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April 2019

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The Evening Dinner Committee Invites You To:

“Hello Spring Picnic”

Wednesday April 24th, 6pm

Purchase your
\$5 ticket before
April 19th



We will be serving
traditional picnic fare including:

Sliders, Potato Salad, Side Salads,
Deviled Eggs, Pickle and Olive Trays,
and Delicious Desserts.



Trivia Games and Prizes

(This function was originally scheduled for March.)

Peter Watson

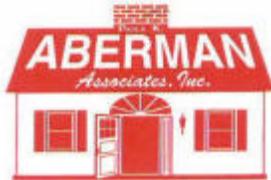


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Let's Go to "Sundae School!"



Sundae School is a series of three free educational programs co-sponsored by the Sterling Senior Center and the Alzheimer's Association.

Sundae School on Tuesday, April 23rd at 6:30 pm

Sundae: Make your own Brownie Sundae at our Sundae Bar!

School: Alzheimer's Association Workshop entitled "Know the 10 signs."

If you or someone you know is experiencing changes in memory, it is time to learn the facts. Knowing the warning signs can help determine if you should speak to a doctor.

Early detection matters!

Sundae School on Tuesday, July 23rd at 6:30 pm

Sundae: Make your own Fruit Sundae!

School: Alzheimer's Association Workshop entitled "Healthy Living for your Brain and Body: Tips from the Latest Research."



Sundae School on Tuesday, October 22nd at 6:30 pm

Sundae: Make your own Pumpkin Sundae!

School: Alzheimer's Association Workshop entitled "Safety and Memory Challenges."



Walk-ins are accepted, but please try to sign up in advance by calling the Sterling Senior Center at 978-422-3032.

We need to plan for our sundae bar, our seating and our educational handouts.



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SPECIAL EVENTS

Apr 23	6:30 pm	"Sundae School" with Alzheimer's Association
Apr 24	6-8 pm	Evening Picnic \$5 Tickets Sign up, please.
Apr 25	11 am	SMLD Safety Presentation with pizza at noon

JUST FOR FUN

Apr 6	6:30 pm	Saturday Night Pitch sponsored by the Grange
Apr 12	12:15 pm	April Birthday Cake sponsored by Sterling Village
Apr 26	7:30-9 am	Pancake Breakfast sponsored by FOSS

MAKE & TAKE

Apr 12	12:30 pm	Sterling Garden Club Floral Arrangement
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ONGOING PROGRAMS

Apr 1	9-11 am	Advanced Photography Class (Last Day)
Apr 2	12:00 pm	Computer Help by appointment or walk-in (weekly on Tues.)
Apr 2	9:30 am	SHINE by appointment only
Apr 3	9:30-11 am	Beginners Acrylic Class, \$5 (weekly on Wed.)
Apr 4	12:30 pm	Acrylic Painting \$5 (weekly on Thurs.)
Apr 4	1:30-2:15 pm	Beginners Ukelele Lessons \$3 (weekly on Thurs.)
Apr 4	2:30 pm	Ukulele Club \$5 (weekly on Thursdays)
Apr 5	8-12 noon	Veteran's Service Officer Hours (weekly on Fridays)
Apr 9	9:00 am	Dull Men's Club
Apr 17	12:30 pm	Book Club: <i>Before We Were Yours</i> , By Lisa Wingate
Apr 18	3:30 pm	Armchair Travel - Jerusalem

WELLNESS PROGRAMS

Apr 1	6 pm	Meditation with Cindy (also on 4/22 & 4/29)
Apr 3	10 am	Walking Club (weekly on Wed., meet at Senior Center)
Apr 4	10-12 Noon	BP Clinic sponsored by the Sterling EMS
Apr 4	2 pm	Going Steady (weekly on Thursdays)
Apr 9	9:30-11:30 am	Elder Wellness Clinic sponsored by VNA Cares
Apr 11	9 am	Foot Clinic by appointment, \$35 to Foot Care Nurse (\$45 1 st appt.)
Apr 17	3:30 pm	Parkinson's Support Group
Apr 25	9 am	Foot Clinic by appointment, \$35 to FC Nurse (\$45 1 st appt.)
Apr 29	9:30-11 am	Caregivers Connect (at Sterling Senior Center)

COMMUNITY PROGRAMS

Apr 4	4-8 pm	Master Plan Open House at Sterling Senior Center
Apr 25	5-8 pm	Wachusett Senior Citizen Dinner Dance at Wach Reg HS
Apr 30	7-9 pm	Sterling Creative Collaborative at Sterling Senior Center

**DMC meets
Tuesday, April 9
9 am**



“A Crime Against Justice”

The hardships endured by Italian immigrant workers on the Wachusett Reservoir project

The largest hand dug reservoir and dam in the world were built by the hands of many men who endured extreme labor injustices. Come hear the story of these men and learn about the Padrone system of labor that they were forced to submit to while working on the Wachusett project.

