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## **Hillsdale College Hosts Annual Day of Thanks**

*Students wrote thank you cards to those who have supported them throughout their college careers*

HILLSDALE, Mich. — Hillsdale College’s Student Activities Board, 1844 Society, and Alumni office hosted the Day of Thanks card writing event on Nov. 16. Students filled tables throughout the Grewcock Student Union to participate in the annual event.

“The Day of Thanks is a great way to showcase gratitude,” Associate Director of Alumni Relations, Braden VanDyke said. “Hillsdale has given each of us so much, and this is just a small way to thank those who continue to make the experience possible. From donors to dear friends, we are grateful to each for his or her contribution to our students and their continued success.”

Ninety-nine percent of undergraduate students at Hillsdale College receive some form of financial aid, with the average financial aid package coming out to just more than \$22,000. The funds for scholarships can come from donors, some of whom have never stepped foot on Hillsdale’s campus but support the type of education the college promotes.

The Day of Thanks is also a time for students to be thankful for family members and friends who have helped them along the way. “This time of the fall semester can be a tough time for students — between papers, exams, travel, recitals, performances, and whatever else might be going on,” said Madelyn Clark, director of student activities. “The Day of Thanks gives students the opportunity to pause, recollect, and thank all of those who helped them get to where they are.”

From 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., students picked up cards designed by their peers. In total, students wrote more than 4,000 cards.

For photos from the event, click [here](#).

For a high-resolution copy of the Hillsdale College clocktower logo, click [here](#).

**About Hillsdale College**

Hillsdale College is an independent, nonsectarian, Christian liberal arts college located in southern Michigan. Founded in 1844, the College has built a national reputation through its classical liberal arts core curriculum and its principled refusal to accept federal or state taxpayer subsidies, even indirectly in the form of student grants or loans. It also conducts an outreach effort promoting civil and religious liberty, including a free monthly speech digest, *Imprimis*, with a circulation of more than 6.4 million. For more information, visit [hillsdale.edu](http://hillsdale.edu).

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