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. Remembering the fallen and celebrating our strengths

On Thursday, September 11, 2014, Hartnell College observed the 13th anniversary of the 9-11 attacks with a ceremony out at the center of campus. It was a scene to see, with 2,977 American flags, each with a name of the victims, placed in the quad area. The Office of Student Life and Associated Students of Hartnell College produced a program that included live music with the Hartnell College Jazz Band directed by Steve Ettinger, music faculty member. Dr. Romero Jalomo, VP of Student Affairs, was so kind to read a message on my behalf and to also include his own thoughts on this day. Student veteran Ivan Suarez spoke of his feelings about this day and remembered a friend who fell victim to the attacks. As a special treat, student Andrea Cervantes performed a dramatic interpretation of flight attendant Cece Lyles based on what might have happened in the flight of United 93. Students, staff, community members, including children attended the event – they were all honored to be a part of the remembrance. Special thanks go to the Veterans Service Center for their help in orchestrating the 9/11 remembrance ceremony on campus.

2. The STEM Symposium continues to amaze!

On Saturday, August 23, 2014, the STEM Internship Program hosted its 8th annual STEM Symposium. The interns presented findings from their summer research projects, the culmination of 8-10 weeks working with their mentors to conduct research, demonstrate cutting-edge technology, and create new and innovative concepts to impact future generations.
This year, eight interns were selected for oral presentations, while two poster sessions highlighted the many internship projects. A recognition ceremony honored all of the prestigious interns for their outstanding efforts as well as Andy Newton and Pat McNeil for their vision, passion and dedication to the STEM Internship Program. Andy and Pat are both deservedly retiring after very accomplished and meaningful careers.

Hartnell College provides a rare opportunity for community college students to be exposed to research internships, producing future generations of bright young STEM professionals and strengthening diversity in the STEM workforce. Through innovative programs and initiatives, we are creating a new legacy of opportunity for the families of the Salinas Valley. Hartnell College will continue to support our bright young minds in STEM. The 2015 STEM Internship Program is underway and we are recruiting STEM students for a competitive and rewarding summer internship experience.

### 3. Student Spotlight – Eva Perez, CalWORKS program

Eva Perez is recognized by her CalWORKS counselors for her academic achievements and determination. Eva is a first generation college student and her goal is to earn her Associate of Science degree in Administration of Justice. As a Hartnell student, Eva has gained the respect and admiration of her peers as she has taken charge of her education and is always seeking ways to receive academic support from her instructors.

Eva is so determined to achieve her goals and her strong work ethic is evidenced by her course load. During the summer, students are advised to only take one summer course as the fast pace of summer courses can be overwhelming. Eva is so focused that during summer 2014 she enrolled in 16 units and earned a semester grade point
average of 3.3! Eva is truly a remarkable student and seeing her blossom with the support of the CalWORKS program is a joy.

In addition to being a full time student, she cares for her 2 boys (ages 3 and 4) and until recently, Eva worked 30 hours at a fast-food restaurant. One day as Eva was going home from work, she was involved in a car accident and required hand surgery. Eva’s educational commitment is so profound that within a few days of her car accident, she attended her CalWORKS appointment. Eva clearly indicated that although her arm mobility was limited, she was not going to allow such circumstance to impede her from attending fall 2014.

Eva has attended her classes at the Main Campus, in addition to being enrolled in online courses full time. It is such determination and drive that inspires everyone in the CalWORKS department. Eva, your counselors see you as a truly inspirational individual and thank you for giving them the privilege to see you achieve your educational goals!

Congratulations and keep up the great work!

4. Welcome new employee – Jacqueline Flores

Jacqueline Flores is the new Administrative Assistant to the Vice President of Student Affairs, Dr. Romero Jalomo. She comes to us from Bestor Engineers, Inc. where she worked for 3 years as an Administrative Assistant. Prior to her work at Bestor Engineers, Inc., she worked as the Counseling Secretary at Everett Alvarez High School and as a Loan Processor at Signature Financial Services.

Jacqueline is a Salinas native and graduate of Salinas High School. She resides locally with her husband and their two daughters.

5. National Heritage Month celebrations

The Office of Student Life and ASHC cordially invite you to participate in the National Heritage Month and celebrate the cultures of Latin American countries throughout the month of September.