Lieutenant Rebecca Baronoski
Wachusett Watershed Ranger II, R-81
Division of Water Supply Protection Ranger Office

MAKE & TAKE with the Sterling Garden Club



Create a Spring Side Table Arrangement

Friday April 12th at 12:30

\$12 Please sign up in advance as limited to 25 participants

Bring your garden gloves and clippers (if you have them!)

Armchair Travel

April 18th at 3:30 pm
Jerusalem



Tour Jerusalem and more particularly the Church of the Holy Sepulchre which is Jesus’ burial site. Jim Woovis will be our guide to both the history and mystery enshrined here. How were holy sites discovered, how were churches built, what’s there now are some of the topics that will be covered. Most importantly, Jim will discuss archeological findings that support historical tradition and share his experiences at the church.

Jim is a life long member of Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church in Fitchburg where he currently serves as cantor. He’s bringing his collection of icons including those from Jerusalem along with stories that captivate.

APRIL ACTIVITY CALENDAR

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<p>1</p> <p>8:00-4:00 Coffee 8:30 Tai Chi 9:00 Adv Photography 10:00 Oriol Fitness 11:30 Meatloaf cupcakes 1:00 BINGO 3:00 Open Strumming 4-7:00 Pickleball 6:00 Meditation</p>	<p>2</p> <p>8:00-4:00 Coffee 8:00 Chair palates 9:30 Shine 9:30 Line Dancing 9:30 Open coloring 11:30 Potato Bar 12:00 Computer Help 12:30 Game Day</p>	<p>3</p> <p>8:00-4:00 Coffee 9:30 Gentle Chair Yoga 9:30- Beginners Painting 10:00 Walking Club 11:30 Herb Roasted Pork 12:30 Van shopping trip 12:30 Rummikub 1:00 Wii Bowling</p>	<p>4</p> <p>8:00-6:00 Coffee 8:00 Zumba 9:00 Strengthen Yoga 10-12 BP Clinic 11:30 Cr Chix Cordon Bleu Casserole 12:30 Acrylic Painting 1:30 Beginners Uke 2:00 Mahjong 2:00 Going Steady 2:30 Ukulele Club</p>	<p>5</p> <p>8:00-11:30 Coffee 8:00 VSO Hours 9:30 Knitting and Crocheting 9:30 Pilates 11:30 Smorgasbord Closed 12:30</p>
<p>8</p> <p>8:00-4:00 Coffee 8:30 Tai Chi 9:00 Adv Photography 10:00 Oriol Fitness 11:30 Chix Pasta Primavera (no cream) 1:00 BINGO 3:00 Open Strumming 4-7:00 Pickleball</p>	<p>9</p> <p>8:00-4:00 Coffee 8:00 Chair palates 9:00 Dull Men's Club 9:30 Line Dancing 9:30-11:30 Elder Keep Well Clinic 9:30 Open coloring 11:30 Salisbury Steak 12:00 Computer Help 12:30 Game Day</p>	<p>10</p> <p>8:00-4:00 Coffee 9:30 Shine 9:30 Gentle Chair Yoga 9:30-Beginners Painting 10:00 Walking Club 11:30 Bl.Bean & Corn Soup 12:30 Van shopping trip 12:30 Rummikub 1:00 Wii Bowling</p>	<p>11</p> <p>8:00-6:00 Coffee 8:00 Zumba 9:00 Strengthen Yoga 9:00 Foot Clinic 11:30 Chix a la King 12:30 Acrylic Painting 1:30 Beginners Uke 2:00 Mahjong 2:00 Going Steady 2:30 Ukulele Club</p>	<p>12</p> <p>8:00-11:30 Coffee 8:00 VSO Hours 9:30 Knitting and Crocheting 9:30 Pilates 11:30 Smorgasbord 12:15 Birthday Cake 12:30 Make & Take Closed 1:30</p>
<p>15</p> <p>CLOSED</p> 	<p>16</p> <p>8:00-4:00 Coffee 8:00 Chair Pilates 9:30 Line dancing 9:30 Open coloring 11:30 BBQ. 12:00 Computer Help</p>	<p>17</p> <p>8:00-4:00 Coffee 9:30 Chair yoga 9:30-Beginners Painting 10:00 Walking Club 11:30 Pea Soup & Sand 12:30 Van shopping trip</p>	<p>18</p> <p>8:00-6:00 Coffee 8:00 Zumba 9:00 Strengthen Yoga 11:30 Tom Soup & Gr. Cheese 12:30 Acrylic Painting 1:00 Ukulele Club</p>	<p>19</p> <p>8:00-11:30 Coffee 8:00 VSO Hours 9:30 Knitting and Crocheting 9:30 Pilates 11:30 Smorgasbord</p>

