



# Trumbull Town Clerk's Office

## Monthly Newsletter – March 2014

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9 AM – 5 PM

*Suzanne Burr Monaco, Town Clerk*  
*Gloria Murphy and Susan Cole, Assistant Clerks*  
*Marilou Mangiamele, Office Clerk*

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*



*As of 2/25/2014 we have collected \$2,900.00 for our servicemen and women. As always, we appreciate your kindness and support!*

## Memorial Day Parade-



The Memorial Day Parade Committee wishes to thank all of those who responded to the survey on setting a time for the parade. It will take place on Monday, Memorial Day, May 26<sup>th</sup> at 10 am. The ceremony will begin in front of Town Hall at 9 am.

## Advice from the American Heart Association on Stroke and Heart Attack

### Most Common Stroke Warning Signs

- Sudden numbness or weakness of the face, arm or leg, especially on one side of the body
- Sudden confusion, trouble speaking or understanding
- Sudden trouble seeing in one or both eyes
- Sudden trouble walking, dizziness, loss of balance or coordination
- Sudden, severe headache with no known cause

Any of the above symptoms may be temporary and last only a few minutes. Don't ignore them! If symptoms appear, call 9-1-1 to get medical attention immediately.

### Most Common Heart Attack Warning Signs

- Chest discomfort in the center of the chest that lasts more than a few minutes, or that goes away and come back. It can feel like uncomfortable pressure, squeezing, fullness or pain.
- Discomfort in other areas of the upper body. Symptoms can include pain or discomfort in one or both arms, the back, neck, jaw or stomach.
- Shortness of breath. This feeling can occur with or without chest discomfort.
- Other signs. These may include breaking out in a cold sweat, nausea or lightheadedness.

As with men, women's most common heart attack symptom is chest pain or discomfort. But women are somewhat more likely to experience some of the other common symptoms, particularly shortness of breath, nausea, vomiting, and back or jaw pain.

If you or someone you're with has chest discomfort, especially with one or more of the other signs don't wait, call 911 or seek medical attention right away.

## Scouts in Government Day

For over forty years, the town of Trumbull in cooperation with Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts has offered local scouts (who are ten years old by the date of the event) Scouts in Government Day. The scouts spend time with local officials, employees and volunteers to learn about the operation of their town.

This year's Scouts in Government Day will be held on Thursday, April 3, 12:45 to 3:15pm. Scouts must write an essay to apply for a position. Essays must be received by Wednesday, March 19th. Application forms and Lists of Positions are available from troop leaders, at the Town Clerk's office and at both branches of the Trumbull Library.

## Trumbull Arts Commission presents

### “Concerts and Cabarets”

March 9	“Goldrush” Accoustic Country Band, 1 p.m. (daylight savings time)
March 23	“Primavera Duo”, Traditional Italian-American Music, 1 p.m.
April 6	“Key West Trio”, Tropical Island Flavor Music, 1 p.m.
April 25	Krista Adams Santilli & Friends, Cabaret Potpourri, 7:30 p.m.
May 9	“Fiesta del Norte”, Interactive Mariachi Band celebrating Cinco de Mayo, 7:30 p.m.

Applications for Literary and the Arts Festival are available online at <http://www.trumbull-ct.gov/content/10623/10655/10687/default.aspx> or [www.trumbull-ct.gov](http://www.trumbull-ct.gov), and click on Arts.

### **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 \$1,600). Families are welcome at this event and children ages 12 and up may play. Admission is \$2.00. Bingo card fees are extra.

## Public Works Department

The bulk pick-up program will start in April, 2014, and residents can call the Highway Dept. at 452-5070 towards the end of February for an appointment – it is by appointment only. The program generally ends in September. It's for large, bulky items such as furniture, rugs, appliances and brush/branches cut to within 4 feet in length. Nothing small - nothing in bags or boxes, and no demolition materials.

### SNOW PLOWING POLICY

There are approximately 200 miles of streets in Town. Snow removal can cost as much as \$4,000 per hour; therefore, it is important for the Department of Public Works to use its resources wisely, with cooperation from the residents to minimize the cost.

**PLOW ROUTES:** The streets are plowed and sanded in order of priority. Main (collector) roads are addressed first with special attention to steep hills, and difficult intersections. Side streets are done next, then dead end streets. Side streets may remain unplowed if the main roads require repeated plowing. This may not seem fair to the residents of side streets or dead ends, but main roads must remain open.

**BLOCKED DRIVEWAYS:** All snow plows angle the same way – to the driver's right, – and when going by they will push the snow in front of a driveway. The homeowner is responsible for access to his driveway. The **only way** to avoid extra shoveling is to wait until DPW crews have done **their final clean up** on the street.

