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. Lunch with EOPS/CalWORKS/CARE students is energizing

Last Thursday, October 30, 2014, I had lunch with students in the EOPS/CalWORKs/CARE program along with Director of Student Categorical Programs, Paul Casey and EOPS Program Coordinator, Antonia Jaime. The group was composed of students who have a passion for learning and wish to succeed academically here at Hartnell to then transfer to a four-year university and complete a bachelor’s degree. Some of them have their goals set on a master’s degree or a doctorate.

I was impressed with their ability to overcome obstacles. A lot of the students are parents and they use that as a vehicle of motivation to be the best students they can be. Getting good grades is not enough for them; they are involved in campus clubs and do work out in the community. As I listened to each of their introductions, there was one common theme: the desire to help others.

I shared my story with them. I am a product of the California education system and first in my family to go to college. One of the students said, “I am inspired already, but listening to all, I am even more inspired and I am glad I came.”

A lot of questions followed about student loans, the need for more motivational speakers, challenges in our community, and so much more. One of the students let me wear her SF Giants scarf for the photo.
The induction ceremony for the Second Annual Athletics Hall of Fame is Saturday, November 15, 2014. We will honor 12 individuals and one team this year and celebrate their accomplishments and contributions to Hartnell College athletics. The day will include a campus tour, a reception, lunch ceremony, and a football game at Rabobank Stadium. This year, the panthers are playing against the West Hills Falcons. Each ticket is $60 and it includes the game. For details on the day’s events and to purchase tickets, go to https://give.hartnell.edu/halloffame.

We got the good news that The Marketing Department (TMD) received the Silver Prize from the Summit International Award for the design production of our Report to the Community 2012-2013. This year, the Report to the Community was highlighted as being among the best in graphic design for pieces produced for educational institutions. “Working with Hartnell College is something I am very proud of, not just because of the excellent people with whom I get to work with there, but also because of the amazing positive impact they have on our community,” said Sam Spadoni, project manager at TMD. The SIA Award honors work that “changes, influences, or reinforces a target audience’s knowledge, attitudes, and beliefs. TMD scored the very best among 890 entries in this category. The SIA Awards was launched in 2002 to showcase the importance of marketing communication effectiveness.
In photo, Nick Pasculli, principal at TMD, and Esmeralda Montenegro Owen, director of communications for Hartnell College. The report can be viewed at http://old-www.hartnell.edu/2012-2013reporttothecommunity/.

4. Students in King City learn about the Holocaust from a survivor

Holocaust survivor, Gitta Ryle (third from right) visited the King City Education Center and met with Dr. Barbara Lutz’s psychology class. It was an intimate session where our students got to interview Mrs. Ryle about this horrific time in history. Gitta Ryle spoke of losing her father as a young child, being transported to France, ending up having a family in the United States, and all the issues she faced accepting love and mothering her own children. The students made a real connection with her and learned a lot about healing childhood trauma. Gitta is a Santa Cruz resident and enjoys visiting schools to talk about this sensitive topic.

5. Welcome new baby Antonia!

A new baby has arrived! Engineering and Mathematics Instructor, Dr. Melissa Hornstein is the proud mother of baby Antonia Hornstein McCallum. She was born on October 25, 2014 at 7 lb. 14 oz. and measured 18.5”. Melissa and husband Andrew McCallum are proud parents of this new addition to the family. We certainly wish them all the best with this new adventure. Congratulations!

6. Hartnell students attend registered nurse program conference

Three students in the registered nurse program attended the California Nursing Students’ Association (CNSA) State Conference held October 17-19, 2014 in Pomona, CA. The theme of the conference was, “To infinity and beyond: Limitless Opportunities in Nursing”. Christine Durden, Raelyn Ferry, and Jamie Gugliamo were able to network with other nursing students from the state and attended many of the concurrent sessions. Some of the topics of the concurrent sessions included: Careers in flight and military nursing, advanced practice roles, opportunities for men in nursing, how to land your first RN job, and transition for practice programs.
The students returned to Hartnell College feeling inspired and excited about the possibilities that lay ahead of them in nursing. They are planning to attend the National Student Nurse Conference that will be held in Phoenix, Arizona in April of 2015 where they can network with other nursing students from across the country. CNSA leads by example, creating a statewide community of politically conscious, technologically savvy and socially aware nursing students. CNSA, a constituent of the National Student Nurses’ Association, is comprised of more than 5,500 members who are committed to seeking optimal educational, developmental and professional growth in today’s various health care settings.

