# May 2014

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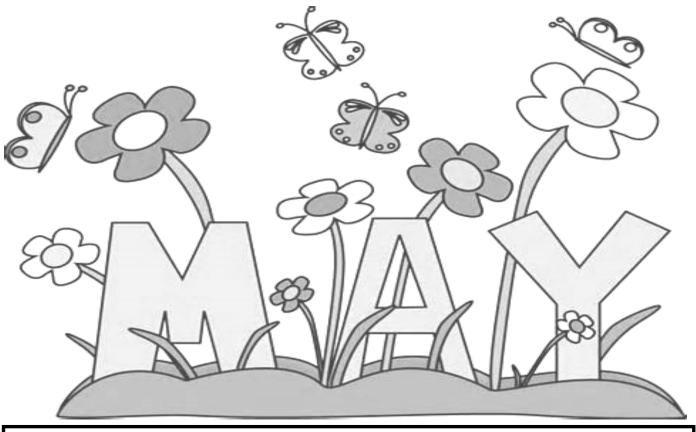
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Please contact Kayla Jarrell to be added to our email list.

(518) 824-8824 or jarrellk@warrencountyny.gov

### OFA HIGHLIGHTS

#### Wanted/Needed: New Members

AARP North Country Chapter 3891 meets the 3rd Wednesday of the month at the Queensbury Senior Center on Bay Road next to the Queensbury Town Center. Our May meeting will be on the 21st and we have an interesting speaker on Bonsai trees. Bag lunch is at noon, with meeting to follow at 12:45 PM. Raffle tickets will be drawn at end of meeting. Please attend and bring a friend.

For more info contact Cindy Hatin Vice President @ (518) 793-2365 Get involved!
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#### The 40<sup>th</sup> Annual Senior Citizen Luncheon

Honoring Senior of the Year and Contributing Senior from Warren and Hamilton Counties

Thursday, May 22<sup>nd</sup> at noon

Fort William Henry 48 Canada Street

Lake George, NY 12845

Menu Choices (Entrée)

Beef, Chicken or Salmon Cost \$16.95

Anyone who wishes to attend please sign up with your senior club, center, meal site or contact Maureen Mihalics.

All reservations, with payment, MUST be received by May 8th 2014.

If you have any questions or need additional information please contact Maureen Mihalics at 668-5506



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- Senior of the Year for Hamilton County is **Pete Simons** of Wells
- Outstanding Contributor for Warren County is **Bob Dalaba** of Queensbury
- Outstanding Contributor for Hamilton County is Rose Simons of Wells

#### Plan ahead!

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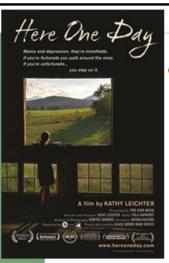
#### **Volunteers Needed**

Warren & Hamilton Counties Office for the Aging

Meals on Wheels & Transportation Programs

Please contact Kayla Jarrell

Warren/Hamilton County Office for the Aging (518)-761-6347





The Council for Prevention and Crandall Public Library invite you to attend a screening of **Here One Day** 

Followed by a discussion with Producer and Director, Kathy Leichter

Here One Day
Tuesday, May 13, 2014
6:30 p.m.

Crandall Public Library
251 Glen Street
Glens Falls, NY 12801
Start time is 6:30 p.m. (doors open at 6 p.m.)

When filmmaker Kathy Leichter moved back into the apartment she grew up in after her mother committed suicide, she discovered a hidden box of audiotapes. Sixteen years passed before she had the courage to delve into this trove, unearthing details that her mother had recorded about every aspect of her life from the challenges of her marriage to a State Senator, to her son's estrangement, to her struggles with bipolar disorder. Playing like a Greek tragedy, Here One Day is a bracing, visually arresting, emotionally candid film about a woman coping with mental illness, her relationships with her family, and the ripple effects of her suicide on those she loved.

Here One Day has screened at world renowned film festivals including the Cleveland International Film Festival, the International Documentary Film Festival (IDFA), and Hot Docs Canadian International Documentary Festival among others and was shot by the 2010 winner of the Excellence in Cinematography Award at The Sundance Film Festival For more information about the film, please go to: www.hereoneday.com

#### COUNCIL FOR PREVENTION

Promoting Health and Wellbeing

The Council for Prevention fosters healthy communities, schools, families, and individuals.

