

Spring 2009

M DELI SANDWICH SHOP OPENS IN COFFMAN



In response to an increasing customer demand for freshly prepared made-to-order sandwiches, UDS opened a newly renovated M deli sandwich shop in Coffman Union in January.

Previously a convenience store with the same name, the M deli features signature sandwiches, side salads, soups and desserts. Customers can also create their own sandwich, choosing from M deli's fresh, premium ingredients.

The new M deli is open Monday – Friday 10:00 am – 7:00 pm and includes enhanced customer features such as online and e-kiosk ordering options. The M deli sandwich shop diversifies UDS' restaurant options on campus. UDS also operates a Subway restaurant concept in St. Paul Student Center's Terrace Café and over 30+ other food courts, coffee cafes and convenience stores on East Bank, West Bank and St. Paul campus.

UNIVERSITY CATERING LAUNCHES ONLINE ORDERING SYSTEM FOR DELIVERY

In an effort to better serve campus customers, University Catering announces CaterTrax, a new online ordering system for delivery orders. CaterTrax is easy to use, convenient and makes planning and ordering delivery catering simple.

Priding themselves on the ability to meet any need with style and creativity, University Catering's sales and culinary team are available to guide customers through planning and execution. Catering menu selections are available online for customer ordering ease. Visit www.umn.catertrax.com or call University Catering at (612) 626-7173 for more information.



Enjoy Winter at the MN Landscape Arboretum

The University of Minnesota Landscape Arboretum in Chaska, MN offers something for everyone! Stop by the Arboretum Restaurant, located on the 2nd floor of the Oswald Visitor Center, for a quick bite to eat while visiting the beautiful Arboretum grounds. Check out these upcoming events:

Cozy Winter Afternoon Teas

Wednesdays, Jan. 7-March 25, 2:30-4 p.m.

Cure your winter blues with this lovely three-course tea. Enjoy freshly baked sweets and savories including homemade scones, tea breads, deviled eggs, tea sandwiches, dipped strawberries, mini-quiche and cucumber sandwiches. Call 612-624-7173 to reserve a "tea-time."

Sugarbush Pancake Brunch

Saturday, March 28 & Sunday, March 29, 9:00am—1:00pm

MacMillan Auditorium, Oswald Visitor Center

Enjoy a delicious brunch featuring "all-you-care-to-eat" pancakes and Arboretum maple syrup. Also includes pecans, sausage links, juice, coffee and milk. Tickets: \$8.50 for Arboretum members ages 8 and older, \$11 for non-members ages 8 and older, \$5.50 for ages 4-7 and free for ages 3 and under. Purchase tickets at the Oswald Visitor Center during the event.

Easter Bunny Brunch

Sunday, April 12

MacMillan Auditorium, Oswald Visitor Center

Enjoy a delicious brunch buffet -- it's an annual springtime tradition for many families and friends.

Call 612-624-7173 for ticket prices and reservations.

UDS MAKES HEALTHY EATING A SNAP

Eating right has never been easier! UDS offers a variety of healthy options, including low-fat, soy, vegan, and vegetarian foods and beverages. UDS also uses trans fat-free cooking oils in all dining locations on campus.

Try a healthy, freshly prepared salad from Greens to Go station in Coffman Union's Minnesota Marketplace. Refresh and rejuvenate with a fresh fruit smoothie from Jamba Juice, located in Coffman Union - 1st floor near the Commuter's Lounge. Or, try one of the Fresh Fit sub options from Subway located in Terrace Café in the St. Paul Student Center. Add fresh apple slices and juice or milk to make a delicious combo!

For menus and nutritional information, visit www.univofminnesota.campusdish.com.

MEET THE HEALTH & WELLNESS COORDINATOR

Laura Asrani, RD, LD, joined the UDS staff in March 2008 as the new Health & Wellness Coordinator. Laura provides health and wellness support and provides UDS with menu and nutritional support. Laura is available to meet with students, staff and faculty for consultations, free of charge. Contact Laura @ 612-626-8977 or asran004@umn.edu.

UDS PARTNERS WITH UNIVERSITY MEAT LAB & CORNERCOPIA FARM

Last fall, UDS developed new partnerships with University of Minnesota's Andrew Boss Meat Lab and Cornercopia Farm. University students produce both meat and vegetables on the St. Paul campus and sell products to local buyers. UDS incorporates these items into University Catering, residential dining and retail restaurant menus.

UDS RECEIVES HIGH RATING IN ANNUAL SUSTAINABILITY REPORT CARD

UDS received a "A" in the Food & Recycling category of the newly released *College Sustainability Report Card 2009* for its work in local food procurement, waste conservation and community partnerships.

The *College Sustainability Report Card* is an individual evaluation of sustainability in Higher Education institutions across the nation. Other categories of evaluation include Administration, Climate Change & Energy, Green Building, Student Involvement, Transportation, Endowment Transparency, Investment Properties and Shareholder Engagement. To view the complete report, visit www.greenreportcard.org.

UDS INTRODUCES NEW ONLINE ORDERING WEBSITE

Skip the line ... order online! New for January 2009, UDS introduces an online ordering website for Subway in St. Paul Student Center and the new M deli sandwich shop in Coffman Union.

Simply visit Dining's website at www.umn.edu/dining and click on the "online ordering" tab on the left-hand side of the page. It's easy to customize your order from your computer. Choose a pickup time convenient for you, then stop by the restaurant location to pick up your meal.



YOU SPOKE; UDS LISTENED

Thanks to 5,000 students, faculty and staff who participated in University Dining Services *DiningStyles* online survey in the fall. Customer feedback is important to UDS, as it helps us to learn about your campus preferences and better dining locations on campus. Share your feedback with UDS anytime by emailing comments and suggestions to dining@umn.edu.

EAT WELL, LIVE WELL EVENT A SUCCESS

EAT WELL *Live Well* Over 5,600 university students, faculty and staff attended UDS' 2nd Annual *Eat Well, Live Well* event on Wednesday, September 24 from 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. in Coffman Union's Great Hall. More than 35 vendors participated in the event, including local organizations and national brand partners. Students were treated to from food samples such as locally-produced Land O Lakes yogurt parfaits, local HoneyCrisp apples and apple cider from Pepin Heights Orchard, Kellogg's Bear Naked Granola, local Blue Bunny ice cream and fair trade coffee from Starbucks, Java City, Dunn Bros and CityKid Java/Urban Ventures.

With over 30 dining locations on campus and a growing sustainability and health and wellness platform, UDS hosts this large scale event to educate the University community on its services and offerings.

UDS GROWS PARTNERSHIP WITH URBAN VENTURES

UDS has a strong partnership with Urban Ventures, a South Minneapolis non-profit organization. Urban Ventures works to build a better community by providing youth programming, education, training and work opportunities for those in need.

In 2002, Urban Ventures started CityKid Java coffee, a business endeavor designed to fund their social programming. Additionally, CityKid Java coffee is "true trade," meaning beans are purchased at or above fair industry cost.

UDS offers CityKid Java coffee in Bailey, Centennial, Comstock, Middlebrook, Pioneer and Sanford Restaurants, as well as Bistro Restaurant. In January, UDS also opened a CityKid Java Café in the Carlson School of Management.