




MSU RETIREES
ASSOCIATION
SPARTAN SENIOR E-NOTICES



Check out [MSU Retiree Association's \(MSURA\) Website](#) and find out more about MSURA. For an overview of MSURA, check out our [Brochure](#).



The latest MSURA Spartan Newsletter is available online.
Click the link to take a look.

THE LATEST MSURA SPARTAN SENIOR NEWSLETTER edition is now available online, [February-March Newsletter](#). Past newsletters are always available on the [MSURA Website](#) and Facebook page. For previous newsletters see [Newsletter Archives](#).



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Welcome to 2024! I hope everyone is keeping warm with this suddenly frigid weather. The MSURA is looking forward to a lot of activities for the second half of our year. Thank you to everyone who attended the January speaker meeting to hear Ron Flinn. It was our largest attendance this academic year at the MSUFCU. Our BYOB (Bring Your Own Friend) continues on February 12. If this is your first time attending an MSURA speaker's meeting let them know at the registration table and you will receive a \$5 BIGGBY gift card. If you bring a friend who is attending for the first time you get a gift card, too! February 9 is the tour of RE Olds Museum in Lansing and lunch following at Brody Hall. We already have quite a few signed up. April 10 takes MSURA members to the Gerald Ford Presidential Museum and Meijer Gardens in Grand Rapids. The annual meeting is May 7 and soon to be announced is a trip to Meadow Brook on the Oakland University campus – tour of the home, lunch and the play, **Ella, Lady of Song**.

Jacqie Babcock, President
MSU Retirees Association



PROGRAMS

B.Y.O.B.

B.Y.O.B - BRING YOUR OWN BUDDY A RETIREES EVENT

Do you know a retiree who has never been to one of our membership meetings?

An MSURA committee invested in trying to reach out to more retirees has come up with a fun way to get more people out and active.

If you bring a newbie to one of these monthly membership meetings, you and your guest will each get a \$5 Biggy card.

It's true. It's BYOB, or Bring Your Own Buddy. Tell them it's pretty painless as there's free coffee and donuts at the monthly membership meeting plus an interesting speaker, and they'll also get a Biggy card and so will you!

When you arrive at the next meeting (this Monday) with your guest, just register yourself and your guest on a sheet when you check in at the greeter's desk.

The banner features the AROHE and Fidelity logos at the top right. The main title is 'REIMAGINING RETIREMENT: EXPLORING YOUR LIFE PLAN' in large, bold, black letters. Below the title is a blue pill-shaped button with the text 'VIRTUAL LEARNING SERIES 2024'. At the bottom, there are three white rounded rectangular boxes, each containing a date and a topic:

| Date | Topic |
|-------------|------------------------------------|
| January 30 | Reframing Your Identity |
| February 13 | Reimagining Your Personalized Plan |
| February 27 | Rebuilding Your Network |

REIMAGINE RETIREMENT: EXPLORING YOUR LIFE PLAN

MSU Retirees Association is a member in AROHE (Association of Retirement Organizations in Higher Education). AROHE is offering to all retirees this new web series which premieres in 2024 in three parts.

January 30th 1pm EST - Reframing Your Identity

February 13th 1pm EST - Reimagining Your Personalized Plan

February 27th 1pm EST - Rebuilding Your Network

This is free. For more details and to register to attend, [click here](#).



**Join us on a tour
of the R.E. Olds Museum**
Friday, Feb. 9, 10:30 a.m.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2024, MSURA TOUR: R.E. OLDS TRANSPORTATION MUSEUM. Join MSU retirees for a guided tour of the R.E. Olds Transportation Museum on February 9, 2024 at 10:30 a.m. Admission is \$7.00 and payable upon entry to the Museum. The Museum is located at 240 Museum Dr., Lansing, MI. Parking is available in a gated lot behind the Museum, the gate will be open for our group to park for free. After the tour, join MSURA members for lunch at MSU's Brody Cafeteria, see article regarding Retirees Association informal lunch for details. RSVP to Chris DeFouw at defouw@msu.edu, by January 29, 2024 for the guided tour and to advise if you will be attending lunch.



