



October, November,
December, 2025

Shrewsbury Borough

NEWSLETTER



HOLIDAY TRASH SCHEDULE

Thanksgiving week,
Friday, November
28, collection will be
on Saturday. The
weeks of Christmas

and New Year's, the Friday collections
will be on Saturday.

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION

The York County Solid Waste Authority
is holding a second collection event
on **Saturday, October 11 from 9:00
a.m. to 1:00 p.m.** at 2685 Blackthorne
Ct., York, PA 17406 (717)845-1066. The
event is free to York County residents.
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/](https://www.ycswa.com/services/waste-disposal/household-hazardous-waste/).

LEAF DISPOSAL

As part of the refuse contract,
residents are allowed to put out two (2)
extra bags of leaves (for a total of four
bags) each collection day beginning
NOVEMBER 1 THRU JANUARY 31.

These two extra
bags are for leaves
ONLY. If there is
room in your trash
toter, please place
them in the toter;
otherwise, they
can be placed to
the side of the
toter.



PAUL SMITH LIBRARY

Buck Buchanan • Library Task Force Chairman • Former Borough Council President

On July 9, 2024, Robert Lambert, Executive Director of the York County Library System (YCLS), & staff met with Paul Smith Library (PSL) Board representatives to present the YCLS "Service Optimization Plan" that would have a major (and very negative) impact on the future of the Paul Smith Library of Southern York County in Shrewsbury. Our library board voted to negotiate to become a branch member of the YCLS on August 28th to meet the YCLS imposed deadline.

The key points impacting the PSL in the vote are:

- This would mean PSL would no longer have a locally appointed Board of Directors. The YCLS Board would now be the library's board. There would no longer be local control of hours of operation, staffing, and programs.
- The library would have its operating hours reduced to 32 hours (37% reduction) instead of the current 51 hours per week. PSL is the 4th busiest library in the YCLS.
- If this would happen, it will lead to a reduction in services, staffing, and programs such as:
 1. Children and youth reading programs and activities
 2. Safe space for adults with special needs in our community
 3. Monthly book clubs, weekly chess practice, Summer Quest children's programs, and more.

Presently, it is not feasible for PSL to become "independent" since it would result in a loss of county (\$34,600 - 1.3% of their total) and state (\$62,000- 3.7% of their total) annual funding as well as access to shared services (website, IT support, free best sellers, access to books held by other YCLS branches, delivery, some programming materials, and other support services).

The YCLS initially stated the change was due to financial deficiencies and sustainability for the current library system. PSL has met all its financial responsibilities to the system and is in a solid financial position with the current state and county funding, along with the support from our boroughs, townships, and the community. Thus, their claim is not true, and we have proven that this is not the reason for the change. The main reason for the change is removal of the local library board and control of all financial decisions. Paul Smith's Library Board consists of residents from our boroughs and townships, which is far better than a Board concentrating on York City.

The Paul Smith Library was built with funding from the local communities which take great pride in the library building, but equally in the services provided to their community. Our libraries are welcoming hubs for students, families, job seekers, and lifelong learners. We encourage every resident to stay informed, get involved and make your voice heard. Together, we can speak up and show that our library matters and that its future should reflect the voices of the people it serves. The York County Commissioners annually contribute \$ 2.7 million of York County tax dollars to the YCLS. This power of the purse needs to be used to reverse this takeover! Your opinions can make a difference, but only if they are heard by those that can influence this decision.

