



**MSURA SPARTAN SENIOR NEWSLETTER November-December 2019:** [Online here](#). Previous issues [click here](#).

### **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

On behalf of the MSURA board, I wish you and your family Happy Holidays. I hope you will plan to include the December 16th MSURA membership meeting along with your other holiday festivities. We will have an enjoyable musical program featuring MSU College of Music graduates baritone Peter Boylan and pianist Hsin-yi Huang. They will perform a selection of holiday-themed music. The meeting begins at 1:30 pm with social time followed by our program at 2:00 pm.

I look forward to seeing you at our December 16th program plus the many other interesting programs we have planned for the new year. Best wishes for a happy holiday season.

**DECEMBER MEMBERSHIP MEETING, MONDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2019 Peter Boylan and Hsin-yi Huang**, both holding degrees from the MSU College of Music, will be delighting us with their musical talents. Meeting will be held at the MSU Federal Credit Union Farm Lane & Mt Hope branch Community room at 2PM, coffee and donuts at 1:30PM.

The holiday music played will include...

Selections from Handel's Messiah, Part 2 (Christmas)  
Selections from Winterreise by Schubert  
Sibelius op. 1, Five Christmas Songs

**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2019 MSU FACILITY FOR RARE ISOTOPE BEAMS (FRIB) TOUR, 1PM** We are happy to announce a special tour of the Facility for Rare Isotope Beams (FRIB) guided by its director, Dr. Thomas Glasmacher. **The tour is full, but we have a wait list, should space become available.** If you have signed up and cannot attend, please call Rick Vogt, so another retiree can attend in your place. Please RSVP to Rick Vogt, by emailing [vogtrick@comcast.net](mailto:vogtrick@comcast.net) or calling 517-242-1324.

**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2019, DIANNE BYRUM, CHAIRPERSON, MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES**, "Why I am Excited about the Next Decade at MSU". Event co-sponsors The Office of University Outreach and

Engagement and MSU Faculty Emeriti Association. Meeting will be held in room 103 Kellogg Center, at 1:00-2:30PM. Coffee 1:00-1:30pm. Parking passes available. Please refer to the MSU web site [trustees.msu.edu/about/byrum.html](http://trustees.msu.edu/about/byrum.html) for a brief biography of Trustee Byrum.

**FRIDAY, APRIL 10, 2020 MSURA DINNER-THEATRE EVENT, SAVE-THE-DATE**

Details and sign-up information coming soon.

**MONDAY, APRIL 20, 2020 MSURA BUS TOUR TO MEIJER GARDENS AND FORD PRESIDENTIAL MUSEUM IN GRAND RAPIDS - SAVE-THE-DATE.**

Details and sign-up information coming soon.

**MSU SHARES / CAPITAL AREA UNITED WAY CAMPAIGN**

Don't forget, if you haven't made your 2019 MSU Shares donation yet, you can use a part of your Required Minimum Distribution from your IRA to support 501(c)(3) charities. Any pledge made by check must be payable to the Capital Area United Way, and should be sent, along with our pledge form to the Retirees Office, 1407 S. Harrison Rd STE 22, East Lansing, MI 48823-9902.

If you wish to send your check separately from the pledge form, you can return your pledge form in the self-address envelope with indication in the Payment Method Section that there will be a check forthcoming. If you have any questions, please contact your Financial Advisor.

**VACCINATIONS FREE TO MSU RETIREES** at MSU Clinical Center Pharmacy Monday through Friday 8AM to 5PM. Questions check [Pharmacy's web site](#) or call the Pharmacy, 517-353-3000.

- \* **Flu vaccines**
- \* **Shingles vaccines, "SHINGRIX"**
- \* **Tetanus vaccines, "Tdap"**

**PART-TIME EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES:** Who says you can't go back to work? Culinary Services has many positions available that are perfect for retirees! There are various hours and shifts within the dining halls including hosts, kitchen prep, platform servers and dining room attendants. They offer competitive wages and flexible schedules! And they value your experience and commitment to MSU. Please apply on-line by going to [jobs.rhs.msu.edu](http://jobs.rhs.msu.edu) and search for "MSU Retiree" under "Non-student" jobs. If you have any questions, please contact RHS Employment at 517-884-0634.

**TRI-COUNTY OFFICE ON AGING PROGRAMS FOR SENIORS**

Tri-County Office on aging has a number of programs to assist seniors? Most are FREE of charge. Check out what they have coming up including programming addressing: diabetes, chronic pain, managing concerns about falls, and programs for caregivers too. <https://www.tcoa.org/classesevidence-based-programs/>

**MSU ELI AND EDYTHE BROAD ART MUSEUM EVENTS**, current and up coming events.

**MSU COLLEGE OF MUSIC EVENTS.** Interested in musical experiences? See their website's [Events Page](#) for upcoming performances, along with details.

**MSU THEATER'S EVENTS**, check out [theatre.msu.edu](http://theatre.msu.edu) to see the special events and programming.

**MSURA GROUPS AND ACTIVITIES:** There are several interest groups on our website – with everything from bowling to walking [click for list](#). Below is information on current active groups.

<b>GROUP</b>	<b>MSURA GENERAL INFORMATION</b>	<b>CONTACT</b>
<b><u>Amateur Radio Club</u></b>	We are amateur radio enthusiasts.	Ed Oxe, W8EO at <a href="mailto:oxer@msu.edu">oxer@msu.edu</a> .
<b><u>Genealogy</u></b>	Meets monthly, contact Cathy Estrada for more information.	Cathy Estrada <a href="mailto:cje1026@yahoo.com">cje1026@yahoo.com</a> (517) 256-3733
<b><u>Knitters</u></b>	Meetings are every other Tuesday in room 27 Nisbet bldg.	Rosemary Pavlik, <a href="mailto:pavlik@msu.edu">pavlik@msu.edu</a>
<b><u>Quilters</u></b>	3 <sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month at 1:00PM at University Luther Church, 2010 S. Harrison, EL	Ann Booren, <a href="mailto:boorena@msu.edu">boorena@msu.edu</a>
<b><u>Travel Discussion</u></b>	Contact Al LeBlanc for meeting times and more information.	Al LeBlanc <a href="mailto:aleblanc@msu.edu">aleblanc@msu.edu</a> or 517-655-6545
<b><u>Military History Study</u></b>	Meetings announced through email. Contact Al LeBlanc for more information.	Al LeBlanc <a href="mailto:aleblanc@msu.edu">aleblanc@msu.edu</a> or 517-655-6545
<b><u>Walking</u></b>	Walk the campus river trail and other great places with your fellow retirees. Contact Rick Vogt for more information.	Rick Vogt, <a href="mailto:vogtrick@comcast.net">vogtrick@comcast.net</a>

**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>.

**MSURA ENDOWED STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP:** The MSU Retirees' Association started a endowed student scholarship in 2015. We wanted to support the next generation of our Spartan families. Today, we have endowed two scholarships and we are working on the third. These \$2500 scholarships are a big help in helping our young people. If you would like to contribute or make a pledge, go to [www.givingto.msu.edu/1923](http://www.givingto.msu.edu/1923); Additional contributions are welcomed and very much appreciated by the MSU students who benefit from these scholarships.

**MSURA VOLUNTEERS:** The MSU Retirees Association is an all-volunteer organization, and everything we do is made possible by MSU retirees and their spouses. If you have an interest in volunteering with the MSURA by sharing your ideas, time and talents, or willing to help in any way, please give us call at [517-353-7896](tel:517-353-7896) and leave your name and phone number. Thank you for your interest and willingness to serve MSURA.

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