7. You are invited to a free screening about healthcare

On November 17, Hartnell College Nursing and Allied Health is hosting a viewing of *Escape Fire*, a documentary about healthcare in the U.S. at the Performing Arts Center in Building K starting at 7:45 a.m. The film will spark a lively discussion among students and faculty. This is integrated into our syllabi so all of our RN, VN, RCP, and EMT students will be in attendance. Students and staff are invited to attend. Please RSVP Belinda at bsaechao@hartnell.edu by November 10th and we will send parking passes and our companion education materials and learning objectives to you. Two RN/RRT CEUs will be awarded for attendance. The film will be interrupted a few times for panel discussions and audience polling. Light refreshments will be served during the breaks. We will have two open events in the spring. If you would like to participate in their planning or have a special scheduling request, please let Belinda or Debra Kaczmar know.

8. Hartnell students at APS in Reno

On October 24-25, 2014, the Hartnell College Research Scholars in Physics, accompanied by Physics Instructor Dr. Sewan Fan, presented at the Annual Meeting of the Far West Section of the American Physical Society. Adriaan Knox and Rommel Niduaza presented their research on cosmic ray detection with photomultipliers and the implementation of a wireless system to monitor the equipment. Daniel Ruiz Castruita presented research on the effect of temperature on the detection equipment. The presentations generated interest from the audience in the form of many questions about the research and its implications. Detection of cosmic rays has important applications in the protection of equipment used outside the earth's atmosphere. The students were both pleased and surprised to find that Hartnell College is unique in having this level of cosmic ray research being done by undergraduate students at a community college.
9. STEM experience excites Elementary students

On October 28, all 5th grade classes from Sherwood Elementary School trekked two miles on foot to Hartnell to take part in the semester’s first “STEM Experience,” a collaboration involving the Hartnell’s Planetarium, MESA Program and the Physics Club. This special outreach offering is an effort to encourage students’ interest in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics before going on to middle school. MESA students facilitated building activities, challenging the 5th graders to work together to solve problems and explore basic engineering concepts. The over 100 students participated in demonstrations by Hartnell’s Physics Club. They spent 90 minutes inside the planetarium exploring concepts in modeling, solar system science and human biology.

“Our students received more science in this one day than we have time to provide in 6 months! They could not stop talking about what they saw. The walk back to school was made shorter by the fact that the students were comparing notes on what they liked the best,” expressed Sherwood teacher Cindy Linser.

Andy Kreyche from the Planetarium coordinated the event. Thanks go out to Tito Polo, Bronwyn Moreno and Deb Pyle for facilitating participation by the Physics Club and MESA, and to the many Hartnell students who served as guides and role models that day. The MESA volunteers: Vincent Aguilar, Jorge Carranza, Leonel Zagal, Alejandro Gomez, America Zamora, Marisol Sanchez, Gabriel Dominguez, Yasmine Carrillo, Paul Muniz, Jose Ramirez, Rafael Ramirez, Michael Cervantez, Buddy Mcphearson, Robert Chavez and Nancy Karen Perez. Participants from the Physics Club were: Jay Yonemitsu, Jessica Landa, Jared Wolfe, Niels Schneider, Eddie Margarito, Ashley Juarez, Lauren Polo, Zach Wedel and Tyler Hooks.

Photo Caption: Hartnell Physics Club member Jessica Landa demonstrates magnetism to Sherwood Elementary School 5th grade students.

10. Hartnell-Produced Planetarium Short Distributed Worldwide

Last week a short planetarium program produced at Hartnell hit the big time and is now being distributed to planetariums all over the world. "New Horizons for a Little Planet" is a six-minute animated movie produced during the 2012-2013 school year as collaboration between the Hartnell Planetarium and Hartnell’s New Media Center and its director, Olivia Davalos. Digital Arts Instructor Jerri Nemiro was the producer of the film featuring students Samantha Barnthouse, Branden Battaglini, Floyd Fernando, Maria Hernandez and Suzy Mitchell. Former Hartnell student Erica Lopez, graduate of the prestigious Digital Media program at Savannah College of Art and Design, wrote the original script and directed the project, giving members of the production team what amounted to an extended master class in animation production. Local musician John Sherry composed original music, recorded and mixed the sound, which features local talent.
"New Horizons for a Little Planet" was produced in “fulldome” format, a unique composition warped for projection onto planetarium domes. The subject of the movie is NASA’s New Horizons mission, a spacecraft launched in 2006. The spacecraft is due to encounter Pluto next summer and then go on to further explore the outer reaches of our solar system in a region called the Kuiper Belt. The idea for the movie came from Hartnell Planetarium’s Andy Kreyche, who received training as a New Horizons Educator Fellow to help inform the public about the mission. He has been showing it regularly to local planetarium visitors here in Salinas, but now the movie will have a far wider audience. An agreement was reached with an outside company to distribute it for free to any planetarium.

All are welcome to stop by the planetarium on Friday, November 7th, when “New Horizons for a Little Planet” will be shown for free on a drop in basis between 2:00 and 4:00 p.m.

Link to info on distributor's site:
http://www.av-imagineering.com/new-horizons/#more

11. Ag Institute Field Trip – Cal Poly College of Agriculture

Twenty-six Hartnell agriculture students attended the Cal Poly College of Agriculture Fall Preview Day on October 17 to learn more about the hands-on learning and career opportunities available in the College of Agriculture, Food & Environmental Sciences (CAFES).

