

F&A QUARTERLY NEWS

DIVISION OF FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

The Division of Finance & Administration has developed a newsletter, F&A Quarterly News to provide useful information to the College community, as well as to advise of divisional highlights and upcoming major projects. We hope you find the information useful and informative. Your feedback and questions are welcome and should be addressed to: financeandadministration@csi.cuny.edu

NEWS YOU CAN USE

PUBLIC SAFETY

Winter is here...so please be prepared!

The College of Staten Island Office of Public Safety strongly urges all faculty, staff, and students to take proactive measures to prepare for and protect themselves in the cold and snow. Extremely low temperatures, wind chill, snow, and sleet can create hazards. Follow these tips to stay safe:

- Wear several layers of clothing including a water resistant outer garment
- Invest in a pair of winter boots with traction
- Slow down and use caution when walking as sidewalks may be slick
- Utilize our bus service when traveling to campus, especially on severe

weather days.

If driving to campus, please ensure that your vehicle is properly equipped with the necessary tools to clean the snow from vehicles, possesses a strong battery to aid in starting your vehicle, and is equipped with well-suited, all -season tires.

Please be alert while driving through campus. Drive the speed limit or slower during inclement weather.

The Office of Facilities Management makes every attempt to clear the parking lots prior to the start of the day. Therefore, no vehicles are permitted on campus overnight without authorization from the Vice President for Finance and Administration.

Please program the Office of Public Safety's telephone

number (718-982-2111) into your cell phone in the event you are in need of assistance, and report hazardous conditions of any kind to Public Safety.

Check the College's website for updated information regarding emergency closings or changes in the Loop and Ferry Shuttle services.

Sign up for CUNYAlert. CUNYAlert allows you to receive text, email and/or voice alerts of emergencies or weather-related closings on our campus. Sign up is easy, follow this link: http://www.cuny.edu/news/alert.html



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NEWS YOU CAN USE (continues)

BOOKSTORE

How the Textbook Rental Program Works at the CSI Bookstore.

The CSI Bookstore is operated by Barnes & Noble and offers the option to rent textbooks for almost all of the classes offered on campus. The savings from renting can be significant as compared to purchasing a textbook.

Simply go to the Bookstore website http://csi.bncollege.com/webapp/wcs/stores/servlet/BNCBHomePage?storeId=25559&catalogId=10001&langId=-1 enter the information needed to look up the book for your class and you will see the various options for the selection of the book, including pricing.

You also have the option of going to the store and inquiring about the books you need for class. For more information about this or other programs, and the CSI Bookstore, visit their website or stop in the store and speak with one of the staff members.



PARKING & DOLPHINCARD SERVICES

Do you have your DolphinCard?

The DolphinCard ID card was introduced in the Fall of 2013 and is the official campus photo ID card for all students, faculty and staff. The DolphinCard provides access to the library, parking lots, and secured spaces and can be used for purchases in most vending machines, in all dining facili-

ties on campus, and in the laundry machines in Dolphin Cove. You can pick up your DolphinCard in the Office of Parking and DolphinCard Services located in Building 3A, Monday through Thursday from 9am to 8pm or Friday from 9am to 4:30pm. All previously issued College ID cards have been deactivated.



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FOR YOUR INFORMATION

CENTER FOR THE ARTS

Effective January 2, 2015, the Center for the Arts (CFA) became part of the Division of Finance and Administration. The CFA hosts 12-15 shows a year, and has been the venue for many well-known artists including: Robert Klein, Michael Amante, The Turtles, Herman's Hermits, NY Philharmonic, Loving Spoonful, Ingrid Michaelson, Danny Aiello, Southside Johnny & the Asbury Jukes, Ira Glass, Bobby Vinton, Arlo Guthrie, America, Blue Oyster Cult, John Leguizamo, Paul Reiser, Diane Schuur, Carrot Top, Judy Collins, Rosanne Cash, Ronan Tynan, and Joan Jett & the Blackhearts. The Center for the Arts is used by Enrichment Through the Arts a local not-for-profit company that brings programming to school

children from kindergarten through fourth grade as well as dance schools for yearend recitals and by public schools for graduations.

The venues in the CFA are utilized for classroom instruction as well, and recent technology upgrades have converted the Williamson Theatre, Conference Room, Lecture and Recital Halls into smart spaces.

For more information about the Center for the Arts, contact Director, [ohn.]ankowski@csi.cuny.edu.

FACILITIES MANAGEMENT

On Christmas Eve 2014 at 7:43pm an explosion occurred in the electrical substation on the north end of campus. An immediate power outage occurred campus-wide. All electrical power, telephones and network access were out. The Office of Public Safety transitioned to their Emergency Phone Line. The fire department quickly responded, and Con Edison arrived on campus to access damage.

Notification was made to senior College officials and the appropriate departmental directors, all of whom arrived on campus. Additional staff arrived on campus to assist with the emergency, including Vincent Bono, Robert Carrington, Andre Mahe, Marilyn Ulrich, (Offices of Campus Planning and Facilities Management) and Robert Yurman (Office of Public Safety).

Dolphin Cove staff Latia Jackson, Joshua Mateo, Nyoka Newell and Clarence Thomas evacuated the resident students to the Sports and Rec Center. Campus Peace Officers were assigned as Fire Guards in Dolphin Cove, and later assisted in the clearing of the residence buildings to ensure that all occupants had vacated.

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Facilities Management (continues)

Con Ed returned to campus on Christmas Day, and working with the College's staff, was able to restore power at 2:15pm. Dolphin Cove residents returned to their apartments at that time.

STAFF FEATURE Have you met Luzneieida (Lucy)

Lucy is the custodial assistant assigned to Building 1A. Lucy has worked for CSI for 21 years. However, Lucy has had a much longer affiliation with CSI. For five years, from 1980 to 1985, Lucy worked has a housekeeper at the former Willowbrook State School. Lucy then worked at both CSI's St. George and Sunnyside campuses from 1986-1993 for two food service companies, and in 1993 Lucy was hired as a custodial assistant to work at the College's new Willowbrook campus.

What you may not know about Lucy is that she is lucky enough to be the second senior member of five generations of women in her family. Sofia Delion, Lucy's 78 year-old mother is the family matriarch, followed by Lucy, Lucy's daughter, granddaughter and great granddaughter! Lucy was born in Puerto Rico and is one of nine siblings; she has two children and three grandchildren, and a great-grandchild, and she is very dedicated to her large family.

In the past, Lucy pitched for five years for a Staten Island women's softball league that played a championship game in Washington, D.C. Lucy was also a regular paddle ball player. Besides her family, Lucy's great interest is dancing, especially Salsa dancing, and she has helped to bring Latin music to the CSI's Center for the Arts and she helped organize several Latin dances at the Hilton Garden Inn.

