

Times of Shrewsbury

November 2015



A GOOD YEAR FOR APPLE CIDER!

On a sunny October 11 afternoon there were plenty of apples to make cider with Peter Grace's cider press. "Best year ever for apples!" said Paul Sgalia, and Grace Brigham said it was "the most apples EVER in my recollection!"



Paul Sgalia, Lee Wilson, Pam Grace, and Paul Lombrosco insuring quality control!

Peter Grace pleased with the scene!

Whether you've had a lot or a little experience on the press, lots of hands are needed. Sandy Bragg, Gerry Martin, Mark Youngstrom, and Tim Vile make it work!



Barry Griffith loading apples in the press.



Reminder About Absentee Ballots

Folks who might want Absentee Ballots for the Annual Town Meeting / Presidential Preference Election (Super Tuesday) in March 2016 have a new way of requesting a ballot. Requestors can now utilize the new *My Voter Page*: <http://mvp.sec.state.vt.us/>.

You can utilize the Town Web Site to download a request form: www.Shrewsburyvt.org -> Town Office -> [Elections and Forms](#) to mail to the Town Office.

Call the Town Clerk at 492-3511 or e-mail a request at shrewsburyclerk@vermontel.net

Absentee Ballot requests are required to be renewed every year. --Mark Goodwin, Town Clerk



News from The Transfer Station



First Winner!

The first winner of a \$10 punch card for the Transfer Station was Bill Dudley! Don't forget to put *your* name and phone number on the back of your used-up cards, and put them in the bucket by the chute! A drawing will be held at the first Selectboard meeting of the month.

Wanted at the Transfer Station: A substitute person to work limited hours at \$12 per hour. Please call Bert Potter at 773-2272.

Homestead Exemption

Please be sure to file the Homestead Declaration (State website is www.tax.vermont.gov) and the Property Tax Adjustment form if you qualify.

Vermont State phone at 802-828-2865 or 866-828-2865 (toll free in VT) for information or help.

2015 Homestead Declaration and Property Tax Adjustment Claim Filing online is easy, quick, and free!

2015 Vermont Homestead Declaration Form HS-122 Section A

Vermont resident homeowners ***must annually file*** a Declaration of Homestead on their principal dwelling as of April 1, 2015. Grand list classification does not change after October 15, 2015.

Donation Time!

The Times is mailed to all residents of Shrewsbury and is also available online at the Town website. The cost of printing and mailing is made possible through advertising and your donations.

Donors are recognized for the remainder of the calendar year in which their donation is received. However, if you contribute between now and the end of this calendar year, you will be recognized for the remainder of this year and all of next year! You determine the amount--any and all donations are appreciated! --*The Editors*

The Times of Shrewsbury

The *Times of Shrewsbury* is published monthly February through December. It is compiled by volunteers from material submitted by residents with the goal being to keep townspeople informed of what is happening in Shrewsbury. The views and opinions expressed in articles are solely those of the author and not necessarily those of the editors.

All submissions are subject to editing for length and clarity and must be accompanied by the name of the submitting person. Letters to the Editor exceeding 350 words will be subject to editing for length. Any opinion piece or informational political letters (without specific party or vote appeal) will be subject to the same guidelines previously described. All items including letters are printed at the editors' discretion. A writer of any letter that names a Shrewsbury resident or organization in a critical manner must get copies to that resident or organization and to the *Times* by the 10th of the month prior to publication or it will not run. If the named person or organization indicates in writing to the writer and to the *Times* that they choose not to respond,

the letter will run. If the named entity responds, the response and initial letter will run in the same issue.

There is no charge for: jokes, poems, essays, nature reports, family event announcements, or feature articles or letters that are non-commercial.

Articles and Advertisements: Deadline for submission is the 20th of the month prior to publication; exceptions will be announced in the prior month's *Times*. If you have questions, call Chryl Martin at 492-2244 or email shrewsburytimes@gmail.com

Best Formats: *Articles:* Word or in an email message with no formatting. *Photos:* JPG. *Ads:* PDF file or Word document.

Monthly Advertisement fees:

Full page \$60	1/4 page \$10
1/2 page \$35	Business card \$5
Classified ad (15 words) \$2.	

Payment is due by the 20th of the month prior to publication.

Chryl Martin ~ Rich Bizziak

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SHREWSBURY COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Oct 30	5:30pm	*Halloween Party at Shrewsbury Library for all ages
Nov 6	7:30pm	**"Growing up in London during World War II", by Michael Wells at Town Hall, 88 Lottery Rd.
Nov 7	5:30pm	*Free Community Supper at the Shrewsbury Community Meeting House, 88 Lottery Rd.
Nov 10	3:15pm	*Deadline to order fruit from Mountain School PTO
Nov 10	12noon	Senior Lunch at The Hanger Café (at the airport); For reservations call Bud Clark 776-1067
Nov 10	5:15pm	Conservation Commission meets at 450 Frank Lord Road (Note change in meeting date)
Nov 14	10am	*Lego Club at the Shrewsbury Library
Nov 15	4pm	*Famous Book Discussion Group meets at the Library
Nov 15	3-5pm	*SAGE Workshop: All About Lacto-Fermented Vegetables, at the Russellville School House
Nov 18	12noon	*Prayer Shawl group meets at home of Tess Willaims 492-2187
Nov 21	5pm	*2 nd Annual Harvest Dinner at the Meeting House (88 Lottery Road) sponsored by SAGE
Nov 22	4pm	*Science Book Club meets at the Library
Dec 5	7pm	*Silent Auction and Holiday Cookie Swap at the Library

Every Wednesday in November 8:30-10am Story Hour at the Library

*see elsewhere in newsletter for details

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www.shrewsburyvt.org



Deadline for submission to *Times of Shrewsbury* is by 5:00pm on the 20th of each month.