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PUBLIC WORKS CORNER



PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS

- The 2025 Water Replacement Project began in early September and includes the 200 block North Highland Drive, North Sunset Drive, Memory Lane, and East Tolna Road. The project will replace all water mains, hydrants, and water services to our customers' curb stop valves. The project will replace 70-year old pipe before the streets are paved in the near future.
- The 2025 Road Paving Project also began in early September and includes West Railroad Avenue, West Forrest Avenue, Tree Hollow Drive, Hazelnut Court, Charles Street, and North Highland Drive. The paving project will replace 30+ year old pavement and continue to preserve our road infrastructure.
- The Radio Tower installation will be finished this Fall. The Tower was destroyed with the August 2023 severe storm that left us without power for several days. The radio tower supplies radio signal for the Radio Club, South Central Emergency Management Association, and will supply signal for the Shrewsbury Borough Municipal Authority Sewer System SCADA.
- The new Christmas Tree will be planted in November for the December 7th tree lighting.
- The Sewer Treatment Plant is under construction with the Phase 1 Aeration upgrades that will reclaim some of the Plant's sewer capacity. The treatable sewer capacity was reduced with more stringent effluent requirements. The upgrades will be completed in 2026.

Tree Maintenance Reminder from Public Works

To keep our streets safe and accessible, the Public Works Department regularly inspects roads and intersections for trees that obstruct traffic or visibility. In accordance with Ordinance 1994-1, all Borough residents are required to maintain trees with a minimum clearance of 14 feet above the cartway and ensure that no branches block sight lines at intersections.

Overgrown trees can:

- Damage snow removal equipment
- Obstruct traffic flow
- Increase the risk of accidents at intersections

If your trees extend over the curb line or interfere with intersection sight triangles, you'll receive a notification from Public Works. Residents will be given ample time to trim their trees. If no action is taken, the Department will proceed with trimming and branch disposal to ensure public safety.

Let's work together to keep our community safe and our streets clear!

Streetlight Repairs —

Keeping Shrewsbury Safe This Season

As Fall and Winter bring shorter days and longer nights, our streetlights play a vital role in maintaining visibility, safety, and peace of mind throughout the Borough. If you notice a streetlight that's not illuminated or flashing, please report it to the Public Works Department.

Contact:

Email: bsweitzer@shrewsburyborough.org

Phone: 717-235-1427

Repairs are handled either by the Public Works Department or Met Ed, depending on the location. Please allow up to five days for the issue to be resolved. Let's work together to keep our streets well-lit and our community safe as the seasons change.

DID YOU KNOW???

Shrewsbury Borough has over 320 street lights. Most light bulbs and sensors are maintained by the power company. Approximately 50-75 street lights are repaired every year.



SHREWSBURY BOROUGH TRASH & RECYCLING COLLECTION

Each Friday, Penn Waste takes to the streets in Shrewsbury Borough to collect trash and recyclables. The service they provide is critical to every resident and when that service is disrupted it creates an inconvenience to us all.

In July, a representative from Penn Waste appeared before Council to explain several service disruptions we have experienced in Shrewsbury Borough over the last 18 months. Penn Waste management has expressed apologies for the disruption of trash and recycling collections to Shrewsbury Borough residents. They also assured Council that issues encountered were addressed with changes to leadership, improved communications, and added processes to verify collections.

Council appreciated the explanation and requested that Penn Waste offer Shrewsbury Borough residents' one-

time services as resolution for the inconveniences. Penn Waste has offered, and Council has accepted, two special services at no cost to our community.

- **Shredding Event** to be held behind the Shrewsbury Fire Hall at 21 West Forrest Avenue on Saturday, November 15th from 8 a.m. to Noon. Borough residents will be limited to 4 boxes of shredding material.
- **Additional Bulk Trash Drop-off:** Penn Waste will position two large roll-off containers for residents to place bulk items at Sweeney Park on Saturday, November 15th from 8a.m. to Noon.

While missed trash and recycling collections are an inconvenience, Council appreciates Penn Waste ownership of the problems and providing these services to Borough residents as repayment.

COATS OF FRIENDSHIP

The coats benefit COATS OF FRIENDSHIP which was formed by Friendship Elementary School students approximately ten years ago to keep the unsheltered warm throughout the cold months. Gently used coats, gloves, mittens, scarves, and hats can be dropped off at the Shrewsbury Borough Municipal Building.

