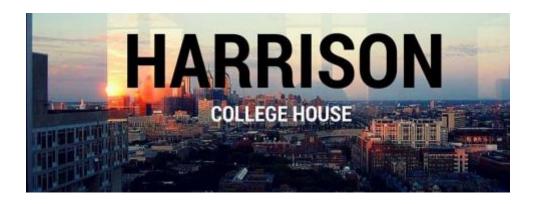
# The Harrison User Guide (The H.U.G.) 2017-2018



Welcome to Harrison, the Big House with the Big Heart. Harrison has been home to me and my husband Todd for nearly 17 years. Our rat terrier Elvis has been with us for nearly nine years. We love participating in the Harrison community mostly because of all the efforts made by everybody, not just our faculty and staff, but by residents like you. Your participation helps us bring the University of Pennsylvania home to us on a regular basis. I am pleased to share with you our HUG (the Harrison Users Guide.) I hope it will inspire you to join our house council, attend as many of our events as possible, or just stop by and say "hello" sometime in the Harrison office. If you have an idea, please share it with us. Harrison works best when we work together. I look forward to getting to know you.

Here's to the best 2017/2018 academic year possible.

Cheers, Dr. Frank Pellicone Harrison College House Dean





A Note from the Harrison Office Staff:

#### Dear Harrisonians,

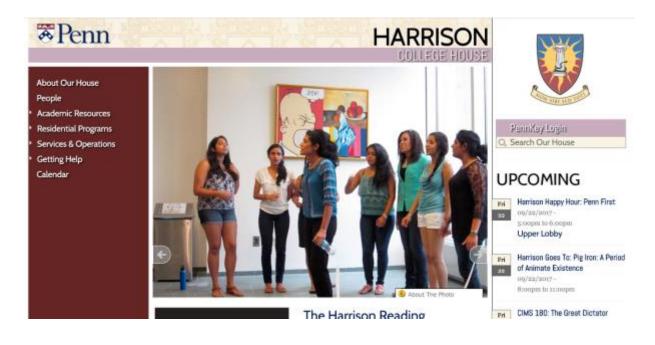
Welcome to Harrison! We look forward to getting to know you as the year progresses. The house office is your resource for learning about Harrison programming, ticket sales, and general questions you might have. We welcome you to take a look at the bulletin board outside of our office to get to know our staff members, and to check out the white board by the swipe portals to see our upcoming events for the week. Have an idea for a new program or a suggestion for where our *Harrison Goes To:* Series should go next? Let us know! We love to receive feedback and new ideas.

Please feel free to stop by during our business hours of 10am-8pm, or email us at harrison@collegehouses.upenn.edu for more information.

Cheers,

The Harrison House Office Staff

### Harrison's Website



Did you know that Harrison has a website? There is a plethora of information here and we encourage you to take a look!

Interested in the history of Harrison College House? Click on 'About Our House' to learn more, or Residential Programs to take a look at the different programs we offer here in Harrison. Maybe you want to learn about the staff in Harrison? Under 'People' you can virtually meet the people who help Harrison run smoothly.

Harrison is known as the Academic House, so why not browse the vast number of academic resources we have, like chemistry tutoring and the Harrison Reading Community!

### **Services & Operations**

Café Prima

Work in Harrison

Computer Lab

House Office

Room Reservations

Games and Movies

Common Rooms

Music Program Practice Room

Under 'Services & Operations,' there are explanations of the many services Harrison offers to its residents. Need a coffee pickme-up? Café Prima is our own in-house café! Need to print something or have an issue with your computer? Take a look under 'Computer Lab' for our ITA hours.

Need to reserve a room? Check out our calendar! In addition to reserving rooms, you can also see all of Harrison's upcoming events for the month. To continue reserving a room, go to '+ Add Room Reservation,' put a request in, and the House Office will respond to your request shortly.

