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UPCOMING MEETING

Tuesday, February 11

7:00 - 8:30pm, Shorecrest Library

At 7:30pm, we will have information about driving schools, options for testing, and insuring our young drivers, presented by a panel of experts. If you have any questions, please contact Jane Shea at jgh2o.shea@gmail.com or 206-992-2666.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

A Lot to Love!

First, we gotta love our School District. which is one of those that sets the bar high for our students and which other districts look to as a template for success! This is why you want to be sure to

GET OUT AND VOTE YES FOR SHORELINE SCHOOLS FEBRUARY 11!

Drop your ballot in the mail before the Post Office closes on Tuesday, February 11, or in the ballot box by the LFP City Hall, before 8:00pm.

LET YOUR VOICE BE HEARD FOR THE KIDS!

Second, we gotta love our school, which will be all new when WE MOVE IN FEBRUARY 24! The weekly bulletins from Shorecrest will tell you all about the new parking and drop-off patterns, so please read those.

COME TO THE PTSA GENERAL MEETING ON FEBRUARY 11 LEARN ABOUT THE NEW SCHOOL AND HOW THE TRANSITION WILL TAKE PLACE.

7:00pm in the Shorecrest Library.

We will also meet with our Briarcrest Neighbors to discuss keeping the neighborhood clean for everyone.

And PTSA loves our kids! So much so, that we plan to have a cupcake for each one (and all of the staff, too!) on Valentines Day. If you can bring cupcakes, or help serve them, sign up on VolunteerSpot: **www.shorecrestptsa.org**

Some Things to Remember:

>> NOMINATIONS ARE OPEN FOR PTSA OFFICERS! Contact:

- · Sadrina Dorn pasadorn@comcast.net
- Jeff Sacket jeffsackett@yahoo.com, or
- Gina Walton ginazwalton@hotmail.com

with suggestions or for more information. We will be voting on March 11th at our PTSA General Meeting, 7:00pm in the NEW Shorecrest Library!

>> SECOND ANNUAL DRIVERS EDUCATION FORUM

March 11, 2014, Shorecrest Library

At 7:30pm, when our PTSA meeting ends, we will have information about driving schools, options for testing, and insuring our young drivers.

Thank you to all the people who brought goodies and helped with coat-check at the Winter Formal! Our PTSA helpers made the occasion run smoothly!

Looking forward to seeing you at the PTSA General Meeting on February 11!

Kendahl Adjorlolo, President, Shorecrest High School PTSA

ptsa news





Friday, February 14, Valentine's Day Cupcakes, 9:00am drop-off deadline. A tradition at Shorecrest is for every student to receive a cupcake on Valentine's Day. Let our students and staff feel the love. Please bring in homemade cupcakes, store bought cupcakes, gluten-free, vegan—they love it all! We will need about 1,400 cupcakes to make this a success. Drop off cupcakes in the main office conference room. Cupcakes will be distributed during TAP (9:40-10:00am). Volunteers are needed for setting up and attending tables. Contact Shorecrest's Activity Coordinator, Johanna Phillips (johanna.phillips@schorelineschools.org) with any questions. To bring cupcakes and to volunteer, please sign up on **VolunteerSpot**.

DINE OUT TO SUPPORT SENIOR SPREE 2014

Tuesday, February 18, 2014, 5:00-10:00pm. Lake Forest Bar & Grill. Have a great meal and support Senior Spree, an all-night event for 2014 graduates, sponsored by Shorecrest PTSA and Grad Nights. All you need to do is buy food or drinks at Lake Forest Bar & Grill and 10% of all sales that night will support the costs of this great event. Questions? Contact Laura Brewer at *laurab@playvisions.com*.



SPREE—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 from now to June 1, 2014, for only \$169*—over 100 of your friends already have! Check www.shorecrestptsa.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 scholarships are available.



"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

volunteer for PTSA

The Shorecrest PTSA is helping make this a fun and exciting year by supporting Shorecrest's ASB with their events. Many committee positions are still available and need to be filled. Or, if you are creative with cupcakes, super at salads, or have an open space in your schedule, sign up for baking cupcakes for Valentine's Day, providing a salad for staff appreciation, or chaperoning a dance, just to name a few. To volunteer for an upcoming event, please visit **www.volunteerspot.com**.

legislation update

LEGISLATIVE CONTACTS

SHORELINE

32nd District Elected Officials:

State Senator Maralyn Chase maralyn.chase@leg.wa.gov

State Representative Ruth Kagi ruth.kagi@leg.wa.gov

State Representative Cindy Ryu cindy.ryu@leg.wa.gov

LAKE FOREST PARK

46th District Elected Officials:

State Senator David Frockt david.frockt@leg.wa.gov

State Representative Gerry Pollet gerry.pollet@leg.wa.gov

State Representative Jessyn Farrell jessyn.farrell@leg.wa.gov

King County Council District 1 Rod Dembowski Rod.Dembowski@kingcounty.gov

MAIL IN YOUR BALLOTS BY TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 11TH!

