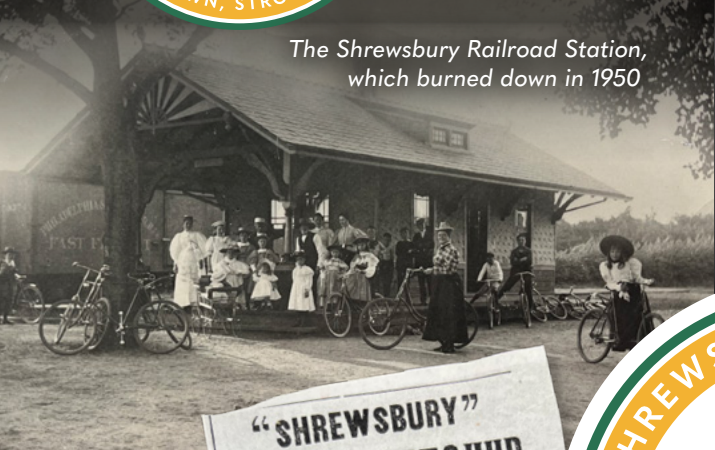




Spring 2026

100 YEARS OF STRONG ROOTS

# NEWSLETTER



The Shrewsbury Railroad Station, which burned down in 1950



The First Borough Council Meeting June 8, 1926



The Four Corners

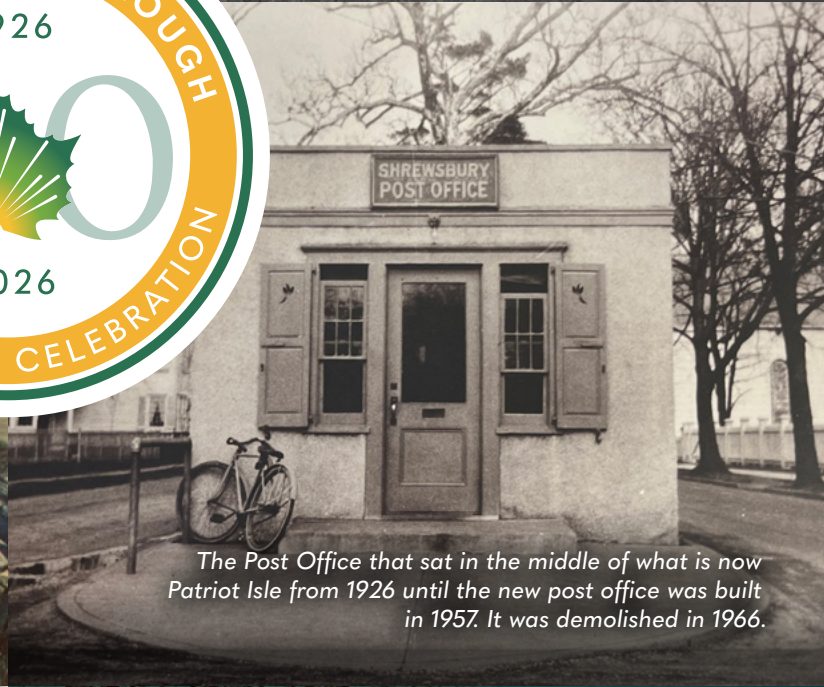
**"SHREWSBURY" TOMATOKETCHUP**  
Will not Mould or Lose its Flavor.  
Guaranteed to Keep in any Climate.

SHREWSBURY TOMATOKETCHUP is an article of standard excellence with a flavor certain to please the palate of the most fastidious housewife, and which connoisseurs everywhere pronounce incomparably fine. Color, taste, aroma are faultless. It is admirable with hot and cold meats, oyster stews, fish, and gives a superior flavor to gravies, deviled kidneys, or any delicate preparation of meat. With chops, veal cutlets, and baked beans it is simply delicious, and it is a great addition to macaroni or hot buttered toast.

We have used the SHREWSBURY TOMATOKETCHUP on our tables since its first introduction, to the extent of about two hundred dozen bottles per year and regard it as the finest condiment of its kind ever brought to our notice.

W. D. GARRISON,  
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The Post Office that sat in the middle of what is now Patriot Isle from 1926 until the new post office was built in 1957. It was demolished in 1966.

**Did you know?**

Shrewsbury was the home to the Hazard Ketchup Factory from 1883 until 1913. It grew most of its tomatoes right here in Shrewsbury.



Chief Otto Herndon: The one-man police force, who, from 1943-1951, struck fear into people journeying through Shrewsbury to the Jersey Shore. He was notorious for ticketing anyone going over 25 mph.



The Allen House: once the Blue Ball Tavern, acted as one of the community's vital social institutions. It was also the site of a Loyalist massacre of Continentals in 1779.

