

# District Newsletter Special SHS Edition

## MESSAGE FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT

Dear Sherwood Community & Staff,

It is that time of year again, when we as staff members find ourselves doing an interesting "balancing act" between planning for summer work and getting ready to kick-off the next school year, while still finishing the final months of this school year in a deliberate, strong and productive way. For example, principals are working together to begin discussing next year's professional development for staff. We have several summer bond projects that are being planned -- from safety (entry) vestibules at Middleton, AG, and Hopkins, to a new roof at SMS. (By the way, be on the look-out for signs posted at each building when bond-funded projects are in progress, so you can learn about the direct impacts your support of the capital bond is making!) We also are working on the development of next year's budget, which continues to be challenging (and frustrating), as the State continues to struggle to make K-12 funding a priority.

Speaking of the Legislature, you might recall several weeks ago we reached out to you in a **letter** with a plea to help advocate for the importance of funding for K-12 districts across the state. We shared a sample letter, and the like, and urged you to contact your legislators in order to share your story, and how funding for public schools affects your family and your students.

Very recently, the Co-Chairs' Budget Framework has become more real, with a funding level of \$7.8B. Districts all across Oregon recognize \$8.4B as the funding level needed in order to simply maintain the current levels of service including programs, class sizes, etc. We all know that the hits education funding has taken over the last several years has created a scenario within which class sizes are too big; event maintaining class sizes as they are today is a challenge we need to address, but when faced with even more drastic reductions (which \$7.8B would create) I suppose it is the lesser of two evils.

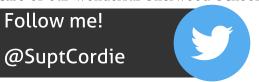


Now, more than ever, your assistance in the advocacy efforts is so very critical, and appreciated! Today, we distributed the letter linked here, inviting all stakeholders to add their voices using this link to the Oregon Rising-Take Action page, and help Sherwood School District advocate for a higher funding level for Oregon schools -- we hope you will join us in those important conversations.

Despite a budget season that is precarious, we still have a great deal to celebrate in our district - from the recent adoption of a new secondary math curriculum, increased focus on equity work in all schools, and the ongoing dedication and care of our wonderful Sherwood School District staff everyday. Thank you!

All the best,

Heather





## GIRLS WHO CODE





Brooke Mylander, Grade 11

In spring 2016, the Girls Who Code Club was formed at Sherwood High School by Brooke Mylander and Brenna Cosio, who realized they were the only two females in a computer science class of 42 students. They decided to create a club for high school girls with shared interest in technology. Inspired by the ChickTech organization, and supported by SHS teacher Terrel Smith, the young leaders invite other girls to join the club to perform tech projects together.

Recently, the Girls Who Code Club were invited by Representative Margaret Doherty to testify before the House Education Committee on March 27, to share about their experiences with computer science. Three representatives of the Girls Who Code Club attended, including its founders Brenna Cosio and Brooke Mylander, with Carey Nguyen.

At the Sherwood School District Board of Directors on April 12, 2017, the three young women were introduced and honored by the Board for their achievements and success with Girls Who Code. The girls shared that their current project of focus is to create a web site that assists the community with recycling. They want other young women interested in technology and science to know that girls can learn science and technology and can thrive in it!



Brenna Cosio, Grade 11



Carey Nguyen, Grade 11

The Girls Who Code representatives, joined by SHS teacher Terrel Smith, share testimony about their experiences in the computer science department before the House Education Committee at the State Capitol (March 27, 2017).



At the monthly Board of Directors meeting on April 12, 2017, the Girls Who Code reps were introduced by teacher Clark Ferrand and recognized by the Board.





## 2017 BOWMEN PAGEANT





This year,
3H8 raised
\$42,223!

Every year, Sherwood High School students participate in a fundraising event called the Bowmen Pageant. The annual fundraiser's proceeds benefit Doernbecher Children's Hospital and the Kids Making Miracles Foundation.

With 12 pairs of students competing (a 12th grade contestant and a partner), their goal is to be the team that raises the most money over a three-month period.

The Bowmen Pageant is organized by a committee of Sherwood High juniors and seniors, and led by one or two senior chairpersons that oversee the entire fundraiser, with the rest of the committee being comprised of the contestants' partners and the junior committee. This year, seniors Maddie Ray and Delaney Palmer were the co-chairs.

