

Community Bulletin

September 19th, 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 – SAT Prep Course (New)

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.

2. Please Note – Jobs for Students

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

Do you have a high school student looking for an after-school or summer job? We have many local businesses looking for student employees, listed on our new <u>Jobs for Students site</u>! 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 page</u>.

Questions? Please email <u>kkeohane@shrewsbury.k12.ma.us</u>. Thank you for supporting our students!

3. Please Note – Cafeteria Help Wanted

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

Please click <u>here</u> to obtain an employment application. Please forward this application to the Food Service Department C/O Shrewsbury High School, 75 Cypress Avenue, Shrewsbury MA 01545 or email to Heidi Doyle at <u>hdoyle@shrewsbury.k12.ma.us</u>. If you have any questions, please call Heidi Doyle at (508) 841-8855.

4. Save the Date – Music Drive by the Shrewsbury Schools Music/Theater Association, September 23rd

Please save the date for the 68th annual Music Drive, taking place the morning of Saturday, September 23rd. All high school theater and music students should plan to participate in this one-time, four-hour event to sell season concert tickets in our neighborhoods and help raise funds for our theater and music departments. This one event alone earns as much as \$16,000 for use by our performing arts directors and teachers, and we need full community support to accomplish this!

We are in great need of adult drivers! Each year we need 40 to 50 parents to help drive the students out on their routes. It is a tremendous task to find enough drivers to help us in this event. Please consider helping this year! Visit <u>myssma.com</u> to learn more and volunteer to drive!

Community Items

1. Save the Date – Shrewsbury Police Community Night, September 21st (New)

The Shrewsbury Police are hosting a Community Night at the new police station this Thursday, September 21 from 4:30pm-7:30pm. See the <u>flier</u> for details.

2. Save the Date – Cub Scout Pack 158 Open House, September 21st (New)

Pack 158 invites you to join them and learn what Cub Scouting has to offer! Accepting boys in grades K-4th. We are happy to answer your questions, share our fun adventures, and more. Come join us this Thursday, September 21st between 6:00-7:30 p.m. at St Mary's Church. Our year is just getting started, so now is the perfect time to join!

3. Save the Date – Walk to End Alzheimer's, September 26th (New)

Join the Shrewsbury Council on Aging in our effort to support the Alzheimer's Association and the fight to end Alzheimer's! Walk a mile with us on Tuesday, September 26th at 11:00 a.m. - \$10 to join or sponsor - all proceeds go to the Alzheimer's Association. Click <u>here</u> to donate any amount to the Alzheimer's Association via the Council on Aging Walk Team.

4. Save the Date – Shrewsbury Rotary Club Community Recycling Fundraiser, October 15th (New)

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 <u>flier</u> for more information or contact Rotary President Beth Casavant at (508) 641-8174 or <u>bethcasavant@gmail.com</u> 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.

5. Please Note – Shrewsbury Cultural Council Invites Grant Applications (New)

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 here to apply.

6. Save the Date – Shrewsbury Trails Committee Events (New)

Full Moon Walk

The Full Harvest Moon will provide the backdrop for a Shrewsbury Trails Committee walk in Lake Street Park, 7:30 to 8:30 pm on Thursday, September 28. The moon is near perigee, its closest approach to the earth, and will be accompanied in the night sky by the just-rising Jupiter and higher in the sky, Saturn. Local amateur astronomer Chris Williams is planning to be on hand to give us close up looks through his telescope at these two most spectacular planets. We will walk the meadow trail, which is flat and easy walking. The event is suitable for all but the smallest babies. As the evenings are getting chilly, please dress for conditions. The closest parking is in the lower parking lot next to the soccer fields. The rain date is Friday, September 29.

Monarch Butterfly Nature Walk with Martha Gach

The Shrewsbury Trails Committee is presenting a walk with local naturalist Martha Gach, who will help us look for Monarch butterflies and other pollinators in the meadow at Lake Street Park on Sunday, September 24 at 9 am. We hope to see the Monarchs before these fragile creatures begin their amazingly long migration to their overwintering sites in central Mexico. The trail, while not paved, is flat and easy walking and this event is suitable for all ages. Please park in the lower parking lot adjacent to the soccer fields. This is a rain or shine event: if the Monarchs are hiding, we will look for rain-loving species (the trail may become a little muddy). We thank the Shrewsbury Cultural Council in conjunction with the Mass Cultural Council for their support of this event.

