

Community Bulletin

October 10th, 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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The Shrewsbury Food Service is looking for full and part-time cooks to work in the school cafeterias. Days and hours are flexible. Duties include: Prepping food, setting up serving lines, serving students and breakdown and clean-up. Lunch and refreshments are provided.

Please <u>click here</u> to obtain an employment application. Please forward this application to the Food Service Department C/O Shrewsbury High School, 65 Cypress Ave, Shrewsbury MA 01545 or email to <u>bnichols@shrewsbury.k12.ma.us</u>. If you have any questions, please call Beth Nichols at (508) 841-8819.

2. Please Note – Jobs for Students (New)

Do you have a high school student looking for an after-school job? New jobs have been added! We have many local businesses looking for student employees, listed on our <u>Jobs for Students</u> site, including jobs for students 15+. Every job listing contains a brief job description, instructions for how to apply for the job, and the contact person. It is the student's responsibility to connect with the employer and to apply for the job personally. This list is updated frequently, with the newest jobs listed first. Please note that if your student is under 18, they must <u>apply for a work permit</u>. Instructions for how to apply for a permit are also on the <u>Jobs for Students</u> page. Questions? Please email <u>kkeohane@shrewsbury.k12.ma.us</u>. Thank you for supporting our students!

Do you have a business who is looking to hire this fall? Shrewsbury youth are eager to work! Please complete this form to provide information about available positions in your company or business. Information will be posted to our highly popular and frequently visited Jobs for Students site, and you will receive an invitation to attend the SHS Job Fair in November (details TBD).

SHS Students, please join Lunch and Learn sessions-NEW this year!

Shrewsbury High School students now have the opportunity to interact with and learn from alumni and community partners during lunches on Fridays throughout the school year. Groups of up to eight students are invited to meet with invited guests during each of the four, 20-minute lunch periods. These events are specifically structured to create a casual and interactive environment where students gain insights into various career paths and connect with professionals from different fields, while having opportunities to ask questions and interact.

Lunch and Learn conversations will focus on a wide range of careers from STEM fields to Arts, Business, Manufacturing, and more. The diverse offerings allow students to explore a variety of interests and passions. We are confident that students will enjoy and learn from these opportunities, while increasing their understanding of a myriad of careers, while supporting students, as they seek to make informed decisions about their future. The sessions provide a unique opportunity for students to network with professionals who can offer guidance and mentorship. Participation in these sessions will enhance students' communication and interpersonal skills. Registration is required.

The schedule of speakers and student registration can be found here. The schedule will be updated as more guest speakers are registered. Questions? Contact kkeohane@shrewsbury.k12.ma.us.

3. Save the Date – Shrewsbury Robotics Apple Pie and Winter Market, November 18th (New)

We are looking for vendors for the ever popular annual event of the Shrewsbury Robotics Apple Pie and Winter Market! Please apply to be a vendor! Be sure to stop by the Oak Middle School Gym on November 18th from 2:00 - 5:30 p.m. to grab a delicious pie and do some shopping! Click here for the flier.

4. Save the Date – Shrewsbury Robotics Team Open House, November 5th (New)

The Shrewsbury Colonials FIRST Robotics Team 467 will be holding their Annual Open House at Shrewsbury High School on Sunday, November 5th from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. Come check out our robot and workshop, see what we do, and try your hand at some fun STEM activities. Free Lego pieces and free popcorn! All ages welcome.

5. Save the Date - Public Sale of Used School Furniture, October 13th & 14th

Shrewsbury Public Schools is hosting a public sale of used school furniture, miscellaneous equipment, books, and more on Friday, October 13th (10:00 am - 2:00 pm) and Saturday,

October 14th (9:00 am - 3:00 pm). The sale will take place at 220 Barber Ave, Worcester MA 01606.

We will offer for public sale many surplus furniture and equipment items that are now obsolete for our operations, but may be something you need or want. These items include chairs, desks, tables, shelves, filing cabinets, early reader books, and more!

Bargain prices! Cash only sales, all prices as marked, no price negotiating. Rain or shine. All items must be removed at time of purchase. Final sale. Please <u>click here</u> to see the flier. Please help spread the word!

