College Services for Students

Administrative Affairs Office

“This is the sixth in a series of articles about student support services at Hillsdale College.

The Administrative Affairs Office collaborates with every department at Hillsdale College—serving students, employees, and guests, and managing properties. It oversees human resources, security, the food service, plant operations, the John A. Halter Shooting Sports Education Center, the College’s fleet and shuttle services, and audio visual services.

Leading the Office is Vice President and Chief Administrative Officer Richard P. Pévé Jr. ’88, who also serves as ex-officio secretary of the College’s Board of Trustees. A history major and political science minor, Pévé joined the staff in 1989, working in a variety of positions while earning his master’s degree from Western Michigan University and raising a family.

Although Pévé is responsible for a vast array of projects and services, he pursues a singular goal:

My aim is to help ensure the smooth and economical operation of the College. The only way to do that is to stay informed and know what the campus goals are by talking with the various departmental teams. That’s also how we approach improving student life at Hillsdale. What’s the next step that we need to take in terms of improving their hearts, minds, and bodies? What can we do to facilitate that?

One example is a student fitness initiative that was launched this fall. Pévé and his staff collaborated with the Student Affairs Office to ensure students had access to specialized fitness equipment, flooring, and classes in multiple campus locations, including residence halls. “It’s important that students take care of their bodies,” says Pévé.

Administrative Affairs is involved with every improvement project at the College—including updating student residence halls with fresh paint and new carpet, windows, and furniture; installing air conditioning in the sports complex; renovating buildings on Hillsdale’s Washington, D.C., campus; and constructing new buildings such as Christ Chapel and the Graduate School of Classical Education. The list goes on! Every project—large or small—is meant to enhance the spiritual, physical, and mental well-being of the College community.

Pévé is quick to praise his colleagues for making what he does possible. “I want to help Hillsdale be great, and I couldn’t do that without the amazing leadership of the Administrative Affairs staff. It’s been a pleasure to work with them on behalf of the College.”
I recently joined a number of our faculty and staff in taking up weightlifting. We have been inspired by the example of Professor Carl Young of our Classics Department, known to his friends as “Tripp.” A veteran and a powerlifter, Tripp often lifts weights with the Charger football team as well.

There are many benefits to exercise, chief among them, health, strength, and beauty. Each of these is a good that contributes to the highest good, happiness. The classics considered gymnastike, or physical exercise, to be an essential part of the moral education of the young. It not only fortified their bodies, but also their souls. It made them courageous and resilient, able to withstand pains and hardships in the pursuit of the good. It was thus an essential step on the path to becoming a complete and happy human being.

We encourage all of our students to take advantage of the many opportunities for physical exercise on campus, and we are constantly seeking ways to increase these opportunities. This fall, for example, each dorm will have its own weights and gym equipment, and we hope students will make frequent use of them.

The College's motto is *virtus tentamine gaudet*—strength rejoices in the challenge. Our efforts to cultivate both physical and moral excellence in our students are undertaken in that spirit.
The President’s Club Is Calling

We invite you to consider joining The President’s Club, Hillsdale’s premier donor society that recognizes members for their partnership in the College’s mission. There are more than 9,000 members nationwide. The list below recognizes current parents and grandparents who are President’s Club members. If you are a member and your name is not listed, please contact Marie Socha at msocha@hillsdale.edu or (517) 607-2382. If you would like more information on joining The President’s Club, please contact Sydney Martines at smartines@hillsdale.edu or (517) 607-2601.

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Dennis and Marily Fassett met in the 1990s while attending graduate school at the University of Southern California, where they both earned an M.B.A. in finance. They moved to northern California to work for Hewlett-Packard, and later started a family. They first learned about Hillsdale College through *Imprimis* and attended College receptions in San Francisco. “Hillsdale was just fascinating,” Marily recalls. “We were hooked.”

After moving to Dennis’ home state of Michigan in 1998, the Fassetts visited campus with their two oldest children, Victoria ’17 and Catherine ’19 went on to attend the College, followed by their siblings, Dennis Jr. ’21 and Anika ’23. Their parents could not be more grateful:

> We’ve been blown away by Hillsdale. The College allowed our children to follow what they are passionate about and didn’t try to make them fit into a mold. We love the fact that Hillsdale students are free to think, free to decide, and free to be the masters of their own destiny.

