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# AD NEWSLETTER

with Charles Gomes



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Dear Dolphin Fans,

Hope you all enjoyed your Thanksgiving! I am ecstatic to announce for the third straight year that our women's soccer team has come out on top and brought home the CUNYAC Championship title this season. The Dolphins defeated Lehman College in the championship, to clinch the conference title and NCAA Division III Soccer Tournament berth. In the first round of the NCAA Tournament, the Dolphins made history as they were the first school from the CUNYAC to ever score a goal on the national stage. In the 68th minute of play, Lauren Smith scored on Johns Hopkins, making history for both CSI and the CUNYAC.

This season we had six student-athletes honored as CUNYAC First-Team All-Star selections for men's and women's soccer. On the men's side I want to congratulate senior Vasyl Fedortsi, freshman Wilson Quintero for earning CUNYAC First-Team All-Star selections, and freshman Joe Bolella for earning All-Sportsmanship Team honors. On the women's side, sophomore Nicole Mignone, senior Catherine Mulligan, senior Adrianna Parello, and freshman Brittany Bornstad were selected as First Team All-Stars. Senior Kaitlin Russo earned All-Sportsmanship team honors. Congratulations to all our men and women soccer players this season. I'd also like to take time out to congratulate our women's tennis coach, Arthur Kapetanakis for earning CUNYAC Coach of the Year.

Moving into the winter season means that basketball season is underway. As you all know by now basketball season is one of my favorite times of the year. Both our men's and women's basketball teams have opened up their season and are off to a great start. Last week on Monday November 20, our women's basketball team hosted Wagner College in the Battle of the Borough, which was an effort to raise money for the 30,000 Degrees Initiative on Staten Island. I was pleased to see the large turn out from the community, as well as both CSI and Wagner Athletics.

Our men's and women's basketball programs will open up conference play at home vs. CCNY on Saturday, December 9. The women are set to play at 1pm and the men will follow at 3pm. Next month is also the 16th Annual Tournament of Heroes which will be held on December 29-30. The tournament will honor the memory of three former CSI players who died in the September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks at the World Trade Center - Terrance Aiken, Scott Davidson and Tom Hannafin will all be honored at the start of the tournament on Friday, December 29. The Tournament of Heroes is an important event for our community each year and we hope to see many of you there. For a complete schedule of our men's and women's basketball program, [click here](#).

As always, thank you for your continued support of CSI Athletics! By investing in CSI Athletics, you are providing opportunities for our student-athletes to excel at CSI, as well as help attract future Dolphins in years to come. As we enter into the holiday season, we hope that you can take the time out to donate to our program, and stop by our Sports and Recreation Center to catch a home game!

Go Dolphins!

**Charles Gomes**  
Director of Athletics, College of Staten Island

# STUDENT-ATHLETE SPOTLIGHT



**Nicole Mignone**

**Sport:** *Women's Soccer*

**Position:** *Forward*

**Class:** *2019*

**Major:** *Medical Technology*

**Hometown:** *Seaford, NY*

Although only a sophomore, Nicole Mignone has helped lead the Dolphins to their third CUNYAC Championship Soccer title. Nicole has found herself at the top of the Dolphins leaderboard with most goals scored this season. "I remember the game against Brooklyn when I scored a hat trick, it was a proud moment in my college career," Nicole said.

Nicole is currently majoring in medical technology, and plans to pick up a minor in chemistry before graduating. "Playing soccer in college was always a thought of mine, but finding a school close to home with the major I was looking for was difficult," says Nicole. "Then I found CSI and knew it would be the perfect fit for me."

When Nicole is back home in Long Island, she spends her time helping out with youth soccer teams. "I find joy in being able to help younger girls better themselves in the sport we both love to play," says Nicole.

"I always try to remind the young girls I coach that anything is possible if they work hard for it," said Nicole. "Although some are young and haven't even thought about college yet, I want them to know they are capable of receiving an opportunity to play in college. It has been the best experience and I am excited for what is to come."

Nicole is aware that her experience as a Dolphin would not be as positive if it was not for the Dolphin Fund and the donations that the Athletic Program receives each year. "I am grateful that CSI has such dedicated fans, alumni and supporters that give to our program, in order for student athletes like me to experience all that college athletics has to offer." Nicole looks up to the women's soccer alumni because they left such a positive impact on the program, and she hopes to do the same when she graduates.



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