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ARMEN G. OUMEDIAN

2011 David B. Douma Outstanding Leadership Award Recipient



Dressed in a monkey costume and holding a large, inflatable yellow banana, Armen Oumedian stepped to the stage and accepted his award. The fact he was wearing a monkey costume may seem comical, and it was, but it demonstrated Armen's passion for causes he believes in. Oumedian throws himself fully into any activity requiring his support. It was just one reason the recognition was bestowed upon him.

Serengeti Safari guests learned that the Outstanding Leadership Award was created in 1997. It honors those who demonstrate commitment and generosity to Porter Hills and encourages others to take leadership roles in raising funds for the benefit of our residents and clients.

Previous award recipients include: 1998 - Stella A.J. Shields; 2000 - Sister Mary Aquinas Weber, O.P.; 2001 - Richard W. Young; 2002 - Janet Englehardt Freeman; 2005 - Jack Bowie. In 2007, Dave Douma received the honor posthumously and the award was renamed The David B. Douma Outstanding Leadership Award.

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It is not what we take up, but what we give up, that makes us rich.

Henry Ward Beecher

Armen G. Oumedian

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The award is given to those who exemplify our mission and live by the example set forth by David B. Douma during his 37-year career at Porter Hills.

In addition to Armen's willingness to wear a monkey suit, he was selected because he is a shining example of an ideal board member — he asks how he can help, follows through, and looks out for Porter Hills' best interests in every situation. As Armen stated, "there is a "silver tsunami" coming our way and we have to be ready."

Armen was introduced to Porter Hills when his mother Sarah, without consulting her family, became one of Porter Hills' first residents in 1970. His brother Jacob and sisters-in-law Josephine and Rose,

later moved to Porter Hills, further involving him and exposing him to the fine care his family received.

Armen's passionate telling of his family's story during an August 2003 Foundation Board of Trustees' "Mission Moment" eventually led to his nomination and approval for Trusteeship, and the rest is history!

We salute Armen and offer our sincere gratitude for all that he and his family have meant, and continue to mean, to Porter Hills.



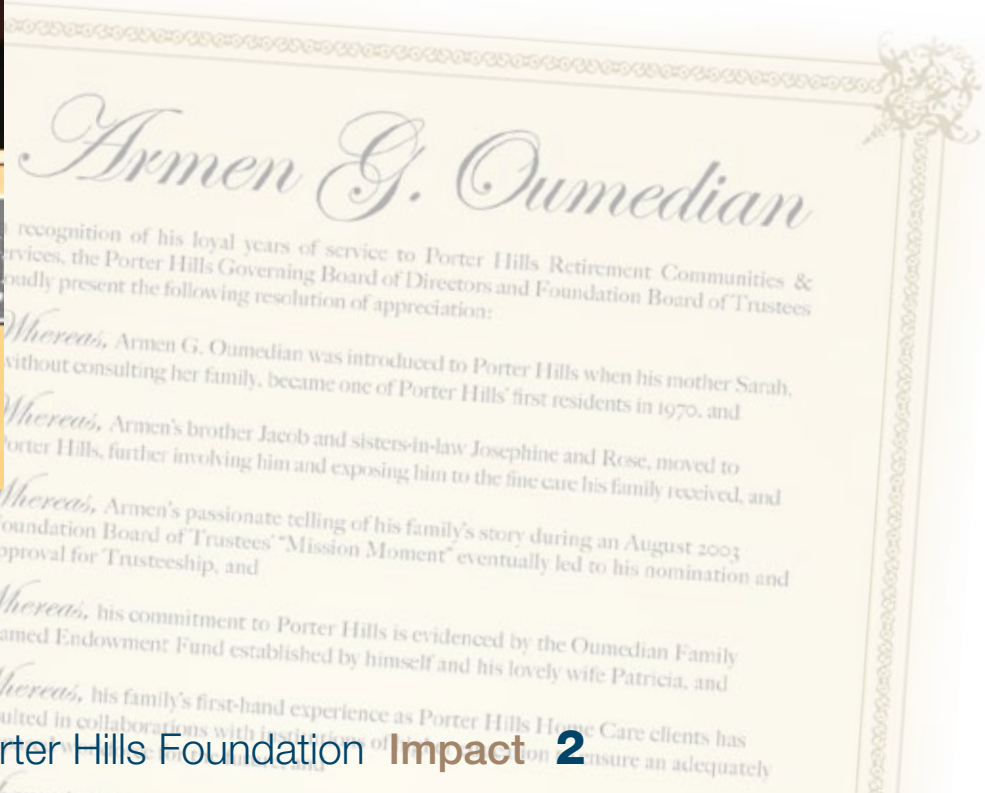
This image appeared on video screens as Armen took the stage.



