Mission Statement: Hartnell College provides the leadership and resources to ensure that all students shall have equal access to a quality education and the opportunity to pursue and achieve their goals. We are responsive to the learning needs of our community and dedicated to a diverse educational and cultural campus environment that prepares our students for productive participation in a changing world.

1. AgKnowledge Class VII concludes

Early November marked the conclusion of this year’s nine-month executive leadership program that I was a part of with the graduation of AgKnowledge Class VII. AgKnowledge is administered through the Grower-Shipper Association Foundation. Each year 20-25 community leaders (regulators, environmentalists, labor union officials, educators, etc.) undertake a nine-month ‘hands-on’ educational program designed to give class fellows an ‘up-close and personal’ agricultural experience. Each session focuses on a particular issue – labor, food safety, water, conservation practices, history and heritage, land use, air quality, plus more. One of the highlights of the program is the ‘day with the farmer’ in which each class fellow ‘shadows’ a farmer as he/she attends to the work of the day; truly a first-hand experience. I was fortunate to spend the day with Kevin Healy, Director of Innovation and Knowledge, for Reiter Affiliated Companies. Kevin is also a former governing board member for the Hartnell CCD.
2. Western Food Safety Summit

The Food Safety Committee at the Agricultural Business & Technology Institute at Hartnell College is planning the Ninth Annual Western Food Safety Summit scheduled for May 8 and 9, 2014. The program is being developed to address the new Food Safety Modernization Act and supply training needs to the agricultural workforce in the Salinas Valley.

The summit will also include key topics relevant to food safety practices: testing, recalls, sanitation, risk assessment, laws and regulations and the most updated research.

Attendees will have a unique opportunity to interact with speakers and attend the research poster session.

3. Clinica de Salud Partnership with Hartnell College Nursing

In October, Hartnell College Nursing and Allied Health students participated in a four-week inter-professional service learning project with Clinica de Salud. Fifty-six students, seven faculty and staff, and five nurse residents helped 65 Clinica de Salud medical assistants demonstrate and validate essential clinical skills, including injections, tuberculin skin tests, diagnostic tests, vital signs, diabetic foot exams, and medical emergency triage. Hartnell’s high fidelity simulation lab provided a realistic and safe learning experience for all participants. The project promoted professional communication between healthcare providers and introduced Hartnell College’s Nursing and Allied Health career pathways to medical assistants interested in continuing with their education.
4. The Sierra Ensemble gave students a concert filled with inspiration —

The Sierra Ensemble visited Hartnell College on November 9, 2013 as part of their tours around the State. For the students who attended this concert, it was a program filled with enthusiasm especially as they admired the skills, delicacy and poise in which the instruments were played. The Sierra Ensemble is recording a CD that will be available in early 2014.

5. “Crazy for You Gala” will be a blast next Saturday!

On Saturday, November 23, 2013, the Hartnell College Foundation hosts its Eighth Annual Western Stage Gala featuring a special performance of the musical Crazy for You. This special event is a fundraiser to benefit the Western Stage (TWS) and its programs. The evening will start at 5:30 p.m. with a strolling dinner, a hosted full bar with local wines and specialty drinks, an assortment of desserts, silent auction, and culminating with the Tony Award-winning musical Crazy for You. When Bobby Child, a failed musical theatre actor in New York City, is recruited by his ruthless banker mother to foreclose on a small, community theatre in the Gold Rush town of Deadrock, Nevada, he is inspired by both his dreams of becoming a big time hoofer and his budding romance with Polly Baker, the daughter of the owner of the theatre he’s supposed to foreclose. He decides to stage a musical spectacular that will save the theatre from his mother’s heartless machinations and win Polly’s heart. The Gala will take place at Hartnell College Performing Arts, Building K, 411 Central Avenue, Salinas, California. For tickets go to www.hartnellfoundation.org or call (831) 755-6810.

6. Claes Oldenburg will talk about the Hat in Three stages of Landing —

On Friday, November 22, 2013, the Hartnell College Gallery presents a Conversation with Claes Oldenburg moderated by Dennis Donohue on the Hat in Three Stages of Landing.
- Reception, Gallery Building J – 5:00 – 7:00 PM
- Program, Performing Arts Facility Building K – 7:30 PM

In conjunction with the recent restoration of Salinas’ iconic public sculpture Hat in Three Stages of Landing, you are invited to a rare
opportunity to hear world-renowned artist Claes Oldenburg's personal thoughts and recollections of this project. (Claes is on left with wife at inauguration of the 'Hat' at Sherwood Park.) This is a free event, but reservations are required. Email Gary Smith at gsmith@harnell.edu.

7. What is wrong with our Panther?

The Associated Students will participate in this year's Parade of Lights in OldTown Salinas on Sunday, December 1, 2013 starting at 6:00 p.m. They will have a decorated float representing Hartnell College. Since our Panther sculpture is not to be removed from college grounds (and it is too heavy anyway), they came up with the idea to use paper mache to form a mold of the Panther. Once this is done, it will be painted black to closely resemble our mascot. The Panther will be an iconic symbol and a celebrity at this year’s Parade of Lights. Not to be missed!