REGULAR MEETINGS and EVENTS

Board of Selectmen Meeting	1st & 3 rd Wednesdays—7:00pm at Town Office
Bone Builders	Tuesdays & Thursdays—9:00am at Meeting House
Library Trustees' Meeting	2 nd Tuesday—7:00pm at Shrewsbury Library
Mill River Union School Board Mtg	1 st & 3 rd Wednesdays—7:00pm at Mill River Union High School
Pierce's Store Take-Out Meals	Friday nights
Planning Commission	1 st & 3 rd Mondays—7:30pm at Town Office
Religious Society of Friends (Quakers)	Sundays—10:00am at Shrewsbury Library, upstairs
Shrewsbury Community Church Worship	Sundays—10:30am at Shrewsbury Center Church
Shrewsbury Historical Society Museum	Closed for season; to schedule access call 492-3324
Shrewsbury School District Board Mtg	1 st Monday & 3 rd Tuesday—6:30pm
Shrewsbury Sno-Birds	2 nd Tuesdays—7:00pm at Southside Restaurant, Rutland
Shrewsbury Volunteer Fire Dept.	Thursdays—7:00pm at Cuttingsville Station
Conservation Commission	1 ST Tuesday—5:15pm at 450 Frank Lord Road

Shrewsbury Town Website: www.shrewsburyvt.org

Town Clerk's Office 492-3511
Mon-Thurs 9am-3pm; Closed Friday

Town Treasurer's Office
492-3558 or 492-3487
Wed 5pm-7pm

Transfer Station
Sun 8am-4pm & Wed 1pm-7pm

Shrewsbury Town Library 492-3410
Mon, Fri & Sat 10am-Noon
Tues & Thurs 7pm-9pm
Wed 10am-5pm and 7pm-9pm

Cuttingsville Post Office 492-3585

Window (Retail) Hours:

Monday-Friday 7:30am-10:30am and 11:30pm-2:30pm
Saturday 8am-11am

Lobby Hours:

Monday-Friday 7:30am-5pm & Saturday 7:30am-11am

Meeting House 492-6050 (Reservations: 492-3361)

Emergency Management Bert Potter 773-2272

Ambulance 773-1700

GrMP power outage 1-800-451-2877

Medical—Fire—Police Emergency Dial 911

Rutland Hospital 775-7111

10/20/15



SHREWSBURY VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

The month of October was busy for members of the SVFD in many ways. The Annual Ham Supper for the benefit of the SVFD Auxiliary was once again a great success. After all of the dishes were done and the tables were put away, the number of diners for the evening was reported at 268. A great meal and wonderful evening was had by all.

On the following Saturday, the SVFD was called for mutual aid in Clarendon at a barn fire next to Mill River Union High School. This was the sheep farm that many of us have been familiar with over the years and consisted of two barns and some out buildings. Fortunately, all of the animals were out of the structures as the fire raced through the old buildings destroying them very quickly and leaving 3000 bales of hay still burning. Clarendon couldn't have had this happen at a worse time as one of their engines was out of service, so Shrewsbury's Engine 2 from Northam spent the entire night pumping water, which had to be shuttled by tankers from many surrounding Towns. Firefighters were at the scene from about 9:00pm until about 7:30am the next morning. Cleanup of equipment followed the events leaving many tired firefighters.

The following Thursday also proved to be a busy day, starting with the annual fire prevention presentation at the Mountain School. A full school assembly was conducted by Bob Snarski, Al Ridlon Sr., Jon Lees, Phil Severy, Elliot Stewart, Jack Perry, Tanner Stewart, Barry Griffith and Jared Rau. They explained the importance of home fire drills; stop, drop, and roll and how to call in an emergency to 9-1-1. Dressed in their turnout gear, firefighters entered the gym, crawling past the excited students to show how they would appear in a house fire situation. Then air packs were removed, and the firemen were revealed, some of them to their own children who were in the audience. Following the assembly, a fire drill was conducted by Princi-

pal with "Dalmatian" designed fire helmets and were treated to a demonstration of the Shrewsbury Engine 2 pumping water after firefighters quickly laid out hose line. Wearing all of their gear, firefighters then advanced the line to knock over a metal target, and then they showed the students how the attack line can spray a straight stream or fog pattern of water.

The 63d Annual Meeting for yearly review and election of officers was held that same evening. President Jack Perry called the meeting to order, and following the flag salute, a moment of silence to remember deceased members was observed. Barry Griffith read the minutes of the last annual meeting and also filled us in on the fire grant which was recently awarded to the SVFD for the purchase of new air packs and air bottles. Chief Russ Carrara did a review of the year's efforts and reported that since the last annual meeting, the department has responded to 45 calls. He was especially proud to report that of the four in-town structure fires, the families were able to stay in their homes in three of those cases.

Following the reports, awards were presented to three firefighters. The Chief Snarski award for excellence was presented to Adam Severy for his leadership of the building committee over the past year. Chief Carrara presented the Peter Cosgrove Award to Elliot Stewart for his quick response and effort at every call throughout the year. A special presentation of an engraved clock was presented to Barry Griffith by Chief Carrara to thank him for the tremendous amount of personal time he spent to obtain the \$52,381 FEMA grant for air packs.

Officers for the department were elected as follows: Chief, Russ Carrara; President, Jack Perry; Vice President, Bob Snarski; Secretary/Treasurer, Barry Griffith; County Delegate, Jon Lees; Trustees, Mark Stewart, Elliot Stewart, and Phillip Severy.

