# STERLING COUNCIL ON AGING

# Sterling Newsletter

#### Connecting with each other & our community

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# MELOVE OUR VOLUNTEERS:

June 2023

#### JUNE 28TH 8:15AM - 5:00PM

We invite all our current volunteers and their significant others to join us for a fun trip to



Lots of fun to be had, whether you like to gamble, shop, discover history or race Go-Karts! Look for details in your inbox.

We are truly grateful for the generosity, the commitment, the time, the graciousness of all our volunteers.

You know who you are !

Sign up by June 12th ! OLUNTEER APPRECIATION

Our mission is to maintain the health and well being of Sterling seniors and to assist them with preserving their independence.



#### JUNE HAPPENINGS



# Maintaining a Welcoming Senior Center

Friday June 9th at 12:30pm *with Veronica, Linda & Bonnie* What are the rituals and culture of our Senior Center? How do we ensure we keep that welcoming environment?



# Fun Facts about our Kitchen



In the last 12 months we have served 2366 lunches. Each week 32 volunteers assist Ruby, our kitchen manager.

Our meals are home cooked. There are no reservations required; just come in and take a seat. We serve lunch at 11:30 am.

Food for our meals program is paid for through donations. (The Senior Center does not use town appropriated money to purchase food.) The suggested donation is \$3 per meal. We also receive financial assistance for our specialty lunches from FOSS. We welcome donations to our meals program and we can always use another set of hands! Give us a call!

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# Renewing our partnership with the YMCA

Sterling residents 60 and older are eligible for the Sterling Senior Center monthly member rate, plus additional discount based on income. Valid at Greendale & Leominster branches.

Stop by and see what the Y has to offer!

Tue June 6<sup>th</sup> 4–6pm at Greendale Y

Wed June 7<sup>th</sup> 4–6pm at Senior Center

Bring your Insurance cards so that you can be screened for Y membership coverage through your existing insurance benefits.

	Single	Couple
Sterling 60+	\$44.25	\$72.00
< \$54,600	\$37.20	\$57.60

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Jur	le	SPECIAL EVENTS
Jun 6	4:00-6:00 pm	YMCA Membership Information at the Greendale Y
Jun 7	4:00-6:00 pm	YMCA Membership Information at Sterling Senior Center
Jun 9	12:30 pm	Maintaining a Welcoming Senior Center
Jun 13	12:30-1:30 pm	Mobile Market (monthly, second Tuesday)
Jun 14	9:40 am	Flag Day at Houghton School
Jun 14	11:00 am	Peer Leaders Old Time Game Day Fun
Jun 15	9:30 am	Father's Day Breakfast Pizza Bar Reservation Required
Jun 15	10:30 am	Tales and Travels at Sterling Library Registration Required
Jun 16	1:00 pm	Make & Take Canvas Bags with Karen Registration Required
Jun 17	9am-1pm	Trunk Sale
Jun 19	CLOSED	Juneteenth
Jun 23	1:00 pm	Paul & Paula Lauria Music Program
Jun 26	12:00 pm	Birthday Cake
Jun 30	7:30-9:00 am	Pancake Breakfast
Jun 30	7:30-9:00 am	Fat Daddy's Farmer Market
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Jun 1		Pool daily
Jun 1	8am-4pm	Bread Pickup (weekly on Thursdays)
Jun 1	9:30 am	History Club (first Thursday of month)
Jun 1	1:00 pm	Acrylic Painting \$5 (weekly on Thursdays)
Jun 1	1:00 pm	Beginner Ukulele (last class Jun 1)
Jun 1,15,29	2:00 pm	Ukulele Club
Jun 1	2:00 pm	Mahjong (weekly on Thursdays)
Jun 2	8:00 am-noon	Veterans Services Office (weekly on Fridays)
Jun 2	9:00 am-noon	Ladies' Pool
Jun 2	9:30 am	Knitting Club (weekly on Fridays)
Jun 5	1:00 pm	BINGO (weekly on Mondays)
Jun 5	5:00 pm	Meditation \$5 (weekly on Mondays)
Jun 6	by appointment	SHINE counseling
Jun 6	1:00 pm	Game Day (weekly on Tuesdays)
Jun 7	12:30 pm	Rummikub (weekly on Wednesdays)
Jun 7	1:00 pm	Van Shopping Trip (weekly on Wednesdays, sign-up)
Jun 7	1:00 pm	Wii Bowling (weekly on Wednesdays)
Jun 7,14	1:00 pm	Pastels Art Class \$5
Jun 8	9:30 am	Dull Men's Club (second Thursday of month)
Jun 12,26	2:00 pm	Ukulele - Men's Open Strumming (second & fourth Mondays)
Jun 12,26	3:00 pm	Ukulele Open Strumming (second & fourth Mondays)
Jun 16,17	9-11:00 am	Food Pantry
Jun 20	11:30 am	State Office Hours (third Tuesday of month)
Jun 21	12:30 pm	Book Club House Rules by Jodi Picoult
	- P	WELLNESS
Jun 2	10:00 am	Going Steady (weekly on Fridays)
Jun 2	1:00-2:00 pm	Caregiver Program registration suggested
Jun 5	10:00 am	Guys & Gals Fitness with Marty (weekly on Mondays)
Jun 8,22,29	by appointment	Foot Clinic \$45 to FC Nurse
Jun 13	9:30-11:30 am	Well Clinic sponsored by VNA Care
Jun 14,28	12:30-2:30 pm	Chair Massage by appointment only
Jun 14,28	3:30-5:00 pm	Parkinson's Support (second and fourth Wednesdays)
Jun 22	9:30 am	Holistic Yoga - note: on the fourth Thursday in June



