



# SHARON SPRINGS CENTRAL SCHOOL



*Home of the Spartans*

*Weekly Bulletin*

*March 4, 2010*

**Saturday, March 6**

Teen Night 7-9 pm

**Sunday, March 7**

Moody's Math Challenge (Lib) 7 am-3 pm

Men's Basketball Open Gym 9 am-12 pm

Adult Volleyball (Old Gym) 7-9 pm

**Monday, March 8**

Defensive Driving Course 6:30-9:30 pm

Board of Education Meeting 7:30 pm

**Wednesday, March 10**

Defensive Driving Course 6:30-9:30 pm

**Thursday, March 11**

Cabaret Night (Aud) 7:30 pm

**Sunday, March 14**

Men's Basketball Open Gym 9 am-12 pm

Adult Volleyball (Old Gym) 7-9 pm

**Monday, March 15**

Cub Scouts Mtg. (Café) 6-7 pm

**Saturday, March 20**

Little League Tryouts 10 am-12 pm

**Sunday, March 21**

Men's Basketball Open Gym 9 am-12 pm

Adult Volleyball (Old Gym) 7-9 pm

**Monday, March 22**

Board of Education Meeting 7:30 pm

**Thursday, March 25**

All County at MCS 11:30 am-5:30 pm

**Friday, March 26**

All County at MCS 8:15 am

**Sunday, March 28**

Men's Basketball Open Gym 9 am-12 pm

Adult Volleyball (Old Gym) 7-9 pm

**Monday, March 29**

Cub Scouts Mtg. Café 6-7 pm

**Friday, April 2-Friday, April 9**

*School Closed*

**Sunday, April 4**

Men's Basketball Open Gym 9 am-12 pm

Adult Volleyball (Old Gym) 7-9 pm

**Sunday, April 11**

Men's Basketball Open Gym 9 am-12 pm

Adult Volleyball (Old Gym) 7-9 pm

**Monday, April 12**

Board of Education Meeting 7:30 pm

## **PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE**

Congratulations to the Boys and Girls Varsity Basketball Teams on a great season!!



A reminder to parents that 5-week progress reports were sent home on Wednesday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>, if you have any questions or concerns regarding your child's report please contact your child's teacher by leaving a voicemail message or via e-mail. (Teachers e-mail address is

[firstname.lastname@sharonsprings.org](mailto:firstname.lastname@sharonsprings.org).)

Good Luck to our Odyssey of the Mind teams as they head to the Regional Competition at Shenendehowa on Saturday, March 6<sup>th</sup>.

## **COUNSELOR'S CORNER**

### **College Acceptances/Military Enlistments**

*Kaitlyn Whitbeck-* Wells College, Hartwick College

*Zach Bartlett-* Tompkins Cortland CC

*CJ Verderber-* Elmira College, LeMoyne College,

Iona College, Providence College, Fordham

University, Roger Williams University

*Christina Lockenwitz-* Herkimer County CC

*Graham Wright-* SUNY Delhi

*Douglas Ullman-* SUNY Brockport, College of St. Rose

*Cameron French-* Stony Brook University

### **2010 MAAC Academic Fair**

Saturday, March 6<sup>th</sup> from 10 am-12 pm

Times Union Center in Albany, NY

Exhibition Hall

Canisius College, Fairfield University, Iona College, Loyola University Maryland, Manhattan College, Marist College, Niagara University, Rider University, Saint Peter's College and Siena College.

All 10 schools will have academic information available. You will have the opportunity to talk one-on-one with a campus representative.

### **Schoharie County Youth Service Day**

When: April 24

Hours: 9 am – noon

Free picnic celebration at: Fox Creek Park, Schoharie from 1-3 pm.

Interested in making your community a better place? Then this is your chance. Sign up as a group or on your own. For more information or to sign up please see Mrs. Stetin.

Sign up deadline: April 16

### **Avoid Being an Overprotective Parent to Teach Independence**

Overprotective parents tend to “rescue” kids from problems to protect them from any pain or suffering. Kids often love this kind of parenting-at the time. But overprotection can prevent them from learning the life skills they’ll need as adults.

It’s especially important to avoid overprotecting teens. Teenagers need to learn to take care of themselves, especially as they will probably move away from home in a few years.