For the next few weeks, the department will use their meeting nights to take a National Fire Academy course entitled "ICS 100 (Incident Command 100) which is

required by FEMA for all first responders. The purpose is to give all firefighters and responders the information they need to establish a unified response and chain of command.



pal Deb Fishwick, and procedures were observed and critiqued by the department. The drill was orderly and well conducted. Students and faculty were presented

With the cold weather upon us, the SVFD asks everyone to be vigilant and stay fire safe.

Submitted by Bob Snarski, SVFD Safety Officer

SHREWSBURY HAUNTED LIBRARY



FRIDAY, OCTOBER 30TH

5:30 TO 7:30

*Come explore the Tent of Gore... If you dare
Games, mazes and crafts inside.*

For all ages!

REFRESHMENTS PROVIDED,

(ALL NUT FREE)





Drain those pipes for winter

From the start of sugaring to the last leaf that falls trees have been moving food for life through miles of connected cells in the trunk. Water in these living cells is the transport system that accomplishes this and whether it is sugars sent down from the crown or nutrients sent up from the roots, it is all done in a water solution from cell to cell to cell. WINTER IS COMING and with it at least four months of below freezing temperatures. How does a tree protect its cells from being killed by water freezing and expanding within them? Just like we get ready for winter by draining the pipes and adding antifreeze to those parts that retain water; except on a cell by cell basis.

According to Mike Snyder's "Outside Story" column for *Northern Woodlands Magazine* in December 2012 it is a three step solution.

1. Each living cell softens its wall (membrane) and allows water to leak into the space between adjacent cells. This "between cell" water can and will freeze and expand but it will be pushing against a cell that looks like a deflated balloon and against a cell wall that is pliable instead of rigid.
2. The remaining water within a cell now has a higher concentration of dissolved solids which acts as an anti-freeze by lowering the freezing point within the cell.
3. As winter progresses water continues to "escape" through the cell membrane and the remaining liquid becomes more of a super-cooled viscous solid that does NOT crystalize thus keeping the cell from breaking from within.

This three pronged strategy is geared to accomplish one thing; keep the living wood cells alive by preventing them from freezing. And come next Spring the intercellular ice will melt, cells will return to function as water conduits, and a new season of tree growth will commence. In the meantime, drain those pipes if not using them. --Gary Salmon, Tree Warden



Recent Speaker Receives Award

Alissa Rubin, who spoke at Town Hall this summer on behalf of Spring Lake Ranch, has just been awarded the John Chancellor award for excellence in journalism by Columbia University School of Journalism. It is our hope that we may hear her again in the coming year.

Submitted by Phyllis Wells



Gil Pitts

Thank You, Gil Pitts

On behalf of everyone in Shrewsbury, the Selectboard wants to express our appreciation to Gil Pitts for his many years of service on the Shrewsbury Road Crew. Gil retired this past month, October 2015, after 29 years working for the Town. The son of Gilbert and Irene Pitts, Gil grew up on his family's farm in Shrewsbury. After working for Montgomery Ward in Rutland, he joined the Road Crew in June 1986.

Gil has contributed greatly to the outstanding performance of our Road Crew in the various tasks that Crew members undertake. He has hauled sand and gravel in summer and plowed snow in winter, driven the sweeper and mowed the roadsides, replaced culverts and cleared drainage ditches, hand cut brush and removed fallen trees after storms.

Like other Crew members, Gil maintained his Town truck - oiling, greasing, doing routine repairs - always thoroughly committed to keeping it in top shape. He played an important role in general maintenance of our Town garage and in repairing small engines and chainsaws. Whether fixing the pressure washer or plowing on a frigid night; Gil has never sought credit or recognition for himself.

Gil Pitts has been a reliable and dedicated public employee and has served us well in helping to keep Shrewsbury's roads safe and well-maintained. Many of us know Gil for his friendly wave and smile and his willingness to help out Town residents. The entire Town thanks you, Gil, and we wish you all the best in your retirement.

Submitted by the Shrewsbury Selectboard

SHREWSBURY LIBRARY

Library News Submitted by Joan Aleshire

The ANNUAL BOOK & BAKE SALE on September 26 benefited from beautiful weather, a TAG SALE, an appealing collection of books and VHS tapes, and great attendance. THANKS to everyone who set up the tent, donated, sorted and hauled books and tapes; baked, rented tables, and came to support the Library!

MANY THANKS to the CHILDREN'S COMMITTEE that's been hard at work, buying new books and DVDs, reorganizing the children's rooms and planning events, including our first-ever Haunted House on October 30. Library Director Donna Swartz, Trustees Jessica Giffin and Pam Grace, and volunteers Doris Perry, Linda Olney, and Carol Goodwin are making sure the Library will appeal to children of all ages and interests. (On Saturday, October 17th, 18 children and 13 adults attended our monthly Legos program.) Please call Donna if you'd like to join the committee: 773-7403.

VOLUNTEERS: The Library always welcomes new volunteers to staff during Library hours. The automated system is simple to operate; you can learn it by shadowing a veteran staffer once or twice (and referring to our clear instruction booklet!). Please call Donna (773-7403) or Joan (492-3550) if you're interested.

Coming Events:

Friday, November 6 @ 7:30pm at SHREWSBURY TOWN HALL/MEETING HOUSE: "GROWING UP IN LONDON DURING WORLD WAR II": with MICHAEL WELLS, former Director of Spring Lake Ranch and 50-year resident of Shrewsbury. Michael will talk about his childhood shaped by "The Blitz" (the Battle of Britain), and the war in Europe, 1939-45. Please join us for this special event!

Saturday, December 5: COOKIE SWAP & SILENT AUCTION: SAVE THE DATE!

Continuing Programs:

Sunday, November 15 @ 4pm: Famous Books Book Club: Invisible Man by Ralph Ellison (2nd session of 2). It's not too late to join the discussion of this stimulating novel; please call Joan (492-3550) if you need a copy.