The Council supports and encourages collaboration among leaders, professionals, and community members addressing the issues of mental health, substance abuse, disease prevention, treatment, and recovery.

For more information about the screening, please contact Allison Reynolds at (518) 746-1527 or allisonreynolds@councilforprevention.org

# Community Connections Day!

May 10th 2014 10am –1pm

Activities for all ages. @ Crandall Park, GF

Kayla Jarrell will be at the OFA booth. Stop by to meet her and enter our drawing.

Substitute
Workers Needed
at various meal sites
contact

RoseAnn O'Rourke 761-6347



# You Can Change Your Brain's Destiny Today.

<u>Dr. David Perlmutter</u>, Expert Neurologist, best-selling author

Alzheimer's now affects some 5.4 million Americans; and it is a disease for which there is not only no cure, but no meaningful treatment. That said, it's fundamentally important to embrace the notion that Alzheimer's is a preventable disease.

If you live to be age 85 years, or have already reached that milestone, statistically your risk for Alzheimer's is a breathtaking 50/50. That's a flip of a coin.

in the group that did the aerobics. In fact, the MRI scans showed that there was an actual increase in the size of their memory centers, as well as improvement in memory function!

The good news is that recent scientific research is revealing that we can choose to change those odds for the better—dramatically!

#### Exercise is key to keeping your brain healthy

In upcoming articles, I'll be focusing on important dietary changes that can protect your brain, but for now I want to discuss the incredibly powerful role of aerobic exercise. While we all know that exercise makes for a healthier heart and may strengthen our bones, aerobics may well be the most powerful tonic for preserving, and even enhancing, brain health and function.

In a recent report in the prestigious scientific journal, "Proceedings of the National Academy of Science," researchers from the University of Pittsburgh described their results in comparing two groups of people. Each group of contained 60 similarly aged adults. One group was given a stretching program to perform each day, while the second group was given an aerobics program.

At the beginning of the study, all participants had an MRI scan of their brains and a memory test. After one year, the MRI scans that were actually dedicated to evaluating the brain's memory center, as well as the memory test, were repeated in all the participants.

The results were astounding. The individuals who merely did the stretching showed progressive shrinking of their memory centers on the MRI scans, along with a decline in memory function. But, this was *not* observed in the group that did the aerobics. In fact, the MRI scans showed that there was an actual *increase* in the size of their memory centers, as well as improvement in memory function! Lead researcher of the study, Dr. Kirk Erikson, stated in the conclusion of the report, "These results clearly indicate that aerobic exercise is neuroprotective and that starting an exercise regimen later in life is not futile for either enhancing cognition or augmenting brain volume."

If only there were a pill that we could take that could accomplish this! As of this writing, no pharmaceutical remedy for Alzheimer's disease exists. And Alzheimer's begins with both shrinkage of the brain's memory center, as well as progressive failure of memory function.

So, the take home message is to dust off your sneakers and get back in the game. I recommend about 20 minutes of some form of aerobic exercise each day. Whether you choose to walk, bike, jog or swim, the key is to keep your heart rate up for the entire duration of your program.

As always, check with your healthcare provider before starting any new exercise program.

# Whats New with HIICAP...



#### Social Security & Medicare Update

William C. Lane, Ph.D.

Just a reminder that each May, the nation celebrates Older Americans Month to recognize older persons for their contributions to society. This year, we are focusing on injury prevention with the theme *Safe Today*, *Healthy Tomorrow*.

In recent weeks the Social Security Administration has announced several changes that may affect beneficiaries of all ages. The trend is clearly toward moving away from services provided at local Social Security offices toward using the website.

First, beginning August 1st, 2014 the Administration will discontinue providing Social Security number printouts. If you need proof of your Social Security number and can not locate your Social Security card, you will need to complete a Form SS-5 (Application for a Social Security Card) and provide the required documentation. You can obtain a copy of the form by visiting the website at www.socialsecurity.gov/ ssnumber. You will need to provide documents to prove your identity, age and citizenship or lawful immigration status. You can mail your completed form with the original documents to address found on the form. Or you can take the form and documents to the local Social Security Office. For Warren County the address of the Social Security Office is Suite 1, 17 Cronin Rd, Queensbury, NY 12084. The phone number is 1-877-405-4875 and the office hours are 9:00-3:00 (MTThF) and 9:00-12:00 (W). Residents of Hamilton County should check the Social Security website for the closest office or call the Queensbury office for locations and hours of operation.

