

# SHA Parent Reminders 2011-2012

12/9/11



## THE WEEK AHEAD:

Sat. 12/10	Sun. 12/11	Mon. 12/12	Tues. 12/13	Wed. 12/14	Thurs. 12/15	Fri. 12/16
Musical "The Pajama Game" 7:30 pm	Alum Reception before Musical in LMC at 1 pm  Musical "The Pajama Game" 2:00 pm	Advent Prayer Svc. Schedule #6	P. Guild Adv. Cmte. 7-8:30 pm in FDR	Fresh. Elections HR & 1 <sup>st</sup> Per. In Aud. (Fresh. Only)  Chamber Singers at M&T	StuCo. Christmas Assembly Schedule #3  Sha Showcase 4-7 pm in Dining Hall  Christmas Concert 7 pm in Aud	Junior Retreat at Harvest House

## PAJAMA GAME MUSICAL THIS WEEKEND!



Performances of this year's musical, "The Pajama Game" will take place at 7:30 pm on Friday, December 9 & Saturday, December 10, and at 2 pm on Sunday, December 11. Tickets are \$10 for adults & \$8 for students/seniors and are available at the door. Doors will open 30 minutes prior to show time and seating is general. We hope to see you there!

SHA is proud to be presenting the musical "The Pajama Game" this year. Performance and ticket details are listed below.

Date & Time: Friday, December 9 7:30 pm  
Saturday, December 10 7:30 pm  
Sunday, December 11 2:00 pm

Tickets: \$10 Adults and \$8 Senior/Students. Checks may be made payable to Sacred Heart Academy.

## EUROPE TRIP 2013 MEETING



Europe Trip 2013 meeting will take place on Tuesday, Dec. 20th at 7 pm in SHA cafeteria. A parent must attend the meeting. The trip will be in July 2013 and will include Rome, Florence, French Riviera, Barcelona, Paris, and London. Details regarding the trip will be sent home on Monday.

## ST. JOE'S SKI CLUB NOTE



This Friday's Ski club has been cancelled and is rescheduled for March 2, 2012.

## MOTHER-DAUGHTER BOOK CLUB AT SACRED HEART



Sacred Heart will be hosting a Mother-Daughter Book Club beginning in January 2012. The book club is open to girls in Grades 6 and 7 and their mothers and will meet three times during the second semester. See Pages 5 and 6 for more information.

## INFORMATION FROM THE HEALTH OFFICE



There has been a confirmed case of head lice in a SHA student. We are informing you so that you can be aware of the situation and alert for any symptoms in your daughter/family. Please encourage your daughters to avoid sharing combs, brushes, and other personal items with friends. Head lice are not a sign of poor hygiene, and they do not transmit disease. Spreading from one person to another can occur during direct head to head contact or by sharing of personal items such as combs, brushes, caps or helmets, or by coming into contact with other areas or items. The most common symptom of head lice is itching and head scratching, particularly at night. Red bite marks or sores may also be noticed on the scalp. If you suspect that your child has head lice, he or she should be examined by your health care provider. Safe and effective products to treat head lice are available both over the counter and by doctor's prescription. Parents should also wash in hot water all recently worn clothing, hats, used bedding, and towels. Personal care items such as combs, brushes, and hair clips should also be washed in hot water.

## NOTES FROM THE COUNSELING CENTER



### Freshwomen, Sophomore, & Junior Parents

Results of the Explore and PSAT examinations have been given out to each student. Please be sure to go over it with them. If you have questions or concerns, feel free to call the Counseling Center at 834-2101 x314.

### Sophomore and Junior Students & Parents

Mark your calendars for Wednesday, January 11, 2012 at 7:00 pm in the AUD here at SHA! This is our annual Junior College Night, for juniors and their parents. (Sophomores and their parents are also welcome to attend). Mrs. Brady, along with a panel of experts in the field of college admission, will discuss in detail the process of preparing for college. Information regarding the Junior Class Washington D.C. trip will be given. It is imperative that you make every attempt to be at this most informative evening. Prizes will also be given. We look forward to seeing all of you there!

