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# Trumbull Town Clerk's Office

## Monthly Newsletter – November 2010

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Gloria Murphy and Susan Cole, Assistant Clerks  
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On behalf of Trumbull veterans and the Trumbull education community, I wish to extend an invitation to attend our Veterans' Day Ceremony on November 11. The program will take place at 10:00 AM in the auditorium of the Madison Middle School before an audience consisting of local veterans and their guests, clergy, school board members and officials of the Trumbull School system, and all the students in the 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> grades at Madison Middle School.

Our guest speaker will be Lt. Colonel (Retired) Robert Selkis, a West Point graduate who served in Vietnam. You are also invited to speak briefly on your feelings about the meaning of Veterans' Day.

An early response to this invitation would be appreciated, either to my web site at [www.post141@aol.com](mailto:www.post141@aol.com) or my home phone at 203-261-6874. Thank you and we look forward to seeing you on November 11.

George Areson Post 141

### Honoring our Veterans

**November 9, 2010**

Christian Heritage School 9:30 a.m.

**November 11, 2010**

Madison Middle School 10 a.m.

November 11, 2010

**Placing of the Wreaths at  
Town Hall Green**

(Immediately following the ceremonies at  
Madison Middle School)

**Some gave all –  
all gave some.**

### Help Us Honor those who Serve!

In honor of our service men and women serving in the military, the Town Clerk and the First Selectman desire to have an Honor Wall in Town Hall for them. Please email a photo (or bring one in) with their name and rank, and where they are stationed and we will be putting it up.

Email to: [sburrmonaco@trumbull-ct.gov](mailto:sburrmonaco@trumbull-ct.gov)

### Town Hall Notice

Town Hall  
will be closed for  
Veteran's Day  
Nov. 11 & 12 and  
For Thanksgiving  
Nov. 25 and 26



### First Selectman Brown Bag Lunches or Coffees

The Brown Bag Lunch scheduled for November 2<sup>nd</sup> has been canceled due to Election Day.

The First Selectman will hold his monthly 'coffee' on Tuesday, November 16<sup>th</sup> at 6 p.m.

### Election Day -November 2 Vote 6 am to 8 pm

- District 1 Hillcrest Middle School
- District 2 Booth Hill School
- District 3 Tashua School
- District 4 Jane Ryan School
- District 5 Middlebrook School
- District 6 Madison Middle School
- District 7 Frenchtown School

**Do your civic duty!!!!**



### Advice from our Police Department

As a safety measure for yourself and your property, please make sure to lock your car if it is left outside overnight. This will help to deter vandalism and thieves from causing damage, or loss to your property.

# Join the Trumbull Community Women for 'A 'Hypnotic" Evening with TCW

Featuring a Hypnotist and a Comedian

Saturday, November 6, 2010

6:30 to 11 p.m.

Courtyard by Marriott

780 Bridgeport Avenue, Shelton

Appetizers, Buffet Dinner Entrees and Dessert; Cash Bar and lots and lots  
of laughs.

Silent Auction, Box Auction  
\$55 per person

For questions or reservations contact,  
Michele Cohen 203-435-2112  
or email [info@trumbullcommunitywomen.org](mailto:info@trumbullcommunitywomen.org)

## *In Flanders Fields*

"**In Flanders Fields**" is one of the most notable poems written during World War I, created in the form of a French rondeau. It has been called "the most popular poem" produced during that period.<sup>[1]</sup> Canadian physician and Lieutenant Colonel John McCrae is popularly believed to have written it on 3 May 1915, after he witnessed the death of his friend, Lieutenant Alexis Helmer, 22 years old, the day before. The poem was first published on 8 December of that year.

In Flanders fields the poppies blow  
Between the crosses, row on row,  
That mark our place; and in the sky  
The larks, still bravely singing, fly  
Scarce heard amid the guns below.

We are the Dead. Short days ago  
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,  
Loved and were loved, and now we lie,  
In Flanders fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe:  
To you from failing hands we throw  
The torch; be yours to hold it high.  
If ye break faith with us who die  
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow  
In Flanders fields.



## American Legion Bingo Come and join in the fun!!!

American Legion Bingo takes place every Wednesday beginning at 6:30pm in the Veterans Hall on Whitney Avenue. Doors open at 5 pm. Twenty games are played with a weekly jackpot (prizes as high as \$1600). Families are welcome at this event and children ages 12 and up may play. Admission is \$2.00. Bingo card fees are extra.

