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Dear Friend,

The 2nd Annual Shrewsbury Street Italian Heritage Parade will take place on Sunday, October 8, 2023.

The parade begins at noon and will travel along Shrewsbury Street to Washington Square. Participants, including floats, bands and marchers will once again be a source of pride for the entire Worcester County Community, drawing crowds from all over.

This year **our Grand Marshal is J.P. Ricciardi**, J.P. grew up on the East Side of Worcester a true Grafton Hill kid who attended Dartmouth Street Grammar School, Worcester East Middle and Harrington Way Junior High School and Graduated from St. Peter Marian in 1977 where he played baseball and basketball, also playing baseball for the East Side Legion Post and Milford Town Team before attending St. Leo University. He married the love of his life Diane DiPilato they have 2 sons, Dante and Mariano. JP has worked for 43 years in Professional Baseball and has served in many different roles during his career. J.P. feels especially blessed to serve as this year's Grand Marshal and wishes by doing this to honor his parents and grandparents Italian Heritage, as always, ***La Famiglia e Tutto.***

Your ongoing support is greatly appreciated and necessary. It's only with your continued generosity that we will be able to meet parade expenses, which are expected to exceed \$60,000 this year. Whether you make a small donation, become a Sponsor, or place an ad in our Grand Marshal Program Book, we truly appreciate your support.

We are very excited this year to offer both black & white and color ads for our Grand Marshal Program Ad Book. Attached is a sponsorship form, please return it by **September 5, 2023.**

If you have any questions, please contact us: shrewsburystitalianparade@gmail.com or Maria Stella Fiore: 774.253.7015.

Grazie ~ Thank you for your continued support, MAY THE TRADITIONS MARCH ON!!

With kind regards,

Maria Stella Fiore
President
The Shrewsbury Street Italian Heritage Parade Committee