

## Sherwood Secondary School Council



# School Council News

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Meetings begin at 6:30 p.m. in the Library  
November 3/09 March 2/10  
December 1/09 April 6/10  
February 2/10 May 4/10

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Sherwood Website: [www.hwdsb.on.ca/sherwood](http://www.hwdsb.on.ca/sherwood)

## SHERWOOD

### Home of the Saints Since 1967

- Take-Your-Kids-to-Work Day Nov. 4/09 (Grade 9)
- Awards Assembly Nov. 4/09, 1 p.m.
- Mid-term Reports issued week of Nov. 9/09
- Remembrance Day Assembly Nov. 11/09, 10 a.m.
- PA/LCD November 16/09
- Music Night Dec. 3/09
- Airband Dec. 18/09
- Winter Break Dec. 21/09 to Jan. 1/10
- Open House & Parent Information Night Jan. 13/10, 6:30 p.m.
- First Semester Final Exams Jan. 22-28/10
- PD/LCD Days Jan. 29 & Feb. 2/10
- Second Semester starts Feb. 3/10
- First Semester Final Reports issued week of February 8/10
- Family Day Stat. Holiday Feb. 15/10
- Sherwood Idol Feb. 26/10
- Spring Parents' Night March 11/10

## Sherwood School Council Wishes You a Pleasant Evening

Greetings to everyone and welcome to October Parents' Night, especially to our new Sherwood Parents! Whether or not this is your first visit to Sherwood, Student Ambassadors wearing green S.A.I.N.T.S. shirts are on duty to help you navigate through the school.

Did you previously receive a brochure for H1N1 school information from your son or daughter? This back-to-school guide gives the information you need to help minimize the risk of infection. Students are asked not to go to school if ill, and please remember to phone the school and report the absence. To help monitor respiratory illness/influenza in the community, it will be helpful to indicate a reason for the absence. Please visit the HWDSB website for additional information [www.hwdsb.on.ca](http://www.hwdsb.on.ca)

Have you provided the school with the latest medical information on your son or daughter? Please contact the main office if you are a

parent of a child with a life-threatening allergy.

The Sherwood *Student* Council is very active organizing spirit, social and fundraising events for fellow students this semester as outlined on the calendar found within the student agenda. Thank you parents for encouraging your son or daughter's participation and your continual support of our Saints! Sherwood students continue to show caring for those less fortunate and last year supported CityKidz, Canadian Cancer Society/CAP, Children's Aid Society, Neighbour to Neighbour, Homeless for Hamilton and World Vision. Applause, applause.

Feel like combining a little shopping with tonight's interviews? Sherwood Saints clothing is on sale this evening. You may view samples at the display outside of the cafeteria. Orders taken tonight and during the sale period will be filled before Christmas.

This is the second issue of the School Council News this year. Please feel free to contact the School Council e-mail address if you would like to share comments regarding Parents' Night or with other suggestions for this newsletter or Council. School Council information is posted on the bulletin board in the lobby.

In appreciation for your attendance this evening, please enter your name in a random draw to win 1 of 4 gift certificates from local retailers. The winners will be drawn and contacted tomorrow. Draw boxes are located at the two main entrances. Bon chance!

School Council would like to thank all student volunteers tonight, Student Council, staff and administrators for your help for a successful parent event that benefits our Sherwood Community. Way to go Saints!

## Semester One Showcase Events—You're Invited!

Please be aware of the extravaganzas this semester showcasing our multi-talented Sherwood Students.

**Awards Celebration & Reception** is held the afternoon of Nov. 4/09 to highlight *outstanding* student achievement from the 2008/09 school year. Awards, Proficiency & Academic Honours Presentation begins at

1 p.m. in the Auditorium with refreshments to follow in the Cafeteria.

You are welcome to attend the **Remembrance Day Assembly** on Wednesday, November 11/09 in the Auditorium at 10 a.m.

**Music Night** Dec. 3/09 fills the air with rhythm and tunes. Don't miss this exciting fundraising concert with performances by Music Stu-

dents, Repertoire, Guitar Classes and Jazz Band. Tickets available from Rep Students or at the door. Bring a friend!

