



THE GLACIER HILLS
FOUNDATION

Foundation Buzz

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Welcome to our Anniversary Issue of the Foundation Buzz
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Stay calm and keep buzzin'!

The Glacier Hills Foundation's mission is to advance and enhance the ability for Glacier Hills, Inc. to serve older adults with a continuum of lifestyle, care, and support alternatives embracing enrichment of the whole person. We do this through professionally directed philanthropic activities based on nurturing relationships with individuals, organizations, business, and others.

July 15, 2020

News and Updates from the Glacier Hills Foundation

The *Foundation Buzz* is a **monthly newsletter** intended to bring you up-to-date Foundation news. If you have any questions or would like more information, please contact us by [email](#) or telephone us at **(734) 929-6703**.

Wellness Garden Gifts Continue



We are very happy to report that new gifts to the Wellness Garden have arrived and are very appreciated, indeed. Residents **Molly Dobson, Jo Ludema, Joan Dickson, Susan Hayes, Margaret and Harris McClamroch**, and the **family of Peg Gilbert** have made gifts to the project. These generous gifts make a huge difference in bringing the project from paper to reality.

Just to review, the project compasses a broad range of components, including demolition of the current surfaces to correct the drainage issues and install electrical, new concrete, new plantings including replacing the current overgrown and struggling trees, installing a new safety gate with fob technology for proper egress, low lighting for evening strolls, shade structures, benches and a swing, and cutting gardens / raised gardens for wheelchair access.

We continue to look forward to the permit from the City of Ann Arbor. As soon as that is in hand, we can begin the demolition and the below-ground mechanicals and electrical.

If you have interest in **contributing to this project**, please contact Becky Pazkowski at 929-6703 or by email at rebecca.pazkowski@glacierhills.org. There are various naming opportunities available and ways to make memorial designations.

Employee Emergency Support Offers Relief

We are extremely **grateful to the donors** who continue to make gifts to the Employee Emergency Fund. To date, the fund has supported 29 employees for a total of just over **\$28,000**. The requests range from assistance with utility bills due to lost wages during COVID, to assistance with medical bills due to various health events. Some have children for whom they seek childcare assistance, and some are in need of car repairs for transportation to and from Glacier Hills.

The need is large, as are your hearts for building a fund that is able to meet the demand.

If you wish to contribute, know that **your donation is filling a need that is immediate and critical** to a person who makes your life better every day.

Twilight Concerts...coming soon to a courtyard near you....



We are in the planning stages of a series of **Twilight Concerts** hosted by the Foundation that will appear for various audiences in courtyards around the campus. Currently, we are **seeking Musicians in Residence** to perform at these concerts. Once the campus visitation restrictions are lifted, we will be able to bring in talent from the wider Ann Arbor community.

If you are an employee or resident and a musician, please contact Becky Pazkowski (734-929-6703) for further information. We'd like to kick off these concerts in August.

Join the Walter F. Snyder Society

The Walter F. Snyder Society is our **legacy society**, where individuals become members when they name the Glacier Hills Foundation in their estate plans in any way. This could be with a

percentage named in your will, a Charitable Gift Annuity, or assigning a portion or all of your refundable entrance fee as a gift after you pass away.

By far, the most simple way in which to become a member of the Snyder Society is through your **refundable entrance fee designation**. It does not involve attorney fees, it is revocable, and it requires no outlay of money until after you pass away.

As a simple example, if the refundable portion of your entrance fee is \$100,000 you could sign a form with Glacier Hills that would allow all or a percentage of this fee to flow to the Foundation at your death. The balance of the fee would then flow to your estate for distribution as outlined in your trust documents or will.

We **induct you into the Snyder Society** in the year you designate, where you receive special communications and an invitation to the annual **Walter F. Snyder Day celebration in November**. The current year is still being considered for a virtual or in-person celebration...to be determined as the year unfolds.

The best part of becoming a member is to know that you are contributing to life at Glacier Hills beyond that in which you will take part. It is **the ultimate gift** anyone can make, to know that you trust the Foundation to continue to deliver support for programs that enrich the lives of everyone involved at Glacier Hills.

Contact Becky Pazkowski by [email](#) or at 929-6703 for more information.

Scholarships to be Announced Next Week

The Scholarship Committee meets this week to determine the recipients of the **Fall/Winter awards**. The **recipients will be will contacted next week** and we will announce those names and their stories in the next issue of the Buzz.

Grant Proposal Due on Friday

Proposals for **Annual Grants and Campus Grants** are due this Friday. The proposals will undergo review by the committee, who will make recommendations to the Foundation Board. Those recommendations will be reviewed and final awards **determined on September 1**. Announcement will be made shortly thereafter.

Get your proposals in right away! **Deadline is Friday, July 17, at 5:00 p.m.**

Art Across Campus

Sara Head



This week, we were pleased to invite residents into the **Huron Room Gallery** for a belated, COVID-19 style opening of an exhibition of artwork created by Glacier Hills residents. The exhibition, installed in early March but postponed due to unfolding events, is now available for residents via "**Tour de Distance**" art tours. Residents may sign up for **small-group viewings of the exhibition** led by Art Coordinator Sara Head.

During these tours, residents wear masks and remain socially distanced along with a protocol checklist upon arrival. In lieu of a traditional wine and cheese reception, residents receive a **gift bag with wine, cheese and crackers**, and a **personal bottle of hand sanitizer** when they leave.

The tours are currently only available for **Meadows residents** due to building restrictions, but residents from all areas of campus may sign up and tours will be scheduled for **Manor and Villa residents** as soon as possible. To sign up, residents may **call or email John Meneghini** in the Glacier Hills Foundation office: 734-929-6759 john.meneghini@glacierhills.org.

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