If you need a benefit verification letter for your Social Security or Supplemental Security Income benefits the best way is now to go online. You will first need to create an account by going to <a href="www.socialsecurity.gov/myaccount">www.socialsecurity.gov/myaccount</a>. Once you have created an account you can get the letter instantly. If you are unable to go online you can call 1-800-772-1213 to request a letter. Allow several weeks for delivery. These official letters include proof of your (1) benefit amount and type, (2) Medicare start date and withholding amount, if applicable, and (3) your age.

The most important change for Medicare recipients has to do with a change in New York state and not

Federal Medicare law. The change concerns being placed on *observational status* when admitted to a hospital. In order to be classified as admitted to a hospital, a Medicare beneficiary must spend three consecutive days in a hospital, not counting the day of discharge. This three day stay is necessary to qualify for subsequent coverage for a nursing-home stay including a short stay for rehabilitation. Also, if you are discharged while on observational status you may be charged for any medications you receive for pre-existing health problems. Medicare drug plans are not required to reimburse you for these drug costs.

On January 19, 2014 New York's Observation Status Law went into effect. All hospitals are now required to notify Medicare patients when they are placed on observational status instead of within 24 hours of when the billing decision was made. If you are alerted by the hospital that you are on observational status you should immediately contact your insurance company to determine if all your hospital charges will be covered. This information is crucial because Medicare Part A will only pay for the cost of rehabilitation in a nursing home setting if you have actually been admitted for 3 days. If you have any questions you should call the Warren/Hamilton Counties Office for the Aging HIICAP program at 518-761-6347. You can also call the Medicare Patient's Rights Helpline operated by the New York StateWide Senior Action Council at 1-800-333-4374. Counselors at both numbers will assist you and, if necessary, help you file an appeal to have your status formally changed. Also, do not hesitate to request assistance from one of the social workers on staff at all hospitals.

Finally, the HIICAP program will be doing extensive outreach later this summer to make eligible County residents aware of two programs, the Low-Income Subsidy (LIS) and Medicare Saving Programs (MSP).

Eligible County residents can receive significant assistance in paying for their Medicare premiums and other related costs through these programs. Next month's column will be devoted to this effort and

#### these two programs

Dr. William Lane is the owner of William Lane Associates; a gerontological consulting firm based in Albany. He does not sell insurance, work for any insurance company, recommend any insurance products or offer financial planning or legal services.

# THE FUN

### INTERESTING FACTS

- The Titanic was the first ship to use the SOS signal.
- The average person who stops smoking requires one hour less sleep a night.
- · Women blink nearly twice as much as men.
- Bats always turn left when exiting a cave.
- Your left lung is smaller than your right lung to make room for your heart.
- When you blush, the lining of your stomach also turns red.
- The attachment of the human skin to muscles is what causes dimples.

# Volunteer Birthdays

Annie McMahon 1<sup>st</sup> Anne Mabb 5<sup>th</sup>
Peter Fitzgerald 6<sup>th</sup>
Tom Ives 9<sup>th</sup> Chuck Adams 13<sup>th</sup>
Veronica Russell 14<sup>th</sup>
Diane Frazier 21<sup>st</sup> Joan Flanagan 23<sup>rd</sup>
Colbie Jarrell 24<sup>th</sup>

# Famous April Birthdays

4<sup>th</sup> Audrey Hepburn - "Breakfast at Tiffany's" star 13<sup>th</sup> Beatrice Arthur - Actress on "The Golden Girls" 17<sup>th</sup> Bob Saget — Actor on "Full House"

# CENTER

#### I Love You Mom!

Mom's smiles can brighten any moment, Mom's hugs put joy in all our days, Mom's love will stay with us forever and touch our lives in precious ways... The values you've taught, the care you've given, and the wonderful love you've shown, have enriched my life in more ways than I can count. I Love you Mom!

Author Unknown

#### **Mother's Day Word Search**

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When the Word search Puzzle is complete, read the un-circled letters from left to right, top to bottom, to read an interesting fact .