Talk about enthusiasm... Prepare to be rocked as the **Air Band** event takes the stage Dec. 18/09 (daytime) to celebrate Saints' Spirit.

School Council invites you to attend these events as well as our Council Meetings.



**Interested in leadership opportunities? There are over 14 clubs at Sherwood seeking talented, energized, creative SAINTS (and it looks good on a resume too!) Listen for announcements or enquire with your homeroom teacher.**

## Community, Culture & Caring at Sherwood

Is your son or daughter looking for other challenges and goals outside of the classroom? In addition to Athletics, there are multiple clubs that provide experiences for enrichment.

You are probably aware of Student Council and Student Ambassadors (they are wearing the S.A.I.N.T.S shirts tonight), Arts & Drama Club and the Saints Band.

Stage Crew works behind the scenes at school productions providing a chance to learn skills in telecommunications and information technology.

Sherwood's Environmental Club is active recycling and working on

beautification projects.

The Healthy Eating Action Team (HEAT) promotes healthy eating habits at school.

Youth Aiding Youth (YAY) provides teambuilding and leadership between senior and junior students.

Math Society learns about interesting mathematics not in the curriculum.

The Students Together Against Tobacco (STAT) brings the anti-tobacco message to our community.

If you are organized and like to get up early, the Yearbook/ Newspaper Club is a course that

runs before school and produces a fascinating keepsake.

Sherwood Partying Responsibly In The Evening (SPRITE) promotes safe and responsible partying.

Let Me Be Me is a peer support group for our LGBTQ students and friends.

Fundraise for local and global charities and make CHANGE (create hope and nurture global education) with the Social Justice Club.

Grade 12 students can join the Grad Committee to help plan, organize and create Prom and Graduation memories.

**Now is the time to get involved!**

**Did you visit the Guidance Display in the Main Lobby?**

## Guidance Office & Student Services

Ahoy Parents—Do you know your son or daughter's Guidance Counsellor? Each and every student at Sherwood has one! Please take the opportunity tonight to introduce yourself while you are in the building!

Are you seeking information for post-secondary planning? Then please stop by the Sherwood Guidance display for further information such as application deadlines or University and College visits to Sherwood.

Parents and students are encouraged to attend the Mohawk College Open House and speak to representatives at the Fennell Campus on Oct. 28/09 from 10-1 p.m. and 5-7 p.m.

Additionally, the University Information Program provides an opportunity for you to talk to university representatives at St. Thomas More Secondary School on Oct. 15/09 from 7-9 p.m.

Set realistic academic goals

with your son/daughter and make school a top priority. Encourage their involvement in co-curricular activities. Realize that it's your child's responsibility to be in school every day, follow the rules, get homework done and prepare for tests. Help your child explore and evaluate a variety of career and educational options (Co-Op, OYAP, SHSM)

For more information, please contact the Guidance Office at 905-383-3377, Ex. 225



Sherwood Saints Clothing is on sale tonight! Please visit the display outside of the cafeteria where you will find samples of spirit wear and have an opportunity to examine fabric and sizing. Proceeds are targeted for the Weight Centre.

## Hamilton Public Library—What's Happening

The Sherwood Branch of the Hamilton Public Library (Upper Ottawa Street) is closed temporarily from October 1 to mid-November for renovations. You may phone 905-546-3200 for open hours to all library locations. The virtual branch is always open! Visit [www.hpl.ca](http://www.hpl.ca)

Please note, the Turner Park Branch is open 1-5 p.m. on Sundays from September 13, 2009 to April 25, 2010.

Please contact the HPL for programs JUST FOR TEENS—Public Speaking for Teenagers, Nintendo Wii Gaming Days, Power of the Pen Awards Evening, Researching @ the Library for High School Students, Homework Help Club for Teens, Teen Book Club and the Dundas Youth Advisory Group.

Need help with your job search, resume, cover letter, or apply-

ing online? Why not visit one of the Job Discovery Centres at these branches: Barton, Dundas, Red Hill, Sherwood, Terryberry. You may telephone ahead to arrange an appointment for individual help.

All programs and events are FREE! Check out the website for Book Clubs, Programs for Adults, Children and Newcomers. Email: [askHPL@hpl.ca](mailto:askHPL@hpl.ca).