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Council on Aging

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Friends of the Council on Aging Luncheon

Summer 2019

On **Wednesday**, **June 12**, the Boxborough Friends of the Council on Aging (FCOA) will hold its anniversary luncheon. The event begins at **noon** in the **Community Center**. The luncheon will feature a delightful meal, along with a multimedia presentation by noted musicologist Bruce Hambro. The focus of this program will be the familiar Broadway tunes of Richard Rodgers, Lorenz Hart, and Oscar Hammerstein.

Come enjoy the festivities along with your friends and neighbors. Oh, and be sure to bring your singing voice! All Boxborough seniors are welcome and admission is free. Please call Lauren to make a reservation (978-264-1717).

Check out the box on the last page of this issue to test your knowledge of Broadway shows and tunes.

Boxborough Fifer's Day

On **Saturday, June 15**, Boxborough will celebrate Fifer's Day at **Flerra Meadows** on Stow Road. This event is jointly sponsored by the Boxborough District Minuteman Company and the Town's Public Celebrations and Ceremonies Committee. Fifer's Day is a special time when Boxborough citizens come together to celebrate our Town.



The Day begins at **9:30 AM** with the Fifer's 4-Mile Road Race. The race is followed by a parade that starts at Blanchard School at **11 AM** and ends at Flerra Meadows, where the Golden Fife Award will

be presented. Fair activities start at **noon** and include a barbecue and food that offers a vegetarian option, children's games and activities, a donut-eating contest, a volleyball tournament, booths representing Town organizations, and a craft fair. There will also be live music for attendees to enjoy throughout the afternoon.

For more information or to sign up for a non-profit booth, craft booth, road race, or volleyball, please go to www.fifersday.org.



Spotlight: Local Farmers' Markets

Farmers' markets take place all over our state, and they are one of the treats of the season. These markets supply far more than just

fresh food; they are big, happy social events, where you see friends and neighbors. Often, they offer live entertainment as well.

The fruits and vegetables at many markets have been picked the same day you buy them. Most markets offer other foods as well: local meats, wine, beer, breads, cheese, eggs, honey, and exotic prepared foods.



Two tips will make shopping easier. First, bring your own reusable bags. If you have a large cloth bag, you can throw your wallet inside. Second, carry cash, preferably many small bills. Using a \$20 bill to pay for a tomato will not endear you to a farmer!

Here is a list of a few of the nearby farmers' markets:

Acton-Boxborough Farmers' Market

Pearl Street, West Acton Village Jun 16-Oct 27, Sundays 10 AM-1 PM Fruits, vegetables, baked foods, cheeses, meats, wines, specialty products, entertainment

Chelmsford Farmers' Market

Intersection of Routes 110 and 4 (Town Common, North Road)
July 12-October 18, Thursdays 2-6 PM
Plenty of local produce, pasta, fudge, dog treats

Maynard Farmers' Market

Mill Pond Parking Lot, Clock Tower Place, Main Street, Rt. 62

June to October, Saturdays 9 AM-1 PM Dairy, meats, baked goods, honey, plants, coffee, pet food, local music

Westford Farmers' Market

Main Street and Boston Road Town Common 48 Main Street, Westford July 9-August 27, Tuesdays 2:30-6:30 PM Fruits, grains, vegetables, eggs, herbs, honey, meats, crafts Thank You, Thank You, Thank You!
On Thursday, June 6, the COA has planned a trip to the Charles River Museum of Industry and Innovation. And at this time, the Council on Aging would like to extend a special thank you to the Friends of the Council on Aging (FCOA) for sponsoring the cost of transportation to this fascinating Museum. Bus will leave Town Hall at 10:00AM.

The FCOA recently received a grant through the generosity of the Middlesex Savings Bank and has chosen to fund the cost of the bus for this trip. Additional funds from the same grant may be used for future COA trips, so be sure to watch for upcoming trips to events and museums!

Meditation for Healthy Living

A positive attitude and "food for the soul" are as important to healthy living as eating right and exercising. Come to the Meditation for Healthy Living workshop on **Saturday**, **June 8**, at **11 AM** at the **Sargent Memorial Library**. You will learn and try a simple meditation technique to relieve stress and help create a healthy living regimen. Instructor Eileen Carlotto has been practicing meditation for over 30 years. Plan to attend this engaging and powerful workshop.

Let's Celebrate National Ice Cream Month!

In 1984, President Reagan officially declared July to be National Ice Cream Month. And in celebration of this "delicious" fact, the COA invites you to an ice cream social on **Wednesday**, **July 10**, at **1 PM**, in the **Community Center**. Ice cream will be provided **free of charge** by the Visiting Angels of Acton. Please join us for a yummy treat with friends and neighbors!