COME TO LUNCH

Friday, Oct. 13
MSU Brody Hall from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

No program, just time to meet and socialize with your fellow retirees.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 9TH MSU RETIREES ASSOCIATION MONTHLY INFORMAL LUNCH, MSU BRODY HALL 11:30AM-1:30PM. This is an informal event being hosted by MSURA. No program, just time to meet and socialize with your fellow retirees. MSURA had its early beginning with retirees meeting for lunch. Many retirees meet regularly with their fellow retirees for breakfast, lunch or dinner. As we are in our 75th anniversary year, we thought having a common lunch where retirees can socialize and reconnect was a good idea. Plan to attend and invite your friends too. These will be held monthly on the second Friday of the month at MSU Brody Hall from 11:30AM to 1:30PM.

Meals can be purchased in advance for discounted price at EatAtState.msu.edu or in person. Also daily menus are available on the EatAtState.msu.edu website.

Parking is available at Jenison Field House with your MSU Retiree Parking permit or by Pay-By-Plate. Kellogg Center parking ramp is now Pay-By-Plate.

The Brody Hall Cafeteria is located on the second floor. An elevator is located near the front entrance that will take you up to the cafeteria. Stairs are also available.

If you need a MSU Retiree Id card, you can get one at the MSU ID Office located in the MSU International Center. Purchased meals on the EatAtState.msu.edu website are placed on your MSU ID card.

If you need a MSU Retiree Parking Permit, you can order one for Free on the MSU Parking Office website at <https://parking.msu.edu/>. From the menu at the top of the page, select "Permits" and "Retiree". Follow the instructions to order your permit. Note. You will need to know your MSU NetId and password. If you do not know your MSU NetId and password, contact MSU IT Services Help Desk at Ph. 844-678-6200 or 517-432-6200.

**Valerie Marvin, Historian & Curator
Michigan State Capitol Commission**

Monday, Feb. 12, 2-3 p.m.



MONDAY FEBRUARY 12, 2024, 1:30-3:30PM RETIREE'S MONTHLY MEMBERSHIP MEETING, HISTORY OF MSU CAMPUS FACILITIES, WITH VALERIE MARVIN, HISTORIAN & CURATOR MICHIGAN STATE CAPITOL COMMISSION PRESENTING.

Have you ever looked up from the Michigan State Capitol rotunda to see the stars in the dome? What other artwork and their stories are hiding in the Michigan State Capitol?

Valerie Marvin, historian and curator for the Michigan State Capitol Commission, will present to us some of the artists and their stories when she speaks to retirees at the membership meeting on Monday, Feb. 12.

Marvin also serves as the president of the Historical Society of Greater Lansing. She is a graduate of the University of Michigan and Eastern Michigan University, where she received a Master's Degree in Historic Preservation. She and her husband, David, live in a historic home in downtown Lansing.

Attendance at this event is in-person or virtual using Zoom. Meeting will be held at the MSU Federal Credit Union Farm Lane & Mt Hope branch Community room at 1:30PM - 2PM social and presentation starting at 2PM.

Zoom Meeting Information:
Meeting

Link: <https://msu.zoom.us/j/91369229011?pwd=NUtreGsyeXFrV0xEZ24xUTIOMHZ4QT09>

Meeting Id: 913 6922 9011

Meeting Passcode: MSURA (case sensitive all caps)

Meeting Telephone Number: 312-626-6799

Meeting Telephone Passcode: 780759

Dina Maneval, Peregrin Falcon Whisperer

Monday, March 11, 2-3 p.m.



MONDAY MARCH 11, 2024, 1:30-3:30PM RETIREE'S MONTHLY MEMBERSHIP MEETING, PEREGRIN FALCONS AT LANSING'S BOARD OF WATER AND LIGHT, WITH DINA MANEVAL OF THE LANSING BOARD OF WATER AND LIGHT.

Dina Maneval has worked with the Lansing Board of Water and Light for 24 years as an accountant.

In 2004 she spear headed the Peregrine Falcon Project to help provide a protected nesting site for both the raptor and BWL staff. Alerted in 2004 that a peregrine falcon was spotted on the BWL Eckert Power Station roof, she acted.

Maneval remembered her 5th grade teacher lecturing about endangered and extinct wildlife in America: gray wolf, California condor, American bald eagle, and the peregrine falcon, but the peregrine stuck in her mind the most.

In 2007, she coincidentally reconnected with her teacher, Mara Lud, principal now, when she worked with the Moores Park Elementary School students and staff to start 'Pennies for Peregrine.' Maneval's program collected donations to purchase two FalconCams which were installed and connected at the nesting box allowing the public to watch the birds year-round.

