



Trumbull Town Clerk's Office Monthly Newsletter – November 2012

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VA Road Race

VA Connecticut Healthcare System will host its fifth annual Veterans Day 5k Walk/Run for Fun on Monday, Nov. 12 at 10am at our West Haven Campus, 950 Campbell Avenue. Event is open to all ages and skill levels with the course entirely on the grounds of the healthcare system.

Registration is \$15 through Oct. 31 and \$20 Nov. 1 through race day. Race day registration begins at 8am. T-shirts will be available to those who pre-register and as available on race day. Online registration is also available at [Hi-Tek Racing](#). For more information, contact Donna Cramond at 203-261-7963.

The Town Clerk's Office is collecting funds for "Care Packages for Soldiers" in our office.

All proceeds are sent to "Project from the Heart" and are used for postage.

Help us aid our soldiers and military personnel.

Thank you,

*Suzanne Burr Monaco, Town Clerk
We have collected \$1,072.00 as of 10/26
for the soldiers.*

*We appreciate your kindness
and support!*

Celebrating our Veterans

Christian Heritage School (575 White Plains Road) will have its annual honoring of our veterans on Wednesday, November 9, 2012 at 9 a.m. Please call for further details. - 203.261.6230

Trumbull Public Schools will hold its annual Veterans ceremony on Friday, November 9th, 2012. The veterans will go to the auditorium at 8:00. Veterans will deploy to classes at 10 am for one-on-one interaction.

Wreath placement only will take place at Town Hall on Sunday, November 11 at 11 a.m.

**Town Hall
will be closed
for Veterans Day,
Monday,
November 12th,
2012 in honor of
our Veterans.**



From the Building Department

On 10/1/12, Public Act 12-184 went into effect. The new law requires impertinent part that, 'Whenever any private residential dwelling designed to be occupied by one or more families is occupied during interior alterations or additions requiring a building permit, the temporary installation of battery-operated smoke detection and warning equipment and, if there is a fuel burning appliance, fireplace or attached garage present, battery-operated carbon monoxide detection and warning equipment shall be required in the vicinity of, and during the performance of, such alterations or additions. Such equipment shall be of a type of technology that is tested and certified pursuant to standards issued by the American National Standards Institute or Underwriters Laboratories. Such equipment may combine smoke and carbon monoxide detection technology into a single device.'

This law has not been inserted under the statutory authority of either the Building Officials or fire marshals, leaving responsibility for compliance with the homeowner. This legislation was the result of the horrific incident that occurred in Stamford, CT on Christmas morning, 2011.

For further information please contact the Building Department at 203-452-5020.

November at the Trumbull Historical Society

November 4th 2pm: The Trumbull Historical Society presents "Soldier and Civilian Accounts of the Battle of Gettysburg" with local author and historian Kevin Drake. The THS continues its Civil War series honoring the 150th anniversary of the War with a lecture focusing on what it was like for the townspeople of Gettysburg as well as the experiences of both Union and Confederate soldiers. Kevin Drake is the owner of Gettysburg Publishing LLC. and author of the books *A Quiet Town No More* and *Test Your Knowledge on the Battle of Gettysburg*. His books will be available for purchase at the event. Free. More information at Trumbullhistory.org or call 203-377-6620.

November 10th 11am: "Trumbull, Then and Now." The Trumbull Library and Historical Society are partnering up for a special slide show presentation focusing on the many ways Trumbull has changed, and also the ways it has stayed the same! Photos from the Historical Society's pre-1940 photo collection will be compared to photos of Trumbull as it looks today. Guests are invited to bring their own photos and stories of Trumbull. Please register through the Trumbull Library's website. This event will be held at the Fairchild Library. Refreshments provided by the Trumbull Library.

First Selectman Brown Bag Lunch or Coffee

The First Selectman's Brown Bag Lunch scheduled for November 6th has been canceled due to the election. First Selectman's coffee is on November 20th at 6 pm

Red Cross Blood Drives

11/3 Spring Meadows, 6949 Main Street, Trumbull, 7:30 a.m. -12:30 p.m.

11/9 R.D. Scinto Towers, 2 Corporate Drive, Shelton, 8 a.m. -1:45 p.m.

11/10 Long Hill Baptist Church, 100 Middlebrooks Ave., Trumbull, 8a.m. -1pm

11/15 West Haven Veterans Hospital, 950 Campbell Avenue, West Haven, 8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

11/20 Peoples United Bank, 850 Main Street, Bridgeport, 8 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Do You Need an Absentee Ballot?

