



# The Broadcaster

JUNE 2018



## FROM LIZ'S DESK

# Summer

Happy Summer everyone! We here at the COA wish you plenty of sunny days and nice cool breezes! While you are outside soaking up the sun, make sure to wave to your neighbors and check in to see how they are doing. One of the many things that makes Littleton a great community is the neighbor-to-neighbor connections that have organically created an entire network of resources. It's these connections that strengthen the community and fill the gaps that sometimes traditionally structured services cannot fill. Every day we are amazed at the amount of people calling or stopping by looking for volunteer opportunities. If you need a hand in making some connections for yourself, whether you're looking to volunteer or looking for a volunteer's help, please give us a call!



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## Senior Citizen Property Tax Work-Off Program



Thank you to all the Senior Citizen Property Tax Work-Off Program participants who completed their work! What an asset to the town!

Mark your calendars for next year's signup during the 2nd and 3rd weeks in July. Reach out to the COA for more information if you are considering signing up for the first time.

**\*\*DEADLINE FOR NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS IS THE 10TH OF THE PREVIOUS MONTH\*\***

# Happenings—June 2018

(These are just a few of our events. Look inside for more.)

Bereavement Drop-in Group	P3	June 21	Thurs
Brains and Balance	P4	June 1 & 8	Fri
Caregivers Meeting	P3	June 27	Wed
Coloring, Coffee and Conversation	P4	June 4	Mon
Fire & Police Departments Cookout	P8	June 14	Thurs
Foxwoods/Mohegan Sun Trip	P9	June 12	Tues
Futuristic Follies	P4	June 10	Sun
Indian Hill Bach's Lunch	P8	June 21	Thurs
Kindergarten Concert	P10	June 15	Fri
Living Alone and Living Well	P3	June 21	Thurs
Line Dancing Classes **NEW**	P8	Every	Monday
Movie of the Month	P8	June 28	Thurs
Oral Health Presentation	P4	June 15	Fri
Tips for Downsizing	P10	June 22	Fri
Trail Fest	P10	June 2	Sat
Veterans Breakfast	P8	June 27	Wed
LFD Blood Pressure Check	P4	Every	Thurs
<u>Ongoing Exercise Programs</u>			
Fit-4-Life with Phyllis	P4	Tues & Thurs	
Stretch & Flex with Carol Winge	P4	Tues & Thurs	
Gentle Flow Yoga	P4	Wed	
Tai Chi-Qi Gong	P4	Mon & Sat	

Refer to Calendar on Page 6 for specific times

## BILL VALES' INTERNET & COMPUTER CLASSES



**May 10th was the last class for this year.  
Then we are off for the Summer. See you in September.**

Going on vacation? Call 978-540-2470 to stop your Broadcaster mailings. This saves the COA money. Thank you!

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 Monday-Friday  
 8:30 am- 4:30 pm

COA Outreach Hours:  
 Monday-Friday  
 9:00 am-3:00 pm

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 Visit our site, [www.littletonma.org](http://www.littletonma.org), select  
 "Sign up for Town Notifications," and enter  
 your email address and select "Elder &  
 Human Services Monthly Newsletter" on  
 the next page. Look for the Broadcaster on  
 the website, too.

**The COA Board meets the 2nd Monday of each month at 1:30 pm, Room 307, Townhouse—Open Mtg  
 Friends of the Littleton COA Board meets the 1st Wednesday of each month at 1:00 pm at the Townhall**



## Oral Health Presentation by Dr. Padma

Fri, June 15<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 –11:30 am in Room 230



As we grow older, certain health concerns earn our full attention, especially the importance of good oral health. Come meet Dr. Padma of North Acton Dental and learn about denture care, help for dry mouth, implant decisions, as well as other dental concerns for seniors.

