



Village of Sheridan  
PO Box 580  
Sheridan, IL 60551

Village Resident  
Sheridan, IL 60551

There is always something  
to be grateful for.

Rhonda Byrne

quote fancy

# SHERIDAN INFO-LINE

April/May 2022



Village President  
Maggie Strothman

Village Trustees  
Peggy Arneson

Shelly Figgins

Darin Naggs

Jamie Skalic

Tom Wehner

Jeff Wilhelm

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**

**Visit our website @  
[www.sheridan-il.us](http://www.sheridan-il.us)**

## SHERIDAN SESQUICENTENNIAL BOOKS COMING THIS SUMMER!



JUNE 24<sup>TH</sup> 2022  
IL. 60551



SHERIDAN  
STATION

Sheridan will be celebrating it's 150th Anniversary in June/July 2022. The Committee is working on putting together a book of memories to commemorate the event.

There will only be a limited supply of books available. Orders will need to be in by April 8th, 2022.

If you are interested in purchasing a copy of the book, please contact Sandy Vahl:  
815-712-0279 (Text) or  
Email: [vahlsp@frontier.com](mailto:vahlsp@frontier.com)

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### Sheridan Historical Society Museum

As Museums reopen, we will start to be open as well on Sundays starting in April. We are mask optional but would like to limit people coming in if possible.

We are also selling T-shirts \$15.00 each. Please stop by to purchase yours! We are accepting new members. If you want to be part of collecting the history, please contact Jean McNelis for membership information.

Sheridan Businesses, we would like a current photo of your business and team. We will be collecting everything we can this year to document our history. Please help us to complete this large task. I need photos no later than April 8th or you may not appear in the book.

Thanks, Sandy

## Sheridan Area Food Pantry

Located at Sheridan United Methodist Church

219 S Bushnell Street, Sheridan

Open 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays of every month from 8:30 to 9:30 am



April dates: April 12th and 26th

May dates: May 10th and 24th

## Ottawa Community Food Basket

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

~ April 26th & May 24th

Contact Larry Ryg with any questions @ 815-326-0328

or Sharon Johnson @ 815-481-2676

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## School Crossing Guard Wanted

The Village of Sheridan is seeking a school crossing guard to ensure the safety of Sheridan Elementary School Students.

Duties will consist of crossing elementary students in the morning from 7:30AM to 8AM and again at 2:45PM to 3:15PM.



Anyone interested should contact Chief Chuck Bergeron at 815-496-2186 or email at [sheridanpolice@mchsi.com](mailto:sheridanpolice@mchsi.com).

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

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

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

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## Village Permits Issued February/March 2022

- 500/502 S Bushnell St-reside



**LaVerne W. Anderson American Legion Post 0729**  
**300 E Si Johnson Ave.**  
**P.O. Box 206**  
**Sheridan, IL 60551**  
**815-496-2380**

**Are you a veteran of the United States Armed Services without an American Legion home? Please accept this invitation to join Post 729 in Sheridan, Illinois. Post 729 is named after WWI veteran, LaVerne W. Anderson. The post was chartered 15 January 1922 and has been home to many over the years. Our mission is to promote patriotism in our children, our community and our country. We also support US veterans and their activities including the Veterans Home in LaSalle, Illinois. We do have several functions each year, and you can participate or not as you choose, but please know you are welcome here! Please call and leave a message if you are interested in joining our group.**

**Larry Ryg**  
**Commander**

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## **Sheridan Legion Fish Fry Fridays**

**Always great fish, fried or poached! Served in lower level, north entrance.**

**(1-pc cod or catfish is just \$10.00 and includes fries, salad,  
and homemade hushpuppies)**

**Carry Outs Available**

**815-496-2380**

<b><u>Specials in April 2022</u></b>	<b>\$10.00</b>	<b><u>Specials in May 2022</u></b>
<b>1 Apr-Salmon Patty w/Mac n Cheese</b>		<b>6 May-2 Tacos, Spanish Rice &amp; Mexican Corn</b>
<b>8 Apr-Smelt, House Potatoes w/Garlic &amp; Bacon</b>		<b>13 May-Chicken Breast, Stuffing w/Gravy and Corn</b>
<b>15 Apr-Pork Chop w/Sicilian Spaghetti and Applesauce</b>		<b>20 May-Bacon spaghetti w/Garlic Bread</b>
<b>22 Apr-Lasagna, Green Beans and Garlic Bread</b>		<b>27 May-Roast Beef, Mashed Potatoes and Gravy</b>
<b>29 Apr-Chicken Pot Pie</b>		





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The Nina LeCuyer Memorial 5K will happen again in 2022. It will be held on the traditional Memorial Day 30 May 2022.

Again we will raise money for Dan Mason, a veteran from Sheridan who had a major stroke at age 40 years. He resides in Florida in a veterans facility where he can receive treatment. Some of his therapy is not covered, and that is where we can help. We are also raising funds for Keith Wilson, a retired police officer and a friend of Nina's family. He has created medical bills fighting his cancer. We can help.

### HOW CAN YOU HELP?

You can run or walk in the Nina LeCuyer 5K. You could volunteer to be a road guard during the 5K. It is run entirely in the village of Sheridan. Or, you could just support the event. Post 729 will have a free breakfast that morning. We will also have a Flag Ceremony in front of our building after which the Color Guard will march to the Sheridan Cemetery where the Post 729 Historian will share a message about Memorial Day. Everyone is welcome.

## Robert W. Rowe Public Library

### April Events

- April 6th -Friends of the Library Meeting 6:30PM
- April 7th-Rock Painting for Teens 3:30PM
- LIBRARY CLOSED-Spring Holiday April 15th
- April 18th-Gnome Garden Craft (Ages 5-12 yrs old) 3:00PM
- April 25th-Afternoon Movie for Kids 2:00PM (Movie-Encanto)
- April 26th-Sue Rezin Office Hours 11AM-2:30PM



### May Events

- May 15th-Young Adult Book Club (Ages 12-17 yrs old) 3:30PM
- May 24th-Sue Rezin Office Hours 11AM-2:30PM

**\*\*Events & Times are subject to change /  
Library is ADA Accessible\*\***

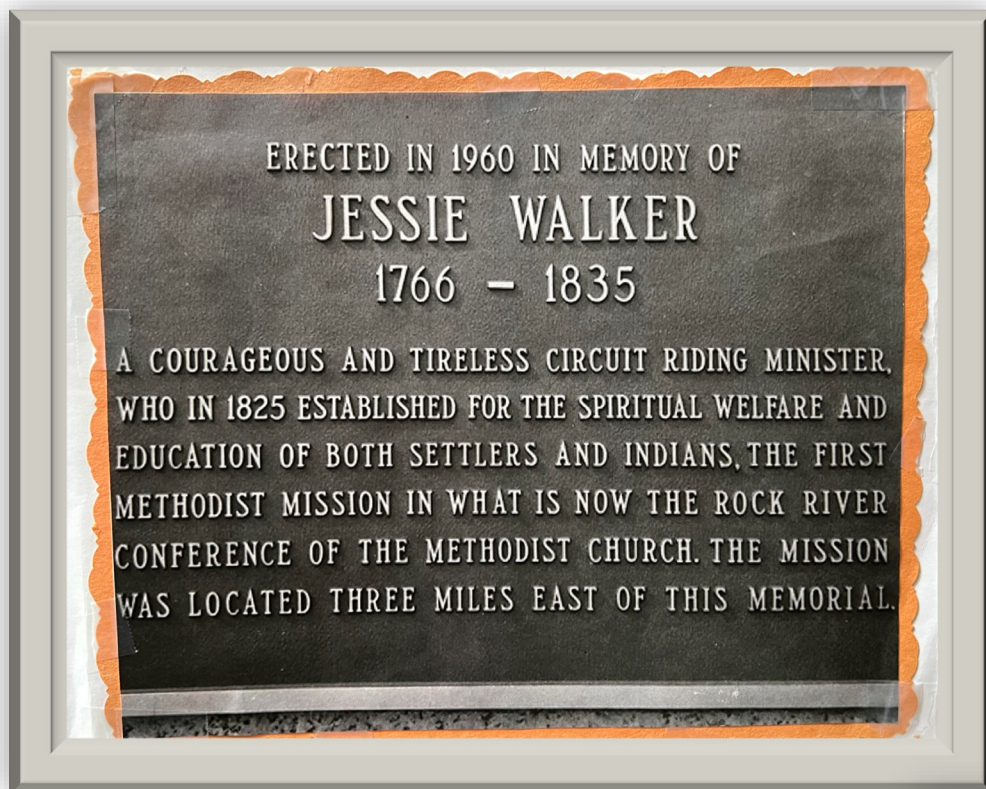
# Sheridan United Methodist Church

Sunday worship service at 9:30 A.M.  
Children's Sunday school  
9:30—10:30 A.M.

## Celebration Serving the Sheridan Community

# 145 Years

### Tidbits of Sheridan Methodist's history beginning



The Methodist history in this community begins long before 145 years, even before Sheridan's 150 years. Come see the giant rock on the south side of our church with this plaque attached.

Left: Plaque honoring Jessie Walker for the first Methodist mission in this community.

Below: June 26, 1960, the dedication of the plaque honoring Jessie Walker with SUMC's Rev. William Moore.





# United Women in Faith

Beginning this year, United Methodist Women will call ourselves United Women in Faith. In the 150 years in mission, our organization has had many name changes. This change is hoping to include more women in all walks of life. This means you can belong to a different denomination but if you want a Christian sisterhood whose focus is on women, children, and youth, come join us. The new mission statement is: United Women in Faith seeks to connect and nurture women through Christian spiritual formation, leadership development, creative fellowship, and education so that they can inspire, influence and impact local and global communities. We will still be doing a lot of the same things we have done in the past years; we remain women in mission who follow God's call for our time.

## Faith Action Sisterhood

**Faith** because at our heart and in our soul, we are a faith-driven organization. We are brought together by our beliefs. We want to do more because of our spirituality. Together we can connect to something bigger.

**Action** because our action speaks louder than our words. We do acts of love. We do acts of faith. We do acts of change. Together we show up and get things done!

**Sisterhood** because we welcome and connect women together. Together, our mission is to boldly act and transform communities.

We hold meetings on the 3rd Thursday of every month at 12:30 P.M. at the church. Driven by God's love and united in sisterhood, we work to improve the lives of women, children, and youth. Every day, we take action. We show up. We get it done. And we invite you to join us. Join us! All are welcome! Women having fun! Women in mission following God's calling.

At our **April** meeting on the 21st our guest speaker will be from Fox Valley Community Services. She will inform us of all the exciting events happening at the center and the bus trips we can enjoy. Come hear about all the services offered.

Our **May** meeting will give us some new perspectives of WW II. Come and hear of adventures and see treasured relics from heroes. Yes, all history buffs are



BY UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH

Our annual spring rummage sale will be May, 5, 6, & 7, at the Sheridan American Legion Hall. Watch for local flyers for the specific times. Bring your items you no longer use.

Come have fun with us!

United Women in Faith is open to any women who wants to be active in Christian sisterhood.





# UMCOR

United Methodist Committee on Relief

How to assist  
the Ukrainian people

Global Ministries | The United Methodist Church

United Methodist and others wishing to provide humanitarian assistance to the Ukrainian people in the wake of the Russian invasion of their country may contribute to Advance #982450, UMCOR International Disaster Response and Recovery. This fund will provide direct assistance to those in Ukraine as well as assistance to Ukrainians fleeing to neighboring countries.



Our prayers  
are needed.

**100% of all Advance contributions go to the designated cause**

Gifts to support the people of Ukraine can be made in the following ways:

- Online at <https://umcmmission.org/advance-project/982450>
- By toll-free telephone: 888-252-6174
- By check made out to Global Ministries/UMCOR with "Advance #982450-Ukraine" written on the memo line, either mailed and addressed to Global Ministries/UMCOR, GPO, P.O. Box 9068, New York, NY, 10087-9068 or given at or through any United Methodist church.

The United Methodist community in Ukraine, though quite small, is actively engaged in assisting neighbors in need. Global Ministries is in touch with the church's leadership as well as with church leaders in countries welcoming those who are fleeing from violence in Ukraine.

**Remember:** The drive thru supper by 5-B's at Sheridan United Methodist Church is Saturday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>. In case you forgot to purchase advance tickets, Larry & Donna will have available some additional tickets in the drive thru.

Choice of:  
2 pork chops or 1/2 chicken  
or 1 chop & 1/4 chicken  
plus baked beans, coleslaw,  
applesauce & roll.



**Saturday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**4:30 - 6:30**

Back by popular demand!



Tickets \$15.00

Drive Thru Location:  
204 W Pleasant St,  
Sheridan, 60551



# Jennings-Lyon Day Home, A Learning Center

An outreach ministry of Sheridan United Methodist Church

435 N. Robinson, Sheridan, Phone 815-496-2782

Having fun using creative talents making Dinosaur Masks!



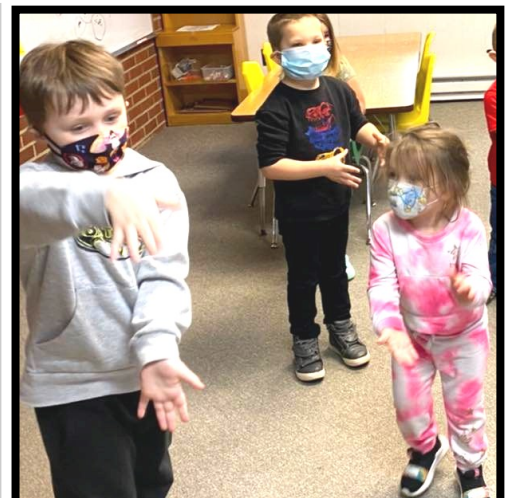
A week long unit on dinosaurs having fun searching for dinosaurs, playing with them and reading about them but the "Dinosaur Stomp" became the



big hit!  
Stomp!  
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Preschool with  
Extended Care &  
School Age Care:**  
Before and after school  
as well as care on  
no school days.  
For more info call  
**815 496 2782**



**Sheridan Historical Society Museum  
2022 Calendar of Events**

Our meetings will be held in the Sheridan Historical Society Building unless otherwise noted.  
These meetings are open to the public. Everyone welcome.

Meeting scheduled for April 5<sup>th</sup>, 2022, 6:30pm  
Planning for Mayor on July 3rd  
Open on 2 Sundays in April  
**April 10<sup>th</sup> and April 24<sup>th</sup> 1:00-3:00pm**

Meeting May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2022, 6:30pm  
Planning July 3<sup>rd</sup> events  
Open 2 Sundays in May  
**Open May 15<sup>th</sup> and May 22<sup>nd</sup> 1:00-3:00pm**

Meeting June 6<sup>th</sup>, 2022, 6:30pm  
Open 2 Sundays in June  
**Open June 12<sup>th</sup> and June 26<sup>th</sup> 1:00-3:00pm**  
**Time capsule will be dug up on June 26<sup>th</sup>-TBD**

Sheridan's 150<sup>th</sup> Celebration weekend  
July 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2022  
July 3<sup>rd</sup> Historical Day  
Mayor Walk -TBD  
Business Walk -TBD  
Special Cancellation  
July 4, 2022- "OPEN HOUSE"  
Museum will be displaying "Sheridan History and Parade Photo's and Time Capsule items  
**Museum will be open from 10:00am-2:00pm all three days**

August 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2022, Meeting 6:30pm  
Discussion of how the 150<sup>th</sup> events went  
**Open August 7<sup>th</sup> and August 21<sup>st</sup> 1:00-3:00pm**

September: No Meeting  
Enjoy the Sandwich Fair  
Display of Sandwich Fair items  
**Open September 11<sup>th</sup> and September 25<sup>th</sup> 1:00-3:00pm**

October 4<sup>th</sup>: 6:30pm Annual Meeting  
"Family History Month- Genealogy Help Available upon request/appointment  
Bring in your Family History and we will assist  
**Open October 9<sup>th</sup> and October 23<sup>rd</sup> 1:00-3:00pm**

No Open Meeting  
November 11, 2022- Museum will be open during the day in honor of Veteran's Day.  
Bring in your Military Photo or American Legion Photo to be copied and returned.  
The Museum will be displaying Military and American Legion items during the month of November.

Museum Building is open limited Sunday's from 1:00pm – 3:00pm, except holidays April – October.  
\*\* Genealogy assistance available on by appointment. \*\*  
We will be open some Saturdays by chance or appointment.  
All other times by appointment only.

Sheridan Historical Society Museum\*185 N. Robinson Street\*Sheridan, IL 60551  
Visit us on Facebook: Sheridan Historical Society Museum Illinois  
\*\*Mask/face coverings are optional to Visit. \*\*  
Open by appointment other times



# ANNUAL GOLF OUTING

Saturday May 14th, 2022

- \$65 PER PERSON IN TEAMS OF 4
- DEADLINE TO REGISTER IS MAY 1ST
- MONEY IS DUE AT REGISTRATION
- REGISTRATION STARTS @ 10:30  
GOLF WILL TEE OFF @ NOON
- COST INCLUDES: 1 ROUND OF GOLF, CART RENTAL, AND LUNCH CHOICE OF BURGER OR BRAT WITH CHIPS & DRINK
- THERE WILL BE GAMES & RAFFLE TICKETS TO PURCHASE FOR SOME GREAT ITEMS
- FOR REGISTRATION CONTACT DAYLE THIBAUT AT 815.325.7477



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HOSTED BY THE SHERIDAN COMMUNITY  
CLUB & SERENA BASEBALL LEAGUE



## SHERIDAN FIRE DEPARTMENT

The Sheridan Fire Department has once again had a busy year. In 2021 the District paid off the new ambulance saving about \$42,000 in interest payments. The District received a \$2700.00 Safety Grant from Illinois Public Risk Fund in which this money will be spent on training mannequins for the EMTs to keep up with their skills practice. The donations in which the District received so far in 2021 and 2022 will also go towards the training mannequins which totals about \$2400.00. We received donations for COVID PPE from different donors. It has been a bit stressful for EMS and Fire personnel dealing with all the COVID situations. Thankfully we are getting back to somewhat normal routine on calls. We still take all precautions regardless of the situation.

The District has upgraded all the lighting in the station to LED thru the AMEREN Incentive Program. This work was completed in January and February of 2022. By going all LED and getting rid of the motion sensor light fixtures, we should see a reduction on the Districts electric bill.

In July or August, the District will be getting the apparatus floor re sealed. This should be the last time this floor has to be done for quite some time, as it has been 10 years already since we have moved in to this current location. A concrete pad will be poured for additional staff only parking at the south end of the bays in April this year.

The biggest concern the District is facing, like many other fire departments, is the staffing shortage. We currently have been very lucky with the staff we have and the availability of them to cover shifts. The District is currently running with all PART TIME staffing. We have 2 paid EMT/FF on duty from 7 am to 7 pm. From 7 pm to 7 am we have 2 FF/EMTs on call, meaning sometimes there is no one at the station, they can respond from home or with in 5 minute response time. In the near future, we will be coming up with figures for full time staff to be at the station 24/7 with part time staffing filling in. Full time figures will include salary, insurance, retirement, overtime etc. It definitely will not be cheap. We currently have 16 members on the department. All but 3 people are employed by their full time jobs. It is getting harder to find anyone that wants to work, especially in the health care field whether it's a fire department, ambulance, nurse, etc. We are not the only department experiencing staffing shortages in the area. People just don't have the time needed to be a volunteer on a fire department anymore with jobs and kids. The days of the Volunteers is going by the wayside sooner than later. With the minimum wage increasing yearly, its hard on small departments like Sheridan other surrounding smaller departments. We have a small taxing district compared to surrounding departments. The majority of the Fire District income is from ambulance calls. If we don't have calls, there is no income except for the tax dollars and some donations. Payroll, utilities, vehicle and equipment maintenance and every day expenses is the priority expenditures for the district. There is no cheap piece of equipment out there to be bought for the fire service or ambulance service. On top of all this is keeping up with training on everything. We have been very fortunate in the past years to be holding our own financially.

In 2022 we will be doing just some station projects along with purchasing some outdated bunker gear and portable radios. The district will be starting to look for a NEW USED PUMPER for the District that is about 10-12 years old. We really can't justify purchasing a brand-new Engine for \$500,000 plus for the small amount of fire calls we respond to unless we get a grant for a new engine. A good used one could be about ½ the cost or less even if we have to have some work done on it to get it upgraded. Our current Engine is a 1997 which cost \$147,000. We just spent about \$8500.00 in repairs recently on valves and maintenance on the engine.

We look forward to another busy year here at the Fire Department. I would like to thank everyone for supporting the Sheridan Fire and Ambulance District.

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Please visit our **Facebook page** or our **NEW WEBSITE—[sheridanfireprotection.org](http://sheridanfireprotection.org)** for the latest information on what the District is doing or has done.

Anyone wishing to become a member of the fire or ambulance department submit an application off the website or stop in and pick up an application. We could use new members who want to be firefighters and/or EMTs.

REMEMBER TO PLEASE MAKE SURE HOMEOWNERS PLEASE HAVE THEIR HOUSE NUMBERS VISIBLE ON THE FRONT OF THEIR HOUSE SO FIRE DEPARTMENT AND POLICE CAN IDENTIFY THE CORRECT HOUSE IN THE TIME OF AN EMERGENCY. THERE ARE STILL QUITE A FEW WITHOUT NUMBERS ON THE HOUSES IN TOWN ALSO CALL 911 FOR ANY EMERGENCY WHETHER YOU NEED THE FIRE DEPARTMENT, AMBULANCE OR THE POLICE.

## Call Statistics for 2021

SHERIDAN COMMUNITY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT CALL STAT RESPONSE REPORT December											
DAYS	FIRE	AMBULANCE		MONTH	FIRE	AMBULANCE	Previous FIRE 2020	Year AMBULANCE 2020	TIME	FIRE	AMBULANCE
Sunday	6	46		January	2	35	4	26	7 AM to 7 PM	29	278
Monday	4	76		February	2	44	4	26	7 PM to 7 AM	19	142
Tuesday	8	53		March	3	38	12	31			
Wednesday	9	57		April	4	32	1	38			
Thursday	9	60		May	2	38	3	32			
Friday	9	68		June	10	44	8	49			
Saturday	3	60		July	3	26	5	33			
				August	6	27	8	44			
				September	4	40	1	28			
				October	5	35	15	40			
				November	2	30	6	44			
				December	5	31	2	31			
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>420</b>		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>420</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>422</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>420</b>
<b>TYPE of FIRES</b>				<b>TYPE of AMBULANCE</b>				<b>HOSPITALS</b>			
MA Received	5	0		MA Received	49	26					
Vehicle	5			MVA	49				Ottawa	133	
Structure	3			MCA	7				Sandwich	100	
Grass/Field	1			Med. Emerg.	139				Other	17	
CO	3			Mutual Aid	22				Non-trans.	227	
Mutual Aid	19			River Rescue					<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>477</b>	
Smoke Inv.	2			Non-Emerg.					<b>PATIENT</b>	<b>AMBULANCE</b>	
Gas Leak	2			Other Cond.	68						
Power Lines	1			Other Trauma	14						
Wash Down				Cardiac	37						
Vehicle Accidents	8			Overdose	5				In District	111	
First Aid	1			False Alarm	5				Out of District	367	
Other	5			Fall Victims	74						
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>48</b>			<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>420</b>				<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>478</b>	
				Pediatric Pts	20				<b>MISC. INFO.</b>	<b>FIRE</b>	<b>AMBULANCE</b>
				<b>LOCATION</b>	<b>FIRE</b>	<b>AMBULANCE</b>					
				In District	26	164			Man Hours	148.83	1245.23
				Out of District	22	256			# of People	2.4	2.37
				<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>420</b>			Time/call	42 Mins	1hr 10 mins
									DOA		11
									Prison		27
									CPR Pts.		8

AMERICAN RED CROSS



**BLOOD  
DRIVE**

## **SHERIDAN FIRE DEPARTMENT** **BLOOD DRIVE 2022**

**APRIL –FRIDAY 22ND 1:00-6:00PM**

**JUNE –FRIDAY 24TH 1:00-6:00PM**

# SHERIDAN'S Townwide Garage Sales 2022



**MAY 7<sup>th</sup> 8-4PM**

If you are interested in having your home added to our map directing people to your sale, please contact:

Village Hall @ 815-496-2251

SUMC sales will also be held May

**The garage sale ad will be published in The Times, and The Record. There will be no charge to be added to the listing!**

**Give us a call to add your address!**

## **SPRING CLEAN UP DAY WILL BE MAY 13th!!**

**We will also be offering our quarterly E-Waste pick-up. These items will also be picked up curbside-just keep separate from other items.**

**(E-waste items would be anything with a motor, cord or battery powered.)**

**THERE WILL BE NO PICKUP FOR CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS**

**Any questions you may have regarding items that will be accepted for pick-up may be answered by contacting Groot at (815)496-9000 or Sheridan Village Hall at (815)496-2251.**

## Spring Clean-up