# Shrewsbury Borough COMMUNITY CALENDAR

## MONTHLY

**Community Garden**  
**2nd Monday**  
11:30 am  
Historical Society

**Council Meetings**  
**2nd Tuesday**  
7:00 pm  
Borough Hall

**Environmental Commission**  
**2nd Wednesday**  
7:00 pm  
Borough Hall

**Garden Club**  
**3rd Tuesday**  
Time varies  
Historical Society

**Homesteaders Meeting**  
**2nd Thursday**  
September–June  
12:30–2:00 pm

The Presbyterian Church of Shrewsbury Fellowship Hall

**Land Use Board Meeting**  
**1st Wednesday**  
6:30 pm  
Borough Hall

**Shade Tree Commission**  
**2nd Saturday**  
9:00 am  
Borough Hall

**April 2**  
**“Shrewsbury’s Notable Men & Women”**  
7:00 pm  
Shrewsbury Borough Hall  
*A Shrewsbury Historical Society Program Presented by Former Mayor Don Burden*

**April 23**  
**“The Skirmish at The Four Corners” & “New Jersey’s Revolutionary Rivalry”**  
7:00 pm  
Shrewsbury Borough Hall  
*A Shrewsbury Historical Society Program Presented by Paul Roman and Rick Geffken, respectfully*

**April 25**  
**DEA Drug Take Back**  
10:00 am – 2:00 pm  
Borough Hall  
*Bring your unused prescription drugs to keep them from misuse.*

**May**  
**Bike to School Days**  
5/7: Colonial Dr/Park Pl  
5/13: Spruce Dr/Patterson Ave  
5/20: Sickles Park  
7:45 am

**May 9**  
**Garden Club Plant Sale**  
8:30 am – 12:30 pm  
Borough Hall

Interested in publishing an event in the next issue’s community calendar, please contact Mark Regan via email at [mregan@shrewsburyboro.com](mailto:mregan@shrewsburyboro.com)  
Next deadline is August 3.

**May 14**  
**“Shrewsbury Then & Now”**  
7:00 pm  
Shrewsbury Borough Hall  
*A Shrewsbury Historical Society Program Presented by San Rao*

**May 16** *\*Don't miss it!*  
**Centennial Celebration**  
12:00 pm  
Parade starting at SBS  
Celebration at Manson Park following  
*See more info on page 5.*

**May 25**  
**Memorial Day Ceremony**  
11:00 am  
Patriot Isle (Four Corners)  
*Post-ceremony BBQ: Manson Park*

**June 16**  
**SBS Graduation**  
6:30 pm  
*Tickets required. Trolley with graduates will drive through town after for town to celebrate.*

**June 20 & 21**  
**The Battle of Monmouth Reenactment**  
Monmouth Battlefield  
[friendsofmonmouth.org/reenactment](http://friendsofmonmouth.org/reenactment)

**June – August**  
**Rec Summer Hoops**  
*See more on page 3*

**June 29 – July 24**  
**Summer Rec Camp**  
*See more on page 3*

## STAY CONNECTED

Borough Website  
[ShrewsburyBoro.com](http://ShrewsburyBoro.com)

Facebook  
[@ShrewsburyBoroNJGovernment](https://www.facebook.com/ShrewsburyBoroNJGovernment)

[@shrewsburyboro](https://www.instagram.com/shrewsburyboro)  
[mayorkimeulner](https://www.instagram.com/mayorkimeulner)

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Recreation  
[shrewsburynj.myrec.com](http://shrewsburynj.myrec.com)

**July 4**  
**Declaration of Independence Reading**  
9:00 am  
Allen House

**Outdoor Concerts**  
7/24: The Well Wish 6:00 pm  
8/28: Blue Abby's 7:00 pm  
9/13: John Luckenbill Orchestra 3:00 pm  
Manson Park Gazebo

**September & October**  
**Rec Soccer**  
*See more on page 3*

**September 20**  
**Art & Artists Show**  
11:00 am – 3:00 pm  
Borough Hall Courtyard  
*Rain Date: 9/27*



# Growing Up Shrewsbury PROUD

## LETTER FROM THE MAYOR



As many of you may know, I am a proud lifelong resident of the Borough of Shrewsbury... ever since my parents, Ron & Carol Doran, bought a cute 3-bedroom ranch on Beechwood Drive in late 1968.

My brother, Ronnie, my sister, Mimi and I played Red Light, Green Light; Ghost in the Graveyard and other fun games with all the kids in our neighborhood – kids of all ages and grades at SGS (now SBS) and we all knew curfew was when it got dark out.



