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**MSURA SPARTAN SENIOR NEWSLETTER** edition is now available online, [October Newsletter](#). Past newsletters are available on the [MSURA Website](#) and Facebook page. For previous newsletters see [Newsletter Archives](#).

**PROGRAMS**

**Benefits Open Enrollment with Dan Mackey, HR Manager**  
**Tuesday, Oct. 10, 2-3 p.m.**



**TUESDAY OCTOBER 10, 2023, 1:30-3:30PM RETIREE'S MONTHLY MEMBERSHIP MEETING, MSU BENEFITS OPEN ENROLLMENT, DAN MACKEY**

Enrollment for benefits including health and dental insurance and other voluntary benefits for the 2024 plan year takes place October 1-31, 2023. Learn more at [hr.msu.edu/open-en-rollment](http://hr.msu.edu/open-en-rollment) and be ready with these tips:

1. Review your Open Enrollment Guide — arriving in your mailbox in mid-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 dental plan — New this year, we are pleased to offer a new buy-up dental plan, the Delta Dental Premium PPO. This plan, along with the continually offered Aetna and Delta Dental plans, will be explained in detail in your guide.

3. Consider attending the Benefits Fair on Oct.12 from 12:00-7:00 p.m. at the Breslin Center — Get assistance from the MSU Benefits team and listen to presentations from Humana and Delta Dental.

**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/92817439219?pwd=R09RTnB0QlJ1QjloRXZCZ3cwRnV0QT09>

Meeting Id: 928 1743 9219

Meeting Passcode: MSURA (case sensitive all caps)

Meeting Telephone Number: 312-626-6799

Meeting Telephone Passcode: 971904

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 13TH MSU RETIREES ASSOCIATION MONTHLY INFORMAL LUNCH, MSU BRODY HALL 11:30AM-1:30PM.** This is a new 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 begin 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](http://EatAtState.msu.edu) or in person. Also daily menus are available on the [EatAtState.msu.edu](http://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](http://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.



**Join us for a day-trip to the Henry Ford Museum and Ford Factory Tour on Thursday, Nov. 9.**

**See pages 10-11 of Aug.-Sept. newsletter.**

**Register now as seats on the bus are filling up quickly.**

### **THURSDAY NOVEMBER 9, 2023, TOUR HENRY FORD MUSEUM AND FORD RIVER ROUGE PLANT**

**THE HENRY FORD MUSEUM:** At The Henry Ford, you'll discover America—its culture, inventions, people and can-do spirit— and hundreds of hands-on ways to explore it, enjoy it and be inspired by it. Step into a world where past innovations fuel the imagination of generations to come. A vibrant exploration of genius in all its forms, Henry Ford Museum of American Innovation allows you to experience the strides of America's greatest minds while fully immersing yourself in their stories. Step inside the bus where Rosa Parks took a stand by taking a seat. Play pilot as you explore flight innovations, starting with the Wright brothers' achievements, or make yourself at home inside Buckminster Fuller's circular Dymaxion House. Put yourself in the place of the movers and shakers who blazed the trail to where we stand today. And in doing so, discover your own path.

**FORD FACTORY TOUR:** Rev up your inner engineer in a five-part experience at a legendary factory — Ford Motor Company's Dearborn Truck Plant. Walk through the Legacy Gallery and Electric Vehicle Display and look back at the iconic vehicles manufactured at the Rouge complex, all while looking ahead to automaking's electric future. Take a seat in our Legacy Theater to learn more about the history of Ford Motor Company. Feel the force of modern engineering in the multisensory Manufacturing Innovation Theater. Travel up to the observation deck for sweeping views of the historic Rouge Complex and one of the world's largest living roofs. Step into the elevated plant walkway for a look at where the legendary Ford F-150 is assembled. Start to finish, Ford Rouge Factory Tour offers awe-inspiring encounters with America's celebrated manufacturing past, present and future, plus a look into the sheer scale of a working auto factory.

**SEE THE MSURA NEWSLETTER, PAGE 10 AND 11 FOR DETAILS AND REGISTRATION FORM, [Aug-Sept Newsletter](#)**

The bus tour is sold out. A wait list is available. You can send in your registration form and payment to get on the wait list. Questions, email or call or Diana at [mypinkkangaroo@gmail.com](mailto:mypinkkangaroo@gmail.com) or 517-281-9192.



**MONDAY NOVEMBER 13, 2023, 1:30-3:30PM RETIREE'S MONTHLY MEMBERSHIP MEETING, MSU SPARTAN STREET MEDICINE PROGRAM, GRAHAM ATKINS, PhD.**

Based in the College of Osteopathic Medicine, Spartan Street Medicine is comprised of medical students and physicians united under a commitment to quality healthcare for all. The program provides medical care and health education to people experiencing homelessness in Ingham County in the form of pop-up clinics and outreach trips.