6. Please Note - Volunteer Interpreters Needed for the District

Do you speak English and another language well enough to help teachers or school administrators communicate with other families who speak that language? Families sometimes need language assistance to attend a school meeting or event, to learn how to access district resources, or to communicate effectively with school staff. Locally-based volunteer interpreters can be a great resource to help our linguistically diverse families at public events as well as at meetings that do not involve confidential information. We are especially in need of interpreters for Haitian Creole, Mandarin Chinese, Portuguese and Spanish.

If you are available to help in any capacity, please give us your contact information and availability through this.link. We will be in touch when help is needed. Thank you for helping Shrewsbury Public Schools!

7. Please Note – Shrewsbury Education Foundation Recruitment

The Shrewsbury Education Foundation (SEF) is seeking new members to join its mission of supporting the students and educators of our Shrewsbury Public Schools. SEF works to stimulate, strengthen, and support the creation and implementation of innovative educational programs and enrichment activities that benefit students of the Shrewsbury Public Schools.

Through its all-volunteer effort supported by charitable contributions, SEF fills a vital gap for Shrewsbury students. SEF grants allow dedicated educators to create new learning vehicles that cannot be supported. SEF grants encourage creative approaches to educating the whole child--further meeting their intellectual, psychosocial, and health needs. Shrewsbury Education Foundation receives grant requests from educators within the Shrewsbury Public Schools district for materials allowing them to go beyond the basic necessities of teaching and improving the education process for their students.

SEF meets once per month to discuss community outreach, plan fundraising initiatives, and coordinate events that fund future grant opportunities. If you are interested in joining the Shrewsbury Education Foundation team, please contact Kim Olsen (kimberlyolsen42@gmail.com) or James Dealy (Jamesdealy@hotmail.com) to inquire about joining our team and visit www.SEFgrants.org for more information on Shrewsbury Education Foundation.

8. Save the Date - SHS Athletic Booster Mattress Fundraiser, October 21st

We are excited to present the mattress fundraiser once again. This fundraiser is hosted by the Shrewsbury High School Athletic Boosters Club. All of the funds that are raised will go directly to the Booster Club that supports all athletes in the middle schools and high school. The event will take place on Saturday, October 21st at Shrewsbury High School from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Click here for more information.

9. Please Note – SAT Prep Course

The SHS Fall SAT Prep Course will be offered once again through Shrewsbury High School. The course will begin the week of October 21st and run through the week of December 4th. Classes will meet remotely on Mondays from 5:30pm to 7:40pm for a total of seven night sessions. Test taking strategies will be emphasized in this class and will focus on the new digital SAT. Class size will be kept small, allowing for a great deal of individual attention. Enrollment is strictly on a first-come first-served basis; the course is open to juniors and seniors. Students will also take two full-length SAT exams, which provides reinforcement for skills taught during the course and test-taking experience. The cost of the program is \$270 for Shrewsbury residents and \$300 for non-Shrewsbury residents. This class will run only if there is sufficient demand. Additional information and registration forms are located at SHS in Mrs. Monopoli's office on the third floor, the School Counseling office, or can be downloaded from the SHS School Counseling webpage (under "College Related Testing" on the SHS website). Please contact Jen Lundsten if you have any questions at jalundsten@shrewsbury.k12.ma.us or 508-841-8810.

Community Items

1. Save the Date – Charles River Labs Open House for High School Students, November 9th (New)

Do you have a high school student interested in Chemistry, Biology, Medicine, Math, or Animal Science? Charles River Labs would like to invite students to visit the Charles River Laboratories

Shrewsbury location. Students will tour both the In-Vivo and In-Vitro labs as well as meet staff members: Scientist, Study Directors, Formulation Technicians, Veterinarians, Veterinary Technicians, In-Vivo and Animal Care Technicians. We will offer tours of the labs as well. Students will be given snacks, swag and will be able to meet a couple of retired beagles. These events are most beneficial for Junior and Senior students, however all are welcome. Come visit and get an idea of what it is like to work at a company like Charles River and all the jobs types a large company can offer. For more details, see this flier.

(Charles River Laboratories-Shrewsbury is a Contract Research Organization (CRO). We work with companies to bring pharmaceuticals to market. We will help our clients anywhere in the drug development pipeline from Discovery to FDA submission. On site we use in-vitro (bench) and in-vivo (animal) models to test new medications for effectiveness and safety.)

