Installment

December 2014 – January 2015



Hey, Orson, what do you have there...?

A sprig of mistletoe.

What on earth are *you* doing with mistletoe? You *do* know the legend that no lady standing under the mistletoe can refuse to be kissed..?

Of course, I know about that... why do you think I'm holding it? After all, it's going to be a long, cold winter. A wise old owl will do whatever it takes to stay warm...

Oh, Orson...!

Make a New Year's Resolution to properly recycle!

New waste separation station bins have arrived and been placed around campus. No excuses for confusion on "what goes where". Blue bins are for recycling – gray ones are for landfill trash. Even the placement of these new bins is deliberate to help you remember:



Recycling is right - Landfill what's left.

If you are still in any doubt about what is accepted for commingled (or "single stream") recycling – and most things are! – please check the list posted over the blue recycling bins.

Let 2015 be the year in which everyone properly handles the beverage "go-cup": the empty paper hot cup is landfill trash; the plastic top and paper sleeve are recyclable. Please do not place full or half-full cups of liquid in either the trash or recycling bins – they make a mess!

Drink it or drain it, don't dump it!

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In order to address NYS fire regulations for proper storage of combustible materials in building egress corridors, trash and recycling collection had to be moved to a central location in each residence hall. There you will find a large gray container marked *TRASH* and a matching blue bin for *RECYCLING*. All containers in corridors have been removed. Containers in kitchens and bathrooms are to be used only for collection of waste and recyclables generated in those spaces. Everything from student rooms or lounges should be taken to these *central collection points:*

Dodge: in the old phone room by the front doors. **Leach**: in the entrance/exit vestibule on the first floor exit to the parking lot.

Glen Park: at the exit corridor to the parking area on the first floor east exit.

Weld: at the lower level in the vending room adjacent to the laundry room.

Main: 1 trash collection location has been set up temporarily at the crossbar at levels 2, 3, and 4. In the weeks ahead, storage rooms will be converted to trash rooms on each of these floors.

Do you want a free recycling collection box for your residence hall room to make it easier to take your recycling to the new collection area? Pick one up at the *Center for Sustainability* and decorate it however you wish. It's *EASY-PEASY* to properly recycle in your residence hall!

"Installment" is a double play on words: these informational mini-newsletters are put inside bathroom cubicles ("in stalls") and the content gets changed out - in "installments."

Get it? Got it? Good!

Now, dash away, dash away, dash away all...



Looking for a ride home for or back from winter break? Have you checked out the free ride-matching service at **www.zimride.com**..?

Create a profile and request a ride from someone with a car or, if you have a car, fill the empty seats in your vehicle when you head home for break. Zimride connects to Facebook so you can check out the ratings and connections of your potential driver or rider in advance. Try it out!

Recycle batteries, bags and bulbs!

Bring dead batteries, extra plastic shopping bags, and even your burned-out light bulbs to the *Center for Sustainability and the Environment* in Zabriskie 212 and deposit these items in the labeled collection boxes.

Give the gift of energy savings...

As you prepare to leave for the winter holiday, please remember to *turn off* and *unplug* all energy-using equipment in your room. Many continue to draw power even when the item is turned off but left still plugged in.



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