

Village Resident Sheridan, IL 60551



December 2024/January 2025

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INFO-LINE



<u>Village President</u> Tom Wehner

Village Trustees

Dale Green
Wendy Greenrod
Dave Heubel
Judy Hinterlong
Heather Weber
Marlene Woodward

Village Administrator
Cathy Grimwood

Village Meeting Dates

The regular monthly board meeting is held on the 2nd Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the Village Hall. All meetings are open to the public.

Residents are encouraged to attend and become involved and be informed.

VILLAGE HALL HOURS 7:00—3:00 M-F

Ph:815-496-2251

Visit our website @
www.sheridan-il.us
New village email:
villageclerk@sheridanil.gov



Sheridan Community Club Presents:

Hometown Holiday 2024: Christmas Around the World

Friday December 6th, 2024 4:00pm

4:00pm Come get your Holiday Passport at Centennial Park & Start Visiting Santa's Special Shops to Get Your Holiday Stamps. Once you book is Completed bring it back to Cenennial Park to be entered to win 1 of 5 \$50-\$100 Gift Cards.

5:30pm Parade Lineup on Rowe St

5:45pm Parade on Si Johnson

Following the Parade:
Holiday Book Reading Presented by
The Sheridan Library & Mayor Tom will Present
Santa with The Magically Candy Cane to Light
the Village Christmas Tree

Also Get a Free Photo with Santa with Donation of a Non-Perishable Food Item After the Tree Lighting

The Sippin Shack will be selling Merry Mocktails From 5:30-8pm & Food List will be posted on our Event Page

Sheridan Area Food Pantry

Located at:

Sheridan United Methodist Church 219 S Bushnell Street, Sheridan Open 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of every month from 8:30 to 9:30 am



December dates: December 10 & 24 January dates: January 14th & 28th

Ottawa Community Food Basket

Donates additional food supplies on the 4th Tuesday from 8:30 - 9:30 am with lots of pre boxed items for you.

~December 24th & January 28th Contact Larry Ryg with any questions @ 815-326-0328

or Sharon Johnson @ 815-481-2676



MONTHLY COMMUNITY MEETINGS

Sheridan Historical Society - 1st Tuesday 6:30PM @ Historical Building

Sheridan American Legion - 3rd Tuesday 7:00PM @ Legion

Mission Township - 2nd Wednesday 7:00PM @ Mission Township Building

Sheridan Sanitary District - 4th Wednesday 6:00PM @ Historical Building.

Sheridan Village Board Meetings - 2nd Monday 7:00PM @ Village Hall

Sheridan Fire District Trustee Meetings-1st Thursday 7:00PM @ Fire Station

Sheridan Community Club Meetings-2nd Wednesday 6:30PM @ Sheridan Fire Department

Sheridan Zoning Board of Appeals @ Village Hall - Are always published in the Legal Notices of The Times

Village Permits Issued October/November

- 220 S Dwight St-Carport
- 305 S Beardsley St-Concrete Drive
 - 415 N Bushnell St-Warehouse
- 120 W Sheridan Ave-Private Sewer Repair
 - 800 W Si Johnson Ave-Reside
 - 200 W Park Ave~Reroof
 - 420 N Bushnell St-Demolition

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The Sheridan Fire District has had another some what of a busy year. Currently the department is running about 50 calls ahead of last year at this time.

Some of the accomplishments the District has completed are listed below:

Purchased new training mannequins (\$8000) to help EMTs keep skills up

Went with SURF Internet along with entire new phone system at the Station(\$8000)

Purchased 2 Combo Rescue Tools (\$27,000) for rescue operations(\$20,000 from County ARP)

New undated camera system at station from Correct Electric (\$12,000)

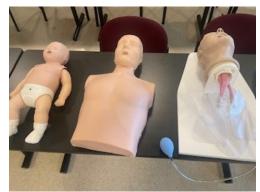
New ambulance on line 9/1/2025 completion 12/31/2025—Approximate cost \$450,000

New Engine ordered, its due May 2026 Cost \$480,000 --20 year, \$350,000 OSFM Interest Free loan, \$17,000 annually for 20 years

New 5 year contract with Serena Fire for ambulance service was signed starting 1/1/2025