As their children have gotten older, Dennis and Marily are able to spend more time on campus. They cheer on Anika at her swim meets and attend Parents Weekend, while Dennis helps the Career Services Office conduct mock student interviews and Marily continues to be a faithful Prayer Partner. This year they are serving as chairs of the Parents Association Steering Committee.

The Fassetts are excited about their new role. Their responsibilities include introducing President Arnn at events such as Freshman Convocation, working with parent subcommittee chairs, and helping with Parents Weekend and the Phonathon. “Our work matters,” Dennis says,

> because the College is molding kids. We want to keep it light, but we take it as a very serious responsibility. We’re humbled and grateful to be asked to do this.

The Fassetts are delighted that all four children could attend Hillsdale and decided to show their gratitude by joining The President’s Club.

We joined The President’s Club because we wanted to give back, though we can’t possibly repay Hillsdale for what it has given our kids. It has been just a marvelous experience. Our favorite part of Parents Weekend is the reception at Broadlawn on Friday afternoon, where we get to hear from President Arnn and meet up with old friends.

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Tell Your Student about the Kehoe Family Initiative for Entrepreneurial Excellence

Application Deadline Coming Up!

In Spring 2022, Hillsdale’s Career Services Office, in collaboration with the Kehoe Family Foundation, launched the Kehoe Family Initiative for Entrepreneurial Excellence. Eight sophomores were selected to participate in the five-semester program that will take them through their senior year. The goal of the Initiative is to train Hillsdale students to become successful entrepreneurs through a variety of opportunities. Career Services Director Ken Koopmans expects the Initiative to accept eight to ten students each year with a total enrollment capacity of 25 to 30.

For new Kehoe fellows, the Initiative kicks off in January with the LaunchPad Symposium—a three-day workshop where they learn about the fundamentals of starting a business, develop short- and long-term business goals, and get to know one another and what is expected of them. Over the course of their two-and-a-half years in the program, fellows receive a $2,000 scholarship each semester and participate in events such as networking receptions, workshops, seminars, the Executive Speaker Series, and “ideation” hours. They also meet with mentors via The Hub, Hillsdale’s online network of alumni, parents, and friends, and take courses on managing, financing, and marketing a business.

It is especially important for Kehoe fellows to work well together. According to Communications Manager for Career Services Kayla Wright,

Not only do we provide students many opportunities to learn from experienced entrepreneurs, but also from one another. One of our goals is to encourage fellowship and collaboration among the students—relying on one another for help improving their businesses.

To become a Kehoe fellow, students must undergo a rigorous application process in the fall semester of their sophomore year. Applicants must articulate a vision for their business and convey a serious determination to be an entrepreneur.

Wright encourages students interested in the Initiative to talk with her about the application process. “With such a competitive process, we’ve already been working with students to prepare them for it,” she says. “Parents can definitely help by letting their students know and encouraging them to apply.”

Meet the Kehoe Fellows

Nicholas Cain
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Robert McClelland
LANDSCAPING

Caleb Greene
CUSTOM SURF BOARDS AND APPAREL

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CONVERSATION-FRIENDLY COFFEE HOUSE
College Launches Center for Military History and Grand Strategy

“What We Are Doing Is Unique”

In September, Hillsdale launched the Center for Military History and Grand Strategy with a two-day conference attended by more than 500 guests. Wayne and Marcia Buske Distinguished Fellow in History Victor Davis Hanson spoke after dinner and addressed the topic, “Why Study Military History and Grand Strategy?”

The following day’s program speakers included Assistant Professor of History Edward Gutiérrez, William P. Harris Professor of Military History Mark Moyar, Charles O. Lee, Jr. and Louise K. Lee Professor in the Western Heritage Paul Rahe, and Professor of History David Stewart. Sean McMeekin, a professor of European history and culture at Bard College, and Ian Johnson, an assistant professor of military history at Notre Dame University, also participated.