Sunday, November 22nd @ 4pm: Science Book Club: Winter World by Bernd Heinrich. Books will be available at the Library; please call Joan for more.

Alternate Mondays: QUILTERS' GROUP. All welcome! Call Donna Swartz (773-7403) for information.

COMPUTER CHALLENGED?
Please call the Library (492-3410) and we'll connect you to an instructor.

New Books include:

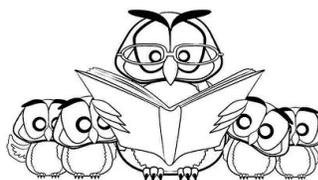
In Fiction:

- ❖ *City on Fire* by Garth Risk Hallberg: a Dickensian first novel set in 1970's Manhattan.
- ❖ *The Tsar of Love and Techno* by Anthony Marra: a collection of linked stories set in Russia.
- ❖ *After You* by JoJo Moyes: A sequel to her moving best-seller, *Me Before You*.

In Non-Fiction:

- ❖ *Strangers Drowning: Grappling with Impossible Idealism, Drastic Choices, and the Overpowering Urge to Help* by Larissa MacFarquhar.
- ❖ *1944: FDR and the Year That Changed History* by Jay Winik.
- ❖ *Showdown: Thurgood Marshall and the Supreme Court Nomination That Changed America* by Wil Haygood.

Re: New DVDs: It's been a slow season for new releases; please keep your requests for movies and books coming, and we'll do our best to fill them!



New Story Hour Format

We are experimenting with something new at the Shrewsbury Library!

Every Wednesday this month, the library will be open from 8:30am until 10am for Story Hour. This is to accommodate families who drop other kids off early at the Mountain School. You can come to the Library when you drop the others off, have a cup of coffee or juice and visit with other parents while your kids enjoy exploring the Library and all it has to offer.

Story Hour will begin around 9am and runs until 10am, so that other families who don't have older siblings can come also. When we all remembered the challenges of getting small children in and out of car seats, not to mention winter clothing and boots, this seemed to be a good solution.

So, I hope to see you all Wednesday, November 4, and each week thereafter. We're all looking forward to it and would appreciate any feedback you have.

Pam Grace 492-3529

Shrewsbury Historical Society

www.shrewsburyhistoricalsociety.com

The SHS Museum is now closed for the season.

This year, the Museum Committee was proud to exhibit the following: John C. Stewart and Son display of photos and framed tribute to the family who are still running the business in Cuttingsville since 1915. Also the tall metal sculpture by Patrick Farrow, called The Castle Tree. We are proud to exhibit each year the standing exhibits i.e., the family artifacts of Marjorie Pierce and the original Huntoon House, Town Clerk's items and photos, one-room school houses, household items, children's toys, books, Civil War Letters, genealogy books and much more. The museum was visited this year by folks from NY, MA, NH and MI. From Vermont, the Towns of Jericho, Fair Haven, Bennington, Bellows Falls and Springfield were represented.

Calendars make great stocking stuffers!

The 2016 Memory Calendars are now on sale and are flying off the shelves. They can be purchased at Pierce's Store or by calling Ann Ridlon at 492-2018. Filled with photos of years gone by, it is a treasure to keep or share with your family. It is \$15, or by mail for \$2 more. Just make your check out to the Shrewsbury Historical Society for \$17 and mail to Ann Ridlon at PO Box 355, Cuttingsville, VT 05738.

Thanksgiving

For 25 years I have kept in my files a poem given to me by Nancy Bell, and it is dated Thanksgiving, 1990. I love what it says and want to share it with you.

Happy Thanksgiving to all!

Poem and article submitted by Ruth Winkler



Looking for 1999 thru 2010 Back Issues

The *Times of Shrewsbury* got its start in 1973 and since then there have been over 462 issues published! The Historical Society has two copies of most of those issues but is lacking duplicate issues for some years. If you have any back issues from 1999 thru 2010, please call Chryl at 492-2244 or email shrewsburytimes@gmail.com.

Thanksgiving

We gather now to give our Thanks,
For moss and toads and river banks.
For the finest possible of present friends,
For starlight, sundews and winter ends.
Thanks for the pollen, loosestrife and bees,
The thumping hearts when climbing high trees,
The softness of lips brushing a cheek,
The wonder filled moments, unable to speak.
Thanks for the glimpse of the fox at dawn,
And the snug morning comfort, the first deep yawn.
Thanks for the smell of dry balsam boughs.
Thanks for warm udders on cold morning cows,
For candlelit rooms from outside looking in,
For Spring's first rains tapping the tin,
For the rise and fall of the sleeping child's chest,
For the audible sigh when you lay down to rest,
For a glimpse of the Spirits, and their guiding lights,
Be it hawk's cry, or sundog or elfin Spring rites,
For the chrysalis gold and peacock tail blue,
For the raven's words meant solely for you.
Thanks for the apples drumming the ground,
When turned into cider become laughing sound.
Thanks for the fullness of life we are all,
For the graceful deer leaping about in the Fall.
Thanks to the keeper a hunting did go . . .
Praise God from whom all blessings flow
And His fur lined pocket, ringed round with clover,
From whence the blessings flowing over,
Are gifts to us, bounty grand,
We, most fortunate, in all the land.

Nancy Bell, Thanksgiving 1990

Road Crew Announcement

The newest member of the Shrewsbury Road Crew is Jeremiah Johnson. He joins Road Commissioner Jamie Carrara and Steve Bruce on our three-member crew. Welcome Jeremiah.



Second Sunday in March: Spring Forward--The U.S. begins daylight savings at 2am

First Sunday in November: Fall Back--The U.S. ends daylight savings at 2am





Students Receive Dictionaries

Every year the Wallingford Rotary Club provides personal dictionaries to local third graders to promote literacy. Pictured with their new books at the Mountain School are: (Standing L to R) Charlotte, Alaina, Dylan, and Cora; (Sitting) Ethan.



