

THE GLACIER HILLS
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Foundation Buzz

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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.

Resident Supports Child Development Center Scholarships



It is with extreme pleasure that we announce a stock gift of over **\$423,000** from a resident to the Glacier Hills Foundation. The gift will form an **endowment** to support scholarships to the Child Development Center, known as the **YMCA @ Glacier Hills**.

The scholarship program, called "**Tuition for Tots**", supports colleagues (employees) of Glacier Hills who enroll their children in the Child Development Center. The scholarships pair with the YMCA scholarships to lower the amount 'out of pocket' for employees to an affordable monthly cost. With this endowment, we are able to lower the cost, based on current rates, to an employee to \$600 per month per child. That amount is significantly below the market in the Ann Arbor area, making this program a **huge benefit to Glacier Hills' employees who have young children**.

The Child Development Center was originally established with gifts from donors and grants from the Glacier Hills Foundation, and capital from Glacier Hills. The program is far beyond that of a traditional "daycare," as the **youth educational opportunities** for the students are tailored to the specific age groups and taught by **degreed and certified instructors** employed by the YMCA.

"We are **extremely grateful to the resident donor** for making this gift and supporting this important service to our colleagues," said Becky Pazkowski, executive director of the Glacier Hills Foundation. "The ability to endow the "Tuition for Tots" program guarantees the support year after year. We hope that others will follow this resident's lead in contributing to the program, for as more colleagues enroll their children, the need will increase. The resident (who will remain anonymous) expressed to me that it is the **children who really benefit** from this program, and **that is what is really important.**"

Virginia Stein Establishes Scholarship with Bequest

We are very happy to announce the Virginia Stein Employee Scholarship, established by the late resident **Virginia Stein**. Virginia designated a portion of her **Refundable Entrance Fee** to the Glacier Hills Foundation back in August of 2018. Her gift will now flow from her Entrance Fee to the Foundation and will establish the Virginia Stein Employee Scholarship Fund, which she elected to be an **endowed fund**.

A portion of the income from that gift will fund the scholarship. Under her direction in 2018, the scholarship is for any employee pursuing a **bachelor's or master's degree** in any field, given a **GPA of 2.7 or higher** is maintained.

We are thrilled that this scholarship was established in 2018 and well thought out on Virginia's part, so that we are able to carry out her wishes today. Virginia becomes our **newest member** of our legacy society, **The Walter F. Snyder Society**, where individuals name the Glacier Hills Foundation in their estate plans in any way. We will be able to award the scholarship for the first time during Fall/Winter 2021.

If you are interested in making a gift from your Refundable Entrance Fee, please contact Becky Pazkowski by [email](#) or at 929-6703 for more information.

Fall / Winter Scholars Receive Awards

With extreme **pleasure and pride**, we announce the recipients of the Fall/Winter Scholarship Awards from the Glacier Hills Foundation. We extend our **sincere congratulations** to the scholarship recipients. These employees work very hard to keep up with their families, studies, and paid positions, which is never an easy task.

Big thanks to our Scholarship Committee, Mary Ann McDonald (chair), Dee Brehm, Joan Dickson, Connie Dunlap, Judith Elkin, Esther O'Dea, Vic Strecher, Ann Wagner, Burt Voss, Laura Carroll (staff), John Meneghini (staff), Becky Pazkowski (staff).



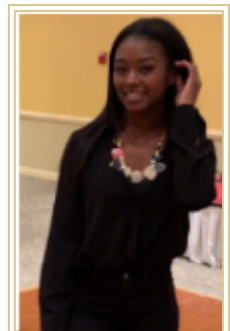
Megan Cox

Waitstaff, since Oct 2019

Field of Study: Nursing

College: Northern Michigan University

Awarded: Barbara Craig Nursing Scholarship and Glacier Hills Scholarship for total of \$3500



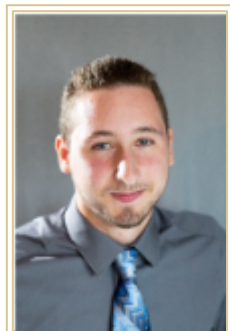
Jenieve Butler

Waitstaff, since Jul 2016

Field of Study: Psychology/Pre-OT

College: Central Michigan University

Awarded: Freeth Scholarship for \$500



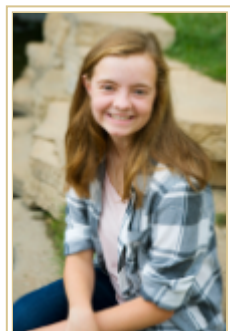
Ryan Dull

Waitstaff, since Aug 2017

Field of Study: Engineering

College: Western Michigan University

Awarded: *Presidential Scholar*, Glacier Hills Scholarship for \$4000



Morgan Cobb

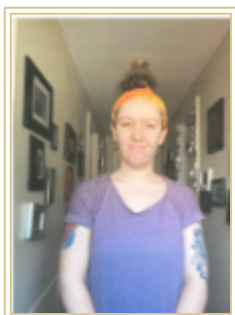
Dining Coordinator, since Jun 2019

Field of Study: Computer Science

College: University of Michigan

Awarded: Brehm Endowed Scholarship and Glacier Hills Scholarship for total of \$3500

Fall / Winter Scholars Receive Awards (cont'd)



Jada McCarthy

Waitstaff, since October 2017

Field of Study: Technology

College: Eastern Michigan University

Awarded: Winn Pierce Scholarship for \$750



Manuela Yost

CNA, since Jun 2016

Field of Study: Nursing

College: Concordia University

Awarded: Liz Elling Scholarship and June Bennett Scholarship for total of \$3000



Jesse Wiseman

CNA, since Sep 2018

Field of Study: Nursing

College: Jackson Community College

Awarded: Charles and Betty Overberger Scholarship for \$3500



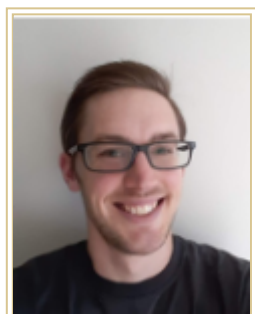
Toyann Graves

Director of Education, since Aug 2011

Field of Study: Nursing

College: Athena Career Academy

Awarded: Molly Dobson Scholarship for \$3000



Andrew Birchler

CNA, since Sep 2017

Field of Study: Nursing

College: Eastern Michigan University

Awarded: Robert B. Dunlap Memorial Scholarship for \$3500

Insights Returning in New Form

The popular monthly offering **Insights**, where residents speak for 30 minutes or so about their life, is coming back, this time as a **video offering**! We will film the speaker on the third Monday of the month and make the video available on **GHTV** on that following Wednesday. It will also be available on **YouTube** at anytime, for individual viewing. First up is **Don Postema**, who will be filmed on August 17, and the presentation will be scheduled on GHTV for **Wednesday, August 19**. Stay tuned for additional information in **Life In The Hills** in the future!

Add Your Family and Friends to the Buzz!



We have had requests by family members to be kept in the loop on communications at Glacier Hills. We would like to do that, but we do need the residents' involvement in order to accomplish that. **If you have family members (children, grandchildren, siblings) or friends whom you would like to receive the Buzz, please share their email address with us.** We would love to share with them. Contact John Meneghini (john.meneghini@glacierhills.org) or Becky Pazkowski (Rebecca.pazkowski@glacierhills.org).

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