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FROM SHORECREST PTSA

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UPCOMING MEETINGS

Tuesday, November 12

7:00 - 8:30pm

Shorecrest Library

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE Giving—and Thanksgiving

November! We thought we were busy in October! And now the holiday preparations begin: a season of planning, anticipation, fun gatherings... and giving. Among all of the dates you have marked on your calendar, we ask you to save November 12 and November 20. These are the dates I hope to see you!

• **Tuesday, November 12 @ 7pm in the Shorecrest Library:** An amazing evening to learn how your student can enter the STEM Fair (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math). You will also hear about incredible science opportunities already available for all students at Shorecrest High School.

• **Wednesday, November 20: Shorecrest's Banquet to benefit Holiday Baskets!** Proceeds go to help buy grocery store gift cards and other items not provided in the regular food drive. You will love the meal, enjoy the entertainment and have the great satisfaction of knowing it's all to help our neighbors in the Shoreline School District during the holidays.

Special Thanksgivings:

We want to begin this season by thanking you in advance for participating in our Holiday Baskets Food and Teen Gifts Drive. Your contributions of non-perishable food items, dollars, store gift cards and gifts for teens, who wouldn't otherwise receive any, will be distributed on December 14 at Kellogg Middle School. Hundreds of families, who live in our area and whose kids attend our schools, benefit from these efforts. Your participation in collecting, transporting and organizing these gifts on Friday, December 13 and early morning Saturday, December 14, are also much appreciated. Check Shorecrest PTSA's website for specific donation needs and times that you can help: www.shorecrestptsa.org

Thanks for what you have already done for our kids this year:

There have been so many helpers in the last two months—I know I will miss many names, yet I want everyone to know how much PTSA and our students appreciate the time, effort, scheduling changes and care you have taken to participate in our kids' lives to give them the best possible chance to achieve their potential! Behind-the-scenes or front-and-center, your involvement is what makes our kids realize they are important. We do it because we love them, but also because we recognize that they are our future! Here are a few of the great helpers we thank:

For Pass-the-Hat: Margie Jorgensen (organizer), Margaret Loiseau, Jamie Froebe, Mary Mehlert, Teri Potter, Marian Fisler, Jill Brady, Dana Campbell, Kirsten Vogel, Nikelle Rosier-Butler, Rhonda Johns, Mary Ann Dixon, Sadrina Dorn, John and Margy Potter, Jeana Bartell-Lorbiecki, Kelli Corning and Alain Adjorlolo.

For Homecoming: Will "Skip" Fantry, Edith Frates, Cindy Musar, Trudy & Jeff Taylor, Diane Curti, Pam Haines, Kathy Brandstetter, Cindy Dyck, Rose Sumi-DiGianni, Kay Alexander, Sandy Jo Franks, Jorien Smythe, Jenny Farnam, Karen Deegan, Teri Gregg, Charlie Heffernan, Tiia Jones, Ruth Caple, Amy Marable, Tiffany Rennie, Mary Coon, Teddi Patchett, Kristine Emerson, Linnea Rodriguez, Barbara Ivester, Gia Hue.

For Picture Day: Barb Swan (coordinator), Teri Potter, and several others whose names I don't have yet!

For everyone who came to Open House, October 10: Thank you for meeting your kids' teachers!

With sincere wishes for a blessed Thanksgiving,

Kendahl Adjorlolo, President, Shorecrest High School PTSA

NEXT PTSA GENERAL MEETING

Tuesday, November 12, 2013, Shorecrest Library, 7:00-8:30pm. We would like to elect our PTSA nominating committee at this meeting, and we need your suggestions of qualifying candidates. These candidates must:

- **Be a member of a PTA.** Kellogg counts, AND last year's membership continues until October 31, 2013, so there is time to renew.
- **Cannot have been on the nominating committee last year.**
- **Cannot currently be president or principal** at the same school as this PTA.

Talk to likely candidates. We need the names of 3 to 5 willing folks by November 12th!

