

# Staying Connected with Campus Services



Buildings, utility systems, dining venues, parking and signage are just a few of the new things in the campus west end. No doubt ALL Campus Services department have been involved in bringing about these exciting changes. Congratulations and THANK YOU for work well done.

## A New Recycling Solution

FO&M recently purchased for the trash & recycling crew a third compactor truck to be used exclusively for cardboard. According to Assoc. Director of FO&M Tim McNamara, “cardboard is the only recyclable material from which we derive revenue. The volume of cardboard per student has increased dramatically over the past several years and, we believe, will continue to grow as Amazon and similar services become the preferred purchasing method for students. At the same time, the value of recycled cardboard also continues to increase.”



*Typical trash pick-up at the Hop*

Two factors have led us to invest in a compactor truck that is dedicated to picking up cardboard on campus.

1. Cardboard must be dry to be recyclable; we have lost the value of multiple loads of cardboard due to rain when it was combined with other materials in our dumpster.
2. In the past, cardboard was collected from multiple locations around campus in an open truck and then manually loaded into an open top dumpster at the Gile Tract. Casella would then periodically remove the dumpster, weigh the contents, and compensate us accordingly. With the new truck, we can take the cardboard directly to Casella’s processing facility in White River Junction. This allows the crew to only handle the cardboard once, thereby cutting in half the number of pounds handled.

In addition, facilities contracts and process coordinator Susie Weider mentions, “we will save on the annual Casella haul fees which are significant and, as Tim mentions, increase the commodity revenue for the cardboard as it will be in better condition.”

This seems like a win-win solution all the way around. Great job!

## Exciting Openings at the West End

What a milestone week this is in the campus west end! Both newly constructed buildings—the Arthur L. Irving Institute for Energy & Society and the Engineering and Computer Science Center (ECSC)—are fully occupied and open for spring term classes. **HUGE CONGRATULATIONS** go out to Irving’s senior project manager James Pike and the ECSC senior project manager Joe Broemel (who retired in a timely fashion on Mar. 23) for their tremendous work managing these multi-year projects.

Building details, photos, and videos are found at the following links:

- The [Irving Institute Building](#) website
- [Interior video of the Irving Institute](#)
- Dartmouth News article and video titled, ["With Spring Term Students Find New Spaces and Light"](#)
- [The Engineering and Computer Science Center](#)

To celebrate these new spaces, Dartmouth will hold an Innovation & Technology Festival May 12-14. Events will include tours, lectures and panel discussions, a fun run, community picnic and much more. See [ctl.dartmouth.edu/innovation-technology-festival](http://ctl.dartmouth.edu/innovation-technology-festival) for details.

Also opening this week in the Irving Institute is Dartmouth Dining’s new venue, **the Fern Café**. Director of Dining Jon Plodzick says the “Café focuses on sustainability



with minimal to no packaging and offers a full line of espresso and tea drinks, coffee, sandwiches made with King Arthur Flour bread, salads, and a selection of their baked goods. Gourmet made-to-order smoothies, natural ingredient Bubble Tea, healthy Acai bowls and awesome grain bowls round out the menu. The café is open Monday-Friday, 8am-3pm.

Thank you to Kris Piquette, Ron Moore and Alina Menard for operationalizing a concept two-years in the making and turning it into a reality.”

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## Staff Kudos

*"We are writing to let you know how grateful the biology department is for the truly outstanding work that painters Bobby Ignjatovic and Jon Blake have done recently in the Class of 1978 Life Sciences Center.*



*As you know, some of the COVID disinfection procedures compromised wooden surfaces that had been sealed with polyurethane. The wood laminate was exposed and lifting on most of the interior doors, gallery tables, classroom lecterns and the wooden desks in two of the classrooms.*

*The work Bobby and Jon did in Oopik Auditorium is an excellent representation of quality and completeness of their work as well as their remarkable efficiency. Oopik has twenty-three rows of desks and a wooden lectern. They sanded, stained, puttied screw holes, and applied two coats of polyurethane to the lectern, desktops and desk front panels in fewer than two weeks. They also painted the half walls in the room. The work has so restored the room that it looks like it did when the building opened in 2011.*

*Beyond the appearance of the room, the work they have done to restore the wood surfaces has stopped the deterioration of the surfaces. This work will protect the doors, desks and lecterns for many years and will save the college the thousands of dollars that would have been needed to replace these structures.*

*All of the work they have done in LSC has been done to the same high standards that are visible in Oopik Auditorium.*

*We are also grateful to Chris Peck who refinished the gallery tables at the shop in McKenzie. They look new!*

*We are not surprised by the excellent work done by Bobby, Jon and Chris over the last few weeks. They have worked at this level each time we have had the good fortune to work with them in LSC."*

Tom Jack (Biology department Chair)

Ann Lavanway, Research Support Specialist

## Town of Hanover Seeks Input from Dartmouth Community

Campus Planning Director Joanna Whitcomb encourages Campus Services employees to participate in the survey and public forum for the Town of Hanover Sustainability Master Plan. This is important to all who live, work or play in Hanover.

The link to the Hanover Sustainability Master Plan virtual meeting room is open at [www.bit.ly/hanovernhmasterplan-vmr](http://www.bit.ly/hanovernhmasterplan-vmr). See instructions on the bottom of the page to enter the virtual room. On the welcome table you will see a survey which will take just a few minutes to complete. This is one way for the Planning Board to hear what you think is important to the future of the Town.

Another option is to attend the virtual community forum from 10 am to noon on Saturday, April 2. The link you use to enter the virtual meeting room is the same link you will use to join the forum on April 2.

You can read more about the master plan project at [hanovernhmasterplan.com](http://hanovernhmasterplan.com)

If you would prefer to give the Town your ideas about the future of Hanover on paper rather than via the virtual meeting room, please contact Vicki Smith at the Town Planning Office, 603-640-3214 and [vicki.smith@hanovernh.org](mailto:vicki.smith@hanovernh.org).