Each year for 20 years now, BWL and the MDNR work together to band the baby falcons, so they are able to track their fledging patterns. Maneval is passionate, learning more and more every year about them – and thoroughly enjoys helping to protect and take great care of the peregrine falcon. Not only has the Peregrine nested at Eckert, but Maneval observed the falcons were aggressive at the BWL Erickson Power Station in 2022 as well. There are now two nesting sites at BWL property where there has been a total of 85 eggs laid, 55 hatched and 48 fledged.

Attendance at this event is in-person or virtual using Zoom. Meeting will be held at the MSU Federal Credit Union Farm Lane & Mt Hope branch Community room at 1:30PM - 2PM social and presentation starting at 2PM.

Zoom Meeting Information:

Meeting

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Meeting Passcode: MSURA (case sensitive all caps)

Meeting Telephone Number: 312-626-6799

Meeting Telephone Passcode: 171580

TUESDAY MARCH 12, 2024, 1:30-4:30PM SPECIAL EVENT, MICHAEL UNSWORTH PRESENTING “FLOATING VENGEANCE: JAPAN’S WORLD WAR II BALLOON ATTACK ON MICHIGAN”.

The Military History Special Interest Group is inviting everyone to attend a special event. Michael Unsworth, a retired MSU history librarian. He'll present "Floating Vengeance: Japan's World War II Balloon Attack on Michigan." He'll talk about how Japan, over about a five-month period, sent 9,200 balloons filled with hydrogen gas across the Pacific. The balloons were intended to lower morale in the U.S. and Canada. Only 285 balloons were discovered. Unsworth will talk about the two balloons that made their way to Michigan, the farthest east any were found. Come at 1:30 for refreshments. After the balloon discussion, stay on for the regular Military History meeting, if you wish.

Attendance at this event is in-person or virtual using Zoom. Meeting will be held at the MSU Federal Credit Union Farm Lane & Mt Hope branch Community room at 1:30PM - 2PM social and presentation starting at 2PM.

Zoom Meeting Information:

Meeting

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Meeting Id: 980 2416 7593

Meeting Passcode: MSURA (case sensitive all caps)

Meeting Telephone Number: 312-626-6799

Meeting Telephone Passcode: 684541

Alysia G. Babcock, Master Gardner

Monday, April 8, 2-3 p.m.



MONDAY APRIL 8, 2024, 1:30-3:30PM RETIREE'S MONTHLY MEMBERSHIP MEETING, GARDENING, WITH ALYSIA G. BABCOCK, MASTER GARDNER

Alysia G. Babcock will provide information on the benefits of native plants and the positive impact they have for pollinators, birds and the entire ecosystem. Examples of native plants you can add to your garden will also be included. Babcock is a Conservation Steward, Master Naturalist, Advanced Master Gardener, completed the KBS Field Botany Class and is a Certified Shoreline Professional. She has volunteered on The Kal-Haven Trail with the Wildflower Restoration Project, with Southwest Michigan Land Conservancy and the Strike Team with Rockford Sustainability Committee.

Attendance at this event is in-person or virtual using Zoom. Meeting will be held at the MSU Federal Credit Union Farm Lane & Mt Hope branch Community room at 1:30PM - 2PM social and presentation starting at 2PM.

Zoom Meeting Information:

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Meeting Id: 930 8650 7515

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Meeting Telephone Number: 312-626-6799

Meeting Telephone Passcode: 599204

WEDNESDAY APRIL 10, 2024, BUS DAY TRIP TO GRAND RAPIDS, GERALD R. FORD MUSEUM AND FREDERIK MEIJER GARDENS & SCULPTURE PARK

See the MSURA Spartan Senior [February-March Newsletter](#), pages 5 & 6 for details and registration form to sign up. Space is limited so sign up early.

SAVE THE DATES FOR THESE FUTURE EVENTS

Details coming soon in a future E-Notice email and newsletters for these events.

- 2nd Friday each month, MSURA Informal Lunch at Brody Cafeteria 11:30am - 1:30pm.
 - Friday, February 9, 2024
 - Friday, March 8, 2024
 - Friday, April 12, 2024
- Wednesday, April 10, 2024, MSURA Bus Trip, Frederick Meijer Gardens and Gerald Ford Museum. See MSURA Spartan Senior [February-March Newsletter](#) pages 5 & 6 for details and registration form.
- Tuesday, May 7, 2024 MSU Retirees Association Annual Lunch. Watch for details and registration in future E-Notice emails and newsletter for details and registration form to sign up.