Dr. Padma graduated with a DMD from Tufts School of Dental Medicine, Boston, in 1997, and was a practicing dentist in India prior to that. Her childhood was spent in Zambia, Africa. In the US, she has worked in various MA dental offices prior to acquiring her own practice in Acton. She is an active member of the American Dental Assoc. MA Dental Society and Middlesex District Dental Society.



## Brains and Balance

The final two sessions of Brains and Balance will be held on **Fridays, June 1st, 8th at 11:00 am, in the Multi-Purpose Room.**

## Coloring, Coffee and Conversation



The next meeting will be **Monday, June 4th at 2:00 pm in Room 230.** No charge – coloring blanks and books available. Bring your pencils and pens.

## Free Blood Pressure Screening



Blood pressure screenings are conducted every **Tuesday** at the Littleton COA, Shattuck Street, Room 230, from **10:00 am to 12:00 noon.** Susan Hoag and Tamara Bedard from Nashoba Nursing Service join us on the **2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday** of each month from **10:00-11:00 am** for screenings and diet teaching. The LFD will also take your blood pressure on **Thursdays at noon** in the Senior Diner.

## Friends of the Council on Aging



**BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND**

**'FUTURISTIC FOLLIES'**

**THE MOVIE**



**DUE TO A HUGE DEMAND FOR A REPEAT PERFORMANCE, WE HAVE DECIDED TO SHOW IT AGAIN.**

**DON'T MISS THIS OPPORTUNITY TO SEE IT.**

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR SUNDAY, JUNE 10<sup>TH</sup> AT 2:00 PM AT THE LITTLETON HIGH SCHOOL PERFORMING ARTS CENTER.**

**TICKETS ARE \$5.00 EACH, AT THE DOOR, OR AT THE FRIENDS OF THE LCOA THRIFT SHOP, 2<sup>ND</sup> FLOOR, AT THE LITTLETON TOWN HALL.**

**Any questions,  
please call 978-540-2470.**



## THRIFT SHOP



**THE THRIFT SHOP IS OPEN!**

Summer is coming and we have the summer clothes: men's, women's, and children; large, medium, and small sizes.

The Thrift Shop is open **Monday through Friday, 10:00 am to 3:00 pm.**



We thank the Friends of the COA and their generous donors for their continuing support in mailing our newsletters. Activities with this symbol are partially or fully funded by the Friends of the COA.

**All classes below are in the Multi-Purpose Room,  
except Tai Chi-Qi Gong Monday classes, which will now meet in Room 123.  
Call 978-540-2470 to register.**

**FIT-4-LIFE with Phyllis**  
Tuesday and Thursday,  
9:00 to 10:00  
Intermediate to Advanced.  
**NOW \$3 per session.**

**STRETCH AND FLEX**  
with Carol Winge  
Tuesday and Thursday,  
11:15-12:15  
Designed for all fitness levels. \$2 per session.



## Gentle Flow Yoga

Join the Gentle Yoga group which meets on **Wednesdays from 9:30-10:30 am** led by Carol Winge. \$3.

## Tai Chi-Qi Gong

Tai Chi-Qi Gong is offered on **Mon from 11:00 am-12:00 noon and again at 6:30 pm in Room 123.** The class also meets on **Sat from 11:00 am to 12:00 noon in the MultiPurpose Room.** Join Ray and Dave for this stimulating exercise that improves balance and concentration. Beginners are WELCOME! \$3 per session.





MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<p>Littleton Senior Diner is open 9:00 am to 1:00 pm Monday - Friday. Call: Gayle Dalton for Reservations Senior Diner 978-540-2474 Suggested Voluntary Donation: \$2.00</p>	<p>To CANCEL or ORDER, Call your <u>local</u> meal site by 11:00 am the <u>DAY BEFORE</u></p>			1 Haddock Newburg Brown Rice Pilaf Spinach Rye Bread Raisins
4 Beef & Lentil Chili Brown Rice Green Beans Dinner Roll Mandarin Oranges	5 Chicken Meatballs Swedish Sauce Egg Noodles Broccoli Rye Bread Blueberry Buckle	6 Broccoli Bake Home Fries Stewed Tomatoes Multigrain Bread Lorna Doones	7 Grilled Chicken Breast Apricot Sauce Scalloped Potatoes Tossed Salad Wheat Bread Diced Pears	8 Roast Pork Rosemary Gravy Mashed Potatoes Glazed Carrots Multigrain Bread Fresh Fruit
11 Haddock with Lemon Dill Sauce Red Bliss Potatoes Summer Vegetable Blend Wheat Bread Diced Pears	12 Beef Bolognese Penne Pasta Tossed Salad Italian Bread Fresh Fruit	13 <b>SPECIAL/High Sodium</b>  Chicken French* Wild Rice Pilaf Broccoli Au Gratin Multigrain Bread Pineapple Whip	14 <b>Cold Plate</b>  Chef Salad w/ Egg, Turkey, Cheese Three C Soup Multigrain Bread Applesauce	15 Meatloaf Onion Gravy Sour Cream & Chive Mashed Peas and Carrots Dinner Roll Snack n Loaf
18 BBQ Pork Rib Patty Baked Beans California Blend Vegetables Hamburger Bun Blueberry Yogurt	19 Chicken Marsala Orzo Pilaf w/ Spinach Brussel Sprouts Multigrain Bread Apple Streusel Cake	20 <b>Cold Plate</b>  Turkey Apple Salad Macaroni Salad Escarole Soup ½ Pita Pocket Fresh Fruit	21 Roast Pork Apple Gravy Yams Tossed salad Wheat Bread Mixed Fruit	22 Chicken & Rice Bake Broccoli Multigrain Bread Diced Pears
25 Chicken Parmesan Cavatappi Pasta Vegetable Gumbo Soup Dinner Roll Fresh Fruit	26 Potato Pollock Tartar Sauce Butternut Squash Tossed Salad Multigrain Bread Diced Peaches	27 Chicken Meatballs Hawaiian Sauce White Rice Oriental Blend Wheat Bread Raisins	28 Marinated Steak Tips Peppers & Onions Potato Wedges Sub Roll Almond Cookie	29 Mac & Cheese Stewed Tomatoes Wheat Bread Vanilla Yogurt

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THAT SUPPORT OUR COMMUNITY**

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## HELP PROTECT YOUR FAMILY

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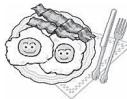
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CALL NOW! 1-888-862-6429

## LADIES' BREAKFAST

June 14th - 7:30 am to 9:00 am



## MEN'S BREAKFAST

June 20th- 7:30 am to 9:00 am



### Senior Diner - Shattuck Street

Bacon, eggs, sausages, pancakes, home-fries, toast

Your \$3.00 donation will be given to the Friends of the COA to support Friends/COA programs



If you suspect someone is being abused, neglected or financially exploited, contact **Minuteman Senior Services, Protective Services** at **781-221-7069** during regular business hours; after hours on evenings, holidays and weekends, call **1-800-922-2275** to speak confidentially to the **Elder Abuse Hotline**.

### Volunteer Spotlight—Nancy Hilsinger



### Thanks to Our Volunteers!

Our Volunteer Spotlight for June is someone who devotes so much time and energy to the Town of Littleton that many have mistaken her for a full-time employee. Nancy Hilsinger began editing the Broadcaster in 2012 and has also been a volunteer at LCTV for the past 5 years, doing editing and making an occasional on-screen appearance. Nancy says that she enjoys the volunteer work she does because it allows her to be creative and is so different from what she did prior to retirement from Finance.

Nancy has lived in Littleton for 50 years, and loves spending time with her Maine Coon Cat, Rosy. Nancy enjoys the flexibility that volunteering gives her, but mostly she enjoys contributing to the community and keeping her brain active.