7. Please Note – Community Fridge and Food Locker (New)

Shrewsbury's Community Fridge and Food Locker need food items! The donation site is located next to the Senior Center on Shrewsbury's municipal campus on Maple Avenue. The fridge provides free food to community members in need. Please consider donating products including fresh produce, eggs, bread, dairy, and frozen food, as well as meals and goods from certified kitchens.

Please do not donate raw meat and seafood, homemade food or leftovers, rotting or wilted food, unsealed food or hygiene supplies, expired items, alcohol or medication, severely dented cans, ungraded eggs and clothing and housewares.

8. Please Note – Girls Who Code Program at WPI (New)

<u>Girls Who Code</u> is an international non-profit organization that helps to close the gender gap in technology. Through the Girls Who Code Clubs program at WPI, female and non-binary students will be able to learn the foundations of computer science while exposing them to positive female role models who are currently involved in the field. This Fall, students will be introduced to fundamentals of coding by using Makey Makeys or learning python. *Note: Since the curriculum does not change from year to year, this program is not open to returning students. This course is open to grades 7th-11th and you can select either virtual or in-person. Classes run 5-6:30pm, September 26th through November 14th (no classes on October 17th or 18th). Register here. For more information, please visit the <u>WPI website</u>.

9. 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 <u>here</u> for morning sessions; register <u>here</u> for evening sessions). This group is sponsored by more than 60 Massachusetts public libraries. Find the full list of topics and registration <u>here</u>. 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 <u>calendario de eventos</u> 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. Upcoming dates: September 20th.

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.

Naomi Westwater Concert

Join the Shrewsbury Public Library on Monday, September 18th at 7:00 p.m. for a night of music, song, and ritual with Naomi Westwater (they/she). Naomi is a queer, Black-multiracial singer-songwriter from Massachusetts. Their work combines folk music, poetry, and spirituality. Their hope is that through ritual and storytelling, they can aid nature in the end of capitalism and the return of community, creativity, and collective joy.

Naomi holds a Master of Music in Contemporary Performance and Production from Berklee College of Music, and is a part of The Club Passim Folk Collective. She was nominated for a 2021 and 2022 Boston Music Award for best singer-songwriter, and has been featured in Under The Radar, WBUR, Vanyaland, WGBH, Allston Pudding, and The Bluegrass Situation.

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

Ukraine War and Vladimir Putin: Consequences Expected and Unintended

Join the Shrewsbury Public Library on Tuesday, September 19th at 7:00 p.m. for a presentation on the causes of the Ukraine war, examining the consequences for Ukraine, Russia, and the rest of the world. Some of the potential consequences beyond death and destruction are millions of people slipping into poverty, a worldwide food shortage, and a worldwide recession. The corruption in both countries' leadership is discussed. Both governments and their lack of transparency prevent the true consequences of the war being known. The role of the United States is questioned – is it fighting a third-party war? Presenter Henry Quinlan has over 36 years of experience dealing with the Soviet Union/Russia. 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.

She Can Do It: Real/'Reel' Women & Midcentury Mysteries

Join the Shrewsbury Public Library on Thursday, September 21st at 7:00 p.m. with local suspense authors Janet Raye Stevens and Sharon Healy-Yang for an engaging, multi-media event revealing some intriguing inspirations for creating a mystery set circa WWII. Using film clips, anecdotes, and excerpts from their books, Sharon and Janet will talk about 1940s women in real as well as 'reel' life and how these smart, stylish, and wise-cracking gals in books and film inspired their own 1940s-set mysteries. If you love mysteries, movies, and lots of banter, don't miss it! This program will take place in person at the library; please register to attend.

Sourdough Starter Workshop with Sourdough Brandon

Join the Shrewsbury Public Library on Saturday, September 23rd at 2:00 p.m. to learn how to make, maintain, and store a sourdough starter from an expert sourdough baker and food blogger. You'll leave with many tips and tricks on how to keep your sourdough starter active, what to make with your starter, and even leave with some free sourdough starter! 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.