- Sunday, June 2, 2024 Bus Day Trip to Meadow Brook, "[Ella First Lady of Song](#)". Watch future E-Notice emails and newsletters for details and registration form to sign up.



RECORDINGS OF PAST EVENTS

Links to [recordings of previous events](#) can be found on the MSURA website too.



History of MSU Campus Facilities with Ron Flinn

Monday, Jan. 8, 2-3 p.m.

RECORDING OF JANUARY 8, 2024, RETIREE'S MONTHLY MEMBERSHIP MEETING, HISTORY OF MSU CAMPUS FACILITIES, WITH RON FLINN PRESENTING.

Ron Flinn, was our speaker on Jan. 8th. He wrote a book on the history of MSU campus facilities from 1939 to the present, a period of dramatic growth and change. Flinn began working for Building and Utilities as a student employee when he arrived at MSU in September 1957. He became a full-time employee upon his graduation in 1960.

He has been involved with all facility activities including construction, maintenance and demolition from 1957 through 2014, from quonset huts to construction of the FRIB.

During his career he moved from student engineer to Vice President for Strategic Infrastructure Planning and Facilities and pulled together most of MSU's facility responsibilities.

He is licensed to practice engineering in the state of Michigan and has been active in his professional organization with papers and presentations. He was awarded the APPA (Leadership in Educational Facilities) Meritorious Service Award in 1998, its highest recognition.

To view the recording, [click here](#).



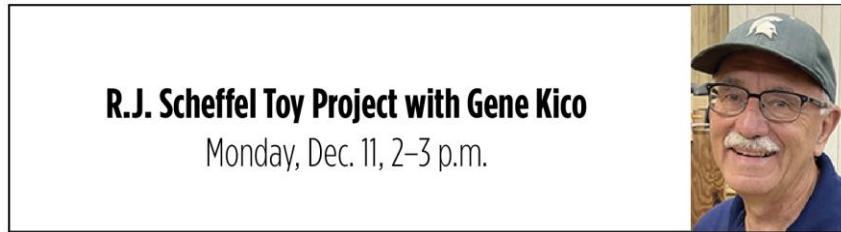
STRAIGHTLINE
EDUCATE PLAN INVEST

StraightLine Financial Planning Seminar

Thursday, Dec. 14, 2-3 p.m.

RECORDING OF THURSDAY DECEMBER 14TH 2PM, STRAIGHTLINE FINANCIAL PLANNING SEMINAR. MSU Retirees Association is happy to partner with StraightLine to provide Quarterly Financial Planning Market Updates to MSU retirees.

To view the recording, [click here](#).



RECORDING OF MONDAY DECEMBER 11, 2023, 1:30-3:30PM RETIREE'S MONTHLY MEMBERSHIP MEETING, R. J. SCHEFFEL TOY PROJECT, GENE KICO PRESENTING.

Attendees at the December membership meeting learned all about the R.J. Scheffel Memorial Toy Project, which makes and provides, without charge, wooden toys, memory boxes, and games, hand crafted by volunteers, for children who are disadvantaged, homeless, needy or in crisis. These volunteers are the "Toy Makers" for disadvantaged children of Clinton, Eaton and Ingham Counties. They work towards a "wish list" provided by the Lansing Salvation Army, CAPS (Child Abuse Prevention Services), Ele's Place, and the Kiwanis Club. Small, unpainted cars are made for children at the Ann Arbor Children's Hospital and the Child Life Dept. and Mary Free Bed Re-Hab Hospital at Lansing's Sparrow Hospital.

Gene Kico, president of the R.J. Scheffel Memorial Toy Project, will be our guest speaker on Monday, Dec. 11. Kico grew up in the Lansing area and has been involved with Scheffel for 12 years. He retired as a design manager at GM first in Lansing and then at the GM Tech Center in Warren.

He was an usher at MSU football games during the Duffy Daugherty area. Attendance at this event is in-person or virtual using Zoom. Meeting will be held at the MSU Federal Credit Union Farm Lane & Mt Hope branch Community room. Coffee at 1:30 p.m., and presentation will start at 2 p.m.

To view the recording, [click here](#).



