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Check out MSU Retiree Association's (MSURA) <u>Website</u> and find out more about MSURA. For an overview of MSURA, check out our <u>Brochure</u>.



THE LATEST MSURA SPARTAN SENIOR NEWSLETTER edition is now available online, <u>August-September Newsletter</u>. Past newsletters are always available on the <u>MSURA Website</u> and Facebook page. For previous newsletters see Newsletter Archives.



#### FRIDAY, AUUST 16, 2024 7PM MSURA LUGNUTS BASEBALL GAME

For details, see event <u>registration form</u>. If you have not registered yet, contact Lansing Lugnuts Ticket Office (Ph. 517-827-2491) to see if tickets are available in the Clubhouse Suite, seating is limited.

Your tickets can be picked up at Will-Call before the game.

Should the game be canceled due to rain, refunds will be mailed to you.



## Meet Alesha Williams, the new director of East Lansing's Prime Time

Monday, Sept. 9, 2-3 p.m.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2024, 1:30PM EAST LANSING'S PRIME TIME PROGRAMS FOR SENIORS, ALESHA WILLIAMS, PROGRAM DIRECTOR

Alesha Williams, the new Prime Time Senior Program director, will speak at the first membership meeting of the 2024-2025 season on Monday, Sept. 9.

The Prime Time Senior Program in East Lansing caters to individuals age 55 and above, offering a diverse range of classes and activities rooted in the Eight Dimensions of Wellness. It aims to foster an inclusive environment that celebrates seniors as integral members of the community.

Williams will talk about how this program enriches lives and serves as a valuable resource for community engagement and promoting healthy aging.

Since assuming her role in February, she has been proactive in forging new partnerships and creating innovative programs to enhance opportunities for local seniors. She looks forward to sharing with you her passion for the senior population and the Prime Time program.

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.

**Attend virtually using Zoom:** 

#### Meeting

Link: https://msu.zoom.us/j/98600272761?pwd=a5O5tgtgAbAvzY9laOZparIs

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Meeting Id: 986 0027 2761

Meeting Passcode: MSURA (case sensitive all caps)

Meeting Telephone Number: 312-626-6799

Meeting Telephone Passcode: 948703



#### TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2024 10AM STATE CAPITOL TOUR

The remodeling project is complete and the scaffolding has come down and the long awaited Capitol Tour has been scheduled for Tuesday, Sept. 10 at 10 a.m. Arrive by 9:45 to the Heritage Hall, north side of the Capitol, off Ottawa Street. While the tour is free, you will need to pay to park on the street, and in parking lots. The tour is approximately one hour, with walking and standing. There are elevators. Space is limited. RSVP to Chris DeFouw at <a href="mailto:defouw@msu.edu">defouw@msu.edu</a> by Aug. 31.

A link to "The Art in Michigan's Capitol" <u>presentation</u> by Valerie Marvin on Feb. 12, 2024 may be of interest to you also.



### THURSDAY, September 12TH 2PM STRAIGHTLINE FINANCIAL PLANNING EVENT

<u>StraightLine</u> is proud to continue our series of quarterly market update presentations. Please join us via Zoom for an interactive, one-hour discussion of market events and updates on investment issues of importance to you. These sessions are open to all and will be recorded and accessible via our website by clicking <u>here</u> or anyone that is unable to attend at the scheduled time. We invite you to join us!

#### **Attend virtually using Zoom:**

Thursday, September 12th, 2024, 2pm ET Join Zoom Meeting:

**Meeting Link: TBA** 



#### **COME TO LUNCH!**

MSU Brody Hall No program. Just time to meet and socialize with your fellow retirees.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 13TH MSU RETIREES ASSOCIATION MONTHLY INFORMAL LUNCH, MSU BRODY HALL 11AM-1PM. 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. 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 11AM to 1PM.

Meals can be purchased in advance for discounted price at <u>EatAtState.msu.edu</u> or in person. Also daily menus are available on the <u>EatAtState.msu.edu</u> 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 <u>EatAtState.msu.edu</u> 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 <a href="https://parking.msu.edu/">https://parking.msu.edu/</a>. Retiree Parking Permits are virtual now. No sticker! Your license plate number is used to determine your parking privileges instead of the sticker. You will register your car(s) license plate with the MSU Parking Office. You can switch parking privileges between cars as needed online or by calling the MSU Parking Office.