Successful Ham Super

A big Thank You to our wonderful Town for a 62nd successful SVFD Auxiliary Ham Supper with lots of help from our Auxiliary, Firemen, and kids. Another Thank You goes out to our great Townspeople for all your help with donations of Pickles, Coleslaw, Baked Beans, Potato Salad, Pies, and other assorted desserts. Great crowds all night long with not too much of a wait with around 270 dinners served. The farthest away attendees were from California and Great Britain who came with families from right nearby. All ages enjoyed eating the great food and visiting with each other. See you next year on Saturday October 1, 2016 .

Catherine Carrara , SVFD Auxiliary

SAGE

(Shrewsbury Institute for Agricultural Education presents

All About Lacto-Fermented Vegetables with Maya Zelkin

Sunday, November 15 3-5 p.m.

Sliding Scale: \$5-15 per person
at the Russellville School House,
18 Crown Point Rd, Shrewsbury

This workshop features an inter-active demonstration of the making of KIM CHI, an Asian-style sauerkraut. We will discuss salt quality and quantities for krauts and brine pickles; temperature and duration of fermentation; ideal storage conditions; and health benefits.

Optional: Bring a quart jar with lid and 3 lbs of your favorite vegetable(s) to make your own fermented vegetables to take home. Call Maya Zelkin, 492-2045 or Joan Aleshire, 492-3550 for more information.

Lego Club

at the Shrewsbury Library

Saturday, November 14

10:00-11:30 am

All school age children are welcome.
Younger children are also welcome when
accompanied by a parent.

Come, discover, explore and create with Legos.

Questions? Call: Doris Perry 492-3440; Linda Olney 492-3513; or, Carol Goodwin 747-0192

On Saturday, October 17, there were 18 children and 13 adults who enjoyed building and exploring with Legos! Many special creations were designed and built. They are now on display in the library. Please come and check them out.

Join us on November 14th for more Lego fun!



Snowmobile Safety Course

Shrewsbury Sno-Birds will hold a Snowmobile Safety Course in December. Watch the Times next month for more information or call Dave Blecich at 492-3782

Bald Eagle(s) in Shrewsbury

October 6: "About four or five years ago I was lying on my couch. It was either fall or winter as there were no leaves on the trees. I was looking through the line of trees in my back yard and I saw a bird with a large wingspan flying directly at me on the other side of the trees. Just before it got to the trees, it turned and I swear it had a white head! At the time I emailed Vermont Audubon to see if there has been any sightings of Bald Eagles in Shrewsbury. They didn't think so.

Then two days ago my wife came home all excited. She was about a mile and a half up on Lincoln Hill Road from Route 103 (near the Pine Valley Farm). She had just seen a large bird that flew by and then perched in a tree. It had a white head! I think we have eagles in Shrewsbury??" --Larry Abelman



October 8: "Today I was fishing on Spring Lake and went to a small cove at the farthest end. A bald eagle did one circle over head but I didn't get my camera off my belt holder in time to get a photo. I

would say it was a young adult. Very cool! Amazing! It was beautiful." --Larry Abelman

On the same day Larry Abelman saw a bald eagle at Spring Lake, Barb Griffith saw one soaring over Johnson Pond. And on October 15 Grace Brigham saw it when she was paddling on Johnson Pond.

Last summer Gretchen Gould said a bald eagle was seen up at Spring Lake around early July about the time that a baby loon disappeared.

So all this activity raises the question: *Do we have a Shrewsbury bald eagle or just a visiting eagle?*

According to John Buck, Vermont Fish and Wildlife scientist, the current sightings in Shrewsbury don't necessarily mean we have a "local" bird. He says that most likely the eagle is on a migration path but that "some eagles from Canada may find our area warm enough for the winter. It depends on food abundance as to how long they stay....but most likely the eagle will leave when ponds freeze up, and then they start returning in late February. "

He says eagles "have great fidelity to their nest and start laying eggs in March. They can live to be 20 years old if they can get thru the first year of life which is a 50% chance. Males and females each

reach maturity around five years of age and females are larger (*slightly*) than the males!"

John says that eagle sightings have "without a doubt been on the increase in recent years," and the department no longer keeps track of sightings but does track mating pairs. He says the only way to tell for sure if we have a "local" eagle is to keep an eye out next summer for a nesting pair taking food to the same tree over and over again. So that's the assignment for next year's sightings! --C. Martin

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## Shrewsbury Mountain School Calendar

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| Nov 11       | Veteran's Day - no school                                       |
| Nov 25-27    | Thanksgiving Break - no school                                  |
| Dec 10       | Winter Concert at 6:30 (Inclement weather (snow) date: Dec. 17) |
| Dec 21-Jan 1 | Holiday Break - no school                                       |

SOFT, SILKY, WONDERFUL FIBERS  
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MULTIPLE COLORS  
ADORABLE

MAKE GREAT PETS ★ CAN BE POTTY TRAINED ★  
★ WONT JUMP ON COUNTERS ★  
STILL SOME LEFT. COME BY AND  
CHOOSE ONE! \$40.00  
492-2333

## The Shrewsbury Community Church



*Compiled by Sue Ransom-Kelley*



### Free Community Supper Saturday November 7 5:30pm

All Invited! It's a Mexican Fiesta! Sombreros Optional. Live Music! Our menu will include: Homemade Beef, Bean and Chicken Enchiladas, Rice, Salsa, Guacamole, and of course scrumptious Desserts! Have a neighbor who can't get out? Let us know and we will deliver dinner to them.