WAYS TO SUPPORT SPREE

Senior Spree is an all-night drug- and alcohol-free graduation celebration sponsored by the Shorecrest PTSA and Grad Nights. It takes place after graduation ceremonies. You can help cover the costs of this overnight last hurrah for the graduating class, while also providing fee assistance for those who need it. Join in these fun events:



BROWN BEAR CAR WASH TICKETS

These make great stocking stuffers & holiday gifts!

Pre-Order Tickets Online by November 12, 2013. Purchase tickets at a discount—only \$5 each (retail price is \$7)! Tickets can be used at any Brown Bear Car Wash facility with a washing tunnel. Submit payment check (made out to *Shorecrest PTSA*, note: "Car Wash") by November 12 to Shorecrest Main Office!

Pick Up Tickets:

You or your child can pick up the tickets at Shorecrest on the following dates:

- Thursday, Dec 5 @ 9:40-10:00am (during TAP), or 11:55am-12:25pm (during lunch)
- Friday, Dec 6 @ 9:40-10:00am (during TAP), or 11:55am-12:25pm (during lunch)

Choose how you will order:

[Click here for Shorecrest Families Order Form \(yellow background\)](#)

[Click here for Non-Shorecrest Friends/Families \(blue background\)*](#)

**Ask your non-Shorecrest friends to enter your name as the "liaison" on this form. These tickets will get bundled with your tickets. If need be, we will arrange for alternate pick-up or delivery to them in December.*



4TH ANNUAL SPREES TREES: NOBLE, GRAND & DOUGLAS FIRS!

Deck your halls with fabulous, fresh trees and wreaths to support Senior Spree!

Location: Former Elks Lodge Parking Lot, 145th & Bothell Way (just east of Taco Bell)

Friday, December 5, 11:00am-9:00pm

Saturday, December 6, 8:00am-9:00pm

Sunday, December 7, 8:00am-4:30pm

STAFF THE WORKS, THE SHORELINE COUNCIL PTA CLOTHING ROOM

Shorecrest is assigned two Wednesday evenings, needing four volunteers each to staff the works. The WORKS takes donations of gently-used clothing for school-age children. Donations can be dropped off any Wednesday evening from 6:00-8:00pm. The WORKS is located at the North City Elementary portables (816 NE 190th, Shoreline). Dates TBD.

2ND ANNUAL "HOLIDAY BASKETS" BENEFIT DINNER

Wednesday, November 20, 2013, 6:00-8:00pm, Shorecrest Cafeteria. Sponsored by Shorecrest ASB and Shorecrest PTSA. The ASB organizes this event with a spectacular dinner provided by Shorecrest Culinary Arts, and featuring a variety of Shorecrest student performance groups. Ticket sales are Monday, November 4-13. Prices for adults are \$20; kids (10 & younger) are \$10. Tickets will be sold at the ASB window, or can be mailed in to Shorecrest. Questions? Contact Roberta Hasstedt at roberta.hasstedt@shorelineschools.org (206-393-4302), or Andy Denney at andy.denney@shorelineschools.org (206-393-4291). This event benefits the Shoreline "Holiday Baskets" event on December 14.

"HOLIDAY BASKETS" FOOD, TOYS & TEEN GIFT DRIVE

November 27–December 13, 2013. The Shoreline School District will participate in this annual event. Together, we will provide quality food and gift support to Shoreline School District families needing assistance this holiday season. The goal is to provide holiday meal basics, winter break food support and holiday gifts for our participating families. **Shorecrest has been assigned 'cooking oil' as their target item for the holiday meal basics.** Please keep this in mind as you shop for your holiday meals..

Note: Families in need who want to participate in the PTSA food and gift program must contact Shorecrest school nurse, Nancy Dalan at 206-393-4308. (This is a secure phone, so messages are confidential). Please provide this information: name of parent(s); total number of children in the home; ages and gender of those children; address and phone number. Families will be mailed a time to pick up their food, and will have an opportunity to "shop" for one gift for each child in the home. The pick up day this year is Saturday, December 14 at Kellogg Middle School. If you have students in multiple schools, you only need to sign up the entire family at one facility. Please do not bring your children with you when you come since adults may select a gift for each child—we don't want to spoil the surprise! Hope to hear from you soon.