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.



# **MSU Benefits Open Enrollment Discussion**with Dan Mackey, Human Resources, & Sandra Campbell, MSU Pharmacy Tuesday, Oct. 15, 2-3 p.m.

Tuesday, October 15, 2024 Program MSU Retiree Benefits Open Enrollment

Enrollment for benefits including health and dental insurance and other voluntary benefits for the 2025 plan year takes place October 1-31, 2024. Learn more at <a href="https://hr.msu.edu/retirees.html">https://hr.msu.edu/retirees.html</a> and be ready with these tips:

- 1. Review your Open Enrollment Guide arriving in your mailbox in late September, this guide will provide a complete overview of the Open Enrollment process and the benefits options available to you. (If you elected to receive your enrollment materials electronically, you will have digital access in late September)
- 2. Learn about the new non-Medicare health plan administrator for the 2025 plan year, the MSU non-Medicare PPO health plan will be administered by Personify Health and utilize the Aetna provider network for health care and CVS Caremark for prescriptions. Please note the MSU Group Medicare Advantage Prescription Drug (MAPD) plan will continue to be administered by Humana. Members currently enrolled in the MSU non-Medicare PPO health plan will be automatically enrolled for 2025.
- 3. Consider attending the Benefits Fair on Oct. 3rd from 12:00-7:00 p.m. at the Breslin Center Talk in-person with HR-Benefits staff and MSU benefits providers about your benefit options or listen to presentations from Humana and Personify Health to learn more about your health plan coverage.

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.

Attend virtually using Zoom:

#### Meeting

Link: https://msu.zoom.us/j/95088009077?pwd=m5ekpwCEyqaVsSb3ywD6n7QqtT7BTb.1

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Meeting Telephone Number: 312-626-6799

**Meeting Telephone Passcode: 140513** 

#### 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 11am -1pm during the summer.
  - Friday, September 13, 2024
  - Friday, October 11, 2024
  - Friday, November 8, 2024
  - Friday, December 13, 2024
- MSURA Membership Meetings for 2024-2025 Season, held at MSUFCU Farm Lane Branch's Community Room, 1:30-2PM coffee & donuts 2PM program.
  - Tuesday, November 12, 2024 Program International Travel, Kurt Richter
  - Monday, December 9, 2024 Program Concussions, Dr. Dave Kaufman
  - Thursday, December 12, 2024 2-3PM StraightLine Financial Planning
  - Monday, January 13, 2025 Program Tri-County Office on Aging, Ali Bennett
  - Monday, February 10, 2025 Program Lansing Area During the Civil War, Matt Van Acker

- Monday, March 10, 2025 Program WKAR, Shawn Turner
- Thursday, March 13, 2025 2-3PM StraightLine Financial Planning
- Monday, April 14, 2025 Program MSU Police Canine Division, Sgt Mike Cantrell
- Tuesday, May 6, 2025 11:30am, MSURA Annual Luncheon at University Club
- Thursday, June 12, 2025 2-3PM StraightLine Financial Planning

#### **SPECIAL EVENTS**

October 18, 2024 6PM MSU Homecoming Parade



Links to recordings of previous events can be found on the MSURA website too.





MSU RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION (MSURA) is an organization run by volunteers. Needs for volunteers range from assisting with monthly Membership Meetings, being a Committee Member or being a Member of the Board. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Chris DeFouw at <a href="mailto:defouw@msu.edu">defouw@msu.edu</a>.



Virtual retiree parking permits debut July 1

Starting July 2024, retiree parking permits will be valid for one fiscal year (July 1-June 30), and you will receive no physical permit. Your car's license plate will be used to validate your parking on campus instead of a parking permit sticker on the windshield of your car.

Upon expiration on June 30th each year, permit holders will visit parking.msu.edu or call Parking Services (517-355-8440) to renew their permit. You will need to know your MSUID login information and password for online renewal. Contact MSU IT Services at 517-432-6200 for assistance with login and passwords.