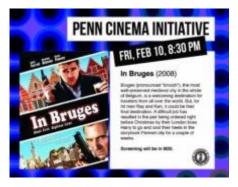


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### Harrison SIGNATURE Programs:







**Desserts with the Director:** Once every semester, Harrison's Faculty Director Michael Gamer invites residents into his apartment to enjoy pastries, his very own "high-end hot chocolate" and espresso drinks, and to chat with fellow Harrisonians.

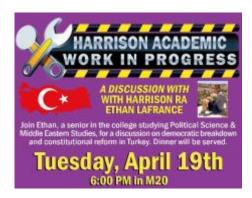
**Cinema 180:** Cinema 180 is a 0.5 credit course offered in Harrison under the direction of Harrison Faculty Fellow Nicola Gentili, with discussion sessions led by Harrison Senior Staff and members of the Penn Cinema Initiative. Film screenings will be on Thursday and Friday evenings. Harrison Senior Staff members will present films and lead discussions on Thursday evenings; student participants from PCI (Penn Cinema Initiative - a student group founded by Harrison residents) will lead the Friday discussions. All are invited to watch films, even if not enrolled in the class. This year's films will feature films that changed cinema. Registration for the class is open exclusively to Harrison residents.



**Dinner and Conversation**: Faculty come to Harrison and have dinner with residents. These dinners are held in the Seminar Room, usually last between 1 and 1.5 hours and can start any time between 5:30 and 7:30 PM. *Dinner and Conversation* is one of the longest running programs in Harrison. Please feel free to send in recommendations of professors to the house office's email!

**Academic Work in Progress:** These are like Dinners and Conversations, but the guest speakers are Harrison residents. Harrison staff members are encouraged to share their work as well. If you or someone you know would like to present on your research in Harrison, please contact the house office to begin coordinating.



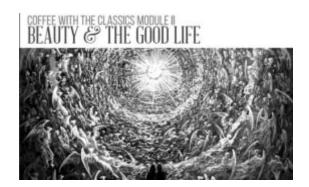


The Harrison Graduate School Series: For several years, Harrison GAs have invited residents to come learn about their graduate programs at Penn, as well as how to apply. If you are considering graduate studies, this event series is for you!





**Harrison Happy Hour**: Every Friday on the Harrison mezzanine, a student group presents a sample of their work to Harrison residents. Harrison provides refreshments, and good times take place. If you would like to showcase your group during a Harrison Happy Hour, please send the Harrison Office Staff an email.



**Coffee with the Classics**: For the past two years, Harrison has partnered with the Collegium Institute to provide texts, conversation, and light refreshments to nurture the mind and the body. *Coffee with the Classics* is a seminar for engaging foundational questions without the stress of grades or papers. This informal seminar forum setting provides an opportunity to read and discuss some of the most influential and provocative thinkers of the ancient and modern Western Tradition. Meetings take place in Harrison M20.









**Penn Reflect:** Harrison College House alumnus Jared Fenton began Penn Reflect in the fall of 2015. Reflect has since been brought to other institutions, but Jared Fenton remains influential working with other Penn students telling them to "Be open. Be Real. Speak Your Mind." Held in the Heyer Sky Lounge, monthly meetings led by discussion leaders allow participants to speak freely about their concerns as Penn students.

#### **Harrison Saturday Night Event: (HSN)**



For fifteen years, there has been a free social event in Harrison College House every Saturday evening. These events have included a Rock, Paper, and Scissors tournament, Laser Tag, Dodge Ball, Cornhusk Doll making, terrarium planting, blanket making, and chili cook-offs, just to name a few.



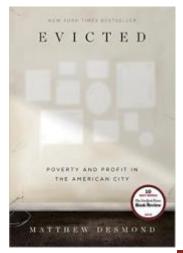
**Harrison Friday Night Movie**: Friday evenings at 10 PM Harrison staff members screen films in the Heyer Sky Lounge. These films are often ones that have recently been released on DVD, but occasionally some classics are shown as well.

