Raritan River Lounge, Student Activities Center
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selves—not academically and culturally for them to be their authentic, multifaceted. Retaining diverse students by creating space honors programs is key to attracting and the notion that truly knowing ourselves as Multiplicities”—a conversation around the Education by Moving Beyond Academic/While Deconstructing Drake: Mitigating the theme is “Know Yourself,” and Dean conference in Seattle, WA. The conference represents honors education at Rutgers at the collegiate arm of the United Nations one Tutoring Program, and mentor to the new SASHP-supported chapter of GenUN, the collegiate arm of the National Collegiate Honors Council experience in honors program administration, academic advising, teaching, and admissions. In October, Dean Bouchenafa will co-present “Whistling Vivaldi Bouchenafa graduated from Central High in 2010. She earned her bachelor’s degree at the University of Virginia and her master’s in Higher Education. Bouchenafa has over 12 years of experience in honors program administration, academic advising, teaching, and admissions. In October, Dean Bouchenafa will co-present “Whistling Vivaldi” at the National Collegiate Honors Council conference in Seattle, WA. The conference theme is “Know Yourself.” Dean Bouchenafa will co-present “Whistling Vivaldi” at the National Collegiate Honors Council conference in Seattle, WA. The conference theme is “Know Yourself.” In October, Dean Bouchenafa will co-present “Whistling Vivaldi” at the National Collegiate Honors Council conference in Seattle, WA. The conference theme is “Know Yourself.” Rutgers Honors Alumni Society Hosts Happy Hour in NYC Honors Program School of Arts and Sciences 35 College Avenue New Brunswick, NJ 08901-1164 Honors Program School of Arts and Sciences 35 College Avenue New Brunswick, NJ 08901-1164
in 1650 by Peter Stuyvesant to protect Dutch settlers from attacks by Esopus Indians. And they marveled at the grandeur of the waters that Henry Hudson charted for the Dutch East India Company as they sailed across the Hudson at Poughkeepsie, on the longest footbridge in the world.

To celebrate the final evening of the historic Rutgers-Utrecht exchange, the Rutgers students asked their Dutch friends to decide what they most wanted to do. The decision was unanimous: a trip to Yankee stadium. On a warm April evening, navigating RU buses, NJ transit, and the Queensbound E train, 22 Rutgers and Utrecht University students settled in to enjoy a Yankees game. On seeing the mixture of Rutgers caps, Yankees jackets, and even one Princeton shirt, one would be hard-pressed to distinguish the Dutch from the American students. They were just friends and fans. The Yankees beat the Tampa Bay Rays, six to three. The first-ever Rutgers-Utrecht exchange was also a win-win.

In 1987 Ron Foley, William Donis, Naom Berk, and Jonathan Rose met as freshmen in Brett Hall and have remained close friends ever since. At the Honors Alumni Gathering this past spring they shared stories about “epic card games sessions of poker, spades and hearts in the Brett Hall Third Floor lounge,” (William Donis ’91) and “furnace hours of bonding, yelling, theorizing, gesticulating, and laughing—with a bunch of friends who I have with me to this day” (Jonathan Rose ’91).

Located in the heart of the College Avenue Campus, Brett Hall was the first designated Honors dormitory for the Rutgers College Honors Program, and since the mid-1970s has gained an almost cultlike status. For over forty years, students who have lived in Brett have insisted that Brett Hall is, simply put, “Bretter.”

In Their Own Words:

Shaffer: I picked a day where Kartik would see many different activities. We started off in a neuro-psychiatry conference where I discussed cases with both child psychiatry trainees and colleagues from pediatric neurology. Pottepalem: Sitting in that conference was fascinating. They were discussing very challenging patients and how best to diagnose and treat them. I’m taking it all in, and thinking: “I could be doing this someday.”

Shaffer: I treat children as young as five, and, in the hospital, well into their 20s. When Kartik accompanied me on my hospital rounds, we saw an adolescent patient who struggled with addiction and other psychiatric diagnoses. It gave Kartik the opportunity to see the impact these issues have on the patient as well as on the family.

Pottepalem: It was intense. I’ve shadowed doctors before, but that was for internal medicine, where the patients were treated for issues like high cholesterol. This was different. There’s more ambiguity in terms of how best to treat the patient. One of the things that stood out was how caring and committed Dr. Shaffer is with his patients.

If you have stories or photos to share about your time at Brett Hall, feel free to share them with the SASHP via email at hpalumni@sas.rutgers.edu.

SAS Alumni Shading Program by the Numbers

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The Honors Program allowed me to explore the two major facets of a career in academic research, in the form of a capstone thesis, and mentorship, both in one-on-one and residential capacities. Completing my capstone provided me with a window into the world I am entering this fall when I start my PhD program, and seeing the culmination of my years of effort in the lab has given me the confidence to dive headfirst into the next chapter of my education. My experiences as a peer mentor have helped me develop my interest in mentoring and university administration, and I hope to someday help create a supportive and inspiring academic environment for my own students, as the SASHP dean and staff have done for me.