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Glacier Hills to Launch New Dementia Education Series for Residents, Families, Staff and Public

Ann Arbor, MI (April 29, 2021) — Glacier Hills Senior Living Community announces a new opportunity for its residents, families, employees, and the greater community to learn more about dementia caregiving: the Walter J. Weber Dementia Education Series. The series, launching this June, will provide training in understanding and caring for those who are experiencing cognitive decline.

The series begins with virtual private webinars with Teepa Snow (an expert in dementia caregiving techniques) and her Positive Approach to Care® team for an all-inclusive audience. Also included are two-day private skills workshops and small group mentoring for hands-on staff, online group learning for extended staff, and care partner support for family members.

Walter J. Weber was a well-known environmental engineer and resident at Huron Woods. He was responsible for developing systems to provide clean water worldwide. Walter earned a Ph.D. from Harvard University and retired as a Distinguished University Professor Emeritus from the University of Michigan. He passed away in 2018 from complications of Alzheimer's Disease. A generous Weber family donation has made this dementia education series possible.

"We are very grateful for the donation from the Weber family. Working with his daughters and significant other has been very rewarding. They are realizing their wishes for families and caregivers to fully understand the disease and gain the tools they need to maintain strong and meaningful relationships with their loved ones. That's what philanthropy is all about," said Becky Pazkowski, Executive Director of the Glacier Hills Foundation.

Cognitive decline can be more prevalent than we know in life plan communities. It is estimated that up to 70% of residents in any life plan community may experience some cognitive decline. Glacier Hills believes it is important for everyone to be aware, educated, and trained in the best approach to care and support for persons experiencing cognitive decline leading to dementia.

The Walter J. Weber Dementia Education Series virtual private webinars are offered at no cost thanks to the Weber family donation. To read more about the series and register for the webinars, visit www.glacierhills.org and scroll down to the registration information.

Teepa Snow and her Positive Approach to Care® model is a national leader in the field of education for dementia caregiving. For information about Teepa Snow, visit www.teepasnow.com.

Trinity Health Senior Communities serves more than 14,500 seniors in nearly 40 independent living, assisted living, memory care, skilled nursing, and subsidized senior housing communities across the United States.

About Glacier Hills Senior Living Community

Glacier Hills has served southeast Michigan as a non-profit Life Plan Community for more than 47 years. Its mission is to serve older adults with a continuum of lifestyle, care and support alternatives embracing enrichment of the whole person. Glacier Hills' beautiful 34-acre campus is located in the cultural and cosmopolitan heart of southeast Michigan. For more information on the programs and services offered by Glacier Hills, please contact the Marketing Department at 734.913.0730 or info@glacierhills.org.

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