Imagine 2200: Climate Fiction for Future Ancestors with Tory Stephens

Join the Blue Marble Librarians with <u>Tory Stephens</u> of Grist Magazine, an independent non-profit media organization focused on the climate crisis, and learn how he created Imagine 2200: Climate Fiction for Future Ancestors. Imagine is a storytelling initiative that calls for fiction writers to envision the next 180 years of equitable climate progress, imagining intersectional worlds of abundance, adaptation, reform, and hope. The initiative also seeks narratives that center solutions from the communities most impacted by the climate crisis, and stories that are rooted in cultural authenticity and rich subcultures that uplift traditions not often seen in mainstream literature. Writers and readers alike will enjoy this climate justice romp. This program will take place virtually on Zoom; please <u>register</u> to attend.

KM Harikrishnan Author Talk

Join the Shrewsbury Public Library on Thursday, September 28th at 7:00 p.m. with author KM Harikrishnan for a talk about his 2022 book, The Three Muscat Years. Harikrishnan will discuss why he decided to write this book, the writing process, and describe some anecdotes from the book, then answer questions from the audience.

More about The Three Muscat Years: In this book of adventure, a greenhorn Army doctor chronicles his discovery of a foreign land, newfound love, and new peoples. A series of matchless experiences help him cope with personal loss, understanding of fellow human beings, and self-discovery along the way. How does a young man come face-to-face with deep-rooted traditions and overpowering emotions experienced never before? Read on to find out from this heartwarming, brutally honest account. This program will take place in person at the library; please register to attend.

SPL September Movie Matinee: No Time To Die

Join the Shrewsbury Public Library for our Movie Matinee! A different film will be screened monthly in person at the library on a Saturday at 2:00 p.m. No registration required.

On September 30th, come enjoy a screening of No Time To Die (2021; Rated PG-13): "James Bond [Daniel Craig] has left active service. His peace is short-lived when Felix Leiter, an old friend from the CIA, turns up asking for help, leading Bond onto the trail of a mysterious villain armed with dangerous new technology."

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

We have some great events for tweens and teens happening in September 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.

- Monday, September 18th Teen Advisory Launch Party 8:00 p.m. in the Teen Room. Grades 5-12. <u>Registration</u> 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 for our launch party where we'll plan what we want to accomplish this year. Last year's Teen Advisory was fantastic and I think we can do even more this year! Pizza will be served.
- Thursdays, September 21st and 28th Introduction to Piano 4:00 p.m. in Meeting Room A. Grades 5-8. <u>Registration</u> required. This course is meant to serve as a fun introduction to playing the piano! In this class, the fundamental basics of playing the piano will be explored. These include learning to read basic sheet music notation, and practicing matching such musical notes on a keyboard/piano. This skill will help with learning how to play scales and simple songs! Classes are led by Suhrit G from SHS, an experienced pianist who is eager to share his love of music. Participants must bring their iPad with GarageBand installed.
- Friday, September 22nd 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.
- Friday, September 29th 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>online calendar</u> for more details and registration!

11. Please Note – Shrewsbury Public Library Events for Children

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

• Friday, September 1st through Saturday, September 30th - <u>Banned Books Reading</u> <u>Challenge</u> - For kids ages 5-12. Reading is empowering! Learn about new perspectives and celebrate the freedom to read with books that have been challenged or banned throughout the years. Log your reading to earn badges throughout the challenge. Read any book and log it through Beanstack. Each book you log will award you a raffle ticket to enter to win your own copy of a banned book. Register <u>here</u>.

 Monday, September 18th at 6:00 p.m. - <u>Buzzz... the Bee is Here - Spelling Bee for Kids</u> -For kids in grades 3-5. The library is hosting a spelling bee! Participants will be picked through a lottery system. If your child gets in, you will be contacted by September 11th. If you are interested, please send the following information to <u>splkids@cwmars.org</u>: child's name and grade; parent's name, email, and phone number.

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

12. 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!

Fall Program Guide

Registration for fall programs and winter youth basketball league is open! Sign up online to grab your spot today!

Farmers Market

Wednesdays, 2:30 to 6:30 p.m. at the Shrewsbury Senior Center (98 Maple Ave). Last date is September 20th.

