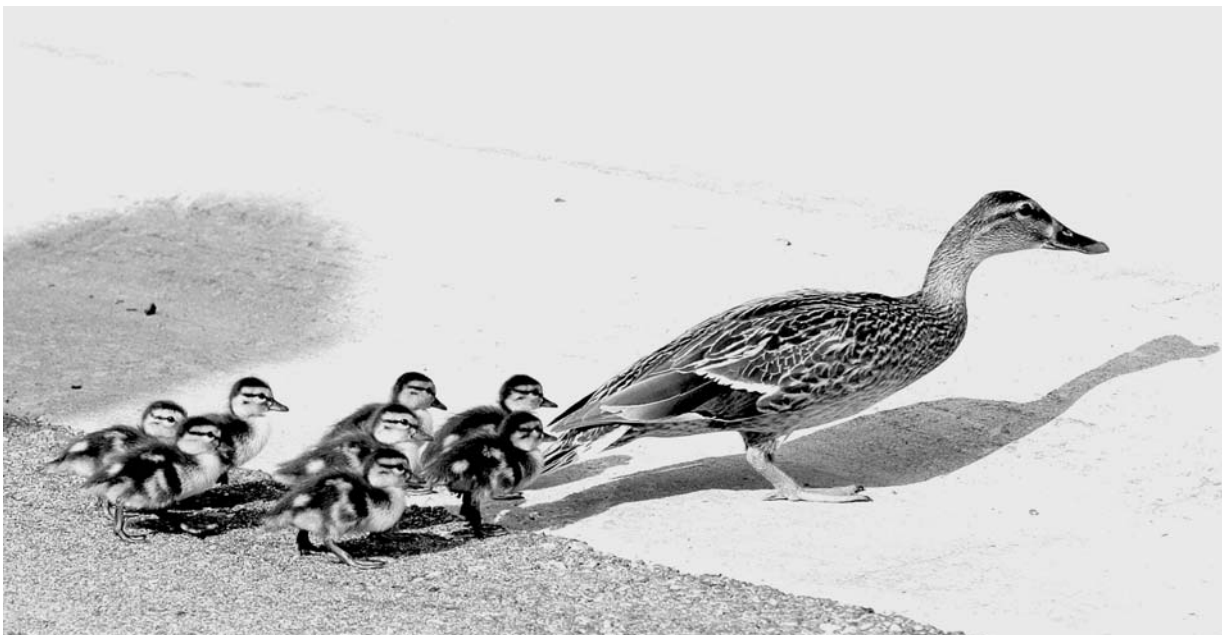


As befits a spring publication date, this issue of The Common Times offers us a nature lover's song of praise, albeit in pictorial form. Here for your enjoyment are Mom Duck and her ducklings on the day of their migration from their nest (in the flowerbed in front of Houghton Hall) to the pond in our woods. Thanks go to Brad Bates for capturing the moment. And thanks to Darren, too, for sighting the nest and noting that the patient and persistent mama had laid at least ten additional eggs before this brood of eight reached maturation.

**NATURE-FLASH NEWS**  
(May 23): I just saw the Masts' tiny miracle nest. It's embedded in the artificial wreath attached to their front door. Bluebird maybe?? Take a look.

**Mom, can we go yet?**



**On the move!**

*--More photos on Café bulletin board.*

*B.Bates – May 2004*

## People in the News

TONY MORRIS had two of his books published: 1) Psychology: An Introduction came out in its 12th edition. He said it has been published since 1973, has sold several million copies so far, and shows no signs of letting up (and added 'which is more than I can say for myself'). 2) Basic Psychology is a "Portfolio Edition," smaller than the larger text. It is 25% the cost of the larger book, intending to address the concerns expressed by students and faculty alike about the high cost of textbooks, he says.

BEA LAWRENCE's son, Dr. Ted Lawrence, has been elected president of ASTRO, the American Society of Therapeutic Radiology and Oncology (2003-2004). Bea says this society is a 7000 member organization and the largest radiation oncology society in the world. In addition, Ted was inducted into Alpha Omega Alpha, the Medical Honorary Society.

FRAN WEEKS's daughter, Sarah Weeks, a well-known children's book author, had her new book Two Eggs, Please highlighted in the New York Times book review section recently; her first children's novel called So B. It has made the Los Angeles Times best seller list. Sarah has graciously donated copies of some of her books to the University Commons library. One, Hurricane City was signed and charmingly addressed "For any little hurricanes who happen to blow through University Commons." In the copy of Two Eggs, Please she wrote "For University Commons Small Fry."

MARION ORSO'S's grandson, 18-year-old Anthony Morin,

was made an Eagle Scout, the highest honor you can get in scouting. Anthony is a senior at Rudolph Steiner.

*Frieda Morgenstern*

Editor's note: **People in the News** is written by Frieda Morgenstern, and will continue to report items of interest about UC residents and their families in future issues. Please call Frieda at 913-2793 with your news.

## Asa Gray Lecture: an Event to Remember

The First Annual Asa Gray Day Lecture was an exciting event, one we can look back on with a great deal of pride. The speaker chosen by the Task Force, Dr. James R. Baker Jr., gave a fascinating talk on nanotechnology that had us almost thinking we understood a very complex topic. The lecture was followed by a beautiful champagne reception, with hors d'oeuvres prepared and served by the Washtenaw Community College students. "Classy," is how one resident described the whole affair. Our thanks go to all members of the Task Force.

## Semester Break Meals

As all know, we had a two-week break between the WCC semesters. During that time we have enjoyed the opportunity to taste some new cuisines – Chinese from Great Lake, Greek from Parthenon, Turkish from Ayse's and Italian from Paesano's. They were all great and a wonderful opportunity to whet the appetite for a trip to the restaurants to enjoy other items

from their menus. Many people contributed to making this a success. (I'll miss some, but I hope that the generalities cover all) Jan, Karen and Val (the final night) worked their dining room magic and also took care of cleanup. Many resident helpers not only helped with serving but also cleanup. Additionally, several residents made dessert goodies to top off a couple of the meals. All of this was planned and made possible by your Dining Service Committee – Jo Horsley, Chuck Kelly, Mary Kinley and in particular, Jeff Stross, who made most of the arrangements and also picked up the meals from the restaurants that would not deliver. Many thanks to all from the Board.

*Brad Bates*

## Emergency Notebooks Ready!

The Emergency Preparedness Committee has completed the notebooks—please pick up your copy in the office. The notebooks contain very comprehensive information to help you prepare for, and respond to, emergencies at University Commons. A very special thank you to Barb Bernard Butler for her leadership and countless hours she spent bringing this important project to fruition. Many thanks also to committee members Anneliese Bowlby, Vic Douvan, Yi-tsi Feuerwerker, Marcia Friedman, Toni Hayashi and Bea McLogan, who worked very hard gathering and compiling the information.

*Brad Bates for the AAUCCA Board*