Received an ARP Grant for approx. \$17,450.00 to help with salaries

Received a \$2645.00 & \$2970.00 Safety Grant from Illinois Public Risk Fund







The Fire District passed the FY 24-25 Tax Levy at the November meeting. The biggest concern the District is facing is the lack of staffing just like a lot of departments surrounding us. We currently have only 14 on the roster, which includes 3 Paramedics, 2 Intermediates, 8 Basics and 1 Volunteer Firefighter. We will be starting to work on a 5 year plan to help alleviate the staffing problem. We are all part time help here at the station now, hopefully with in the 5 year plan, we will have full time staffing if things work out. Its work in the process of keeping the service up and running. We currently have 2 On Duty from 7 am to 7 pm and the 2 On Call from 7 pm to 7 am. A lot of smaller departments are having staffing issues, unable to find any Paramedics to work.

The Sheridan Fire Department responded to two structure fires in October and November. One being in the 100 block of South Wensland Road with Newark, Sandwich and Somonauk responding for mutual aid along with 12-15 firefighters on sceneThe other at 3998 E 2603rd, with Serena & Newark for mutual aid along with appox. 20 firefighters total on scene. No injuries in either of the fire but extensive fire damage on both incidents.

A reminder to make sure all your smoke and CO detectors are working properly.

Just another reminder, PLEASE make sure your house numbers on posted on your house if you live in the Village limits. There are still quite a few that don't have them.

Any one that may be interested in joining the department, please go to **sheridanfireprotection.org** and fill the questionnaire out or contact Asst. Chief Kyle Cook at 815-496-2296, station non-emergency number. Please follow the Sheridan Fire Department face book page or website to keep up with the latest information we have.



Robert Rowe Public Library

DECEMBER Events

- Festive Holiday Lanterns-Tuesday, Dec 3 at 6:30PM-Adult 18+
- Cookie and Craft Sale-Thursday, Dec 5th 10-5:00PM

Friday, Dec 6th 10-5:00PM Saturday, Dec 7th 9-1:00PM

- Chair Yoga-Tuesdays and Thursdays December 3, 10, 12, 17, 19 & 26 at 10AM
- Tech Help with Steve- Call to Make Appointment
- Preschool Playgroup
 – Thursdays December 12 & 19 at 11AM
- Library Board Meeting-Thursday, December 12 at 6:30PM
- UFO-Mondays December 9, 16 & 23 at 10AM
- Movie Elf and Ornament Making-Monday December 9 at 3PM, All Ages
- Cake & Crime-Wednesday, December 11 at 12:00PM
- Christmas Baby Footprint Craft-Friday, December 13 at 11AM
- Anime Club-Friday, December 13 at 3PM
- Sal Redhawk-Saturday, December 14 at 11AM
- BUNCO-Friday, December 20 at 1PM
- R.E.A.L. Readers-Monday, December 23 at 12:00PM
- LIBRARY CLOSED-Tuesday, Wednesday Dec. 24 & 25th and Tuesday, Dec. 31st
- Tots and Toddlers-Friday, December 27th at 11AM PAJAMA DAY

JANUARY Events

- LIBRARY CLOSED-Wednesday, January 1st
- Anime Club-Friday, January 3rd at 3:00PM
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- UFO-Mondays, January 6, 20 & 27 at 10AM
- Chair Yoga-Tuesdays & Thursdays, January 2, 7, 9, 14, 16, 21, 23, 28 & 30 at 10AM
- Tech Help w Steve-Call to Make Appointment
- Cake & Crime-Wednesday, January 8th at 12PM
- Preschool Playgroup-Thursday, January 9, 16, 23 & 30
- Library Board Meeting-Thursday, January 19th at 6:30PM
- Make your own Magnesium Lotion-Saturday, January 11th at 10AM All Ages
- LIBRARY CLOSED-January 13th
- BUNCO-Friday, January 17th at 1PM
- R.E.A.L. Readers-Monday, January 27th at 12PM
- Rowe Readers-Tuesday, January 28th at 7PM







Sheridan Legion Fish Fry Fridays

Always great fish- fried or poached! Served in lower level, north entrance. (1-pc cod or catfish is just \$13.00 and includes fries, salad bar, and homemade hushpuppies)