<u>Food Truck Thursdays</u> Thursdays, 4:00 to 8:00 p.m. at the Town Hall Lawn through October 12th

Freshwater Fishing Clinic

Wednesday, September 27th at 5:00 p.m. at Jordan Pond. No fee, but registration is required.

Movie in the Park

Join us at Dean Park for an outdoor family movie night on Friday, September 29th! Bring your chairs, blankets, and picnic dinners. Movie title TBD, start time is 6:30 pm.

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.

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

13. 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 <u>this survey</u> no later than September 15th if you are interested in participating.

14. Please Note – Scarecrows on the Common, September 18th–October 20th

For the nineteenth year, the Shrewsbury Garden Club is excited to sponsor Scarecrows on the Common in conjunction with the annual Spirit of Shrewsbury Fall Festival. Shrewsbury residents, businesses, clubs, and organizations are encouraged to create a scarecrow and place it on the Town Common. Dates for the display are September 18th through October 20th. For more information, please go to www.ShrewsburyGardenClub.org and click on the Civic Projects link.

15. Save the Date – SELCO Community Open House, October 6th

SELCO will be holding its first Community Open House on Friday, October 6th from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at SELCO's service area at 30 Municipal Drive. Parking will be available at Paton School. This event will feature tours of the Johnson Substation, Touch-A-Truck, kids activities, giveaways, Boston Trolley Dogs food truck, free popcorn, bounce house and inflatable games, information on rebates and incentives such as heat pumps, EVs, weatherization, yard equipment, solar, appliances and more, Electric Vehicle displays, SELCO Stream demo and raffle, green screen fun sponsored by Shrewsbury Media Connection, and more! Click here for the event link and here for the Facebook link.

16. Save the Date – Annual Reliant Foundation 5K, September 30th

On Saturday, September 30th, the annual Reliant Foundation 5K road race will be held at Shore Park in Worcester. This certified, chip-timed race attracts hundreds of runners, walkers, and spectators to raise funds in support of community grants for youth mental health and substance use prevention and recovery for people of all ages. The race starts at 9:30 a.m. with race-day

registration opening at 8:30 a.m. The event features family-friendly entertainment including music by Cumulus Radio 100 FM The Pike, visits by local sports team mascots, kids' activities, refreshments, and raffles.

Early bird registration rates are available until August 31st. Online registration remains open through September 27th. To register, or for more information, visit the <u>Reliant Foundation</u> <u>website</u>. The race features prizes and awards for individuals of all ages and teams. Runners, walkers, and people of all abilities are welcome. Register by September 5th to be guaranteed a complimentary runner's jersey.

Your support makes it possible for Reliant Foundation's Community Grants Program to fund services throughout the region that boost resources and increase access to mental health and behavioral health services for children and youth; build tools for recovery for individuals struggling to break free from substance use disorder; and fund impactful education and initiatives to battle the stigma and raise awareness around these issues.

17. Save the Date – Shrewsbury Historical Society Events

Mountain View Cemetery Historic Tours

Please join us on Saturday, September 30th for tours of the Historic section of Mountain View Cemetery in Shrewsbury. There are 2 time slots to choose from. The first tour begins at 6:30 p.m. and the second begins at 7:45 p.m. This tour is coordinated and presented by First Congregational Church of Shrewsbury in celebration of our 300th anniversary, in conjunction with the Shrewsbury Historical Society. All speakers are from First Congregational Church. A light reception will follow. This event is free and open to the entire community. Registration is necessary so that we can plan ahead for the reception. The tour will consist of seven gravestones in the historic corner of the cemetery. Tour guides and speakers will be dressed in period attire. Your way will be lit by luminaries and lanterns. Tours last approximately one hour. Please plan to join us for an evening of fun, education, and fellowship. Plan to meet in the Church parking lot to begin your tour. Please use <u>this Sign-up Genius link</u> to register. Rain date is Saturday, October 14th.

<u>"Churches of Shrewsbury. Massachusetts: Past and Present. 1723-2023"</u> by Bill Whitehead on Wednesday, September 27th at 7:00 p.m. at First Congregational Church. This presentation contains many interesting facts about the churches of Shrewsbury past and present. Mr. Whitehead is a member of the First Congregational Church. Free and open to the public; refreshments provided.

