

# MONTHLY UPDATE

## DINING NEWSLETTER

### SAGA'S MARDI GRAS CELEBRATION

Our Mardi Gras Community Appreciation Dinner was a tremendous success, bringing together over 900 guests for an evening filled with celebration, connection, and gratitude. The vibrant Mardi Gras spirit was on full display as students, staff, and community members gathered to enjoy a welcoming atmosphere, festive décor, and a thoughtfully prepared meal.

The vibrant turnout and enthusiasm highlighted the event's significance in fostering community ties and honoring those who enrich our campus.



### EFFECTIVE AND INSIGHTFUL DINING COMMITTEE MEETING

Our first Student Dining Committee Meeting of the semester saw a successful turnout, with over eight students in attendance, reflecting strong engagement and interest in campus dining initiatives. The discussion generated valuable feedback that directly shaped a clear action plan, including improved clarity in dining signage and expanded upon-request offerings to better meet student needs. Students also shared positive feedback, expressing gratitude for the increased availability of their most requested dishes, highlighting that recent enhancements are being noticed and appreciated.

### IMPROVING VARIETY IN RETAIL

The enhancement of retail variety remains a priority, driven by student feedback, with several exciting updates now available. The Cafe has broadened its grocery selection, notably adding the popular Alani energy drink, which is a hit among students. Finger Lakes Coffee Express continues to innovate with new beverages and seasonal flavors, enticing students to return. Additionally, Indulge has responded to requests by introducing traditional brown sugar boba, enhancing customizable options. These improvements demonstrate a strong commitment to adapting retail offerings to student preferences.

## SAGA'S COMMUNITY APPRECIATION EVENT – STUDENT DEDICATION DINNER



Community members are warmly invited to join us for our March Community Appreciation Dinner on March 10th from 5:00-9:00 PM for an evening of great food and togetherness.

This special dinner will feature a menu hand-picked by students, showcasing their most requested and favorite dishes—created to reflect the tastes and voices of our community. We look forward to welcoming you for a relaxed, celebratory night centered on appreciation, connection, and a meal made with our guests in mind.

### OBSERVING RAMADAN IN PARTNERSHIP WITH MUSLIM STUDENT ASSOCIATION

We proudly showcase our collaboration with the Muslim Student Association for Ramadan, focusing on community care.

Together, we tailored offerings, adjusted service times, and crafted menus to support fasting students, reinforcing our dedication to inclusivity and honoring cultural traditions throughout this sacred month.

### ENHANCING SAGA MENU WITH DESIRED VALUE

We've updated our Takeover menus to better align with student preferences, featuring requested dishes like spaghetti and meatballs, macaroni and cheese, and chicken patties, served twice a week.

This change allows students to enjoy their favorites more often while showcasing our commitment to their feedback.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

Prepare for an exciting array of events from Dining Services this April!

- 'The Big Cheese' Twists Takeover: 4/9, from 5 to 9 p.m. - Enjoy a fantastic mac & cheese bar experience.
- National Student Employee Appreciation Week: 4/13 - 4/17 - Join us in honoring our student employees throughout the week!
- Community Appreciation Event for HWS Day: 4/22, 5-9 p.m. - Enjoy a celebration of HWS Day with delectable Italian dishes.
- Student Dining Committee Meeting: 4/28, 5 p.m. - A prime chance to provide feedback to the dining managers.