

THE GLACIER HILLS
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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**.

Molly Dobson – Woman of the Year!



It is with great pleasure that we share that Molly Dobson (Meadows resident) has been selected as the **United Way of Washtenaw County 2020 Woman of the Year!** Molly has been a noted philanthropist and volunteer in Washtenaw County for decades.

One example of her innovative spirit is the Development Summer Internship Program at the University of Michigan, which helps immerse young people in the field of philanthropy. Molly has personally funded 35 interns in this program since 2009. Most who know Molly will agree that she is a take-charge woman. She sees a problem, and says *let's fix this, and how can I help?*

Molly is also a long time generous donor to the Glacier Hills Foundation. She has funded a named scholarship and has given to many other causes on our campus.

Molly will be honored for this recognition at the **March 3, 2020 Power of the Purse** event at the Kensington Hotel in Ann Arbor. Please join us in congratulating her on this prestigious honor!

Please Welcome Craig Courts - President of Glacier Hills



We have a new president of Glacier Hills! Craig Courts will begin his new role on **February 10, 2020**. In addition to serving as President of Glacier Hills, he will also serve as **Vice President of THSC's Ann Arbor region**, which includes several senior villages and apartment facilities. His dual reporting relationship will be with the Glacier Hills Board of Directors and THSC Senior Vice President Bill Healy.

Craig comes to us from the Clark Retirement Community in Grand Rapids, where he is Chief Financial Officer and Chief Operating Officer. Prior to Clark, he held management positions in marketing, finance, and operations in the manufacturing and product distribution sectors. He is a CPA and holds a bachelor's degree in accounting and an MBA, both from Western Michigan University. Please give a **warm welcome** to Craig Courts as he begins his journey to the east side of the state and his new role at Glacier Hills!

Made Possible By ...Glacier Hills Foundation

You have probably noticed that over the last couple of months there has been much activity on our campus. What you maybe didn't know is that many of these things were made possible by **gifts and grants** via the Glacier Hills Foundation. Below is a sample of 'Made Possible Bys' just in the last couple of months that we are so very proud of!

Art

New Local Art Acquisitions installed 4 new pieces on the lower level

Art Therapy with Margaret in the Manor

Music

Huron Room Gallery Art Exhibit in The Meadows
Terry Farmer Folk concert
Brahms Horn Trio concert (Pramberger Series)
Agunako Christmas jazz concert
Sam Kidd and Bernard Tan vocal concert inspired by Vaughn Williams
II, V, I big band concert on New Year's Eve
Brzozowski & Mack piano holiday concert
Today's Brass annual concert by top brass musicians
Hills Singers chorus of holiday songs for Birch and Hazel residents
Music with San Slomovitz
Guitar with John Latini
Drums Alive! Cardio Drumming
Music with Erataintment
Music from Generations Band
Bass and Fiddle performance by Jacob and Grant
Three Guitars with Joe, Mickey, and Todd
Music with Steven Mullan

Education

Watercolor Class with Claudia in the Meadows
Specialized Education Support for seven (7) staff members

Outdoors

White fairy lights in the Zen Garden

Social

Top Hats, Tiaras, and Beads for NY Eve
Gemily New Year's Eve party performance by (San, Laz and Emily Slomovitz)
Santa Larry (2 visits) - Family Holiday party & Spiritus Sanctus children's performance

Wellness

Megan Sims Dance Workout
Tai Chi with Karla Groesbeck
Garden Club with Magali
Laughter for Wellness
Movin' and Groovin' with Jo Lynn
Seated Exercise and Games with Luna the Dog
Movement and Motivation with Joseph
Chair Yoga with Valerie
Movement Through Music with Marcia Mai

Child Development Center Update

The Child Development Center, newly opened last summer, has seen a lot of activity over the past months. The 21 enrolled children range in age from **6 weeks to 5 years**. Some popular activities that children love are the playground (weather permitting) and arts and crafts fun! The children get out and about around our building each day. One of the children, a little girl who speaks only Mandarin, has developed a charming friendship with one of our residents who also speaks Mandarin. When they come across each other during a stroll around the corridors, the little girl says, "**Hi, ya!**" and they chat away in their native language! This is just one example of the many benefits of having multi-generations on our campus.