## *Town Phone Directory*

First Selectman, Timothy M. Herbst  
203-452-5006  
Animal Control, Lynn Dellabianca  
203-452-5088  
Arts Cordinator, Emily Areson  
203-452-5065  
Building Dept.  
203-452-5020  
Business Education Initiative and the Cable  
Television Advisory  
John Annick 203-377-5803.  
Fire Marshal, Meghan Murphy  
203-452-5080  
Transfer Station  
203-452-5167  
Chief of Service, EMS, Barbara Crandall  
non-emergency number, 203-452-5146  
HR/Civil Service, Mary Ann Meier  
203-452-5040  
Engineering  
203-452-5045  
Finance Director, Maria Pires  
203-452-5009  
Golf Course Superintendent  
203-452-5085  
Golf Pro Shop  
203-261-5989  
Health Department  
203-452-5184  
Highway Garage  
203-452-5070  
203-452-5071  
Internal Auditor, James Henderson  
203-452-5064  
Librarian, Susan Horton  
203-452-5129  
Library  
203-452-5197  
Nature and Arts Center  
203-452-4421  
P&Z, Helen Granskog  
203-452-5047  
Police Chief, Chief Thomas Kiely (non-  
emergency) 203-261-3665  
POLICE EMERGENCY 911  
Probate, The Hon. John Chiota  
203-452-5063  
Public Works, John Marsilio  
203-452-5045  
Purchasing, Robert Chmini  
203-452-5042  
Recreation, Mary Markham  
203-452-5060  
Registrars of Voters,  
William Holden & Jane Aiello  
203-452-5058 and 203-452-5059  
Senior Center, Jean Ferreira  
203-452-5199  
Superintendent of Schools, Ralph Iassogna  
203-452-4301  
Tax Assessor, Mark DeVestern  
203-452-5016  
Tax Collector, Mary Moran  
203-452- 5024  
Town Clerk, Suzanne Burr Monaco  
203-452-5037  
Town Treasurer, John Ponzio  
203-452-5012  
Trumbull Historical Society  
203-377-6620  
Zoning Office  
203-452-5052

## TRUMBULL ARTS COMMISSION

### CONCERTS AND CABARETS

*Sunday, November 14<sup>th</sup>* – “Beautiful Night” -1pm Cabaret, Dr. Joe Utterback, Michael Jovovich, Tony LaVorgna, Brian Coralian & Nick Macri – playing and singing a collection of Winter songs

*Sunday, January 16<sup>th</sup>* – “From Op to Pop” – 1pm Concert Seating, NO Refreshments, Jodi Keogan - soprano, Mark Watson baritone, David Shenton –piano, Opera and popular music

*Friday, February 18<sup>th</sup>* – “Songs from the Heart”, 7:30 pm Cabaret, Michael Jovovich & Dr. Joe Utterback, Tony LaVorgna, Brian Coralian, Nick Macri

*Friday, March 11<sup>th</sup>* – “River City Slim & the Zydeco Hogs”, 7:30 pm cabaret, Zydeco, Cajun music and lore

*Friday, March 25<sup>th</sup>* – “The Kerry Boys”, 7:30 pm Cabaret, Irish songs and humor

*Friday, April 15<sup>th</sup>* – “Radio Ranch”, 7:30 pm Cabaret, Country Western Dance Band

*Friday, April 29<sup>th</sup>* – “Broadway to Hollywood”, 7:30 pm, Cabaret, Joanne Kant & Wanda Grochowski, comedy and songs

*Friday, May 13<sup>th</sup>* – “Fiesta del Norte”, 7:30 pm Cabaret, Interactive Mariachi Band celebrating Cinco De Mayo

*All performances take place at the Center at 23 Priscilla Place in Trumbull. Pre-Purchase Tickets is suggested. \$5.00 per person. Space is limited. Bring your own refreshments. For more information, or to purchase tickets, please call Emily Areson at the Arts Commission office, 203-452-5065.*

## SNOW REMOVAL POLICY

- Prior to a storm, regular weather reports are received, and manpower is made available. As the snow starts to fall, manpower is deployed on an as needed basis. Once the storm is upgraded to **all out**, as many as 23 plow trucks and 3 supervisors are on the road.
- Please remember...emergency responders come first, so Police, Fire and EMS vehicles shall take preference.
- Main roads are plowed first, collector streets next, and dead-ends last.
- Please don't shovel the end of your driveway too soon, as it will only frustrate you each time the plow goes by and fills in the area with snow.
- Any objects, such as mailboxes, posts, fences, sprinkler heads, curbing, etc., within the roadway area that are damaged, should be called in to the Highway Department at (203) 452-5070 within 2 weeks of the occurrence of a storm.
- In the event that a parking ban becomes necessary, it will be posted on WTNH (channel 8), WICC 600 AM radio, and periodically on WFSB (channel 3). If our plow is unable to do its job because a vehicle is parked on the road, **IT WILL BE TOWED.**



**Thank you in advance for your kind cooperation  
during this busy season!**

## Senior News

St. Joseph's Manor presents The Trumbull Senior Center Smile A While Show, Wednesday, Nov. 10 at 12:30 pm. The afternoon will be filled with dancing and singing. Dessert Buffet, Free of Charge. Tickets are available at the Senior Center.

