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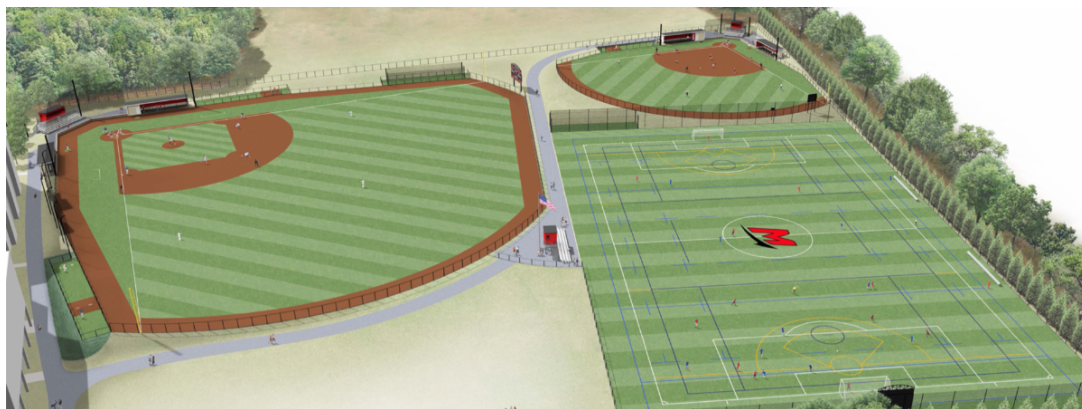
Dear Mitchell Community,

Here's some good news! While you are working hard at home, construction crews are working hard on campus on several planned improvements. This is an exciting time of campus growth at Mitchell, and we are glad you get to be part of it – as students, families, alumni, faculty and staff!

Three projects currently underway include:

Athletic Fields

Demolition of old dugouts and backstops and removal of trees and topsoil mark the beginning of the highly-anticipated renovation of Mitchell's athletic fields. Artificial turf will replace grass on the baseball, softball and multi-sports fields, and the addition of new dugouts, scoreboards, press boxes, bullpens, batting cages, and bleachers will turn this athletic complex into a top-notch facility, attracting scholar-athlete recruits and community fans alike. The \$3.5 million GameChanger Athletics Initiative is underway, benefitting our NCAA Division III sports program, in which 37% of our students participate. Renovations on the complex are expected to be completed by the end of September.



The Steinmayer Family Garden

Adjacent to the Duques Center, the Steinmayer Family Garden honors former Mitchell College President Janet Steinmayer's father Alwin Steinmayer. The garden will offer a place for contemplation but also a space for conversation and community. Designed as an "alley," or

walkway lined with trees or shrubs, 12 Locust trees will form the allee, which will be covered with stone dust. Seating for individuals or small groups and open flora on the other sides will allow for a beautiful view of the water. Look for more information about its dedication.



Michael's Dairy

Michael's Dairy soon will be serving coffee with its ice cream, as it is expanding into an ice cream and coffee shop, open to the public year-round. This much-loved fixture at both the College and in the larger community will feature an enlarged indoor seating area, Wifi and charging stations, and an upgraded HVAC system and parking lot. Watch for more information coming soon about its opening.

Be on the lookout for future communications as progress is made on these projects. Great things are happening here at Mitchell!

Stay well,

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