The Museum will be open



Sundays 2-4 PM

- June 9
- July 14
- August 11
- September 8

Answer Key: 2,5,1,3,4,6

Jazzin' the Blues



Are you ready to go on a musical journey? Well, if so—plan to be at **Sargent Memorial Library** on **Thursday, June 20**, at

7 PM. Recording musician Paul Speidel will take attendees from the beginnings of Jazz and its Country-Blues roots, through each subsequent period of its evolution. From there, he will lead you right up to modern-day examples of the Blues' influence—not just in Jazz—but also in Latin, Soul, and Rock-n-Roll!

Paul and his acoustic bass player highlight the characteristics of swing and simple musical forms and improvisation, as defined in each stage of Jazz's development. Pieces by classical artists are emphasized and introduced with some background and history of the music. He will also share memorable tidbits about the piece or the composer.

So, mark your calendar and get ready to learn about the evolution and influence of Jazz on different types of music. This enjoyable program is a slice of music history—told in the form of a live concert!

Museum Passes at the Library

Do you have cabin fever? If so, check out the list of museum passes at our Sargent Memorial Library or online at www.boxborough-ma.gov/sargent-memorial-library. These passes are supported by local businesses and the Friends of the Library.

Some passes provide free admissions, while others offer large discounts off the admission

fees. Want to enjoy the outdoors? Our Library has passes to MA state parks and to the MA Audubon. Love the arts? Pick up a pass for the Worcester Art Museum or the Museum of Fine Arts. From local museums, such as the Discovery Museum in Acton, to the Museum of Science in Boston, there is something for everyone to enjoy!

For questions about museum passes and how to reserve them, contact the Sargent Memorial Library at 978-263-4680.

Massachusetts Equipment Distribution Program (MassEDP)

The MassEDP will be hosting a presentation about their services and equipment. The presentation will be held at 1 PM, on Monday, June 10, at the Boxborough Community Center.

The MassEDP lends communication devices to individuals who have hearing or vision limitations. These devices are loaned for little or no cost, depending on income level, and allow individuals to enjoy clear phone conversations and the ability to contact 911 in case of an emergency. Disabilities include deafness, hard of hearing, blind and low-vision, as well as cognitive and speech limitations. All ages are welcome. To be eligible, you must be a resident of Massachusetts, have a permanent disability that can be verified by your physician, and have a residential phone service plan.

COA Transportation Services

Boxborough seniors and residents with disabilities can call Cross Town Connect to reserve van rides to medical appointments, food shopping, and most local programs. The cost is nominal. Make reservations and cancellations any time from **8:30 AM to 4 PM**, **Monday** through **Friday**. To book a trip on the COA van, call **978-844-6809**.

Cancer Patient Transportation Services

Call **1-800-227-2345** for transportation and information for cancer patients.

Lending Hand Services

Need a helping hand with a specific task, such as moving a heavy object or hanging a window shade? Call Lauren at 978-264-1717 to see if Lending Hand can help.

Match That Tune!

Richard Rodgers, Lorenz Hart, and Oscar Hammerstein wrote either the music or lyrics for each show tune listed in column 1. Match the number of the tune in column 1 to the name of the show in column 2 in which it was featured.

| Tune Name | Show Name |
|----------------------------------|----------------|
| 1. With a Song in My Heart | South Pacific |
| 2. Some Enchanted Evening | Oklahoma |
| 3. You'll Never Walk Alone | Spring Is Here |
| 4. Climb Every Mountain | Carousel |
| 5. People Will Say We're in Love | Sound of Music |
| 6. It Might as Well Be Spring | State Fair |
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-Submit Items for the September Issue by August 5-



Change Service Requested

PRE-SORT Standardized Stage Paid AM, Acton, MA Permit No. 26

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June 2019

| SUN | MON | TUES | WED | THUR | FRI | SAT |
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| | | | | | | 1 |
| 2 | 9-Fitness w/Holly 1-Movie Monday | 1-Yoga | 9-Fitness w/Holly 2-Crafters Group | 9-Line Dance 9:30-Bridge 10-Charles River Museum Trip 2-Mah Jongg | 9-Fitness w/Holly | 8 11-Meditation for Healthy Living |
| 2-4 Boxboro Museum | 9-Fitness w/Holly 1-Movie Monday 1-Mass.Equipment Distri.Presentation | 11 1-Yoga | 9-Fitness w/Holly 12-FCOA Luncheon 2-Crafters Group | 9-Line Dance 9:30-Bridge 2-Mah Jongg | 9-Fitness w/Holly | Fifer's Day |
| 16 | 9-Fitness w/Holly 1-Movie Monday | 18 1-Yoga | 9-Fitness w/Holly 2-Crafters Group | 9-Line Dance 9:30-Bridge 2-Mah Jongg 7 -Jazzin' The Blues | 9-Fitness w/Holly | 22 |
| 22 | 9-Fitness w/Holly 1-Movie Monday | 24 10-Wellness Clinic 1-Yoga | 9-Fitness w/Holly 2-Crafters Group | 9-Line Dance 9:30-Bridge 2-Mah Jongg | 9-Fitness w/Holly | 28 |

