

Shrewsbury Community Newsletter

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A Message from the Mayor

Elected Officials

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Important Phone Numbers

EMERGENCIES – 911

Non-Emergency Police 732-741-2500

Borough Hall 732-741-4200

DPW 732-741-4200 ext. 402

Two River Reclamation 732-229-8578

American Water 1-800-272-1325

JCPL Electric 1-800-662-3115

NJNG Gas 1-800-221-0051

Happy Spring! After a rain-soaked winter, I am excited to be enjoying the blooming flowers and trees in the borough.

There are so many things to look forward to, including - opening day of our spring sports leagues, enjoying walks in our parks and throughout the borough and stopping along the way to talk with neighbors and friends. Our borough is also blossoming thanks to the new playground at Sickles Park, a freshly planted set of trees on the newly paved Park Avenue and new businesses opening - some of which are owned by our very own residents.

As your newly appointed Mayor, I look forward to attending upcoming events and meeting more of our residents, both those who are new to the borough and those who have been here for decades like my family. I would also like to welcome the residents who are new to our borough while wishing those who are leaving a wonderful next chapter.

Please consider volunteering as a member of our Hose Company and Auxiliary and/or our First Aid Squad. There are many opportunities to help! Also, I am looking to identify Veterans who live in the borough with the hopes to form a Veterans Alliance for camaraderie and to ensure our Veterans are well taken care of and properly thanked for their service to our Country.

Many of you may follow my Facebook page (Shrewsbury Boro Mayor Kim Doran Eulner) where I have been highlighting our town's active military, veterans, students, and residents who have done good deeds, and/or are artists, photographers, musicians, singers, athletes, volunteers and more. Please help me identify our residents of all ages who may enjoy being celebrated. I welcome your suggestions via email at keulner@shrewsburyboro.com. Let's work to celebrate our residents and the amazing borough in which we live. #ShrewsburyProud

I wish everyone a happy and sun-filled Spring!

Mayor Kim Doran Eulner

Articles Wanted

Shrewsbury Police Department news and upcoming events!

- In celebration of March's Women's History Month, the Shrewsbury Police Department would like to recognize the women that serve our community. Sgt. Jessica Boyd and Sgt. Mary Ellen Rumola together have over 45 years of law enforcement experience. Thank you for your dedication to the borough!
- Operation Take Back will be held on Saturday April 27th from 10am-2pm at the Shrewsbury Police Department. This is an opportunity to clear your medicine cabinets of unused, unwanted, or expired prescription medications. We will accept tablets, capsules, patches, and other solid forms of prescription drugs. Liquids and syringes will **not** be accepted.
- On Sunday April 28th from 8am-11am come register your bicycles with the police department. Parents, this is a great opportunity for your child to register their bike and speak to an officer about bike safety. We have been experiencing an abundance of bicycle complaints throughout the borough, specifically in the White Street area. If you can't make it, please talk to your children about the importance of bike safety and rules of the road!
- Since the fall 2023 newsletter, the police department has made 55 arrests and conducted more than 800 motor vehicle stops. Please be on the lookout for our Shrewsbury Police Department Facebook page in the upcoming weeks.



Shrewsbury First Aid Squad

As a volunteer first aid squad, "Thank you" is the only form of payment we accept. There is no greater reward than to be appreciated and accepted with trust by our community into their homes, and businesses to provide vital services during an emergency that requires our response. Providing volunteer EMS in Shrewsbury goes back to 1964. Yes, 60 years ago this spring, the Shrewsbury First Aid Squad was chartered. Our tradition and history of volunteering runs deep in our community. We all reside within the borough and come from all walks of life. Some from the medical professions, others from construction, business, administrative or technology backgrounds. As EMTs, we are required to complete and maintain the same certification protocols found in the paid sector of EMS. We are looking for new members and will sponsor your training and certification at no cost to you. If you like to volunteer, are interested in a challenge, and want to get out of your comfort zone, apply for membership to our squad. We provide a vital service to our community and as the saying goes "Service Is Its Own Reward". Thank you for your continued support. www.shrewsburyfirstaid.org

Shrewsbury Hose Company

Reminder - The Shrewsbury Hose Company is a 100% volunteer organization. Any resident wishing to come out and serve the community please visit our website at www.shrewsburyhosecompany.com.

If you haven't noticed, check out the new sign at the fire house on Broad Street. Please keep an eye out for community events.

It's that time of year, make sure your change the batteries in all of you CO and Smoke Detectors!!

From the Desk of the Municipal Clerk, Kerry Quinn

Dog and Cat Licenses

Per State Statute all dogs and cats **MUST** be registered with the Borough. This process has transitioned for the convenience of residents to be done online at www.shrewsburyboro.com. Please note that rabies vaccines need to be valid through November 1st of the licensing year to register or renew. Late Fees of \$5.00 per animal per month beginning February 2024 are being enforced.

*For Animal Control issues please call 732-741-2500

No Knock Registration

Mayor and Council passed an Ordinance for residents to opt in or out of any canvassing/solicitation that is conducted within the borough. To sign up, please see the website at www.shrewsburyboro.com.