Nancy works extremely hard for the Town of Littleton and we are all better for having her here with us: a friendly face, an extremely knowledgeable contributor and a great friend to us all.

### Are You on Our Email List?



Littleton EHS sends out a weekly email to keep you in the loop about what is going on here at the COA. In addition to that we have a weekly wellness newsletter to offer tips and interesting ideas on all aspects of wellness. If you would like to be added to our list please contact **Nicole Lorenson at 978-540-2475**.



*The Littleton Council on Aging values the diversity of our participants, staff, volunteers, and the Littleton community. We strive to promote a welcoming environment including differences in race, socioeconomic status, cultural background, sexual orientation, gender identity, ability, and other forms of uniqueness.*

### ELDER ABUSE?



### PRIME TIME PADDLERS



The Prime Time Paddlers (PTP) will be starting their 7th season of kayaking, and enjoying Mother Nature and her waterways. It's free and a lot of fun! We try to kayak somewhere close to Littleton once a week, on a Thursday, and always paddle as a group. All you need is a kayak, with a paddle and life jacket, and a car to get you to wherever we are going. We also suggest bringing a hat, sun block, and water to drink. A cell phone is always a good idea.

For more information, please call the COA office at **978-540-2470**, and someone will get back to you with details.

### Walnut Pear Bread

3 large eggs	2 tsp ground cinnamon
1 ½ cups sugar	1 tsp baking soda
¾ cup vegetable oil	1 tsp salt
1 tsp vanilla extract	1 tsp lemon juice
3 cups all-purpose flour	1 cup chopped walnuts
2 tsp baking powder	
4 cups finely chopped, peeled, ripe pears (you can use canned pears in a pinch but drain well)	

In a bowl, combine eggs, sugar, oil and vanilla; mix well. Combine flour, baking powder, cinnamon, baking soda and salt, stir into the egg mixture until moistened. Toss pears with lemon juice, stir pears and walnuts into batter (batter will be thick).

Spoon into 2 greased 9x5 loaf pans. Bake at 350 for 55-60 minutes or until a toothpick comes out clean. Cool for 10 minutes before removing from pans to wire racks.

*Thank you to Linda for sharing this with us. She won 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the 2018 Library Bread Bake-Off for this recipe!!*

If you have a recipe you would like to submit, please send it to [nlorenson@littletonma.org](mailto:nlorenson@littletonma.org)



## Crafts at the Council

Crafts will be off for the Summer. But watch for our fall schedule in the September Broadcaster.



## Loving Stitches



Littleton's 'Loving Stitches' group meets every **Monday from 12:00-2:00 pm in Room 233**. Bring your own lunch and then enjoy some time to knit or crochet items that are donated to various, local charities.

Call 978-540-2470 for more information.



## Fire & Police Dept Cookout



The Littleton Fire and Police Departments will be hosting a cookout for Littleton Seniors on **Thursday, June 14th at noon at the new Fire Station**.

Please RVSP by calling the COA at 978-540-2470.



Our Veterans Service office provides assistance with Navigating VA Benefits (help with filing disability claims, pensions, etc.), Financial Aid and/or Assistance, Medical Expense Assistance, Burial Assistance, Cemetery Markers and Flags, Locating Military/Discharge records, Welcome Home Bonus, Veterans Work-Off Program and much more.

**Open every Monday and Thursday 8:45-11:45 am** in Room 222. Call John Boroski at **978-540-2485** to make an appointment.

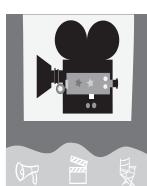
## NEW Line Dancing Classes with Kari

**Mondays in the Multi-Purpose Room**



Beginners from 9:00-10:00 am

Advancing Beginners from 10:00-11:00 am



## Movie of the Month

**Thursday, June 28th at 1:00 pm, "The Post"** will be shown in Room 230. \$2.00 donation requested.

Please sign up in the COA office or call **978-540-2470**.