Many contestants sold treats, stickers, etc., at school as part of their fundraising, until the finale of the fundraising campaign culminated with the Bowmen Pageant in February, which consisted of endorsement videos, a talent segment, a formal wear segment, and dances performed by the contestants. Special judges were selected to choose the winner of the pageant at the final event. This year's winner was Andrew Dunn and his partner Jade Segoviano (both seniors this year).







Jade Segoviano

The combined efforts of all of the Bowmen Pageant contestants and committee members raised a grand total of \$42,223 this year! Great job, Sherwood High School!

Thank you to all of the donors – from students, parents, staff, community members, and businesses – who generously gave of their time and resources to support this year's fundraiser!



## SHS STUDENT ENTREPRENEUR EARNS NATIONAL RECOGNITION





## TRACK ATHLETES BREAK STATE & SCHOOL RECORDS







SHS junior Shelby Moran broke the all-time Oregon disc record at the Oregon Relays in Eugene on Easter weekend. Her two throws, of 162'5 and 162'10, are the top two disc throws of all time in Oregon.



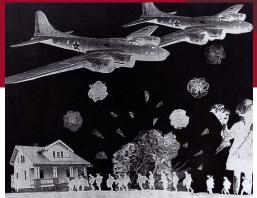


Senior Brady Pierce broke the Sherwood High School record in disc at the same meet.



The team was 14th overall, and 5th Place Oregon team, out of 80 total teams.

## Congratulations!











### SHS NATIONAL MEDALISTS



Sherwood School District is excited to announce that five of our SHS students have earned National Medals for their photography in the 2017

Scholastic Art & Writing Awards, presented by the Alliance for Young Artists & Writers!

Their work was selected by creative professionals as the most accomplished in the nation. This year, more than 330,000 works of art and writing were submitted. Less than 1% were recognized nationwide – only 2,740 medals were awarded at the national level!

Students receiving top Awards have been invited to attend a ceremony at the world-famous Carnegie Hall on June 8th, and to participate in a showcase event at Parsons School for Design at The New School and Pratt Institute's Pratt Manhattan Gallery in New York City (show will run June 2–12). Additionally, the Alliance has sent letters of congratulation to Oregon art leaders and Senators Wyden and Merkley.

Executive Director for the Alliance for Young Artists & Writers, Virginia McEnerney, shared, "This recognition

shines a light on your leadership, your faculty's efforts, and your school's dedication to education in the creative arts. We are indebted to the educators who motivate their students and encourage them to achieve at the highest level."

We're very proud to have these students represent our high school and the Sherwood community in this year's Scholastic Art & Writing Awards.

## Congratulations to our National Medalists!

Student artist photos are featured in margin, listed in order from top to bottom:

#### Sophomore:

Moriah Kearsley (Gold Medal) *Junior:* 

Brooklyn Bamforth (Silver Medal)

Seniors:

Casey Boettiger (Silver Medal) Maggie Hancock (Gold Medal) Ellaina Langvin (Silver Medal)



### PERCUSSION ENSEMBLE - CHAMPS IN NWAPA

The Sherwood Percussion Ensemble won 1st Place in open class in the Northwest Association for Performing Arts (NWAPA) Winter Championships on Saturday, April 8th. This is the highest classification our program has ever competed in and the show was incredible!

The Sherwood Percussion Ensemble also earned 1st Place at the following competitions:

- Columbia River Invitational Showcase
- Evergreen Competition
- WGI Northwest Regional

Our Sherwood Percussion Ensemble traveled to San Bernardino, California, to compete in the WGI Power Regional. Performing in Scholastic A Class, our team earned 2nd Place in Prelims on Saturday afternoon. Thanks to the high placement, the Sherwood Percussion Ensemble advanced to the Semi-Finals competition, where they performed late at night and earned 2nd Place again. Advancing then to Finals, the ensemble performed Sunday morning and finished 2nd Place in the Finals. as well.



View the video of the NWAPA championship performance at by clicking **here!** 



## MIDDLE SCHOOL PERCUSSION EXCELS

We are also excited to recognize and congratulate the Sherwood Cadet Percussion Ensemble (middle school students). These talented young musicians won 4th Place in the Scholastic AA Division NWAPA Winter Championships on Saturday, April 8th. (These young percussionists marched and competed against high schoolers!) Their Phantom of the Opera show is so much fun to watch...

Do you know a student in elementary school or middle school in Sherwood?

If so, share with them this video
- its inspiring!