The first event is the Mexican Independence Day celebration on Tuesday, September 16, 2014 in the Student Center. The event will begin at 10:00 a.m. and will feature Loteria (Mexican Bingo), a showing of the reenactment of “El Grito,” a performance by Aztec Dancers, piñata breaking, and a delicious Mexican lunch. We invite the entire campus community to join in the celebration.
6. Community College Facility Coalition Annual Conference

The annual conference for CCFC was held on September 9-10 in Sacramento. I am serving as the chair this year for CCFC. This year’s conference was attended by over 400 participants including CCDs, architects, construction managers, the Chancellor’s Office, and contractors. The program for the conference is available at this link. Joseph Reyes, Director of Facilities, and Tracey Richardson, Controller, also attended the conference.

7. The Western Stage presents five short playwrights

The LEGACY project of The Western Stage and Hartnell College are gearing up to present a stage reading of five short new plays written by members of The Fifth Age Playwrights taking place at 2:00 p.m. on September 20 and 21, 2014 at Hartnell College in The Performing Arts Center, Choral Room K-125.

Performing are long time Monterey favorite actors and members of the Legacy Players including: Michael Robbins, Rita Carratello, Philip Pearce, Susan Keenan, Lynne Pearlman, Mary Clever da Silva, and Harvey Landa. Admission is free. Plays include:

- Wheeler Dealer
- Blah, Blah, Blah
- The Invader
- The Secret of My Success
- Elevator Head
The Legacy Players of The Western Stage is a group of twelve veteran senior actors from Monterey County with over five centuries of theater experience who offer unique performances that illuminate and enrich the lives of our community. For more information, call Community Engagement Manager, Laura Kershner at 831-759-6012.

8. Cross Country - Hartnell’s Leon wins State Preview meet in Fresno

Sophomore Diego Leon has waited patiently almost an entire year to prove he is one of the state's best community college cross country runners. Last November, at the California Community College State Championship, Leon was involved in a fall that kept him from placing as well as he would have liked. Saturday at the Fresno Invitational, which is held on the same course as the state championship, Leon crossed the line in first ahead of 200 runners in the second best time in Hartnell College school history. He trails only former state champion Daniel Tapia's 20:05 set in 2009. Leon stopped the clock at 20:30 two seconds ahead of runner-up Rodrigo Ornelas of College of the Canyons. Fellow Panther Justin Carrancho had a breakout race placing eighth overall in 20:59 for the 4 mile layout at Woodward Park. Last November, Carrancho was the seventh scoring Panther at the state championship at 22:08. He placed as the third best runner from Northern California. Jesus Vazquez (22:31), Conrado Preciado (22:35), Rene Siqueiros (22:36), Javier Garcia (22:37), and Luis Vargas (22:41) completed the scoring seven for Hartnell College.

As a team, the Panthers placed fifth overall and second for Northern California teams only behind defending State Champion American River College.

The Lady Panthers lead by experience and youth with sophomore Brandi Hobson placing tenth overall in 19:19. The mark was 12 seconds faster than she ran last November at the State championship and the sixth best in school history. She is just 17 seconds from breaking Victoria Alcala's school all-time best of 19:02 set in 2012. Hobson was the third overall Northern California female behind State runner-up Yesenia Silva of Sequoias and newcomer Jenica Dodge of American River. Brandi guided freshman Malena Grover, formerly of Salinas High School, to eighteenth place in 19:42. Grover’s time is the eleventh best in school.
history. Rachel Shimabukuro (20:20), Maritza Ruelas (20:24), Maria Rodriguez (20:52), Nancy Rodriguez (20:53), and Lizette Garcia (20:54) completed the scoring seven for the Lady Panthers. As a team, the women too placed fifth overall but were victorious over other Northern California teams.