## Veterans Breakfast



Join us for breakfast, prepared by Littleton's Police and Fire Departments. Veterans of all ages are welcome to this free offering. **Wednesday, June 27th (last Wednesday of the month), Senior Diner at Town Hall, 7:30-8:30 am.**

## Neighborhood Supper



Come and enjoy a dinner out each **Tuesday evening** at the Congregational Church from **5:30 to 6:30 pm**. The Neighborhood Supper is held at the Congregational Church, but hosted by a different church each week. Open to all who would enjoy eating a meal with friends. It's **FREE!**

## Senior Bingo Afternoon



Senior Bingo at the Congregational Church will be off for the Summer. But we will resume in October.

Any questions, call Jane Lyons at **978-486-3436**. We look forward to seeing you in October.

## Bingo at St. Anne's Church

Bingo at St. Anne's Church will be off for the Summer. We will resume in the Fall.



## SENIOR BOWLING

**Monday through Friday 10:00-1:00**

3 Games and Shoes - \$6.00. Socialize while you exercise! Complimentary Coffee on Wednesdays. **Acton Bowladrome - 978-263-7638.**

## INDIAN HILL MUSIC



Indian Hill Music School presents the Music of Jimmy Van Heusen featuring Pamela Hines (piano), Elise Roth (vocals), Dave Clark (bass), and Miki Matsuki (drums): **TWO SHOWS - Thursday, June 21st at 11:00 am and 1:30 pm**, 36 King Street, Littleton, MA. Complimentary coffee, tea, cookies; bring your lunch. **FREE** admission. Reservations required for groups at **(978) 486-9524** (press 0). Learn more at [www.indianhillmusic.org](http://www.indianhillmusic.org).

Call to reserve tables for groups of five or more. **Please do not make reservations via email.** Thank you!

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## The 7th Annual Conference for Grandparents Raising Grandchildren Community Providers and Supporters



Wednesday, June 6, 2018  
8:30 am—3:00 pm

The Best Western Royal Plaza Hotel  
181 Boston Post Road  
Marlborough, Ma. 01752

**The conference is FREE and LUNCH IS INCLUDED**  
Please RSVP to [colleen.pritoni@state.ma.us](mailto:colleen.pritoni@state.ma.us)

Conference participants will have the opportunity to learn about community resources and services for grandparents raising grandchildren. Participants will also have the opportunity to attend workshops on a variety of issues such as the impact of trauma on children and families, understanding the impact of the opioid crisis on seniors/grandparents, accessing educational resources for trauma survivors, and grief and loss in children.

There will also be over a dozen service providers in the Resource Table Hall for participants to visit to learn even more about the many local and statewide resources for kinship families.

If you are a grandparent raising a grandchild and are looking for additional resources, please **contact Nicole at 978-540-2475.**



A Memory Café is a safe and comfortable space where caregivers and their loved ones experiencing memory loss can socialize, listen to music, play games, and enjoy other appropriate activities. They provide an environment for mutual support and an opportunity to exchange information with those in similar situations.

The cafe is on the first floor in our clean, bright and inviting Fellowship hall, with easy access from the two main side entrances: Goldsmith and King Street, red doors). Handicap access is found in the rear entrance on Goldsmith street. Staff are on hand to assist as needed.

### Memory Café

Monthly on the Fourth Saturday, 10:00 am-12:00 pm

First Baptist Church

Littleton Common

461 King St. Littleton MA

978-486-4660

## FOXWOODS/MOHEGAN SUN TRIP

*Littleton is partnering with Westford on day trips.*

**Join us as we head to Connecticut on our Casino getaway day!**



We are planning to travel to **Foxwoods** and **Mohegan Sun** Casinos on **Tuesday, June 12th** and are inviting all those ages 50 and over to join us. Buckingham Motor Coach will once again be driving us with **departure from the Franco-American Club (55 West Prescott Street, Westford)** at 7:30 am. Please park at the rear of the lot.