8. Impressive scores from our Football team

The Hartnell College football team took yet another step closer to reaching their goal of winning the Coast Conference Championship with an impressive 70-35 win last Saturday, in Gilroy, when they faced the Gavilan Rams. It was a close battle back and forth in the first half. The Gavilan Rams had a few tricks up their sleeves and were able to connect. The Halftime score was 35-27 Hartnell. The Panthers came out in the 3rd quarter and scored 35 point to open up a 70-27 lead. From this point forward it became a clock management and run oriented 4th quarter. Much credit goes to the offensive line that was able to create run lanes allowing DeAndre Mann to score another 5 touchdowns on 17 carries. Curt Ceralde played a super second half at Quarterback and was 17 of 24 on the day for 286 yards and 3 touchdown tosses. The Hartnell offense had 8 touchdowns total and 550 yards of offense. Antoine Goodson had a breakout game at receiver having 2 touchdowns on 3 receptions for a total of 119 yards. The defensive unit settled in and made a huge contribution to the win. Holding Gavilan to a mere 69 yards on the ground was impressive. Rodrigo De La Cruz took a fumble on the Rams second half opening kick-off, back for a score. Later in the 3rd quarter, Matty Snead grabbed
a loose ball in the backfield and ran it back 43 yards for another Panther defensive score. Cornerback Nias Martin played strong in coverage and as usual, David Birlem and Kapil Fletcher stuffed the run, and Sheldon Wynn stopped Gavilan ball carriers several times. Hartnell 7-2 (4-0) will line up Saturday night at Rabobank Stadium and play Monterey Peninsula College for the Coast Conference Championship. Support your Panthers!

9. Cross Country teams find strong opponents but manage to place—

The Hartnell College men’s cross country team was looking to improve on last year’s third place performance at the Norcal Championship in this year’s edition. Despite all-region performances from sophomore Michael Ramirez and freshman Diego Leon, the Panthers repeated last year’s place by just 4 points conceding second place to Santa Rosa Junior College 82-86. American River College won on its home course with 42 points. The race was highlighted by the duo Ramirez and Leon working their way into third and fourth place overall in 20:25 and 20:28 with both besting 2013 Coast Conference individual champion Abraham Espinoza at 20:40 on the four mile course. Their times were both better than the previous championship record set in 2010 of 20:29 by Alejandro Garcia of Modesto Junior College. Ramirez improved on his eleventh place finish last year and Leon was the highest placing freshman in the race making him the favorite for the overall title in 2014. Also competing for the Panthers were Andres Guerrero (25th-21:32), Omar Vasquez (29th-21:39), Luis Romero (31st-21:41), Robert Valencia (32nd-21:46) and Felix Cervantes (33rd-21:50). This was the fourth consecutive top three team finish for the Panthers since 2010.

Freshmen Maritza Ruelas and Brandi Hobson (front left) proved they will be a duo to be reckoned with next fall as the pair placed sixth and seventh overall in 18:35 and 18:37. Both earned all-region honors for their performance. The pair will have next year to repeat as all-region runners. Ruelas bested the fastest mark on the Beal’s Point course at Folsom Lake by a Lady Panther by one second dipping under fellow all-Norcal runner Mayra Garcia’s 18:36 mark. Linda Delgado returned from a mid-season stress fracture to help the women’s team advance to the state championship with her 46th place finish (20:29). She was followed by Lupita Zaragoza (20:53), Rebecca Lopez (21:22), and Iesha Boyd (21:47). The women placed eighth overall to earn one of the ten advancing team berths to the state championship on November 23rd at Woodward Park in Fresno.
10. Soccer Rankings and updates

#9 NSCAA Junior College Division III - National - Poll 10 - November 5, 2013
#1 CCCSIA Norcal - Men’s Soccer Poll - November 8, 2013
#1 CCCSIA State - Men’s Soccer Poll - November 8, 2013

Tuesday, November 5, 2013
Hartnell 2, Las Positas 1: At Salinas, Lorenzo Vasquez (Alisal H.S.) goal and assists help Hartnell beat Coast Conference North Division leaders Las Positas.
**Goals:** Lorenzo Vasquez 1 (Alisal H.S.) Jose Mendoza 1 (Salinas H.S.)
**Assists:** Lorenzo Vasquez 1 (Alisal H.S.), Albert Garcia 1 (North Salinas H.S.)
**GK:** Jesus Ramirez (Salinas H.S.) 0 GA, 2 Saves, 45 Minutes; Fabain Narez (Alisal H.S.) 0 GA, 1 Save, 45 Minutes

Friday, November 8, 2013
Hartnell 4, Chabot 0: At Salinas, Hartnell scored three first half goals and earned a 4-0 win over Chabot.
**Goals:** Joni Cruz 2 (Alisal H.S.), Luis Rodriguez 1 (Pajaro Valley H.S.), Lorenzo Vasquez (Alisal H.S.),
**Assists:** Eduardo Avalos 1 (Alisal H.S.), Lorenzo Vasquez 1 (Alisal H.S.), Luis Rodriguez 1 (Pajaro High School)
**GK:** Jesus Ramirez (Salinas H.S.) 0 GA, 2 Saves, 45 Minutes; Fabain Narez (Alisal H.S.) 0 GA, 1 Save, 45 Minutes

Next game is with Monterey Peninsula College and a win means third straight division title!

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11. Programs and Events

- Eighth Annual Western Stage Gala presenting Crazy for You
  - Saturday, November 23 at 5:30 p.m. (755-6810)
- Hartnell Ceramic Guild to benefit Fine Arts Club
  - Wednesday, November 20, 9:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. at Student Center

- *A Song for My Father*, Western Stage, Studio Theater
  - November 2 – 24, 2013

12. Hartnell College in the News

Oldenburg coming back to Salinas to mind his hats

California’s low community college fees face scrutiny

Election staff paves way to final vote tally Friday

Full speed ahead for Hartnell

Hartnell men’s cross country finishes third at NorCals

Hartnell men tip off season

West Hills drops Hartnell in season opener

Hartnell Soccer – Photo Gallery in The Californian

The Western Stage’s ‘A Song for My Father:’ Descent into Alzheimer’s

On Stage – Crazy for you Gala – A song for my father – Theater Arts Department