

# Shrewsbury Borough

## NEWSLETTER

April, May, June  
2025

### TRASH COLLECTION REMINDERS

The Friday, May 30 trash collection will be delayed one day and will be on Saturday. The



Friday, July 4 trash collection will also be delayed one day and will be on Saturday.

### HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION EVENT

The York County Solid Waste Authority is holding a collection event on **Saturday, May 3**

**from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.** at 2685 Blackthorne Ct., York, PA 17406 (717)845-1066. A second collection will take place on

**Saturday, October 11.** The event is free to York County residents. Businesses and non-York County residents may not participate.

Registration is required and can be done either online or by phone. For more information as to what is collected, please visit:

<https://www.ycswa.com/services/waste-disposal/household-hazardous-waste/>.

### FROM MAYOR SHARKEY

While it's hard to believe Spring is already upon us (or at least it will be when you read this), I'm thankful it is here. This past Winter we experienced stretches of deep cold and a fair amount of snow, both in the range of typical, and recently inspiring the thought that Spring can't arrive quickly enough.

A couple of weeks ago (February 22nd), Roxanne and I were visiting our older son at school in Colorado Springs. We were grabbing a quick meal on the way to the airport when I received a text from my sister in New York briefly mentioning a shooting incident here in York. Lacking detail, I quickly thought "York isn't Shrewsbury" and was more focused on traveling home. I learned later that evening about the incident when my son alerted me to what he saw on national news. I've written a separate article later in the newsletter about the incident and thanking our police officers for what they do daily.

I'm excited to announce the expansion of our Hometown Heroes program to include our first responder heroes who serve as police officers, firefighters and emergency medical personnel. There is a flyer included in the newsletter explaining eligibility and application deadline dates. I would like to thank our Hometown Heroes committee for working to expand the program and refine selection criteria. I hope we continue to be able to recognize all of our heroes.

Lastly, I'd like to address the concerns regarding interruptions in Penn Waste's trash pickup service due to weather impacts this Winter. The Borough office received over 100 complaints, this has clearly been a problem. Newspaper articles and TV news coverage show we're not alone in this experience. Our Borough Manager has had several calls and meetings with Penn Waste to clarify and reconcile their inclement weather practices against the terms of our contract. We are working to ensure we have a better process in place going forward and to minimize the impact when bad weather creates unsafe conditions for their workers. The ultimate goal is to prevent a situation where we go two weeks between trash pickups and to ensure we receive the services we are paying for.

In closing, I'd like to remind everyone that Spring brings a primary election at the end of May. I expect there will be a couple of new names on the ballot. I consider voting a responsibility of citizenship and as such, it's important to understand our local Borough Council's basic role. We are in the business of ensuring the services we need to live our daily lives that are difficult for us to obtain individually, exist and operate at an appropriate level. These include roads, water, sewer, trash pickup, police, fire and EMS. I often refer to these as the "Big 5". Wishing you a great Spring and asking you to always treat others the way you would like to be treated and to continue to keep Shrewsbury a great place to live.

- Mayor Mike Sharkey

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## PUBLIC WORKS CORNER



### STREET SWEEPER SPRING CLEANING

The street sweeper will clean Shrewsbury Borough streets from **Monday, April 7<sup>th</sup> through Friday, April 18<sup>th</sup> or until finished.** Rake the winter's antiskid material from your yard and curb onto the roadside before the sweeping begins. In order to clean the entire roadway, please remove cars from the street until the sweeper is completely finished from curb to curb.

### CALL BEFORE YOU DIG

April is "Safe Digging Month"! Spring time and good weather lead to outdoor projects. You are required to call PA One Call at least three business days prior to any digging or excavation. Call 8-1-1 or 800-242-1776 to request the utility companies to locate their facilities. Locators will mark the utilities with different colors based on utility type. Visit [www.pa1call.org](http://www.pa1call.org) for more information.

### SAFE DRINKING WATER

Shrewsbury Borough Water is safe to drink! The 2024 Annual Drinking Water Quality Report (Consumer Confidence Report) is available for viewing at the Borough's website ([www.shrewsburyborough.org](http://www.shrewsburyborough.org)) with a direct URL of <http://www.shrewsburyborough.org/Information/CCR.pdf>

### WATER MAIN FLUSHING

**The South Water System will be flushed on Monday, May 12<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday, May 13<sup>th</sup> between 8:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.**

The South System is south of 304 South Main Street including: Messina Court, 50 East Church Avenue, 249 South Main Street, and 301 South Main Street.