The fee for this trip will be \$36, which includes driver gratuity and is due at sign-up. You will receive bonus and food coupons when you arrive at the casino.

We will drop off at Foxwoods and proceed to Mohegan Sun only if we have a minimum of twelve participants for Mohegan.

**Please call the Westford Council on Aging at 978-692-5523 to sign-up and tell us which casino you would prefer!**

## June is LGBT Pride Month



LGBT Pride Month is a movement that celebrates sexual diversity. For lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) people, it is a way of protesting about discrimination and violence. It promotes their dignity, equal rights, self-affirmation and is a way of increasing society's awareness of the issues they face.

June was chosen as Pride Month because it is when the Stonewall Riots took place, in 1969. The Stonewall Riots were a series of spontaneous, violent demonstrations by members of the community against a police raid that took place in the early morning hours of June 28, 1969, at the Stonewall Inn in the Greenwich Village neighborhood of New York City. They are widely considered to constitute the most important event leading to the gay liberation movement and the modern fight for LGBT rights in the United States.

After the Stonewall Riots, the LGBT community in New York City faced gender, race, class, and generational obstacles to becoming a cohesive community. Within six months, two gay activist organizations were formed in New York, concentrating on confrontational tactics, and three newspapers were established to promote rights for gays and lesbians. Within a few years, gay rights organizations were founded across the U.S. and the world. On June 28, 1970, the first gay pride marches took place in New York, Los Angeles, San Francisco and Chicago commemorating the anniversary of the riots. Similar marches were organized in other cities and continue to be held annually.

# KINDERGARTEN CONCERT



Littleton Seniors are invited to a very special concert at Shaker Lane Elementary School, put on by all the Kindergarten Classes, on Friday, June 15th at 11:00 am. The concert will be held in the cafe and will last approximately 30 minutes. There will be a light snack and drink offered at the tables during the performance. We hope that you can come and be entertained by our little stars!

Please sign up by calling the COA office at 978-540-5470, and bring a friend.

**What:** A Kindergarten Concert

**Where:** Shaker Lane Elementary School café

**When:** June 15, 2018 at 11:00-11:30 am

**Who:** All Littleton Seniors!

**Why:** Why Not!!



## Trail Fest 2018

Hiking • Food • Music • Fun!

Saturday, June 2

**Yapp Conservation Land, Littleton**  
426 Newtown Rd.

Yoga and stretching, starting at 9:30 a.m.

Guided 6K and 3K walks, starting at 10:00 a.m.

Lunch, live music, a petting zoo, and more, starting at Noon

*Co-Hosts: Sudbury Valley Trustees, Littleton Conservation Trust, Town of Littleton  
SVT Members / LCT Members / Littleton Residents: \$5 each/\$15 per family  
Others: \$10 each/\$25 per family*

For more details and registration info:  
[www.svtweb.org/TrailFest](http://www.svtweb.org/TrailFest)



## Chess Club and Chess Classes



Littleton seniors are invited to attend Chess Club and Chess Classes at the Acton COA:

### Beginner's Chess Class Thursdays 12:30 to 2:00 pm

Learn how the pieces move, what are check and checkmate, the 10 Golden Rules of chess and some basic strategies.

### Intermediate Chess Class Thursdays 2:00 3:30 pm

For players who already know how the pieces move and the concepts of check and checkmate. You will play games and get feedback.

### Chess Club Thursdays 1:30 to 4:30 pm

For players with some experience. You only need to know the basics to play.

Both the chess classes and chess club are free.

The address of the Acton Senior Center is 30 Sudbury Road in Acton.



## Tips for Transitioning: De-Cluttering, Downsizing, and Moving

Friday, June 22nd at 11:00 am in Room 230

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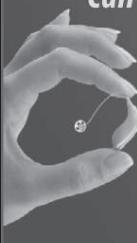
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