Absentee Ballot Applications are available in the town clerk's office or on the Town Clerk's website.

For more information on Absentee ballots, go to the following link!

http://www.trumbullct.gov/filestorage/7112/7211/Everything_You_Need_to_Know_About_Absentee_Ballots.pdf

In the middle of the page, click on the link "Everything you need to know about absentee ballots" presentation. If you have further questions do not hesitate to call the office at 203-452-5037.

Historical Society

The Historical Society will sponsor a Holiday House Tour on December 8th from 11am-4pm. The tour will include 7 homes including the Historical Society. We have a variety of architectural styles to showcase on the tour. Tickets are priced at \$20.

Volunteers are needed. As a thank you for volunteering, you will be able to purchase a ticket to the tour at 50% off (\$10) to use before or after your shift. There will also be a reception at the Historical Society that day where guests and volunteers can enjoy refreshments. We will be having some beautiful new displays this year showcasing Christmas traditions from the 17th century through present day. We will also be conducting several raffles.

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 Department, 203-452-5020
Business Education Initiative and the

Cable Television Advisory
John Annick 203-377-5803.

Fire Marshal, Megan Murphy
203-452-5080

Transfer Station, 203-452-5167
Chief of Service, EMS, Barbara Crandall
non-emergency number, 203-452-5146

Civil Service /HR, Mary Ann Meier
203-452-5040

Economic & Community Development
Director, Ed Lavernoich 203-452-5043

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 or 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

Recycling Coordinator, Robin Bennett
203-452-5056

Registrars of Voters,

William Holden & Laurel Anderson
203-452-5058 and 203-452-5059

Senior Center, Jean Ferreira - 452-5199
Social Services, Jennifer Gillis
452-5198

Superintendent of Schools,
Ralph Iassogna - 203-452-4301
Tax Assessor, Mark DeVestern
203-452-5016

Tax Collector, Mary Moran - 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

Library News Veterans Day Holiday—Monday Nov. 12— Libraries Closed.

Friends' of the Library Book Nook Sale. Sat. Nov. 3, 9am - 3pm. Friends of the Trumbull Library sales are the first Saturday of each month from September through June. For information or to volunteer, call the Library or get contact information at their website: <http://friendsofthetrumbulllibrary.books.officelive.com>.

Trumbull Women's Club Bake Sale Held in Main Library Lobby. Sat. Nov. 3, 9am-3pm.

How to Fund College Without Going Broke. Sat. Nov. 3 & 10, 11am - 12:15pm. Trumbull resident Mike Dailey's excellent class covering the best way to manage the expense. See where you are and how you can get there! Program includes a family financial run. Register. Free.

Non-Fiction Discussion Group: The Director's Club! Brown Bag Lunch Meeting. Wed. Nov. 7, 12 – 1pm. Today's title is **Wild: From Lost to Found on the Pacific Crest Trail**, by Cheryl Strayed. At age 26, after Strayed lost her mother and her marriage, she made the most impulsive decision of her life: to hike the Pacific Crest Trail from the Mojave Desert to Washington State. **Wild** is an unsentimental memoir of a young woman built back up by her solo trek. Check at the Library for copies of upcoming titles; suggestions welcome! Drop by if you'd like to join!

Film Fanatics! Join New Film Club - Discuss the Christmas Blitz with Joe Meyers, Hearst Media Entertainment Writer! Wed. Nov. 7, 6:30 – 8pm. Joe Meyers continues our new Film Club, with a discussion on holiday releases with fellow film fanatics. Drop in. Free.

Veterans: How to Transition from Military to Entrepreneur. Evening Career Lectures. Thurs. Nov. 8, 6:30 - 7:30pm. Can you see yourself as the boss? Learn tonight how to how to find a business and take control of your career. What you learned in the military (your background, maturity, training) makes you a strong candidate to explore options for business ownership. Registration requested. Free.

Database Discovery. Fri. Nov. 9, 10 - 11:30am. Come and learn about some of the great electronic databases the Trumbull Library has available for its constituents. Lecture/Demonstration by Reference Librarian, Walter Dembowski. Register. Free.

