

FACILITIES NEWS

JUNE 2016



Memorial Garden

PROJECT HAPPENINGS

On May 9th Skidmore College and Bruce Murray were notified by the Saratoga Springs Preservation Foundation that they were being recognized for their outstanding work done at the Skidmore College Memorial Garden. The garden was selected for the Landscape Restoration Award and the rehabilitation of the stone wall received Honorable Mention. Each year as part of National Preservation Month, the Saratoga Springs Preservation Foundation recognizes individuals and organizations that have completed preservation projects in the past year that reflect a commitment to preserving and promoting Saratoga Springs' historic resources and quality of life. An award ceremony was held on Thursday, May 20th at the Saratoga Springs Public Library. Thank you Bruce and your team for an amazing job!



ENERGY EFFORTS

**IN CASE YOU
HAVEN'T HEARD,
THE BEGINNING OF
THE GEOTHERMAL
PROJECT IN
PALAMOUNTAIN
PARKING LOT HAS
BEGUN. PLEASE SEE
THE FACILITIES
WEBPAGE FOR
WEEKLY UPDATES**

UPCOMING EVENTS

- June 4-6 Reunion
- June 14-17 Dowsers
Conference
- June 9-12 MDOCS
Festposium
- June 10-12 Thoroughbred
Cup
- June 26 CTY Arrives

Commencement occurred on May 21st and 598 students graduated. This wonderful event could not have taken place so smoothly without the outstanding efforts of the entire Facilities Department. Thank you to all who helped prepare for this memorable day. We are now quickly switching gears to prepare for Reunion Weekend beginning June 2nd where we expect over 500 Alumni to enjoy four days of events. All of this while Summer Programs at Skidmore gets in full swing. We have completed approximately 1200 work orders in the month of May and accomplished this once again with no lost time accidents. Great job! The team also completed 92 set-ups for events.



214 DAYS
ACCIDENT FREE

The Monthly Facilities Employee Safety Training for the Month of May Weekly Safety Tips/Tool Box Talks:

May 9, 2016 “Always Use An Appropriate Ladder”

Safety Response: Using improper climbing devices, such as milk crates, chairs and broken ladders leads to employee injury. Falls are the number one cause of injury in the workplace. Make sure ladder or step stool is rated for your weight and whatever you are holding.

May 16, 2016 “Wear Approved Slip Resistant Shoes”

Safety Response: Slips, trips and falls account for many workplace injuries. Ignoring wet, slippery walking surfaces result in the highest number of workplace incidents. Wearing approved slip resistant shoes will help protect from wet and slippery walking surfaces. Good housekeeping in your work area prevents tripping hazards.

May 23, 2016 “Use Handrails To Prevent Falls”

Safety Response: Use handrails when on stairs. Handrails are required for any stairs of four or more. Use handrails when going up or down stairs.

May 30, 2016 “ Know The Symptoms and Care for Heat Stroke”

Safety Response: A person suffering from heat stroke may be confused, unable to think clearly, pass out, collapse, or have seizures (fits), may stop sweating. Call 911, move to shady, cool area, remove outer layer of clothing, apply ice as soon as possible.

EMPLOYEE HIGHLIGHTS



Please welcome nearly 20
new summer hires to the
Facilities Department .

Colleen-I just wanted to say “Thank You” for everything you did on Friday and, especially, on Saturday. You are so calm, cool and collected at such stressful times. You have the power to “make things happen” and I truly appreciate that. It’s always a pleasure to work with you!!! You ROCK!

Dear Bruce and Dan--Just a quick note to say that as I have passed through the campus the last few days everything looks so green and beautiful. I hope you and your team members are feeling proud of how impressive things appear—just in time for Reunion. I can imagine the many hands and long hours that go into the efforts that make this happen and for that I say thank you. Keep up the great work!