2. Save the Date – Scout Bottle and Can Drive, November 4th (New)

On Saturday, November 4th, Scout Troops 114 and 7114 will host a bottle and can drive at Shrewsbury Town Hall from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Scouts will be happy to accept your redeemable bottles and cans. Proceeds from the drive support Scouting activities throughout the year.

3. Save the Date – Shrewsbury Tricks & Treats Extravaganza, October 31 (New)

Come and join us at the Shrewsbury Senior Center for our Tricks & Treats Extravaganza on Tuesday, October 31st from 5:00 to 6:00 p.m. All are welcome at this open house and light refreshments will be served along with ghoulie games. Come in costume! This event is for kids 0-12. We'll host a spooky egg hunt and give away candy apple kits and cauldron prizes.

4. Save the Date - Birds of Prey Eagle Scout Fundraiser Project, October 14th (New)

Calling all parents and kids - come check out a great program for a great cause. Come join us at the Shrewsbury Senior Center on October 14th at 11:00 a.m. for this wonderful opportunity! This program will include a story time, craft, quick presentation on birds of prey, and most excitingly the opportunity to see an owl in person. This program is free, but if you are feeling generous please consider bringing a cash donation. All donations will go towards an Eagle Scout project benefiting Raptor Tales Rescue.

5. Please Note – Shrewsbury Historical Society Events (New)

Shrewsbury Historical Society Upcoming Programs

- October 25, 2023: "Stop, Thief! Shrewsbury Thief Detecting Society" by Linda Davis
- November 15, 2023: "Cranberries 101" by Cape Cod Cranberry Growers Association
- December 2, 2023: Yuletide Market 3:00-4:30, "All Aboard, Encore! Model Holiday Train Exhibit and Penny Candy Sale"
- December 13, 2023: "125th Anniversary Celebration of the Shrewsbury Historical Society "by Erik Larson, President
- January 24, 2024: "Shrewsbury Charitable Society "by Tom Kelleher
- February 28, 2024: "Hebert Candies, Past to Present: Creation of the Candy Mansion" by Paul Smith (at Hebert Candy Mansion)
- March 27, 2024: "Needle & Thread: The Art and Skill of Clothing an Early 19th-Century Family "by Rebecca Beall
- April 24, 2024: "Spectacle and Substance: Tracking a Tale of Victorian America" by April Jones Price
- May 22, 2024: Annual Meeting and "Having Fun: Wish You Were Here: Historical Society Game Night!" by Erik Larson, President

Mission Statement

The Shrewsbury Historical Society was organized on January 7, 1898, and incorporated on June 23, 1902. The purpose of the Society shall be to keep alive and increase interest in the history of the Town of Shrewsbury; to collect and preserve items of special value, traditions, and curiosities; to encourage general public interest in its work; and to maintain such personal properties and real estate that may come under the control of the Society.

6. 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. This group is sponsored by more than 60 Massachusetts public libraries.

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.

¿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 calendario de eventos para verificar citas.

SPL Spanish Culture Club

The Spanish Culture Club provides an open and casual learning environment outside of the classroom to promote learning and practicing the language as well as to celebrate the cultures of Spanish-speaking countries around the world. This club is not only about learning Spanish, but learning about Hispanic culture: cuisine, idioms, movies, food, and more. The group will meet every other Wednesday at 6:00 p.m. at the Shrewsbury Public Library; no registration required.

Tech Tuesday: Digital Privacy and Security

Join the Shrewsbury Public Library at 6:00 p.m. in the Learning Lab for Tech Tuesdays! This program is intended for proficient computer users aged 13+ who are familiar with navigating the internet. Laptops will be provided. Space is limited, so <u>registration</u> is required.

Gardening Is Murder with author Neal Sanders

Join the Shrewsbury Garden Club on Tuesday, October 17th at 7:00 p.m. for a "spouse's point of view" of gardening filled with humor and insight from someone who gardens less from an abiding love of horticulture than for the love of a spouse. Good horticultural advice is dispensed, bad advice is debunked. Attendees will leave with a better appreciation of what's going on in the mind of their helpmates. The talk is adapted from presenter Neal Sanders's widely read blog, The Principal Undergardener.

Some of the topics covered include:

- Why so much gardening advice on the internet is awful
- Why you never compute the value of your gardening labor
- Proof that wildlife doesn't watch Walt Disney movies
- Why it requires digging three holes to plant one thing

This program will take place in person at the Shrewsbury Public Library; please <u>register</u> to attend.

