In an effort to accommodate the rigorous rehearsal and performance requirements, the Westminster Choir College has worked out a deal that will allow students access to Princeton High School’s future 850-seat auditorium, currently under construction. Right now, the majority of rehearsals and performances occur in either The Playhouse or Bristol Chapel. Rider agreed to underwrite the cost of upgrades to the new facility in order to make it more accommodating to the needs of Westminster students. In exchange, students will have access to the auditorium for 40 days each academic year for the next 20 years. According to Dean Robert Annis of Westminster, the new facility is a tremendous opportunity. He expects there to be a wide range of use for the auditorium on those 40 days. “Students participating in our expanding opera and music theater programs will gain valuable stage experience in productions that would never be suitable in The Playhouse,” said Annis. “We hope to work with the public schools and create a collaboration that would bring together high school students, Westminster students, and guest artists.”

Negotiations that included the Princeton Regional School District, Dean Robert Annis of Westminster, and Rider President Mordechai Rozanski were necessary to resolve scheduling challenges. Many students want to reserve space to rehearse on Saturday evenings. With the limitations of the two current locations, students were forced to shuffle around for rehearsal times. Walter Perry, dean of students at Westminster, said the demands are especially felt when a performance is coming up.

More security cameras to be placed on campus

By Jessica Decina

Through the use of some new technology, Security has prevented two major thefts on the Lawrenceville campus, the most recent of which occurred in late September. However, the watchful eye of Security will not end at the parking lots. In the next few years, Vickie Weaver, the Director of Safety and Security, hopes to implement the use of surveillance cameras in the academic and residential quads and, eventually, in the lobbies of residential halls.

In the middle of the afternoon on Sept. 22, a male resident was spotted in the Open Lot (O-Lot) on the closed-circuit television at the security office. The officer on duty noticed that the suspect was acting suspiciously, and focused the security camera for a closer look. The camera zoomed in as the student opened a car that did not belong to him, removed a radio, and placed it in his bag.

The officer on duty called for back-up. As two officers made their way to the O-Lot, the suspect continued to search through the car. Moments later, the officers apprehended him and brought him to the Security office for questioning. Although he offered an explanation for his actions, his words did not correspond with the videotaped evidence. The suspect was eventually charged with disorderly conduct and giving misleading information.

September’s theft was the second in two weeks; the first occurred when security cameras caught a student attempting to dismantle a sign on the construction site. In both instances, Rider’s security cameras have

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