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## ***Randy's Ramblings...***

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### **Exciting Things Coming...**

The LCNFC, longtime residential friend and neighbor, has taken its knowledge of the community, knack for thinking outside of the box and unflappable work ethic to help the city planners etch out a thriving downtown business community. An evolution is taking place downtown and especially in The Commons. The process is not going nearly as quick as anyone would like, but it is real. This summer, construction on a new hotel will begin. Perhaps a parking garage in the near future. But at The Commons, there is a new energy, in part through the work of YES Cinema. However, other new creative businesses have also formed—Creative Dance Studio, Medley of Art, Chris Chambers Photography (offering special rates to Lincoln-Central residents) and Columbus Digital Media. Likewise, Sears has rekindled their effort to provide the best service and quality of merchandise available. Common Grounds provides a variety of coffees, pastries and beverages befitting a larger metropolitan area. Stir in the proven mainstays, the long-time Commons' residents, and it's becoming a thriving joint!

As The Commons and downtown continue to expand their reach of care to Columbus residents, the LCNFC will be in the thick of it, doing our share to bridge the gap between consumer and proprietor. We're proud to announce the opening of the YES Cinema Conference Center, in the former Color Me Mine space. In addition to providing an opportunity to increase revenue for YES Cinema and the LCNFC, the Conference Center will be utilized for corporate conferences, private parties and meetings. In actuality, the YES Cinema Conference Center represents all that is good about Columbus—building public and private partnerships, empowerment and collaboration. This vision could not be possible without strong civic leadership.

**YOU** are living in the Lincoln-Central Neighborhood during this exciting time. **YOU** can share with future generations the exhilarating transformation this neighborhood underwent. Please join us in being part of this amazing ride!

~ Randy Allman

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