# Fall Leadership Retreat September, 1990

## A typical UM week this summer...

- 1. UM Team discovers neurofibromatosis gene...
- 2. UM Student Team wins U.S. solar car race...
- 3. Two UM faculty (Orner, Scott) win MacCarthur prizes...
- 4. UM-managed NSFnet passes 1 million users...
- 5. UM Team (Moreau) builds world's most powerful laser...
- 6. UM paleontologist (Gingrich) finds that whales once had feet...
- 7. UM woman engineer wins American Gladiator competition...
- 8. Former UM Regent (Nederlander) named head of N.Y. Yankees...

## Themes of the Year

1987-88: Transition in UM leadership

1988-89: Setting the principal themes:

(Diversity, Globalization, Knowledge, Change

... "The University of the 21st Century"

1989-90: Strengthening external relations:

- State relations
- Federal relations
- Media relations
- Community relations
- Alumni relations
- The Campaign for the 1990s

1990-91: Building a greater sense of community...

## **Strategic Themes**

#### **General Themes:**

- "a heritage of leadership"
- "re-inventing the university for the 21st Century"

#### **Challenges before America:**

- pluralism and diversity
- internationalization
- the age of knowledge

### **Challenges before the University:**

- challenge of change
- commitment to excellence
- fundamental values
- sense of community

## The Challenge of Change

#### Driving Forces of 1990s

- Diversity & Pluralism
- Globalization
- Age of Knowledge

The University of the 20th Century

Change

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#### The Foundation for Change

- Commitment to Excellence
- Fundamental Values
- Sense of Community
- Daring and Risk-Taking

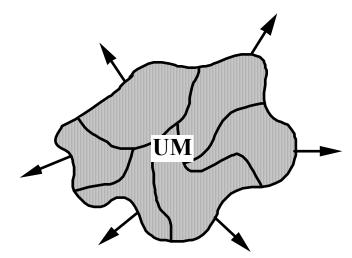
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## Concerns

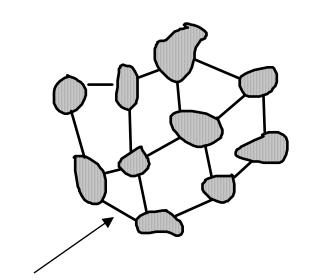
#### **Commonly mentioned concerns:**

- Morale, malaise, separatism, intellectual fragmentation...
- Behavior (substance abuse, crime, racism, vandalism)...
- Special interest agendas, budgets, salaries, parking...
- "What's in it for me?...What have you done for me lately?..."
- Students vs. faculty vs. staff vs. administration vs. Regents



## The All-Important "C" Words

Community
Communication
Comity
Collegiality
Collaboration
Cooperation
Coherence
Concern



The "glue" words...

## The Challenge for 1990-91

"How do we generate more of a sense of

...pride in...

...respect for...

...excitement about...

...and loyalty to...

...The University of Michigan?"