Foundation Board Chair, Jim Preston (l) and Governing Board Chair, Jon Pike (r) look as on Armen begins his comments.



To the audience's surprise and delight, Armen issues a challenge: "For every dollar returned in the program envelope, I will match it dollar for dollar up to \$20,000. If it is in your heart to give, I will appreciate it."



Your Gifts At Work

2010/2011 Fiscal Year Results

Thank you for supporting Porter Hills' residents and clients with your gift to the Porter Hills Foundation! No matter the size of your gift or the fund to which it was designated, we assure you that you have had a hand in enriching lives. Please give yourselves a pat on the back!

The Foundation serves as the "umbrella" over several funds. Each gift given to the Porter Hills Foundation fulfills a different, but equally important need. Porter Hills maintains more than 70 individual funds, ensuring donors' gifts are used as desired. You designated your gifts made between July 1, 2010 and June 30, 2011 as follows:

Benevolent Funds (35.2%):

- Porter Hills has been blessed to accommodate the needs of residents whose resources have been depleted through no fault of their own. Qualified residents living in licensed areas of Porter Hills Village, Cook Valley Estates GREEN HOUSE® Homes, and Meadowlark Retirement Village are eligible to receive Benevolence Assistance. More than \$8.0 million has been allocated for assistance since Porter Hills opened its doors.

- There are currently 15 endowed benevolent funds named for their benefactors, funds for Porter Hills Village, Cook Valley Estates and Meadowlark Retirement Village, and a General Benevolent Fund.

Program Funds (5.5%):

- Some donors prefer to donate to one of thirteen funds for specific programs: Chaplaincy, Wellness (three funds), Service Support Funds (one for each of six Affordable Housing Communities), GREEN HOUSE Homes, Wetlands Education & Programming, or the Harmony Hall Music Therapy Fund.

Capital Funds (49.3%):

- Porter Hills Retirement Communities & Services has several opportunities for capital investment in terms of housing and services.
- Through their generosity, Don & Ruth Porter and Peter & Pat Cook provided the resources Porter Hills needed to purchase the land on which Porter Hills and Cook Valley Estates now stand.

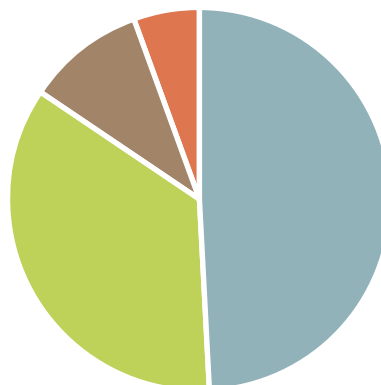
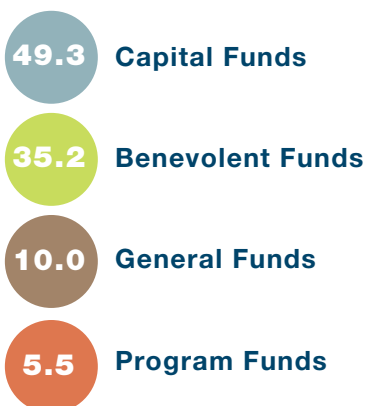
FACTS & FIGURES

