Mission Statement: Focusing on the needs of the Salinas Valley, Hartnell College provides educational opportunities for students to reach academic goals in an environment committed to student learning, achievement, and success.

1. SEMAA SUMMER CAMP BEGINS

As our Hartnell College students excel in their summer courses, the same goes for the K-12 students who participate in the SEMAA Summer Camp (Science Engineering Math and Aerospace Academy), which started June 16 and continues until August 1. The camp is lead by Maggie Malone-Eschiburu, Director of NASA SEMAA- CODER DOJO. “Our Summer session is in full swing, we are finishing week two of six, and as you can see in the pictures, the students are having a great time!,” Maggie says. All classes take place at the Alisal Campus.
From June 4\textsuperscript{th} to June 20\textsuperscript{th}, the Boronda Scholars, under the leadership of instructors \textit{Steve Ettinger} and \textit{Sylvia Rios} went to Japan for an intensive cultural and artistic experience. The trip started with an eight-day stay in Kyoto, where the students visited temples, shrines, palaces, and castles. As part of their stay, the students attended performances of Buyou, or traditional Japanese dance, and Kyougen, an example of comedic Japanese theater. After Kyoto, the students traveled to the Hiroshima area, where they had a homestay with a Japanese family. Here, students visited Peace Park and the Miyajima shrine. They ended their trip in Osaka; attended a Bunraku performance and visited a Osaka castle. “I am so proud of the way the students represented Hartnell College and the United States,” Steve Ettinger said, “They created some important relationships with the Japanese people we met, particularly with their host families. I feel truly grateful to all that helped make this trip possible.”

The students chosen for this year’s trip were: Edgar Contreras, Daniel Ramirez, Deanna Medina, Guadalupe Aguillon, Julieta Ceja Ramirez, Kathleen Edgington, Leslie Zarate, Mandy Zavala, Maria Inez Chavez, and Maritza Sandoval. The Boronda International Study Program selects 10-12 students every year to go on a trip. The students are chosen based on having “unusual promise in the arts, namely painting, sculpture, architecture, literature, drama, music, or dance.” The program is entirely funded by an endowment created by a major gift from Salinas artist Lester Boronda and expenses for travel, including airfare, meals, ground transportation, lodging, and admission to museums/events are covered as part of the program. Next year, instructor Sylvia Rios will take students to France. Stay tuned for student applications for this wonderful program!
Online education continues to make its mark on today’s education practices. Several Hartnell faculty members attended the Online Teaching Conference in San Diego, June 20-21, where they learned best practices in distance learning and online education. The conference focused on Community College faculty, staff, and administrators engaged (or interested) in online education including delivery of online services such as student, faculty, library, and technical support. Lisa Storm, Administration of Justice Professor, participated on a panel, The Benefits and Challenges of Adopting Open Educational Resources (OER), where she discussed how she has developed and adopted an open textbook in her classes to improve teaching. Kara Kuvakas, Geology Professor, presented The Flipped Classroom: A Model for Student-Center Learning, where she shared her experience in the flipped classroom and teachers can offer a more personalized student experience in their courses. The conference also highlighted three current projects which are likely to change the face and structure of online education for all California Community Colleges, including Hartnell. Those projects are: The Online Education Initiative, funded for $16.9 million in its first year and $10 million annually thereafter; 2) the Educational Planning Project, funded for $6 million annually; and 3) the Common Assessment Program, funded for $8 million annually. Other attendees included: Carol Hobson, Business Professor; Cheryl O’Donnell Business Professor; and Nancy Wheaton, Biology Professor.

Hartnell Volleyball Coach, Jamie Pedroza and her husband Abraham welcomed a beautiful baby girl last Friday, June 20, 2014. Ava Leigh Pedroza came into this world at 8 lbs and 20 1/2 inches long. Congratulations to the Pedroza family and we look forward to meeting little Ava soon.
5. HARTNELL FACULTY MEMBER ADVOCATES FOR CHILDREN IN NATION’S CAPITOL

Andrea Zarate, an Early Childhood Professor spent time in Washington D.C recently, advocating for children, like her grandson who have eosinophilic esophagitis- a rare disease which causes intense allergic reactions and debilitating symptoms. She testified with her daughter, Dawn McCoy, from Virginia, before Senator Warner. Her efforts were to encourage members of the Congress and Senate to pass a bill that would require insurance companies to cover costs associated with caring for children like her grandson, in addition to funding research. Zarate says that it can cost a family out of pocket up to $3,000 a month for special formula to feed one child. At this time, Pennsylvania is the only state that covers these costs, and she hopes other states will follow suit.

6. AN EVENING WITH COACH HERM EDWARDS AND COACH RON RIVERA

At the invitation of Dr. Walt Tribley, MPC President, I was able to attend this wonderful event on Saturday, June 21. Hermann Edwards (pictured below) is a former NFL player and head coach and is currently an analyst with ESPN, and a graduate of Monterey High School and MPC.

Ron Rivera (pictured left) is a former NFL player and the current head coach of the Carolina Panthers, and graduate of Seaside High School — he was also named Coach of the Year for the NFL this past season. They both call UC Berkeley their alma mater and played football at the university. The event was built around a conversation moderated by Dr. Jim Tunney, former NFL referee and Monterey resident. They discussed their experiences both on and off the field and how those experiences helped shape their values and lives as coaches in the NFL. Members of the Boys and Girls Club of Monterey County participated in the event. Vice President Matt Coombs and Athletic Director Dan Teresa joined me at the event.
The Athletics Department always does a great job with their summer sports camps. Here’s a look at the Baseball camp which went from June 23-27, where 54 children participated, learning techniques for running, running, catching, hitting, pitching and more. The camp was held on the Tony Teresa Diamond Baseball Field at Hartnell College. Upcoming camps include: tennis, basketball (girls), softball, volleyball, soccer, and track & field. For schedule and registration form visit www.hartnell.edu/athletics.