Townwide Yard Sale

The townwide yard sale will be held Saturday May 4th, 2024, with a rain date of Saturday May 5th. Please register with the Clerk's Office no later than April 30th. "NO FEE REQUIRED"

Landscaper Registration

All commercial landscapers must be registered with the borough per ordinance, https://ecode360.com/36743059#36743059 . Please see the Clerk's Office for forms and payment.

2024 Primary Election

May 14th- Voter Registration Deadline for Primary Election

June 3 - by 3:00 p.m.- Deadline for In-Person Mail-In Ballot Applications for Primary Election

June 4th- Primary Election Day

Polling locations remain: District 1 and 3 at the Shrewsbury Firehouse, District 2 at the Borough Hall. Your polling place is noted on the sample ballot that will be mailed to you prior to the election.

If you have any questions about voting by mail, please call the Monmouth County Clerk's Election Office at 732-431-7790

www.monmouthcountyvotes.com

Shrewsbury Borough Recreation

Spring is upon us, and spring sports are underway. We have children enrolled in baseball, softball and lacrosse. Please remember to help keep our parks clean for everyone to enjoy.

The tennis and pickleball courts are now open. If you wish to reserve a time, please reach out to our Recreation Coordinator Victoria "Tori" Caufield for details at 732-741-4200 ext. 109.

Our parks and playing surfaces are seeing upgrades this spring. The new playground at Sickles Park has been completed and is ready to be explored. All the baseball/softball infields are receiving a much-needed facelift to improve the playing surfaces. The basketball courts at Manson Park will also be resurfaced before summer.

Summer Camp registration is underway. Please log into the MYREC Portal for to sign you children up. Summer Camp will be held at Sickles Park from June 26, 2024, through July 19, 2024.

Finally, keep an eye out in July and August for the new summer concert series at Manson Park.

We look forward to a safe, fun filled and relaxing summer!

Shrewsbury Borough Shade Tree Commission

Shade Tree News

Homegrown National Park: Development continues to gobble up our woodlands and native habitat. An idea to restore biodiversity recently promulgated by Doug Tallamy, Professor of Entomology and Wildlife Ecology at the University of Delaware and author of Bringing Nature Home, is to shrink our lawns and plant native flora. Bringing this down to Shrewsbury, consider reducing your lawn by 15' square feet or more and plant native grasses, shrubs and trees to help balance our ecosystem. The following links are helpful sources of native plants in New Jersey:

- https://www.gardenia.net/native-plants/new-jersey
- https://www.audubon.org/native-plants/search?zipcode=07702

Spotted Lantern Fly (SLF, Lycorma delicatula): Nymph SLFs will hatch from overwintering eggs in April. Nymphs and adults are easy to kill with insect barriers/traps, and insecticides. A sticky tape (e.g., Catchmaster Tree Shield available on Amazon) placed around tree trunks in April will catch nymphs crawling up trunks. Insecticidal soaps, neem oil, and pyrethrum are good topical options. An inexpensive option is to spray a dish soap/water solution onto the plant. Hardware and garden stores now sell products specifically for SLF control. Applications need to be applied regularly throughout the season. Contact a landscape or arborist professional for control applications if you have a highly infested area.

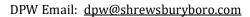
Hold the Dates in 2024 for Fun STC Educational Events:

- Pruning Basics Class April 13, 2024, from 9:00am 11:00am at the Historical Society Building.
- Curated Tour of Esther Hymer Nature Preserve September 14, 2024, from 9:00am 11:00am

Bill Gerth - STC Chairperson

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS/RECYCLING CENTER

90 White Road at Railroad Crossing Phone 732-741-0522 Fax 732-741-4545 Public Works Director – Matt Hall RECYCLING PAD Hours of Operation: 7 AM to 3 PM Monday through Friday and Saturday 8 AM to Noon – All Year





For curbside collection - all materials must be placed at curb by 6 AM

County Recycling Hotline Number 732-577-8400



HOUSEHOLD TRASH

*Please note: Electronics are not allowed in the trash! See below for recycling options.

ZONE 1	ZONE 2
Hwy. 35 & streets west of Hwy. 35 Incl. Ave. at the Common, Winding Brook, Blades Run, Meadow Dr. E, Brady Rd., Thornbrooke Dr., Adams Way, Campbell Ct., and Dorn Dr.	All streets east of Hwy. 35 (excluding those named in Zone 1)
Monday & Thursday	Tuesday & Friday

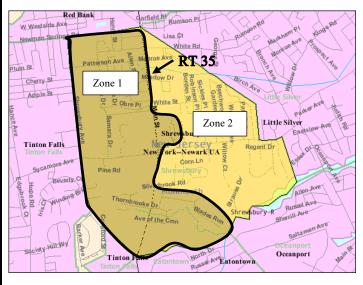
Recycling Schedule

All recycling will be collected on Wednesday; this includes newspapers, bottles and cans, plastics (1,2 & 5), junk mail (NO shredded paper) and cardboard for both ZONE 1 and ZONE 2

*All recycled material may be intermixed in the same container - not to exceed 50 lbs. per container *Recyclables dropped off at recycling center must be separated and placed in proper bins.

