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FROM SHORECREST PTSA

NEXT PTSA MEETING:

Tues, May 10 @ 7pm
General PTSA Meeting
& Potluck at Lisa
Anderson's Home
 8014 45th Ave NE
 Seattle, WA 98115

EMBRACE SHORECREST:

Saturday, May 14
9am–Noon
 Bring a garden tool & your student—community service available! Meet on the front steps.



EVENTS

RACE TO NOWHERE movie screening at Shorecrest Theater
 May 17th at 7:00pm, followed by a panel discussion. Click [here](#) for more information and to see the movie trailer. Click [here](#) to purchase tickets.

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.

For more information, visit embraceshorelineschools.org

SCHOOL CONNECTIONS

Shorecrest Drama Proudly Presents LES MISERABLES

This musical of Victor Hugo's 1862 novel of the same name is set in early 19th-century France. It follows the story of Jean Valjean, an ex-convict who is finally released after 19 years of imprisonment. He proceeds to break his parole and create a new identity and world for himself, all the while continuously pursued by the strict, law-abiding inspector Javert. The story centers on their interactions and the characters around them coming to terms with right and wrong. Set in the background is a love triangle, and a bloody student revolution. Tickets are \$10 and can be purchased at the ASB window in the SAC (Ms. Denney's window), and Third Place Books at Lake Forest Park Mall.

Remaining Show Times are:

7:30pm Wednesday May 11

7:30pm Thursday May 12

7:30pm Friday May 13

7:30pm Saturday May 14

2:00pm Sunday May 15

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

Shorecrest WITS Writer Gets Great Press

A recent Seattle Times review of Peter Mountford's exciting first novel can be found [here!](#) Peter has been Shorecrest's writer-in-residence for two years now, as part of the WITS program (Writers in the Schools). We all knew he was talented, but with the release of this book last month, our suspicions have been verified by huge accolades he's received from many critics. The novel was also recently featured as a Book of the Week for Amazon Kindle users! He's now on a whirlwind book tour around the country, but will be back in a couple weeks to finish his work with Shorecrest's Freshmen. Our kids are very lucky to have this talented man as a writing coach.

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.

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).

W I S H L I S T

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

C O M M U N I T Y N E W S

Pink Polka Dots' Art Exhibition and Sale

Sunday, May 22, 2011—5th Anniversary Art Exhibition and Sale, 2:00pm–6:00pm, Lake Forest Park Civic Club.

After five years of contributing to pediatric brain tumor research, Pink Polka Dots pays tribute to its community. The Pink Polka Dots Junior Guild plans to celebrate five years of funding Seattle Children's Hospital cancer research with fundraiser featuring fine art, crafts, and specialties from local artists and guild members.

This event will feature Pink Polka Dot custom art cards, refreshments and music, in addition to the wide variety of donated art, photography, crafts and art glass for sale. For more information, please contact Kelsey Josund at kelsey.josund@gmail.com, or (206) 364-8021, or go to pinkpolkadotsguild.com.

BACCALAUREATE

Thursday, June 2, 2011—Baccalaureate for the Class of 2011, 7:00pm, Shoreline Free Methodist Church (510 NE 175th St.). All seniors, with their families and friends, are invited. Reception following. If you would like to support this event with your cookie baking skills or a fruit tray donation, please contact Teri Potter at 206-367-5477 or potterdt@gmail.com.

Dine Out at Mazatlan was a huge success last month!

Shorecrest tabs totaled \$1217.82, with 20% of the total going to Senior Spree activities, buses and scholarships. That's a whopping \$243.55 to help reduce the ticket price for students who would not be able to afford attending this special graduation event otherwise. Thank you all so much for your support!

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.

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.

RECOGNITION

Linda Bow

Shorecrest PTSA Outstanding Educator Awards Recipient, 2011

As a teacher at Shorecrest High School for 26 years, Linda Bow is more than deserving to be voted this year's Outstanding Educator Awards recipient. She is the Chair for the Directed Studies Department, manages classroom at the Fircrest Campus as well as teaching a variety of classes ranging from Essential Math to Adaptive P.E. Linda goes above and beyond in her duties as a teacher, as well as Department Chair. She excels at focusing on what her students need to be successful in school, and in the community. Linda challenges her students to learn, grow, and take responsibility for their choices, from the time they enroll at Shorecrest until they graduate. She is one of those people who puts in the countless extra hours without much recognition. For this, we thank you and honor you as Outstanding Educator!

Lonna Calas**Shorecrest PTSA Golden Acorn Awards Recipient, 2011**

As a tireless and dedicated friend to Shorecrest, Lonna Calas is involved in a variety of PTSA functions. She chairs Staff Appreciation, is involved in supporting the SC Orchestra, flag team, French class and is avidly supporting the Community Service program. Lonna is on the board of the Gift of Giving Foundation, reviews Senior Projects and is on the district curriculum review team. She is always willing to step in and help out in other areas if asked, and recently put together the Petite Auction for the PTSA. Lonna has an amazing ability to bring people together, and has been doing so for the Shoreline School District for more than her share of years. Thank you, Lonna, for your commitment and time to our community, school and children. We honor you as this year's Golden Acorn Awards Recipient. You deserve it!