**The North Water System will be flushed on Monday, June 9<sup>th</sup> to Thursday, June 12<sup>th</sup> between 8:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.**

The North System will include: East Forrest Avenue, Woodland Drive, Spring Creek Drive, Gatewood Drive, Oaklyn Circle, Valley Road, Asbury Lane, Glenhurst Road, Devonshire Drive, Berkshire Drive, Cassidy Way, Sundance Lane, Holiday Drive, Wineberry Drive, Brookview Lane, Greenview Drive, Plank Road, Foxtail Court, Northbrook Lane, Brook Meadow Circle, Clear Run Drive, McCleary Court, Woodlake Court, and portions of North Main Street, East Clearview Drive, Raypaula Drive, Skyview Drive, Westview Drive, Kelley Drive, Cardinal Drive, Fawn Drive, North Highland Drive, Circle Drive, Playground Avenue, North Sunset Drive, West Clearview Drive, Tree Hollow Drive, Ascot Drive, Cardiff Road, Bedford Court, West Forrest Avenue, Whitcraft Lane, Shetland Drive, Hackney Lane, Kratz Road, Morgan Drive, Bridle Road, Hill Street, Charles Street, South Sunset Drive, Park Avenue, Donald Drive, Ervin Drive, Lillian Court, West Church Avenue, North Main Street, and portions of South Main Street. The Public Works Department operates all water valves and hydrants throughout our entire water system during the scheduled flushing days.

- The water flushing removes dirt and debris from the water mains and prevents water stagnation and taste and odor problems.
- Tests fire hydrant operation and water system flow and pressure.
- Maintains proper water valve operation.
- Provides safe and high-quality water.

Water discoloration will occur during the scheduled times so please avoid doing laundry, using hot water, and drinking tap water until the water is completely clear.

If you have any questions or want to know when your neighborhood will be flushed, contact us at 717-235-1427 or [bsweitzer@shrewsburyborough.org](mailto:bsweitzer@shrewsburyborough.org).

## TRASH/RECYCLABLE COLLECTION POSTPONEMENTS

Shrewsbury Borough trash/recyclable collections were missed multiple times this Winter due to inclement weather. The Friday collection was often postponed and cancelled for multiple days of bad weather during the week. The hauler modified their current policy to only cancel bad weather collection days and not alter Friday's schedule unless the bad weather occurs on that day. Also, collection days can be delayed instead of cancelled if weather occurs overnight. Trash delays and cancellations will be reported through the Penn Waste website, Shrewsbury Borough website, and Shrewsbury Borough Facebook Page.

## CHRISTMAS TREE

The Christmas Tree located on South Main Street and West Railroad Avenue contracted a disease and is slowly losing needles and branches. Public Works will remove the tree in the coming months and plant a new tree for the 2025 holiday season. Any resident that has a tree to donate, contact us at [bsweitzer@shrewsburyborough.org](mailto:bsweitzer@shrewsburyborough.org) or 717-235-1427.

## EASTER EGG HUNT

The Shrewsbury Lions Club will host an Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 12<sup>th</sup> from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. at Sweeney Park. Come join us for treats and meet the Easter Bunny for pictures.

## SHREWSBURY PARADE

The Shrewsbury Parade is returning on June 28, 2025! This year's parade is proudly presented by the Shrewsbury Area Centennial Lion's Club, and will be held in conjunction with the final day of the Shrewsbury Fire Company's Carnival. This yearly tradition will be organized as a fun-filled, family-friendly parade which will showcase First Responders, local businesses, music/performance groups, faith-based groups, civic groups, youth groups, and more. The parade will form at the Shrewsbury Elementary School stepping off at 3:30 p.m. and will move north along Main Street through the town square, before ending at the carnival grounds off of Playground Avenue.

If you have a business or are part of a group, and are interested in being a participant in the parade, registration forms can be obtained from <https://tinyurl.com/2kku2tax> or at the Shrewsbury Borough office starting in April. The Shrewsbury Area Centennial Lions Club Facebook page will be posting additional/updated information as we move closer to the event date. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the parade committee at [shrewsburylionsparade@gmail.com](mailto:shrewsburylionsparade@gmail.com). We look forward to seeing Main Street filled with observers for this year's parade; family and friends coming together, building strong community bonds, and enjoying our small-town traditions!



### DID YOU KNOW???

The Sweeney Park Pavilion can be rented for parties and reunions from April until November. The rental includes a kitchen, private restrooms, refrigerator, stove, serving table, and tables and chairs for 70+ people.

No alcohol allowed. Borough residents can rent the building for \$75. Call 717-235-4371 if interested.



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## THANK YOU SOUTHERN REGIONAL POLICE

The recent shooting incident at UPMC hospital impacted many of us in the community at large. As I write, we're still waiting for investigations to be completed and official reports of what happened inside. Several things we know for sure is someone entered the ICU at UPMC hospital, a public space, although somewhat restricted. He was carrying a bag containing tools he would use to execute his planned attack. The response by many law enforcement agencies around the County was swift, with the attacker meeting a just end. Several people were shot and injured, including three police officers, one of whom was Officer Andrew "Drew" Duarte of the West York Borough Police Department whose injuries, sadly, were fatal. When we think about the terror the nurses, doctors, hospital staff, patients and visitors felt as events unfolded, we realize that it could happen in any public place, even here at home in Shrewsbury.