On February 11, 2014, we ask you to vote "YES" on the two Shoreline School District Replacement Levies that will appear on your Special Elections ballot. Here's what they'll do:

Proposition #1: Education Programs, Operations and Maintenance Levy

Basic education programs not covered by State or Federal funding: Nurses, family advocates, librarians and instructional materials.

Helps support: Smaller class sizes, special education, highly capable program, remedial and vocational programs, building maintenance, utilities and transportation.

Supports extra-curricular student activities: Music, drama and athletics.

Proposition #2: Technology Improvements and Support Capital Levy

Ongoing Technology needs:

- Student computers
- Expanded online curriculum for classroom use Instructional specialists
- Equipment upgrades and replacement including lab & library computers, printers, and audio-visual equipment
- · Professional development and training
- · Server and network replacements and upgrades
- Subscriptions and virus/firewall protection

HERE COME THE LEVIES!

Volunteers are needed to sign up for the Levy "RAH-RAH" on February 6th, 10th or 11th. There are four locations and two times each day. Here's how sign up works in 3 easy steps:

- 1. Click this link to go to our invitation page on **VolunteerSpot**
- 2. Enter your email address: (You will NOT need to register an account on VolunteerSpot)
- 3. Sign up! Choose your spots. VolunteerSpot will send you an automated confirmation and reminders. Easy!

Visit: **www.voteyesforshorelineschools.org** for more Levy updates.

COURT ORDERS LEGISLATURE TO SPEED UP FUNDING FOR MCCLEARY MANDATES

On behalf of Washington school children, the State Supreme Court took another important step this month to hold legislators accountable and for the State to show quicker progress in dramatically increasing K-12 public education funding to meet the mandates of the McCleary decision. On January 9, 2014, the Court ordered the State to report by April 30, 2014, on a phase-in plan for adding billions of dollars to K-12 funding by 2018 to finally rectify years of unconstitutional underfunding.

Shorecrest PTSA Endorses February 2014 Levies

The Shorecrest PTSA voted at the November 12th general membership meeting to endorse the replacement Educational Programming Operations & Maintenance Levy, and the Capital Levy for Technology & Support on the February 2014 ballot. To add your name as a personal endorsement, or to donate to the levy campaign, **click here**.

To get up-to-date information on everything that is going on in Olympia, please visit the SC PTSA Legislation page: www.shorecrestptsa.org/legislative-news

events



2ND ANNUAL ACADEMIC RECOGNITION PEP ASSEMBLY

Friday, March 28, 2014. Shorecrest Gym. 11:20am-12:10pm. Family members and friends are welcome! It was a success last year! We want to make this an annual tradition at Shorecrest! At this assembly, we aim to give our students who are working hard academically the same level of recognition as our athletes. To build the level of excitement in this pep assembly, we plan to have a prize drawing for each category of recognition. We need your help to gather these prizes to award our students. **We are seeking in particular, \$10 and \$15 gift cards to student favorites: iTunes, Starbucks, Macy's, Amazon, Target, Best Buy, movies, and restaurants.**

Additionally, we can use as prizes anything that would be valuable to high school students—a gift card or piece of merchandise from your business, a coupon—anything you can give will be greatly appreciated. While we cannot accept cash or checks, it would work well to donate a gift card from a store (for example, your company could donate a gift card from Best Buy so we could buy an iPod to use as a prize).

