



# Rotary Club of Trumbull

## News Minutes - Friday, March 27, 2009

Hi all, there were lots of announcements and happy dollars today. I must admit, I tried my best to get everything, but I know I missed some of you. I apologize in advance!

The 'Neighbor helping Neighbor' Food and Fund Drive to benefit the Trumbull Social Services Food Pantry was cosponsored by Rotary and students at Trumbull High School. The drive was held last Saturday (3/21) at Stop and Shop and Poricelli's, and 40 shopping carts were filled with groceries for the food pantry. In addition, \$740 was collected that day in monetary donations. John McBride introduced Kinnari Shah, Megan Puglia, and Emily Anderson, all students at THS and involved in the project. These girls, along with other volunteers and Rotarians, organized the drive. A check was presented to Ralph Monaco and Jean Ferraro from Trumbull Social Services at the meeting.



A special thank you was sent out to from John McBride to his sister Mary Anne, the girls and the group who organized the project, Principal Tremaglio (in attendance), Gary Cialfi (in attendance), and the following Rotarians for their service: Tom Ginis, Jim Lang, Tim Herbst, Holly S. Daar, Karen Delvecchio, Phil Lane, Phil Goodhart, Pam McBride, Dianna Drennan, Faith Douglass and Dawn D.

HAPPY DOLLAR\$

LENNY: Frank M's wife was voted by fellow Connecticut physicians as the number one ophthalmologist in the state of Connecticut.

JIM LANG: att u-verse subscribers can now view what was channel 17 on channel 99.

WILLIE: Apologizes he left his Paul Harris Fellow Medal at home, he couldn't bring himself to take it out of the beautiful, protective box.

JIM C. - I missed your message, I am so sorry ☹️

FRANK M.: "Angel as a centerfold" was running through his mind for some reason. His wife being voted one of the top doctors in the state means more because she was selected by fellow doctors. He is presenting a series of workshops at the library (thanks Sue), please contact him if you are interested.

MARTY: Thanks to all the Rotarians who attending his wine tasting. It raised almost \$2000 for relay for life.

RAY B: Jim Himes will be at the library for a Q&A with Trumbull Residents, basically discussing how the economic stimulus package will affect the town. Check the library website for more info. The Neighbor to Neighbor project is a really wonderful benefit to the community and Ray is going to seek additional contributions from other sources. The American Red Cross sponsored the annual heroes breakfast and 3 individuals of 9 that were honored were from Trumbull.

HOLLY: The girls at the meeting from the Neighbor to Neighbor Project: what you are doing is very commendable and you are ahead of your time. Congrats to Frank's wife!

SCOTT V.: His thumb realignment surgery went well. He's now casted ☺ Way to go UCONN! Also, if anyone is interested in a large, fair conditioned couch, please contact Scott. Otherwise it will be tossed. Also, bring on the short sleeved weather! Long sleeves are not cutting it.

BRUCE S.: Frank's wife Delia was responsible for discovering a brain tumor in his youngest son. 2 days later he was in surgery and it's been many years since then. She is fully deserving of her rank in the state. The Sunset Run is July 17, 2009.

PARTICIPATE! There is going to be a free Easter Concert on Saturday, April 11 for those interested, contact Bruce.

IAN: gave a happy \$10 and gave a discussion regarding Trumbull taxes, the tax assessor's office, United Illuminating not filing taxes and more. I apologize Ian, you lost me early on.

THERE WERE SEVERAL DOLLARS THAT WENT TO SHOUT OUTS TO VARIOUS MEMBERS OF THE DODGEBALL COMMITTEE, SEVERAL TO DAWN SPECIFICALLY AND A FEW TO VARIOUS TEAMS. THEY WERE GIVEN BY:

Jim Malski, Joe Ruospo, Tom Ginis, Dale Seymour, Diana Drennan, Holly Darr, Mike R., and Ron Lesko.

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Dawn presented the Dodgeball Committee with awards for their contributions and commitment to the tournament. The Committee then presented Dawn with a dodgeball signed by each member to thank her for her hard work and leadership.

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Jim Lang and Len Germano presented several Rotarians with Paul Harris Fellowship Medals as they matched their contributions to the Foundation this year. Those who became Paul Harris Fellows and were PRESENT at today's meeting were:

Scott Vincini, Marty Shapiro, Ray Rzasa, Peg Perillie, Jim Malski and Duane Berge

Six additional Rotarians who were not present at today's meeting also became fellows.

CONGRATS!

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THE PROGRAM—SPEAKER JIM LANG

"Rotary International and the mission to eradicate Polio"

A VERY informative DVD (that I highly recommend watching) was played for the club. Please speak with Jim if you are interested in learning more about our international mission and initiative to eradicate polio worldwide.

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Again, I apologize for the things that I missed. It was a packed meeting and I was late having my first cup of coffee.

Have a fabulous weekend!

Jodie