SHREWSBURY VOTER UPDATE

Election Day: Tuesday, November 4, 2025 Polls Open: 7:00 AM – 8:00 PM

Location: Shrewsbury Borough Municipal Building 35 W. Railroad Ave, Shrewsbury, PA 17361

Important Deadlines

Task

Deadline

Voter Registration..... Monday, October 20

Mail-in/Absentee Ballot Application. Tuesday, October 28

Ballot Return Deadline..... Tuesday, November 4 by 8 PM

Voting Options

- **In-Person Voting:** Head to your local polling place on Election Day.
- **Mail-In Voting:** Apply by Oct 28 and return your ballot by 8 PM on Nov 4.
- **Absentee Voting:** Available for eligible voters away from home.

Apply online at: PA Voter Services

What's on the Ballot?

- Judicial races (PA Supreme Court, Superior Court)
- Local offices: school board, borough council, county commissioners
- Ballot measures (if applicable)

Preview your sample ballot at: York County Elections

Need Help?

York County Office of Elections & Voter Registration

28 E Market St, York, PA 17401 (717) 771-9604 Mon-Fri, 8:00 AM – 4:30 PM

Stay informed. Stay engaged. **Your vote shapes Shrewsbury.**

TRICK-OR-TREAT

Trick or Treat will be on October 31 from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Please turn your porch light on if you would like to participate.



SHREWSBURY LIONS CLUB HALLOWEEN BASH

Saturday October 18th

6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Sweeney Memorial Park

Fun games

Candy & popcorn treats

*The return of the
Spooky Walking Trail*

Kids of all ages are welcome!

**Come in costume and enjoy a
frightfully fun night
with family and friends!**

COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHT • FIRE CHIEF BRAD DAUBERMAN

Station 61 - Shrewsbury Volunteer Fire Company



Fire Chief Brad Dauberman has dedicated his life to public service, embodying the spirit of volunteerism that defines Shrewsbury Borough. Raised in Lancaster, PA, Brad was born into Emergency Services—his parents both served with the local Ambulance Service. Inspired by their example, he began volunteering with his

hometown Fire Company at just 14 years old. Firefighting isn't just a profession for Chief Dauberman—it's a calling.

At 21, Brad moved to Shrewsbury and immediately joined the Shrewsbury Volunteer Fire Company. His leadership journey began as Lieutenant, and he later stepped into the role of Chief following the retirement of Tony Myers. Today, Chief Dauberman leads Station 61 with unwavering commitment, often dedicating long hours each week to the Fire Company while balancing a full-time job.

Leading a Legacy of Volunteerism

Shrewsbury Fire Company is proudly "Professionally Staffed by Volunteers"—a motto that reflects the caliber and dedication of its members. Among the 69 active members, 39 respond to calls, including 8 current or 3 retired career firefighters. Volunteers undergo 184 hours of Hazmat and Fire Training to earn certification, and they continually update their skills to meet evolving challenges.

Chief Dauberman was instrumental in expanding a groundbreaking Tax Credit Incentive Program, rewarding volunteers with credits on Real Estate and Earned Income Taxes. This initiative spans ten municipalities across Southern York County and has become a model for other regions in Pennsylvania. Thanks to this volunteer-driven system, taxpayers save an estimated \$2–\$3 million annually in salaries and benefits.

Preserving History, Building the Future

Earlier this year, the original firehouse on West Forrest Avenue was sold, but its historic bell—dating back to the 1800s—was preserved thanks to over \$10,000 in community donations. Now housed at Station 61, the bell serves as a powerful symbol of unity and tradition, proudly displayed during community events.



Looking ahead, Shrewsbury Fire Company is preparing to welcome a new Rescue Truck valued at \$1.4 million, with a \$1 million Fire Engine on the horizon. These investments are made possible through donations, volunteer hours, and community support.

Inspiring the Next Generation

With an average age of 54 among the top responders, Station 61 is actively cultivating the next wave of volunteers. The SYC Fire Camp program introduced young residents (12-17 year olds) to Emergency Services, sparking interest and building future leaders.

Chief Brad Dauberman's tireless dedication and visionary leadership continue to shape the heart of Shrewsbury. Under his guidance, Station 61 stands as a beacon of service, resilience, and community pride.