BREAKFAST	LOVE
CARD	MAY
CARNATIONS	MOMMY
CELEBRATE	MOTHERHOOD
CHILDREN	MOTHERS
DAUGHTERS	MUMMY
FAMILY	SECOND
FLOWERS	SONS
HAPPY	SUNDAY
HOLIDAY	TELEPHONE



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#### <u>NEW MEMBERS WELCOME</u> NEED NOT BE MEMBER TO PARTICIPATE IN ANY OF THE ACTIVITIES/or TRIPS

#### SOME OF THIS MONTH'S HIGHLIGHTS

141011-575	Good Books Cide Somewhere South of 12010 William 120 Walski	1.00 p.m.
Tues-5/6	Law Day-Attorney James Burkett on senior issues, call to register	1:00 p.m.
Wed-5/7	Special Bingo-refreshments, lots of games, prizes	1:15 p.m.
Thurs-5/8	Lunch Bunch-Recovery Grill-Call Center to reserve	12:00 p.m.
Fri-5/9	Wii Bowling at Hudson Falls-call to sign up	1:00 p.m.
Mon-5/12	One Stroke Art Class-\$15, interesting project	12:30-2:00 p.m.
Tues-5/13	Film/Popcorn -"Philomena"	1:00 p.m.
Wed-5/14	Defensive Driving-call to reserve, fee involved	9:00 a.m-5:00 p.m.
Fri-5/15	Newcomers Reception-members who have joined since April 2013	1:30 p.m.
Fri-5/16	Balancing Your Time for an easier life-by Blue Shield	1:00 p.m.
Mon-5/19	Who is "General Moreau"? Parks Bentley Place speaker-Senior Center	1:00 p.m.
Tues-5/20	1944 Radio Show-Gary Ferris, Red Cross	1:00 p.m.
Thurs-5/22	Senior Theater Workshop performance-donation-Wood Theater	1:00/7:00 p.m.
Wed-5/30	Racino Trip-call week in advance to register player number	9:00 a.m.
Wed-5/30	Writing group-come share your work	1:00 p.m.
Monday- Friday	Thrift Shop-new items all the time	10 a.m12 p.m.
Every Tues	Bingo in AM/Program in PM-Transportation provided	10:30 a.m.
Every Thursday	Chair Yoga- with Toby-Free- Sponsored by MVP	10:15- 11:00 a.m.
Mon-Thurs.	Osteo exercise program- Monday-Thursday-Sponsored by RSVP	9:00-10:15 a.m.
Every Friday	Tai Chi Class-Cost: \$6	9:00 a.m10:00 a.m

#### Ongoing activities at a glance:

Lunch Bunch/Monthly Luncheons/Osteo Busters Exercise Classes/Tai Chi Class/Blood Pressure/Sugar Clinics/ Good Books Club/ Computer Classes/Performing Line Dancing/Woodshop/Bowling/Crafts/Cards/Bingo & Much More. Trips include: California Coastal, Irish Splendor, Alaska Cruise. Call Center for pricing and information on the upcoming trips and events or see on line.

Don't be lonely- come and participate in "YOUR SENIOR CENTER".

TRANSPORTATION TO CENTER AVAILABLE- 24 HOURS NOTICE

#### ANNUAL SPRING PARTY

#### HOLIDAY INN-LAKE GEORGE PROSPECT ROOM

Tuesday, May 29, 12:00 p.m.

Cost: \$21

Reserve by May 22 Come celebrate Spring!

Sponsored by CDPHP

#### Menu:

House Salad Cheese Cake with Berry Drizzle Beverage- Coffee/Tea/Soda

Choice Of:
Chicken Marsala
London Broil
Atlantic Salmon
Vegetable Lasagna
Steamed vegetables/oven roasted potatoes

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Queensbury Senior Citizens Present....



#### Niagara Falls & Toronto

Sept. 22nd - 26th

Full itinerary available For info call (518)745-44389 or (518)761-8224



4 Nights Lodging (Canadian side)

4 Breakfast 4 Dinners

Guided tours of Niagara Falls & Toronto Journey to the falls "Hornblower Cruise" Visits to: Niagara on the Lake, Queen Victoria Park, Casa Loma (Canada's most magnificent castle) Time for gaming at the Falls View Casino if so desired.