LOOKING AHEAD

Saturday, December 7, 2013. Shoreline Fire Department Toy Drive. The annual Shoreline Fire Department Toy Drive will be held Saturday, December 7 at the Shoreline Fred Meyer, or drop off donations at any Shoreline Fire Department.

Saturday, December 14, 2013. Holiday Baskets Event. Volunteer information will be provided as we get closer to the date. Please save the date on your calendar.

March, 2014. Academic Pep Assembly. If you have gift cards lurking in your home that just never get used, consider donating them to the Academic Pep Assembly. Or did you receive some gift cards for the holidays that just weren't the right fit for you? We will once again host this fun event celebrating student Scholastic Achievement and Improvement. For each recognition category, we are hoping to give away a couple gift cards at random to our hardworking students. Contact Johanna Phillips at johanna.phillips@shorelineschools.org for more information, or to donate gift cards.

* Please keep this event in mind when doing your holiday shopping!

"LIKE" US ON FACEBOOK!

We're excited to give you another way to stay connected! The Shorecrest PTSA is on Facebook! Please visit our page, "Like" us, and let us know what's of concern to you regarding our teachers and students. Shorecrest High School PTSA's Facebook direct link: www.facebook.com/pages/Shorecrest-High-School-PTSA



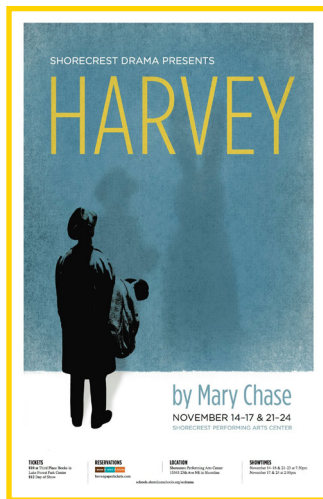
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VETERAN'S RECOGNITION ASSEMBLY

Thursday, November 7, 2013, 8:00am. Shorecrest Gymnasium. We would like to welcome all families to join us for our Veterans Recognition Assembly. If you know a veteran who would like to join us, please invite them to be our honored guests for the assembly. There will be a reception in the library immediately following the assembly for veterans, guests, and family members. Our keynote speaker is Tom Curcio, Shorecrest Class of 1971 and Marine Corps Staff Sargent, speaking on the topic "Making a Difference."

SENIOR WREATHS PRE-SALE EVENT

Orders Due: Tuesday, November 12, 2013. This annual event is a festive fundraiser for the Class of 2014. Please support them by ordering a fresh wreath to adorn your front door—and include your friends, relatives and neighbors, too! Each wreath is \$25. Please make checks out to Shorecrest High School and send them in with your student to the main office by Tuesday, November 12. Wreaths can be picked up on Monday, November 25 in Portable 8 between 2:30-3:30, and 5:30-6:30. Questions? Email 2014SCsenators@gmail.com or kathy.elwell@shorelineschools.org or heidi.rutledge@shorelineschools.org.



HOP IN TO SEE SHORECREST'S FALL PLAY, "HARVEY"

SHOWTIMES: November 14-16 & 21-23 @ 7:30pm; November 17 & 24 @ 2:00pm Shorecrest Performing Arts Center, 15343 25th Ave NE. Shorecrest Drama presents "Harvey", a Pulitzer Prize-winning comedy by Mary Chase. Harvey is a charming play, exploring what it means to be a friend, how people live their lives, and how we interact. The magical element turns this story into a modern-day fairy tale. Believing in what we cannot see or understand, and having that help us to see the good in the world is what Elwood learns from Harvey. An invisible, six-foot-tall rabbit, Harvey represents a belief in good, letting your life happen on its own course, staying true to your beliefs, and ultimately being a happy, kind, and honest person.

TICKETS: \$10 in advance at Shorecrest (Ms. Denney's window) or at Third Place Books. Or, pick your own seats online at [**BROWN PAPER TICKETS!**](#) Tickets are \$12 at the door on the day of the show.

