

# TRUMBULL ROTARY NEWSLETTER - April/May 2004

Welcome to the *fourth* Trumbull Rotary Newsletter. I apologize for the newsletter's tardiness.

**Here's The Regular Stuff:** Regular meetings are on Friday morning at the Trumbull Marriott, starting 7.30 A.M. Our Board meetings are the first Wednesday of every month at the Helen Plumb building on Church Hill Road near Trumbull center. Meetings start at 7.00 P.M. and everyone is welcome!

We also have a great website, [www.trumbullrotary.org](http://www.trumbullrotary.org), which we try to keep current. Also don't forget these informative web sites:

- (1) Rotary District 7980: [www.rotary7980.org](http://www.rotary7980.org).
- (2) Trumbull Chamber of Commerce: [www.trumbullchamber.org](http://www.trumbullchamber.org).

Here's our **Board Members:**

**President:** Mike Rappa (mrappa@hi-techpackaging.net)  
**President-Elect:** Phil Lane (pjanect@snet.net)  
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As this newsletter was being written, the **Trumbull Rotary Carnival** is ongoing and will end on Sunday, April 25, 2004. As reported in our last newsletter, we started a day earlier than usual (Tuesday, April 20, 2004). Weather for the week has been mostly excellent and Trumbull Rotarians have been generous in volunteering their time. Hopefully, it will be an excellent year for the carnival.

The next big event is **The Trumbull Rotary Silent Auction** on Friday, April 30, 2004 at Trumbull Library (33 Quality Street) from 7 to 10 p.m. Proceeds will be used for Trumbull Rotary Scholarships and for Trumbull Library for the purchase of an electric wide screen movie screen for training purposes (e.g., SAT courses for Trumbull students) and entertainment (free movies every Wednesday and throughout school vacations). There will be three musical groups there for entertainment, and the event will be fully catered. There are currently over 70 items available for the auction and we ask that all Trumbull Rotarians and their families to attend what we hope to be a great event. Tickets are priced at \$5 per person or \$10 per family. The Trumbull Library will close early on Friday to prepare the library for the auctions, and any Rotarians who can help setting up would be appreciated. A special thanks to *Joe Drenneis* for donating tickets and posters for the auction.

Believe it or not, **The Trumbull Rotary Golf Tournament** is set for May 17, 2004 at Tashua Knolls Golf Course. Our last golf tournament had thirty (30) foursomes and thirty (30) hole sponsors. Michael Redgate has announced a potential of 32 foursomes at this year's tournament.

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If you aware of any potential sponsors, please let either Michael Redgate, Karen Zeidenberg, or Dawn Dalrymple. They also have a list of last year's sponsors.

Some of you may have received notices for **Trumbull Read Aloud** on Thursday, May 13, 2004 from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m at the various elementary schools in Trumbull. There is a book preview session on Thursday, April 29, 2004, 8:30 a.m. at the Long Hill Administrative Building on Main Street. If you have any questions, you may call Judy Klein at 452-4339.

In our last newsletter, we reported the *tentative* date for our *officer's installation dinner* is *June 23, 2004*, a Wednesday night, at a location to be determined. The club will usher *out* President Mike Rappa's year and usher *in* President Phil Lane for the 2004/2005 year. However, the original date conflicts with Trumbull High School graduation, so the date has been moved to Wednesday, June 16, 2004.

**Trumbull Day** is tentatively scheduled for *Sunday, June 27, 2004*. The **Trumbull Jazz Festival** has been tentatively scheduled for *August 21, 2004* (in President Phil's year). Tom Heaney and Dr. Phil are working on this event, which will be *strictly budgeted*. The prior year's Jazz Festival was not a successful fund raiser, so are looking to improve this year. The **Trumbull Sunset Run** is also scheduled to run *Friday, July 16, 2004* at 4 p.m. at Twin Brooks Park

The **District 7980 Conference** is coming. The *District Conference* will be on *Thursday June 10, 2004* at the Willow Valley Inn in Lancaster, PA.

We have a few new members aboard: (1) *Lexine Furkiotis*, a paralegal at the law offices of Gorge C. Furkiotis; (2) *Thomas Fugiel*, from Edward Jones Investments; (3) *Martin Shapiro*, a Professional Engineer at OSI Accelinear, and (4) *Samuel Molina*, a mortgage executive at Countrywide Homes Loans. We will update the directory shortly.

The Rotary has also received a number of **donation requests**. In no particular order, here are some of them: Trumbull High School Post Prom, Trumbull YMCA, The Frenchtown Elementary School Library, Academic Excellence, Challenger Little League, Relay for Life, and Habitat for Humanity. Officer Bob Schwartz has also informed the club that the DARE program will also be a go for the upcoming year, and he will be rejoining the club.

I hope that covers most of the action. We have some good speakers coming in May, among them the CEO of Aquarian on May 14, 2004, and Mike Bisciglia on May 28, 2004. State Representative T R Rowe is expected to speak June, 2004. If you have any suggestions for speakers, you may contact John McBride at [jmcbride@resnickinvestments.com](mailto:jmcbride@resnickinvestments.com) or at work ((203) 226-8262).

If anyone has any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Best Regards,

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