# 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

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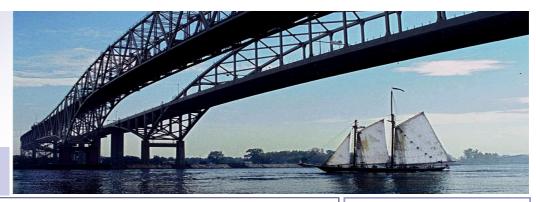
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> Delta Dental 1 800 524-0149

Prescription Mail Order OptumRx 1 855-811-2223

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

Upcoming Office Closure: Monday, May 27 Memorial Day



# MedTipster—FREE Generic Drugs

If you are enrolled in the SCC retirement healthcare, you could be getting your **generic** prescriptions for **FREE**.

Step 1: Visit www.medtipsterfree.com

**Step 2:** Search for your generic prescription to determine participating pharmacies. (need drug name and dosage)

**Step 3:** Take your MedTipster ID card to one of the indicated pharmacies from the site, with your Rx.

MedTipster's database contains thousands of free generics at over 60,000 pharmacies nationwide. This site is updated constantly to reflect the most up-to-date data.

For questions, call Stephanie (810) 989-6910.

# How to Report the Passing of a Retiree or Beneficiary

The passing of a SCC payee or beneficiary must be reported immediately.

Who is a:

- Payee- Anyone receiving a check from the Retirement System. This includes retirees, alternate payees, named survivor beneficiaries.
- **Beneficiary**-Any person that is entitled to receive a future benefit or who is currently receiving payment from the Retirement System.
- Death Benefit Beneficiary-Any person named to receive the one time death benefit payment.
  Why is it Important?

Failure to report a deceased individual could lead to:

- Delayed pension payout or pop up provision.
- May deprive a designated beneficiary access to funds as intended by the participant.
- Prevent the Death Benefit payment being paid to the Estate instead of a desired surviving individual.

How Can I Report a Death?

Contact the retirement office: (810) 989-6910 Once reported, the retirement office will follow up with the appropriate individuals providing additional instructions.





## **New Retirements**

#### May:

Marianne Hill, Katherine Jurn, Steven Osantowski, Myra Obarzanek

## **Deaths Reported**

Our sincerest condolences to the families of:

John Moss



# **Important Dates**

Retirees' Association—General Member Meetings:

### Wednesday, May 1, 2024

Council on Aging Senior Center 600 Grand River Ave. PH. **Cost:** \$5.00 **Doors open:** 11:30am, Lunch served promptly at Noon. **Speaker: Abigail Sigal, Silver** 

Sneakers Representative

Next meeting: June 5, 2024 Info email: sccra917@gmail.com

### <u>Tuesday, May 14, 2024</u>

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



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# The Help Home Personal ID

The Help Home Personal ID\* Program provides support for the person in early stages of dementia to continue to be active. The bracelet is specially designed to be comfortable and waterproof. It allows for emergency and medical information to be stored and accessed by emergency personnel when your loved one is found. The information the bracelet provides can be accessed and adjusted by family members, or caregivers, through a phone app or online. Best of all, you decide how much information to provide.

### How it Works

Register the person's information online. Fit the bracelet to the person's wrist. If your person ever wanders and is found by an emergency responder, the responder can scan the QR code, or call the 800# (and give the ID & PIN number), on the back of the bracelet to find the emergency contact number and information necessary to return them home safely. NO need to take your loved one to the emergency center, unless the persons conditions suggest otherwise, which is what could happen to your love one if they are found without a bracelet.

For more information, or to receive a bracelet, contact the Council on Aging at 810-984-5061 or your local senior center.

Bracelets are funded through the Commission on Aging, Senior Services Millage.





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Come see how we are changing women's lives!



WE OFFER: Free Silver Sneakers Memberships Cleveland Clinic Weight Loss Program Circuit Training

Call today for a first visit appointment 810-385-9171 2887 Krafft Rd., Ste. 200, Part Huron (in the Kroger Plaza)

City of Port Huron Farmers Market every Saturday Starting May 11 from 8am to 2pm located in the lot on the corner of Quay and Merchant St. downtown Port Huron

# Senior Services Available to SCC Residents

Did you know that personal and respite services are available for you or a loved one in need of assistance in order to remain independent? If you are a St. Clair County resident, 60 years or older, you may qualify for FREE or low-cost assistance. Personal and respite care are services available to assist seniors with non-medical daily living activities that may have become too difficult on their own. Examples include bathing, feeding, dressing, transferring, preparing meals, medication set-up, as well as light house-keeping, laundry or even grocery shopping, etc.

These services are funded, in part, by your St. Clair County Senior Citizens' Millage and there are two local agencies that can assist you with the support of millage dollars.

\*Council on Aging of St. Clair County – (810) 987-8811

\*Visiting Nurses Association – (810) 984-4131

These vital services, combined with others such as meals, allow some of our community's most vulnerable citizens to remain safe and independent in their *own home*. CALL TODAY to see if they can assist you or someone you love.

Additional millage-funded senior services can be found on the Commission on Aging's website: <u>https://www.stclaircounty.org/Offices/60</u>.