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**C LAZY U, COLORADO'S PREMIER GUEST RANCH APPOINTS  
DENNIS KANIGER AS EXECUTIVE CHEF**

**DENVER, Colo. – December 5, 2011** – Today, C Lazy U luxury guest ranch announces the appointment of Mr. Dennis Kaniger as executive chef. With extensive experience in the food service industry, Mr. Kaniger was most recently a seasonal chef supporting the popular summer season at C Lazy U.

"We are thrilled to promote Mr. Kaniger to executive chef at the ranch," said Connie Dorsey, general manager. "We pride ourselves for providing our guests with a top-notch experience in every aspect of their stay, and dining is a very important touch point. I have no doubt that Dennis will not only maintain this standard in the kitchen, but exceed it."

As executive chef at C Lazy U, Kaniger will lead the kitchen team in developing the Ranch's continuously evolving fine dining menu concept, as well as overseeing the execution of dishes for the guests. Meals at C Lazy U are served family-style in the rustically elegant dining room. The daily changing menus highlight regional specialties, including aged western beef and Rocky Mountain trout, complimented by mouthwatering desserts and an extensive wine list, as well as after-dinner drinks and fireside entertainment.

With a degree in food service management from The University of California at Los Angeles, Kaniger worked at various well-known restaurants in southern California such as Ma Maison, Spago, Trumps, Max au Triangle and Citrus before becoming executive chef at the very popular CITY Restaurant. Thereafter, Kaniger's passion for food and cooking lead him to open his own restaurant, Venue, in Kansas City. Venue quickly received acclaim, and consequently Kaniger renovated Venue four years later, creating a larger restaurant that seated more than four times the number of people the initial restaurant accommodated. A four-star restaurant, Venue was also the exclusive caterer for the renowned Kemper Museum of Contemporary Art and Design.

"We hold extremely high standards at C Lazy U, and I'm looking forward to continuing to 'wow' our guests with amazing food and dining experiences," said Kaniger.

**About C Lazy U**

Known for its "Five Spur Service," C Lazy U is Colorado's premier luxury guest ranch getaway. Located in Grand County and easily accessible from Denver, C Lazy U is one of the few remaining places where guests

can experience a vacation far from the stresses of everyday life and filled with the rich traditions of the American West. C Lazy U features a collection of 38 rustically-elegant cabin accommodations, fine dining, a full-service “Lazy U” spa, and 8,500 acres of adventure. Limitless family activities include horseback riding, a second-to-none children’s program, swimming, tennis, bicycling, hiking, fishing, hunting, yoga, a zip line and ropes course, trap shooting, archery, Snowcat excursions and skiing, sledding, snow tubing, ice hockey and skating on a Zamboni-groomed pond, snowmobiling, snowshoeing, cross-country skiing and more. For those who visit C Lazy U and never want to leave, private ownership opportunities are also available. For additional information, visit [www.clazyu.com](http://www.clazyu.com), or call (970) 887-3344.

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