

COUNTY OF ST. CLAIR RETIREMENT NEWS

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**St. Clair County
Retiree News & Links**
www.stclaircounty.org
Click on Offices,
Retirement System

BCBS of Michigan
1 877 790-2583
www.bcbsm.com

Medicare Advantage
1 866 684-8216

Brown & Brown
for SCC BCBS questions
call Judy or Olga
1 866 421-0478

Delta Dental
1 800 524-0149

Prescription Mail Order
OptumRx
1 855-811-2223

MedTipster
Free Generic Drug
Program
1 877 226-2378
www.medtipsterfree.com

Medicare Prescription Payment Plan

The M3P program is a payment option in the prescription drug law that works with your current Medicare Advantage coverage to help manage your out-of-pocket costs for prescriptions by spreading them across the calendar year. After enrolling in this free program, the member pays zero dollars at the point of sale when they receive the prescription. The next month, the member receives a bill that is spread out into monthly payments. This is not a discount program. The member still is required to pay the full amount, but it allows them to make monthly payments on their prescriptions if enrolled in the plan. They can cancel at any time.

For More Information & to Enroll:
[Medicare.gov/prescription-payment-plan](https://www.Medicare.gov/prescription-payment-plan)
1-800-633-4227

Social Security Fairness Act—CMH

This may affect former CMH employees since they may not have paid into Social Security during their employment. The Act ends the Windfall Elimination Provision (WEP) and Government Pension Offset (GPO). These provisions reduced or eliminated the Social Security benefits of people who receive a pension based on work that was not covered by Social Security (a "non-covered pension") because they did not pay Social Security taxes. This law increases Social Security benefits for certain types of workers. Only people who receive a pension based on work that was not covered by Social Security may see benefit increases. Starting February 25, 2025: SSA began to pay retroactive benefits and will increase monthly benefit payments to people whose benefits have been affected by the WEP and GPO. If a beneficiary is due retroactive benefits as a result of the Act, they will receive a one-time retroactive payment, deposited into the bank account SSA has on file, by the end of March 2025. Anyone whose monthly benefit is adjusted, or who will get a retroactive payment, received a mailed notice from Social Security explaining the benefit change or retroactive payment. This was signed into Law January 5, 2025. For More Information, visit:

www.ssa.gov/benefits/retirement/social-security-fairness-act.html

New Retirements

April:

John Baunoch
Melissa Keyes
Eric Oppertshauer
Colleen Skrypkun

Deaths Reported

Our Sincerest Condolences to the Families of:

Shirley Frantz, Charles Kelly
James Orris

Important Dates

Retirees' Association — General Member Meetings:

Wednesday, April 2, 2025

Council on Aging Senior
Center
600 Grand River Ave. PH.
Cost: \$5.00
Doors open: 11:30am, Lunch
@ Noon.
Presentation:
Senior Vaccinations
Next meeting: Wednesday,
May 7, 2025.
Info email:
sccra917@gmail.com.

Tuesday, April 15, 2025

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



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VA



U.S. Department
of Veterans Affairs



ST. CLAIR COUNTY
DEPARTMENT OF
Veterans Affairs

DOORS OPEN 10AM -2:30PM

WEDNESDAY, MAY 28, 2025

VETERANS APPRECIATION & LUNCHEON

TO ENCOURAGE VETERANS AND FAMILIES TO EXPLORE OPPORTUNITIES FOR CARE AND BENEFITS
WITHIN THE COMMUNITY, AND THROUGH THE US DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS.

THE PORT HURON ELKS LODGE 343 IS HOSTING THIS EVENT TO
THANK VETERANS AND SPOUSES FOR THEIR SERVICE.



FREE SERVICES INCLUDE

- THERAPEUTIC CHAIR MASSAGE
- HAIRCUTS AND MANICURES
- HEALING LOSS CONSULTATIONS
- ACUPUNCTURIST THERAPY

(AS THE TIME WILL ALLOW)

-FREE BOX TYPE LUNCH TO INCLUDE

A HAM, TURKEY OR ITALIAN WRAPS, BAG OF POTATO CHIPS, CHOCOLATE CHIP COOKIE,

COFFEE AND BOTTLED WATER

RECEIVE A VETERAN LAPEL PIN UPON REGISTRATION

AND ONE FREE RAFFLE TICKET FOR ADDITIONAL PRIZES

HOSTED BY

PORT HURON ELKS LODGE 343 - VETERANS COMMITTEE

Dahlias-From Easy to Competition

Have you seen the big, beautiful Dahlias at the **Memphis Library** and other local businesses?

Would you like to learn to grow them? Lucy Propst, President of the Southeastern Michigan

Dahlia Society, will be showing us how. Participants will leave with two Dahlia tubers and lots of knowledge. Register early, space is limited.



Thursday, April 10 6:00pm-7:30pm

34830 Potter St. Memphis, MI.

(810) 392-2980

Earth Fair

APRIL 25 & 26

FREE ADMISSION & PARKING

Friday 9:00am - 4:00pm
Saturday 10:00am - 4:00pm

GOODELLS COUNTY PARK

JOIN US FOR AN EARTH DAY EVENT
INSPIRED BY GREEN LIVING