We continue to plan for our **Community Sharing Project** which will provide gift cards for basic necessities such as; winter boots and clothing for children in Shrewsbury to be distributed during the holiday season. Our ability to provide gift cards is dependent solely upon donations. Donations will be collected at our next supper and by mail payable to Shrewsbury Community Church in care of Sue Kelley PO Box 366 Cuttingsville, VT 05738. Call Sue for details 779-5241.

#### Community Church Calendar

Nov 1 @ 10:30am: Worship Service & Holy Communion Rev Bob Boutwell Center Church. Bring a non-perishable food item for the food shelf.

Nov 7 @ 5:30pm: Free Community Supper. Mexican Fiesta. All are Welcome!

Nov 8 @ 10:30am: Worship Service Center Church.

Nov 15 @ 10:30am: Worship Service Rev Skip Dickinson Center Church. Annual Meeting and potluck luncheon following worship service.

Nov 18 @ 12noon: Prayer Shawl Meeting @ the home of Tess Williams. Please bring a bag lunch, drinks and dessert provided. Call Tess to let her know if you can come 492-2187. All Welcome! Come and Enjoy the fellowship and the Mission.

Nov 22 @ 1030am: Worship Service Center Church

Nov 29 @ 1030am: Worship Service Center Church

Thanksgiving  
The year has turned its circle.  
The seasons come and go.  
The harvest all is gathered in  
And chilly north winds blow.  
Orchards have shared their treasures,  
the fields their yellow grain,  
So open wide the doorway---  
Thanksgiving comes again!

*Author unknown*

**Happy Thanksgiving!**

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## SHREWSBURY MOUNTAIN SCHOOL BOARD REPORT

It is a very busy time of year for the school board.

- We are starting budget work for the 2016/2017 school year and will be having "Budget" on our agendas until through December. Board meetings are scheduled on 11/5 and 12/3 at 5pm. Please attend a meeting, if you have the chance. Remember that by the time Town Meeting/Informational Meeting roles around, the budget is set and your suggestions cannot be voted on. Deb Fishwick, SMS Principal, and Stan Pawlaczyk, RSSU Business Manager, provide a starting budget for us to work with, but the final decision of what we present to you for a vote comes from the Board.
- The negotiations between the Teachers' Associations from Tinmouth, Shrewsbury, Clarendon, Wallingford and the RSSU Special Education (SpEd) Teachers has unfortunately reached an impasse after many months of productive work. We will be meeting with a mediator in the near future. Negotiations between the RSSU SpEd Para-Educators Association and RSSU Board representatives has started and hopefully will be concluded in the next few months. Negotiating contracts is one of the most important responsibilities of a schoolboard and while it takes up considerable time, it must be done.
- Act 46, the Schoolboard Consolidation law, has been in the news frequently and for good reason. The changes that this law requires of town school boards are many and to comply is complicated. The RSSU Act 46 Study Committee has been researching the issues and discussing solutions for our 5 districts so that we comply with the law in time to receive the economic benefit of the offered tax incentives. RSSU is lucky in that we have already consolidated and centralized many functions in the last few years so the consolidation that the Study Committee will present to voters will not be too large a change. The Study Committee presented their report to the whole RSSU Board on Oct. 19 for comments and will send it to the VTAOE for further comment prior to submitting it for approval to the State Board of Education and after that to each Town's voters for approval. The full Study Committee report can be found on [www.rssu.org](http://www.rssu.org). For those who are curious on what the proposal includes in a "so what does this mean to Shrewsbury" short version..... If consolidation is approved, the local school boards, including Mill River's, will be dissolved in favor of a board of eleven people - one/Tinmouth, two/Shrewsbury, and four each for Wallingford and Clarendon. This larger board will have full responsibility for the four elementary schools and Mill River. Budgets, curriculum, IT, transportation, building improvements, etc., will all be done through a single budget. The consolidation agreement is written so that school closures can only happen when both the affected Town votes in favor of closure and there is a unanimous vote of the consolidated board. This two-pronged approach is there to protect the smaller schools from being closed against their Town's will. There are plans outside of the proposal to address local participation/concerns by forming school-based volunteer committees that would include parents, citizens, building administration and the locally elected board member/s with the expectation that the board members would regularly share these concerns with the larger board. The Committee and other board members have expressed concern that this new boards respects and supports the individuality of all five of the schools whose governance will be combined. Every school does things a bit differently and while we want to standardize the "big things", we need to keep what makes our schools valuable to each community. Please take a few minutes to read through the Study Committee report and all of the communications that have and will be coming to you directly by mail in the coming months so that you can make an informed decision in March. If you have comments, questions, or concerns, please contact any of the Study Committee members (their contact info is at the end of the report) or a local board member.
- In other news, the Shrewsbury Mountain School has begun to partner with area farmers to purchase local food for our food program. Children are enjoying the opportunity to eat local fruits and vegetables that are grown with organic farming practices during lunch and through a snack program for all students. This collaboration has been a great addition to our school community and reinforces how Shrewsbury is such a vibrant community. Additionally, keep your eyes open for the advertisement for the **2nd Annual Harvest Dinner on November 21**, hosted by SAGE, to benefit our food service program and partnerships with local farmers.
- If you read this before the end of the month, the Mountain School is celebrating Halloween with the perennial kid favorite - Trunk or Treat on Friday, 10/30/15. The kids are changing into their costumes at 2:30 and will be ready to get treated at 2:45. If you would like to participate by being one of the trunks

w/treats, be there to set up at 2:30. Adult costumes and decorated trunks are welcome. If you never get kids at your house for trick or treating, this is a great alternative to see all the kids in their costumes.

- Plan ahead to attend our Winter Concert on Dec. 10 with an inclement weather (snow) date of Dec. 17.