Thank you,
Chief Dauberman.

Thank you,
Station 61.

You are the best of Shrewsbury!



ANNUAL TREE LIGHTING/DECORATING CONTEST

THE ANNUAL TREE LIGHTING WILL TAKE PLACE ON SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7TH AT 6:00 P.M.

FESTIVITIES INCLUDE:

- A performance by the Susquehannock High School Jazz Band
- Hot Chocolate, cookies, and sweet treats provided by local Scouts
- Santa's arrival at 6:00 p.m. with candy canes for kids

NEW FOR 2025:

- Story Time with the Shrewsbury Lions Club-Join us at 5:00 p.m. in the Shrewsbury Borough Building, then head up to the tree lighting.
- Outdoor Christmas Decorating Contest-Decorate the outside of your home by Friday, December 5th to participate.

HOW TO JOIN THE FUN:

- Property decorating contests are open for any residents in Shrewsbury. Contest runs from December 5th through December 23rd. If you would like to participate, please have the outside of your home decorated by December 5th.
- Sign up by using this link <https://forms.office.com/g/3gdh00pyMs> or by scanning the QR code on this page.
- View the contest map online and cast your vote for your favorite home at www.shrewsburyborough.org

Let's make Christmas in Shrewsbury 2025 a holiday to remember!



Scan QR Code
to sign up!





35 West Railroad Avenue
Shrewsbury, PA 17361

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**As always, the Fire Company
is looking for volunteers in all capacities.
Please stop by the Station and
pick up an application.**

SHREWSBURY VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY
21 WEST FORREST AVENUE • 717-235-4476
www.ShrewsburyFire.com

**"PROFESSIONALLY STAFFED
BY TRAINED VOLUNTEERS"**

*ON BEHALF OF THE SHREWSBURY VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY, WE WOULD LIKE TO THANK OUR COMMUNITY
FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT THROUGHOUT THE YEAR! WE CAN NOT DO IT WITHOUT YOU!!
WISHING EVERYONE A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR 2026*

FROM THE SHREWSBURY VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY
SHREWSBURY VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY | 21 WEST FORREST AVENUE

OCTOBER

FALL FEST/BEER GARDEN

Fall Fest is on Saturday, October 4th, 10:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m.
There will be food trucks and over 40 vendors. Vendors
will include crafts, Pampered Chef, Tupperware, Scentsy,
Tastefully Simple, jewelry just to mention a few. Come out
and start your early Christmas shopping!
We will also have food trucks and a beer garden provided by
local craft breweries.
RAIN DATE WILL BE 10/25

OCTOBER 5TH - 11TH IS FIRE PREVENTION WEEK.

We will be visiting Shrewsbury Elementary School on
Thursday, October 9th.

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

We are partnering with Southern Regional Police Department
and neighboring fire companies to host National Night Out
for our community. Please join us on Tuesday, October 7th
from 5:00-7:00 p.m. for an evening of fun. There will be hot
dogs, popcorn, pizza and drinks and also bounce houses
and door prizes for the kids. This will be held on the grounds
behind the Fire Company.

OPEN HOUSE / FOOD TRUCKS

Friday, October 10th will be our OPEN house and last Food
Truck Friday for the year. Food trucks will be opening at 5:00
p.m. OPEN House for the station will begin at 6:00 p.m.

NOVEMBER

**Day light savings time is Saturday,
November 1st.** Don't forget to turn your clocks
back an hour. THIS IS ASO A GREAT TIME
TO CHANGE YOUR SMOKE DETECTOR AND
CARBON MONOXIDE DETECTOR BATTERIES!!

DECEMBER

**HO! HO!HO! SANTA will be riding on the fire
engine to see who has been nasty or nice!**

Starting on Sunday, December 14th -Tuesday
16th, Santa with the help of Shrewsbury
Volunteers, will be
visiting your street.
Please check
our website and
Facebook, page for
a listing of streets.
P.S. I HEARD HE
REALLY LIKES
COOKIES TOO