As for school in those days, students could go home for lunch, the Halloween Parade was held in the gym, and our Middle School classrooms were in the current 1st & 2nd Grade hallway. Every Winter, our Gym Teacher, Mr. McCrum (aka Mr. Mac), taught us how to Square Dance, jump on a big trampoline and all the older kids completed the Presidential Fitness Challenge. The 8th Graders traveled to Washington, D.C., wore long gowns and white dinner jacket tuxes to our graduation ceremony which is one of the things that has stayed the same throughout the years at SBS.

School Dances, held for 6th, 7th and 8th Graders were held in the old cafeteria, now the media center.

And many of us headed to Friendly’s afterwards for some post-dance fun and ice cream. When we needed a ride after practice, we would put a dime into the payphone or make a collect call home so our Mom knew to come get us.

Many kids had after school jobs – delivering the Daily Register which cost 90 cents a week, and hoping we would get to keep the remaining 10 cents as our tip. Boys would cut neighbor’s lawns, rake and shovel and many of us became Boy and Girl Scouts.

Families typically had just one car at that time so there was much less traffic. We could wander around town, crossing Broad Street to get over to Patterson by cutting through the big cornfield where The Grove now stands.



These are just a few of the many wonderful memories I have of growing up in Shrewsbury. I loved my childhood so much that I decided to raise my own two sons here in the house I grew up in. So many of my friends and classmates are also still here which has been amazing and a true testament as to how we live in the best town EVER!  
**#ShrewsburyProud!**

*Mayor Kim Doran Eulner*

**Parks & Recreation**  
OF SHREWSBURY BOROUGH

**Pickleball/Tennis Court Reservations**  
Reserve on website or contact Kayla Wharton  
[kwharton@shrewsburyboro.com](mailto:kwharton@shrewsburyboro.com)  
732-741-4200 ext. 115

Register for these programs & more at [shrewsburynj.myrec.com](http://shrewsburynj.myrec.com)

### Summer Camp

June 29 – July 24  
M-F, 9:00 am – 12:00pm  
Manson Park in Shrewsbury  
Enjoy affordable camp with sports activities, kickball, playground activities, crafts, & more!

Incoming Kindergartners –  
Rising 5th Graders  
\$175 per camper  
**REGISTRATION OPEN NOW!**  
CLOSES 5/1

### \*New! Summer Hoops

Runs Late June to Early August  
Monday & Wednesday Nights  
Rising 1st Graders – 8th Graders  
Registration will begin in mid-April

### Soccer

Runs Saturdays  
September through October  
Grades K-2: Clinic  
Grades 3-4: Intramural  
Grades 5-8: League Play  
Registration will begin in late June



**Reading, Writing & Revolution**  
SHREWSBURY BOROUGH SCHOOL SPOTLIGHT

Shrewsbury Borough School is bringing history lessons to life by celebrating America's semiquincentennial and Monmouth County's role as "the crossroads of the American Revolution."

The Battle of Monmouth, which took place near modern-day Manalapan and Freehold, was the biggest and longest one-day battle of the Revolutionary War.

SBS became an official partner last summer in New Jersey's Revolutionary Schools program, sponsored by the state Department of Education and RevolutionNJ. The special initiative is designed to transform how students experience social studies education while connecting them to the rich tapestry of New Jersey's revolutionary heritage. Participating schools receive instructional resources, collaboration opportunities with historians and educational experts, and suggestions for standards-aligned activities.

SBS held "America 250"-themed commemorations earlier this school year, including on Veterans Day, but timed its big kickoff for Read Across America Week in early March.

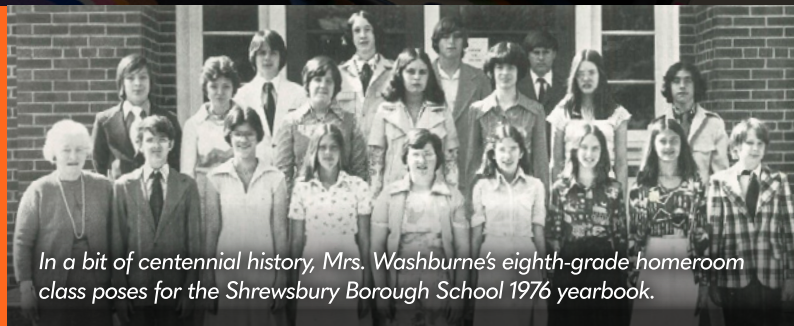
Students and staff celebrated a "reading revolution" by dedicating each day to a themed topic, including:

Exploring stories of courage, leadership and liberty in honor of the Founding Fathers, including excerpts from the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution.

