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Dear Sarah Lawrence Community:

I would like to thank everyone for your continued patience and cooperation this spring with the many changes brought about by the start of construction of the Barbara Walters Campus Center. Since my last email update, we have opened the new driveway to Andrews Parking Lot from Kimball Avenue, completed the construction of a new access ramp to Andrews Court, and most recently installed a new sidewalk along a portion of the access road near the library.

The campus center project is progressing smoothly and the chipping of the bedrock that started last month is expected to be completed in June, after which the pouring of the cement foundation will start. ***Please note: construction work will be suspended Thursday afternoon and all day Friday during our commencement celebrations.***

I am pleased to share details about two project-related items connected to the our sustainability goals.

1. The College has contracted with NYCitySlab, a local lumberjack and custom furniture organization in Yonkers to repurpose approximately 50% of the trees removed from the project site into 29 tables for the campus center's dining pavilion. Also, as you know, grafts were taken from the cherry tree to be planted after the completion of the center. In addition, wood from the cherry tree will be transformed into a coffee table that will be used in Westlands.
2. As you may recall, later this summer we will begin work to reconstruct a donated marble amphitheater on the College's property in the area referred to as Sampson Field between the PAC, Rothschild Hall, and Westlands. We will be able to use soil excavated from the campus center site for the landscaping of this reconstructed amphitheater and are temporarily storing this soil behind the softball field .

I know that many of us see the project site on a daily basis, but I wanted to let you know that you can also view the project web-cam at <https://www.sarahlawrence.edu/campus-center/camera/>, as well as see the progress in person from an elevated viewing platform recently constructed in Andrews Circle. I encourage you to check out the time-lapse camera or stop by the viewing platform if you have the opportunity.

The construction process will continue for another 15 months. We remain within budget and on schedule for the opening of the Barbara Walters Campus Center in Fall 2019. As always, please feel free to reach out to me with questions or comments regarding the project.

Best Regards,

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