

Luncheon Lectures

WINTER 2012 SEMESTER

Programs are held on Fridays at noon in the Library conference room. Reservations are preferred. Call 231-348-6600 or e-mail cmacinnis@ncmich.edu to reserve your place at the table. Cost is \$9. Lunch is included.

January 27 – Flying to Alaska/Restoring a Classic. Andy Bowman built his own airplane and flew it to Alaska. Next, he and a team of volunteers completed the restoration of a classic airplane built in Michigan in 1928 and returned it to the sky last fall. He will talk about both adventures and the challenges of flying something you built yourself. Andy is a Harbor Springs resident who sold a prosperous local business to retire, but ended up devoting most of his time in restoring and building aircraft.



February 10 – Is The Price Right? – Everyone talks about prices: too high or too low, but seldom just right. Rod Anderson, North Central economics professor, offers a bit of basic economic theory by explaining the important function that prices serve and how they relate to key issues and policies that are debated every day. Professor Anderson is a graduate of Wheaton College and has a master's degree in economics from Montana State University.



February 24 – Saving the Children – John Drake's job as a senior executive of an international energy company based in Michigan took him to the Philippines where he saw abandoned children living on dangerous streets and begging for food not far from white sand beaches and luxurious hotels. In response, John raised money to build a center that now houses 100 street children and orphans from age six to 18. They live in a supportive environment, attend school and receive regular medical care. Some are now in college. John will explain how his determination and the charity of others have changed many lives halfway across the globe.



March 9 – Clarinet Music from Colombia. Clarinet soloist Guillermo Marin and Matthew Hazelwood, music director of the Great Lakes Chamber Orchestra, will discuss the great Mozart Clarinet Concerto in A and music from Colombia that will be featured in a concert by the orchestra on Sunday, March 11, in Harbor Springs. Mr. Marin is traveling from his home in Colombia



to join the orchestra for the performance. In addition to leading the chamber orchestra, Maestro Hazelwood serves as music adviser and principal conductor for the Batuta National Youth Orchestra Program of Colombia.

March 23 – Shipwreck. Valerie van Heest, award-winning author and inductee into the Women Divers Hall of Fame, recounts the worst disaster on the open waters of the Great Lakes when the palatial side-wheel steamer Lady Elgin sank in Lake Michigan on September 8, 1860. More than 300 souls were lost, mostly Irish immigrants from Milwaukee’s Third Ward. Valerie is a veteran shipwreck explorer who combines her passion for documenting historic shipwrecks with her creative and interpretive abilities to preserve and promote Great Lakes maritime history.



April 13 – Voelker’s Pond. James McCullough, North Central English professor, shares from his book, *Voelker's Pond*, an ode to John Voelker (pen name Robert Traver) who was both a member of the Michigan Supreme Court and best-selling author of the famous novel, *Anatomy of a Murder*, which became an Academy Award-winning film starring Jimmy Stewart and George C. Scott. At the height of his power, Voelker retired to his private trout waters in the Upper Peninsula to fish for the rest of his life and write about fishing, penning the classic fly fishing books, *Trout Madness*, *Trout Magic* and *Anatomy of a Fisherman*.



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