Zumba at the library

Join the Shrewsbury Public Library for Zumba®, an interval-style dance fitness party that combines low-intensity and high-intensity moves. Burn lots of calories while moving to the rhythm with Latin-inspired dance moves. The best part of it all is that it doesn't even feel like

exercise! Dance fitness classes aren't just great for cardiovascular health, but also tone muscles and improve balance and flexibility. Zumba instructor Johanny Pineyro will lead this engaging class beginning at 6:00 p.m. No registration required; dates include Wednesdays, October 11th & 25th and November 1st & 29th.

Spooky programs at the library!

Make sure to check out all the Shrewsbury Public Library's spooky happenings throughout October (find details and registration on our <u>event calendar</u>). Events include:

The Salem Witchcraft Trials: What Really Happened?; October 12th at 7:00 p.m. Halloween Hauntings, dramatic readings by Michèle LaRue; October 14th at 2:00 p.m. Ghosts and Legends with TV's Jeff Belanger; October 16th at 7:00 p.m. Paranormal New England for a Paranormal 101; October 18th at 7:00 p.m. New England UFOs with Travel Channel's Ronny LeBlanc; October 23rd at 7:00 p.m. Movie Matinee: Ghostbusters Afterlife; October 28th at 2:00 p.m. The Radikals - Investigators and Archivists of the Unknown; October 30th at 7:00 p.m.

7. Please Note – Shrewsbury Public Library Events for Tweens & Teens (New)

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

Please remember that program attendees in grades 5-6 must be accompanied to the library by a parent/parent's representative who will remain in the building during the program and rejoin the attendee at the conclusion of the program.

- Wednesday, October 11th Plein Air Painting for Teens 4:00 p.m. in Meeting Room A.
 Grades 7-12. Registration required. Come enjoy an introduction to the art of painting
 outdoors. Students will be given a brief lesson on the history and method of the practice
 and then brought onto the library lawn for a guided painting session (weather permitting).
 Materials will be provided. This class is being presented by The Jazz Robot Studios, a
 local arts non-profit.
- Thursdays, October 12th-26th YMCA Youth in Government 3:00 p.m. in Meeting Room A. Grades 9-12. Registration required. This comprehensive program is designed to empower teens with the knowledge, skills, and experiences necessary to understand and actively participate in the political process and governance at various levels. Through a series of engaging workshops, discussions, simulations, and practical activities, participants will gain a deep appreciation for civic engagement and develop a strong foundation for future leadership roles.
- Friday, October 13th Friday Movie 3:30 p.m. in Meeting Room B. Grades 5-12. No registration necessary. Celebrate the end of the week by relaxing with a movie and snacks! Movie TBD, stop by the Teen Office if you have a good suggestion.

- Monday, October 16th Teen Advisory Meeting 8:00 p.m. in the Teen Room. Grades 5-12. Registration required. What is Teen Advisory? It's a way for you to connect with the library and make your voice heard. It's a chance to see your ideas and opinions come to life. It's an easy way to earn volunteer credit by attending monthly meetings. Join us to meet some new people, eat snacks, and help us make our Teen Room (and library) THE BEST!
- Tuesday, October 17th Fancy Hand Lettering 4:00 p.m. in Meeting Room A. Grades 5-adult. Registration required. Join us for a fun tutorial on turning ordinary writing into fancy decorative lettering. We'll experiment with embellishments, shading, faux-calligraphy, and other techniques.
- Friday, October 20th Friday Snack Craft 3:30 p.m. in Meeting Room B. Grades 5-12.
 No registration necessary. What's more fun than food? School is over come hang out and create something delicious. A new seasonal snack creation each month! Those with food allergies should please exercise caution.
- Monday, October 23rd Scary Stories in the Cemetery 7:00 p.m. at Mountain View Cemetery. Grades 5-12. Registration required. Imagine a quiet, misty night, dark shapes of bare trees, a lone figure in black beckoning you to follow her into the cemetery. Time for scary stories! We'll meet at the Artemas Ward gate (behind the First Congregational Church) and walk amongst the graves, then settle in for some chilling tales in the dark. We'll bring cider and cookies, you bring a blanket to sit on. Thank you to the Parks & Cemetery Commission for granting us special permission and donating supplies for this event!
- Thursday, October 26th S.T.O.P. 6:30-8:30 p.m. in Meeting Room A. Grades 5-12.
 Registration required. The Students Together Opposing Prejudice (S.T.O.P.) program is a comprehensive initiative designed to foster inclusivity and combat prejudice among middle school students. They are currently seeking enthusiastic middle school students to join our upcoming Fall 2023 cohort, as well as dedicated high school facilitators.
- Friday, September 27th Friday Activity 3:30 p.m. in Meeting Room B. Grades 5-12. No registration necessary. You made it through another week of school! Try a fun craft or activity that will change each month. No crafting experience (or talent) necessary, just try it out!