**MAILBOX DAMAGE:** The Town repairs or replaces only mailboxes and/or posts that are actually struck by a plow blade. Usually a paint mark or truck-tire tracks supply evidence of a mailbox strike. The Town does not repair or replace mailboxes and/or posts that fall from the force of plowed snow. Mailboxes and supporting posts must be installed to withstand the rigors of snow removal, including the force of snow pushed from the street onto the roadside.

**PRIVATE PLOWING:** The Town of Trumbull prohibits plow contractors from pushing snow from driveways or parking lots onto Town streets. This practice is dangerous and impedes the Town's snow removal efforts. If there is no other alternative to pushing snow into the street, the plow driver must plow off the windrow left across the street by re-plowing until the road is safe and clear. This may not necessarily mean bare pavement, but certainly it should be no worse than when the driver began work.

Residents who feel they have a legitimate complaint should call the Town Garage at 452-5070 or 452-5071.

**NOTE:** This policy has been in effect for over 25 years.

## TOWN PHONE DIRECTORY

First Selectman, Timothy M. Herbst  
203-452-5005  
Animal Control, Lynn Dellabianca  
203-452-5088  
Arts Coordinator, Emily Areson  
203-452-5065  
Building Department, 203-452-5020  
Business Education Initiative  
John Annick, 203-377-5803  
Trumbull Community Television  
Kate Donahue, 203-767-4512  
Fire Marshal, Megan Murphy  
203-452-5080  
Transfer Station, 203-452-5167  
Chief of Service, EMS, Joseph Laucella  
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  
203-452-5013  
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  
Nursing Director – Coleen Figliuzzi  
203-452-5090  
P&Z, Helen Granskog  
203-452-5047  
Police Chief, Chief Thomas Kiely  
(non-emergency) 203-261-3665  
Police Emergency 911  
Probate, The Hon. T.R. Rowe  
203-452-5063  
Public Works Director, John Marsilio  
203-452-5045  
Purchasing, Robert Chmini  
203-452-5042  
Recreation, Mary Markham  
203-452-5060  
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,  
Dr. Gary Cialfi - 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 – One Book, One Town Month!

**2014 Theme: Baseball! Celebrating the 25th Anniversary of Trumbull’s Little League World Series win! Trumbull Library’s 2014 One Book – One Town title: *The Art of Fielding* by Chad Harbach. Our adult-level book, plus recommended books for teens and children, will be accompanied by over 20 events for all ages in March 2014. Pick up a copy of the books at the Library!**

*The Art of Fielding*, by Chad Harbach. A novel about baseball, but really about ambition and its limits, about family, friendship and love, and about commitment to oneself and to others. At Westish College, a small school on the shore of Lake Michigan, baseball star Henry Skrimshander seems destined for big-league stardom. But when a routine throw goes disastrously off course, the fates of five people are upended..

**Biography:** Chad Harbach grew up in Wisconsin, was educated at Harvard, and has an MFA from the University of Virginia. He is a cofounder and coeditor of the literary journal *n + 1*. After a heated auction (\$665,000), his first novel was acquired and published by Little, Brown in Fall 2011. Harbach has also edited a book about two **1989 Little League World Series Champions**.



In 1989, Little League Baseball celebrated its 50th Anniversary. In the same year, Trumbull, Connecticut's National Little League Team became the first team from the United States to win the World Series since 1983. A remarkable feat, against all odds, Trumbull, a town of 32,000, won the 1989 Little League World Series beating heavy favorite Taiwan in the final game by a score of 5-2.

**THIS IS FROM THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY WEBSITE AND IT CAN BE MADE BIGGER, AND IT HAS NAMES!!!!**

<http://www.trumbullhistory.org/recreatn/>

Check out our website at [www.trumbullct-library.org](http://www.trumbullct-library.org), see upcoming events from the home page, and register online. 203-452-5197

Saturday, March 1 Book Sale 9am-3pm

How to fund College without Going Broke, Sat., March 1 & 8, 11am-12:15pm, Registration required.

Unlikely Champions, Remembering 1989!, Sunday, March 2, 3-4pm

Children’s Author Visit: Audrey Vernick, *Brothers at Bat*, Thursday, March 6, 5:30-6:30pm

Remembering Casey Stengel and Baseball with the Mets, Sunday, March 9, 2-3 pm

The Team Down the Road: Bridgeport’s Incredible Baseball History, Tuesday, March 11, 7-8pm

Evening Book Discussion, Thursday, March 13, 7-8pm

The Business Side of Baseball, Saturday, March 15, 2-3pm

### Children’s Events

Pennant Contest, Grades K-5 Design Your Own. All pennants due by March 28<sup>th</sup>!