To make sure you’re not an overprotective parent:

- **Avoid rescuing your child** from small problems. If he/she has forgotten his/her geometry book at school and he/she has homework to do, he/she will have to figure something out. (Obviously, if your child is dealing with a larger problem, like being bullied, it’s fine to step in and help.)
- **Give your teen responsibilities** around the house. Knowing how to do his/her own laundry, how to make doctor’s appointments or how to mow the lawn will definitely come in handy when he/she is an adult

Source: Jane Nelsen and Lynn Lott, Positive Discipline for Teenagers: Resolving Conflict with Your Teenage Son or Daughter, ISBN: 1-5595-8441-6 (Prima Publishing, [www.randomhouse.com/index.ppt](http://www.randomhouse.com/index.ppt)).

## **STUDENT FOCUS**

### **Morning Program**

Morning Program is held on Days 2 & 6 at 8:25 am.

Students in K-3 will attend on a regular basis.

Students in grades 4-5 will attend for special events and Student of the Month recognition.

3/8 - (Old gym) – Intro to Courage

3/10 - (Old gym) – History of Iditarod

3/16 – (Old gym) – Current Iditarod

3/18 – (Old gym) – Courage

3/24 – (Aud) – Play-The Little Engine that Could

3/29 – (Aud) – SOM and Birthdays

*If school is delayed, morning program activities will be cancelled for that day. If school is closed, morning program activities will be held on the next day.*

### **SSTA Student of the Month for February**

#### **Kindergarten**

Owen Bartow

Deserae Higgins

Rachel Rorick

#### **First Grade**

Dylan Masse

Sydney Roe

#### **Second Grade**

Colin Brown

Madison Daignault

Marissa Moxham

Michael Ray

#### **Third Grade**

Jacob Kataneksza

#### **Fourth Grade**

Cody Hotaling

Jeremiah Tichy

#### **Fifth Grade**

Aaron Hellijas

Ethan Keller

### **Student of the Month for February**

#### **Middle School Nominees:**

Aaron McDonald, Tyler Bianchine and Megan Daignault

The winner is Aaron McDonald. Aaron consistently works hard in all of his subjects and always finds time to help other students understand difficult material. Aaron’s enthusiastic and positive attitude can be seen positively with other students throughout the day. He can also be seen working diligently in hard courses such as a high school math class and by taking two science courses. Aaron’s hard work also continues in extracurricular activities such as Odyssey of the Mind. Keep up the good work Aaron.

#### **High School Nominees:**

Christina Lockenwitz, Deanna Schuppel, Jordan Webb and Olivia Hatalsky

The winner is Jordan Webb. Jordan is a well mannered, well rounded young man. He is a committed student who works hard every day to do his best. He is always polite and eager to help at school, home and in the community. Jordan is an excellent example of an SSCS student of the month.

### **McDonald's Coupon Books - FBLA**

McDonald's coupon books are for sale by FBLA Members for \$5.00

McDonald's will donate \$2.50 of the cost of your purchase to the FBLA students attending the State Leadership Conference.

Thank you for supporting our students.  
Sharon Springs Central School  
Future Business Leaders of America

### **Interdisciplinary Field Trip**

On March 29<sup>th</sup>, students in grades 8 through 12 will be offered the opportunity to experience the New York State mathematics and ELA curriculum outside of the classroom. A field trip to the Egg in Albany will allow students to be exposed to a professional theatrical production called *Eureka!* This is a comedic play about a frustrated 13-year old math student named Sara who is visited by a number of important historical figures in Mathematics. Through this experience, she learns about various applications of math and how certain great discoveries were made.

### **Camp Forget-Me-Not**

Catskill area Hospice and Palliative Care is pleased to announce our 20<sup>th</sup> Child/Teen Fun and Grief Camp, "Camp Forget-Me-Not". The camp will be held at the New York State Power Authority/Gilboa-Blenheim Visitor Center in North Blenheim on Saturday, April 24<sup>th</sup> from 9:30 am-4:00 pm and Sunday, April 25<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 am-4:00 pm.

The camp is open to all school-aged children (K-12) in Otsego, Delaware and Schoharie counties who have suffered the loss of a loved one. The child/teen does not need to be having a difficult time in order to attend. Children and teens experience new grief as they become older and feel the absence of their loved one at special times such as holidays and birthdays.

For registration forms contact  
Rod Roberts at 607-432-5525

### **Design Your Own Helmet Contest**

The Month of March is National Brain Injury Awareness Month. As part of the awareness month, 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> grade students from Sharon Springs participated in the Eleventh Annual Design Your Own Helmet Contest sponsored by the Brain Injury Association of New York State.