### Summer Opportunities for Sophomores & Juniors

The Oxford Advanced Studies Program offers ambitious young people the opportunity to study in the historic city of Oxford. This is a summer school study abroad program that expands intellectual and cultural horizons as well as being relevant to academic work. Visit [www.oasp.ac.uk](http://www.oasp.ac.uk) for more information.

### Junior & Senior Scholarships for Juniors or Seniors

The Lelia E. Tupper Writing Scholarship is for all high school seniors and juniors and is through Alfred University. A portfolio of writing samples, including 4 poems, 1 short story or play, as well as a personal essay must be postmarked by January 31, 2012 and sent to Alfred University. More information is available in the Counseling Center.

### SAT Information

Atlas Test Prep is offering the March SAT Prep class here at SHA! The class begins 1/21. For more information and to enroll, please call 361-6413 or visit [AtlasTestPrep.com](http://AtlasTestPrep.com).

## SHA SHOWCASE



Make the most of your Christmas shopping this year, by coming to the SHA Showcase! The SHA Showcase will feature many of Sacred Heart's talented women artisans - students, faculty, staff, alumnae, and friends who create beautiful items. Stop in to pick up a gift (and don't forget a gift for yourself!) on December 15, from 4 - 7 pm. Enjoy light refreshments and stay for the Christmas Concert at 7 pm!



## SCHOOL CLOSINGS

It's the time of year when the weather can become questionable. Sacred Heart Academy utilizes a school notification system called Global Connect. The program allows Sacred Heart to send out audio and text messages to landline phones, cell phones, and e-mail addresses. The Global Connect school notification system will be used to contact parents and guardians to notify of snow days, delayed openings, early dismissals, emergencies, and vital school information. All district & non-district transportation offices will receive the same notification.

Parent/Guardian contact information will be pulled from Sacred Heart's electronic student information system. If you have changed home phone numbers, cell phone numbers, or business phone numbers, please update your contact information at [www.sacredheartacademy.org/updateparentcontactinformation.php](http://www.sacredheartacademy.org/updateparentcontactinformation.php) or call the Main Office at 834-2101.

We will also continue to announce on local TV and radio stations school closings due to inclement weather or emergencies. **THE ANNOUNCEMENT SHOULD INCLUDE THE NAME "BUFFALO ACADEMY OF THE SACRED HEART" OR "SACRED HEART ACADEMY."** Since there are students from more than twenty school districts, **SHA DOES NOT AUTOMATICALLY CLOSE WITH ANY PUBLIC OR DIOCESAN SCHOOL DISTRICT.** Our school closing policy is listed on Page 42 of your daughter's Student Handbook.

## Attn: Senior Parents

2012

### Scholarships for Seniors

ECC (Erie County Community College) has a plethora of scholarships for students planning on attending ECC. Applications are online at <http://stars.ecc.edu/stars>. More information is also available in the Counseling Center. [www.Scholarship.com](http://www.Scholarship.com) is a resource that can help find money for college and provides financial aid information. Definitely worth a visit!

The American Association of University Women (AAUW) Buffalo Branch has announced that applications for the 2012 Velma Cobb Scholarship are now available for high school senior women. To be eligible, students must have at least a 3.5 GPA and must plan on attending college full-time next fall. Applications are due by February 1, 2012, and may be found at <http://www.aauw.buffalo.edu/loanindex.htm>.

\*\*\*Please also continue to check Naviance, Fastweb.com, SHA's website, and your college's website for more scholarship opportunities!