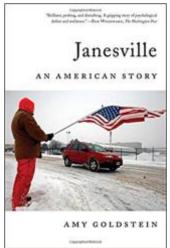


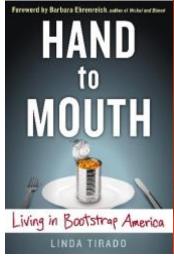
**Brunches:** One Sunday each month, Harrison provides brunch for its residents. These informal brunches are great opportunities for residents to leave their rooms and meet their fellow Harrisonians, as well as Harrison staff members.

**Karaoke**: Harrison plans a karaoke night for its residents every year. Do you love to show off your inner Beyoncé? Do you want to belt out a rousing rendition of "Bohemian Rhapsody?" Then join us for our annual Karaoke Night!

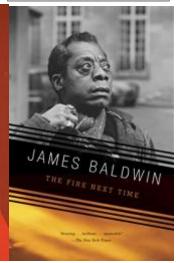
## Harrison Reading Community: Syllabus 2017/2018

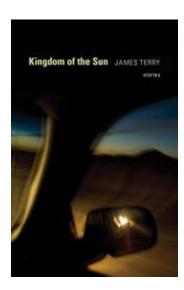


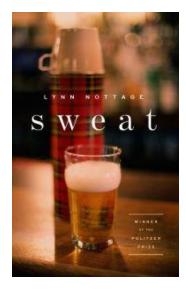












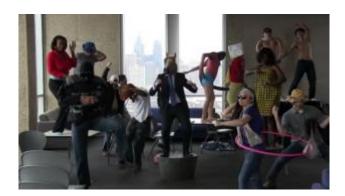






**Front Row Theater:** Front Row Theater was originally founded as an intimate theater group dedicated to community service and housed in High Rise East, currently known as Harnwell College House. When Harrison House Dean Frank Pellicone wanted a residential theater company in Harrison, he turned to Benjamin Kamine, a student in one of his classes and a member of Front Row. Since 2003, Front Row has been the residential theater company of Harrison. Front Row performs one show as part of New Student Orientation, a fall show held on campus, a winter show in Harrison, and a spring show elsewhere on campus.

Front Row maintains an office in M13, an office in the suite of offices in Harrison M10. Many members of Front Row live in the house. In fact, Front Row and the Arts has evolved into a residential program, housed on the seventh and eighth floors of Harrison. Front Row Theater has helped shape Harrison's identity. Please make every effort to meet them and to attend their shows; you will not regret it.



**Integrated Living Program**: ILP began at the suggestion of participants in the Integrated Studies Program in Riepe College House. The ILP program has grown to three floors in Harrison. The directors of ILP have taken responsibility to augment the academic programming in Harrison for all residents.

#### Café Prima:



Harrison operates a full-service coffee bar, offering an assortment of caffeinated beverages, snacks, and sundry items. Profits made by sales go back to house programming. Come by Café Prima before your 9am or during your late night study session in the Harrison Mezzanine. They sell *La Colombe* coffee, a variety of espresso drinks and teas, and even snacks to get you through the day. They accept both cash and PennCash. All Baristas are current or former Harrison residents, so contact cafeprimaheadmanager@gmail.com for information about working with us!



**The Harrison Anime Club**: On Friday evenings, Harrison sponsors the Harrison Anime club, now its sixteenth year. Members with a passion for anime, manga, and pizza, get together and watch various forms of media.



**Art-Ins**: Harrison teams up with the Penn Art Club to offer several opportunities a semester to create art during stressful periods.

**Music in the Houses Program**: Harrison participates in the Music in the Houses Program, through which residents obtain lessons with professional musicians who have affiliations with the house. Added benefits include a baby grand piano (for use only by members of the program) and performances in the Sky Lounge from fellows and visiting musicians.

**House Council**: The House Council serves as the liaisons between residents and the administration. If you enjoy planning amazing events for fellow residents and working with the Harrison staff, then email harrison@collegehouses.upenn.edu! Bonus - Every House Council member get +1 point that goes towards the Housing application in January. The Harrison House Council meets in Harrison M20 on Sunday evenings at 7:00 PM.