Number of Gifts	1,128
Number of Donors	796
Number of Funds Supported	44
Total Contributions	*\$500,400 <i>*unaudited</i>

- While these are major capital investments, there are other opportunities as well. Recent examples include fund drives to build the GREEN HOUSE Homes and to establish LifeCircles PACE in Muskegon.
- Further, Porter Hills' Strategic Initiatives Fund allows the corporation to pursue new approaches to senior services to meet the changing needs of those we serve.

General Funds (10.0%)

- Each of our residential communities, service agencies and the corporate office has a General Fund. Donors often enjoy purchasing specific items from our Wish List or providing cash to make the purchase. These donations allow us to enhance resident and client satisfaction by providing items that fall outside our operating budgets.



May God bless you for your kindness and generosity.

Where in the World?

On a Serengeti Safari!

Perhaps your question is really,
“Why in the World?”

Why all the fuss and photos surrounding Porter Hills’ *Where in the World: On a Serengeti Safari* event?

The answers are quite simple:

1. It provides an opportunity for all of us to introduce new people to Porter Hills and what we have to offer. By building awareness and relationships, we will also build our future resident and client base.
2. We love to thank and recognize those who already support us. Our current relationships are extremely important to us and we relish the chance to express these sentiments.
3. To raise money! Not to build our coffers, but to explore new ways in which we will make Porter Hills an attractive alternative for new/younger residents and clients. We cleared more than \$90,500 this year! (Thank you, Armen, for your generous challenge AND thanks to all who responded with a gift!) Funds will be used to support strategic initiatives (Remember the “silver tsunami” comment?)
4. Oh, and did we mention we like to have fun?!

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Many thanks to all donors and attendees for being part of our special evening!

We hope you enjoy these photos, which capture the spirit of the event.

Guests are greeted by ferocious jungle animals



Phoebe and Harold Phelps can't wait for the safari to begin.



Fred Bogaert and Jean Boyden tracking wild game.



Randy and Mae Preston get ready to roll.



Yes, that IS a plastic monkey hanging from Ernie Malkewitz's glasses!



Barb and Tom Jackoboice tour the Serengeti.



Bob & Peg Steketee with Mary & Steele Taylor.



Who is this rare bird? Betty Andre!



The Serengeti at sunset.



The Jewels of Africa lead the processional into the Grand Room.



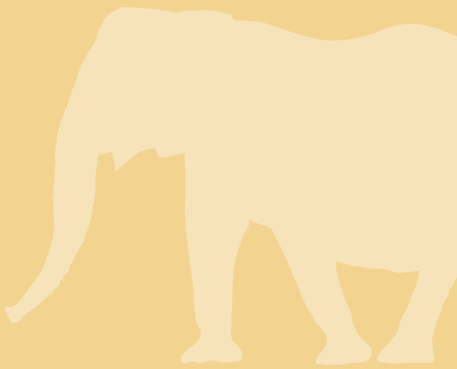
President/CEO, Larry Yachcik, welcomes guests.



Emcee Tim Cusack shares a safari story.



Sr. Nathalie Meyer, OP, offers the invocation.



Who are these wild creatures?



Cain Brothers' guests enjoy the festivities.



CareLinc Home Medical Equipment & Supply sponsors and guests.



A Hunting-ton we will go!



The Jewels of Africa performs a traditional dance, Lamda.



Even the youngsters know the moves.



Sue Schaff loves the percussion!



Guides Danger and his brother Russ (Danger-Russ) share safari survival skills.



Dan Gordon signals "trouble up ahead" while Danger looks on.



Russ looks to Kari Brecht for help.



The Porter Hills Singers prepare to entertain.



You can see the joy on their faces!



Roy May beautifully sings a solo.



Larry Yachcik thanks the singers and says his farewell.

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