In closing, I want to remind everyone of what a great school we have here in Shrewsbury. Our staff cares about each and every child and along with the board and administration truly wants them to learn and be happy while they are in our school. Visit the school or attend one of our events and see for yourself what goes on here.

*Submitted by Adriene Raymond  
Andy Richards-Peele  
Sarah Bolster*

## Mill River Union High School News

“And the world will be better for this  
That one man scorned and covered with scars  
Still strove with his last ounce of courage  
To reach the unreachable star.”  
“The Impossible Dream” from *Man of La Mancha*

**Stage 40’s Fall Show:** This year’s Stage 40 Fall Show is *Man of La Mancha*, a 1964 musical based upon the book by Dale Wasserman with lyrics by Joe Darian and music by Mitch Leigh. There is a cast of 20 and a full orchestra led by Melissa Chestnut-Tangerman. **Performances are on Friday, November 20 and Saturday, November 21 @7:30pm. All tickets are \$12.**

**Music Department News:** Congratulations to Brandon Bailey and Jonathan Mackintosh for being selected to perform with the 2015 American Choral Directors Association Eastern Division Honor Choirs. Thousands of singers audition each year for this prestigious honor, and only the best are selected from the eastern states of Maryland to Maine. At the beginning of February, these students will be traveling with their choral teacher, Kristin Cimonetti, to perform in Boston, Massachusetts. **High School District auditions** are Wednesday, November 4 at Proctor High School and **Middle School District Auditions** are Monday, November 9 at Otter Valley High School. Over 50 Mill River student musicians will be auditioning this year!

**Mark your calendars for the Winter Instrumental Music Concert on December 2 at 7pm - Snow Date December 3. The Winter Vocal Music Concert will be held on December 9 at 7pm - Snow Date December 10. The Mill River Chamber Singers will be**

performing in the Annual Vermont American Choral Directors Association Madrigal Festival in Burlington, VT. During this choral festival, chamber or select choirs from high schools all over Vermont combine under a master conductor to rehearse and perform three pieces of repertoire together. A concert that evening is the culminating performance experience where each choir sings two pieces of their own repertoire and then all choirs combine for the final three pieces that have been rehearsed throughout the day. The Shrewsbury community is welcome to attend on Friday, December 12, 2015, at the Unitarian Church (at the top of Church Street) in Burlington, VT at 7:30 pm. Tickets will be sold at the door.

**35<sup>th</sup> Annual Outstanding Teacher Day at UVM:** This year’s MRU recipient is Spanish teacher, George Valley. Principal Pomeroy writes: *“Having taught at College of St. Joseph, Mount St. Joseph Academy, Proctor High School, and Otter Valley Union High School, George came to Mill River in the fall of 2001. Since then, George has done an excellent job as a Spanish teacher. George’s classes are a model of engagement in rigorous and relevant academic work. George’s students have gone on to attain advanced placement in college programs around the country, and students who weren’t even sure they wanted to take Spanish have also excelled. In short, George Valley is an outstanding teacher worthy of this recognition.”*

**News from the Library:** Karen McCalla reports that it’s been a busy fall in the MRU Library! *“All the iPads are out to students in Grades 7, 8 and 9. This year, we are working with the Tarrant Foundation to provide more professional development for our teaching staff around integrating technology into the classrooms. Teachers in Grades 7, 8 and 9 are working with students using a curriculum from Common Sense Media on Digital Citizenship. Parents can expect to hear more about Family Tech Learning opportunities that we’ll be scheduling in the evenings. The MakerSpace is up and running and students are using the tools and technology to build projects. Last summer, we acquired a 3D printer which allows students to design objects on the computer and print them in PLA plastic. The library staff attended a full week workshop last summer to learn more about 3D printing, including techniques for finishing the completed prints artistically. We’re looking forward to seeing all the creative ways students will use the 3D printer and designing some integration into classroom work. Students have also been enjoying our special displays in the library this fall. Currently, we’re featuring scary books in honor of Halloween, and we’re always showcasing our new books.”*

*Submitted by Adrienne Raymond 492-3578  
Sally-Anne Snarski 492-3505*

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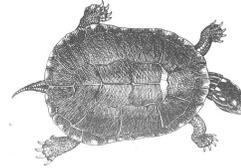
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An Intrepid Group of members turned up on a chilly October Saturday morning to put the swimming area to bed until next summer. They deserve special thanks: Peter Grace, Greg & Galen Miller and Riley. Davis Terrill and Minka, Danny Coté with Dallin and Linnea, Rachelle Patton (Doug Patton did the "cold water work" earlier in the week) Manolo Zelkin and Grace Brigham.

Shrewsbury's glorious fall foliage - and enormous Apple crop herald the season of x-country skiing, snowshoeing and ice skating.

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# **2nd Annual Harvest Dinner**

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**Shrewsbury Meeting House/Town Hall**  
**Saturday, November 21**  
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*Wholesome, local food Menu:*  
*Pulled pork, homemade kraut, baked*  
*potato bar, salads, soups, sumptuous*  
*desserts*  
*and more...*

Suggested donation: \$10/person, children 12 and under FREE

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games, music, a performance from the SMS players, a Mother Earth Parade...  
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## Tinmouth Bat Talk

Alyssa Bennett, small mammal biologist with the state Fish and Wildlife Department, will present a Bat Talk on Friday, October 27 at 6:30pm in the Old Tinmouth Firehouse. It is a kid friendly event and we hope that many folks will come to learn about bats, especially right around Halloween! We also encourage you to bring your own "Bat story." Our hope is to inform people how important bats are to our ecosystem. Bats are not to be feared. Light, "appropriately themed" refreshments will be served!