Bulk Trash Schedule

- * Bulk trash will now be collected **EVERY** Thursday for Zone 1 and **EVERY** Friday for Zone 2
- * Please note that **ONLY THREE (3) BULK ITEMS** per household can be put out for pickup on these days and it should be put out with your regular trash. There will not be any other bulk pickups during the year. If you need a major bulk pickup, call DPW and schedule a dumpster.



ZONE 1 - Broad Street (NJSH Route 35) and all streets west of Broad Street and the following streets east of Route 35, Avenue of the Commons, Winding Brook Way, Blades Run Drive, Meadow Drive East and Brady Road, Thornbrooke Drive, Adams Way, Campbell Ct. & Dorn Drive

ZONE 2 - All Streets east of Broad Street (NJSH Route 35) excluding those enumerated in Zone 1.

ELECTRONIC items MUST have an appointment to drop off at DPW

BRUSH AND LEAVES are recyclable and MUST be separated. Stormwater Regulations: LEAVES shall only be placed at the curb or along the roadway during the 7 days prior to the scheduled pick-up. Leaves are collected from the end of October through December. BRUSH – Collected APRIL through OCTOBER. All brush must be cut to maximum of 6' lengths. NO BRUSH shall be placed at curbside after 7:00 AM on your last pick-up day in October. LEAVES and BRUSH shall not be placed closer than 10 feet from any storm drain. Placement of such yard waste at the curb or along the street at any other time is a violation of Borough ordinance. (Ordinance: Yard Waste, Chap. 215-III)

<u>Tree branches/limbs over sidewalk shall be pruned not less than 8 ft. over sidewalks and 13 ft. over roadways.</u> (Chap. 183-9)

2024 Brush Pickup Schedule

Brush can be put at the curbside the Friday before the scheduled pickup week. Please do not comingle leaves with brush as DPW personnel will **NOT** pick it up.

East Side of Rt 35

Weeks of:	
April 1, 2024	July 8, 2024
April 15, 2024	July 22, 2024
April 29, 2024	Aug. 5, 2024
May 13, 2024	Aug. 1, 2024
May 27, 2024	Sept. 2, 2024
June 10, 2024	Sept. 16, 2024
June 24, 2024	Sept. 30. 2024

Final Pickup October 14, 2024

West Side of Rt 35

Weeks of:	
April 8, 2024	July 15, 2024
April 22, 2024	July 29, 2024
May 6, 2024	August 12, 2024
May 20, 2024	August 26, 2024
June 3, 2024	Sept 9, 2024
June 17, 2024	Sept 23, 2024
July 1, 2024	October 7, 2024

Final Pickup October 21, 2024

Environmental Commission

Earth Day celebration is April 21, 2024, from 10am to 2pm. Please join the members of the Environmental Commission at Borough Hall. Styrofoam drop off will be available at the event.

Monmouth County Paper Shredding 2024

Is it time for you to dispose of confidential documents and old files? If so, Monmouth County along with the Board of County Commissioners and participating municipalities is sponsoring free Paper Shredding dates.

Please visit the Borough's website at www.shrewsburyboro.com to find a nearby town at which to shred your documents. All events are 9:00am—1:00pm or until the truck fills up.

SHREWSBURY HOMESTEADERS

Come and meet new friends by joining the Shrewsbury Homesteaders. This friendly group of active adults over 50 meets on the second Thursday of the month (Sep – Jun) at the Shrewsbury Presbyterian Fellowship Hall on Sycamore Ave. The afternoon begins with Chair Yoga at 12:30pm followed by the meeting at 1:00pm. Meetings include entertainment, socialization, and refreshments.

For additional information on monthly events check out Borough of Shrewsbury Website under Community, Senior Homesteaders.

SHREWBURY HISTORICAL SOCIETY to co host Vintage Sewing Machines

Coming on the heels of the most recent "Wedding Dresses" and "Vintage Chairs" exhibits, we will see the launch of a new exhibit show casing more than 30 vintage sewing machines from the collection of Shrewsbury Historical Society lifetime members, Stuart and Judi Buncher. This exhibit will be co-hosted by the Monmouth County Library, Eastern Branch, Shrewsbury.

The machines have been carefully restored to highlight the mechanical features of each machine along with their wooden cabinets and sewing tables. Represented is an assortment of sewing machines manufactured by Singer, White, Wheeler & Wilson, and Wilcox & Gibbs. Some machines date back to the mid-1800's.

Along with the sewing machine exhibit, will be the introduction of eight (8) wall panels (each 3x7) exhibiting highlights of Shrewsbury's history. The panels exhibit photographs and artifacts representing "The Shrewsbury Hazards", "Shrewsbury's Notable Women", "Shrewsbury 's Notable Men", "Historic Four Corners", "Sycamore Avenue Shrewsbury", "Shrewsbury Police Department", "Shrewsbury Hose Company #1" and "Shrewsbury Boro School".

Opening times and dates will be posted on the Borough website <u>www.shrewsburyboro.com</u> as well as the Shrewsbury Historical Society website <u>www.shrewsburyhistoricalsocietynj.org.</u>

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