ANNOUNCEMENTS

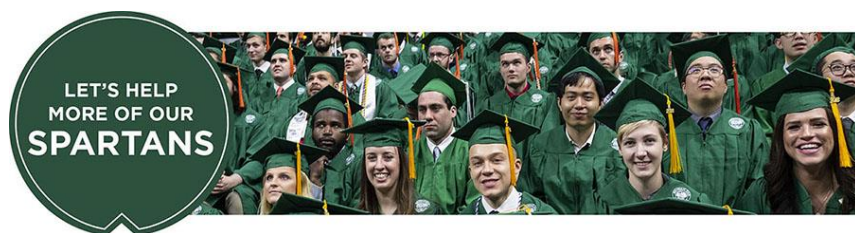
Nominations are Open for the MSURA Volunteer of the Year Award

The Michigan State University Retirees Association annually recognizes a Volunteer of the Year. This award goes to an individual (or individuals) who made significant contributions to the goals and activities supported by MSURA. If you know of a deserving retiree, send an email citing specific examples of the individual's contributions to MSURA. Also to be taken into consideration is the individual's work toward enhancing the overall quality of university life for students, faculty, staff, alumni, retirees, or other members of the MSU community. The nominee must be a member of MSURA, and individuals who have previously received the Award are not eligible. This year's recipient will be announced at the MSURA Annual Luncheon in May. Nominations must be received by March 29, 2024. All nominations will be kept confidential.

Send your nomination email to: Ander113@msu.edu

MSURA NEEDS **YOU!**

MSU RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION (MSURA) is looking for volunteers to help in various organizational roles. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Jacqie Babcock at jbabcock@msu.edu or call her at 517-282-6861. MSURA is an all volunteer organization and we need volunteers. Thank you.

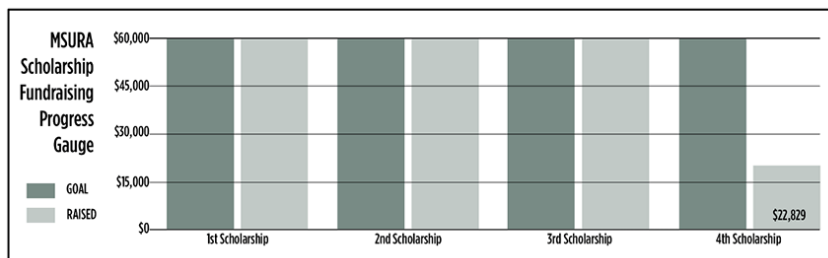


MSURA ENDOWED STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP FUNDRAISER

Awarding scholarships to deserving students at the annual MSURA luncheon is one of the most gratifying things we do as an association. Each year we help impressive young Spartans pursue their educational goals through our scholarship program. Since 2016, MSURA has awarded 23 scholarships totaling \$57,500 to students who have a family member who is or was an MSU employee. Initially we were able to award two scholarships. We increased the number to three in 2020 and four in 2022.

Our continuing fundraising efforts and the generosity of our members have enabled us to increase the number of scholarships we award. The fundraising goal we announced in 2021 was \$60,000. When we met that goal we were able to fully endow a third MSURA Scholarship. We have now exceeded our \$60,000 goal by \$22,629. We hope to grow this amount to another \$60,000 which will fully endow a fourth MSURA Scholarship. Please continue to contribute to our scholarship fundraising efforts or consider making an initial contribution. Go to the MSURA Homepage (<https://retirees.msu.edu/>) for information on how to donate.

MSURA thanks you for supporting this worthy cause. We are sure our scholarship recipients are even more grateful for your support.



You may donate to the MSURA Scholarship Endowment in one of two ways:

Donate by Mail: Make checks payable to Michigan State University with MSURA Endowed Student Scholarship written in the memo line.

Mail to: University Advancement, 535 Chestnut Road, Room 300 Michigan State University East Lansing, MI 48824

Or Donate Online

- Go to [this special link to MSURA Scholarship donations](#)
 - Enter “MSURA” in “type here to Search for Funds” field.
 - Choose “MSURA Student Endowed Scholarship Fund”.
 - Enter your gift amount or accept the suggested amount.
- Click on “Proceed to Checkout.”
- Complete donation.

Awarding scholarships is an important way MSU retirees continue to support the university and its students. Thank you for your contribution to this effort. Go Green!

Roger Baldwin
 Past President
 MSU Retirees Association

Donating to MSU Retirees Association

You may donate to the MSU Retirees Association Programs in one of two ways:

Donate by Mail: Make checks payable to Michigan State University with MSU Retirees Association Programs written in the memo line.