\$75 deposit due with registration before June 16th. Final payment by July 25th Trip insurance available at time of deposit.

#### Cost \$479pp dbl \$638pp single

Call (518)745-4439 or (518)761-8224 for more info. Full itinerary available

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Wed. June 4th - Experience Albany

Albany Institute of Art "Mystery of the Albany Mummies" Albany Visitor's Center - "Stars of the Pharaohs" Planetarium show Dutch Apple Lunch cruise......Cost \$68 Deadline May 2nd

#### June 23rd- 25th Fabulous Finger Lakes

Belhurst castle, Sonnenberg gardens, lake Cruise, Corning Glass, Soaring Museum & more. Accommodations at Palmyra Inn Cost \$394pp dbl Deposit \$50 due with registration. Final payment by May 23rd

#### Thurs. July 10th Explore the Hudson River

Hudson River Maritime Museum, Walkway over the Hudson, Lunch at Shadows on the Hudson, Empire Cruise, Millbrook Winery...Cost \$87 Deadline June 9th

#### Wed. Aug. 6th Hildene & Weston Theater

Self guided tour of Mary & Robert Todd Lincoln's Home & Gardens Boxed Deli style lunch, "A Chorus Line" at Weston Theater, and the Vermont Country Store. Cost \$86 Deadline July 1st

# Queensbury Senior Center

Queensbury Senior Citizens Presents...

#### Fabulous Finger Lakes!



#### with Accommodations at the Palmyra Inn Mon. June 23rd - 25th Belhurst Castle















2014

#### PACKAGE INCLUDES:

- \* 2 Nights lodging
- \* 2 Breakfasts \* 2 Dinners, including Belhurst Castle
- \* Corning Museum of Glass \* Willard Memorial Chapel
- \* Sonnenberg Gardens and Mansion Wegman's Marketplace
- \* Finger Lakes Winery tour and tasting
- \* Scenic Lake Cruise \* National Soaring Museum
- \* Souvenir gift
- \* Baggage handling
- \* Taxes and meal gratuities
- \* Motorcoach transportation

Cost \$394pp dbl

Travel Insurance

Available:

Basic \$38pp

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Cancellation insurance available upon request

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Melissa Pagnotta - Activity & Travel Director (518)745-4439 Deposit of \$50pp to register

Deadline: Friday May 23rd for final payment

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#### Thurs, Sept. 11th - Mac-Haydn Theater & Lindenwald

Musical celebration of the 1930's and 1940's "All Night Strut." Martin Van Buren National Historic Site and Lunch at Jackson's old Chatham House.

Cost \$77 Deadline Fri. Aug 8th

#### Sept. 22nd-26th - Niagara Falls & Toronto with White Star Tours

4 Nights, 4 Dinners, 4 Breakfasts, Guided Tours of Niagara Falls & Toronto, Niagra On the Lake, "Hornblower" Falls Cruise, Queen Victoria Park, Casa Loma, & Falls View Casino. Cost \$479pp dbl. \$75 deposit with registration. Final Pay 7/25

#### Wed. Oct. 1st - Old Forge Lake Cr & ADK Scenic Railroad

2 hour cruise on Fulton Chain of Lakes, Lunch at Knotty Pine Restaurant, Adirondack Scenic Railroad along Moose River to Otter Lake, Old Forge Hardware Variety Store. Cost \$81 Deadline Aug. 29th

Thurs. Nov 6th - Cooperstown - Art & the Otesaga Hotel

Fenimore Art Museum, Joseph Popp Butterfly Conservatory & Gourmet Lunch at the Otesaga Resort Hotel. Cost\$79 Deadline Oct. 8th

Tues, Dec. 9th - Beeches Dinner Theater - Rome NY

"Sing We Now Of Christmas" Luncheon Matinee performance Visit the Christmas Tree Shop on the way out. Cost \$78 Deadline Nov. 5th

Certified Dietician Nutritionist

# Catherine's Corner

#### Roasted Asparagus with Balsamic-Butter Sauce

As spring approaches, the produce section starts to get interesting again! Right now that means buying bunches of those beautiful asparagus spears when you find them on sale. They'll be at their peak through May. Wait for a good price (around \$1-\$1.75/lb.), add it to your grocery cart, and plan to include this great side dish to your spring recipe rotation. It's ridiculously fast and easy to prepare and delicious to eat.



