

Community Bulletin

April 24th, 2023

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: Crossing Guards (New)

Do you enjoy working with children? Are you a morning person? Do you love the outdoors? If so, please consider applying for the Crossing Guard position at Oak Middle School and/or Floral Street School! Please <u>click here</u> for more information about the Oak Middle School opening and <u>click here</u> for the Floral Street School opening.

Interested candidates can send a cover letter, resume, and three professional references (including one from a direct supervisor or evaluator) to Lindsey Stasiowski at lstasiowski@shrewsbury.k12.ma.us or apply via www.schoolspring.com via the links above. Please include which school you are applying for in your cover letter.

2. Save the Date - Shrewsbury Public Schools Annual Art Exhibitions

Shrewsbury Public Schools will host our Annual Art Exhibitions this spring. Please see the following schedule for grade-level exhibitions. Students will be notified of their artwork being on display.

- Middle School Exhibition (grades 5-8) May 15th, 4:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m. at Oak Middle School
- High School Exhibition (grades 9-12) May 17th, 5:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m. at Shrewsbury High School Commons
- Elementary School Exhibition (grades K-4) May 18th, 5:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m. at Maj. Howard W. Beal School

3. Please Note – 2023-2024 Bus Registration Now Open

Bus registration for the 2023-2024 school year is now open. Please go to the PowerSchool Parent Portal and register for your child's school bus right away. The deadline to register is June 30th. Please refer to our website for details.

4. Save the Date – Job Fair for High School Students, April 27th

Do you have a high school student looking for a summer job? Shrewsbury Public Schools is hosting a job fair for high school students on Thursday, April 27th from 2:00 to 3:00 p.m. in the Shrewsbury High School Commons. Local businesses will provide information about immediately available jobs and interview interested students. Many jobs are available: banking,

animal care, lifeguard/swim instructors, catering and food preparation, construction and interior design, camp counselors, etc. Businesses attending are Central One Federal Credit Union, Charles River Laboratories, Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Department of Conservation and Recreation, Continental Pools, Creedon and Co. (catering), Goldfish Swim School, High Sierra Pools, Lofty Homes, and YMCA of Central MA. Please note that if your student is under 18, they must apply for a work permit. More information about each job fair attendee can be found here.

Armendo's Foreign Auto Repair in Boylston is unable to attend the job fair, but is actively seeking an office employee and auto technician. No experience is necessary. Part-time and full-time employment are available. Please call (508) 329-6500 or stop by the shop at 590 Main Street in Boylston.

5. Please Note – 2023-2024 New Student Registration Now Open

Dear parents and caregivers: New student registration for the 2023-2024 school year is now open. If your student is not currently enrolled in Shrewsbury Public Schools and you plan to enroll your child for the coming school year, please complete the online student registration process as soon as possible. You can access the registration link https://example.com/here/beat/2023-2024 school year is now open. If your student is not currently enrolled in Shrewsbury Public Schools and you plan to enroll your child for the coming school year, please complete the online student registration process as soon as possible. You can access the registration link https://example.com/here/beat/2023-2024 school year, please complete the online student registration process as soon as possible. You can access the registration link https://example.com/here/beat/2023-2024 school year, please complete the online student registration link https://example.com/here/beat/2023-2024 school year, please complete the online student registration link https://example.com/here/beat/2023-2024 school year, please complete the online student registration link https://example.com/here/beat/2023-2024 school year, please complete the online student registration link https://example.com/here/beat/2023-2024 school year, please complete the online student registration link https://example.com/here/beat/2023-2024 school year, please year, yea

6. Please Note – Summer Enrichment Registration

Shrewsbury Public Schools is pleased to bring back the popular Summer Enrichment Program. The full course catalog is available for preview on our <u>website</u>.

<u>Program schedule:</u> Monday-Thursday for four weeks: June 26-29, July 10-13, July 17-20, July 24-27

<u>Grades:</u> For students who will be entering kindergarten - grade 8 in fall 2023 (students must be 5 years old by 8/31/23)

Location: Sherwood Middle School

Schedule and cost: Families may choose half-day or full-day options:

- Morning session: 8:30-11:30 a.m. \$80/week
- Afternoon session: 12:00-3:00 p.m. \$80/week
- Early drop-off: 7:00-8:30 a.m. \$40/week
- Extended hours: 3:00-6:00 p.m. \$80/week

Students staying for a full day will bring lunch and be supervised from 11:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

A 50% non-refundable deposit is due at the time of registration. The balance will be charged on June 1st. Families who qualify for free or reduced meals are eligible for a 50% discount - use coupon code SUMMER50 at checkout. Register and pay using our <u>Elevo Registration</u>

<u>Software</u>. First-time users will need to create an account. View instructions <u>here</u>. For more information, contact Karen Isaacson, Director of Extended Learning, at (508) 841-8727.

