



November 2020

Home for the Holidays

Hello Spartans!

Across the country COVID-19 numbers are on the rise. While Rio Blanco and Moffat Counties in Colorado have risen more slowly than many others, CNCC is doing what it can to ensure that it stays that way.

Following Thanksgiving break, nearly all classes and finals will take place remotely. Students in specific programs including automotive technology, aviation maintenance, and the national park service seasonal law enforcement academy will return to campus to complete the lab portions of their courses live with remote delivery of any lecture. Students without a place to go will be allowed to remain in the dorms through the end of the semester and access their classes remotely from their dorm.



These precautions are being taken to prevent students returning to their homes across the state and country and then returning for the final couple of weeks, possibly spreading the virus.

The plan is to have students return to campus for spring classes as they did in fall. A screening protocol will be in place to minimize the likelihood that they are bringing back the virus at that time. CNCC continues to post all COVID-19 related information on our website at <https://cncc.edu/covid-19-updates>.

Wishing you and your families well. Happy Harvest! Hope you enjoy the photo of my cat Zaria checking out my final harvest of the year. Stay #SpartanStrong! *Sue Samaniego, CNCC Foundation Director*

Score a CNCC Spartans Mask!



Spartan Alumni Giving Day is coming up on December 8 in conjunction with Colorado Gives Day. You can [schedule your donation here today](#).

Be one of the first 25 generous folks to make a donation of \$50 or more and you will score a CNCC Spartans mask! Just click Colorado Gives Day under “donation frequency” to schedule. You don’t need to be a Colorado resident to participate, all support is welcome. Masks will be mailed out on Dec. 9.

If you are in a situation where a gift to the CNCC Foundation is feasible, please consider giving Spartan Alumni Giving Day: Dec. 8. Help future Spartans get started on their path by supporting scholarships, programs, technology, and more! **You choose your impact! #SpartansGive**



**SCHEDULE YOUR DONATION
STARTING NOVEMBER 1!**

SPARTANS GIVE!



TO DONATE GO TO:

[HTTPS://WWW.COLORADOGIVES.ORG/COLORADONORTHWESTERNCOMMUNITYCOLLEGEFOUNDATION/OVERVIEW](https://www.coloradogives.org/coloradonorthwesterncommunitycollegefoundation/overview)

The holiday season may look a little different this year, but some traditions still stand – Colorado Gives Day! Powered by Community First Foundation, Colorado Gives Day is the perfect time to maximize the impact of your year-end gift to CNCC from wherever you are – every nonprofit receiving a donation on December 8 receives a portion of the \$1M Incentive Fund, which increases the value of every dollar donated. The more that is donated to CNCC that day, the larger portion of the incentive we receive. #SpartansGive

A Message from CNCC President Ron Granger on Thankfulness

It is hard to believe that we are so close to the holiday season. Over the last few days, I have been thinking about all the things that have happened during the last seven to eight months, and how lucky we all are to live where we do. We have faced a very difficult time but have done a great job in keeping the college moving forward. So, for this month's CNCC Corner I wanted to share all the

things I am thankful for even during these unprecedented times.

I am thankful to our students for having trust and faith in CNCC. They have been a great inspiration to all of us, and they put the magic back in the college when they are on our campuses. Our students are some of the best in the state and have been willing to do what it takes to accomplish their goals in education.

I am thankful to our faculty and staff for everything they have done over the last several months. They have been the guiding light for our students. They have worked many hours to make sure our students have the classes needed in the instructional mode the students wanted. They have made sure our campuses are safe, clean, and ready for whatever we might face. Many have put in lots of extra hours to make sure CNCC thrives during this time.

I am thankful to our community members who have supported us in so many ways over the last several months. Our counties and towns have been a big part of the college for so many years and have shown us how much they care about this college and about the students who are here.

I am thankful to both of our local boards for the willingness to step up financially, if needed, during this time of tremendous budget cuts and extra cost associated with this pandemic. Both of our boards did not hesitate to provide the possible financial support the college and the students might need during this academic year.

This is only a small list of things that all of us at CNCC are thankful for. Knowing all of these groups have come together to make CNCC successful makes me proud to be a part of CNCC. Even though we have and will face difficult times ahead, I want to personally thank everyone for the dedication, hard work, and cooperation that has made this year a successful one at Colorado Northwestern Community College. *Ron Granger, CNCC President*



Keep informed on the CNCC presidential search

On July 30, 2020, Colorado Northwestern Community College (CNCC) President, Ron Granger, announced he will retire at the end of his term in July 2021, concluding a 40-year career in academia. The Colorado Community College System (CCCS) Chancellor has initiated a search for the next CNCC President.

CCCS is committed to a thorough and inclusive search process which will identify the best leader for CNCC. This effort will be led by Christina Cecil, the CCCS Chief Human Resources Officer. A Search Advisory Committee of CNCC stakeholders has been formed to assist in the selection process.

The CNCC community can stay informed of the progress of this search through **[this webpage](#)**. Appropriate details about this search will be shared publicly. It is important for everyone to understand that candidates rely on the discretion of those involved in the search process and our guarantee of a confidential process.



Alumni Highlights:

Check out these videos of Alums Peter and Echo talking about their experiences at CNCC in the Aviation Flight program.

