

Staying Connected with Campus Services

Wow! What stunning fall foliage we have this year! Be sure to get outside and kick some leaves up in the air while you still can. Please be sure, too, to anticipate the upcoming cold and flu season. Dartmouth is holding a free flu clinic for all employees approved to regularly work on campus. Just stop by Leverone Field House any Thursday from Oct. 8 - Nov. 12, 10 am to 2 pm; no appointment is necessary. Employees enrolled in a Cigna health plan through Dartmouth can also receive a free flu shot, with no copay, at local pharmacies, doctor' offices, or various local flu clinics. See more details [here](#).



Campus Services Changes

In an email sent yesterday to all Campus Services employees, VP of Campus Services Josh Keniston described the personnel impacts (furloughs, reduction in hours, and lay-offs) that resulted recently from budget reductions and organizational changes. Personnel actions such as these are hard; they're hard because we care.

It's also important to recognize that these decisions were not made lightly. As Josh said in his email, "I appreciate that change is not easy, particularly given the uncertainty and challenges of this pandemic and its impact on our friends and neighbors. Let's continue to focus on providing excellent service while being patient and supportive of one another."

Pumpkin Carving Contest!

Let's get carving! FO&M's Kaitlyn Christian is kindly organizing a division-wide pumpkin carving contest. Prizes will be awarded to the top 3 winners in each of the following voting categories: **Best of Show**, **Spookiest**, and **Ugliest**.

Here's how it will work:

- Email a photo of you and your pumpkin creation to Kaitlyn at Kaitlyn.Christian@dartmouth.edu by 4 p.m. on Oct. 26.
- All photo submissions will be posted in the Oct. 29 Campus Services newsletter.
- All Campus Services employees will be asked to vote for their favorite pumpkins in each category.
- Votes should be submitted between Oct. 30 - Nov. 4 via email to Kaitlyn who will tally them.
- Winners will be announced in the Nov. 6 newsletter and prizes given to each of the 9 winners.

This will be great fun, so get your creative juices flowing and start carving!



Open Enrollment Information

The Open Enrollment period to sign-up for next year's benefits is Oct. 19 to Nov. 2. Take the time you need to become familiar with the 2021 benefits options by attending one of the following educational webinars via Zoom:

- Oct. 14 from 11:00 to noon
- Oct. 15 from 2:30-3:30 pm

Sign up is required for these events, so please go to <http://dartgo.org/benefits2021> to sign up now.

A video, "[Rick Mills Talks About Health Care & Benefits](#)" will also be available on Oct. 13.

Up a Tree

Tree Worker Scott Melendy was caught, well... up in a tree this week.



That probably happens often. He and a colleague were reinforcing branches on a yellowwood tree near Blunt Alumni Center. Thanks to Scott and all the Grounds Shop workers for taking such good care of the campus.

Stop by ramekin cafe

Whether you're working on campus or passing by, stop by ramekin cafe in Anonymous Hall to enjoy hot



soups and sandwiches, Starbucks Coffee beverages, and fresh salads. Ramekin is open Monday - Friday, 7:30 am - 3:30 pm. (Be sure to do your [TSA screening](#) before entering any college building.)