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**A Word from the Director**

Over the course of the year, HCA has ventured to different locations and distances. This has been one of the highlights of our year – to enjoy new places and interactions with new people. HCA meetings have taken place on various campuses, in different types of locations, and with a variety of problems. HCA has been a part of various organizations, including sororities and fraternities, volunteer organizations, and many other clubs.

We are proud to have seen the number of members of HCA grow this year. We have also seen a growth in the number of volunteers who have participated in our various community service projects. This growth is due in large part to the excellent work of our members, who have demonstrated a strong commitment to community service.

Throughout the year, we have worked to improve the quality of our newsletter, and we have been pleased with the feedback we have received. We are looking forward to continuing to improve the newsletter in the future.

We are also looking forward to the upcoming year, when we will have the opportunity to embark on new initiatives and projects. We are excited to see what the future holds for HCA, and we look forward to working with our members to achieve our goals.

**New Point System for HCA members**

This semester, the members have established a new point system to recognize their achievements and reward hard work. The point system is designed to encourage members to participate in more community service projects and to recognize their contributions to the organization.

**Honors College in the Big Event**

One of the greatest highlights of the honors college is the Big Event. This is a community service project that is held at the beginning of each school year. The Big Event is a day-long event that involves students, faculty, and staff from all over the campus.

This year, the honors college has planned a variety of activities, including the continuation of the Elementary School Reading Project, which involves reading books to elementary school students.

This newsletter is no exception. At my request, a public relations committee was formed within the organization to ensure that our students were aware of the opportunities available to them.

**Peer Mentor Program**

The Peer Mentor Program is an important aspect of our organization that is designed to support the freshmen in their transition to college life. The program involves the selection of a mentor who will work with a freshman to help them adjust to the college environment.

The Peer Mentor Program is led by Lakota McCune, who is an experienced mentor and has extensive knowledge of the college environment. She works closely with the freshmen to help them develop the skills and knowledge necessary to succeed in college.

This year, we have expanded the Peer Mentor Program to include a larger number of students, and we have seen a significant increase in the number of students who are participating.

We are looking forward to the continued success of the Peer Mentor Program and the significant impact that it is having on the lives of our students.

**Our focus next year on undergraduate research opportunities promises to be exciting and enlightening for those students who are interested in pursuing a career in research.**

Indeed, we have much to look forward to next year and I am excited to get to work on these initiatives.