"One of the most important parts of going into the medical field is being able to help the most vulnerable of us," said Osteopathic Medicine student Jordan Lewis. "Being a part of Spartan Street Med has just reaffirmed how important it is to keep advocating for people."

The student-led medical group is now overseen by Dr. Graham Atkin, community advisor, and Dr. Robert Scott and Dr. Michelle Loubert, clinical advisors.

"What we are trying to do is bridge the gap in healthcare for people who are experiencing homelessness in a way that brings them in as partners in their health discovery process and in a way that empowers them to be advocates for their health," Atkin said. "It really is about bringing the clinicians to the patients, going to the people where they are, and helping them as best we can."

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RECORDINGS OF PAST EVENTS



**RECORDING OF SEPTEMBER 11, 2023, RETIREE'S MONTHLY MEMBERSHIP MEETING, MSURA'S 75TH ANNIVERSARY YEAR KICK-OFF EVENT WITH MSU INTERIM PRESIDENT DR. TERESA K. WOODRUFF, Ph.D.**

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



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

StraightLine 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 YouTube Channel for anyone that is unable to attend at the scheduled time. We invite you to join us!

A recording of this event and other StraightLine events are available on YouTube on the [StraightLine channel](#).



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **TIME FOR YOUR VACCINE UPDATES.**

Check with you doctor to see if you need any of these vaccines.

- Standard Flu Vaccine, if under 65 years of age.
- High Dose Flu Vaccine, if 65 years of age and over.

- Pneumonia
- Tetanus
- Hepatitis A
- Hepatitis B
- Shingles Vaccine
- RSV, if 60 years of age and over with risk factors

These are available at the MSU Health Care Pharmacy. You can schedule an appointment on the [Pharmacy website](#) to receive your vaccines. Information about each is also available on the Pharmacy website. MSU retirees, your Humana pharmacy insurance coverage pays for all vaccines with no copay.

**MSU RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION (MSURA)** is looking for volunteers to help in various organizational roles. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Rick Vogt at [vogtf@msu.edu](mailto:vogtf@msu.edu) or call him at 517-242-1324. MSURA is all volunteer organization and we need volunteers. Thank you.

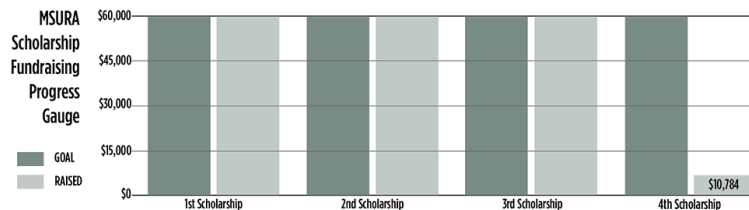


## MSURA ENDOWED STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP FUNDRAISER

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 22 scholarships totaling \$55,000 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 \$10,784. 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**

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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](http://www.agealive.org)

- MSU ATHLETICS [INFORMATION & EVENTS](#)
- MSU BROAD MUSEUM [EVENTS](#)
- MSU COLLEGE OF MUSIC [EVENTS](#)
- MSU EXTENSION, [HOME GARDENING INFORMATION & EVENTS](#)
- MSU [HEALTH4U PROGRAMS](#) FOR RETIREES
- MSU MEAT LAB, CALL 517-353-9773 OR EMAIL [MSUMeats@msu.edu](mailto: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](#). A connection to resources to help seniors and senior caregivers.



## 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](https://recsports.msu.edu/facilities/imeast.html) 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.

<b>GROUP</b>	<b>MSURA GENERAL INFORMATION</b>	<b>CONTACT</b>
<b><u>Amateur Radio Club</u></b>	We are amateur radio enthusiasts.	Ed Oxeer, W8EO at <a href="mailto:oxer@msu.edu">oxer@msu.edu</a> .
<b>Book Club</b>	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 <a href="mailto:townse44@msu.edu">townse44@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>	Contact Rosemary Pavlov for meeting times and place.	Rosemary Pavlik, 517-882-2030
<b><u>Quilters</u></b>	3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesday 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>Travel Discussion</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>Military History Study</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>Walking</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:vogtf@msu.edu">vogtf@msu.edu</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>.



## VOLUNTEER & JOB OPPORTUNITIES

### 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](https://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](https://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 <https://msu.edu/together-we-will/>.

**WE'RE HIRING**  
*Spartan Retirees!*

"I originally started working at MSU in 1972, and I'm now almost 88 years old. I returned because it keeps me active and allows me to interact with people from all over. I love talking to the students and seeing both new and familiar faces when I work on campus!"

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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 [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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