Reading about American currency including the now-discontinued penny, in addition to collecting pennies minted between 1976 and 2025 to create a giant math-and-history display representing the journey from the Bicentennial (1976) to America 250 (2026).



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In a bit of centennial history, Mrs. Washburne's eighth-grade homeroom class poses for the Shrewsbury Borough School 1976 yearbook.

Celebrating Shrewsbury's upcoming centennial and dressing in Shrewsbury-related clothing such as a T-shirt, scouting accessory, throwback SBS gear or an item from a local business. Students also delved into historic documents on loan from the Shrewsbury Historical Society.

The Shrewsbury PTA also sponsored a "Happy 250th United States of America" bulletin board/door-decorating contest, inviting pre-K through eighth-grade students to channel their creative skills into the America 250 theme.

Artifacts and artwork related to SBS, New Jersey and the American Revolution are displayed throughout the school. The items include maps that show battles and skirmishes throughout the state, an enlarged USA map that invites students to write their name on a flag sticker and place it on an area of the country they would like to visit, and a display of school yearbooks.

"With America's 250th birthday approaching, our students and staff look forward to participating in the celebrations taking place across Monmouth County," said Cheryl Salway, SBS's assistant principal and supervisor of curriculum & instruction. "We also are proud to honor our historic town that is turning a century old. Students living in this region have a unique opportunity to learn about the fight for independence that played out in their own backyards."

The school's partnership with the Shrewsbury Historical Society also opened an opportunity for SBS to receive a 1976 historical folder. Information is being sorted by eighth-grade students and digitally scanned by Salway for future use.

SBS will offer more events and learning opportunities in anticipation of July 4, 2026. The school's plans include a book bin with novel selections related to America 250, a fourth-grade class trip to Philadelphia, an evening event commemorating Shrewsbury 100 and America 250 and a school-wide parade.



SATURDAY  
**May 16, 2026**

MANSON PARK  
Rain Date: May 30

*Follow the parade to the main event!*

**Community Parade 12 pm at SBS**  
**Live Music, Family Activities, Beer Tent, & more to follow at Manson Park**

Shrewsbury is turning 100, and the entire community is invited to celebrate. On Saturday, May 16, residents, families, and friends will gather for a once-in-a-generation Centennial Celebration honoring the town's first century and the people who shaped it. The day will begin with a community parade through town, followed by an afternoon of festivities at Manson Park featuring live music, family activities, local organizations, and opportunities to connect with neighbors old and new. It's a chance to celebrate the small-town spirit that has defined Shrewsbury for generations—and to look ahead to the next hundred years. More details on the parade, entertainment, and event schedule will be announced soon. Mark your calendar and plan to be part of this historic day.



**Centennial Store Now Open!**

*Shop today!*

Want to celebrate in style? The Shrewsbury Centennial online store is now open, offering a growing collection of centennial gear including shirts, hoodies, glassware, and other commemorative items. **Every purchase helps support the celebration, with 100% of proceeds going toward funding the May 16th Centennial event.** Grab some gear, show your town pride, and help make this once-in-a-generation celebration unforgettable.



**Be a Sponsor!**

Sponsor & support this historical moment!

[friendsofshrewsbury.com/centennial-celebration](http://friendsofshrewsbury.com/centennial-celebration)

**A New Landmark for Shrewsbury**

As part of the Borough's Centennial improvements, plans are underway to install a traditional two-sided street clock near the gazebo at the Four Corners. The classic design—featuring Roman numerals and gold accents—will include a custom header reading "Shrewsbury Borough." **Once installed, the clock will serve as a lasting landmark marking the Borough's first century and welcoming the beginning of its second.**

The surrounding gazebo area will also receive landscaping and site improvements as part of the project. In conjunction with these enhancements, the Borough's 9/11 Memorial will be rededicated for the 25th anniversary of September 11, and a new Veterans Memorial will also be installed, further strengthening the space as a place of remembrance and community gathering.

**YOU'RE INVITED!**

# Shrewsbury Borough ORGANIZATIONS

## Let's Celebrate, Reflect, & Protect Our Community

### SHREWSBURY ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

As Shrewsbury celebrates its Centennial on May 16, the Environmental Commission invites residents of all ages to stop by our family-friendly activities and educational displays. It's a chance to reflect on what makes our community special—and how we can protect it for the next hundred years.

**With parades, parties, and festivities filling the calendar, we also ask residents to celebrate responsibly. Please don't release helium balloons. When untethered, balloons often drift into waterways, harm aquatic life, or become litter in our neighborhoods.**

The Shrewsbury Environmental Commission is here to serve Borough residents year-round. We meet on the second Wednesday of each month at 7:00 PM in the Courtroom, and all are welcome to attend.