Carry Outs Available 815-496-2380. Serving 5:00 to 7:30 PM

\$13.00

Specials in December 2024

6 Dec-Meatloaf, Red Potatoes & Corn Bread

13 Dec-Chicken Pot Pie w/Buscuit

20 Dec –Cornish Hen, Stuffing and Green Beans w/Bacon and Onion \$15.00

27 Dec -CLOSED

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

Specials in January 2025

We are sad to announce that Linda Hinman is leaving Post 729. We thank her for her support these many years, but we are not done serving food at Post 729. Keep your eyes on our sign in front of the building, which will be new soon, just like our dining. It is an exciting time as change comes to Post 729. Thank you.

> Larry Ryg Commander

Sheridan Historical Society Museum Info line...

Merry Christmas

We will be open on Friday, December 6th for the "Hometown Holiday Christmas Around the World event. We will be displaying items from France. If you are not aware, we have all kinds of French Family records. Many of the original settlers in our area were of French descent.

Please take a moment and visit during this special event.

We will have ornaments for the kids to create for our ANCESTOR tree, we look forward to seeing you on December 6th, 2024.

Wishing your family a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Thank you for supporting your local Museum.

Open on Sunday's April—October from 1:00 pm – 3:00pm or by appointment.

Genealogy assistance is available.

Donations always welcome.

Resident Notices:

64. Limited Allowed Use of Snowmobile in Village Limits.

(a) Use Regulations: Except as provided herein, a Snowmobile must obey all Traffic Rules and Regulations as described in the Illinois Vehicle Code and Ordinances of the Village of Sheridan. A snowmobile shall have a functioning, manufacturer's approved muffler. A snowmobile may travel from their point of origin being the residence of owner or operator, in the most direct route to the following designed route without using private property. The following designated may not be used for pleas-



ure riding but merely for ingress and egress. The maximum speed allowed on the following designated rout is 15 m.p.h. In the Village of Sheridan, no snowmobile shall pull any object except an object designed for and properly hooked to a snowmobile. A snowmobile shall be operated on the extreme right side of the roadway or roadway berm. A snowmobile shall be ridden with, and not against, the ordinary flow of traffic. No snowmobile may operate past a church or funeral while any services are in progress. No snowmobile shall be operated on Si Johnson Avenue from Robinson to Barr Street. No snowmobile shall be operated on Robinson Street from Church to Si Johnson Avenue. No snowmobile shall be operated in the Village of Sheridan between midnight and 6:00 a.m. No snowmobile shall be operated on village Right-of-Way unless 6" of snow is present on ground.

(b) Designed Route:

East to West Route: Si Johnson Avenue from the Village Limits at the East Side of Sheridan, West to Robinson Street, North to Burlington Street, West to Barr Street, South to Si Johnson Avenue, West to the Village limits.

West to East Route: Above in reverse.

South to North Route: Robinson Street from the South side of Sheridan to Grant Street, East to Power Street, North to Pleasant Street, East to Cemetery Road, North to Si Johnson Avenue, West to Robinson Street, North to the village limits.

North to South Route: Above in reverse.

(c) Emergency Exception: Not withstanding other provisions of this Article VIII, a snowmobile may operate on any street in the village of Sheridan when a snowmobile is the only form of vehicular traffic that is capable of safe operation within Corporate limits of the Village of Sheridan. This exception may only be declared available by the Village President of the Village of Sheridan, the Chief of Police of the Village of Sheridan, the Department of Conservation, the LaSalle County Sheriff, the Illinois State Police or any official designated by any of these persons.

Notice regarding Leaf Pick-up

Groot will pick up 2 bags of leaves per week with regular waste removal through November.

The village will also pick up leaves as long as they are bagged or in a container on the curb. No pickup will be made if they are not.

If you have any questions, you may contact Village Hall





A big thank you to all who have supported our

efforts to save the environment from plastic waste. We have just completed another Trex Recycling challenge! This last challenge was a change in the Trex programming. Instead of collecting 500 pounds (#) of plastic in 6 months, the new rules are 1,000 # in 12 months. As far as the recycling, these new rules really didn't matter as our community is great to support us in this challenge—we continue as usual. So what if we only get one bench in 12 months and had to collect twice as much - our goal was to help the environment.

