



Martha Johns
Active at The Helm since 2017

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Martha grew up in Northwest Detroit and now lives in Grosse Pointe. Although she earned a bachelor's degree in history from Wayne State University, most of her career was spent in finance. She worked in accounts payable at J.L. Hudson 19 years, then spent more than 30 years in the finance department of reference books publisher Omnigraphics before retiring.

She enjoys knitting, reading and gardening. Martha plays the cello as well. She thoroughly enjoys musical theatre and symphony concerts. This year, both Martha and her daughter have become active people at The Helm.

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Martha says her daughter, who volunteers at The Helm, suggested she look into the programs and classes there. “She was the one that told me to check out The Helm. I really enjoy going there, it feels like a big family affair.”