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**DINING SERVICE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**  
**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2008**

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- Upcoming Events
  - October 12 & 13 - Fall Break – Enjoy your time off!
  - October 14 - Next DSC meeting
  - Wednesday, October 21 – European Vacation Upscale Meal – Let us whisk you away to Europe with our next Upscale Meal. Eickhoff will be decorated with icons of Europe, and the menu will entice you with delicacies from over-seas.
  - Thursday, October 29 – Halloween event in Eickhoff Hall – Join us for a spooktacular Halloween event! Paint a pumpkin or dip your own caramel apple...details and menu still in development.
  
- Thanks for Giving/Cans Across America event
  - Each year, Sodexo accounts across the nation make an attempt to break the Guinness World Record for the most amount of food collected on one day. That day is November 12, and we plan to make it a great event in Eickhoff Hall.
  - We're reaching out to the SGA, RHA, and Inter-Greek Council in the coming weeks to invite them to join us in an attempt to get the largest donation in TCNJ's history, and to help Sodexo break the world record. Plans for the collection include having a life-size portrait of Larry, which we challenge the student body to donate enough goods to "Bury Larry"
  - The collection day will also be our annual Thanksgiving Dinner, which this year we will call our Thanks for Giving Feast, to thank all our students for their donations. We're also reaching out to The Bonner Center to invite guests from the outside community for a delicious meal.
  - Please let us know if you would like to be involved in this great event!
  
- Intercept Surveys in the Education Building
  - We'll be conducting surveys in the Education Building next week, asking students their thoughts on what we might want to include in the planned expansion of the building, which will include a retail dining facility.
    - Surveys to include zip code analysis as well as a web-based survey.
    - Ground breaking for building in 2012
  
- Trayless Initiative
  - An update for the Trayless Initiative, we'll be presenting information to the SGA and RHA so we can then survey those groups for their opinions.

- Tentative timeline:
  - 10/14 – SGA and 10/21 – RHA
  - 10/22 and 10/30 – Survey students
  - Week of 11/2 – Send out results to DSC members
  - Week of 11/11 – Recommendation presented
- Healthy Happenings
  - Today is the debut of Jeanne Molloy, RDs first healthy cooking class! The class will take place at the new apartments, where residents received a special invitation to participate. Jeanne will show students how to make a simple, yet delicious and healthy soup, and teach them the benefits of each ingredient. Good luck tonight, Jeanne!
  - There was an article in today’s paper telling students about the healthy options that we have on campus, and that it is possible to create a healthy meal when dining with us.
    - Article was in the Signal.
  - We received a glowing email expressing great appreciation for the services Jeanne can provide our students. Jeanne worked with the student on their diet and summed it up with *“Thanks for all of your help, and for ultimately putting my on the path to improved nutrition and better health! I am very appreciative!”*
- Open Forum
  - Fresh fruits in Eickhoff – not always the best
    - We try to purchase our fresh fruits and vegetables from local farmers. We also do send back any produce that isn’t good, and will continue to monitor the quality.
  - RHA – Can we have precut grilled chicken at Salad FX?
    - Students are always welcome to ask for grilled chicken at the grill to add to their salad. Putting it on the salad bar is costly both in labor and product cost.
  - SGA – Finals Fest theme this year is Destress December with a zen, chill out theme. Looking for home comfort food at Cram Jam.
  - We’d like to see nutrition facts for breads by the sandwiches.
    - We’re currently working on a nutritional labeling project that will have this info available for students.
  - We like the hummus and pretzels!

- Great, they're available at the C-Store and Food Court!
- Are there any other options for salad dressings?
  - We can look into what varieties our vendors have.