This gave us pause to reflect on what you, the community, has done to save the earth from needless plastic in the garbage. If the records are complete, we started the challenge in 2018 and except for the covid era, we have been regular at collecting plastic. Drum roll, please: over 6,000 pounds of plastic have been collected! We have received 11 Trex benches and have distributed them to Jennings Lyon Day Home, Sheridan United Methodist Church, Sheridan Cemetery, Elerding Cemetery, Northville Cemetery, Sheridan between the post office and bank, and this last one that took us a year and 1,000 pounds will go to the Norsk Museum in Norway.

We appreciate everyone who has left us plastic fastened to our wrought iron railings at our church. You are faithful and amazing! Several individuals bring plastic from other towns and we are grateful you faithfully deliver the plastic to us—you have many caring members! We collect the plastic from the Norway Grocery Store weekly, and in the past also from our Sheridan Grocery Store. Also the Robert Rowe Library is a collecting point and each week we are always pleasantly surprised by the growing (overflowing) plastic collection. **Thank you** all for carrying about our environment.

We did some general calculations to give you a better idea of what is involved. To reach 500# means we need to <u>compact</u> all the plastic into 35-gallon bags which will weigh about 8# each. Seven compacted bags can snugly fit into an SUV vehicle. Then a trip to the Hy-Vee in Peru to unload the bags into a designated Trex plastic recycling fenced area about 10' x 16' x 12'. It takes about 9 trips to Peru to complete the 500 #. Now with the new rules, we double that: 18 trips containing 7 bags each!



When we see the Hy-Vee fenced-in area overflowing with compacted plastic, it makes one feel wonderful that this huge amount of plastic is not filling our land fills.

Thank you for helping us collect over 6,000 pounds!

We are continuing with our collections of plastic.

Sheridan United Women in Faith being keepers of God's great earth!



Sheridan United Women in Faith

Phone: 815 496 2021

A big **thank you** to all who donated items for our fall rummage sale and to those who gave a monetary donations into our donation buckets as they rummaged. Our profit on the rummage sale is used for missions - especially missions for women and children. Following is a list of missions we have donated to this fall: Abigail Women's Center in Mendota—\$75; Hope Garden in Utica—\$150; Under His Wings in Ottawa—\$75; Salvation Army in Ottawa—\$75; Equine Horse Ministries—\$75; Open Door in Sandwich—\$75; PADS in Ottawa—\$100; Sheridan American Legion—\$100; and Illinois Valley Older Adults—\$75; Midwest Mission—\$75; Shanna McClimans Choate Food Ministry in Wyoming —\$150; and Operation Christmas Child—\$350. These organizations have all shared their mission and goals with us. The majority of them are within easy driving distance for us. We are blessed to have such great organizations available to help people.

Thank you all for helping us financially donate to these wonderful service organizations.

United Women in Faith is a community of women whose purpose is to know God and to experience freedom as whole persons through Jesus Christ; to develop a creative, supportive fellowship, and to expand concepts of mission through participations in the global ministries of the Church. The vision is turning FAITH, HOPE, and LOVE into action on behalf of women, children, and youth around the world.

Jennings-Lyon Day Home,

A Learning Center 435 N Robinson Street, Sheridan An outreach ministry of Sheridan United Methodist Church



Open 6 am to 6 pm Monday—Friday Programs offered:

Preschool: for 2, 3, 4, & 5 year olds

Preschool with extended care:

ages 2 years through 5 years

School Age Care:

ages 5 years through 12 years: before and after school care; care on No School Days; and Summer Fun Days



Serving the community for over 35 years!

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If you have noticed a lot of activity at 420 N. Bushnell, you will be interested to know, JLDH has bought the adjoining property with the idea of expanding our childcare program. Total demolition of the house is scheduled

for the first week in

December. In the spring we will level the ground and plant a grass playground to be used while we ponder and plan how to expand our current facility to meet the changing needs of this community.



JLDH will be closed from December 23 until January 2



Sheridan United Methodist Church

219 S Bushnell Street, Sheridan Pastor Velda Wright contact SUMC by: Phone: 815 496 2021—leave a message or



Email: umcsheridan@gmail.com

Sunday Worship Service 9:30—10:30

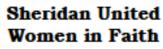
Children's Sunday School:

After the opening call to worship at 9:30, children are dismissed for Sunday School downstairs in the fellowship hall.

