



# Community Bulletin

November 16, 2015

Dear Shrewsbury Families,

Please note the following announcements and information related to various events or activities that may be of interest to you and your children. Announcements from non-school sources are passed on as a courtesy if they meet the requirements of [School Committee policy](#).

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1. **THIS SATURDAY!** - **First Annual Farmers Market and Artisans Fair, November 21st**  
On Saturday, November 21st, from 3-7pm, the Shrewsbury Public Schools Colonial Fund will host its first annual Farmers Market and Artisans Fair in the Oak Middle School gym. Crafters, artists and farmers will showcase local wares. Former superintendent of Shrewsbury Public Schools and local author, Dr. John Collins, will be there to autograph a copy of his book, "A Korean War Memoir". There will also be music provided by our students, holiday photos, a raffle of sample items from our vendors, a gift-wrapping station and a supervised game center where children can play (and purchase!) board games while you shop. For more information, please like the Colonial Fund [Facebook](#) page for updated information on our event (we are still adding vendors).

2. **4<sup>th</sup> Annual Holiday Sale** - Saturday December 5<sup>th</sup>, 2015 from 9am-1pm at Shrewsbury High School

The Colonial Shop at Shrewsbury High School is holding its 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Holiday Sale. Show your school and community pride by wearing the latest Colonial gear. We have great gifts for everyone this holiday season. Come early with your shopping list. The Colonial Shop carries brand names such as NIKE, Under Armour and Champion. Don't miss the clearance rack with last season's gear at great prices as well as many new items. **Gift Certificates Available!** There is something for everyone at the Colonial Shop! We are located in the lobby at Shrewsbury High School.

\*Keep an eye out for the link to our Holiday web store opening **November 30<sup>th</sup> thru December 7<sup>th</sup>**.

### **3. NEW! - Shrewsbury Schools Music Association 2015 Grand Raffle**

The Shrewsbury Schools Music/Theater Association (SSMA) is a volunteer organization committed to supporting the arts in all of the Shrewsbury Schools. The parents work diligently all year long to raise funds, which help all grade levels. Some of the items we provide support for are bus transportation to events such as the Central District Auditions and Festival for the middle and high school students, instrument replacement, uniform/concert attire, and scholarships for graduating seniors. **Our Grand Raffle is running now until our Final Concert of the season at Oak Middle School on December 15**, where we will draw the names of our three lucky winners. The winners do not need to be present. **The First prize is a Snow Blower from Caola Equipment of Worcester.** Our second prize is 2 tickets to see 42nd Street at the Hanover Theatre and third prize is a beautiful sterling silver G Clef necklace from our friends at Sach's Jewelers. If you would like to purchase a ticket or learn more about the SSMA, please visit our website at [www.myssma.com](http://www.myssma.com)

### **4. THIS SATURDAY! - Kids' Night Out! Mark your Calendars for November 21st**

A fun night for kids hosted by Student Council! Part of Shrewsbury High School will be open to children ages 5-12 to play games, watch movies, do arts and crafts, grab dinner and more. SHS students are volunteering as "Big Brothers and Sisters" for the evening, running the event on **November 21 from 6-9pm**. The cost is \$20 per child with discounts for multi-child families. Pizza, snacks, and drinks will also be available for purchase. (See flyer **HERE** for details.) Adult supervision by SHS staff members and a licensed school nurse will be provided. Pre-register at: [tinyurl.com/KNOshrewsbury](http://tinyurl.com/KNOshrewsbury). Maximum capacity is 200 children. Registration at the door is available pending maximum capacity has not been reached. Entrance to the event will be at the Gym entrance of Shrewsbury High School. Registration/admittance will open at 5:45pm. Funds raised at KNO support Student Council and the Black History Month Committee. Please contact Becky Moisan ([rmoisan@shrewsbury.k12.ma.us](mailto:rmoisan@shrewsbury.k12.ma.us)) with questions.

### **5. NEW! - Get in the School Spirit with Shrewsbury Middle School Apparel!**

Several options are available – short and long-sleeve t-shirts, hoodies, winter beanie hats and plaid flannel pants. These items are great for students as well as family members! To order and see the apparel choices and size info, click on the link below:

[https://www.agpestores.com/spectrumenterprises/groupproducts.php?prodgroup\\_id=8837&prodgroupbypass=true](https://www.agpestores.com/spectrumenterprises/groupproducts.php?prodgroup_id=8837&prodgroupbypass=true). The deadline for online orders is **Sunday, November 29th**. Items will be delivered before the holiday break. All proceeds from this sale will benefit the Middle Schools' PTO. If you have any questions, please contact Polly at [Polyxane@hotmail.com](mailto:Polyxane@hotmail.com).

