

Community Bulletin

November 22nd, 2021

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 the <u>School Committee policy</u>.

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1. Please Note - Help Wanted: Day-to-Day Substitute Teachers

The Shrewsbury Public Schools is in search of educators who are invested in the achievement, equity, and access of all learners in and beyond the classroom. We are hiring Day-to-Day Substitute Teachers at all grade levels. We hire many of our regular paraprofessional positions and long-term substitute teachers from our day-to-day substitutes. This is a great entry position to be considered for full-time employment. The day-to-day substitute teaching rate is \$100/day. Please see the fiver for more information.

2. Please Note – Sherwood/Oak PTO Wreaths (New)

The Sherwood/Oak PTO has once again partnered with Danielson Flowers to provide an opportunity to order your holiday wreaths and give a little back to your school! Order online from Danielson's now through Wednesday, November 24th. Delivery is available at an additional charge, or pick up for free on Sunday, November 28th at Danielson's (660 Main St, Shrewsbury) between 10:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. Questions? Contact SMS PTO at sherwoodoakmiddleschool@gmail.com. Ready to order? Click here and don't forget to share the link with friends and family!

Community Items

1. Please Note - Shrewsbury Parks & Recreation Offerings

<u>Winter Online Registration</u> - Currently accepting registration for some of the Winter programs. New programs will be added throughout November/December based on space availability. Pre-registration is required for all of the Parks & Recreation programs. Space is limited.

Youth Basketball League - We are still accepting limited registrations.

Boy's 9th-12th Grade Basketball Pickup League - Practices are Wednesdays from 6:00-7:30 p.m. and games are Saturdays at 1:00 p.m. Program starts on December 1st. Cost is \$135.

<u>Tai Chi</u> - Wednesdays starting January 5th from 5:30-6:30 p.m. Cost is \$48 for 8 classes for residents.

Rhythm & Ride Spin - Tuesdays starting November 30th from 5:15-6:05 p.m. at Core Connection Spin Studio. Cost is \$80 for 6 classes.

<u>Strength Training</u> - Thursdays starting December 2nd from 5:30-6:20 p.m. at Core Connection. Cost is \$80 for 6 classes.

<u>Babysitting Course</u> - For grades 6th-8th on Thursday, December 2nd and Tuesday, December 7th from 4:00-6:30 p.m. at Oak Middle School Cafe. Cost is \$57.

<u>Dining Etiquette "Prep for the Holidays"</u> - Grades 2nd-7th on Saturday, December 4th from 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. at Oak Middle School Cafe. Cost is \$60.

<u>Visit our new website!</u> <u>shrewsburyma.myrec.com</u> Old accounts do not work in the new system. Please build a new household and we can approve it for you.

2. Please Note - Shrewsbury Public Library November Events for Tweens & Teens

We have some great events for tweens and teens happening in November at the Library!

- Friday, November 26th Self Improvement Club 4:00 p.m. in Meeting Room A. Grades 5-8. Register here.
- Monday, November 29th Hanukkah Latke Cooking Class 3:30 p.m. in Meeting Room
 A. Grades 5-12. Register <u>here</u>.
- Fridays Each Friday after school we'll have a different game or activity! Drop in for guessing games, puzzles, board games, and more.

Check our <u>online calendar</u> for more details and registration!

3. Please Note – Shrewsbury Public Library December Events (New)

Celebrate the Holidays concert with P.E. James

On Tuesday, December 7th at 7:00 p.m., enjoy favorite holiday songs at the Shrewsbury Public Library as beloved local musician P. E. James returns for another year of wholesome winter fun with joy-inspiring, foot-tapping tunes. The concert will be in person at the Library.

P.E. James has been entertaining audiences by singing and playing acoustic guitar for over four decades. He is an interpreter of well known songs, having a large repertoire that stretches from the sing-along classics of the 20s, 30s, and 40s, to standards and show tunes, early 50s rock and roll, 60s folk songs, and acoustic rock songs of the 70s.

Please register to attend <u>here</u>. This event is sponsored by the Friends of the Shrewsbury Public Library.

The History of Christmas

In this virtual presentation on Wednesday, December 8th at 7:00 p.m., Sean Murphy, a teacher of Irish history, music, and dance, will share the history of what is now known as Christmas.

The presentation will also include some information on the celebration of Christmas in Ireland and will incorporate recorded music and video to create a holiday atmosphere.

Please register to attend <u>here</u>. This event is co-sponsored by the Friends of the Shrewsbury Public Library, the Bigelow Free Public Library, the Thayer Memorial Library, the Bacon Free Library, the Parker Memorial Library, and the David & Joyce Milne Public Library.

The History of Race and Politics in the Northeast

In this virtual discussion hosted by the Shrewsbury Public Library on Thursday, December 9th at 7:00 p.m., Professor Jason Sokol will trace the modern history of race and politics in the Northeast, from Brooklyn to Boston, from World War II to the present. For example, why did white fans support Jackie Robinson as he broke baseball's color barrier in 1947, even as Brooklyn's blacks were shunted into segregated neighborhoods? How was African-American politician Ed Brooke, who won a Massachusetts Senate seat in 1966, undone by the resistance to desegregation busing in Boston? Is the Northeast's history a microcosm of America as a whole: outwardly democratic, but inwardly conflicted over race?

