

SARAH LAWRENCE COLLEGE

December 20, 2017

Dear Faculty, Staff and Students

With the fall semester now behind us, I wanted to update you on several significant projects that we will be working on during the winter break.

As you likely know, the College received approval from the Yonkers City Planning Board to proceed with construction of the Barbara Walters Campus Center, to be located at the corner of Kimball Avenue and Glen Washington Road. Over the break, we expect to install the first phase of the construction site fencing and start the construction of the new driveway to access Andrews Parking lot from Kimball Avenue. Our goal is to complete this new driveway shortly after the start of the spring semester. However, it is possible that parking in the southern end of the Andrews Parking lot may not be accessible at the start of the spring semester.

In general, parking in the Andrews Lot will be limited throughout the duration of the campus center construction which is scheduled for completion in fall 2019. As a reminder, the college recently created additional parking spaces across from Lynd House, behind Lynd House, and in the North Lot.

As noted in our community forums and in discussions with those that live, teach, and work in the Andrews buildings, we expect the initial phase of the campus center construction, that will continue through the spring semester, to be the noisiest phase. In anticipation of noise interruptions associated with the site excavation and building foundations, Andrews classrooms 103 and 104 will not be scheduled for use before 5 PM on weekdays. In addition, a temporary classroom, to be known as PAC 3, will be created on the upper level of the bookstore and available for use this spring semester.

We will also begin the process of preparing the Andrews parking lot and surrounding areas for the new campus center by removing select trees. Our project architects are finalizing a proposal for a new landscape plan that will complement the campus' current natural environment and enhance the attractiveness of our new campus center.

As part of the college's ongoing tree maintenance, we will be removing the large oak tree directly outside the Pub main entrance. This tree has a very significant wound and has been monitored for the last several years by our arborist who is now recommending that it be removed for the safety of our community and to protect the structure of the Pub. In the spring, our landscaper will design a planting plan for this area to help fill the void created by the loss of this tree.

Lastly, the College will be replacing the damaged rolling stack shelving in the archive space of the Library. As part of this project, we will also be enhancing the temperature controls for the archive space and creating a separate research room. This project for the archive space is funded by a contribution from Mr. Thomas Edelman, in honor of his Mother, Eleanor Weisman Edelman, a lifelong resident of Bronxville and founder of the Friends of the Library.

As always, should you have any questions about the items above, please let me know.

On behalf of the entire staff in Finance and Operations, I wish you a happy holiday and a wonderful New Year.

Steve Schafer

Vice President of Finance & Operations

Sarah Lawrence College