 PATRIOTS Day	12:30 Game day	12:30 Book Club 12:30 Rummikub 1:00 Wii Bowling 3:30 Parkinson Support	1:30 Beginners Uke 2:00 Mahjong 2:00 Going Steady 2:30 Ukulele Club 3:30 Arm Chair Travel	12:30 Closed
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29 8:00-4:00 Coffee 8:30 Tai Chi 9:30 Connect in Sterling 10:00 Oriol Fitness 11:30 Ham Salad Sand w/potato Soup 1:00 BINGO 3:00 Open Strumming 4-7:00 Pickleball 6:00 Meditation	30 8:00-4:00 Coffee 8:00 Chair Pilates 9:30 Line dancing 9:30 Open Coloring 11:30 Chef's Salad 12:00 Computer Help 12:30 Game Day		<u>Exercise Fees</u> Line Dancing \$2 Tai Chi \$5 Zumba \$5 Pilates \$5 Yoga \$5	Van Shopping 3 Wednesdays-12:30 4-3 Walmart WB 4-10 Ocean St.Job Lot 4-17 Walmart Leom. 4-24 Whitney Field





SMLD Safety Presentation

Thursday April 25th at 11 am

Sean Hamilton, General Manager, and Ray Gouley, Educational Instructor, will present on safety issues inside and outside of your home. The presentation will be followed by a Pizza Party provided by SMLD. The Sterling Senior Center thanks SMLD for this annual presentation and their support of our programming throughout the year.

Sterling Municipal Light Department

Recipient of the 2017 Leading by Example Award from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for outstanding energy and environmental efforts in the municipal category.

ANNUAL SENIOR CITIZEN DINNER DANCE

At Wachusett Regional High School
THURSDAY APRIL 25TH 5—8 PM

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FRIENDS OF THE STERLING SENIORS (FOSS)

Theme is Safari! “Get Wild with Wachusett!”
Sign up by April 19th through the
Holden Senior Center at 508-210-5570



Save the Date!

We have a lot happening in the beginning of May.

Thursday May 2nd 6-8 pm
Artists’ Reception featuring the artwork by students at the Houghton and Chocksett Middle Schools

Sunday May 5th 4-6:30 pm
Taste of Sterling

Wed May 8th 1-3 pm
Mother’s Day Tea

Ongoing Weekly Class “Going Steady: Fall Prevention”

Thursdays at 2 pm

Do not let the fear of falling
limit your lifestyle!

Limited to 25 participants per class so sign up please!

**Caregivers
Connect**



Next Meeting:
Monday, April 29th
from 9:30-11 am

No registration...
drop in!

Light Refreshments
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Sterling Senior Center



**Living
with
Parkinson's**

*Are you or a loved one
living with Parkinson's?
You are NOT alone!*

**The Parkinson's
Support Group
Meets Wednesday**

April 17th at 3:30 pm



**MASTER PLAN
OPEN HOUSE**

APRIL 4, 2019

**DROP IN HOURS:
4 TO 8 PM**

**STERLING SENIOR
CENTER**

The Town of Sterling has started to prepare a master plan, or a blueprint for what it will look like in the future. A master plan consists of short- and longer-term policies to guide a town's physical evolution through a balanced approach to conservation and development. When the plan is completed, it will help Sterling manage the inevitable process of growth and change while preserving the qualities that citizens say they love about their town. Please attend the Open House, share your thoughts and your vision for Sterling!

Tuesday April 30th 7-9 pm

At the Sterling Senior Center

Gather to connect, network, and envision what a new non-profit organization dedicated to promoting, enhancing and encouraging the arts in the Sterling area might look like.



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Community Lunch at the First Church

Saturday April 6th
12 noon

Menu: Salad, Lasagna, Garlic Bread, Dessert

Please call the Senior Center if you need a ride.



Pancake Breakfast

Friday, April 26th

7:30 - 9:00 am

Celebrity Server

Barbara Bartlett,

Sterling Town Clerk

Plain and special pancakes, sausage, eggs, mixed fruit, tea breads, juices & coffee.

\$3 suggested donation

Open to all ages.

No reservations



Wachusett Food Pantry

50 Worcester Rd., Sterling, 978-563-1064

Friday, April 19, 9-11 am (Seniors)

Sat. April 20, 9-11 am (Everyone)

Call Nickole Boardman, Outreach Coordinator at the Sterling Senior Center for assistance with the Food Pantry or other related programs, such as SNAP.

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Sept. 12 – 15	Canada’s Eastern Townships: Magog, Fitch Bay, Sherbrooke & Lake Memphremagog	\$789/pp Double, Single room \$979
Sat. Oct. 12	Newfane, VT, Heritage Festival & lunch Grafton Inn, NEW!	\$99/pp
Oct. 25 – Nov. 08	Southern Caribbean Cruise, 15-days, no flying, round trip from Boston (Join Fred and Gladys, 23 booked-to-date!)	From \$1459/pp
Sat. Nov. 23	“Tea & Trees”, Barrington, NH, with time to shop at Calef’s Country Store & Stonewall Kitchens. Afternoon tea-lunch at the Silver Fountain Inn, stop at the Lindt Chocolate store & final stop at the Methuen Festival of Trees.	\$114/pp

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**Coming
in May!**

THE TASTE of STERLING

Sunday, May 5th, 4-6:30pm



WHERE: STERLING SENIOR CENTER (NOTE NEW VENUE LOCATION)

WHAT: Highlighting Local Food Vendors
(no need to go too far to enjoy good food, take out or party!)

TICKETS: \$15.00 (children under 10/\$10.00)

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