Please register to attend <u>here</u>. This program is brought to you with federal funds provided by the Institute of Museum and Library Services and administered by the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners.

4. Please Note - Shrewsbury Affordable Housing Lottery

SEB Housing is currently working with Edgemere Crossing at Flint Pond, DHCD, and the Town of Shrewsbury to provide affordable housing rental units. Please see the <u>flyer</u> for housing information and important dates. For lottery information and applications, or for reasonable accommodations for persons with disabilities, go to <u>www.sebhousing.com</u> or call (617) 782-6900x1 and leave a message or postal mail to SEB Housing, 257 Hillside Ave, Needham MA 02494.

5. Please Note – Shrewsbury Rotary Club's Holiday Online Silent Auction (New)

Looking for an easy way to do some holiday shopping? The Shrewsbury Rotary Club has an online auction with something for everyone, including an Xbox with all of the accessories. Offerings are on display at Central One Federal Credit Union and can be viewed online.

Bidding starts at midnight on November 25th and continues through December 10th. Easy pick-up is available at Central One, or local delivery, if needed, by a member of the Rotary Club. Contact Bethcasavant@gmail.com with questions.

Proceeds from this online auction will allow our club to continue to do service work in the community. Each year the Rotary Club makes financial donations to support St. Anne's Human Services and Shrewsbury Youth and Family Services. Rotary also awards \$2,000 scholarships to three high school seniors at the end of the academic year.

6. Save the Date – Boy Scouts Troop 4 Movie Night, December 9th (New)

If you would like to learn about Troop 4 Boy Scouts and all of the exciting activities, events, and adventures that we have to offer, please join us for our Movie Night on Thursday, December 9th at 7:00 p.m. at Ray Stone Post. We will be watching "Far From Home: The Adventures of Yellow Dog," a heartwarming story of adventure, friendship, and courage. This is a free event. Pizza and snacks will be served. Please see the <u>flyer</u> for more details and RSVP to <u>recruiting@troop4shrewsbury.org</u>.

7. Save the Date – Yuletide Market & Light the Common, December 4th

The Shrewsbury Town Center Association announces the 2021 Yuletide Market and Light the Common, Saturday, December 4th on the Town Common and Chiampa Funeral Home on Church Road. You are invited AND it will be magical!

Events are presented respectively by Shrewsbury Federal Credit Union and Robert "Chief Joseph" Terkanian, and Major Sponsors SELCO and David Chiampa.

The Lights will begin at 4:45 p.m. and the Market will open from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. Food, beverages and festive treats will be sold, including the Shrewsbury Fire Department's delicious "Fire House Chili." There will be shopping, music, AND entertainment! Admission is free but no pets are allowed.

Parking will be available at Town Hall with free shuttles running from the Senior Center to the Town Common from 4:15 to 8:45 p.m. For more information, please visit the <u>website</u> or see the <u>flyer</u>.

8. Save the Date – Turkey Trot for the Memory, November 25th

GET READY! Lace up your sneakers for the 10th running of the Turkey Trot for the Memory! Preparations are underway and we couldn't be more excited to be back!

On Thanksgiving morning at 8:00 a.m., we will once again gather on the Shrewsbury Town Common to support all those who've been touched by Alzheimer's disease and to raise funds

for the MA/NH chapter of the Alzheimer's Association. You are welcome to race, trot, or walk the 2-mile or 5-mile courses. Please <u>register</u> and join us!

Masks will be required during indoor registration and bib pickup at the First Congregational Church, but no masks will be required outdoors. We are following all public health protocols related to COVID-19.

Youth Athletics and Activities

1. Please Note - Shrewsbury Youth Soccer Spring 2022 Season

The goal of SYS is to create and foster a positive and fun-filled environment for players, coaches, officials and parents. The program strives to maintain the highest standard of skill and sportsmanship, developing and training players, coaches, and referees for all levels of competition and offering a program that encourages and supports the participation of all abilities. The season is scheduled to start in April and run through to early June. Registration is open to all age groups from pre-kindergarten through grade 12. Click here to register.

2. Please Note - Central Mass Revolution Hockey

Looking to get your kiddo out on the ice for hockey? If so, visit www.RevsHockey.com for registration for our "Learn to Play Hockey House League" with Central Mass Revolution (Shrewsbury youth hockey and Starhawks youth hockey). See our flyer for all of the details. Go REVS!

3. Please Note – Shrewsbury Youth Lacrosse Spring 2022 Registration Open (New)

Registration for the 2022 Spring lacrosse season is now open for Shrewsbury boys in 1st through 8th grades. As always, Shrewsbury Youth Lacrosse (SYL) encourages players of any ability to join us for an exciting new season of lacrosse. See <u>flyer</u> for more information and go to our <u>website</u> to find out more about our organization, the game, and how to register to play with us this spring.

Questions? Email us at shrewsburylax@gmail.com or find us on Facebook and Instagram. Come join us for the fastest game on two feet!