## Holding onto our Roots of Liberty & Resistance

### SHREWSBURY SHADE TREE COMMISSION

This spring, the Shrewsbury Shade Tree Commission plans to plant an American Liberty Elm on the Borough Hall grounds, just north of the courtyard and west of the historic Wardell House.

The planting honors two important milestones: Shrewsbury's Centennial and the upcoming 250th anniversary of the United States. **The Liberty Tree traces its roots to Boston, where a large elm that stood from 1646 to 1775 became a gathering place for the Sons of Liberty and a powerful symbol of colonial resistance in the years leading up to the American Revolution.**

Today, communities across the country are planting disease-resistant Liberty Elms to honor that legacy. Shrewsbury's tree will be planted ahead of the May 16 Centennial celebration, when it will be formally dedicated with participation from the Sons of the American Revolution and a commemorative plaque.

Anyone interested in having something published in the next issue, please contact Mark Regan via email at [mregan@shrewsburyboro.com](mailto:mregan@shrewsburyboro.com). Next deadline is February August 3.



**Have a child under 5?**  
Foster a love of reading with a **FREE** monthly book!

SCAN TO REGISTER



The Friends of Shrewsbury has partnered with Dolly Parton's Imagination Library to provide every child under the age of five in Shrewsbury with a free, age-appropriate book every month.



## Reconnecting with our Agricultural Roots

### THE SHREWSBURY COMMUNITY GARDEN

As Shrewsbury prepares to celebrate the 100th anniversary of its incorporation in 2026, it is a fitting time to reflect on the borough's deep agricultural roots. Long before today's neighborhoods and roadways, Shrewsbury's landscape was defined by working farms and open fields that sustained the community.

While farming now takes place on a much smaller scale, that agricultural spirit lives on at the Shrewsbury Community Garden. Now celebrating its 15th year, the garden continues to flourish thanks to the dedication and enthusiasm of local residents.

Each spring, the garden becomes a place where neighbors reconnect, friendships are renewed, and new crops are planted in anticipation of the summer harvest. As the borough looks toward its centennial celebration, the Community Garden stands as a living reminder of Shrewsbury's history, its sense of community, and its enduring connection to the land.

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## 1926: The Founding Year

**MARCH 22, 1926**  
Shrewsbury was formed as a borough

**1926-1935**  
Shrewsbury's First Mayor: Benjamin J. Parker

**1943-1951**  
Otto Herndon served as the First Police Chief

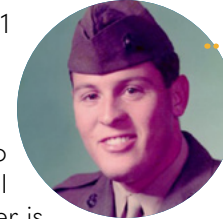
**MARCH 18, 1950**  
**Shrewsbury Railroad Station** destroyed by a fire by suspected arsonists

**1956**  
**Shrewsbury Garden Club Forms**  
They've preserved the natural beauty of Shrewsbury while sharing seeds, plants, and love of gardening and nature for 70 years.

**1961**  
**Shrewsbury Hose Company** builds new firehouse

**Route 35 widens:** It had been held off by a previous attempt which citizens had successfully petitioned in 1959

**JUNE 1966**  
**"Tinker" Dorn** was killed at age 21 in the Vietnam War. His father and grandfather were well-known photographers and movie makers. His father Dan had also served in the Navy during WWII as an aerial photographer. Tinker is memorialized at Patriot Isle and also has an SBS award in his memory. The Dorn family photograph collection documents much of Shrewsbury and Monmouth County history.



**1982**  
**The Shrewsbury Historical Society** building opens — a treasure of our town's stories and artifacts. It remains open today and features re-creations of the buildings of The Four Corners and our historic post office that lived on Patriot Isle.

**1996**  
**SBS** knocks down 1909 building and adds what is now the middle school wing and media center

**2009**  
**Memory Lanes Bowling Alley** burns down in a fire

**2012**  
**Shrewsbury Community Garden Opens**

**2023**  
**Kim Doran Eulner** began her tenure as mayor after serving in the New Jersey General Assembly from 2021-2023. She is our third female mayor and a lifelong Shrewsbury resident.



## 100 Years of Shrewsbury

### SHREWSBURY HISTORICAL SOCIETY



**1944**  
**Margaret Rue Campbell** created the concept for the Borough Insignia which was then drawn by **George Ford Morris**.

#### Did you know?

Margaret Rue Campbell was also the founder of the town Shade Tree Commission. She was well-known for her fondness of our town's sycamores.

**MAY 23, 1944**  
Just a few months after creating the insignia, Margaret's 19-year-old son, **Robert Rue Campbell** was killed in action in Italy in World War II. The Robert Rue Campbell Award is still presented each year to a deserving SBS Graduate.



