

Grab-N-Go food options will meet the needs of students' fast-paced lifestyles.



The 15th season of the Long Island Shakespeare Festival features an abbreviated performance of As You Like It.



details ranging from construction and renovation, to billing and refunds, information technology specifications, student ID card production and communications. Together, Suffolk and Aramark will be creating enhanced dining experiences by transforming the campus dining environments, bringing in a mix of national and proprietary restaurant brands, providing knowledgeable chefs, fresh food and healthier options. As part of the transition for the fall, the College will be implementing a $100 meal plan charge per semester for students taking nine credits or more on the Ammerman and Michael J. Grant campuses. These funds can then be used by students to purchase food or drinks in any of the campus dining locations and campus vending machines. Purchases made through the meal plan are tax-free, creating significant dining value. The Babylon Student Center and Captree Commons main dining area locations will open on the first day of the fall 2015 semester, August 27th, with construction activity in certain sections likely to continue through January 2016. Updates on progress being made as part of this initiative are being shared on a special Website that has been created just for this purpose.

The Long Island Shakespeare Festival offered free public performances of an abridged version of Shakespeare's *As You Like It* during summer 2015. The Festival's 15th season was presented at the College's Ammerman Campus in Selden, both under the stars and in the Shea Theatre.

As part of the communications process during Priority Registration, a series of communications were issued to students that encouraged them to enroll for the following fall or spring semester as quickly as possible, in order to secure the best schedule. Messaging also suggested that students may want to consider enrolling for wintersession or summer classes as a means for earning the credits necessary to graduate in as timely a manner as possible. The communications plan included flyers, posters, banners, portal announcements, display screens and mailings.

This year, students from our Honors Program had the opportunity to meet with Dr. Thomas Bailey, director of the Community College Research Center (CCRC) at Teachers College, Columbia University. The CCRC is the leading independent authority on the nation's nearly 1,200 two-year colleges. Bailey has authored or co-authored nine books about various topics connected to higher education. One of his areas of expertise is student persistence, completion, and transfer. Honors students spent a few hours discussing some of the CCRC's research findings in these areas and also had an opportunity to engage Dr. Bailey in a discussion about higher education equity and funding issues. This is the third year that the Honors Program has visited Columbia University. By visiting an Ivy League college for a day, Honors students feel more empowered and motivated to transfer to highly selective colleges and universities. Indeed, many of our Honors students have done so with assistance from the Honors Program faculty and staff.

In an effort to help spread kindness across our campuses, student Evan Feliciano of Hauppauge, created S.H.A.R.K! (an acronym for "Students Here are Really Kind") cards. The cards were distributed whenever students or campus visitors were witnessed being nice to someone.

The College has developed a prototype for its first mobile app. We will arrange to meet with student focus groups to derive feedback that will further direct the look and feel of the app.

This year, the College's Office of Student Affairs began to coordinate college visits for