Rotarians at Glacier Hills -Honoring Martin Luther King, Jr.



This Friday, January 17, Rotary Club of Ann Arbor through the Rotarians at Glacier Hills is hosting a special gathering to honor the late Martin Luther King Jr. **Deborah Meadows**, Docent and Vice Chair of the Board for the African American Cultural and Historical Museum in Ann Arbor, will be the featured speaker as she shares with us some African American history in Ann Arbor, including information on the Underground Railroad. Please join us at **10:00 a.m. on Friday, January 17, in the Hanson Room** to celebrate this wonderful man whose existence made immeasurable contributions to our society.

Year-End Giving

A huge thank you to the many donors who together donated over **\$64,000** in response to the year-end appeal! Because of your generosity, our vibrant campus programming will continue to thrive! Approximately 30% of the gifts will benefit **Life Enrichment** programming, another

25% will benefit the **scholarship** program, and the additional 45% will benefit **multiple programs on campus** or are unrestricted. Thank you so much to the **80+ donors** who made Glacier Hills a priority for their year-end giving!

Art Across Campus

From Sara Head, Art Coordinator

It would surprise many to hear that Glacier Hills houses one of the finest, most complete collections of work by local southeast Michigan artists that exists. This is in large part due to a series of art fairs held at Glacier Hills, inviting local artists to bring a selection of works to be voted on by residents and purchased with donated funds.

The Foundation-funded **Huron Room Gallery** on the third floor of the Meadows allows for this collection to be explored and celebrated in a new light. Pieces from the farthest reaches of campus can be grouped together in one place, giving them a fresh audience and deepened appreciation. The current exhibition, titled **Fine Print: Original Art Prints from the Glacier Hills Collection**, opened on January 3 with a reception and continues to be available for viewing through **March 6** (feel free to turn on the lights, located to the right of the doors – the switches are lightly obscured by drapery).

In the meantime, preparation has already begun for the next exhibition. This show will feature works created by residents of Glacier Hills and will be juried by a panel of professionals from the Ann Arbor art community. **Submissions are currently open, and any current residents of Glacier Hills are encouraged to put forward pieces of art of any medium.** Entry forms can be found in the Glacier Hills Foundation office (across from the mailboxes in the Manor). This exhibition will be on view from **March 13 – May 8, 2020.**



Finally, I am happy to introduce the Art Across Campus Committee for the 2020 calendar year: continuing with the Committee are 2019 members **Edith Maynard** and **Jacquie Lewis**, and new to the Committee are **Howard Bond**, **Don Postema**, and **Reda Santinga**. I also extend a warm thank you to **David Pumphrey**, who steps down after a year of sitting on the Committee. We look forward to a robust new year of art programming at Glacier Hills!

Mark Your Calendar

Rotarians at Glacier Hills

Rotarians at Glacier Hills extend a Campus-wide Invitation to a Special Presentation in Honor of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

Speaker: Deborah Meadows, Docent and Vice Chair of Board, African American Cultural & Historical Museum

Friday, January 17, 2020
10:00 - 11:00 am - Hanson Room

Insights (For Employees) Featuring Marvin Brandwin

Monday, January 20, 2020
12:00 - 12:30 p.m. - Renaissance Room, Meadows

Insights (For Residents) Featuring Marvin Brandwin and Beth Caldwell

Wednesday, January 29, 2020
7:15 - 8:15 p.m. - Hanson Room

Insights (For Employees) Featuring Beth Caldwell

Monday, February 17, 2020
12:00 - 12:30 p.m. - Renaissance Room, Meadows

Glacier Hills Foundation Board of Directors Meeting

Monday, February 11, 2020
4:00 - 6:00 p.m.



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