Beyond Deeds and Mortgages: Genealogy and Land Records. Sat. Nov. 10, 10am – 12pm. Frederick C. Hart, Jr., CG, FASG, will show us surprises and stories in the Land Records you may not know about! He will walk us through the back pages of some Fairfield County town land records to discover clues and sidebars to your own family history! Co-sponsored by TLS and Connecticut Ancestry. Drop in, and register at 10am; lecture starts at 10:30am. Free. Co-sponsored by CT Ancestry Society and TLS.

What's In Your Food? A Lecture on GMOs and Food Labeling. Tues. Nov. 13, 6:30 – 8pm. Tara Cook-Littman, leader of the group GMO Free CT, will present tonight's talk on Genetically Modified Organisms (GMOs): what they are, how they affect our health and environment, and why food products should be properly labeled. GMO Free CT is an advocacy organization to educate consumers, farmers, and the state government about the dangers of GMOs. Drop in. Free.

Children's Events

Family Chess Club. Sat. Nov. 3, 10am - 12pm. Chess learners and experts from 4 to 94 are welcome. Meet in the Children's Section with your own board, or come to watch. Club meets the first and third Saturdays (except for long weekends). Free.

Fairchild Nichols Branch

Branch Adult Event: Trumbull Then and Now: Recently Digitized Photos Shared by the Trumbull Historical Society! Sat. Nov. 10, 11am – 12pm. Tonight we will enliven our history, and discuss the people, their stories, and the historical context in these recently-digitized photographs brought to the Fairchild Nichols Branch Library, from 1860s - 1950s! Audience participation encouraged! Bring your own photos and share your stories! Presented by members of the Society. Registration required. Free. Hot cider and donuts!

Check out our website at www.trumbullct-library.gov, see upcoming events from the home page, and register online. 203-452-5197.

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.

Senior Citizens News

Elderly/totally Disabled Renters' Rebate Program – Trumbull Social Services will be taking applications through September 15, 2012. Applicants filing must have been born on or before December 31, 1946. Qualified, totally disabled persons are between 18 and 64 years old only. Contact Social Services 203-452-5198.

AARP DRIVER SAFETY PROGRAM

Take the classroom refresher course especially designed for drivers aged 50+. Fees are \$14/\$12 for AARP members. This month Veterans' take the class for free. The next class will be held Friday, November 16 from 9am-1 pm at the Senior Center. Preregistration is required; please come to the Senior Center to make a reservation.

Social Services

Beginning October 15, Social Services will begin taking applications for the 2012/2013 Winter Heating – Energy assistance program. Please call the office to obtain this year's program requirements and to schedule an appointment. No walk-ins will be accepted. Home visits are available for those in need.

The Trumbull Food Pantry is available to all residents in need. Please call in advance for an appointment. Please call 203-452-5198 for guidelines and an appointment.



Trumbull Town Hall is closed on Monday, November 12 in remembrance of Veterans Day and on Thursday, November 22, and Friday, November 23 for the Thanksgiving Holiday.

Political Signs in Trumbull

Please remove signs from your property promptly after the election on November 6. Thank you.

Recycling News

Trumbull residents should have received a postcard outlining the components of the single stream recycling program. Single stream means that all items can be placed in one bin without separation of paper from containers. With the new program, residents can place more items in their recycling bins. Some of the new items include all plastics #1-7 (except Styrofoam), paper milk, juice and egg cartons, phone books and empty, non-toxic aerosol cans. Residents can begin putting these items in their bin immediately.

Did you know that recycling one aluminum can saves enough energy to run a television for 4 hours and recycling one glass bottle saves enough energy to run a computer for 30 minutes? Read more recycling facts and pledge to recycle at www.americarecyclesday.org. America Recycles Day is November 15, 2012.

Additional blue recycling bins can be purchased for \$5 at the Trumbull Highway Department located at 366 Church Hill Road. For more information or questions contact Robin Bennett, Recycling Coordinator, by phone at 203-452-5056 or by email at rbennett@trumbull-ct.gov

Don't forget to register your dog in the Town Clerk's Office. Cost is \$13 or \$23.00

Take the time to thank a Veteran

Each and every day in our lives, the impact of what those who fought for us did can be felt, and should be acknowledged and appreciated. I thank Trumbull Public Schools and Christian Heritage School for continuing to honor the veterans and for their wonderfully inspiring programs.

So, take the time today or any other day, if you see someone wearing a hat proclaiming American Legion Member, VFW Member, WW II Veteran, Korean Veteran, Viet Nam Veteran or any other conflict veteran, go up and thank them for their service. It will bring a smile to their face!

Thank you!

