



# University Commons September 2005 Events Calendar

## House of the Future – Field Trip

*Monday, September 12, 1:00 pm*

A team of dozens of UM students are building a 700-square foot solar-powered house on North Campus that can handle the needs of a small home as well as a small car. The aluminum structure will be UM's entry in the 2005 Decathlon, a competition sponsored by the US Dept. of Energy. The homes will be set up on the National Mall in Washington, DC.

## Earth's Changing Climate: What's in Store for the Future?

*Wednesday, September 14, 5:00 pm*

Probably no other scientific topic has been more in the news over the past decade than global climate change. Henry Pollack, UM Professor of Geophysics, will lead you through the debate about the reality of climate change, what is causing it, and what the consequences will be.

## Recital – Dr. Caroline Helton, Soprano

*Thursday, September 15, 7:30 pm*

"Give me your tired, your poor, your huddled masses yearning to breathe free..." Are we not all proudly familiar with these stirring words carved onto the base of one of the most potent symbols of America, the Statue of Liberty? Our national identity is bound up with the courage and self-reliance shown by our ancestors who came here to start a new life—some fleeing poverty or persecution, others brought here against their will as a result of slavery—persisting through great adversity to forge a dignified life for their families and future generations. In this program, Dr. Helton will highlight the musical contributions of three particular groups of

immigrants to our melting pot culture: Scotch-Irish (i.e. mountain folk), African-American, and Jewish composers. These contributions range from the folk songs and spirituals that move us so deeply with their connections to family and faith, to show tunes that have entertained us through bad times and good, as well as art music—opera and song—that portray our American experience in the most eloquent ways possible. This program seeks to evoke the soundtrack of our unique culture; a musical tapestry that represents the American experience.

## Senator Liz Brater on Current Issues

*Monday, September 26, 5:00 pm*

Senator Brater was elected to the Michigan Senate in 2002, where she serves on several major committees—Natural Resources, Agriculture, Forestry and Tourism, Finance and Judiciary. She was Ann Arbor's first woman mayor, and later served a term in the State House of Representatives. She will bring us her point of view on major issues facing the Michigan legislature in the near term.

## Piano and Violin Concert with Gail and Andrew Jennings

*Tuesday, September 27, pm*

UM Professors Gail and Andrew Jennings

## Fire Safety Up to Date

*Wednesday, September 28, 5:00 pm*

Inspector Doug Warsinski of the Ann Arbor Fire Department will return with his update on fire safety and other matters.

## Anniversary Party and Volunteer Fair

*Thursday, September 29, 7:00 pm*

The Grand Opening of University Commons was exactly four years ago—it's hard to believe, but here we are! Come to an anniversary celebration. Refreshments—and information about committees and activities.

## Continuing Events

### Cinema at the Commons

*Sunday, September 25, 4:00 pm*

The Captain's Paradise (1953) Sir Alec Guinness is captain of an international ferry boat who finds his personal paradise with two women in different ports—or does he? Even if he can outwit two betrayed wives, can he survive one very serious firing squad? Academy Award nomination for its witty screenplay.

### UC Dinners

*Every Mon. & Wed., 6:30 pm*

Students of the Culinary Arts Program at Washtenaw Community College prepare dinners as part of a class in which they are enrolled.

### NIAFit Classes

*Every Tues. & Thurs.,  
8:00 am*

Geared to all current fitness levels. New term begins September 8



### International Neighbors Needlework

*Every Thursday, 1:00 – 4:00 pm*

This needlework group is a part of International Neighbors. All are welcome.

## Common Time

*Every Friday, 4:30 – 6:30 pm*

A well-attended and informal gathering in the UC's Brass Rail Café. Residents bring a bottle of wine or an appetizer, or put \$5 per person in the kitty toward supplies. It's a nice way to get to know your neighbors. Bring a friend!