Mail to: University Advancement, 535 Chestnut Road, Room 300 Michigan State University East Lansing, MI 48824

Or Donate Online

- Go to [this special link to MSU Retirees Assoc donations](#)
 - Enter “MSU Retirees” in “type here to Search for Funds” field.
 - Choose “MSU Retirees Association Programs”.
 - Enter your gift amount or accept the suggested amount.
- Click on “Proceed to Checkout.”
- Complete donation.

Your donations are very much appreciated.



OTHER NEWS & EVENTS

- [MSUTODAY MAGAZINE](#)
- [MSU ADVANCEMENT](#), **OUR** IMPACT NEWSLETTER AND DEVELOPMENT MAGAZINE
- MSU ALUMNI [NEWSLETTER](#)
- MSU AGEALIVE: PROMOTING LIFELONG WELLBEING, [INFORMATION & EVENTS](#)

MSU AgeAlive is a program within the MSU College of Osteopathic Medicine, Department of Family Community Medicine. AgeAlive celebrates lifelong well-being and is dedicated to building a cohesive university wide aging unit. AgeAlive offers lifelong learning with programs such as Town and Gown and an Annual Research Forum, while celebrating intergenerational relationships with the Senior Ambassadors Program and Butterfly Flower Garden Exhibits-Visit the website for more details!
www.agealive.org

- **TOWN & GOWN PRESENTATION SERIES**, SEE AGEALIVE'S WEBSITE'S [INFORMATION & EVENTS](#) FOR FUTURE PRESENTERS.
- MSU ATHLETICS [INFORMATION & EVENTS](#)
- MSU BROAD MUSEUM [EVENTS](#)
- MSU COLLEGE OF MUSIC [EVENTS](#)
- MSU COMMUNITY CLUB [WEBSITE](#). It promotes fellowship among members of the University Community. Membership is open to all MSU faculty, staff, retirees, alumni and their spouses.
- MSU EXTENSION, [HOME GARDENING INFORMATION & EVENTS](#)
- MSU [HEALTH4U PROGRAMS](#) FOR RETIREES
- MSU MEAT LAB, CALL 517-353-9773 OR EMAIL MSUMeats@msu.edu
- MSU Parking Office [website](#). Parking Information & Permits
- MSU THEATER'S [EVENTS](#)
- MSU [UNIVERSITY HEALTH AND WELLBEING](#), services available to MSU retirees.
- MSU FRIENDS OF THEATRE, [INFORMATION & EVENTS](#)
- EAST LANSING'S PRIME TIME SENIORS PROGRAMS, [EVENTS](#)
- GREATER LANSING MICHIGAN [website](#)
- Hospice of Lansing, [website](#)
- HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF MICHIGAN [website](#)
- HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF GREATER LANSING, [EVENTS & INFORMATION](#)
- [PURE MICHIGAN website](#), the Michigan [Event's calendar](#), [Travel Guide](#), or [sign-up for the Pure Michigan Newsletter](#) for more ideas.
- TRI-COUNTY OFFICE ON AGING [website](#). As a not-for-profit organization, TCOA helps older adults, adults with disabilities, and caregivers access programs and benefits, improve their health, and remain active in their communities. Working in partnership with agencies and service providers across the area, TCOA embraces a person-centered philosophy that focuses on how a person wants to live their life while honoring their preferences.



MEMBERSHIPS

[MSU ALUMNI OFFICE](#), PROGRAMS FOR YOU

All Spartans are welcome.

- [Spartan Book Club](#)
- [Spartan Social Justice Movie Club](#)

- [Spartan Pathways Travel](#)

MSU ALUMNI CLUBS AND AFFINITY GROUPS

MSU Alumni Association has clubs and affinity groups across the US and worldwide. You are welcome to register and attend their events. Find your [local club](#) and see their upcoming events.

