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University Commons, an active senior learning community

University Commons Programs Blossoming with Construction now Complete

After 2 ½ years of construction, University Commons is now fully complete! We are in the final phase of our sales program, so now is an excellent time to come visit our community!

As spring continues to blossom around us, it is breathtaking to see the fully completed community in its beautiful wooded setting. The 15 year effort by a dedicated group of Michigan alumni, faculty, and staff to build a nationally unique senior community here in Ann Arbor has now been fulfilled.

University Common's rich program of educational and cultural offerings are continuing to unfold. Spring Recital Series with both the University of Michigan School of Music and Ann Arbor Chamber Music Society have found delightful acoustics in the Dining/Recital Hall. Lectures, study, and exercise groups are occurring on a daily basis.

Zingerman's has been selected to be the permanent Food Service provider for University Commons, including a white tablecloth dinner service with fine quality china and flatware.

The University Commons high-speed computer network, linking all home and educational spaces within the community (via multiple T-1 connections to the U of M, Internet and Internet 2, is now fully installed and operational. A variety of computer classes and User Group offerings exist to help both novices and experienced users expand their skills!



UM Music Students Susan and Sarah Wang gave a wonderful piano recital in Houghton Hall recently featuring 4 handed playing of classical music. The program between University Commons and the School of Music is part of a regular series of graduate student performances in the UC Dining/Recital Hall.

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Providing Culinary Adventures to UC Residents

University Commons is pleased to announce completion of a long-term agreement for Zingerman's all dining and food-service operations. Services will include an evening dinner service in the Dining Room for residents and guests, catering for UC's numerous cultural and educational events, and other residential services including food tastings and home meal replacements. Zingerman's will also offer customized menus for special events within the Private Dining Room or within individual homes.



The Zingerman's Team: Vicki Squires, David Normann, Chef Bill Wallo, and Sheila Cameron.

"In the initial creation of the University Commons Dining Statement, our residents said clearly that they wanted 'interesting, innovative cuisine'", said Dot Reed, Chair of the UC Dining Committee. "Zingerman's brings fresh and interesting food from around the globe. The dinner service provided this winter have been excellent and well received by our residents."

"We are truly excited to be selected as the Dining Room and Events food service provider at University Commons," said Paul Saginaw, founding partner of the Zingerman's Community of Businesses. "This is our first venture into a fine-dining operation, and we think it creates new possibilities to build upon existing strengths of our operations. The lifelong learning and community focus of University Commons also fits well with our own business philosophies. The

extremely high quality of the kitchen and dining room facilities and beautiful wooded setting made this too compelling of an opportunity for us to pass up."

Over the past 21 years, Zingerman's has become among Ann Arbor's best known and beloved institutions, delighting the taste buds of hundreds of thousands of food-loving folk from around the corner and around the world. Opened in the early 1980's by Paul Saginaw and Ari Weinzweig in a historic building near Farmers' Market, Zingerman's has grown from its humble deli beginnings to now also include its own exceptional Bakehouse (making traditionally-baked breads and pastries), Creamery (producing fabulous tasting hand-crafted fresh cheeses, gelato and more), and Mail Order business for the benefit of its devoted customers from across the globe. The Zingerman's legacy has been *built on the belief that customers can truly taste the difference between Mediocre and Marvelous.*

University Partners

University Commons Alumni Association program "Coffee with a Professor" on September 14, 2002 at the University Commons. Hear Dr. F. H. and Urban Planning and Urban Cultural Planning for a special Michigan

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University Commons and Alumni Association to Partner on Coffee with Faculty Program

University Commons and the University of Michigan Alumni Association have announced a 15 month program for UC to co-sponsor and host the popular "Coffee with Faculty" Events. Join us On *Friday, June 10, 2002 at the Alumni Center on Central Campus to hear Dr. Robert W. Marans: Professor of Architecture and Urban Planning Quality of Life in Metro Detroit - A Historical Perspective*. Cost \$15. Beginning in September, the program will likely be hosted at UC. Planning is also underway for the joint development of several programs between the two groups. Also look out for special UC Fall Color Weekend at Camp Manistigouga this October!

Meet University Commons Diane Kirkpatrick

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Area of Specialization: Contemporary Art

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Diane has Michigan roots from her Grand Rapids home at the Cranbrook Academy of Art. She taught in the U of M where she was department chair from 1988-1994, and was in May, 2000. She was then called back to act as Interim

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Considering a Move? Take advantage of these two informative Seminars on Selling Your Home & Mortgage Alternatives

Charles Reinhart Home Selling Seminar Wednesday, May 1st and May 22, 2002 4-6 p.m.

Spring is here!! This is the perfect time to learn all aspects of potentially putting your home on the market and working with a realtor. Many homeowners have lived in their current residences for many years. The market might have changed quite a bit since the last time you sold your home. Many current University Commons residents have found this seminar invaluable as they transitioned to new homes at University Commons. Please join us at Houghton Hall to learn how to successfully market and sell your current home with experts from the Charles Reinhart Company.



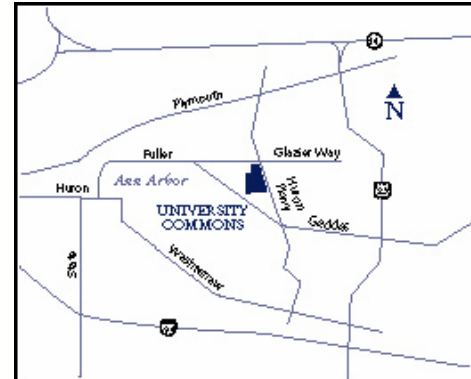
National City Private Client Group Financial Planning Seminar

Thursday, May 9th, 2002 - 3:30 - 5:00 p.m.



University Commons, in conjunction with National City Private Client Group, is hosting this informative financial planning seminar. The seminar at Houghton Hall will cover many aspects of mortgage financing including specific examples of many alternative financing strategies for University Commons homes. Interest rates are at a long term historical low, so now is an excellent time to take advantage. We will allow sufficient time for questions and answers with National City's financial consultants.

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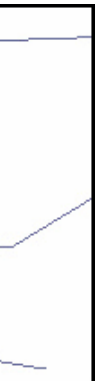
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