Living Word Community Church in Red Lion hosted Officer Duarte's funeral and Celebration of Life. They also provided a livestream via YouTube which I had the privilege to watch with several of our own police officers and Police Commission members. His family pastor was awed to be standing in front of "a sea of greatness"

speaking of the packed house filled with police officers. He shared his gratefulness for their ministry and service as they "stand in the gap" and "protect us while we sleep, while we go about our business throughout the day" and "while our children play". He spoke about the call to service police officers respond to when they enter that noble profession. It is with these thoughts in mind that I similarly share our community's gratefulness to the police officers of our own Southern Regional Police Department.

While we hope and pray that such an event would never occur in our community, it is important to know our Police Chief and the officers who serve here at home, who protect us while we sleep and while we go about our business and while our children play, do so with the devotion to their own personal calling to serve. They do the job extremely well, with professionalism, compassion and integrity and a dedication that should they be called to stand in the gap, they would do so willingly. I ask you to take a brief moment to think about recent events and recognize the calling our officers respond to and consider sharing a quick thank you for protecting us, the people they've sworn to protect.

### COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHT:

The Shrewsbury Borough Municipal Authority was formed in 1972 to construct a sewer system for the collection and transmission of wastewater from the Shrewsbury Area to the treatment plant in Railroad Borough. Joanna Hoover encouraged her husband to join the Authority and "perform his civic duty" after his neighbor and friend passed away leaving a Sewer Authority vacancy. John Hoover was appointed to the Sewer Authority in 1975.

John has witnessed many changes to our small town in the last sixty years and he provides valuable historical perspective to the Authority. He is a prominent voice and supporter for the many Treatment Plant projects and sewer infrastructure upgrades. Sewer capacity in Southern York County is a limited commodity. John's experience and talents are cherished to continue to provide the community's valuable service at a reasonable cost. John credits the Sewer Authority's success to the many talented Authority members that included someone with a finance/accounting background.

John built his house in 1966 and enjoyed the Shrewsbury small-town atmosphere with little traffic and abundant community friendliness. He still lives in that house where he raised a son and a daughter. He also now enjoys two granddaughters and a grandson with three great grandsons. John retired from Western Electric, later called Lucent, in 1995 and worked as a subcontractor for the company for a short time after retirement. He now spends much of his time with his family and playing golf and billiards with his many friends.

John is an irreplaceable leader on the Sewer Authority and we benefit from his experience and "no-nonsense", direct management approach. Thank you, John, for five decades of service to Shrewsbury Borough and the Municipal Authority.





## RECYCLE THESE ITEMS



**CANS**  
Aluminum & Steel



**PLASTIC**  
Bottles & Jugs  
1, 2 & 5



**PAPER**  
Newspaper, Office Paper,  
Junk Mail & Magazines



**GLASS**  
Bottles & Jars



**CARDBOARD**  
Dry & Flattened  
No Food Contact



**CARTONS**

## WHEN IN DOUBT → THROW IT OUT

- NO** Plastic Bags
- NO** Food/Liquid
- NO** Garden Hoses

- NO** Shredded Paper
- NO** Clothing
- NO** Diapers

- NO** Medical Waste
- NO** Scrap Metal
- NO** Styrofoam

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**FROM THE SHREWSBURY VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY**  
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## MAY

Welcome back Food Truck Fridays! Please come out and join us on Friday, April 11th, 5:00-8:00 p.m. for food trucks and Easter egg hunt. Bring your lawn chairs and blankets to enjoy live country entertainment on stage by Jake Mach from 6:00-8:00 p.m.

Easter egg hunt will be on the carnival grounds starting at 6:00 p.m. Please see our website for registration. ALL PARTICIPANTS MUST BE PRE-REGISTERED

Our 7th annual Golf tournament will be on Friday, May 2nd at

Hickory Heights Golf Club  
5158 Lehman Road  
Spring Grove, PA 17362

Breakfast will be served at 7:30 a.m. Tee time is at 8:30. Please see our website for registration or call the station at 717-235-4476 for details.

We are also looking for sponsors to help support this event.

FOOD TRUCK/CRUZ IN - Join us on Friday, May 9 for food trucks and Cruz in night from 5:00-8:00. A \$5 cover charge will be applied for all cars. All proceeds will go directly to the Fire Company.

## JUNE

FOOD TRUCK will be on Friday, June 13th, 4:00-8:00 p.m.

76th SHREWSBURY FIREMAN'S CARNIVAL - Monday, June 23 thru Saturday June 28.

Nightly entertainment will be  
Monday- Tanner Mountain Band  
Tuesday- Rockbox  
Wednesday- Wyatt Becker Band  
Thursday- Danny Paisley and the Southern Grass  
Friday- Stonewood  
Saturday- Dean Crawford and the Dunn's River Band

Fireworks are set for Friday evening @ 10:30. Shuttle services available from Grace Fellowship Church

SHREWSBURY PARADE PRESENTED BY THE SHREWSBURY LIONS CLUB  
Saturday, June 28th @ 3:30 p.m. as stated in a separate article.

ALL PROCEEDS GO DIRECTLY BACK TO THE SHREWSBURY VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY