

## **Shrewsbury Water Series**

All events to be held at Veteran's Inc., 59 South Street, Shrewsbury

- 1. "Liquid Assets" (movie) - February 13 - 3 pm**
- 2. Drinking Water - March 10 - 3 pm**
- 3. Legislative Roundtable - March 30 - 7 pm**
- 4. "The Big Necessity" - Book Discussion - April 3 - 3 pm**
- 5. Conservation and Preservation - April 28 - 7 pm**
- 6. Water and Wastewater - May TBA - 7 pm**
- 7. Unique Shrewsbury - May TBA**

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# SHREWSBURY WATER SERIES

Participate in our series of events designed to educate and promote discussion on water issues relevant to Shrewsbury residents. These events are free and open to the public. The events are still under development and the information will be updated as the schedule is confirmed.

Check in with the Shrewsbury League of Women Voters on Facebook

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59 South Street, Shrewsbury

## **"Liquid Assets"** – **Movie time! February 13 - 3 pm**

This 90 minute documentary tells the story of essential infrastructure systems: water, wastewater, and stormwater. These systems provide a critical public health function and are essential for economic development and growth. Largely out of sight and out of mind, these aging systems have not been maintained, and some estimates suggest that updating our infrastructure is the single largest public works endeavor in our nation's history.



Discussion following movie.

Additional showings to be aired on SPAC. Dates and times TBA!

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## [Drinking Water](#) - March 10 - 7 pm

### **Speaker Robert Sims: Drinking Water Civil Engineer**

Grafton Board of Water Commissioners - Board of Directors Massachusetts Water Works Association - In 25 years of professional activity, Mr. Sims has worked on water related projects from source development to treatment to distribution system to security and storage.



Where does our water come from? How is our water treated before it reaches our taps? Bottled water or tap water? What do those reports from the water department mean? What can I do to conserve water and save money? How much water does an average household use?

## [Hear from your Legislators](#) - March 30 - 7 pm

Speakers:

Senator Mike Moore

State Representative Matt Beaton and

State Representative Caroline Dykeima

What laws and regulations impact Shrewsbury? What are some of the cost implication and are there ways to fund these costs? Talk to your representatives!

## [Conservation and Preservation](#) - April 28 - 7pm



Route 9, White City Plaza

Mass Audubon's Shaping the Future program will provide an overview of the water resources of Shrewsbury and surrounding towns, and discuss how land use can impact water quality. By strategically protecting undeveloped areas, restoring wetlands and stream corridors, protecting cold water fishery streams, and encouraging Low Impact Development strategies to reduce stormwater impacts, we can protect our water resources for years to come. We will also discuss organic gardening, xeriscape landscaping, and rain barrels.

**Speakers:** Donna Williams, Blackstone Headwaters Coalition  
Stephanie Elson, MassAudubon - Broad Meadow Brook  
Peter Hinrichs, dig-in-it, inc., *Design for Living, Plants for Life*

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## **“The Big Necessity- The Unmentionable World of Human Waste” –**

**by Rose George**

Book Discussion at Tatnuck Booksellers, Westborough –**April 3 - 3 pm**

As one reviewer stated, it’s a “sobering and eye-opening account of just how badly the world handles this one great and inevitable problem.”

## **Wastewater and Stormwater**- May TBA 7 pm

**Bob Tozeski –Superintendent Water & Sewer;**

**Jack Perrault –Town Engineer**



Westborough Wastewater Treatment Plant , serving Shrewsbury Westborough and portions of Hopkinton \$54 million of upgrades and expansion.

Expected completion Fall 2012. What changes were made and why?



What is **stormwater** and where do we send it?  
What’s in my catchbasin?  
How does stormwater impact the wastewater treatment plant?



Listen to information from the Towns’ experts and bring your questions concerning these important topics.

## **Unique Shrewsbury** – May TBA

Despite Shrewsbury’s rapid and extensive growth we have a number of water resources that make us unique. Lake Quinsigamond, Donahue Rowing Center, Dean Park, Prospect Park, Jordan Pond, and Ward Hill have shaped our town and our experiences. In attendance, will be representatives from the Lake Quinsig Commission, the Lake Quinsig Watershed Association, Shrewsbury Historical Society and MassAudubon and Judy Donahue, benefactor of the Donahue Rowing Center and the Dean Park Fountain.



Poor Farm Brook, Shrewsbury

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