#### Thursday, June 15th at 10:30am at Sterling Library

Those who are struggling with Alzheimers and other dementias along with their caregivers are invited to participate in Sterling Library's first Tales and Travel Memories program, taking you on an imaginary journey to Canada through folktales, interesting facts, and illustrated books. You'll also enjoy a Canadian themed snack! Call Sterling Library on 978-422-6409 to register.

#### KEEP WELL CLINIC June 13th 9:30-11:30 am with Amy from VNA Care Need a BP check?



Need a BP check? On a new medication? Have a new diagnosis? Want to discuss diet, exercise, supplements?

Call 978-422-3032 to make a reservation VNACare CAREGIVER PROGRAM Friday June 2nd, 1:00-2:00pm

A peer directed support meeting facilitated by Eileen Brooks from Sterling Village, including a supervised activity for your loved one while you attend.

Drop in, but *registration* suggested if you're bringing your loved one to the activity.



Do you have a plumber, handyman or electrician that you'd highly recommend? How about a private-pay housekeeper, companion or personal care aide who provides exceptional service to you (or a loved one) in the home? The Senior Center occasionally receives calls from fellow Sterling residents who need help. The best referrals usually come from people who have utilized a service personally and have been very satisfied with the results. So, we're reaching out to you for help.

If you have someone that you'd like to recommend, please call Linda or Bonnie in Outreach to pass on the details – we'd really appreciate it!

Foot Clinic Footcare By Nurses Appointments at the Senior Center with Moira, RN. Call 978-422-3032 to schedule your clinic visit for \$45	STATE OFFICE HOURS	Meet representatives from the offices of Senator Gobi and Representative Kilcoyne June 20, 11:30am-12:30pm at Sterling Senior Center
on June 8, 22 & 29 and July 13 & 27.	Veterans' Services	Fridays 8:00am-noon at the Senior Center If you need help outside of these times, please call 978-534-7538
2nd & 4th Wednesdays, 3:30-5:00pm June 14 & 28 In person support with Zoom option Please contact Joe at 508-335-0672 or northworcparkies@yahoo.com	LARC PRIN	

	DL	UNE CALENDAR		
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Fees for Yoga & Pilates \$5 In Person \$2 Zoom Line Dancing \$2 Acrylic Painting \$5 Pastels Class \$5	Beginner Bird Watching	Wednesday Shopping Trips: 6/7 Walmart, WB 6/14 Whitney Field 6/21 Walmart, Leom 6/28 Home Goods & Savers, Worc Registration Required	1 8 - 4 Bread Pickup 9:30 History Club 9:30 Chair Yoga 11:30 Spaghetti & Meatballs 1:00 Beginner Ukulele 1:00 Acrylic Painting 2:00 Ukulele Club 2:00 Mahjong	2 8:00 VSO Hours 9:00 Ladies' Pool 9:30 Knit Happens 10:00 Going Steady 11:30 Smorgasbord 1:00 Caregiver Program
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### ONGOING PROGRAMS



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Ladies' Pool Fridays 9am - hooh



A total body work out for men and women of ALL fitness levels.

Participants who use a cane, walker or wheelchair can work out from a chair. Others will participate standing and seated.

