Note from the Principal

What a great 2014-2015 year we had at HRC! As your principal I had a wonderful time participating in many of the favorite traditions here on the hill: Bloomfield Cup, Outdoor Movie Night and BBQs. The success of Breakfast Club and the heavy use of the Hereford Hub continues to bolster our sense of community. We also tried some new programs and activities like the Food with Fellows and the Fellows Adopt-A-Floor Program, which we will continue next year! One of my personal highlights was the convocation in the Fall. This was a special event planned by HSS to formally begin the year and welcome all new Hereford members. Save the date for convocation this year on August 30.

My goal for this coming year is to provide a living-learning environment that fosters community through high engagement in social and recreational events, personal enrichment through participation in research programs, short courses, Vaughan dinners and respect for the environment through actions big and small such as bringing your Hereford green cups to events!

As summer is now in full swing I encourage you to spend a few minutes thinking about what you want your HRC to be in 2015-2016. What are events, speakers, films, social activities that you would like to attend? Now is the time to have your voice heard. I am available any time – wfc2r@virginia.edu and would love to hear from you.

Have a great summer!

Happening at Hereford

The Hereford community came together for a number of enriching programs and familiar traditions this year. We hosted several Vaughan dinners with renowned and international guests, most notably, President Theresa Sullivan visited in January for a dinner to speak with students about residential college life. Having lived in a residential college herself as a student, President Sullivan was particularly interested in learning about college life here at U.Va. Other dinner guests included local filmmaker Laurie Shinseki, environmental scientist and author Orrin Pilkey, and author/environmental planner Tanya Denckla-Cobb.

We continued with many of our annual traditions including the Outdoor Movie on the Hill screening of Hocus Pocus, complete with pizza and other snacks. The annual Bloomfield Cup flag football tournament was held in April for a fun-filled day of friendly competition, donuts, and bouncing around in the inflatable obstacle course. Bloomfield Cup was preceded by the first annual Hereford Spirit Week! During these five days, the community came together for events to celebrate Hereford including s’mores night, chocolate making, glow-in-the-dark flag football, and Selfie-Day!

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A Note from the Consuls

2014-2015 was a spectacular year in the Hereford community! The reorganization of the Senate into a Committee-based structure saw an unprecedented level of productivity, and the Senate made strides not only in perfecting old Hereford traditions, but also in creating new ones. Our Social Committee continued the weekly Breakfast Club, and started a similar Campus Cookies night to give Herefordians well-deserved breaks from their busy schedules. Our Sustainability Committee made green living more accessible to the community by endorsing Hereford’s reusable cups, and by helping other committees reduce the use of disposable products. Our new Needs, Advocacy, and Physical Space committee (NAPS), addressed many needs in the Hereford community, ranging from Hereford sweatshirts to new artwork in the hallways. Banquet Committee continued the Hereford tradition of themed banquets, including the fantastic Murder Mystery and Hollywood banquets. Another one of our new committees, Social Awareness, held several events pertaining to current social issues, providing a space for open dialogue within our community.

This year also brought some exciting changes at Hereford beginning with the “Hereford Hub" space. The Senate also started the new traditions of the Opening Dinner and Convocation, and Closing Banquet, which welcomed new Herefordians to the community, and saw off our graduating fourth years, respectively. Joint events like the Emmet Cup and our co-hosted movie nights have led to significantly higher interactions between the residential colleges here at the University of Virginia.

With the Hereford Student Senate in full working order, we expect this upcoming year to be another great one in the Hereford Residential College.

--Your 2014-2015 Consuls,
Joe Marchese-Schmitt and Leila Soulen
Learning at Hereford

Faculty and Community Fellows

We have had an active year of Faculty and Community Fellow involvement ranging from casual events around Hereford such as Breakfast Club to some specialized learning opportunities. Our new Adopt-A-Fellow program paired fellows with floors in each of the halls in Whyburn and Norris to plan programs and events throughout the Spring semester. Just a few of the many Adopt-a-Fellow programs included Paul and Taylor Harris’ popular Duck Donuts night; Elaine and Reid Bailey’s old school gaming night with their original Atari; Keith Williams and Lisa Shutt’s DIY pizza making; Cale Jaffe’s trip to the Whiskey Jar; and Pam DeGuzman’s ice cream sundae bar.

Fellows were also found at the popular ‘Food with Fellows’ dinners held once a month throughout the year in the Hereford Hub where students had the chance to talk casually with professors, administrators, and University community members such as Dean Aaron Laushway, Diana and David Morris, Kim Bassett, or the Bailey family. In addition to these fun events, fellows were sighted at many other Hereford programs including Bill Anderson who was a regular at the weekly Breakfast Club!

We also welcomed several new fellows to the Hereford community this year. David Mellinger, Physician at Student Health; Elaine Bailey, faculty member in the Department of Behavioral Sciences; and Reid Bailey, faculty member in the Department of Systems and Information Engineering.

Short Courses

Hereford fellows offered a range of short courses in both the Fall and Spring semesters providing students with opportunities to explore topics outside of their major fields.

Among other class sessions, students had the opportunity to devour a home-cooked French dinner while discussing the film Ratatouille (“Food and Films”); discuss the implications of malnutrition worldwide (“Nutrition and Global Health”); examine firsthand 15th century anatomical drawings (“Art and Medicine”); and learn about methods for researching cancer from experts in the field (“Research in Cancer Disparities”). Over twenty-five students enrolled in short courses during the 2014-2015 academic year and a number of fellows taught courses or guest-led including John Alexander, Wendy Cohn, Pam DeGuzman, Paul Harris, Vicki Hawes, Bill Petri, and Lisa Shutt.