Shrewsbury Historical Society presents two special events at the 1830 Brick School during the Spirit of Shrewsbury Fall Festival on Saturday, September 23rd:

<u>"A Walk Through Shrewsbury's Past: Images from the 30's through the 70's"</u> by Henry Grampietro, 10:00 to 11:00 a.m. This is a roundtable discussion of the book which contains photographs of events or happenings residents of Shrewsbury would have witnessed or read about from the 1930's to the early 70's. It contains pictures of sports, old ads, real estate values from the 1940's, former SHS faculty members, and elementary school class photos from the 1950's. Being a lifelong resident of town, Mr. Grampietro felt it would be fun for the older people in town to reflect on and for the newer residents to have a look into our town's past. This is his third publication.

<u>"Shrewsbury Historical Society Museum's Exhibit of Artifacts Related to the First Congregational</u> <u>Church"</u> – Join any time from 10:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. The Shrewsbury Historical Society Curator will highlight artifacts in the Museum related to Shrewsbury's First Congregational Church, including a pulpit, Bible stand, wooden rosette and finial from the sounding board, and a wooden clock hand. Artifacts related to Rev. Joseph Sumner and the Sumner family will also be featured.

Questions? Email <u>shrewsburyhistory@townisp.com</u>.

18. Please Note – Volunteers Needed for Spirit of Shrewsbury, September 23rd & 24th

The Spirit of Shrewsbury committee is looking for volunteers for Saturday, September 23rd during the Spirit of Shrewsbury weekend. Minimum age is 15. Volunteers will be helping vendors load and unload their equipment and supplies, as well as any other help they need. At least 50 volunteers are needed. Shifts are Saturday, September 23rd from 7:00 to 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 to 3:30 p.m. or Sunday, September 24th from 12:00 to 2:00 p.m. and 2:30 to 3:30 p.m.

To register, complete <u>this form</u> on the Spirit of Shrewsbury website. Volunteers will be given free pizza as well as free vendor giveaways. Please meet volunteer coordinator Shyla Ram at the front desk before beginning your shift. You will receive a SOS Volunteer t-shirt when you sign in. Questions can be directed to Shyla at <u>shyla.ram09@gmail.com</u>. Thank you for supporting the Spirit of Shrewsbury!

19. Save the Date – Spirit of Shrewsbury Fall Festival & Shrewsbury Got Talent, September 23rd

The Spirit of Shrewsbury Fall Festival will take place on Saturday, September 23rd at Oak Middle School. There will be many activities for everyone - craft show, exhibition (expo), dog show, pie eating contest, pumpkin creations, activities for kids, Shrewsbury Got Talent competition, food vendors, and more. A parade will be held on Sunday, September 24th. Please visit the <u>Spirit of Shrewsbury website</u> for more details.

Please come and take part in the Shrewsbury Got Talent competition. Children can display their talents, including singing, dancing, acting, juggling, magic, martial arts, playing instruments, standup comedy, doing impressions, and anything else! Solo performances only. Prizes will be awarded to the top three in each age group category. This event is organized jointly by India Society of Worcester and the Spirit of Shrewsbury Fall Festival Committee and will take place on Saturday, September 23rd at 10:00 a.m. at Oak Middle School. <u>Pre-registration</u> is required. The registration deadline is September 20th. Information is also available on India Society website and <u>Facebook</u>. Click here for the flier.

Youth Athletics and Activities

1. Please Note – Shrewsbury Basketball Association Winter Travel Team Tryouts (New)

Fair play and good sportsmanship are the Shrewsbury Basketball Association's trademarks. Our goal is to prepare boys and girls in grades 4th through 8th for high school play by teaching each player the fundamental and technical skills of team basketball in a highly competitive environment. For those that have played organized basketball, you will find travel ball a rewarding experience as they build upon their existing skill sets and truly take their games to the next level. The program is open to all Shrewsbury residents who possess a general understanding of the game and are interested in competitive, structured basketball against other towns' select teams.

Tryouts for the 2023-2024 winter travel team will take place on September 30th and October 1st from 2:00 pm - 8:00 pm at the Shrewsbury High School gym. Please <u>click here</u> to register for tryouts and <u>click here</u> for more information about the travel team.