### *November Shopping Trips –*

Nov. 10, Christmas Tree Shop, leave at 10:30 am return at 2:30 pm.

November 17, Wal-Mart, leave at 10:30 am returns at 2:30 pm. Call for reservations.

*Social Services Office* - Energy Assistance Program – taking applications by appointment only. Call to schedule an appointment (203)452-5198.

Trumbull Food Pantry is open to all residents. Call in advance to make an appointment.



### *Human Resources*

HELP WANTED:

PT KENNEL ASSISTANT

\$11.50 PER HR

Up to 19.5 hours per week, weekends and holidays.

Visit [www.trumbull-ct.gov](http://www.trumbull-ct.gov) under employment opportunities for qualifications.

### 2010 LEAF PICK UP SCHEDULE

### *Pick Up dates are:*

District 7 – November 4

District 5 –November 22

District 3 -December 8

District 2 –December 22

District 4 –November 15

District 6 –December 1

District 1 –December 15

Note that this schedule is consistent with the format for the rotation of the Voting Districts that has been in place for many years. District 7 was second last year and it is first this year, rotating up the chain of order. Next year District 7 will be last.

THE DISTRICTS THAT DO NOT START ON A MONDAY WERE DONE SO TO ACCOUNT FOR HOLIDAYS AND PERMIT 5 DAYS OF PICK UP PER DISTRICT.

WEATHER CONDITIONS MAY PUSH THE LEAF SCHEDULE BACK.

NOTE: THE LEAVES MUST BE OUT BY 7:00 A.M. ON THE FIRST DAY OF THE WEEK OF COLLECTION. IF THEY ARE PUT OUT AFTER THAT DATE THEY WILL NOT BE PICKED UP.

THE LOOSE LEAF PICK-UP PROGRAM IS DONE ONLY ONCE ON EACH STREET. DO NOT EXPECT TO HAVE THE TRUCKS COME BACK TO YOUR STREET. A COMMON COMPLAINT IS THAT OUR TRUCKS “MISSED” ONE HOUSE ON THE STREET, BUT THAT IS IMPOSSIBLE AS THE TRUCKS MOVE RIGHT ALONG THE GUTTER. IT IS ONLY POSSIBLE IF YOU PUT YOUR LEAVES OUT AFTER THE TRUCKS HAVE GONE BY!

As in years past, DO NOT PUT THE LEAVES IN THE ROADWAY. ANYONE PUTTING LEAVES IN THE ROADWAY WILL BE SUBJECT TO A \$90 FINE. Putting leaves on the pavement presents potentially dangerous situations:

- Your road becomes narrow and cars passing in opposite directions could come dangerously close to each other.
- In the event of rain, the leaves wash in huge quantities down to the nearest storm water inlet, or catch basin, blocking off the top. This makes for even more accumulation of water as the hill of the street proceeds, until it gets to the valley (or low point in the road) where the water is likely to flood over the lawn and into the house or property of your neighbor at the bottom of the hill.
- Leaves on the road under normal fall conditions are slippery; thick leaves are VERY slippery.
- In the event of an early snowfall, leaves in the gutter are plowed back onto your lawn...maybe 10 or 15 feet.

While some people think the leaves kill the grass, our experience shows this does not happen frequently. The grass may show signs of stress because it is covered over, but come the spring most residents report no problem. This is particularly true if we are able to keep the program on schedule.

If you want to be EXTRA HELPFUL, please consider the disposal of leaves on your own property. Create your own compost site, or bring them into your woods and disburse them around the trees. Your “forest” will be healthier for your efforts, and you will help your Town by keeping the cost of this program down!

PLEASE DON'T DUMP YOUR LEAVES ON SOMEONE ELSE'S PROPERTY OR THE VACANT LOT ON THE STREET, UNLESS YOU HAVE THE OWNER'S PERMISSION.

Residents in all districts may call for bagged leaf pickup throughout the program period – 452-5070 or 452-5071. All bagged leaves must be in PAPER BAGS or they will not be picked up. Use these same numbers for any questions or comments.