[Video Link Peter](#)

[Video Link Echo](#)

Like and subscribe to CNCC's YouTube page to see more great videos of our alumni, students, and programs. [Link](#)

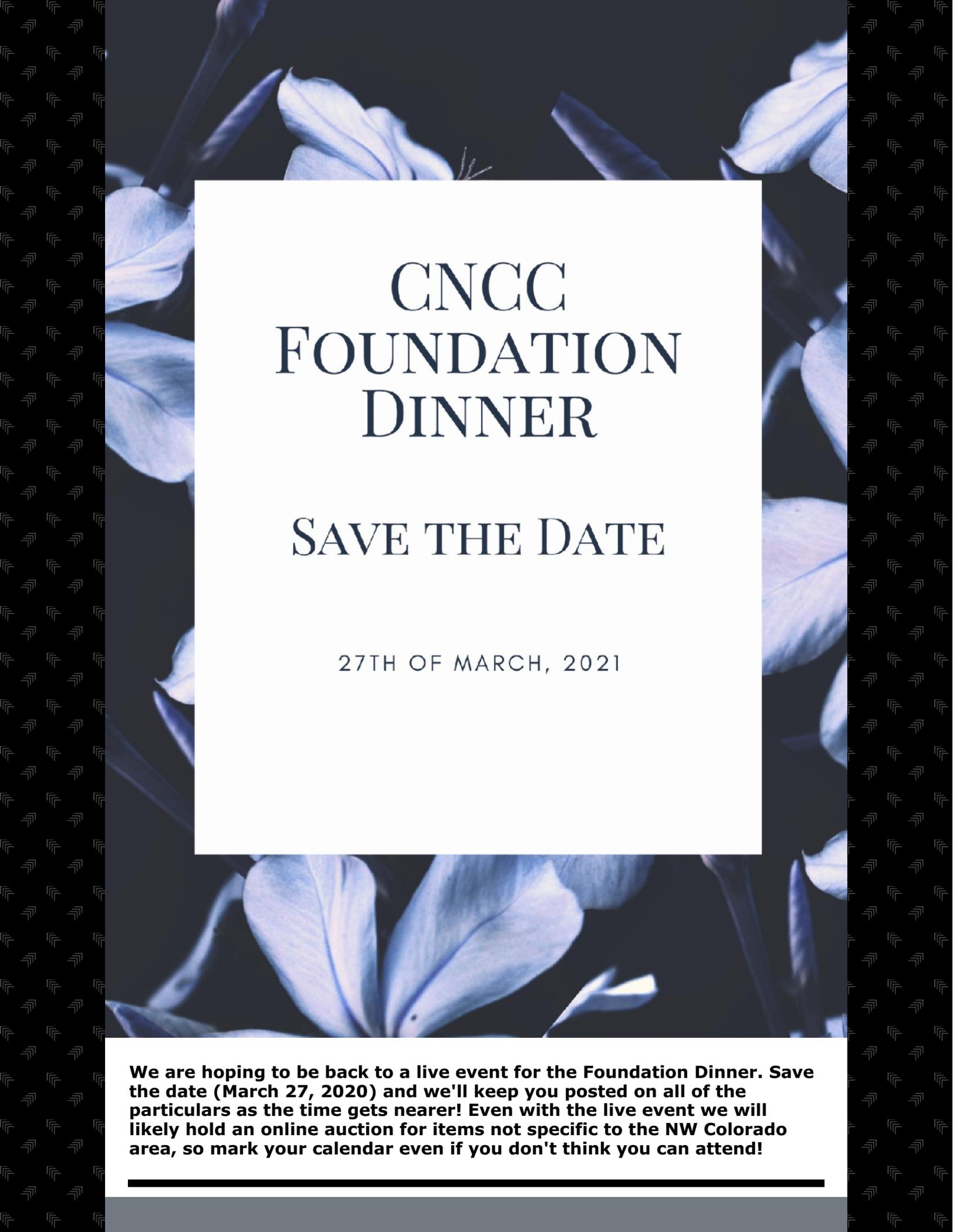
Want to be highlighted in an alumni video? We would love to share your story! Contact Sue Samaniego at sue.samaniego@cncc.edu for more information.

CNCC FOUNDATION AND ALUMNI

Virtual Coffee meetups

TUESDAYS THROUGH DEC. 8, 2020
10 A.M. - NOON
ON ZOOM

Join CNCC Foundation Director and Alumni Relations Officer Sue Samaniego for **Virtual Coffee every Tuesday November 3 - December 8**. You can pop on any time between 10 and noon Mountain Time. Ask questions. Give advice. Reminisce about your CNCC memories. This time is for you! [Click here to join the Zoom](#). Rather have your own time? Email sue.samaniego@cncc.edu to schedule a personal meeting or phone call.



CNCC FOUNDATION DINNER

SAVE THE DATE

27TH OF MARCH, 2021

We are hoping to be back to a live event for the Foundation Dinner. Save the date (March 27, 2020) and we'll keep you posted on all of the particulars as the time gets nearer! Even with the live event we will likely hold an online auction for items not specific to the NW Colorado area, so mark your calendar even if you don't think you can attend!

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