7. Please Note – Shrewsbury Robotics Summer Program

Shrewsbury Robotics is offering a summer program for students entering grades 4-8 in fall 2023. Science and engineering play a big part in our everyday lives and in the world. We teach students about science and engineering by using lego robotics, solar powered robots, rockets, and middle school-level engineering challenges. All activities teach students about teamwork, compromise, success, failure, and much more! They also get to have fun in the process and learn valuable team working skills. The students are grouped into teams and each team is coached by one or more high school students who are members of the robotics team and in most cases have been Lego League competitors themselves. The program is overseen by adult mentors.

The solar robots and rockets are tested at the end of the week. On Friday, we provide the students with a pizza lunch (this is included in the price). During Friday afternoon, the students compete against the other teams using the Lego Robots they have been building during the week. This competition is based on the FIRST Lego League competition from the preceding season. Parents are invited to come and watch this.

Schedule:

July 10th to 14th: Lego Robotics and Rockets

July 17th to 21st: Lego Robotics and Solar Powered Robots

July 24th to 28th: Lego Robotics and Rockets

July 31st to Aug 4th: Lego Robotics and Solar Powered Robots

The program will take place at Shrewsbury High School, Monday-Friday, from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. The cost is \$300 per week. Registration and payment will be done using our <u>Eleyo</u> <u>Registration Software</u>. A non-refundable 50% deposit is due at the time of registration. The balance will be automatically charged on June 1st.

8. Please Note - Shrewsbury Robotics Annual Blood Drive

Shrewsbury Robotics and Shrewsbury High School FRC Robotics Team 467 are proud to sponsor our 3rd Annual Virtual Blood Drive. The Red Cross has to collect 15,000 blood donations every day to have enough blood to help patients in 2,700 medical facilities across the country. That's a lot of patients in need, and all of us, coming together, can help ensure patients receive life-saving blood. Use <u>our link</u> or search for "robot blood drive 2023" to pledge to donate, then open your American Red Cross account (or create one if you don't have one) to

schedule your appointment. It will ask for your zip code and give you options for appointments near you. SleevesUp and help us reach our goal of 100 donations!

Community Items

1. Please Note – Shrewsbury Parks & Recreation Spring & Summer Programs

<u>Online Registration</u> - Currently accepting registration for spring and summer programs listed below. Additional programs to be added throughout April. Pre-registration is required for all of the Parks & Recreation programs. Space is limited.

<u>Crew Rowing (Learn to Row)</u> - For grades 8-12, four days each session. There are four sessions offered during the weeks of 6/26-6/29 and 7/24-7/27. Choose between the 8:00 a.m. or 11:00 a.m. class. This program is being offered through a partnership with the Regatta Point Community Sailing and Parks & Recreation! Cost is \$225.

<u>Youth Sailing</u> - Offering sessions the week of July 17th and August 7th from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. for ages 9-12. This program is being offered through a partnership with the Regatta Point Community Sailing and Parks & Recreation! Cost is \$495.

Adult Bodyweight Boot Camp - Tuesdays starting May 2nd from 6:00 to 6:50 p.m. at Dean Park. Cost is \$80.

<u>Adult Rhythm & Ride Spin</u> - Monday or Wednesday morning classes at Core Connection Spin Studio. Visit our website for fees, times, dates and schedules.

Junior Golf Spring/Summer - Visit our website for fees, times, dates, and schedules.

Adult Golf Spring/Summer - Visit our website for fees, times, dates, and schedules.

<u>Youth Summer Basketball League</u> - Tuesday evenings starting June 20th at Shrewsbury High School gymnasium. Cost is \$84.

<u>Archery Spring & Summer Sessions</u> - Visit our website for fees, dates and schedules.

<u>Summer Playground</u> - We are offering 6 weeks this summer starting on June 26th. Parents have weekly options and AM/PM add-ons to each week! Weekly program information is now available on our website.

<u>Youth Flag Football</u> - Wednesday evenings starting June 21st at Sherwood Middle School field. Cost is \$65.

<u>Youth/Adult Summer Tennis Sessions</u> - Visit our website for fees, times, dates and schedules. Classes start the week of June 12th.

Visit our website! <u>shrewsburyma.myrec.com</u> Create a new account if you have not done so within the past year.

2. Please Note – Shrewsbury Public Library Events (New)

50+ Job Seekers Virtual Networking Group

Come meet new job seekers to expand your network, news, and views with the Massachusetts Library Collaborative's 50+ Job Seekers Group! If you are over 50 and unemployed and actively looking, underemployed, seeking a new career direction, or re-entering the job market after a gap, this group is perfect for you.