For more info: [**click here for our facebook page**](#) OR [**here for the drama website**](#)

SHORECREST "WINTER WISHES" IS BACK!

ASB is trying to fulfill the wishes of every Shorecrest student! In past years, students have wished for everything from movie tickets to muffins, candy canes to cars (... Hot Wheels!). We are seeking volunteers to gather donations from companies, and parents to donate items. If you would be interested in helping, or in making a donation, please contact Willa Lerner at SCWinterWishes@gmail.com.

A SHORECREST TRADITION FOR SENIORS

Sunday, June 15-16, 2014, Senior Spree, 9:00pm-6:00am. It's the last gathering of the Class of 2014—an evening of laughter, tears and lasting memories. A chance to have fun at a drug- and alcohol-free party before the graduates go their separate ways forever. Sign up for Senior Spree BEFORE SEPTEMBER 27, 2013 for the best ticket price of \$139. September 28 - June 1, 2014, ticket prices will be \$169*. Check out all the details at www.shorecrestpta.org/spree to download forms and sign up your Senior, OR pick up a form from the main office. Please contact Laura Brewer at laurab@playvisions.com or 206-364-5772 with any questions. Sponsored by the Shorecrest PTSA and GRAD NIGHTS. *Payment plan and financial aid are available.



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BASKETBALL

Interested in trying out for boys' basketball? There will be a mandatory meeting on Monday, November 4 in Room F3 at noon. There is also open conditioning for anyone interested in getting prepared. Workouts are Mondays and Wednesdays at 8pm and Sundays at 6pm, until November 13.

IT'S COLD AND FLU SEASON

Consider getting yourself and your family the flu vaccine. It is impossible to "get the flu" from the vaccine because it is not a live virus vaccine. We have already had one round of the flu go through the building and it hit both staff and students in pretty large numbers. Contact Shorecrest's nurse, Nancy Dalan, for more information at 206-393-4308, or nancy.dalan@shorelineschools.org.

ONLINE FOOD SERVICE PAYMENT SERVICE EXPANDED

The District has expanded its online payments system to include food service deposits at Shorecrest and Shorewood High School, Einstein and Kellogg Middle School and Syre Elementary for the 2013-14 school year. Log in here for Online Payments: touchbase.shorelineschools.org

NEW SHORECREST TEACHER WISH LIST

Teacher wishes are organized in two categories: 1) requests for supplies, and 2) requests for services. Our dedicated teachers have expressed some needs to enhance and enrich our students learning. Please take a moment to see if you can fulfill any of these requests at shorecrestpsa.org/get-involved/teacher-wishlist.

SHORECREST WEBSITE REDESIGN

You may have noticed a new design to Shorecrest's webpage. Save the following pages as useful bookmarks:

[**ABC schedule**](#)

[**Data Dashboard**](#)

[**Family Access \(for links to grades, attendance, accounts\)**](#)

[**College and Career Readiness**](#)

[**SC Community Calendar**](#)

A PERFECT SCORE!

Congratulations to these seniors for consistently maintaining a 4.0 gpa for their first 3 years of high school: (Back Row L-R) Marianna Estrada, Katharine Champoux, Amelia Brown, Kate Hildahl, Benjamin Pedigo. (Front Row L-R) Sophie Knudson, Alina Tran, Selina Deiparine, Clairisse Haines. Not pictured: Silviu Gruber!



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COLLEGE PERSONAL STATEMENT PANEL

Monday, November 18, 2013, 3:30-5:30pm, Shorecrest Library. Seniors bring two copies of your college application personal statement and get feedback from a college admissions rep and another experienced reader. The readers will give comments on strengths and suggestions for improvement. **Registration by November 13th is required for the readings.** The cost of this AVID Fundraiser is \$15. Submit registration and payment to Mrs. Denney in the main office. See your counselor for fee assistance.

