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QUARTERLY
UPDATE
FROM

Greenhills Centre



A quarterly update from Greenhills Centre covering some of the events and achievements in the past few months. For the information of the Friends of Greenhills.

After a coat of paint, the gazebo is near completion

Our Guests

It's always interesting to note the diversity of groups that book their camps, retreats and day conferences here at Greenhills. Below is a small sample of some of the groups we are privileged to host.

December

- Middle Ridge State School
- Menslink

January

- The Church of Pentecost
- RYLA
- St Vinnies
- Navigators
- St Bedes Primary School
- Gungahlin Youth Group

February

- Trinity Christian School
- Woden Valley Youth Choir
- Austrian Choir Canberra
- Rotary Youth
- Radford College
- Newington College Lindfield

Enhancement to the Doris Jackson Garden

Over 20 years ago when the Max and Zeta Hill Building was constructed we had many benefactors and one of them was Alan Jackson. The Alan and Doris Terrace was named in their honour and later the Doris Jackson Garden was also developed. It was always anticipated that the Doris Jackson Garden would be a quiet and peaceful place for contemplation and meditation.

In 2018, Alan Jackson, the Rotary Club of Canberra East and Greenhills collaborated by adding a gazebo to the Doris Jackson garden. This is a great addition to Greenhills and provides seating and shelter in a lovely quiet area of Greenhills. The gazebo will also be able to be used as an additional breakout area for groups meeting in the Moore Auditorium.

Next time you visit, allow a little time to visit the Doris Jackson Garden and pause and reflect in the shelter of the new gazebo. Greenhills thanks both Alan Jackson and the Rotary Club of Canberra East.



The completed gazebo structure



Gary working on the foundation



Construction underway



Tarni bringing the Christmas spirit



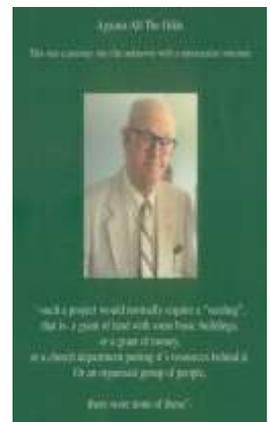
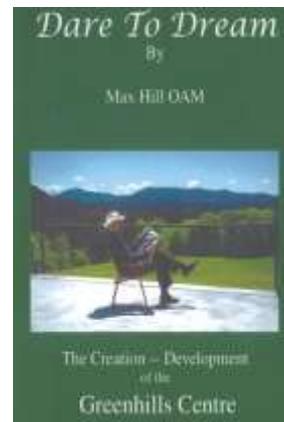
Enjoying the Christmas feast!

Staff Christmas Party

On December 6th 2018, the Greenhills staff gathered together for lunch to celebrate the end of another year. Sean, the catering manager, cooked up a feast of pork ribs, prawns, chicken curry and a variety of salads. This was a great opportunity for all our staff to be together, as this is a rare occurrence. The Christmas lunch was a great time of fun, laughter and fellowship.

Greenhills Open Day

Greenhills was founded in 1965 due to the vision of Max Hill. On 27 March 2019 Max will celebrate his 100th birthday at Greenhills and in his honour Greenhills will host an open day. Please visit and admire our progress and one of Max's lifetime achievements.



Max Hill's book about Greenhills

Farewell to Ellyn

Ellyn Clapham has been part of the Greenhills Team for over 3 years. She will be moving on to start her career in teaching. We thank Ellyn for her contribution to Greenhills and wish her well with her teaching.

Construction Work at Greenhills

For the past couple of months, the maintenance team have been working on multiple projects around the site. Some of these projects include a new maintenance and tool shed, a bus driveway and general site improvements. The photos show the progress that the staff have made on these projects. We hope to reveal the completion of these projects soon.



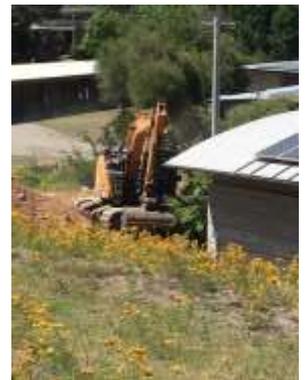
New road in progress



Hayden on the tractor



Foundation of the new shed



Gary maneuvering the digger



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Mobile Coverage Update

Our Greenhills maintenance team have been progressively taking steps forward to improve the mobile coverage and Wi-Fi reception around the campsite. The latest venture has been the temporary instalment of an antenna to test coverage signals for Optus and Telstra. We are pleased to notify everyone that coverage for Vodafone has been achieved. In the near future we hope to have much improved mobile coverage for guests.



Reception antenna

Early Morning Centre Christmas Lunch

For years Greenhills has supported the Canberra City Uniting Church Early Morning Centre with a box of freshly made muffins every so often. Every delivery of muffins is warmly welcomed.

For the last couple of years, we have also launched out to provide a cooked Christmas lunch. Last December, our Catering Manager came in especially to prepare lunch for the 100 invitees. On the menu was sliced ham, chicken pieces, pumpkin, potato, carrots, peas, and gravy. Sean packed it straight from the ovens into eskies that were then delivered by Executive Director John.

Nicole Lawder MLA (and partner to our former Greenhills Executive Director Peter) assisted on the day at City Uniting. Dessert was provided by Elizabeth Lee MLA and Greenhills also donated the Christmas crackers, napkins, and puddings for the hampers.

The Early Morning Centre supports homeless people with breakfasts, computer and phone services, support services, a post office box address and a warm safe place with friendly support. Greenhills is happy to contribute to the hospitality of the Early Morning Centre.

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Volunteers ready to serve the food

Everything ready



Diary Dates:

- **February**
4th—School Term 1 Starts
- **March**
11th- Canberra Day Public Holiday
27th-Max Hill's 100th Birthday



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