



Imagine a garden party in a most serene and elegant setting. Imagine the Sharon home of Michael Trapp, the renowned landscape designer and antiques dealer and you'll know there's no better place to celebrate Chore's 24 years of service!

The entire drive is lined with decades-old arborvitae and leads to Michael's 18<sup>th</sup> century house and barn, painted in striking colors.

Surrounding the house are classic formal gardens—replete with surprising vignettes throughout. Beyond the front door a surprise: a reflecting pond, with a fountain, for shiny goldfish! Off the living room: a romantic grape arbor supported by 17<sup>th</sup> century columns. The magnificent terrace is decorated with variety of interesting pots and Michael's trademark teak furnishings from the Far East. Out back there's also a relaxing pool, also with a fountain—this one for people!

And the views? Rolling pastures, hay bales and distant mountains, reminiscent of Michael's Ohio roots. His garden plan relies on evergreen plantings in myriad shades of green—shrubs, espaliered apple trees, variegated boxwood in pots, junipers, columns of English yew—for year-round green, architecturally structured. This is a place of peaceful contemplation, generously proffered for your delight.

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For the last 24 years the Chore Service has kept many of our elderly and disabled neighbors safely and independently at home in our community.

We served 2 families in 1992 and the demand has increased every year.

Currently 50 workers help 200 clients across seven towns.

Chore matches clients with caring, competent local workers who help with cleaning, yard work, errands, cooking, laundry...

Clients contribute what they can per suggested federal contribution levels based on income. A Federal grant through the Western CT Area Agency on Aging helps, **but our donors make the most important difference.**



## JOIN US FOR COCKTAILS AND HORS D'OEUVRES

Saturday, July 30

Rain Date: Sunday, July 31

5:00 - 7:30 PM

171 Amenia Union Road, Sharon, CT 06069

Our Host

**MICHAEL TRAPP**



RSVP card enclosed ~ Please respond by July 16

Your tickets will be held at the door.

**Please call 860-435-9177 for more information.**

## *New York's finest, James Newman, at the piano* SMALL LIVELY AUCTION

### Ireland – Perfect for Two Couples or a Family

Derrylea is a charming three-bedroom Irish cottage nestled into a hillside overlooking the sea. Located just outside the picturesque eighteenth-century coastal village of Castletownshend, it is five miles from the market town of Skibbereen in southwestern Ireland. Fly into Shannon airport or Cork.

Renowned for its scenic coastal drives and roadways lined by fuschia hedges, the area boasts many of Ireland's most desirable destinations – Kerry, Blarney, Killarney and Kinsale – all great for day tripping. Closer by there are ample opportunities for bicycling, hiking, and, of course, pub hopping. Prefer golf? In addition to several courses nearby, Old Head at Kinsale is only forty-five minutes away. Local restaurants include Castletownshend's own award-winning Mary Ann's Bar and Restaurant, a nineteenth-century pub specializing in local seafood.

Bid on this home for a one-week stay, date to be arranged with owners.



### Garden Treasures

Favorite items -- 100 daffodils planted and donated by Consolini & Tonan Landscape Design of Norfolk, CT and two circular iron peony rings designed and donated by Judy and Pat Murphy of Old Farm Nursery, Lakeville, CT.

### George Van Hook Painting

A beautiful 28" x 31" framed oil pastoral landscape scene by the very accomplished George Van Hook. Van Hook was influenced by the Pennsylvania Impressionists centered in Bucks County, where his family had a farm.

### Private Tour for Six with lunch at the West Hartford Elizabeth Park Gardens Plus 3 Fabulous Rose Bushes

Opened to the public in 1897, the park and gardens were designed by Swiss-born landscape architect Theodore Wirth in conjunction with the firm of Frederick Law Olmsted. Following the tour, have lunch at the Pond House Café, a top dining destination in Hartford. Elizabeth Park maintains as its centerpiece the country's oldest public rose garden. In addition you will go home with three fabulous hardy blooming rose bushes, donated by Debby and Bruce Bennett, of Kent Horticultural Services, Kent , CT