger: craig.degginger@shorelineschools.org.

DISTRICT-WIDE RECOGNITION EVENT ~ THURSDAY, APRIL 14 @ SHORELINE CENTER

"Hat's Off to Our Volunteers" is this year's theme for the Recognition Event to honor the Local Unit Golden Acorns, Outstanding Advocates and Outstanding Teacher award winners. Also at the event will be the presentation of Council winners for Golden Acorn, Outstanding Advocate and Outstanding Business. Price is \$20.00 per person. RSVP to Patty Feagin by April 7th: FeaginFamily@msn.com

WSPTA CONVENTION COUNCIL LUNCH:

Friday, April 29—Monday, May 1: Annual Convention, Doubletree Hotel-Seattle Airport. *Each year the Council hosts lunch in their*

rooms on Saturday of the Convention. Payment for box lunches needs to be received by the General Membership meeting on April 25th.

IT'S NOT TOO LATE! JOIN PTSA TODAY!

- Help your student become a better writer.
- Experience a modern-day Shakespeare play with your student.
- Provide more educational resources to students and teachers.
- Continue to bring expert speakers on serious issues such as teen depression, or drug and alcohol use and prevention.
- Assure we have a legislative voice in Olympia, and an extra vote at the Washington State PTA Convention in May.
- And so much more!

As of March 2011, our membership totals are:
PTSA Members = 427, with a goal of 500

[Click here to join the Shorecrest PTSA!](#) The more members we have, the more we can do to help the learning environment for our students and teachers. Please visit the [Shorecrest PTSA website](#) to donate online. Thank you for your support of our PTSA.

W I S H L I S T

The current Wish List is available [here](#).

S C H O O L C O N N E C T I O N S

SPIRIT DECALS are available to purchase—1 for \$2.00 or 3 for \$5.00. Purchase yours at any PTSA meeting, or by contacting Laura Brewer (waysandmeans-1@shorecrestptsa.org).

A SHORECREST TRADITION FOR SENIORS

Sunday, June 12–13, 2011 is Senior Spree (*immediately following the graduation ceremonies 9:00pm–6:00am*).

This is a Shorecrest graduation tradition for the past 25+ years! Immediately after graduation, you will be transported to TWO special locations full of fun, friends and food! Your ticket includes round-trip transportation to two venues, food and beverages, entertainment, chaperones and security. No extra money is needed during the evening. This is a wonderful opportunity for Seniors to

be with their classmates as the Class of 2011! Check-in and drop-off details will be announced as the event gets closer. Three ways to register:

- 1) Online at shorecrestptsa.org, click on "Senior Spree" (PayPal option is available online)
- 2) Download the registration form on the website
- 3) Pick up a form from the main office.

Tickets are \$150 and are available for purchase until June 1. Please contact Barbara Hartley at barbara@bluestarmi.com or 206-930-0207 with any questions. Sponsored by the Shorecrest PTSA and GRAD NIGHTS.

**Financial aid is available to qualifying seniors. Please indicate this on your registration form.*

BACK-TO-SCHOOL EVENT REGISTRATION BEGINS MAY 16:

The Back-to-School event provides school supplies, haircuts and clothing assistance for families in need. There are many ways to register:

- 1) online @ www.btsconsortium.org
- 2) mail in a registration form
- 3) call the BTS Info Line at 206-393-4916 and leave a message
- 4) contact the nurse.

Deadline for registration is August 19th

COMMUNITY NEW

BACCALAUREATE PLANNING: Baccalaureate is a non-denominational Christian service of blessing on the graduating class, held in June each year. This event is planned by seniors and their parents. Seniors and parents interested in supporting this long-time Shorecrest tradition, please contact Mary Sacco at saccos4@juno.com or 206-362-1956, or Kathy Adams at TAdams0421@aol.com or 206-362-1382.