## Attn: Junior Parents

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### Junior Retreat

The Junior Class will be attending their retreat on Friday, December 16, at Harvest House, which is located at 1782 Seneca Street, Buffalo, NY 14210. All students will be bussed to and from the retreat. Students should arrive at school by 8 am to attend homeroom. After homeroom they will be bussed to Harvest House for the retreat, and we will return to school by about 2:45 pm. A pizza lunch will be provided for all students, but please have your daughter eat breakfast before coming to school. Students may wear casual clothes, appropriate and comfortable for their day. All Juniors will receive their class t-shirt prior to the retreat so they should wear those shirts to the retreat. If you have any questions, please contact Ruth Donner at 834-2101 ext. 312 or [rdonner@sacredheartacademy.org](mailto:rdonner@sacredheartacademy.org)

### Summer Opportunities

The Telluride Association Summer Program is a 6-week academic summer program that takes place at Cornell University or the University of Michigan. There are no grades or college credit – this is for students who are motivated for the pleasure and rewards of learning with other students of diverse backgrounds. There is a rigorous selection process, so be sure to visit the counseling center if you are interested in this program! Descriptions are available at [www.tasp.tellurideassociation.org](http://www.tasp.tellurideassociation.org)



## Attn: Sophomore Parents

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December 19<sup>th</sup>

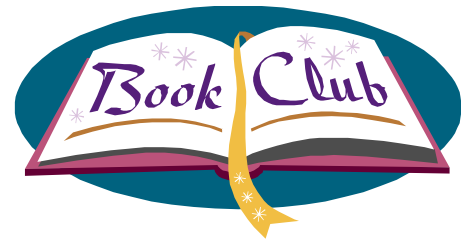
Our Sophomores will have a unique opportunity to see into their future on December 19, when we will be joined by 7 members of the class of 2010, who are currently Sophomores at a variety of colleges, both in Buffalo and beyond. These young women will be engaged in conversation with Sophomores in the Library Media Center, discussing "What I wish I knew 4 years ago". Students are asked to bring their lunch for the discussion.

# Buffalo Academy of the Sacred Heart

Presents

## A Mother-Daughter Book Club

*led by Sheila Lyons, educator*



### ***Why be in a Mother-Daughter Book Club?***

There are many reasons you may choose to join SHA's book club, from enhancing your daughter's reading skills, to connecting with her in a different and valuable way, and gaining new perspectives as a mother.

### ***Who can be a part of the Book Club?***

This club is for mother and daughters who are in either 6<sup>th</sup> or 7<sup>th</sup> grade. In order for everyone involved to have a productive experience, the size will be limited to six girls and their mothers (per group).

### ***When will the Book Club meet?***

This newly formed book club will meet three times between January and June and read a new book for each meeting. We will offer two different sessions, either Sunday afternoons from 3:30-5 pm (January 22, March 25, May 20) OR Wednesday evenings 6:30 – 8 pm (January 25, March 28, May 23)

### ***Where will the Book Club meet?***

At Buffalo Academy of the Sacred Heart in the Library/Media Center.

### ***What is the cost to participate?***

None, it is free to participants. Your only cost will be if you choose to purchase the books we will be reading. (Or you can borrow from the public library).

***About Sheila Lyons:***

Sheila Lyons is a certified English teacher and has taught at Sacred Heart, Elmwood Franklin School, Amherst Middle School, and Amherst High School. She is teaching Critical Thinking Skills at Sacred Heart beginning in January 2012. Sheila lives in Amherst and is the mother of two boys and a 12-year old girl.

***How can I sign up my daughter and me?***

Fill out the form below. Space is limited. Enrollment will be confirmed. Questions? Call Mary Ganey Cochrane, Director of Admissions, 834-2101 ext. 311.

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Yes, we would like to join the SHA Book Club on (check one):

\_\_\_\_\_ Sunday Session, 3:30-5 pm (January 22, March 25, May 20)

OR

\_\_\_\_\_ Wednesday Session, 6:30 – 8pm (January 25, March 28, May 23)

Student name: \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Mother name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email (parent): \_\_\_\_\_

*Please mail to Sacred Heart Academy, 3860 Main Street, Buffalo, NY 14226  
A confirmation will be sent along with the title of the first book.*