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June 2022

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June 24th Noon-5pm

We invite all our current volunteers and their significant others to join us for a catered lunch followed by an afternoon at Tower Hill Gardens, including a guided tour.

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

You know who you are!

Make sure to sign up by June 17th!

Rain Date Sat, June 25

Senior Center closing at 11:00am on 6/24 VOLUNTEER

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

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How to Grow, Harvest & Arrange Strawflowers

with Greg Billings

Wednesday, June 15th at 3:00PM

Come and make a flower arrangement that will last for years

You'll get a small mug or vase with foam and plenty of dried

strawflowers to arrange; an hour of fun and learning!

You'll learn how & where to grow the plants;

how to harvest, wire and dry the flowers;

how to arrange.

Limited Seating - Sign Up Required



with coach Shawn Parker Four week Clinic starts Thursday June 9th 4pm beginners
5pm advanced beginners / intermediate
at West Sterling Tennis Courts

10 players per session \$20 for 4 week session Rain dates will be made up at end of session Protective eyewear recommended Sign up at Sterling Senior Center 978-422-3032





Safety Presentation

June 23rd, 9:30am

Learn updated safety information for you and your home.





Meet the new SMLD Manager!
Bring your questions.
\$50 Market Basket gift cards for four lucky attendees.



STATE OFFICE HOURS

Representatives from the offices of Senator Anne Gobi and Representatives Kimberly Ferguson & Meghan Kilcoyne June 21st, 11:30am - 12:30pm at the Senior Center Come with a question, or just to meet.

4	UPCOM	ING PROGRAMS
June	S	PECIAL EVENTS
Jun 2 Jun 9,16,23,30 Jun 14 Jun 15 Jun 15 Jun 16 Jun 17 Jun 20 Jun 23 Jun 24 Jun 24	1:00 pm 4:00 & 5:00pm 9:40 am 11:00-1:00 3:00 pm 5:30pm 8:30-9:30 am CLOSED 9:30 am 7:30-9:00 am CLOSED at 11am	Ukulele Graduation Pickleball Clinics \$20, Registration Required Flag Day Ceremony at Houghton School Pop-Up Market Make & Take Strawflowers \$5, sign-up required Evening Dinner Summer Barbecue - \$5 ticket Father's Day Grab 'n' Go Registration Required Juneteenth Freedom Day SMLD Safety Presentation Pancake Breakfast
Jun 24 Jun 27	12:00 pm 12:00 pm	Volunteer Appreciation Event Birthday Cake
Jun 30	1:00 pm	Group Trip American Heritage Museum (sign-up req'd)
	•	ee calendar for exercise programs
Jun 1 Jun 1 Jun 1 Jun 1 Jun 2 Jun 2 Jun 2 Jun 3 Jun 3 Jun 3 Jun 4 Jun 6 Jun 6 Jun 7 Jun 9 Jun 15 Jun 17,18 Jun 21	12:30 pm 1:00 pm 1:00 pm 9:30 am 1:00 pm 2:00 pm 8:00 am-noon 9:30 am 6:30 pm 1:00 pm 3:00 pm 3:00 pm 9:00 am by appointment by appointment 1:00 pm 9:30 am 12:30 pm 9-11:00 am 11:30 am	Pool daily Rummikub (weekly on Wednesdays) Van Shopping Trip (weekly on Wednesdays, sign-up) Wii Bowling (weekly on Wednesdays) History Club (first Thursday of month) Acrylic Painting \$5 (weekly on Thursdays) Ukulele Club (weekly on Thursdays) Veterans Services Office (weekly on Fridays) Knitting Club (weekly on Fridays) Grange Pitch Party BINGO (weekly on Mondays) Ukulele Open Strumming (weekly on Mondays) Bread Pickup (weekly on Tuesdays) Open Coloring (weekly on Tuesdays) SHINE Counseling Tech Help (weekly on Tuesdays) Game Day (weekly on Tuesdays) Dull Men's Club (second Thursday of month) Book Club "Bury My Heart at Wounded Knee" Food Pantry State Office Hours (third Tuesday of month) WELLNESS
Jun 3 Jun 14 Jun 8 & 22 Jun 9 & 23 Jun 16 Jun 30	10:00 am 9:30-11:30 am 3:30-5:00 pm by appointment 9:30 am 3:00-4:30 pm	Going Steady (weekly on Fridays) Well Clinic sponsored by VNA Care Parkinson's Support Foot Clinic \$45 to FC Nurse Caregiver & Bereavement Yoga registration required Caregiver Support registration suggested

A caregiver may give ANY KIND of physical, emotional or social support to another person. That probably means you!

Yoga as Holistic Self-Care



for those on a journey in the caregiving process or in need of bereavement support

June 16th at 9:30am and every third Thursday

Sponsored by Bikram Yoga of Auburn, and Trinity Hospice
No cost to participants

Friendly Visitor Program

This program provides social interaction to homebound seniors through home visits and phone calls from a caring volunteer. Our program connects a Friendly Visitor to a senior for weekly or bi-weekly interaction.