### **6. GREAT NEWS! - The Second Annual Clothing Drive at Coolidge Elementary School**

**IT WAS A HUGE SUCCESS!** We gathered over 3000 pounds of clothing and material for the Epilepsy Foundation, which will donate over \$600.00 for our school programs and projects. A big thank you to Mrs. Diane Betti, and her husband for storing all 3000 pounds of clothing and material during the drive. And thanks to all Coolidge families for donating their clothing, drapes, tablecloths and linens to help this great cause. See our Facebook page, <https://www.facebook.com/CoolidgeElementarySchool/> for photos of the mountain of material.

### **7. Order Now - Let's Warm Up Winter with Danielson Flowers to benefit Shrewsbury Middle Schools' PTO**

Now that your garden is frost bitten and the trees are getting bare, it's time to warm up your home with premium seasonal greens from Danielson Flowers to benefit Shrewsbury Middle Schools' PTO. Buy local this season. Decorate the front porch or your entire home and support Sherwood and Oak Middle School! Order now through December 1 through the link below. Delivery is available at an additional charge, or pick up for free on Thursday evening December 3rd from 5:30 PM until 7PM in the main foyer of Sherwood Middle School. Questions? Please contact Lauren Schmautz at [Lschmautz@msn.com](mailto:Lschmautz@msn.com).  
<http://www.danielsonflowers.com/product-category/shrewsbury-pto-fundraiser/>

**8. THIS SATURDAY - School/PTO Sponsored Clothing & Textile Fundraiser**

Clean out your closets and attic and if you miss one date there is another one! Drop off used adult and kids' clothing (dry and not smelly), shoes and boots, belts, purses, backpacks, blankets, towels, sheets. It is ok if the items are worn out, have rips, stains or missing buttons, the good, the bad and the ugly are accepted! Sorry no stuffed animals, rugs or comforters. The Textile Drop Off is free to you; the groups get paid for every pound they collect. Most of these items will be re-worn by people, a small percentage of the items that are so worn out and ripped beyond repair will be shredded to make into other items like insulation, so nothing gets put in the trash! The average American throws away 65 pounds of clothing and textiles per year! See flyer [HERE](#).

**Floral Elementary School PTO**

This collection will take place on **Saturday November 21 from 10:30am to 2:30pm**

Drop off is in front of elementary school at 57 Floral Street. For more information contact Tina Mayone at [tmayone@gmail.com](mailto:tmayone@gmail.com)

**9. DEADLINE THIS WEDNESDAY - Shrewsbury Education Foundation (SEF) Now Accepting Nominations for the John P. Collins Awards for Excellence**

Students, teachers, staff, parents, administrators and community members can nominate anyone who currently works in the Shrewsbury Public Schools. This includes any staff member who you or your child either works with now or has worked with in the past. All nominations this year will be submitted on-line using the form at this link <http://sefgrants.org/john-p-collins/> and must be received on or before **Wednesday, November 18, 2015**.

**10. SAVE the DATE - Annual Turkey Trot - 5 Miles for the Memory**

**This event will be held on Thanksgiving morning at 8:00am starting at the Shrewsbury Common.** Register online at [turkeytrotforthememory.org](http://turkeytrotforthememory.org). See flyer [HERE](#).

**11. REMINDER to REGISTER - Shrewsbury Little League -Spots Still Available for 2016 Season**

Registering early helps us with planning for field space, insurance, uniforms, etc, please register today. As in the past:

- a late fee will be added 12/1/2015.
- For kids that are trying out for the High School teams we will do a full refund if you make the team and cannot play in our little league. Register at: <http://shrewsburylittleleague.sportssignup.com>

**12. UPDATE - Shrewsbury Boys Youth Lacrosse 2016 Spring Season - Registration to Remain Open Through 11/23**

Sign-ups are through our website at <http://shrewsburyyouthlacrosse.uslaxteams.com>. The cost is \$210 per player. A credit card is required to sign up! Registration is open to 1st thru 8th grade boys who live in the town of Shrewsbury. No experience is required. There are no try outs and teams are evenly organized and balanced. We field all players as equally as possible with the goal of teaching the sport of lacrosse and providing a fun experience for everyone involved. We play an 8 game schedule against surrounding towns and the season ends with a Jamboree at Fort Devens in June. Indoor practices will start after February vacation and games will start as soon as we are

allowed on the fields in April. Games are typically played on Sunday and practices are during the week. Our league is growing fast, and we are always looking for people to help with coaching and administrative duties. We've had some excellent coaches and helpers over the years that have never played lacrosse. So don't let it stop you if you're new to the sport!

**Important!** – Timely registration is critical since we need to register our teams with MBYLL in December for the 2015 season.

**13. Free One-Time Public Skating Pass**

This free one-time public skating pass is for Buffone Arena. See flyer [HERE](#) for more details and coupon. Coupon expires on 12/20/2015.

**14. Shrewsbury Historical Society presents "Before It Was Route 9: The Turnpike in 1930"**

Michael Perna will present on **Wednesday, November 18, 2015** (\*Please note date\*) **at 7:00 PM, Shrewsbury Historical Society, Church Road, Shrewsbury, MA.** Free and open to the public. Refreshments served. Questions? Call Erik at 1-774-230-5826