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56th Annual Halloween Parade Live on PEGTV

PEGTV, Rutland County's public access television station, will be broadcasting the 56th annual Rutland City Halloween Parade live on cable channel 15 starting at approximately 6:30pm, Saturday, October 31, 2015. You can also watch it streamed live on our website pegtv.com on mobile devices or computer.

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## VETERANS' COMMUNITY EXPO 2015



Saturday, November 7 from 11am - 2pm at the American Legion Post 31 33, Washington Street, Rutland.

Welcome all Veterans from all eras, family and friends! Learn more about benefits and services offered specifically for veterans. Connect with fellow Veterans. Refreshments will be served.

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Open Mic Night in Wallingford

The Second Tuesday Open Mic Night will take place on Tuesday, November 10, from 7-9pm at Wallingford Town Hall. Musicians, poets and storytellers are invited to take the stage to perform in front of an enthusiastic audience of friends and neighbors who may sing along, dance or just relax and enjoy the show. A sound system is available. Performers may contact the Town Administrator at 446-2872 or townadmin@wallingfordvt.com for more information. You can sign-up in advance or the same night. Delicious desserts and beverages will be available with non-profit groups receiving the proceeds.

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## Area Lecture/Discussion Programs

Nov 4 @ 7pm: Vermont Humanities 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday Program @ Rutland Free Library. Topic: Churchill and Roosevelt: The Personal Element in Their Partnership (No Fee)

Each Friday @ 1:30pm: Osher Lecture Series @ Godnick Center in Rutland (Fee)



## The Citrus Sale Is Back!

The Shrewsbury Mountain School PTO has partnered with Florida Indian River Groves to bring you the freshest, most delicious citrus just in time for the holidays. Despite being able to buy citrus in the local stores, you simply can't beat the quality of this citrus. Whether you choose navels, grapefruits, tangelos, mandarins, or a mix, your fruit will have been picked especially for your order within four days of shipping! In addition to this very healthy treat, you will be supporting the SMS PTO. Last year we supported a week long artist in residence with Circus Smirkus and purchased a new climbing wall in addition to our year round support of special events. We have plans to support another artist in residence this year in addition to our annual commitments. Funds raised through this sale will help achieve this goal.

To get your fresh fruit simply fill out the order form. (Don't forget to check with family and friends so that you don't have to share this delicious fruit.) Make checks out to the Shrewsbury Mountain School PTO. Orders and payment can be mailed or dropped off at the school.

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All orders MUST be received by November 10 by 3:15. We are unable to add to the order once it has been submitted. Fruit will be delivered at some point during the first two weeks of December. We will call you to pick up your order once it arrives.

Thank you for supporting the Shrewsbury Mountain School PTO. From the first bite, you will be so glad you did. Please contact Michelle Suker with any questions, 747-7745 or [michellebsuker@gmail.com](mailto:michellebsuker@gmail.com).



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*Submitted by Heather Brown*

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Wed, 11/18, Rutland, Linden Terrace, 11am

Thurs, 11/19, Rutland, Maple Village, 10am

Wed, 11/25, Rutland, Godnick Adult Center, 12:30pm

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Sally Deinzer, Manager

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### Hot Soups

### Dates

|                   |                     |
|-------------------|---------------------|
| Italian Vegetable | 11/1, 11/11, 11/21  |
| Butternut Squash  | 11/2, 11/12, 11/22  |
| Clam Chowder      | 11/3, 11/13, 11/23  |
| Yucatan Chicken   | 11/4, 11/14, 11/24  |
| Creole Lentil     | 11/5, 11/15, 11/25  |
| French Vegetable  | 11/6, 11/16, 11/26  |
| Cream of Mushroom | 11/7, 11/17, 11/27  |
| French Carrot     | 11/8, 11/18, 11/28  |
| Chicken Gumbo     | 11/9, 11/19, 11/29  |
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| Tuesday  | Chicken Stew                                   |
| Thursday | Pulled Pork Sandwiches on Rob's home-made buns |

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|       |                                                           |
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| 11/4  | Feta, kalamata olives, marinara sauce & mozzarella cheese |
| 11/11 | Andouille Sausage, marinara sauce, & mozzarella cheese    |
| 11/28 | Pesto, chopped tomatoes & mozzarella cheese               |
| 11/25 | Caramelized onions, gorgonzola & mozzarella               |

In response to the ad in last month's Times, we received several good applications. Interviews and decision-making should take place in early November and our staff should be back to full complement by the time the December issue of the Times comes out.

Also to update last month's report on the Store's progress against our goal to increase sales by 10% over last year, we have had a very busy October. The numbers are not yet compiled for the month, but I expect that they are closer to where we need them to be. Thank you all for your continuing and increasing sup-

port. Keep it coming . . . we hope that you are finding more ways that Pierce's Store can meet your household needs. If there's anything you need or want just ask – we might be able to supply it at a price that fits your budget.

**November 26, Thanksgiving Day,  
we will be open from 8 a.m. to noon**  
for your last minute needs.

Remember to **order your turkey** no later than the end of the day on Thursday, November 12. Complete information and an order form are available at the Store. Or email pierces.store@gmail.com if you have questions.



Here is a photo of some of our shelves. Check it over and maybe you'll be surprised at the variety we stock.

### Friday Night Dinners

Mac & Cheese and Lasagna meals are available from about 11a.m. each Friday until they are gone.

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| 11/6, 11/20  | Rob's Lasagna      |
| 11/13, 11/27 | Rob's Mac & Cheese |

**November 13** – Taffy Maynard will prepare Loin of Pork with Fennel Stuffing, Applesauce, Rosemary Roasted Potatoes and a Kale Slaw.

This will be the only Friday dinner in November because of Thanksgiving.

A limited number of meals will be available. Reservations are a must! Please call 492-3326.

*Meals will be available on Fridays 5:00 to 7:00pm...and on Saturday until they run out.*

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