

COUNTY OF ST. CLAIR RETIREMENT NEWS

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WE WISH YOU A HAPPY NEW YEAR



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www.bcbsm.com

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1 866 684-8216

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call Judy or Olga
1 866 421-0478

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1 855-811-2223

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1 877 226-2378
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Your January Pension Amount May be Different Due to 2024 Tax Updates

The Federal and State tax deductions for retiree and beneficiary pension payments have been updated to reflect 2024 IRS tax tables. If you notice a slight difference in your net retirement payment beginning January 2024, it is likely due to a change in the new tax tables. If you have questions about your tax liability, please consult your tax advisor.

YMCA Schedule

It was requested to share the YMCA class schedule on the newsletter, however there are several schedules: pool, group exercises, Gym, etc. You can find the full schedules at:

<https://www.bluewaterymca.com/schedules>

Senior Services Available to SCC Residents

Adult Day Services – Funded in part by the Senior Citizens Millage, there are 2 locations that can assist those in need: Council on Aging's Starpath (810-984-8970) and Life Skills Centers Memory Care (810-331-0030) programs. These programs are designed to provide activities to help those living with memory loss to remain socially active and engaged in their community, while benefitting from therapeutic and social offerings. Some of the program features are daily exercise, companionship, music therapy, nutritious snacks/meals, supervised activities and so much more.

When a person is providing 24-hour care to a loved one, it is essential that the caregiver have time for self-care and/or to run errands. Both facilities offer excellent care to your loved one and provide a sense of well-being, while providing much needed respite to the caregiver. Additional millage-funded senior services can be found on the Commission on Aging's website: <https://www.stclaircounty.org/Offices/60>.

New Retirements

January:

Timothy Campbell,
Latina Cates, Paula Jowett,
Faith Wormsbacher

Deaths Reported

Our Sincerest Condolences to the Families of:

Darrell Brown, Margaret
Silver, James Stapleton,
Charles Basler

Important Dates

**Retirees' Association —
General Member
Meetings:** (automatically
cancelled if Port Huron Schools
are closed due to weather)

Wednesday, January 3, 2024

Council on Aging Senior
Center
600 Grand River Ave. PH.
Cost: \$5.00
Doors open: 11:30am, Lunch
@ Noon.
Speaker: no presentation
Next meeting: Wednesday,
February 7, 2024.
Info email:
sccra917@gmail.com.

Tuesday, January 16, 2024

8:00 am—Board of Trustees
Regular Meeting.
Admin. Building 200 Grand
River Ave, PH; Donald Dodge
Auditorium.

St. Clair County Retirees' Association

We would like the opportunity to introduce you to, and invite you to join, the St. Clair County Retirees' Association (SCCRA), a 501(c)4 Corporation.

The Association is a voluntary, non-profit group, founded in 1989 to promote and protect the common welfare and retirement interests of retired public employees of St. Clair County. While the Association is no sponsored by the County, they do support the SCCRA efforts by including the meetings in the monthly Retirees' Newsletter and sharing information annually on health care benefits and changes. SCCRA membership is available to retirees from all departments of the County or their surviving spouses. Dues are \$10.00 per year.

Except for the summer recess in July and August, meetings are currently held the first Wednesday of each month at the Council on Aging Senior Center, located in Port Huron. The doors open at 11:30 am and lunch is served at 12:00 noon for \$5. Guest speakers address various issues, often those of special interest to retirees.

Please contact scra917@gmail.com or call 810-937-9360 to find out how to join.

Location	❄️ 2022-23 Winter Activities ❄️							Amenities	
	Ice Skating	Sledding	Hiking	Snow Shoeing	Bird Watching	Fat Tire Biking	X-Country Skiing	Warming Station	Rest Rooms
Columbus County Park									
Fort Gratiot County Park									
Fort Gratiot Light Station									
Goodells County Park									
Woodsong County Park									
Wadhams to Avoca Trail									

Vaccines Covered Under Medicare Advantage

Medicare Advantage covers the Covid-19 vaccine. Medicare Advantage also covers two vaccines for RSV under tier 3: Abrysvo and Arexvy.

All Medicare Advantage enrollees should get the formulary listing each year from Blue Cross Blue Shield. The 2024 Medicare Advantage Formulary is also posted on the county website.

Friends of the St. Clair County Library Book Sale

- Members Only Early Bird Sale: Thursday, January 11th, 5-7pm (bring your postcard!)
- Friday, January 12th, 9:30am—4pm
- Saturday, January 13th, 9:30am—1pm (\$5-a-bag day!)

Main Library: 210 McMorran Blvd. Port Huron, (810) 987-7323