Hartnell Track team is proud to announce they earned a Coast Conference championship and placed third overall at the Northern California Championship. Several outstanding sophomores were the engines behind this success and have signed National Letters of Intent to compete next year at the four-year level.

Michael Ramirez, a graduate from Salinas High, (pictured right) competed two years in cross country and track & field while a student at Hartnell College majoring in Electrical Engineering. As a freshman in cross country, Michael placed sixth at the Coast Conference Championship, tenth at the Norcal Regional, and 43rd at the state championship. As a sophomore, he improved dramatically moving up to second overall at the Coast Conference Championship, third at the Norcal Regional, and ninth overall at the state championship becoming an All-American. In track, Michael represented Hartnell both years at the state championships. As a frosh, he placed seventh in the 10,000 meters and ninth in the 5000 meters. Michael placed eighth in the 5000 meters and ninth in the 15000 meters as a sophomore. He repeated as Coast Conference 5000 and 10,000 meter champion in addition to posting the third fastest 5000 meter time in school history (14:47). Michael will be competing for University of Alaska Anchorage next fall.
Sophomore Austin Decker, a graduate of North Monterey County High School, (pictured left) achieved something no other Panther pole vaulter has done in school history and that was repeat as state champion. He became the first repeat champion since 2001. Decker, who is an Aerospace Engineering major, repeated as Coast Conference pole vault champion as well this year. Holding a school record clearance of 16'6.75" at the state championship made him the number one community college pole vaulter in the nation. In addition, Austin was instrumental in helping Hartnell College win back-to-back team titles by also competing in the 110HH, 400m, 400IH, and both relays. Austin will be competing both indoors and outdoors for Montana State University.

Sophomore Glen Felix, a graduate from King City High School, (pictured right), will be taking his sprint abilities next year to Concordia University (OR). Glen was recently named 2014 Most Improved Male. As a frosh Glen ran the 100 meters in 11.33 and 200 meters in 22.99 but did not qualify for post-conference competition. Through hard work and dedication, Glen improved his lifetime bests to 10.95 and 22.23 both fast enough to compete at the Northern California Championship to compete with the best sprinters in the region. Glen also picked up valuable sprint points in the 100 meters at the Coast Conference Championship to seal another team title. He was a two-year member of the 4x100 meter relay squad and also a member of this year's 4x400 team. An outstanding student, Glen chose Concordia University for its Homeland Security program.

Sophomore Andres Guerrero, a graduate from North Monterey County High School, (pictured left) went from being a former soccer player who ran cross country/track in high school to one of the best long distance runners in Northern California. As a frosh, Andres placed 12th at the Coast Conference Championship to earn his first all-conference honors. In 2013, he repeated that honor and moved up to 7th overall. As a member of the 2013 squad, Andres helped the Panthers to a third place finish in Northern California and tenth place in state. On the track, he qualified to the Norcal Championship in both the 5000 and 10,000 meters, placing a scoring eighth in the 25 lap race. He leaves Hartnell College with lifetime bests of 15:45 and 32:59. Andres will be competing in both cross country and track & field for University of Saint Mary in Leavenworth, KS.
First 5 Monterey County has been very gracious in bestowing a generous grant to the Hartnell College Early Childhood Education program to help support students. The grant was awarded on June 4th for $75,864 and is to be used for the 2013-2014 fiscal year. First 5 Monterey County is also known as the Monterey County Children and Families Commission and has committed to giving their support over a four-year period totaling $319,948. This funding will be used to support a variety of early education students. Students will be able to benefit greatly by receiving more training and work towards a Child Development degree. These students will have access to specialized counseling and access to resources like textbooks to maximize their educational and career potential. The Monterey County Children and Families Commission works with over 30 community based organizations to: ensure children are healthy and prepared for school, families are connected to parenting resources, and the community is strengthened to support families with young children. Since it was started, they have helped over 250,000 lives and have supported the community by investing over $64 million in different institutions and programs that help children.

12. UPCOMING EVENTS

Tuesday,
July 15th

Hartnell College Counseling department presents:

MAJOR EXPLORATION WORKSHOP SERIES

Featuring:
Administration of Justice
Tuesday, July 15th 1:00-3:30pm
Building B room 110
Call 755-6820 by Monday, July 14th, 5:00pm to RSVP
Wednesday, August 6th

Hartnell College Counseling department presents:

MAJOR EXPLORATION WORKSHOP SERIES

FEATURING: Business Administration
Wednesday, August 6th 1:00-3:30pm
Building B room 110
Call 755-6820 by Tuesday, August 5th, 5:00pm to RSVP

The Western Stage

- West Side Story
  August 9-30, 2014
- The Arsonists
  September 13 – October 4, 2014
- Harvey
  October 31 – November 23, 2014
- 40th Anniversary Gala – A Christmas Story
  Saturday, November 22, 2014

For tickets call 831-755-6810

13. IN THE NEWS THIS WEEK

King City native Marc Flores drafted by Chicago White Sox

SVMH Summer Health Institute underway

County Clipboard: Former Panther, Mike Maker, Takes Job at Marist