



Caroline Tecson, Nancy Hagen and Andy Tecson

MATCHING GRANT IN MEMORY OF CAROLINE TECSON

Kim and Tim Slomka announced that in memory of Caroline Tecson, they will match up to \$10,000 in gifts to glenhagen farm retreat between now and the end of the Sip and Support Fundraiser on November 2. Kim and Tim are long-time supporters of the camp. Their gift is in addition to another donor's match of up to \$10,000 in gifts, which means that donors who give the next \$20,000 between now and November 2 can double the impact of their gift!

Caroline Tecson grew up in a rural community not far from glenhagen farm retreat. She was an integral part of her community, practicing law, serving on the Riverside Brookfield High School Board and holding virtually every possible position at the Riverside Presbyterian Church during her seven decades of membership. She enjoyed traveling the world, playing bridge with her friends, sailing on Lake Michigan, attending concerts at the Chicago Symphony, taking her family on tours of the Brookfield Zoo, visiting the Art Institute, and spending time with her family in her Riverside home and the condo at Abbey Springs. Caroline provided significant encouragement and support as the camp was being created, and she provided significant financial support to the camp through the years.

Donations can be mailed to glenhagen farm retreat, 4700 Lee Ave., Downers Grove, IL 60515, or through our website at:

<https://glenhagenfarm.org/support/>

Thank you



glenhagen farm retreat

Sip and Support

November 2, 2025
2:00pm - 5:00pm

The Parlour @ Park & Oak
Glen Ellyn, IL

Live Music • Wine Pull • Appetizers

Please join us for our annual fundraising event!

Register today!

get your TICKETS

Registration is open for our fundraiser

Sip and Support is November 2nd. We had a fun time last year and this year we will have speakers, live music, appetizers, and a larger wine pull.

Please go to Eventbrite to get your tickets before we sell out. **Thank you for your support!**

Sip and Support Registration:

<https://glenhagensipandsupport.eventbrite.com>



SUMMER HIGHLIGHTS

We are very excited to share that we had 16 groups join us over the summer with 3 more groups coming into the fall months. We doubled our attendance compared to last year.

We are grateful to returning groups as well as new organizations joining us for either a day trip or overnight stays. The feedback has been so positive, as everyone enjoyed their time at glenhagen and will likely visit again.

Huge thanks to our camp directors who lead the visits and help ensure everyone had a great experience.



VISIT SPOTLIGHT: FRESHLENS



FreshLens Chicago provides educational arts programming to students from under-resourced areas in Chicago while giving students an opportunity to develop skills and gain confidence through the vehicle of photography. Their campers were delighted to discover the myriad of fascinating images in the woods, prairie and creek of glenhagen farm retreat. FreshLens founder and executive director, Shirley Nannini, provided the following comments: "The kids had an amazing time. Your facilities are outstanding – thoughtfully designed and well maintained. Your camp director, Kup, was a fantastic leader: positive, helpful and a real pleasure to work with."

VISIT SPOTLIGHT: B.L.A.C.

This summer glenhagen farm retreat welcomed back campers from **Building Leaders Advocating for Change**, which is a non-profit organization dedicated to the empowerment of at-risk youth in Dekalb and the surrounding areas, and helping them to become their own advocates while overcoming adversity in an ever-changing world. One of the highlights of their visit was a magic show presented by Ken Eisenberg. Ken is also a veterinarian, so he was able to make a parrot appear out of thin air, much to the delight of the campers. He also encouraged campers to participate in the performance, leading to bountiful smiles and joy. Thanks so much to Ken and the campers for a magical experience!