The group meets on Zoom from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. on first and third Wednesday mornings, with repeat sessions on the same topics offered in the evenings from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. on second and fourth Wednesday evenings. Registration is required for each session (register here for morning sessions; register here for evening sessions). This group is sponsored by more than 60 Massachusetts public libraries. Find the full list of topics and registration here.

The May meetings focus on interviewing:

- Interview Preparation & Strategy (May 3 & 10)
- Interview Practice (May 17 & 24)

Get Started with Libby

Want access to ebooks, audiobooks, magazines, and more, anytime and anywhere? You can with Libby! Bring your device and join the Shrewsbury Public Library for a class in our Learning Lab to get set up and familiar with the Libby app on Thursday, May 11th at 5:30 p.m. Registration is required; please visit our events calendar to sign up for your preferred date.

SPL Spanish Conversation Club

Are you looking for a casual space in which you can practice your Spanish and learn more about the multiple cultures of those who speak that language? Join the Spanish Conversation Club most Tuesdays at the Shrewsbury Public Library (6:00 p.m. in the Learning Lab on the second floor). No registration required. Visit our <u>events calendar</u> to check dates (May 2, 9, 16, 23, 30).

¿Buscas un espacio informal en el que puedas practicar tu Español y aprender más de las múltiples culturas que hablan este idioma? Únete a nuestro club de conversación la mayoría

de los martes en la biblioteca pública de Shrewsbury a las 6:00 p.m. en el laboratorio del segundo piso. No es necesario registrarse. Visita nuestro <u>calendario de eventos</u> para verificar citas (2, 9, 15, 23 & 30 de mayo).

Ash & Eric Folk Concert

Join the Shrewsbury Public Library with Worcester's own folk duo, Ash & Eric, on Saturday, April 29th at 2:00 p.m. for a special event of songs & stories. The married couple's album "Sure" (May 2022) is "a tale of love... [with] some heartaches and a pinch of disputation along the way" (Americana UK). Hailing from the gritty heart of New England, the two find consolation in discovering beauty in the challenges of life. Their musings reflect the hope and pain we all experience, sung in voices as vulnerable and honest as their lyrics. Their songs feel like a warm welcome, a shoulder to lean on and a hand to hold at the end of a long day. Sponsored by the Friends of the Shrewsbury Public Library. This program will take place in person at the library; please register to attend here.

SPL Movie Discussion Club May

Join the Shrewsbury Public Library Movie Discussion Club every first Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. on Google Meet! Intended for film fans 18 and older.

Watch the "Movie of the Month" on your own time, then meet with us virtually to discuss. The May 2nd film is *The Neon Demon* (2016; rated R). Shrewsbury residents may view the movie here on hoopla (create an account with your library card to access hoopla); non-residents of Shrewsbury should access hoopla through their home library, i.e., the library in the town in which they reside, or by signing up for a <u>Boston Public Library e-card</u>. Attendees are also free to find an alternative way to watch. Register here to receive an email the day before the discussion date with the Google Meet link. Contact Dana Volke with any questions at (508) 841-8609 x4049 or dvolke@cwmars.org.

Deeper Into Meditation

Join the Shrewsbury Public Library with longtime meditator Eileen Carlotto on Thursday, May 4th at 7:00 p.m. for this deep and engaging meditation workshop. Eileen will guide participants through the journey of meditation, demonstrating the most natural and effective techniques. She will give suggestions for deepening and stabilizing our meditation practices. There will be an opportunity to practice this technique during the session. This will help to achieve a lasting state of peace and happiness found though no other experience. For new or advanced meditators. Sponsored by the Friends of the Shrewsbury Public Library. This program will take place virtually on Zoom; please register to attend.

Abraham Lincoln and Massachusetts

Join the Shrewsbury Public Library with presenter Justice Dennis J. Curran (ret.) on Saturday May 6th at 2:00 p.m. for this historical talk. When thinking about Abraham Lincoln's origins, one naturally turns to Illinois, Indiana, and even Kentucky, where he and his immediate forebears lived—but hardly Massachusetts. Attendees will hear the surprisingly strong and compelling

connections Lincoln had to the state of Massachusetts, including an 1848 trip where he so impressed powerful party leaders with his speech that he was invited to dinner at Governor Levi Lincoln's home the next evening. That auspicious dinner spurred Lincoln's emotional and political growth, leading to his election as 16th President of the United States. Sponsored by the Friends of the Shrewsbury Public Library. This program will take place in person at the library; please <u>register</u> to attend.