If you wish to donate or have any questions, please call Johanna Phillips, Shorecrest Activity Coordinator, at 206-393-4302, or *johanna.phillips@shorelineschools.org*. Donations can be mailed or brought in person to Shorecrest High School, 15343 25th Ave NE, Shoreline, WA 98155, attention Johanna Phillips. **Donations must be received no later than March 20th.**

SC BOOSTERS AUCTION: SCOTS MADNESS

Saturday, March 15, 2014, Shoreline Center, 5:30-10pm. The scBooster Club Annual Auction is a vital fund-raising event that helps Shorecrest programs and teams which otherwise wouldn't receive additional resources. Join us in our efforts to support Highlander Pride by raising funds to augment SC Scots athletic programs, performing arts groups and over 40 activities, clubs and organizations. **[More info]**

SPORTS

Click here to view Shorecrest sports schedules. Please join us in rooting for the Highlanders at our winter sports events. All of our fall sports teams have thrilling competitions throughout the year and would love your support.

school connections

"TEAM PRONTO" ROBOTICS TEAM

March 21-22, 2014. Shorewood High School. Save the date for the 2014 PNW FIRST® Robotics Shorewood District Event (Qualifying Event), organized by FIRSTWA. There will be an expected attendance of 2,000 people. Support Team Pronto 3070, a FIRST® Robotics team made up of Shorewood students and a new team member from Shorecrest High School. Help Team Pronto win the Spirit Award, visit our pit area for free buttons and a free Team Pronto spirit item!

Our build season began early January after the FRC (FIRST Robotics Competition) Kickoff on January 4, and ends after 6 weeks. At the Kickoff, it was revealed that the competition event is Aerial Assist, a game of passing, throwing, catching and scoring. In addition, the teams have to construct robots to be able to pass balls throughout different zones to their alliance robots. At the event, there will be 32 other teams- all tasked with the same objective, but there are many different kinds of robots. The robots cannot weigh more than 120 pounds, and cannot be more than 5 feet tall. Come to the event to see what Team Pronto's robot can do!

Team Pronto meets every day after school until 8, and on Saturdays from 11-6. If you're interested in joining Team Pronto, please email Berta Niyazova (bn0802061@ k12.shorelineschools.org) to inform her of your arrival. To learn more about Team Pronto and FIRST® Robotics, check out these links:

www.usfirst.org firstwa.org teampronto.com

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 **shorecrestptsa.org/get-involved/teacher-wishlist**.

counselors corner

REGISTRATION IN FEBRUARY

Keep in mind that registration for the 2014-15 school year is right around the corner. This is a great time to begin discussions at home, with teachers and counselors about possible course requests for next year. Don't forget that the registration guide is available online for your exploration! **schools.shorelineschools.org/shorecrest/registration/**.

COUNSELOR FIELD TRIPS

Shorecrest's counselors just returned from the first of three field trips comparing programs at regional two-year and technical colleges (sponsored by PTSA). There was much to learn on our first visit to Shoreline and Edmonds Community Colleges. The next trip will be to Cascadia and Lake Washington after break. Interested seniors and juniors should contact their counselors.

community news



When Campbell Nelson Volkswagen Nissan says they're "Community Driven", they mean more than their cars are being driven by our friends and neighbors. Campbell Nelson is committed to giving back to the community, and on January 1, 2014, Campbell Nelson



pledged up to \$80,000 to four local non-profits to help enrich the lives of our local youth. Help the Shoreline Public Schools Foundation promote learning and support students. **Test drive a new car at Campbell Nelson today and they will donate \$50!** Program runs January 1st, to April 30th, 2014. Limit of one donation per household. Customer agrees to have their mailing address given to one of the participating non-profits.



SHORELINE SCIENCE FAIR AND STEM CAREER EXPO

Saturday, May 31, 2014, 10:00am-2:00pm. Shoreline Community College. This event has been so popular, it has been expanded to include many new STEM booths.

- Grades K-6 Science Fair is 10-11:30am in the Student Union Building (shortened time requested by teachers).
- Grades 7-12 Science Fair is 12:00-2:00pm in the Student Union Building.

The Career STEM booths from SCC, UW, Amgen, the Hutch and many other places will be from 10:00am-2:00pm in both the Student Union Building and the SCC Gymnasium. Interested in volunteering? Want to donate a prize for the raffle sponsored by Shorecrest? Contact Ray Koelling at *koellingr@comcast.net*.



THE POWER OF ONE

The impact of one person, especially a teacher, on a young life can be very powerful. Lee Watkins, a teacher at Lake Forest Park Elementary School who retired in 2004, was that person for Kennosuke ('Ken') Koelling (Shorecrest Class of 2011). Ms. Watkins was Ken's kindergarten and first grade teacher from 1997-99. Ken's father, Ray Koelling (organizer of the Shoreline Science Fair and STEM Career Expo), remembers her fondly: "Had it not been for Lee, Ken would not be where he is today—about to graduate with a degree in Aeronautical and Electrical Engineering. She literally saved his educational life and future." The Koellings and Ms. Watkins have kept in touch over the years. She recently moved from Woodinville to Arizona.