Those with a current permit will receive an email around the first of June, to serve as a reminder of the upcoming expiration date. The email will be sent to the preferred email you have listed in the parking system. This does not have to be an MSU email address.

Have your MSU ID in hand (if in possession) when contacting the parking office. If you do NOT have an MSU ID contact the ID office located within the International Center for assistance.

#### **Benefits to going virtual:**

- No physical sticker to remember to remove.
- No charge for a loaner permit.
- No waiting on permits in the mail or having to come to the office.
- Can change the vehicle with parking privileges as often as needed.\*
- Information can be updated online or over the phone.
- Gate access will remain the same, using MSU ID for entry.
- \* Only one vehicle will be connected to the virtual permit at a time. Can "purchase" up to two permits for each renewal period.
- A message from MSU Parking Office

MSU 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 <a href="https://vetp.isp.msu.edu/tutors/tutors/">https://vetp.isp.msu.edu/tutors/tutors/</a>

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



# Please consider donating to MSURA

#### **Donating to MSU Retirees Association**

You can donated to MSU Retirees Association, supporting the work of the association and/or donate to the MSURA Endowed Student Scholarship Fund.

#### Go Green!

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.

our donations are very much appreciated.



- MSUTODAY MAGAZINE
- MSU ADVANCEMENT, OUR IMPACT NEWSLETTER AND DEVELOPMENT MAGAZINE
- MSU ALUMNI NEWSLETTER
- MSU AGEALIVE: PROMOTING LIFELONG WELLBEING, <u>INFORMATION & EVENTS</u>

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 <u>WEBSITE</u>. 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 <u>website</u>. Parking Information & Permits
- MSU THEATER'S EVENTS
- MSU <u>UNIVERSITY HEALTH AND WELLBEING</u>, services available to MSU retirees.
- MSU FRIENDS OF THEATRE, INFORMATION & EVENTS
- AROHE Association of Retirement Organizations in Higher Education
- 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
- Origami Rehabilitation website
- 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.



#### **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 <u>local</u> <u>club</u> and see their upcoming events.

#### MID-MICHIGAN SPARTANS CLUB UPCOMING EVENTS

Visit Mid-Michigan Spartans club website for details.

#### **MSURA GROUPS AND ACTIVITIES**

There are several interest groups on our website – with everything from book club to walking <u>click for list</u>. Below is information on current active groups.

| GROUP                 | MSURA GENERAL INFORMATION   | CONTACT                              |
|-----------------------|---|--------------------------------------|
| Amateur<br>Radio Club | We are amateur radio enthusiasts.   | Ed Oxer, 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 | Rebecca Townsend at townse44@msu.edu |

|                              | interested, please email<br>Rebecca Townsend  |  |
|------------------------------|---|--|
| Genealogy                    | Meets monthly, contact Cathy Estrada for more information.  | Cathy Estrada cje1026@yahoo.com (517) 256-3733 |
| <u>Knitters</u>              | Contact Rosemary Pavlik for meeting times and place.  | Rosemary Pavlik, 517-882-2030                  |
| <u>Quilters</u>              | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each<br>month at 1:00PM at<br>University Luther<br>Church, 2010 S.<br>Harrison, EL         | Ann Booren, boorena@msu.edu                    |
| Travel<br>Discussion         | Contact Lauren Hoffmeyer for meeting times and more information.  | Laurena Hoffmeyer,<br>hoffmey3@msu.edu         |
| Military<br>History<br>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. |  |

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 <a href="https://www.facebook.com/MSURetirees">https://www.facebook.com/MSURetirees</a>.



#### **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 <u>careers.msu.edu</u>.

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.

Please be aware that vaccination against COVID-19 is required for all MSU students, faculty, and staff, with limited exceptions. Learn more at <a href="https://msu.edu/together-we-will/">https://msu.edu/together-we-will/</a>.



Apply today at jobs.rhs.msu.edu.



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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 <u>517-353-7896</u> and leave your name and phone number. Thank you for your interest and willingness to serve MSURA.

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