1 bunch fresh as-

paragus, washed, dried, and trimmed\*
olive oil
salt & pepper, to taste
2 T. butter
2 t. soy sauce
1 t. balsamic vinegar

- Preheat the oven to 400-degrees.
- Arrange the asparagus on a rimmed baking sheet. Coat lightly with olive oil and season with salt & pepper (I just toss it together with my hands— a bit messy but much easier).
- Bake the asparagus for 10-12 minutes or until tender.

Melt the butter in a small saucepan over medium heat until lightly browned. Remove from heat and stir in the soy sauce and balsamic vinegar. Pour over the baked asparagus to serve.

\* Hold each asparagus spear between your fingers and snap off 1-2" from the base. The spear will naturally break at the point where it becomes tough. Discard tough ends.

Catherine Keating RD CDN Warren/Hamilton Co.'s OFA Adopted by Emily from Frugal Living NW

# Making Physical Activity a Part of Your Life

**Spring Back Into Your Exercise Program:** 

Springtime weather tends to be ideal for outdoor exercise:

warm enough to wear light clothing, but cool enough to keep you comfortable during light-to-moderate exercise.

When it comes to getting the physical activity you need each week, it's important to pick activities you enjoy and that match your abilities. This will help ensure that you stick with them.

#### Things to keep in mind

- Try to do a variety of activities. This can make physical activity more enjoyable and reduce your risk of injury.
- Regular physical activity is still safe and beneficial even if you have problems doing normal daily activities, such as climbing stairs or walking.
- To get to and stay at a healthy weight, start by doing the equivalent of 150 minutes of moderate- intensity aerobic activity each week. Keep in mind that you may need to do more activity or reduce the number of calories you eat to get to your desired weight

Improving Your balance - Are you at risk for falling because you've fallen in the past or have trouble walking? Older adults who are at risk for falling should do exercises that help them with balance. Try to do balance training on at least 3 days a week and do standardized exercises from a program that's been proven to reduce falls. These exercises might include backward walking, sideways walking, heel walking, toe walking, and practicing standing from a sitting position. Tai chi, a form of martial arts developed in China, may also help

with balance. **Balance training -**Check with your local senior center to see if they offer balance training or tai chi classes.

#### What if you have a chronic

condition? - If you have a health condition such as arthritis, diabetes, or heart disease it doesn't mean you can't be active. In fact, it's just the opposite. Regular physical activity can improve your quality of life and even reduce your risk of developing other conditions. What's important is that you avoid being inactive. Even 60 minutes a week of moderate-intensity aerobic activity is good for you. Talk with your doctor to find out if your health condition limits, in any way, your ability to be active.

#### What if you have a disability?

If you are an older adult with a disability, regular physical activity can provide you with important health benefits, like a stronger heart, lungs and muscles, improved mental health and a better ability to do everyday tasks. It's best to talk with your health care provider before you begin a physical activity routine. Try to get advice from a professional with experience in physical activity and disability.

#### When to check with your

**doctor -** Doing activity that requires moderate effort is safe for most people, but if you have a health condition such as heart disease, arthritis, or diabetes be sure to talk with your doctor about the types and amounts of physical activity that are right for you.

Catherine Keating RD CDN
Warren/Hamilton Co.'s OFA
Adopted By: CDC - Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

# Guide to Spring Fruits and Vegetables

One way to significantly reduce your grocery bill each month is to create your menu plans around produce that is currently in season for your area.

Healthful eating is never as easy as it is in the spring. With fresh fruits and vegetables flourishing, you only need minimal preparation to bring out maximum flavor. From salads to sides, entrées to desserts.

**Spring Fruits and Veggies:** Artichokes Arugula Asparagus Broccoli Cabbage Carrots Fava Beans Fiddlehead Ferns New potatoes Rhubarb Spinach Sugar Snap Peas Vidalia onions Zucchini Apricots Avocadoes Blueberries Kiwi Grapefruit Lemons Pineapples Strawberries Tomatoes

# Linguine with Spring Vegetables

Get an instant taste of spring with this one-pot pasta. In 20 minutes, you'll have linguine in a silky sauce with crisptender asparagus and snap peas.