Family Chess Club, Sat. March 1 & 15, 10am-12noon

Pizza & a Movie, Everyone’s Hero, Friday, March 7, 6-8pm, Refreshments. Register.

Check out our website : [www.trumbullct-library.org](http://www.trumbullct-library.org) to see upcoming and additional events.



## Senior Citizens

**Travel-** call 203-452-5199

Wednesday, March 19 to Wal-Mart, Leave Senior Center at 11am, call 203-452-5137.

Wednesday, March 26 to Christmas Tree Shop. Leave Senior Center at 11am, 203-452-5137.

### **AARP SAFE DRIVERS COURSE –**

Members pay \$12.00 and non-members \$14.00 Reservation by check only. Please make checks payable to AARP (No cash please). For more information and to reserve your seat please call Jean at (203) 452-5199.

**Monthly Birthday Party,** Thursday, March 20, 11am sponsored by Middlebrook Farms. Rsvp at 203-452-5199.

**Pizza and a Movie –** Friday, March 21, \$2 pp “Last Vegas”

**Bingo game –** Friday, March 28, 1pm. Refreshments provided by Maefair HCC. Call Sharon 203-452-5199.

**AARP Tax-Aide** – free income tax prep from 9am to noon each Wednesday from February 5 through April 9. No appointments necessary, just walk in!

### ***Senior Center Trips***

**April 29 –** Mohegan Sun Casino, buffet and free play, \$23pp. Call 203-452-5199

**Interested in a Book Club?** Call Jean at the Senior Center -203-452-5199.

**Interested in Quilting?** We need 10 people. Call 203-452-5199.

### ***Social Services at the Senior Center***

**Food Pantry** is available (by appointment only) Call 203-452-5198 for guidelines or appointments.

**Energy Assistance** – Social Services is currently taking applications. The program is open to any Trumbull resident who heats with deliverable fuel, gas or electricity. Income guidelines must be met. Please call for an *appointment at 203-452-5198.*

**Senior & Totally Disable Homeowner Tax Relief** – The assessor’s office is accepting applications for Tax Relief Benefits starting February 3, through May 15, 2014 on a *walk-in basis*. Social Services is available for scheduled appointments as well as homebound visits. Homeowners on the tax relief program that are due to renew with their 2013 income will receive renewal reminders in the mail. The town limit is \$70,000. For further information call the Tax Assessor’s office 203-452-5018.

Town of Trumbull Beach Bags are available at the Senior Center and the Town Clerk’s Office for \$10 each.



**Dog Licenses** are still on sale in the Town Clerk’s office. Beginning on March 1st there is an \$9 late fee. *Keep your dog legal! Fines for unregistered dogs are \$75.00.*

### ***First Selectman Brown Bag Lunch or Coffee***

The First Selectman’s Brown Bag Lunch in the Long Hill Conference Room is scheduled for Tuesday, March 4<sup>th</sup> at noon. First Selectman’s coffee is on Tuesday, March 18<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm.



**American Red Cross**

### ***Red Cross Blood Drives***

- 3/1 Trumbull VFW, 1 Veterans Circle, Trumbull, 8am – 1pm
- 3/3 Perkin Elmer, 710 Bridgeport Avenue, Shelton, 8am – 1:30pm
- 3/7 Griffin Hospital, 130 Division Street, Derby, 7:30am – 5:30pm
- 3/8 Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 466 Elm Street, Derby, 7:45am – 1pm
- 3/11 Peoples United Bank, 850 Main Street, Bridgeport, 8am -1:30pm
- 3/12 RD Scinto, 2 Corporate Drive, Shelton, 8am – 1:45pm
- 3/17 Porter & Chester, 670 Lordship Boulevard, Stratford, 10am – 3pm
- 3/20 Bridgeport Hospital, 267 Grant Street, Bridgeport, 7:30am – 5:30pm

### ***Prescription and OTC Medication Drop Box Located in the Trumbull P. D. Lobby***

Town residents looking to dispose of excess and expired prescription and over-the-counter medications will now visit the safe, anonymous and secure permanent drop off location. Trumbull is one of the first area towns to provide this.

**Bring medications in original containers with the label removed.**

**Accepted:** prescription, over-the-counter, pet medication, vitamins/supplements, patches and ointments, medication samples

**Not Accepted:** inhalers, needles (sharps), hydrogen peroxide, aerosol cans, hazardous waste,

Open 365 days per year, 24 hours per day.