Children need a foundation for faith. Come, nurture your soul!

Thank you to the community who supported November's 2nd Monday Supper, which was a delicious turkey meal! It was a great evening of fellowship and many enjoyed the ease of getting carry outs to take home.

We look forward to 2025 with more meals and fellowship! Blessings!



will have their annual Christmas Luncheon

Thursday, December 19th, 12 noon at the home of Linda Floyd and Nancy Marshall. Guests are welcome! For a reservation and directions, call SUMC 815 496 2021 or email: umcsheridan@gmail.com.

LOVE the Greatest Gift

Calling all children and children at heart!

Christmas cookies decorating Saturday,

December 14 at 10 AM. Come have fun

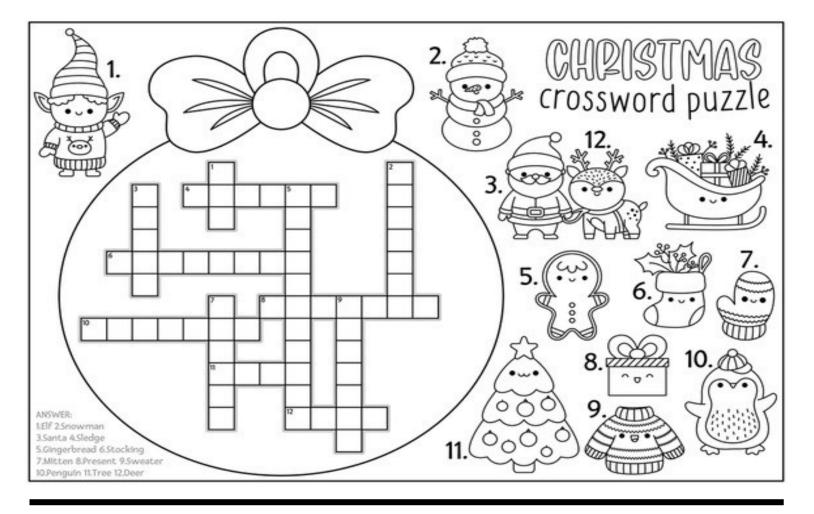
and bring your creative talents!

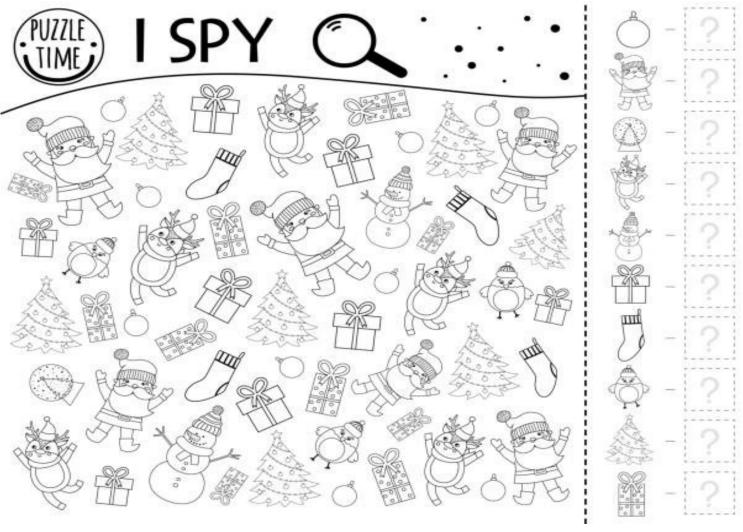


Sunday, December 8, we are having a modified "Hanging of the Greens" Worship Service at 9:30 AM. Come help us adorn our sanctuary for Advent in preparation for the story of Christ's birth and the anticipation of His second coming.
Il are welcome to come and join in our celebration

All are welcome to come and join in our celebration! Help us decorate our tree with Chrismons!

Chrismons, meaning "Christ monograms," traditionally are white and gold designs made from Christian symbols that signify Christ. Often displayed on an evergreen tree during the Christmas season, symbols such as stars, crosses, fish, crowns, and the alpha and omega remind us of Christ's identity, his story, and of the Holy Trinity.







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