| Out of Town | Mt. Calvary Church, Acton First Parish Church, Stow | Community Supper, Wed, 5 PM Community Dinner, last Fri of the month, 5:30 PM |
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Aug 2019

| Mon, Jul 1 | Fitness with Holly, 9 AM Movie Monday, 1 PM | Thur, Aug 1 | Bridge, 9:30 AM Mah Jongg, 2 PM |
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| Wed, Jul 3 | Fitness with Holly, 9 AM | Fri, Aug 2 | Fitness with Holly, 9 AM |
| Thur, Jul 4 | Crafters Group, 2 PM Independence Day- Library and | Mon, Aug 5 | Fitness with Holly, 9 AM Movie Monday, 1 PM |
| , , , , | Town Hall closed | Tue, Aug 6 | Gentle Yoga, 1 PM |
| Mon, Jul 8 | Fitness with Holly, 9 AM Movie Monday, 1 PM | Wed, Aug 7 | Fitness with Holly, 9 AM Crafters Group, 2 PM |
| Tue, Jul 9 | Gentle Yoga, 1 PM | Thur, Aug 8 | Bridge, 9:30 AM Mah Jongg, 2 PM |
| Wed, Jul 10 | Fitness with Holly, 9 AM Ice Cream Social, 1 PM Crafters Group, 2 PM | Fri, Aug 9 | Fitness with Holly, 9 AM |
| Thur, Jul 11 | Bridge, 9:30 AM | Sun, Aug 11 | Boxborough Museum, 2-4 PM |
| indi, Jui 11 | Mah Jongg, 2 PM | Mon, Aug 12 | Fitness with Holly, 9 AM Movie Monday, 1 PM |
| Fri, Jul 12 | Fitness with Holly, 9 AM | Tue, Aug 13 | Gentle Yoga, 1 PM |
| Sun, Jul 14 | Boxborough Museum, 2-4 PM | Wed, Aug 14 | Fitness with Holly, 9 AM |
| Mon, Jul 15 | Fitness with Holly, 9 AM Movie Monday, 1 PM | | Crafters Group, 2 PM |
| Wed, Jul 17 | Fitness with Holly, 9 AM | Thur, Aug 15 | Bridge, 9:30 AM Mah Jongg, 2 PM |
| | Crafters Group, 2 PM | Fri, Aug 16 | Fitness with Holly, 9 AM |
| Thur, Jul 18 | Bridge, 9:30 AM Podiatry Clinic, 9:30 AM Mah Jongg, 2 PM | Mon, Aug 19 | Fitness with Holly, 9 AM Movie Monday, 1 PM |
| Fri, Jul 19 | Fitness with Holly, 9 AM | Tue, Aug 20 | Gentle Yoga, 1 PM |
| Mon, Jul 22 | Fitness with Holly, 9 AM Movie Monday, 1 PM | Wed, Aug 21 | Fitness with Holly, 9 AM Crafters Group, 2 PM |
| Tue, Jul 23 | Gentle Yoga, 1 PM Wellness Clinic, 10 AM | Thur, Aug 22 | Bridge, 9:30 AM Mah Jongg, 2 PM |
| Wed, Jul 24 | Fitness with Holly, 9 AM | Fri, Aug 23 | Fitness with Holly, 9 AM |
| Thur, Jul 25 | Crafters Group, 2 PM Bridge, 9:30 AM | Mon, Aug 26 | Fitness with Holly, 9 AM Movie Monday, 1 PM |
| , | Mah Jongg, 2 PM | Tue, Aug 27 | Wellness Clinic, 10 AM |
| Fri, Jul 26 | Fitness with Holly, 9 AM | | Gentle Yoga, 1 PM |
| Mon, Jul 29 | Fitness with Holly, 9 AM Movie Monday, 1 PM | Wed, Aug 28 | Fitness with Holly, 9 AM Crafters Group, 2 PM |
| Tue, Jul 30 | Gentle Yoga, 1 PM | Thur, Aug 29 | Bridge, 9:30 AM Mah Jongg, 2 PM |
| Wed, Jul 31 | Fitness with Holly, 9 AM Crafters Group, 2 PM | Fri, Aug 30 | Fitness with Holly, 9 AM |