**1973**  
**Dorothy Blair Manson** was elected Shrewsbury's first female council member. Five years later she was elected the **town's first female mayor**. She served 12 years as mayor. **Manson Park** is named in her honor. Before her years of service in government, Manson also served as president of the **SBS PTA**. Upon her retirement, she served as a trustee of the **Historical Society**. Her husband, **Bob Manson**, provided strong financial support to the SHS for 30 years.



**Did you know?** This captures but a snapshot of our storied past. Countless residents have shaped our little town. Learn more at our Historical Society events.

See page 2

**1988**  
**The Grove Opens** transforming a corn field into a destination shopping center in the heart of Shrewsbury

**2003**  
**SBS** demolishes and rebuilds the gymnasium

**2024**  
**Shrewsbury Updates Seal**  
To create a more versatile icon that will stand the test of time while reflecting our storied past, the town rebranded with the "Sycamore Sunrise" seal.



**2026**  
**Shrewsbury celebrates its Centennial**  
Join us to celebrate at Manson Park on May 16. Learn more on page 5



# Shrewsbury Borough FIRST RESPONDERS



Shrewsbury Hose Company – July 1939

## Answering the Call to Save & Serve

### SHREWSBURY HOSE COMPANY

Long before modern apparatus and diesel engines, **Shrewsbury Hose Company No. 1 began with a hand-pulled hose cart purchased for \$75.** Incorporated on November 10, 1908, the Company was led by its first Chief, Benjamin Lane, and first President, Michael McGarity, alongside 21 charter members committed to protecting a growing Borough.

In 1909, land was purchased just south of the present firehouse, and the first station was built. A donated gong and bell—mounted in a wooden tower—summoned firefighters to emergencies. As the decades passed, equipment evolved from early Pope Hartford automobiles and American LaFrance pumpers with hard rubber tires to increasingly modern apparatus. The current firehouse, completed in 1961, marked a new era of professional capability while preserving the volunteer spirit that defined the Company's beginnings.

Over more than a century, the department has continually modernized its fleet, including pumpers, ladder trucks, rescue vehicles, and aerial apparatus that serve the Borough today.

**Equally important is its place in community life—**Christmas celebrations with Santa arriving by fire engine, bingo nights, parades, youth sports traditions, and the annual Santa Run.

**More than 500 Shrewsburians have answered the call to serve as volunteer firefighters.** Across generations—including numerous father-and-son teams—that spirit of duty has forged a lasting tradition woven into the fabric of Shrewsbury's identity.

## From the Chief's Desk

### SHREWSBURY BOROUGH POLICE DEPARTMENT Chief Adam Cerminaro



The Shrewsbury Police Department has recently welcomed several new officers to its ranks, strengthening the patrol division and continuing the department's commitment to public safety and community policing.

**Patrolman Jack Keenan** joined the Shrewsbury Police Department in March 2025. Prior to coming to Shrewsbury, he served as a Special Law Enforcement Officer Class II with the Seaside Heights Police Department.

**Patrolman Nicholas Martin** was sworn in as a full-time police officer effective January 1, 2026. Raised in Matawan, he is a graduate of the Ocean County Police Academy and previously served as a Special Law Enforcement Officer Class II with the Long Branch Police Department.

**Patrolman Nicholas Page** also recently joined the department after serving as a Special Law Enforcement Officer Class II with the Spring Lake Police Department.

Most recently, **Patrolman John Chelston** joined the Shrewsbury Police Department in March 2026. Prior to his appointment, he served with the Plumsted Township Police Department as a probationary police officer.

In addition, **Keoni Lieter** and **Sean Arif** have joined the department as Special Law Enforcement Officers Class II, assisting with patrol operations and supporting the department's mission to protect and serve the community.

**We proudly welcome these officers to Shrewsbury and thank them for their dedication to protecting our community.**



**Did you know?** Before the Shrewsbury Police Department was 16 members strong, it functioned out of a police kiosk in the center of Sycamore Avenue. It contained a control switch for the traffic light.

Chief Otto Herndon in the police kiosk, circa 1930



Shrewsbury First Aid Squad – May 2015

## 100% Volunteer-Driven For 6 Decades & Counting

### THE FIRST AID SQUAD

The story of the Shrewsbury First Aid Squad (SFAS) reflects more than six decades of volunteer service and community commitment. Established in 1964 by William Wardell and eight charter members, the Squad began full-time operations in 1965 and has since welcomed more than 360 individuals into its ranks. **Over the years, members have responded to approximately 28,000 calls for emergency assistance, mutual aid responses, and community standbys.** Today, the Squad responds to more than 500 calls annually in Shrewsbury and surrounding municipalities.