## Baker's Dozen Book Club


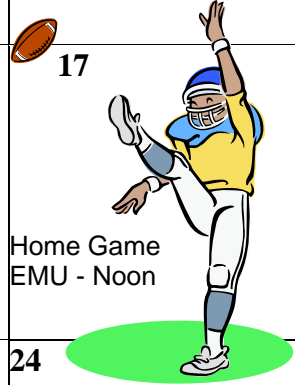
*Third Wednesday of month, 8:00 pm*

The group chooses a book each month to read and discuss—discussions are led by members of group. The book for September is William Faulkner's "As I Lay Dying." Everyone is welcome.

## Learning in Retirement Classes

*Tuesday, Sept. 6, 3:30 pm* - September Investment Lecture: Beginning Investing and the Financial Planning Process,  
*Wed., Sept. 14, Noon* - Monthly Chamber Music Study Group  
*Mondays at 10 am, beginning Sept. 26,*  
The Magic of Opera (Lehman)  
*Tuesdays at 10, beginning Sept. 27,* On Reading Proust  
*Tuesdays at 2:30, beginning Sept. 27,* Dante's Purgatorio

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1 International Neighbors Needlework Group 1:00 pm	2 <b>Common Time</b> 4:30-6:30	3 Home Game – Northern Illinois 3:30 pm
4 	5 <b>LABOR DAY</b>	6 LIR – Investment Lecture 3:30  Landscape and Gardens Committee 7:30	7 Students' first day back - Dinner, 6:30 pm	8 Fitness Class 8:00 am International Neighbors Needlework Group 1:00 pm Dining Service Comm. 5:30pm Social Committee 7:30 pm	9 Ikebana International -1:00 pm  <b>Common Time</b> 4:30-6:30	10 Home Game – Notre Dame - Noon
11	12 Field Trip – House of the Future 1:00 pm  Dinner, 6:30 pm	13 Fitness Class 8:00 am  Tai Chi - 3:00 pm	14 Cinema Committee 11:00 LIR-Chamber Music Study – Noon  <b>FIVE O'CLOCK – Henry Pollack</b> Dinner, 6:30 pm	15 Fitness Class 8:00 am International Neighbors Needlework Group 1:00 pm <b>AAUCCA Board 3:00 pm</b> Final Walking Group Mts 5 pm <b>Concert-Soprano Caroline Helton 7:30 pm</b>	16  <b>Common Time</b> 4:30-6:30	17  Home Game EMU - Noon
18	19 Art Committee – 1:00 pm Health & Fitness Comm. 3:00 <b>FIVE O'CLOCK-James Craven</b> Dinner, 6:30 pm Resident Information Mtg 8pm	20 Fitness Class 8:00 am Program Comm. 2:00 Tai Chi - 3:00 pm <b>UCA Board 4:00 pm</b>	21  Dinner, 6:30 pm Baker's Dozen Book Club 8pm	22 Fitness Class 8:00 am International Neighbors Needlework Group 1:00 pm	23  <b>Common Time</b> 4:30-6:30	24 Away Game – Wisconsin
25 <b>CINEMA AT THE COMMONS</b> 4:00 PM – Captain's Paradise	26 LIR-Magic of Opera-10:00 am <b>FIVE O'CLOCK – Sen. Liz Brater</b> Dinner, 6:30 pm  Shakespeare Reading Group 8:00 pm	27 Fitness Class 8:00 am LIR-Reading Proust-10:00 am LIR-Dante's Purgatorio 2:30 pm Tai Chi - 3:00 pm  <b>Piano &amp; Violin Concert – Gail and Andrew Jennings</b>	28  <b>FIVE O'CLOCK – Inspector Doug Warsinski Fire Dept.</b>  Dinner, 6:30 pm	29 Fitness Class 8:00 am International Neighbors Needlework Group 1:00 pm  Anniversary Party-Volunteer Fair -7:00 pm	30  <b>Common Time</b> 4:30-6:30	