

## NORTH BROADWAY & THE SURREY-WILLIAMSON

**SKIDMORE COLLEGE'S MAIN ENTRANCE** off North Broadway, beautifully landscaped with mature trees and a gently curving roadway, is a welcome hint of the campus beyond. Yet by its sharp delineation of the beginning of the campus, it also emphasizes the separation of college and city. Since Skidmore has operations on both sides of North Broadway, we propose to introduce a center median on that road, with plantings. A similar center median exists on Union Avenue at the Saratoga Race Track, as well as on South Broadway at Spa State Park. The median could start at East Avenue and, with appropriate breaks for cross traffic, continue north to the Surrey-Williamson Inn. The roadbed would be widened to the west to accommodate this proposal. When completed, this landscaping would create a better integration of the college and the city.

**NORTH BROADWAY**, We propose paving North Broadway from the current dead end north to the right of way for the city's water reservoir, with a turn-around there. As the campus grows to the north, this north entrance assumes greater importance, especially for emergency and service access.

### **SURREY-WILLIAMSON INN.**

As Admissions moves across North Broadway onto the main campus, the Surrey-Williamson Inn, Eissner Cottage and Colton House should be considered for college programs which do not require frequent traditional student access. Special Programs, University Without Walls and Master of Arts in Liberal Studies could be located here to form a convenient mini-campus for non-traditional students.

As a potential alternative to the recommendation above, we note also a widespread desire for conference facilities, especially in the Sciences. Colton House, the Surrey-Williamson Inn, and the former Eissner Admissions Cottage could be altered, with possible additions, and combined to create an academic conference center, with excellent parking and perhaps a small number of guest rooms. Saratoga Springs has adequate conference and hotel facilities, so this proposal would need to be carefully studied, to ensure such operation would be financially self-sustaining.