Get together for a cup of coffee, chat over lunch, build a puzzle or take a walk. However you spend your time, know that you will enrich each other's lives just by enjoying each other's company.

KEEP WELL CLINIC

June 14th 9:30-11:30 am with Amy from VNA Care



Need a BP check?
On a new medication?
Have a new diagnosis?
Interested in discussing diet, exercise or supplements?

Call 978-422-3032 to make a reservation



parkinson's

In person support (with Zoom option) 2nd & 4th Wednesdays June 8th and 22nd at 3:30-5:00 pm

Please contact Joe at 508-335-0672 or northworcparkies@yahoo.com



Foot Clinic Footcare By Nurses

Appointments at the Senior Center with Moira, RN.

Call us at 978-422-3032 to schedule your clinic visit for \$45 on June 9 or 23, and July 14 & 28.



If you are interested in participating in this program and becoming a Friendly Visitor, or if you wish to refer someone who may benefit from a weekly visit, contact Nickole

at the Senior Center on 978-422-3032.



Volunteer opportunities to assist individuals:

- Organize finances
- Coach or cue clients to pay bills
- Sort mail and explain paperwork
- Balance checkbook, reconcile statements To learn more, contact Liza Updike, ASNCM Program Manager, at 978-466-1528.



CAREGIVER SUPPORT

June 30th, 3 - 4:30pm

This is a peer directed meeting, facilitated by Eileen Brooks from Sterling Village. You're a caregiver! We understand your schedule can be unpredictable - so drop in anytime during 3-4:30!

Registration Suggested

978-422-3032

	Nr I	INE CALENDAR		
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Fees for Tai Chi, Yoga & Pilates: \$5 In Person \$2 Zoom Line Dancing \$2 Acrylic Painting \$5 Clean indoor shoes for exercise classes.	Wednesday Shopping Trips: 6/1 Ocean State 6/8 Walmart, WB 6/15 Lincoln Plaza 6/22 Walmart, Leom 6/29 Blackstone Mall Registration Required	9:30 Chair Yoga 11:30 Chef Salad 12:30 Rummikub 1:00 Van shopping trip 1:00 Wii Bowling 4:00 Pickleball	2 9:30 History Club 11:30 Beef Stew 1:00 Acrylic Painting 1:00 Beginner Ukulele Graduation 2:00 Ukulele Club	8:00 VSO Hours 9:30 Knit Happens 10:00 Going Steady 11:30 Smorgasbord
6 8:30 Tai Chi 9:45 Beginner Tai Chi 11:30 Pork Dinner 1:00 Bingo 3:00 Open Strumming 4:00 Pickleball	7 8 - 4 Bread Pickup 8:15 Pilates 9:00 Open Coloring 9:30 SHINE 9:30 Line Dancing 11:30 Breakfast for Lunch 1:00 Game Day	9:30 Chair Yoga 11:30 Spaghetti & Meatballs 12:30 Rummikub 1:00 Van shopping trip 1:00 Wii Bowling 3:30 Parkinson Support 4:00 Pickleball	8:30-2:30 Foot Clinic 9:30 Dull Men's Club 11:30 Fish Tacos 1:00 Acrylic Painting 2:00 Ukulele Club 4:00 Pickleball Clinics 5:30 COA Board Mtg	8:00 VSO Hours 9:30 Knit Happens 10:00 Going Steady 11:30 Smorgasbord
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DAY	1:00 Game Day	4:00 Pickleball	4:00 Pickleball Clinics	CLOSED AT 11:00 Volunteer Appreciation Event
27	28	29	30	CAN THE PARTY
8:30 Tai Chi	8 - 4 Bread Pickup	9:30 Chair Yoga	11:30 Garden Salad	
9:45 Beginner Tai Chi	8:15 Pilates	11:30 Chili	1:00 American	
11:30 Sausage with	9:00 Open Coloring	12:30 Rummikub	Heritage Museum Trip	
Peppers & Onions	9:30 Line Dancing	1:00 Van shopping trip	1:00 Acrylic Painting	TO THE PARTY OF TH
12:00 Birthday Cake	11:30 Chicken Dinner	1:00 Wii Bowling	2:00 Ukulele Club	
1:00 Bingo	1:00 Game Day	3:30 Parkinson Support	3-4:30 Caregiver	
3:00 Open Strumming	•	4:00 Pickleball	Support	
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Enjoy al fresco dining on our patio! Wachusett Food Pantry 50 Worcester Rd, Sterling



Potatoes, Veggies Strawberry Shortcake Salad, Baked Ham All are welcome!

No Cost No Reservations Van rides available through Senior Center



Seniors: Fri June 17, 9-11
All: Sat June 18, 9-11
Call Nickole for assistance



Keep those suggestions, complaints and compliments coming Help us improve our services to Sterling seniors!