For full individual and team results: 2014 Fresno Invitational

9. Football wins 55-9 vs. Yuba College in opener

The 2014 football season is underway and by the looks on the scoreboard, the Hartnell Panthers are picking up where they left off in 2013. Yuba College from Marysville was in town Saturday, September 6 and they were under pressure from the start. The Panthers Brandon Neverdon blocked a Yuba punt that resulted in the first score of the night as Eppy Henrigues scooped it up and ran uncontested into the end zone. The Hartnell offense settled in and scored two more times to make it a 21-0 lead at the end of the first quarter. Michael Turner had a solid start at quarterback, connecting three times for touchdown passes, two of which were received by his brother, Ronnie Turner. The Panther defense was led by freshman Reggie McGee who made several key tackles. Additional praise goes to Jordan Katoa, Jose Martinez and Devante Conyers, all freshmen that led the defensive unit with solid performances. In the trenches, sophomore Chuntony Johnson held it down as usual and by halftime, Hartnell had a commanding lead. Defensive Back Nias Martin collected his first interception on the year stymieing yet another offensive attempt by Yuba College. During the second half, Hartnell kept the ball on the ground, chewing up the clock. This half allowed the coaches to evaluate additional players by platooning throughout. The final score was 53-9 which, combined with the six wins at the end of 2013, totals seven straight wins for the Panthers! Week two will be a test, as the Panthers travel overnight to the College of the Redwoods (Eureka, Ca.) for the first road game challenge!

10. Women’s Soccer – a great start!

The Hartnell women's soccer team is off to a great start. The Lady Panthers faced Lake Tahoe CC at Hartnell and the game ended in a scoreless tie with Anissa Stanton recording her first shutout of the season. On September 10, the women defeated College of the Sequoias 6-0.
11. Women’s Volleyball – a great start!

The volleyball team is off to a great start. The Lady Panthers took first place in our first Panther Classic Tournament! This is how they are doing:
Hartnell defeated Marin: 25-18, 25-16, 21-25, 25-18
Hartnell defeated Merced: 25-19, 25-17, 25-23
Go Panthers!

12. Poetry competition and cash prizes!

It’s that time again to submit your poems to win cash prizes and be published in the Homestead Review. You may submit up to 3 poems at homesteadreview@hartnell.edu. Include your name address and phone number. Submission deadline: September 20, 2014. Winning poets are required to read at the Poetic Voices 2014 Festival on September 30, 2014 at 12:00 noon – Steinbeck Hall. The featured poet is Eleni Sikelianos.

13. Upcoming Events

- **New Employee Reception**
  Monday, September 15, 2014 at 3:30 p.m.
  Steinbeck Hall – enjoy strawberry shortcake and ice cream!

- **Fall 2014 Governing Boards Summit**
  Tuesday, September 16, 2014 at 5:00 p.m.
  Collaboration and partnerships for improving student achievement and success.

- **The Arsonist**
  At the Western Stage – September 13 – October 4, 2014
  www.westernstage.com

- **Second Annual Veterans Appreciation Job Fair**
  Thursday, October 9, 2014
  Steinbeck Hall – 10 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

- **29th Annual Transfer Day / College Night**
  Thursday, November 13, 2014

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**Hartnell College**

29th Annual Transfer Day • College Night
9am-12pm
6pm-8pm

Thursday, November 13th, 2014

Student Center
411 Central Avenue, Salinas, CA 93901

For more information contact the Transfer and Career Center at (831) 755-8007 or visit www.hartnell.edu.
• **The Western Stage Gala – A Christmas Story**
  Saturday, November 22, 2014
  For tickets call 831-755-6810

14. **IN THE NEWS THIS WEEK**

- Hartnell remembers the victims of 9-11 (Spanish audio)
- Hartnell student will take over the seat
- Salinas Valley Hall of Fame – Hartnell 1952 Jr. Rose Bowl Football team honored
- Road trip from Hartnell
- Photographs: Far and Near at Hartnell Gallery
- Hartnell offers courses for an unthinkable ag threat
Diego Leon takes first

College athlete of the week – Diego Leon
http://prepnation.blogspot.com/search?updated-max=2014-09-09T08%3A27%3A00-07%3A00&max-results=2&start=2&by-date=false

Local sports’ highlights

Hartnell football rolls to victory
http://www.thecalifornian.com/story/sports/2014/09/08/hartnell-rolls-victory/15295835/

Turner brothers lift Hartnell football to win

Local news – Hartnell thrashes Yuba College

Hits and misses – accreditation and president’s contract renewed