The Squad's headquarters at the corner of Laurel and Haddon Avenues—formerly the Sanders Machine Shop—remains its home. In the early years, meetings were held in the single-bay garage after moving the ambulances outside. The first ambulance was a 1955 Cadillac, followed by a 1959 Cadillac, marking the beginning of a fleet that has evolved alongside advances in emergency medicine.

**SFAS has long been a regional leader, launching one of the area's first community CPR programs and training Shrewsbury eighth graders in CPR continuously since 1974—believed to be the oldest such program in the country.**

Remarkably, the organization remains 100% volunteer-operated, providing life-saving services at no charge and continuing its legacy of service, sacrifice, and civic pride.

## IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

EMERGENCIES	9-1-1
Non-Emergency Police	732-741-2500
Borough Hall	732-741-4200
DPW	732-741-0522
Two River Reclamation	732-229-8578
American Water	1-800-272-1325
JCPL Electric	1-800-662-3115
NJNG (Gas)	1-800-221-0051
Animal Control	732-741-2500

## *New!* Who Ya Gonna Call?

(Not Ghostbusters! But there is someone!)  
This is a new segment where we seek to answer some frequently asked questions or scenarios.

### Who do I contact to reserve a pickleball or tennis court at Sickles Park?

Call or email [kwharton@shrewsburyboro.com](mailto:kwharton@shrewsburyboro.com) or 732-741-4200 ext. 115 or book online at [shrewsburynj.myrec.com](http://shrewsburynj.myrec.com) under Facilities > Reservation > Start Reservation Request.

### I want to get a plot in the Shrewsbury Community Garden – who do I contact?

To apply for a plot in the community garden, contact Kayla Wharton, [kwharton@shrewsburyboro.com](mailto:kwharton@shrewsburyboro.com), to obtain an application and then return it to her at Borough Hall. The application begins in January and selection happens in mid-February. Mark your calendar for next January to apply for the 2027 season.

### Cars come zooming down my neighborhood and my kids play outside. Who can I call to try to make this better?

Contact our traffic officer Sgt. Matt Clark at [mclark@shrewsburyboro.com](mailto:mclark@shrewsburyboro.com) or 732-741-4200 ext. 238.

### There are awful potholes on my street. Who should I call?

Report potholes to DPW by emailing [dpw@shrewsburyboro.com](mailto:dpw@shrewsburyboro.com) or calling 732-741-4200 ext. 402.

### A tree looks unsafe. I'm worried it is going to fall on someone or something. Who should I call?

You could email our Shade Tree Commission at [gerthw@verizon.net](mailto:gerthw@verizon.net) or if it looks urgently unsafe, email our Code Enforcement Office at [code@shrewsburyboro.com](mailto:code@shrewsburyboro.com).



## Mr. Shrewsbury

**DONALD BURDEN:  
MEET THE CENTENNIAL  
GRAND MARSHAL**

One of the highlights of Shrewsbury Borough's Centennial Celebration will be the Centennial Parade, a moment for the community to come together, celebrate its history, and recognize the people who have helped shape the Borough we know today. Leading that parade will be a familiar and fitting figure—former Mayor Donald W. Burden, who has been named Grand Marshal of the Shrewsbury Borough Centennial Parade.

For nearly five decades, Don Burden has been one of Shrewsbury's most devoted citizens. Since he and his wife, Mary Lea, made Shrewsbury their home in 1976, Don has

played an active role in shaping the civic life of the Borough. Drawn by the town's small-community character and strong sense of neighborliness, he quickly became deeply involved in local service.

Don's contributions to Shrewsbury have been wide-ranging. His public service began with volunteer work on the Shade Tree Commission and later the Shrewsbury Board of Education. From there he was elected to the Borough Council, where he also served as Council President. In 2010, residents elected him Mayor of Shrewsbury, a position he

held for two terms. During his years in office, Don was widely respected for his thoughtful leadership, steady approach to local government, and genuine affection for the community he represented.

Beyond elected office, Don has long been one of Shrewsbury's most enthusiastic champions of local history. A graduate of Gettysburg College with a degree in history, he spent 47 years with The McGraw-Hill Companies as a textbook editor, publisher, and marketer. His professional career was devoted to education, and that same curiosity and love of learning has guided his work within the community.

For more than 40 years, Don has been deeply involved with the Shrewsbury Historical Society, serving as its president for many of those years. Through exhibits, programs, and outreach,



Don Burden meeting the Mayor of Shrewsbury, England, the Borough's namesake town in 2012

he has helped preserve the Borough's past while encouraging residents to better understand the people and events that shaped the town we know today.