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Growing in the Garden

The Hereford garden thrived during the 2014-2015 year with the help of student-interns, volunteers, and new faces. The garden had a successful year of planting and harvesting thanks to the garden interns and committee Seth Penley and Anna Long.

The 2015 garden is also off to a great start thanks in part to two new additions to the garden team. During the Spring semester, Urban Planning graduate-students Elizabeth van der Els and Ethan Strickler joined our community to teach a short course (“Garden Party”) educating Hereford students about all aspects of gardening and small-scale farming techniques including types of farming, starting seeds, preparation of beds, and caring for plants. In their weekly meetings students prepared and planted the Hereford garden and are now watching with anticipation as their plants grow.

During the summer months, the garden will be cared for by summer intern Leila Soulen and graduate instructor Ethan Strickler. We look forward to the fall bounty!

Update: Rain Garden

During the 2014-2015 school year, Hereford students partnered with UVa Facilities and the Office of the Architect to design and implement a rain garden near the Hereford Heritage Garden. The rain garden utilizes water-loving plants to soak up extra rain-water and prevent erosion in areas that collect water when it rains. The project was the result of a GIFT grant awarded to the Hereford garden committee in 2014. The installation was completed in April with the help of approximately 10 Hereford residents and community members who came out to plant the garden. Among the plants in the garden are Juncus grass and Vaccinium arboreum or Sparkleberry.
Congratulations Graduates!

We wish a warm congratulations to the following Herefordians who graduated from UVa during the 2014-2015 year. We celebrated this achievement with our tradition of gifting students with a Jefferson Cup, inscribed with the Hereford shield. Membership in the Hereford community is a lifetime status and we hope that all of these individuals continue to visit and take part in the community.

Natasha Bandopadhay  
Emily Bibel  
Ayodeji Bode-Oke  
Polette Centellas  
Teshara Clemons  
Karlyn Dunne  
Irakli Gviniashvili  
Ethan Haviland  
Chelsea Hull  
Rahim Islam

Robert Jacobs  
Suemin Kim  
Taehun Kim  
Min Gi Lee  
Qi Li  
Di Lu  
John Maggi  
Surafel Negere  
Emily Paul

Madison Schiefer  
Xin Song  
Mohammed Taher  
Scott Tepsuporn  
Truc Ngan Tran  
Yanzi Wu  
Hongdou Yin  
Kelly Yoo  
Cecily Zander

Graduating Fourth Year students receive their Jefferson Cups at the Final Banquet (Photo by Miguel Alt)
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Hereford Scholars

During the 2014-2015 year six Hereford students were selected to participate in the Hereford Scholars Research Program, an opportunity to learn about the academic research process from our own faculty Fellows. Our Scholars assisted with Fellows’ ongoing research projects on topics ranging from architecture to fast food advertising and also learned about research methods and processes in a short course. The following students and fellows participated in the program:

Freda Assuah, Public Health with Fellow Wendy Cohn.  
**Topic:** Child immunizations

Jerel Fernandez, Architecture with Fellow Schaeffer Somers.  
**Topic:** Residential College spaces (architecture, communities, activities)

Amelia Flannery, Landscape Architecture with Fellow Nancy Takahashi.  
**Topic:** The history of UVa.’s Observatory Mountain

Andrea Meyers, Public Health with Fellow Wendy Cohn.  
**Topic:** Child immunizations

Tes Sabin, Political Science with Fellow Paul Freedman.  
**Topic:** McDonalds advertising strategies

Angelica Wimer, Archaeology and Art History with Fellow Tyler Jo Smith.  
**Topic:** Greek art and religion
Thanks to our Senate

HSS elections were held at the conclusion of the Spring 2015 semester to elect new senators and members of the Executive Board. Elections will also be held at the start of the Fall 2015 semester for new Hereford members. We express our thanks to all outgoing members of the Senate and particularly the outgoing Executive Board: Joe Marchese-Schmitt (Co-chair); Edwin Kimko (Treasurer); Anna Long (Secretary); Di Lu (Publicity Chair).

2015-2016 Incoming Executive Board
Co Chairs: Leila Soulen and Brett Wheeler
Treasurer: Freda Assuah
Secretary: Derek Boylen
Publicity Chair: Monica Kuo
Parliamentarian: Joe Marchese-Schmitt

Looking Ahead to Fall 2015
Think that 2014-2015 was fun? Get ready for even more exciting programs and events in 2015-2016 beginning with Move-In Weekend on August 21-23. That weekend includes a number of Hereford-centered events including our Alpha dinner and Convocation! Many of your favorite programs will return for the Fall including Breakfast Cub, study breaks, and Cookie Night, but we’ll also be adding some new fun such as the Hereford Sprouts program. Look out for more details.

Mark your Calendar!
Friday/Saturday–August 21/22  –  Move In
Saturday August 22  –  Alpha Dinner
Tuesday, August 25  –  First Breakfast Club
Wednesday, August 26  –  Hereford Cookie Night
Sunday August 30  –  Hereford Convocation
Hereford Selfie Contest
Take a look at some of our favorite submissions to the Hereford Selfie Contest held during the first-annual Hereford Spirit Week. Extra props to those showing their Hereford pride with their green sweatshirts!