



College Association at Delhi, Inc.  
College Council Report  
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Barbara Jones, Vice President for Student Life

### **Student Opportunity**

The MacDonald Dining Center refresh project was approved by the Board of Directors, as part of the overall 2017-2018 budget. CADI staff will be tabling in Mac and Farrell Center garnering input from the students regarding color choices and additional ideas for improvements.

Student employees, Timothy Sogbodjor and John Quagliano, have completed a book of nutritional information for MacDonald Dining Center. This book will be made available to students so they may see ingredients, calories and nutritional information in the menu offerings prepared daily.

A full-time baker was hired for MacDonald Dining Center to provide fresh baked goods, including breads and Danish pastries. The cheese Danish pastries have been a big hit at Campus Convenience.

Funds provided by Coca Cola, have provided CADI the opportunity to purchase two, eight bay charging stations that will be housed in MacDonald Dining Center and the Farrell Center Great Room. Students will have the option of charging their cell phones while they eat or are on their way to class.

CADI transitioned to CBORD's new card management system named GET. GET provides easier access for students to manage their meal plans and Delhi Dollars through an app or website. Future uses for GET include food purchasing which will provide students with a way to order food and have it ready for pick up at a later time. A pizza delivery program will be piloted this spring.

Karen Gabriel, Assistant Director of Health Services, and Dining Managers are working together to better serve students with allergic conditions.

Under the leadership of Committee Chair John Padovani, the CADI Scholarship Committee will meet in April to award scholarships to student employees, CADI dependents and for the prestigious J. William Harniman Scholarship.

### **Faculty & Staff Excellence**

Recipients for the President's Award for Excellence in Service to the College Association have been selected under the leadership of Committee Chair Karen Gabriel. Congratulations to Edna Ballantyne, a 27-year union employee and to Andrea Gheri, manager of Library Cafe, Sanford Stop, and Campus Convenience. Both will receive their distinguished awards at SUNY Delhi's Employee Appreciation Day on May 23.

Kudos to the CADI Dining team are in order for their exceptional response during the March Blizzard "Stella". This required shifting 2,743 student visits to MacDonald Dining Center and 1,585 student visits

to Campus Convenience during the storm. Seventy-five dedicated employees, including 17 student employees, came to work in an effort to feed our student population during the storm.

In recognition of her many skills, Christina Viafore, Director of Human Resources and Marketing, was elected to serve as Co-Chair of the campus wide Assessment Committee for the 2017-2018 year.

CADI's Relay for Life Team, led by payroll accountant Ann VanDewerker, will host the 13th Annual Craft for A Cure event on April 8, in an effort to raise funds for the American Cancer Society.

Carl Davies, Farrell Commons Manager, has been promoted to a 12-month employee. Carl will support the staff and daily operations at Café on the Green during the summer intercession.

### **Community Connections**

International Night, a new tradition held in conjunction with Dr. Sandra Johnson's Politics of Healthcare class, will be held on Tuesday, April 25. Together they teamed up with Rebecca Morgan from CADE and toured Stony Creek Farmstead, Eternal Flame Farms in Walton, and the Lucky Dog Food Hub in Hamden.

Dining Services is working to begin serving local antibiotic free beef in the dining venues.

CADI's very successful Spring Food Festival featured Shadow Valley Farm, from Walton. Samples were provided of their delicious chocolate milk and whole milk. Show Valley products can be found at Campus Convenience and plans are underway to get bulk bags for the milk units in Mac and Farrell.

Led by Delmar Crim, Executive Director/Director of Dining and Megan Munson, Catering Manager, CADI staff are playing a large role supporting the upcoming Inauguration and related activities for President Laliberte. CADI will be hosting Brooks BBQ on Wednesday, May 3 for the Legacy Day event for the campus community.

The Café on the Green will open for lunch and dinner beginning May 1st. A new walk-in cooler will be installed to help streamline the operation.

CADI supported Business Instructor Joan Kudrewicz's marketing class by providing chicken tenders and mozzarella sticks for a Brooks BBQ tasting, in order to gain student support for a newly branded SUNY Delhi Brooks BBQ Sauce.

### **Resource Development**

The CADI Board of Directors, led by President Barbara Jones, approved the CADI budget for the 2017-2018 year. The Board also approved new by-laws for the organization which are in compliance with new SUNY Board of Trustees auxiliary policies and the Nonprofit Revitalization Act. The newly constituted Board will convene again in May to elect new officers.

CADI supported the Green Team's creation of a ZeroSort Board, depicting items that are recyclable and trash, with hopes of increasing the rate and awareness of recycling across campus.

Two very much needed new vans were recently purchased, one for maintenance and one for catering. One retired van was donated to the automotive lab.

Kristen Baxter, Director of Auxiliary Finance and Delmar Crim developed a new Asset and Equipment Disposal policy to handle excess equipment through sale or donations to non-profit organizations.

Barnes & Noble reports as of March 31, sales are up 14.3% over last year and up 15.9% to budget, with the fiscal year ending April 30. The company anticipates ending the year strongly with cap and gown sales on April 27, Grad Fair Day, as well as one more Open House and Accepted Student Days coming up.

Barnes & Noble staff are excited to have a book signing scheduled on April 20 with Alumnus Geoffery Broderick, where he will give a lecture and sign his books which focus on pet health and nutrition.

Barnes & Noble total textbook rentals are up 9.5% from last year and 11.8% to budget, and this can only be expected to continue to increase. Renting out about 4,000 units in textbooks a semester. Web sales are up 19.4% compared to last year thanks to the registration integration with student's schedules on Bronco Web and marketing via email.

Barnes & Noble will be marketing limited edition merchandise for the Inauguration of President Laliberte. Merchandise to showcase the new SUNY Delhi seal will go on sale on May 3.