Prep: 20 mins. Servings: 4

#### **INGREDIENTS**

- · Coarse salt and ground pepper
- 3/4 pound linguine
- 1 pound asparagus (tough ends removed), cut into 1-inch lengths
- 1 medium zucchini, halved lengthwise (quartered if large) and thinly sliced
- 4 ounces sugar snap peas (stem ends trimmed), halved
- 1/2 cup heavy cream
- 1 tablespoon butter, cut into pieces
- · 2 tablespoons fresh tarragon leaves



#### **DIRECTIONS**

In a large pot of boiling salted water, cook pasta 4 minutes short of al dente; add asparagus, zucchini, and snap peas. Cook until vegetables are crisp-tender, about 3 minutes. Reserve 1/2 cup pasta water; drain pasta mixture, and set aside.

In the same pot, bring cream and butter to a simmer. Toss in pasta mixture and enough pasta water to create a thin sauce (it will thicken as it stands). Season with salt and pepper, and top with tarragon

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MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Suggested	:		May 1 Cold Plate	May 2
oon tricking	May is		Tuna Salad on a Bun	
contribution	National Senior		Pasta Salad	CHEF'S
to non mod	Citizens Month		Broccoli Salad	CHOICE
43 per mear.			Cookie of the Day	
May 5	May 6	May 7	May 8	May 9
Swiss Steak	Quiche of the Day	Lemon Baked Fish	Stuffed Shells with	Happy Mother's Day
Mashed Potatoes	Muffin of the Day	Roasted Red Potatoes	Marinara Meat Sauce	Apple N' Onion Chicken
Brussels Sprouts	Mixed Veggies	Carrots	Tossed Salad	Sweet Potatoes
Chilled Pineapple	Yogurt Parfait with	Chilled Peaches	Scandinavian blend Veggies	Broccoli
	Fruit & Granola		Fresh Fruit	Mother's Day Dessert
May 12	May 13	May 14	May 15	May 16 Cold Plate
Breaded Haddock	Pork Chops	Roast Turkey/Gravy	American Goulash	Chicken Salad on Bed of
Augratin Potatoes	Mashed Potatoes	Cranberry Sauce	Tossed Salad	Romaine Lettuce
Japanese Veggies	Winter Squash	Mashed Potatoes	Asparagus	Potato Salad
Rice Pudding/Topping	Mandarin Orange	California Medley	Fresh Grapes	Four Bean Salad
		Apricots		Berry Crisp
May 19	May 20	May 21	May 22 Cold Plate	May 23
Chicken Pot Pie with	Meatloaf	Chicken & Stuffing	Citrus, Turkey, and	Memorial Day Picnic
Potatoes & Veggies	Mashed Potatoes	Casserole	Spinach Salad	Cheeseburger Deluxe
Spinach	Carrots	Sweet Potatoes	Fresh Tomato Salad	Lettuce/Tomatoes
Chilled Pears	Peach Cobbler	Peas & Onions	Muffin of the Day	baked beans
		Tropical Fruit Cup	Birthday Cake	Colesiaw Fresh Fruit
May 26	May 27	May 28	May 29 Cold Plate	May 30
1371	•	Sloppy Joes on a Bun	Chef Salad –(Turkey/Ham/	Macaroni & Cheese
horapop	Baked Fish Scandia	Summer Squash &	Swiss Cheese/ Lettuce)	Stewed Tomatoes
Memorial	Orange Rice Pilaf	Zucchini Casserole	Marinated Veggies	Carrot Raisin Salad
Company of the second	Italian Veggies	Com	Strawberry Shortcake	Fresh Fruit
	Mandarin Orange	Pineapple Upside Down	,	
Meal site Closed		Cake		
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All meals served with 1% milk, bread, margarine, (Congregate site only - *coffee, and tea and juice*). Diabetic desserts are available for those with diabetes. *Menus subject to chang*e. Frozen Dinner Heating Instructions: Oven: 350 degrees for 30-45 min or 160 degree (Loosen aluminum foil top or puncture film seal) Microwave: Plastic Containers only - loosen film seal, heat on high 5-6 minutes. Let stand 2-3

minutes prior to serving. Caution contents will be hot.

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Cedars-832-1705; Johnsburg-251-2711; Long Lake-624-5221; Wells-924-4066

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