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

8. Please Note – Shrewsbury Public Library Events for Children

We have some great events for children happening in October at the Library!

 Tuesday, October 10th at 6PM- Choose Your Own Adventure® Library Read-Aloud Book Club - For kids in grades 4 through 6. We'll be reading out loud one book from the Choose Your Own Adventure® series at each meeting and everyone will help decide which path we will take. Participants will receive an Adventurer's Passport to collect

- badges. Participants who attend all 9 meetings will earn all 9 book badges and be eligible for a prize. We will be having Pizza at each meeting. This program is sponsored by the Friends of the Shrewsbury Public Library. Register here.
- Saturday, October 14th at 12PM Partial Eclipse! Come watch the partial eclipse! We'll
 have a pair of eclipse glasses for each family that attends. Be sure to save them for the
 big eclipse on April 8, 2024! Look outside at the sun, watch the live stream of the full
 annual eclipse, and make some eclipse crafts in the Children's Program Room! No
 registration necessary. Welcome to all ages!
- Tuesday, October 17th at 6PM Pokemon Trading Bring your cards and let's start trading! For kids of all ages. No registration required.
- Saturday, October 21st at 10AM Diwali Storytime Join local author Ushma Multani as she reads her new book Reena and the Diwali Star and does Diwali themed activities and crafts with the kids. This is a token program. Tokens will be available at the Children's Desk starting at 9:30 a.m. the morning of the program and will be given out on a first come first served basis.
- Tuesday, October 24th at 6AM Wake Up With Wimpy For kids in grades 3-7. It's time to Wake Up with Wimpy! Celebrate the release of the latest Diary of a Wimpy Kid book before everyone else! There will be themed games, activities, and breakfast snacks. Each attendee will also receive a copy of the new book No Brainer take home to keep. This event consists of a series of identical 15-minute sessions from 6:00-7:30 am. Registration is required for this event starting Tuesday, October 10th at 9:00 am. To register, email Annie Lee King at aking@cwmars.org or call 508-841-8609 ext 5 NOT BEFORE OCTOBER 10. Participants will be assigned to a session by the event coordinator. All participants must be registered and late arrivals will not be admitted to the event. Wake Up with Wimpy! is graciously sponsored by the Shrewsbury Federal Credit Union.
- Saturday, October 28th at 10:30AM Trick-or-Treat Storywalk at Lake Street Park Join the Children's Librarians at Lake Street Park for Halloween fun! Come in costume, read the story along the path, and trick-or-treat for candy! While supplies last.
- Sunday, October 29th at 1:30PM BuildWave Workshop Kids ages 5+ are welcome to register for this high energy creative building event that encourages play and collaboration. This 1-hour STEM workshop is sure to be a blast! Register here.

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

9. Please Note - Shrewsbury Parks & Recreation Programs

Pre-registration is required for all of the Parks & Recreation programs. Space is limited. Visit our <u>website</u> for more information and registration and follow us on Facebook or Instagram for updates and photos!

Winter Youth Basketball League

Registration for winter basketball is open now. The last day to register is October 15th. This league is open to children in grades 3-12. No tryouts required, all are welcome to play. One evening practice per week, games on Saturdays. VOLUNTEER COACHES NEEDED! This league cannot run without you!

Food Truck Thursdays

Thursdays, 4:00 to 8:00 p.m. at the Town Hall Lawn through October 12th

Truck or Treat!

Big Truck Day meets trick or treating. Costumes and candy plus vehicles and equipment to explore sounds like a fun way to spend the day! Saturday, October 14th from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at Town Hall. Free and open to the public. The first hour of this event is sensory friendly - no horns, sirens, alarms, music, or air brakes.