Focus will be on

- Strength & conditioning
- Posture & strong bones
- Heart health and circulation
- Pain relief

- No sign-up needed
- Memory challenges Lots and lots of laughs

Mindful Meditation Mondays at 5:00pm with Carol McGuiggan

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### **Open to All Ages**



nnis Courts



Sherrill Sasser LMT, CAT

Call for an appointment!

**Outdoor Pickleball** Mondays & Wednesdays 4-7pm All players and levels welcome!



# **Phone Apps:** what should I load ?

### Thursday June 8th at 9:30am

Phone apps can provide entertainment, information, and save you time! Join us to discover:

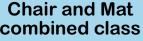
- Apps every senior should have on their phone
- Popular apps for seniors who live alone



- Best emergency apps
- Books, music, travel and sports apps

You don't have to be a man to join a DMC meeting..... Ladies welcome, dull or not !





**Tuesdays** \$5 8:15am



Yoga for EveryBody



June 22 at 9:30am

chair yoga

and Trinity Hospice. No cost to participants

Thursday, June 1st @ 9:30am

No reservations! No wait list!

\$5 drop-in fee

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**Book Club** 

Thursday, June 1 at 9:30am American Midnight: The Great War, A Violent Peace, and Democracy's Forgotten Crisis by Adam Hochschild

The period between World War I and the Roaring Twenties was one when the foundations of American democracy were threated by war, pandemic and violence fueled by battles over race, immigration and the rights of labor.

#### Congratulations **Class of 2023 !**

**Ukulele Graduation Picnic** Thursday, June 1st at 1:00pm

**Ukulele Beginners Group** are officially no longer beginners!

New class begins September 7th



DOMINOES CRIBBAGE Рітсн Pete Cummings offers tech help on Tuesdays. PARTY

Saturday, June 3rd 6:30pm

Sponsored by Sterling Grange



Call us to set up

an appointment.



Bring your knit,

macramé, crochet or

# FUN AND YUM STUFF

FLAG DAY June 14	celebrate Flag E Ceremony begir	ts and staff at Houghton School to Day 2023. Ins at 9:40 am on Wednesday June ing Senior Center for a 9:30 van ric		
Friday, June 7:30-9:00	od Market 30 am greens, lettuces, omatoes, cheeses, & more.	Friday Jun 7:30-9:0 Guest Servers: Anthony Trapa & Julianna Tra Halstead Insurance, Sterl Plain & special pancakes, sau	0 sso, GM passo ing	
GROWING PLACESTuesday, June 13 12:30–1:3Mobile Market at the Senior CenterTuesday, June 13 12:30–1:3Eligible for SNAP and HIP benefit	limit two	eggs, fresh fruit, tea breads, juice, coffee. Ope \$4 Suggested Do Sponsored by Friends of Sterling SERVING HOME-COOKED Weekdays at 11:30 a Walk in!	en to All onation Seniors	
Saturday June 3rd at Noon First Church in Sterling All are welcome! Caprese salad • Pulled Pork sandwich Cole Slaw • Brownie Sundae No Cost • No Reservations Van rides available through Senior Center		Need a ride? Call us! \$3 suggested donation.Wachusett Food Pantry 50 Worcester Rd, SterlingSeniors: Fri June 16, 9-11 am All: Sat June 17, 9-11 am Call Outreach for assistance 978-422-3032		
A N D A W A Y W E G O T R A V E L 2023 Trip List For age 50+ travelers Lake Winnipesaukee Cruise sails from Weirs Beach aboard the M/S Mount				
Sat Aug 19Washington, enjoying an on-board full buffet lunch, then visit the Wright Museum with exhibits including World War II aircraft.\$129America's Music Cities - Nashville, Memphis and New Orleans. Enjoy the Country Music Hall of Fame, Grand Ole Opry, Studio B, Graceland, museums, scenic toursCall for pricing			Call for	
Sun Oct 15Sunday Drive in the Country to the White Mountains of NH. Brunch at the White Mountain Hotel then off to the Leaf Peepers Craft Fair in North Conway.\$ 109Dec 10-11New Hampshire Christmas Sunday brunch and a matinee, an evening Christmas show, overnight in North Conway then a sleigh ride in at Nestlenook Farm in\$569 sg				
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# Happy Father's Da

All gents are invited to a Breakfast Pizza Bar Thursday June 15th at 9:30 am

Join us for guys-only chatter **Cift** giveaways (WooSox tickets, Lowes & Home Depot gift cards)



Wear your best "DAD" tie for an extra chance!

Reservations required - call 978-422-3032