

## 2009-10 Year End Report for the Rastall Renovation Working Group

To: President Celeste, FEC, CCSGA, Staff Council

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The Rastall Renovation Working Group (RRWG) was formed in September 2009 at the request of the President to study the proposed renovation of the Rastall Dining Hall, located in the Worner Center, made possible with the availability of a \$3.5 million food service facility upgrade fund that was negotiated in the 2008 Bon Appetit Dining Services Contract. The President charged the RRWG to gather broad campus input, engage a diverse and inclusive set of stakeholders, and develop recommendations for a proposed renovation of Rastall and the other food service facilities in Worner.

The RRWG is composed of representative individuals from the faculty, student body, and staff, several of whom were appointed by FEC and CCSGA and others who were included for their expertise.

# Worner Campus Center Undergoes Major Renovation

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This artist's rendition from Shepley Bulfinch shows the new glass doors between Rastall and the Perkins Lounge area.

The Worner Campus Center, the nucleus of all campus activity, is undergoing a major renovation that will result in a more welcoming and energy-efficient building.

Most of the Worner Center improvements are focused on the main level, with the goal of transforming the dated and congested Rastall Hall into a dining area that is bright, sustainable, and easily navigated. A portion of the north side of Rastall will be opened to the Perkins Lounge area with full light doors (see artist's rendition), resulting in a flexible layout that can accommodate a variety of functions. Most notable of the changes will be the servery area which will be open to the dining area and will provide a variety of new food choices.

Colorado Coffee is moving inside the entrance to Benji's, and Benji's will be upgraded with an improved layout, which includes a new grill area, Taqueria, Sushi, Grab n' Go coolers, flooring, furniture, and new paint. Benji's, along with Colorado Coffee, also will be used as an additional study area in the evenings, giving students more study area options.

Energy efficiency is a major goal of the renovation, and the project is aiming for LEED certification, said Will Wise, building trades manager for facilities and project manager for this project. Approximately 144 solar panels producing 35KW are being installed on the Worner

Center roof to help offset the electrical usage in the building. An interactive flatscreen on the main floor will be devoted to monitoring energy consumption in Worner Center, he said.

The shared kitchen between Rastall and Benji's will have the most energy-efficient dishwasher available, one which drastically reduces water use. The new kitchen appliances are Energy Star-rated, lighting throughout the building will be upgraded to low-energy usage lights, plumbing will be low-flow and all 25 toilets in Worner will be dual-flush.

The building's seven air handlers, most of which date from the original 1959 building, will be reduced to five vastly more efficient ones. The air handlers take care of the building's ventilation, heating, and air conditioning needs.

"Our goal is to reduce energy consumption by a minimum of 30 percent," Wise said. A 30 percent reduction would result in an anticipated savings of \$108,000 a year, he said. Total cost of the project is \$9 million, which includes \$7.7 million for construction, as well as architect, engineer, permits, and testing fees, and funds for new paint and carpeting, and other aesthetic issues, Wise said.

The project has a tight timeline of 81 days, and in order to complete the work by the August 19 deadline, two crews are working two shifts, six days a week. Bon Appetit will then have a week to get the kitchen ready before new students arrive on campus. In the meantime, the kitchen in Bemis Hall, which was remodeled last summer in preparation for the Worner Center renovation, is handling all the campus's summer dining needs.

The project is the first major renovation of Rastall Hall since 1988, when the building took on a major transformation, and follows recommendations made in a 2009 study involving faculty, staff, students, and trustees.

# Worner Center Celebrates \$9 Million Renovation

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A ribbon-cutting ceremony marks the completion of the Worner Center renovation.

Colorado College celebrated its newly renovated Worner Campus Center with an outdoor ceremony on Friday, Sept. 9. The ribbon-cutting event marked the conclusion of a major \$9 million renovation that included a complete makeover of the building's dining facilities, the installation of 144 solar panels on the roof, and energy-efficient upgrades throughout the building.

Speaking at the celebration and helping to cut ceremonial ribbon were Jill Tiefenthaler, president of Colorado College, Chris Coulter, director of CC's facilities services; Kevin Barden, vice president of Gerald Phipps Construction; Janette Blackburn, principal at Shepley Bulfinch; and Beth Gentry, general manager of Bon Appetit Management Company.

The renovation transformed the Worner Center into an area that is bright, easily navigated, and sustainable. Roof-top solar panels are expected to produce 35KW to offset the electrical usage in the building, all kitchen appliances are Energy Star-rated, lighting through the building has been upgraded to low-energy usage bulbs, and all plumbing is low-flow in an effort to reduce energy consumption by a minimum of 30 percent.