HOST A HIGH SCHOOL EXCHANGE STUDENT: Host families are needed for foreign exchange students who are attending Shorecrest High School for the upcoming 2011-2012 school year. There are many students from many different countries available. Look through their biographies to pick the student that would be a good fit for your family. By choosing early, your family will be able to correspond with the student and get to know them before they arrive in September. Students come here with good English skills, their own insurance and spending money. They have a strong desire to be a member of an American family. Host families do not need to have teenagers of their own. Young families as well as Empty Nesters are excellent high school hosts. For more information about the students and the program, please contact Darren Jordan at 425-791-4792 or ktcjordan@msn.com, or visit www.iseusa.com.

HOST A JAPANESE EXCHANGE STUDENT FOR 3 NIGHTS!May 27th-30th

Open your hearts and your homes to a student from Japan!
Host families are needed for Japanese Middle School students who will be visiting Shorecrest High School late this Spring! For more information about hosting or to get an application form, please contact:

Mrs. Sachiko Smith sachiko.smith@shorelineschools.org or
Megan Woodward seattle.edu@azumano.com, 206-623-7060

"PROM SHOP" AT THE REC CENTER

The WORKS will be supporting the teens of the Rec-N-Crew, part of Shoreline Parks & Recreation, by having a Prom Shop, Monday April 11. Donations are needed of Prom dresses, shoes, teen boy's dress pants, suits and dress shoes. For more information contact Jenny Brown at brownjen@frontier.com or Lisa Sharratt at lasharratt@aol.com.

DINE OUT AT MAZATLAN

Wednesday, April 15—Dine Out at Mazatlan, 5pm—10pm, Mazatlan Restaurant (formerly Canyons) @ 6003 244th St SW, Mountlake Terrace. **All Shorecrest students and families are invited. Your tab helps support Senior Spree, with 20% going to Shorecrest Senior Spree activities, buses and scholarships.** Offer valid on all regularly price food and beverages (take-out orders apply). You must tell your server you are with Shorecrest "Spree". Reservations suggested. 425-744-1525

SPONSOR A STUDENT FROM SPAIN THIS SUMMER

Would your family like to sponsor a teenager from Spain in July? dates will be approximately July 1-31. The students visiting Seattle are fully insured, speak both English and Spanish, and bring their own spending money. They are excited to practice English with your family, experience authentic American life/culture/food, and assimilate into the daily routine of a typical American family for four weeks. They will require their own bed, but not necessarily their own room. Benefits of hosting a Spanish-speaking student include: motivation/achievement in your own student's study of the Spanish language, increased interest in world culture and travel, an opportunity to be an "ambassador" by sharing the many wonderful things that Seattle has to offer, and the possibility of future travel to Spain to stay with your newly extended European family! This is a NON-ACADEMIC, purely FUN, summer experience. Please contact Andrew Ward at senorward@yahoo.com or 316-648-9823, or visit these websites: nacelopendoor.org/hosting.htm and nacel.net.

WRITER'S CORNER

FEATURED STUDENT WRITER PROGRAM

Do you love to write, but have no venue to display your talents? If this describes you, then you are a candidate to submit your short stories or articles to Shorecrest PTSA's monthly newsletter, The Scoop. The Scoop is looking for short stories or school-related articles written and submitted by Shorecrest students. Report on interesting things happening in your school or community.

We will feature one student article each month. In addition to having your work published in an issue of The Scoop, the work that meets our short story guidelines or (for school related articles), is the most timely, covers the most important content, and concisely provides the "who, what, when, where, and why", will be chosen by The Scoop Student Writings Committee and Mrs. Etter. The winner(s) are eligible to win one of two Grand Prizes, sponsored by the Shorecrest PTSA.

The requirements for each writing piece are:

- 1) Between 250-300 words
- 2) Appropriateness (*something you would be able to turn in to a teacher*)
- 3) Cover an important school-related or teen event/issue
- 4) Timeliness (covering current or future issues or events)
- 5) Provide all important or necessary details
- 6) Include your name and grade
- 7) Submitted via email to communications@shorecrestptsa.org*

If you have any questions, please contact Tiffany Bengston at communications@shorecrestptsa.org.

**If you are unable to submit your entry via email (preferred method), please print your article/writing and submit it to the PTSA box in the Shorecrest Main Office. You must also include the date when submitting a printed copy.*