The following students had their designs selected by our panel of judges to continue on for competition at the County level:

1<sup>st</sup> Grade: Adam Bartow  
Chelsea Stetin  
Ashley Zabrisky  
Makala Acosta  
Emily Schuler

2<sup>nd</sup> Grade: Jimmy Losaw  
Ikia Morris  
Colin Brown  
Brent Vanarsdale  
Katlyn Roberts

Congratulations and thank you to all the students who participated in the contest. The judges did not have an easy job of picking five from each grade level. Look for the student designs to be posted in or near the elementary classrooms.

Please remember to always wear your **helmet** when riding your bike, ATV, or motorcycle.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact Trooper Johnstone at extension 111.

### **Scholastic Book Fair**

The Spring Scholastic Book Fair is coming! The Sharon Springs school library will be hosting the book fair from March 8-12. Families, teachers and community members are invited to attend the fair. The book fair will offer specially priced books and educational products, including new releases, award winning titles, children's classics, interactive software and current bestsellers.

The book fair will be open Monday-Thursday from 8-3 pm and Friday from 8-2 pm. There will be a family event held on March 10<sup>th</sup> from 3-5 pm. Volunteers are always needed for this event. If interested, please call Heather Bivins at 284-9034.

## **COMMUNITY FOCUS**

*A service to the Sharon Springs Community*

### **Weight Room Reopens**

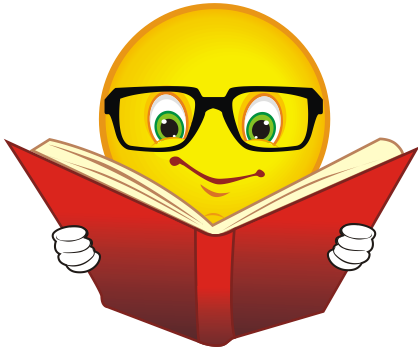
The Sharon Springs Central School weight room is open to the community on Monday and Thursday evenings from 6:00 pm until 7:00 pm thanks to a grant provided by RHENDOMS (Rural Health Education Network of Delaware, Otsego, Montgomery and Schoharie).

## Sharon Springs Free Library

### *Story Time*

Stories, songs, nursery rhymes and a craft.

3/19, 4/2, 4/16 at 10 am



## Defensive Driving Course at Sharon Springs Central School

The National Safety Councils DDC-6 Defensive Driving Course will be held on Monday March 8<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday March 10<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 pm-9:30 pm. Successful completion of this course enables each participant to receive a 10% reduction on both the Collision and Liability portions of their automobile insurance each year for 3 years, as well as reducing the DMV point total by 4 points if there are points on the driver's record. For registration or information contact 284-2279.

## I love Sharon in the Springs Time Photos Fest

Take a photo of what you love about Sharon Springs  
- A building, landscape or anything that represents your hometown pride.

Drop off your photograph during business hours  
from April 23<sup>rd</sup> – April 30<sup>th</sup>

All photos should be framed, no larger than 16x20 and ready to hang. The photos will be on display throughout the month of May

There will be a group for kids aged 8-12; a teen group aged 13-19 and an adult group.

Awards and Reception May 21<sup>st</sup> from 5-7 pm.

Stop by or email to get an entry form

Village Hall Gallery

187 Main Street, Sharon Springs

[villagehallgallery@gmail.com](mailto:villagehallgallery@gmail.com) 284-2402

OPEN: Thurs – Sat 10-6, Sun. & Mon 10-4

## Family Zumba at Sharon Springs

This program is sponsored by the Sharon Springs Wellness Committee, through a grant provided by Rhendoms (Rural Health Education Network of Delaware, Otsego, Montgomery and Schoharie) at no cost.

Next class: Tuesday, March 9<sup>th</sup>

Time: 3:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Place: Auditorium Stage

Instructor: Stacey Alexander-Mann, Certified Zumba Instructor

The class is open to the community. Elementary and middle school students must be accompanied by an adult. No need to sign up.



## 2010 Census Jobs

The US Census Bureau is recruiting temporary, part-time census takers for the 2010 census. These jobs offer good pay, flexible hours, paid training and paid mileage. Best of all, census takers work right in their own communities.

Tests for census jobs are being given locally.

To register, call 1-315-223-0120 or  
toll free at 1-866-861-2010

For more information, and to take the practice test, visit [www.2010censusjobs.gov](http://www.2010censusjobs.gov)