Tarot Workshop

Come learn all about tarot at this free workshop with Sharon and Srilata at the Shrewsbury Public Library on Monday, May 8th at 6:00 p.m. They will provide an overview of the tarot deck including Major and Minor Arcanas followed by free readings for interested folks. Experience the insights and wonders of the tarot with us. For entertainment purposes only. This program will take place in person at the library; please <u>register</u> to attend.

3. Save the Date - Jacob Rogers Memorial Pickleball Tournament, May 13th

Saturday, May 13th is the first annual Jacob Rogers Memorial Pickleball Tournament sponsored by Northboro Park & Recreation Department. 100% of the proceeds will go directly to The Shine Initiative whose mission is to educate teachers, staff, parents, and especially students on how to prioritize mental health, realize you are not alone, and to not be afraid to talk about struggles you may be having. The sign-up for the tournament (48 players) sold out on the first day of offering!

If you would like to contribute to this worthy cause, please <u>click here</u> and your donation will go directly to The Shine Initiative. Thank you!

4. Save the Date – Shrewsbury Youth Soccer Trivia Night, May 12th

Shrewsbury Youth Soccer is hosting a Trivia Night Fundraiser to raise money for improvements at Glavin Field. The event is Friday May 12th at 7:00 p.m. at the Scandinavian Athletic Club. Please join us for some fun trivia and to raise money for a good cause! Tickets will only be sold online and are not available on the day of the event. Tickets and more information here.

5. Save the Date - Shrewsbury Town Takeover Day at the Woo Sox, April 26th

Get your Woo Sox tickets! Woo Sox Shrewsbury Town Takeover Day is on April 26th at 6:45 p.m.! Show your community pride and watch as some of our students and your neighbors make this a truly Shrewsbury Hometown Experience! \$5 of every ticket goes to Shrewsbury Youth & Family Services, Inc. (SYFS). Tickets can be purchased here. See the flier for more information.

6. Save the Date - Shrewsbury Historical Society Presentation, April 26th

Shrewsbury Historical Society presents "Stories in Stone: Historic Gravestones at Mt. View Cemetery" by Linda Davis and Martha Thomas on Wednesday, April 26th at 7:00 p.m. at the Shrewsbury Historical Society (17 Church Road).

The Old Southeast Corner of Mt. View Cemetery is located within Shrewsbury's Historic District and is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Join us as we share rare archival photographs from the Farber Collection of the oldest gravestones at Mt. View, dating back to the 1700's, and hear the stories about their symbolism, carvers and importance as a historical resource that documents the life stories of residents from our town's past.

Linda Davis and Martha Thomas, both lifelong residents of Shrewsbury, currently serve on the Executive Board of the Shrewsbury Historical Society. Linda is the Curator, and Martha is a Director. They both served on the Historical Commission. Martha, a ninth generation of the Hapgood family, was a member of the Historic District Commission too. Linda and Martha share a decades-long interest in preserving the historic gravestones at Mt. View Cemetery.

Youth Athletics and Activities

1. Please Note – Shrewsbury American Youth Football and Cheer Organization

With the best interest of all levels of Shrewsbury football in mind, SAYFCO will once again be offering 7th grade football. After some surveys, it was unanimous and clear that both parents and players thought it made sense for SAYFCO to offer a 7th grade team. Based on these results, there have been extensive discussions between SAYFCO and the Shrewsbury Public Schools football programs on how we can work together to provide the best football experience to our players and families. Please <u>visit our website</u> for our full statement and be on the lookout for fall registration coming soon!

2. Please Note - Shrewsbury High School Volleyball Clinic

The Shrewsbury High School volleyball program invites girls in grades 5th through 8th to join them for volleyball fun at the annual volleyball clinic on June 7th, 8th, and 9th from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. in the Shrewsbury High School gymnasium. The clinic will be run by Head coach Brett Crandall and the rest of the Shrewsbury High School volleyball program. We will work on passing, hitting, setting, serving, defense, positioning, blocking, and digging.

Each camper gets a Shrewsbury volleyball t-shirt as part of their registration. The cost is \$85 per person with a discounted rate for siblings (\$85 for the first, \$75 for each additional sibling). Please <u>click here</u> to sign up. If you have any questions, please email <u>bcrandall@shrewsbury.k12.ma.us</u>.

3. Please Note - Shrewsbury Little League Challenger Division Looking for Buddies

We are looking for "buddies" or peer athletes that can volunteer their time for both practices and games. As a buddy, you will be assigned to a player and you will attend their practice session and game. You are welcome to be a buddy for more than one player and attend multiple practices and games. This is a great volunteer opportunity to be part of the Challenger Division, a separate division of Little League designed to enable boys and girls with physical and intellectual disabilities to enjoy the full benefits of Little League participation. Learn more here.