I would like to provide you with a report that details many of the Stony Brook University Facilities & Services projects which have recently been completed or have started this year. These projects improve our campuses by: designing and constructing new buildings; rehabilitating spaces inside and around buildings; repairing our aging infrastructure; making our campuses safer; and continuing our efforts to save energy, reduce pollution, and minimize our impact on the natural environment.

CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS
Our campuses continue to be the sites of new construction both within existing structures and of entirely new buildings. These projects include academic, residential and dining facilities.

- Frey Hall (formerly the Old Chemistry building) is complete and opened this fall. This 95,000 square foot renovation transforms the facility into a state-of-the-art classroom building. The renovation includes 27 new classrooms and three 250-seat lecture halls.

- The project to replace all direct buried High Temperature Hot Water piping on campus is complete.

- Construction of the Marine Science Center at Southampton has been completed. The new 15,000 square foot Center includes labs, classrooms, a conference room and other lab support spaces.

- Construction of the new Computer Science Building continues. The features of this new facility include a 100-seat lecture hall, a 30-seat computer teaching lab, a computer server room and several specialized rooms to accommodate research projects.

- Design of the roof replacement for the Chemistry building has been completed. Construction is scheduled to begin in the next few months.

- Construction of the addition to West Side Dining (formerly Kelly Dining Hall) has been completed. Renovation of the pre-existing building has begun.

- Construction activity continues as part of the arena renovation. This project will reconfigure the layout of the arena, improve lighting and add air conditioning and new concession stands.

- The Simons Center for Geometry and Physics North Garden and enclosed outdoor balcony are complete.

- Replacement of the direct buried main chilled water supply lines has been completed.

- Phase I design of the Toll Drive Residence and Dining Hall has been completed. This phase includes residential space with 302 new beds and a 60,000 square foot dining facility. Bids on this project are expected in early Spring 2014 with a construction completion date of Spring 2016. Phase II includes space for 455 additional beds and is expected to be completed by Fall 2016.
SUSTAINABILITY, GREEN INITIATIVES and ENERGY MANAGEMENT

Recent projects have focused on our impact on the natural environment. Ongoing collaboration with Campus Operations staff, Building Managers, and our Energy Management team has helped identify energy efficiency improvements.

- We continue to promote the use of bicycles for transportation on campus. Additional bike racks have been installed at the Student Activities Center, West Apartments I, South P Lot, Library, Student Union and at the LIRR bus stop, as well as on all SBU Transit buses and shuttles.

- Our Sustainability website has been redesigned. The new site highlights the University’s initiatives, environmental awareness campaigns, community outreach efforts and provides a sustainability spotlight section and calendar. To check out the newly redesigned website, please visit www.stonybrook.edu/sustainability/.

- Lighting fixtures in surface parking lots will be replaced over the next few months. In addition to energy savings, the new light fixtures increase light levels, reduce maintenance costs and improve pedestrian safety.

- A building lighting retrofit and occupancy sensor installation project is planned. This project will improve energy efficiency and reduce maintenance costs by replacing lamps and ballasts in existing light fixtures with more efficient units. Occupancy sensors will further increase energy savings and life of lamps by automatically turning off lights when a room is not occupied.

- A campus–wide energy audit will be initiated this year in collaboration with the New York Power Authority. The audit will analyze our buildings and grounds to develop new energy saving projects.

- We continue to partner with several academic departments on multiple initiatives. This semester, student projects are underway in the following departments: Mechanical Engineering, to develop sustainable energy harvesting devices; Computer Sciences, to enhance mobile applications and software for SBU Smart Transit; and Sustainability Studies, to conduct building energy conservation studies and provide sustainable facility–related recommendations.

- This Fall we continued our EcoLeader Program. This student leadership program focuses on raising positive awareness of environmental issues and encouraging sustainable practices on campus. EcoLeaders help to evaluate the campus environment, consider sustainable practices, communicate and support the University’s initiatives. Students interested in applying to become EcoLeaders are encouraged to visit the Office of Sustainability website www.stonybrook.edu/sustainability/get-involved/.

- An organic vegetable garden, located next to SBU’s greenhouse in the Research & Development Park, has operated since this summer. With the help of students, vegetables and herbs are grown using compost obtained from the Roth Quad kitchen composter. After harvesting, these items are used in the Student Activities Center’s kitchen.

- Our campus planting program continues to grow. Since 2006, the University has planted over 4,600 trees, saplings, bushes and perennials. This spring SBU will be designated a “Tree Campus USA” university. This program, administered by The Arbor Day Foundation, designates universities that effectively provide good tree care and follow prescribed guidelines for planting, maintaining and replacing trees. Stony Brook’s program is being recognized for the importance we place on the campus tree cover and the protection and maintenance of trees as part of University growth and our land development process.
PUBLIC SAFETY AND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

University Police continue to enhance safety programs on campus.

- The University Police Department published its 2013 Annual Security and Fire Report in September. This document includes the discussion and assessment of over twenty policies related to campus safety. The report also lists the number of crimes reported for the previous three years, as required by the Jeanne Clery Act. Of note, the campus continues a five year trend of the reduction in Clery-reported crimes, with a nearly 40% year-to-year reduction for 2012, a 50% reduction from 2010 to 2012, and a 65% reduction from crimes reported in 2008.

- Our Community Relations team continues to provide training and crime prevention seminars on a variety of topics related to personal safety and prevention of property crimes. Any University department interested in receiving training for their staff should contact Inspector Thomas Clark, 631-632-6350, to schedule a training session.

- Renovation of our Emergency Operations Center to accommodate the growing needs of the University is in the design phase. This project will modernize the facility and install updated technology for sharing critical information with our town, county, state and federal partners.

- The Office of Access Control continues to install security cameras and automated locks throughout campus.

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH & SAFETY

- Two new lab safety policies have been developed and promulgated. “Laboratory Safety” and “Working Alone in Research Labs” have been reviewed and approved by the University Laboratory Safety Council. These policies apply to everyone working in a University research laboratory. For more information, please go to www.stonybrook.edu/ehs/.

- Hazard assessments and ergonomic evaluations are being conducted for departments around campus. For additional information, please go to www.stonybrook.edu/ehs/training/courses.shtml?eos011.

It is a pleasure to highlight some of the projects Facilities & Services has been working on at Stony Brook. To make these projects possible, we are utilizing funds from various sources, including SUNY Capital Budget, donations, Presidential funds, grants and special appropriations from the State legislature. We are also keenly aware that these accomplishments, as well as the continued success of our many ongoing projects, rely on the ideas of and feedback from Stony Brook faculty, staff, students and alumni. Our mission includes keeping you informed about these projects, and our goal is to respond to your concerns. Details for many of the projects mentioned in this newsletter can be found at our website: www.stonybrook.edu/facilities. Building and grounds concerns should be reported at: www.stonybrook.edu/fixit.