Gutiérrez, the new Center’s director, explains its purpose:

"Our goal is to establish Hillsdale as the preeminent place to study military history and grand strategy. We will educate our students in the critical area of American foreign policy. What we are doing is unique within American higher education."

History Department Chairman Mark Kalthoff adds, “The discipline of history—military history in particular—is becoming politicized in strange, unfortunate ways. Good military history programs are evaporating.”

The Hillsdale professors affiliated with the Center will oversee a new minor in military history and grand strategy—announced in the Spring 2022 Parents Newsletter. In addition, the Center will host annual conferences and summer seminars and publish conference papers. Through its curriculum, scholarly publications, and public events, it seeks to bolster sound historical scholarship, engaged citizenship, and prudent leadership.”
### SAMPLE OF RATES

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The Four Pillars Campaign—named for Hillsdale's founding purposes: learning, character, faith, and freedom—includes several goals related to student programs.

The Film and Documentary Program trains students in documentary filmmaking and digital media. An endowment of $8 million will provide for student scholarships and internships, course development, equipment, an annual student film festival, and off-campus student training. The College already offers a course on "Video Storytelling," in which students have produced several documentaries related to the history of the College. One of these, Defending Liberty: Hillsdale College and the Civil War, received an award from the Michigan Association of Broadcasters.

The College is also planning to build the Sajak Visual Media Center, which will be used for student filmmaking projects and for taping online courses and K–12 teacher instructional videos. Several naming opportunities are available.

A Museum Studies Program has been launched to prepare students for careers in archival centers, museums, and universities. In addition to special coursework and internships, students in the program will assist the College in making its archived documents and artifacts accessible for teaching and research. Hillsdale holds several special collections, including documents related to the life and work of Winston Churchill; the papers of Harry V. Jaffa and Russell Kirk; the Alwin C. Carus Coin Collection; and the Allen M. Hiller Special Collection, which preserves documents related to the life of a Union soldier during the Civil War. The Campaign includes a $3 million endowment goal for program operations and an additional $1 million endowment goal for student scholarships.

The Sacred Music Program prepares choral singers and organists to carry on the sacred music tradition. Students are trained to provide music for worship services and ceremonies held in Christ Chapel. A Sacred Music scholarship may be named and endowed for $200,000.

On our Washington, D.C., campus—where undergraduates take part in the Washington-Hillsdale Internship Program—a building adjacent to the Allan P. Kirby, Jr. Center for Constitutional Studies and Citizenship has recently been acquired to house the Steve and Amy Van Andel Graduate School of Government. Both buildings will be renovated, and many naming opportunities are available.

We remain grateful for the support of Hillsdale College parents and grandparents. To learn more about these and other giving opportunities, please contact me at (517) 607-2314 or njohnson@hillsdale.edu. To make a gift, please call Donor Services at (517) 607-2727 or go online at secured.hillsdale.edu.

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Hillsdale College Parents Newsletter 9
Excited to Meet You!

Maree Socha
Director of The President’s Club, The Legacy Society, and Parent Relations

Greetings! Since this is my first letter to Hillsdale parents as Director of The President's Club, The Legacy Society, and Parent Relations, let me introduce myself.

I have worked for the College since 2015 in The President's Club and Parent Relations offices. Prior to that, I was a stay-at-home mom for 15 years. In 2013, my husband and I moved from Texas to Michigan so that our four children could attend Hillsdale Academy. Our oldest daughter Isabella is now a sophomore at Hillsdale College. We are very proud!

One of my greatest wishes is that you will find time to attend one or more of the many programs and events we host here on campus and around the country. As the College’s footprint continues to extend ever more widely, we are mindful that it is your generosity that makes this possible. We are incredibly thankful for your partnership, prayers, and support.

If you have any questions about Parent Relations, please contact me at msocha@hillsdale.edu or (517) 607-2382.

STATE SCHOLARSHIPS
Because scholarships are so essential, the Parents Association Steering Committee will continue to direct its efforts toward student aid funding for the next three years. We are making good progress towards our goal to raise $3 million to support Hillsdale's private scholarships, grants, and loans.