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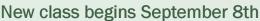




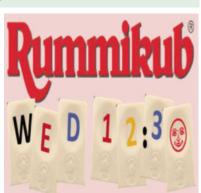
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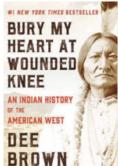
Ukulele Graduation Party Thursday, June 2nd at 1:00pm

Ukulele Beginners Group are officially no longer beginners!









Book Club June 15 @ 12:30pm

Bury My Heart at Wounded Knee by Dee Brown

Going Steady

Fridays at 10:00am
Learn the tricks of fall prevention.
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OPEN COLORING

TUESDAYS 9-10AM
BRING YOUR OWN,
OR SUPPLIES AVAILABLE

PITCH PARTY!

June 7th at 6:30pm
In partnership with Sterling Grange

Calling All Artists!

Would you like to be a featured artist at Sterling Senior Center?

Our gallery displays art from local artists, highlighted with a bi-monthly Art Reception.

We encourage artists using a variety of mediums, mixed art, photography, unconventional, and more. If you, or someone you know, would like more information, please call us at 978-422-3032

Beginner TAI CHI Mondays at 9:45am

Are you interested in Tai Chi, but need foundation skills?
This class is perfect for you!

Attend this class session before graduating into our 8:30 Tai Chi program.

Pre-Registration Required!

Tai Chi



Mondays at 8.30am with John Call us at 978-422-3032 to join!



Tuesdays 8:15am \$5

Join Mary from The Core Connection Chair and Mat combined class Come In and Give it a Try!! Registration Required



Wednesdays @ 1:00pm



Computer and Cellphone Security with Rick Musiello Thursday, June 9th at 9:30am

Learn a new craft....

Join a great group who are learning a new skill in painting and creating! Acrylic Painting
Thursdays 1:00pm
\$5.00

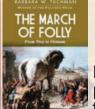
New Members Welcome



Peter Cummings offers technical help through in-person meetings.

Tuesdays, 9-12 Call for appointment.

HISTORY CLUB



The March of Folly: From Troy to Vietnam by Barbara Tuchman

Defining folly as the pursuit by government of policies contrary to their own interests, despite the availability of feasible alternatives,

June 2nd Tuchman shares four decisive turning points in history that illustrate the very heights of folly.

July 7: Last Call: The Rise & Fall of Prohibition, D. Okrent



West Sterling Courts
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Please call the Senior Center
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Open Strumming

Mondays 3:00 - 4:00 pm

1:00



GAME DAY



TUESDAYS



12:30 12:30 Fridays 8am to Noon at the Senior Center

Leominster Veterans Services 978-534-7538



Pool Players Wanted! Tables available all day. Bring your friends to play!



FOSS Fundraiser

\$200 in scratch lottery tickets - various values \$1 per ticket \$5 for 6 tickets On sale at Sterling Senior Center Call 978-422-3032

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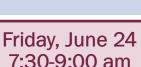




Flag Day Ceremony Houghton School, June 14th at 9:40am

Join the staff and students at the annual Flag Day Ceremony on the front lawn at Houghton Elementary School.

If you'd like a ride, the van will leave the Senior Center at 9:20.





Thursday evening, August 11
(rain date August 18)
Register your car through
Rob or Pam at SSC 978-422-3032

Celebrity Server: Sharon Moynihan, Manager Sterling Storage Solutions

Plain & special pancakes, ham, eggs, fresh fruit, tea breads, juice, coffee.

Open to all

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GO TRAVEL AWAY WE AND 2022 Trip List For age 50+ travelers On Golden Pond, Moulton Farm Market & Junch at Hart's Turkey Farm in Sun, July 31 | Meredith, NH. 90 minute boat ride at Squam Lake Science Center to learn about \$115 pp the natural forces that created the lake and wildlife. A Day in the Berkshires Quick visit to Berkshire Botanical Gardens then lunch at \$145 pp Sat, Sep 10 the Red Lion Inn, followed by a visit to Daniel Chester French's studio & gardens. Calvin Coolidge Museum including lunch at Quechee Inn. Sun, Oct 9 \$119 pp Charleston, Savannah & Jekyll Island. This is one of our larger trips. Flyers Call for Oct 14-20 available with pricing, Covid waiver & insurance summary. If you have any pricing questions about this trip call Fred Clark at 508-421-6882 Freeport & Portland, ME A visit to Victoria Mansion, Portland then to Wilbur's \$409 double Dec 9-10 Chocolates. Overnight at Hilton Garden Inn, Freeport. Day 2 includes Muddy \$529 single Rudder for lunch then Portland's Symphony Orchestra's Magic of Christmas.

<u>Contact</u>: Gladys Merrow 508-835-4312 or 508-612-5312 <u>andawaywegotravel.gem@gmail.com</u>

Signed COVID waiver and proof of vaccination required. All trips include gratuity for driver & escort.

Cancelation waiver included — you will receive refund, minus \$5 fee. If trip includes theater ticket, refund will also be minus cost of ticket up to 10 days prior to trip. After that, refund only if your seat can be filled.



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Tickets \$15 Van \$2
Sign up through the Senior Center
If you wish to drive, please meet at SSC to caravan.