[MID-MICHIGAN SPARTANS CLUB](#) UPCOMING EVENTS

Visit Mid-Michigan Spartans club [website](#) for details.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: Become a Wharton Center, Inner Circle Volunteer

Are you looking for a way to serve the university, give back to the community, and have fun while doing so? Wharton Center is looking for volunteers to usher for performances, create craft kits for family shows, or greet patrons in the gift shop. We greatly appreciate the time you can give! You can learn more about all of our volunteer opportunities and/or sign up <https://www.whartoncenter.com/support/volunteer/inner-circle>

MSU IM Sports East and West Welcomes Retirees:

MSU Retirees are eligible for IM Sports East/West membership, at student prices, it is a great value! The fitness center, group fitness classes and pool are also included in your membership. Buy a membership and take advantage of all the fun! <https://apps.recsports.msu.edu/membership/>. Buy a membership for a day, week, month or a semester. For more information contact IM Sports East at 517-353-3136 or visit their [website](#) at <https://recsports.msu.edu/facilities/imeast.html>

MSURA GROUPS AND ACTIVITIES

There are several interest groups on our website – with everything from book club to walking [click for list](#). Below is information on current active groups.

| GROUP | MSURA GENERAL INFORMATION | CONTACT |
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| <u>Amateur Radio Club</u> | We are amateur radio enthusiasts. | Ed Oxeer, W8EO at oxer@msu.edu . |
| Book Club | The group meets once a month with lively discussions about the selected book. The group would eagerly welcome new members. If you are interested, please email Rebecca Townsend | Rebecca Townsend at townse44@msu.edu |
| <u>Genealogy</u> | Meets monthly, contact Cathy Estrada for more information. | Cathy Estrada cje1026@yahoo.com (517) 256-3733 |
| <u>Knitters</u> | Contact Rosemary Pavlov for meeting times and place. | Rosemary Pavlik, 517-882-2030 |
| <u>Quilters</u> | 3 rd Tuesday of each month at 1:00PM at University Luther Church, 2010 S. Harrison, EL | Ann Booren, boorena@msu.edu |

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| Travel Discussion | Contact Al LeBlanc for meeting times and more information. | Laurena Hoffmeyer, hoffmey3@msu.edu |
| Military History Study | Meetings announced through email. Contact Al LeBlanc for more information. | Al LeBlanc aleblanc@msu.edu or 517-655-6545 |
| Walking | Walk the campus river trail and other great places with your fellow retirees. Contact Rick Vogt for more information. | Rick Vogt, vogtf@msu.edu |

MSURA FACEBOOK PAGE: Are you involved in an interesting endeavor? MSURA wants to hear from you! Send us photos and/or a paragraph of your involvement and we'll add to the MSURA Facebook page. View all MSURA posts and photos at <https://www.facebook.com/MSURetirees>.



VOLUNTEER & JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Volunteer English Tutoring Program (VETP)

Volunteers provide free English conversation practice to MSU's international students and scholars, as well as their adult family members. Conversation opportunities are provided in a classroom format or as one-on-one meetings.

VETP is a conversation-based program, where international students can practice their speaking and listening skills in a relaxed and friendly environment.

We do this in two ways. "Classes" are actually more like "conversation circles", or discussions, led by a volunteer. They usually meet once a week for an hour or an hour and a half.

We also match students with a native English speaker as "conversation partners". These tutors make arrangements with students to meet one-on-one in a public place - a coffee shop, library, etc, for conversation one hour per week. At these meetings, tutors help students practice their English and ask about things they have heard but may not understand. (e. g.-what does "complimentary parking" mean?)

Interested? Please fill out the application form available at the link provided
<https://vetp.isp.msu.edu/tutors/tutors/>

Want to learn more about other volunteering opportunities available with Community Volunteers for International Programs (CVIP) click on this link: <https://cvip.isp.msu.edu/programs/cvip-programs/>

Job Opportunities



Want to Work a Bit? MSU is Looking for Part-Time Staff.

(An Announcement from MSU Human Resources)

Did you know that Michigan State University has a website dedicated to our job openings? We have a variety of openings, including temporary, on-call, end-dated, part-time, and full-time positions all over campus. View all postings and apply at careers.msu.edu.

Even if you aren't looking for something full-time or permanent, our end-dated, temporary, or on-call positions might be of interest to you. You'll find openings such as Professional Aide, Clerical Aide, Extension program Field Technician, Trades Aide, Events Worker, Labor Aide, Simulated Patient, and more. Refine the listings on our Careers website to only the job types you're interested in by using the filters on the right-hand side.

Maybe you've heard about the many open positions with our Residential and Hospitality Services team and you're interested in positively impacting our students by serving in RHS. They have many open positions at jobs.rhs.msu.edu. Click Non-Student Jobs to see openings that might be the perfect fit for you, such as Culinary Platform Attendant, Dining Worker, Snack shop/Concession Attendant, Cook and Decorator/Central Bake Shop, and more.

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