To that end, we seek to endow a scholarship for each of the 50 states. We encourage parents and grandparents to help. What a blessing to be able to help a student from your state who wishes to attend Hillsdale!

Parents may give directly to the state scholarship of their choice, or they may join The President's Club and designate their pledge to a particular state scholarship. They may also consider setting up a named, endowed scholarship with their own criteria. Distributions from an endowed scholarship begin when the fund reaches $100,000.

Many of you have already contributed generously to a state scholarship, and all of us at the College are deeply grateful. For those of you who are considering supporting this endeavor, we welcome your partnership. Won't you pay it forward, as those who came before you have done for your child?

NEW ONLINE COURSES
In August, Hillsdale released “Supply-Side Economics and American Prosperity,” an online course featuring economist Art Laffer. This fall, the College will release a course based on the book, The Political Theory of the American Founding, featuring its author Professor of Politics Thomas G. West, as well as Assistant Professor of Government David Azerrad. Two additional courses will be released in Spring 2023: one on post-1960s liberalism, featuring Associate Professor of Politics Kevin Slack and one on chemistry, featuring Professor of Chemistry Matthew Young.

To date, more than three million citizens have registered for one or more of our free, not-for-credit online courses. All of Hillsdale's online courses are archived at online.hillsdale.edu.

FALL PHONATHON
Help us reach our goals for scholarships and College operations. When one of our parent callers asks you to donate during the Parent-to-Parent Phonathon, please say, “Yes!” Parent volunteers will be calling parents and grandparents of current and past Hillsdale students from 6:00-9:30 p.m. EST on October 16-20, 2022. If you wish to volunteer as a caller, please contact me at (517) 607-2382 or msocha@hillsdale.edu. We would love to have you join us!
JOIN THE PRESIDENT’S CLUB!
We are grateful for the increasing number of parents and grandparents who have joined The President’s Club. It is a privilege to partner with those who understand that the $96,191 net cost of a Hillsdale education is far greater than the $42,182 that is charged for tuition, room, board, and fees. Joining The President’s Club is a way to follow in the footsteps of the parents and grandparents of past students who gave so that today’s students can attend Hillsdale at an affordable cost. I am honored to be part of this fine group of parents and grandparents who continue to support the College’s mission. We are grateful, as is every student. For more information about The President’s Club, please contact me at (517) 607-2382 or msocha@hillsdale.edu.

SUMMER SEND-OFF PARTY
Each summer, Hillsdale parents volunteer to host send-off parties for incoming and current students and their parents. This past summer, there were 27 parties in 17 states. These are wonderful opportunities for freshmen and their parents to meet other parents and students from their geographic area, ask questions, and enjoy the camaraderie that comes from being part of the Hillsdale family. It is an ideal way for parents to get involved with Hillsdale College and all it has to offer them. Won’t you consider hosting a party next summer?

Our office coordinates these send-off parties in response to the many calls we receive from freshman parents inquiring about such events. If you would like to host a summer send-off party, please contact Glee Hoonhout, the chair of the Freshman/New Parent Sub-Committee, at whollyoilsandwellness@gmail.com. You may also sign up by calling the Parent Relations Office.

SPRING PARENTS WEEKEND
Spring Parents Weekend will be March 3–5, 2023, with Phonathon dates of February 26–March 2, 2023. Please volunteer! We look forward to hearing from you.

UPDATE YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION
Please keep your preferred email address updated. Contact me at (517) 607-2382 or msocha@hillsdale.edu with updates. Don’t forget to include your name and address.

INFORMATION FOR GRANDPARENTS
If you know of grandparents who would like to be connected to their grandchild at Hillsdale College and receive their own Parents Newsletter and invitations to parent/grandparent events, please contact our office and let us know. If they are not Imprimis readers, we can add them to our subscription list free of charge.
2022 Calendar of Events
As Hillsdale College parents and grandparents, you are welcome to attend any of the following events. For additional information about Hillsdale College events, please call the Parent Relations Office at (517) 607-2382.

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