



Happening in SRO

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If you have items for the newsletter or if you would like to highlight an event, please let Brenda Spaulding or your unit director know.



This month, we are recognizing those who had milestone anniversaries in April, May, & June.
Congratulations on your U-M anniversary!

1 Year

Lorraine Bird, DCO
Timothy Prand, PDMG
Alex Warju, DCO

5 Years

Jeffrey Albrecht, PDMG
Mark Baker, DCO
Andria Shimoura Goedert, PDMG

10 Years

Nicole Doher, FSG
Laura Yoder, TSG

20 Years

Russ Stark, DCO

30 Years

Peter Sparks, TSG

50 Years

Carl Remmert, FSG

Surveys of Consumers Telephone Interviewing: Concludes after 46 years!

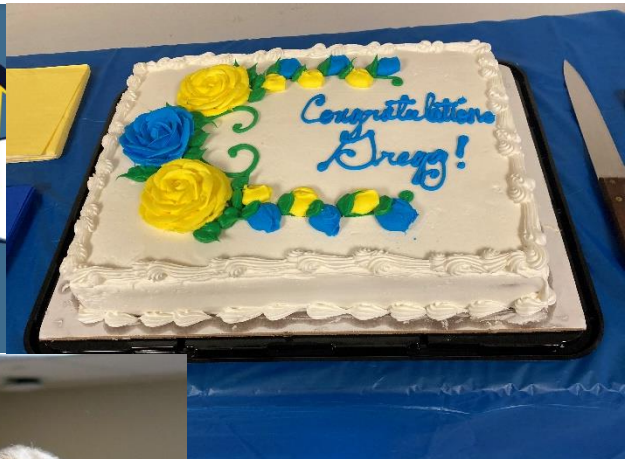
On Monday, June 24th the SCA June Study Month successfully wrapped up with 601 interviews. With telephone interviewing beginning in 1978, this marked the conclusion of 46 years of SCA CATI. An SRO celebration was held the following Wednesday and attended by current SCA SSL interviewers, the current and past SCA Directors, members of SCA staff, and SRO staff who play some SCA role, current or past. As SCA was an SRO mainstay for so many years, this was a large group!

It was a bittersweet moment, representing the end of an era, but it felt good to mark it together.



Gregg Peterson Retirement Celebration

On June 27, we celebrated Gregg Peterson's retirement, after 10 years with SRO. Thank you to everyone who attended and contributed to the event -- it was a really nice send off!



2024 Performance Evaluations

The 2024 performance evaluation process has come to a successful close. We were able to submit all of our SRO completed evaluations to SRC by the end of July, as planned. We would like to thank you for your careful work on evaluations this year and for your patience with the new evaluation form. We look forward to collecting your feedback on the new form very soon so that we can continue to tweak the process for next year. As Stephanie mentioned in her July 9 message to SRO, we will be following the SRC implementation for merit, which is an average salary increase of 3.5%, with an additional 0.5% of the total pool reserved for extraordinary performance. The total amount available for allocation to SRO regular staff equals 4.0% of eligible SRO staff salaries. Your supervisor will be in touch in August with your adjustment amount.



SRO Wellness News (SRO Wellness Committee)

Please reach out if you are interested in being part of the committee or if you have ideas to share srowellcomm@umich.edu.

[Altruistic August 2024](#) Calendar from Action for Happiness.

AUGUST FOOD TRUCK - Wednesday, August 14

Motor City Pasty Company (website: [Motor City Pasty Co](#) and Facebook: [Motor City Pasty Facebook](#)) is scheduled to be at Perry on Wednesday, August 14. The truck will be located in the parking lot near the Perry Atrium from **11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.** Cash and credit are accepted. All Perry and Thompson Building staff are welcome!

FOOD TRUCK DATES

September 11	Tacos El Mariachi Loco
October 9	Nom Nom Ninja
November 13	TBD

JULY & AUGUST ICE CREAM WALK!

There are still two spots left on our July 30 Michigan Creamery Ice Cream walk. Feel free to sign up below.

Our last ice cream walk of the season is Thursday, August 15! While the sign-up sheet is already full, please feel free to add your name in case space opens up. Meet in the Perry lobby at the scheduled time. NOTE: If inclement weather, your SRO Wellness Committee walk lead will contact the group to reschedule.

****Sign up is open to any regular appointment SRO staff and only one sign up per person.**

If the list is FULL please type your name below the FULL line and we will let you know if space opens up.

Tuesday, July 30 - Michigan Creamery - 4:00 p.m.

[Click Here to Sign Up for Michigan Creamery](#)

Thursday, August 15 - Washtenaw Dairy - 12:00 p.m.

[Click Here to Sign Up for Washtenaw Dairy](#)

FARMER'S MARKET WALK

Our SRO Farmer's Market Walk for the season will be on the following dates:

July 31 - [Click Here to Add to Your Calendar](#)
August 28 - [Click Here to Add to Your Calendar](#)
September 25 - [Click Here to Add to Your Calendar](#)
October 30 - [Click Here to Add to Your Calendar](#)

Please join us! As a reminder, we'll gather in the Perry lobby at 12:00 p.m. and we'll leave for a walk at 12:05 p.m.

- ★ FREE tote bag for joining us!
- ★ About a mile walk both there and back.
- ★ We'll walk there together and then return at our leisure.

For more information on the Farmer's Market: [Ann Arbor Farmers Market Website](#)

BEVERAGE WALKS 2024!

We'll take a walk and enjoy a cup of coffee, tea, or smoothie (if available) sponsored by the SRO Wellness Committee. Fresh air, drink, nice walk, and bonding with colleagues. We will have a series of three walks with a limit of 10 people each to increase the opportunity to interact more easily.

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Thursday, September 19 - Sweetwater Cafe - 12:00 p.m.

[Click Here to Sign Up for Sweetwater Cafe](#)

Thursday, October 16 - Roos Roast - 12:00 p.m.

[Click Here to Sign Up for Roos Roast](#)

Thursday, November 7 - DripHouse - 12:00 p.m.

[Click Here to Sign Up for DripHouse](#)

UPCOMING M-HEALTHY ACTIVITIES

★ **Be Well in the Big House is September 19 from 3:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.**

Join hundreds of your U-M colleagues and friends on the field at Michigan Stadium for fitness and fun! Be Well in the Big House is back with on-field sessions of Yoga, Zumba and Football Skills and Thrills. Off the field, talk with health experts, try out cardio drumming, ultimate wheelchair, and more. Look for more information soon!

Registration opens August 5 for field classes during the event.

[REVIEW list of classes and registration link when open](#)

Easily Host Zero Waste Events

(Bree Walton, Ann Vernier, Lachlan Hanrahan)

A zero waste event aims to reduce waste, recycle and compost as much as possible to divert waste from the landfill. Zero waste events are an important contribution to **U-M's waste reduction goal**. Our assistance is primarily related to composting, but we highly encourage waste reduction and use of reusables as part of your event planning.



Your Zero Waste Commitment:

If you are hosting a zero waste event on campus and receiving support from OCS, you are expected to:

- Communicate with your food provider your goal to go zero waste (e.g. no excess packaging, bulk options where possible, etc.).
- Have a plan to prevent contamination in your compost collection.
- Let attendees know what and where to compost.
- Set up compost collection boxes and ensure the bags of compost are placed into compost carts for pick-up following your event.

We have resources, such as a list of [Zero Waste Caterers](#) to help you, and you are welcome to email us if you need compostable supplies for your event at: SRO-GreenTeam@umich.edu.
