

MCCOAA Update

Manchester Community College Organization of Active Adults
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 at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/MCCOAA>

OAA ON THE GO

Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum Thursday, October 12, 2023



The **Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum** is a world-renowned institution, evocative of a 15th century Venetian Palace. Isabella designed it as an immersive environment. The result is a highly singular collection that includes not just art but also flowers and plants, textiles, furniture, and architecture.

Lunch will be included at **Maggiano Restaurant**.
 8:45AM - DEPART DESIGNATED AREA NEAR THE EXIT OF WEST PARKING LOT - FORMERLY LOT "C"
 6:00PM - APPROXIMATE RETURN TO MCC
 For more information contact Dorothy Malerba 860-643-0524

Nashville & the Smoky Mountains November 29 – December 6, 2023



- Stay at Gaylord Opryland Resort
- Tickets for Grand Ole Opry
- Visit RCA Studios, Music Row, Parthenon
- Tour Country Music Hall of Fame
- Great Smoky Mountains National Park
- Smoky Mountains Christmas at Dollywood
- Tour Biltmore Estates & Asheville, NC

For more information contact Paula King at 860-429-2030.

ATTENTION

Please report any special needs, physical, medical or dietary, at the time your reservation is made, to the trip coordinator for your trip. Persons requiring assistance need to be accompanied by a companion who is capable of and totally responsible for providing the assistance. MCCOAA cannot provide special individual assistance to tour members with special needs.

OAA AT HOME

Watch this space for upcoming concerts and speakers. The first event will be on the third Friday in October at 1:30 p.m. in the SBM Charitable Foundation Auditorium.

We Need your Help!!!!

It takes a lot of people to keep your organization going. Please consider joining our board or a committee. We especially need a secretary, help with Rebates, Hospitality and Programs, and a Membership chair.

If you would like to help, call or email Geoff Naab, 860-649-1942 or gnaab@sbcglobal.net

The Organization of Active Adults (OAA) was founded in 1983 in partnership with the Manchester Community College Continuing Education Division. It includes college personnel and community members sharing a common interest in lifelong learning, travel opportunities, and monthly entertainment features at the college. Several hundred adults, 50 years of age and older, are members.

Questions? Contact the OAA at mccoaa@aol.com or, if you are a member, join the OAA Facebook group at www.facebook.com/mccoaa

How Do I Join the OAA?

Membership is open to all persons aged 50 or older. Our membership year is from September 1–August 31, corresponding to the academic year. Annual dues are \$20. Membership is effective on the date your payment is postmarked or presented in person and is valid for the remainder of the current membership year, except that dues postmarked from June 1– August 31 are valid for the remainder of the summer and for the upcoming membership

Non-luncheon programs are open to the public free of charge. Most programs begin at 1:30 in the SBM Charitable Foundation Auditorium (AST Bldg.) and are followed by refreshments. We encourage members to invite friends to become OAA members for additional benefits. Please use the West Parking Lot (formerly Lot C), which includes handicapped parking.

Upcoming Courses at MCC (Spring 2023)

The fall non-credit catalog is not yet available. Watch for it at <https://www.manchestercc.edu/continuing-education/non-credit-programs>

Membership Benefits

OAA members enjoy the stimulation of socializing with people who share similar interests in a wide variety of educational, social, and entertaining activities including:

- Free monthly programs at the college with entertaining speakers and performances on various subjects, with refreshments afterward, September through May (except for luncheon months).
- Reduced fees for luncheons at local fine restaurants or banquet facilities.
- The OAA Travel Committee arranges many popular motor coach day trips, overnight trips and international travel. Although non-members may participate, OAA members are given priority and pay discounted rates. Recent destination offerings have included Connecticut, New York City, Boston, Rhode Island, and Nashville.
- The *UPDATE*, a monthly newsletter providing information on activities, events, non-credit courses and news of interest to active adults is available online and in print.
- A Tuition Rebate Program for non-credit courses costing more than \$10, offering a 20 percent reimbursement of the fees paid up to a total of \$50 per membership year. The MCC non-credit program offers a wide variety of low-cost courses and lectures of interest to the older adult, but all ages are welcome to participate. There are no tests or grades, and courses are designed to be friendly, fun and informative.
- Members may also use the college library for books, movies, music and other resources. In addition, members are encouraged to participate in college activities, lectures and performances.

Can I Take Classes?

Our motto is "Never Stop Learning". MCC's Continuing Education Division offers a wide variety of low-cost, non-credit courses and lectures designed specifically for older adults.

When, Where and How Much are Classes?

Please read the [non-credit course catalogs](#) for class schedules, topics and fees. OAA members are eligible for tuition rebates (see above) on all non-credit courses costing over \$10. [Rebate applications](#) can be found online.

All **current OAA members with a Facebook page** can join our "private" MCCOAA Facebook page by visiting:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/mccoaa>

Not a current member of OAA? For an application, go to: <http://manchestercc.edu/oaa>

- Click on [OAA Membership Documents](#)
- Click on [OAA Membership Application](#)



Mail to: Dan Miller, OAA Treasurer, 54 Leland Dr, Manchester, CT 06040-6910 and not to the PO Box.

Check the MCC Non-credit catalog for many interesting courses. Register with a friend!

Remember, as OAA members, you could each qualify for a 20% rebate

(up to \$50 per membership year) on Non-credit courses costing over \$10. There should be a form for each class. Please do not put multiple classes on one rebate form.

If you're not sure of a room location, find campus maps at <https://www.manchestercc.edu/about/maps-directions>

The **Update** is published periodically for and by OAA and is edited with the assistance of MCC's Non-Credit Programs Office. Information on OAA activities and other items of interest to OAA members will be considered for publication.

Please submit articles and suggestions to the editors via email to mccoaa@aol.com

Next Board Meeting: September 8, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. - Room A108

Next Program Event: October 20, 2023 at 1:30 p.m. - SBM Charitable Foundation Auditorium (AST Building)

****No program in July, August, or September****

PLEASE USE WEST PARKING LOT (formerly lot C) for all campus events.

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The Bottom Line

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| Total Members | 305 |
| Members Paid Rebates | 1 |
| Number of Rebates Paid | 2 |
| Total Rebates Paid | \$26 |

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