Please <u>click here</u> for the Parks & Recreation website.

10. Save the Date – Shrewsbury Multicultural Festival, November 4th

Immerse yourself in a rich array of cultures at the first-ever Shrewsbury Multicultural Festival! Embrace diversity through an enchanting blend of artistic expressions, melodic rhythms, global flavors, and time-honored customs. This festival's mission is to cultivate harmony, empathy, and intercultural respect, providing a stage for significant interactions that enhance the tapestry of our local community.

Join us on Saturday, November 4th from 12:00 to 4:00 p.m. at Oak Middle School for Shrewsbury's Multicultural Night! We are requesting community members to help host booths related to games and activities, food (licensed restaurants and businesses only), entertainment, performances, and much more! Please complete this survey no later than September 15th if you are interested in participating.

11. Please Note – Shrewsbury Cultural Council Invites Grant Applications, due October 17th

The Shrewsbury Cultural Council, a member of the Massachusetts Cultural Council, invites local artists to apply to our 2024 Grant Cycle. The SCC believes in supporting all varieties of arts in the local community and seeks to enrich the cultural experience and quality of life of Shrewsbury residents. We do this by awarding grants for deserving projects that take place in our schools, cultural organizations, community centers, libraries, elder care facilities, town halls and parks; wherever our community comes together. We strive to support cultural enrichment and creative opportunities that provide diversity and availability to all residents of our town. For

the second year, the state has provided the SCC with \$18,700 to distribute. Click <u>here</u> to apply by October 17th.

12. Save the Date – Shrewsbury Rotary Club Community Recycling Fundraiser, October 15th

Got Junk? Clean out your unwanted, hard-to-recycle items and support the Shrewsbury Rotary Club's Community Recycling Fundraiser being held on Sunday, October 15th from 12:00 to 3:00 p.m. at the Shrewsbury Town Hall. All metals, electronics, power tools, and appliances are accepted. If it has a cord, we'll probably take it! \$40 per car load and low single-item fees. See the flier for more information or contact Rotary President Beth Casavant at (508) 641-8174 or bethcasavant@gmail.com with any questions. Proceeds benefit service projects of the Shrewsbury Rotary Club. Shrewsbury Rotary thanks our friends at WIN Waste Innovations for their generous sponsorship of this event.

13. Save the Date - Shrewsbury Fire Department Open House, October 14th

Shrewsbury residents of all ages are invited to the Shrewsbury Fire Department Open House on Saturday, October 14th from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Guests are encouraged to meet the firefighters, tour the firehouse, sit in a fire truck, and meet their mascot, Sparky! See the <u>flier</u> for details.

Youth Athletics and Activities

1. Please Note - Shrewsbury High School Girls Youth Lacrosse Clinic (New)

Join us for a lacrosse clinic on October 22nd led by Shrewsbury High School varsity lacrosse coach Kath Beall and members of the 2022 varsity team! This clinic is for athletes in grades 5-8.

What: Girls Youth Lacrosse Clinic at SHS

When: Sunday, October 22 from 3:00 to 4:30 p.m.

Where: Shrewsbury High School Turf

Athletes should bring: stick, goggles, mouthguard, water bottle

You can register for the clinic <u>here</u>. Please reach out to Alison Smith (<u>alison.smith@shrewsburylacrosse.org</u>) with any questions!

2. Please Note – Shrewsbury Youth Lacrosse Spring Registration Now Open (New)

Registration is now open for the Spring 2024 travel season for all Shrewsbury Youth Lacrosse age groups (girls and boys in grades 1-8). Come out for this fun, fast-paced sport. All experience levels are welcome! The season will run from early April to mid-June, with indoor pre-season practices starting in mid-February. Regular games will be on Sundays with the season culminating in a fun 3-game jamboree. Click here to register! Email us with any questions at info@shrewsburylacrosse.com.

3. Please Note – Shrewsbury Youth Lacrosse "Learn to Lax" Clinic, November 5th (New)

Come try out the sport of lacrosse at a FREE Learn to Lax clinic hosted by Shrewsbury Youth Lacrosse. This clinic is open to boys and girls in grades 1-8 who are interested in trying lacrosse. The clinic will be held Sunday, November 5 from 11:30-1pm at SAC Park - 384 Lake Street. We will have sticks available to use for the clinic. You can register for the clinic here.