View the video of the middle school ensemble performance here!





Bravo to all the percussion students & staff!

Band students in the Three Rivers League gathered around the auditorium at Tualatin High School, to perform a powerful rendition of Tschesnokoff's "Salvation is Created". This was performed as the grand finale of our annual Three Rivers League Band Festival. This piece has a special place in many musicians' hearts due to its expressive nature.

#### View the video by clicking here!

Joel Tanner, the band director for Newberg High School, conducted the piece with beautiful pacing and phrasing. The Newberg High School Band lost a member of its band/school family to suicide this past year. It was very special to have all of the league's students performing together in musical solidarity.



## 2016 CAPITAL BOND UPDATES



- Facilitated by architects from Dull Olson Weekes-IBI Group Architects, Inc. (DOWA), 32 staff, students, administrators, Board members, parents, and community members engaged in activities and discussions at the second Community Input Session centered on the design of the new high school. The event, held on April 3, allowed participants to view the preliminary concept site plan of the school and review a "walk-through" of potential program and academic layout for the site. Attendees then engaged in an interactive exercise, providing feedback on exterior characteristics that could be incorporated into the school's design.
- The SHS Design Committee has entered the schematic design phase of the new high school and continues to meet regularly and provide input for the District's architects.
- On April 13, several members of the Design Committee took a tour of Ridgeview High School in Redmond, Oregon. The school, also designed by the District's architects (DOWA), provided a visual reference of potential features and spatial options that a modern high school can offer.
- 2016 Capital Bond Web Site shortcut can be found on the District home page, or by visiting the link below. Keep up with the latest news about the bond projects!





## COMMUNITY NOTICE: SKID ASSEMBLY - 9AM, 4/28

**Stop Kids Impaired Driving (SKID)** is a traffic safety and underage drinking prevention program coordinated by the Washington County Sheriff's Office to educate young people about the tragic consequences of teen drinking and driving.

Sherwood High School will be hosting a SKID Assembly on **Friday, April 28th at 9am** in the SHS football stadium. The assembly will last approximately 45 minutes. As part of the assembly, a Life Flight helicopter will be landing on the football field. The **helicopter landing will be part of the assembly and NOT related to an emergency** at the school.









SKID is a "live-action melodrama" which simulates a fatal, alcohol-related traffic crash for high school audiences. SKID is a multi-agency, community effort that relies on strong partnerships with Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue, Metro-West Ambulance, and Life Flight, as well as several local police departments, fire service agencies, and school districts throughout Washington County. The assembly for SHS students has been coordinated for this month in anticipation of Prom, which is coming up soon, on Saturday, May 6th.

Learn more about the SKID

Program at the Washington

County Sheriff's Office web site!









## A few of our open recruitments:

- Elementary Teacher (K-5)
- TOSA, Secondary Curriculum, Instruction and Technology
- High School Counselor
- Assistant Football Coach
- Spanish Teacher Long-term Substitute
- School Bus Driver
- Special Education Teacher/Learning Specialist

...and more!



Visit the Sherwood School District
<a href="web page here">web page here</a> to view all current openings
and submit your application!



## IMPORTANT DATES TO KNOW

**May 4-5** Conferences Grades K-5 only

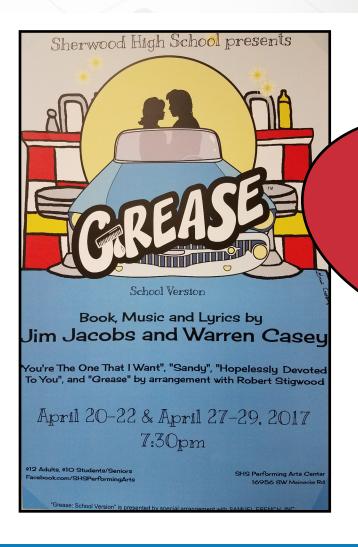
May 29 No School Holiday - Memorial Day

**Jun 9 Graduation** Sherwood High School

Jun 16 Last Day of School for Students (1/2 day),

**Promotion** 8th Grade

**Jun 19** Teacher Work Day



Sherwood High School's
Spring Musical Production

GREASE

April 27-29
7:30pm

### DISTRICT OFFICE INFORMATION

Open 7:00am-4:30pm, Monday-Friday Phone: (503) 825-5000 Fax: (503) 825-5001

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