SHORECREST DRUG & ALCOHOL COUNSELOR: Coquille Knutsen

Ms. Knutsen's role is to support students who are anonymously referred by administration, staff, counselors, parents or peers. She also meets with students who have had discipline referrals relating to drugs/alcohol; and students who are currently attending or returning to school from treatment. Parents can utilize her knowledge surrounding current trends with substance abuse, treatment agencies and prevention. Please contact Ms. Knutsen at coquille.knutsen@shorelineschools.org or 206-393-4313. Shorecrest office hours are Monday, Thursday and Friday.

FINANCIAL AID NIGHT

Wednesday, December 4, 2013, 6:00-7:30pm. Shorecrest Theater. Topics will include: an overview of the financial aid and FAFSA processes; breakout special topics such as paying for college out of your own assets and 529 plans; the College Bound scholarship; searching for scholarships; and overview of the CSS Profile.

SENIOR BLITZ

All seniors should schedule a 15-minute appointment this fall with their counselor. We will review graduation requirements, post high school plans, and college application details.

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY

Seniors, are you looking for a scholarship for college? Shorecrest can nominate one senior for the Comcast Leaders and Achievers scholarship. You need to have a 2.8 gpa or above, and have a demonstrated commitment to leadership and community service. If you are eligible and interested, submit a one-page paper about your leadership and community service to your counselor by November 8.

PSAT SCORE PASSBACK

Juniors can expect their scores will be passed back in December before vacation. Pick up will be in the counseling office. Sophomores will receive their scores along with a presentation in their English 10 classes in January

PLANNING AHEAD: PAYING FOR COLLEGE

Thursday, January 16, 2014: College Goal Washington. Assistance completing the FAFSA, the Free Application for Federal Student Aid.

Saturday, February 1, 2014: FAFSA Filing Deadline for College Bound Scholarship, and recommended universal FAFSA filing deadline for Seniors.

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REMINDER: Please VOTE Tuesday, November 5. General Election Day

Positions on the ballot will include: King County Council District 1 / Shoreline City Council / Lake Forest Park City Council / Shoreline School Board

SCHOOL BOARD APPROVES LEVIES FOR FEBRUARY 2014 ELECTION

The Shoreline School Board has unanimously approved placing two replacement levies for voter approval on the February 11, 2014 special election ballot. The District projects that these replacement levies will allow for continued stability of school tax collections for the next four years.

Proposition 1 is Replacement of an Expiring Levy for Educational Programs, Maintenance and Operations. The Shoreline School District's current 4-year educational programs, maintenance and operations levy will expire at the end of 2014. This levy provides the District with approximately 26% of its General Fund operating revenue. The levy pays for the basic education programs not supported by state and federal funding, including nurses, family advocates, librarians and instructional materials. It helps support smaller class sizes, special education, highly capable, remedial and vocational education programs, building maintenance and utilities, and transportation. Funds are also used to support extracurricular student activities, including music, drama and athletics.

Approximate Levy (rate/\$1000)		
Collection Year	Assessed Value	Levy Amount
2015	\$2.90	\$24,400,000
2016	\$2.85	\$24,500,000
2017	\$2.92	\$25,600,000
2018	\$2.91	\$26,000,000

Proposition 2 is Replacement of an Expiring Capital Levy for Technology Improvements and Support.

A four-year Capital Levy for Technology Improvements and Support would be used to meet the District's ongoing technology needs for capital improvements. This includes student computers and expanded online curriculum for classroom use, instructional specialists, equipment upgrade and replacement (including lab and library computers, printers, classroom audio-visual equipment), professional development and training, server and network replacements and upgrades, administrative software systems, online and subscription resources, along with virus and firewall protection. The proposed levy amounts are unchanged from the expiring 2010 Capital Levy for Technology Improvements and Support.

Approximate Levy (rate/\$1000)		
Collection Year	Assessed Value	Levy Amount
2015	\$0.36	\$3,000,000
2016	\$0.35	\$3,000,000
2017	\$0.34	\$3,000,000
2018	\$0.34	\$3,000,000

The District may collect only up to the amount approved by voters regardless of changes to assessed valuation. The two levies require a simple majority for approval

To get up-to-date information on everything that is going on in Olympia, please visit the SC PTSA Legislation page:

www.shorecrestpsa.org/legislative-news