Don also co-authored "The Story of Shrewsbury: Revisited" with historian Rick Geffken, expanding upon the Borough's original historical record and documenting the community's evolution over the past century. The book remains an important resource for residents interested in Shrewsbury's rich story.

His service has extended beyond the Borough as well. Don has served on both the Monmouth County Historical Commission and the Monmouth County Library Commission, continuing his work to promote education, history, and civic engagement throughout the region.

Those who know Don often say his greatest quality is his genuine love for Shrewsbury and its people. Over the years, many residents have come to think of him simply as "Mr. Shrewsbury."

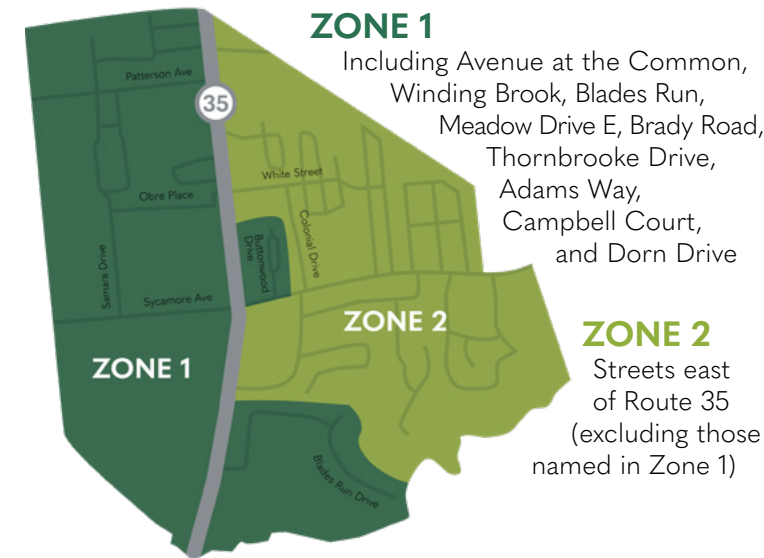
As the Centennial Parade makes its way through town, it is only fitting that it be led by someone who has spent so many years preserving Shrewsbury's past while helping guide its future.

Please join us in celebrating Donald W. Burden, Grand Marshal of the Shrewsbury Borough Centennial Parade, and thanking him for his many years of service to the community he proudly calls home.



## Shrewsbury Borough DEPT OF PUBLIC WORKS

### TRASH, RECYCLING, & BULK PICKUP SCHEDULE



PICKUP	ZONE 1 (West Side of 35)	ZONE 2 (East Side of 35)
Trash	Monday & Thursday	Tuesday & Friday
Recycling	Wednesday	Wednesday
Bulk	Thursday	Friday
Brush & Leaves	2nd & 4th weeks of month	1st & 3rd weeks of month

#### Bulk Trash

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.

#### DPW/RECYCLING CENTER

90 White Road at Railroad Crossing  
Hours: M-F 7:00 am – 3:00 pm, Sat 8:00 am – 12:00 pm

#### Curbside Recycling

All collected recycled material may be intermixed in the same container — not to exceed 50 lbs. per container.

All materials must be placed at curb by 6:00 am.

#### Recyclables

- Newspaper
- Bottles
- Cans
- Plastics 1, 2, & 5
- Clean (not greasy) cardboard
- Clean white styrofoam boxes
- Clean white styrofoam rigid boxes

#### Not

- Plastic bags
- Shredded paper
- Takeout styrofoam
- Colored styrofoam
- Greasy pizza boxes
- Styrofoam meat trays
- Styrofoam packing peanuts
- Styrofoam cups

#### Recycling at the DPW yard

Cardboard container – Please break down boxes when placing into the cardboard container.

Electronics – Accepted during normal recycling center hours. Appointment not necessary.

Styrofoam – Recycle your clean white styrofoam only.

Paper – Any paper/newspapers, mail. No shredded paper.

Bottles & cans – No plastic bags are allowed in container.

#### Brush & Leaves

BRUSH pickup will begin April 1st.

BRUSH collected APRIL through OCTOBER. All brush must be cut to maximum of 6-foot lengths.

LEAVES are collected from APRIL through JUNE & SEPTEMBER through DECEMBER. LEAVES shall only be placed at the curb or along the roadway during the 7 days prior to the scheduled pick-up.

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)

BRUSH and LEAVES are recyclable and must be in two separate piles.

PLEASE DO NOT COMMINGLE LEAVES WITH BRUSH AS DPW PERSONNEL WILL NOT PICK IT UP.

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





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- Councilman Jim Daly
- Councilman Daniel Levy
- Councilman Christopher Martinetti
- Councilman Christopher McAvoy
- Councilwoman Devon Morton

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