Attendees spent the day hearing from students, faculty, and administrators about the school’s wide variety of degree programs, internships and career development opportunities, and student life activities. They also got tours of the campus led by Cal Poly’s Ag Ambassadors. The CAFES “Learn by Doing” education model was emphasized throughout.

A highlight for the Hartnell group was a special luncheon given for us by the Agribusiness Department. Faculty member Dr. Lynn Hamilton hosted the luncheon and spoke with students about the different areas of emphasis Agribusiness majors can choose and the versatility of the degree. Current Agribusiness students shared with the group about the valuable experience they gained through internships set up through college faculty. Two Hartnell alumni and current Cal Poly CAFES students spoke with the group about how glad they are to be at Cal Poly, aspects they appreciate, as well as challenges they have faced. It meant so much to the group to hear from their peers that transferring to Cal Poly is an attainable and worthwhile goal! The opportunity to visit the Cal Poly campus and meet with current students, particularly the Hartnell alumni, was an invaluable experience for the Hartnell ag students who their gratitude and asked that more trips like this be offered.
12. **iAgriculture Service-Learning Activity: Apple Gleaning**

Last month, the Agricultural Business & Technology Institute teamed up with *Ag Against Hunger* to help alleviate hunger in Monterey County by participating in a gleaning at Williams Apple Orchard in San Juan Bautista. The service-learning activity not only helped community members in need, it was also very beneficial for the six Hartnell agriculture student volunteers who participated.

In addition to being part of an important and rewarding volunteer effort, the students had the opportunity to gain new knowledge about agriculture practices, plus implement and put into practice concepts learned in their ag classes. For example, many had heard about common pest management and fertilization methods, but they had the chance to see first-hand the use of pheromone disruptors in an organic orchard and the importance of mulching the non-marketable apples back into the soil as fertilizer.

The Hartnell students helped to gather approximately 43,000 pounds of apples, which were distributed to food banks in the tri-county area.

Each year, *Ag Against Hunger* gathers and distributes nearly 13 million pounds of fresh produce to food banks and local schools, helping to feed 3 million people with fresh surplus produce (with 165,000 of those people living right here in the tri-county area of Monterey, Santa Cruz and San Benito Counties).

For more information about *Ag Against Hunger*, go to [http://agagainsthunger.org/](http://agagainsthunger.org/).

13. **Football team ‘let the dogs’ out against MPC**

Rivalry week was exactly that on Saturday night as host MPC took an early halftime lead over our Panthers by a score of 21-9.

Hartnell came out of the locker room and would not be denied. The Turner brothers turned up the noise on offense as quarterback Michael Turner connected with his wide receiver brother Ronnie Turner on a 4th & 2 fade route that resulted in a huge score and swing of momentum. The Panthers let the dogs loose and rallied off a 28-point fourth quarter eruption that lead to a 44-29 win at MPC field Saturday night. Ronnie Turner had 12 catches for 212 yards and 2 scores even though he...
played on a slight tear in his meniscus (knee), and during the game he suffered a separated shoulder. His resilience to continue was an inspiration to the rest of the Panther lineup. The Panthers also got a more focused running game in the second half as Sherrod Hawkes and Eppy Henrigues combined for 173 total yards rushing in the second half. Hawkes finished the night with 186 yards and 3 scores on 21 touches. He now leads the State in touchdowns. The offensive line played superb and they opened up run lanes that kept the Lobo defense on their heels for the entire second half. Defensive lineman Chuntony Johnson picked up a key sack for a safety early in the game. He finished with two on the game. Panthers' defender Robert Mosley was a beast in the second half. The Salinas High School product sacked MPC quarterback, Mosley's third of the game, to help Hartnell get the ball back. Mosley was a defensive back and a linebacker, but we recently moved him to defensive end and now he's a force for us. Defensive back Nias Martin had another solid game in coverage and he added two more interceptions keeping him in the race for the state lead in that category. This victory was the 1st time in 14 seasons that the Panthers have been able to win at Monterey - long overdue. Hartnell eliminated any hopes of a Monterey post season Bowl Berth and at the same time, elevated its own. It was an honor for me to accept the "President's Trophy" that travels back and forth between the colleges. It was a special treat to get a photo at the end of the game with a great group of young men.

14. Hartnell Takes Both Coast Conference XCountry Team Titles
The goal was perfection for the Hartnell College cross country program at Thursday's Coast Conference Championship on historic Crystal Springs cross country course in Belmont. The Panthers came within just five points of achieving what could be considered a perfect cross country meet as the men's team scored 20 points with the women recording a perfect score of 15 points to take the team title. The Panthers also had both women's and men's overall champions.

On the women's side, the duo of Malena Grover and Brandi Hobson lead the Lady Panthers to a perfect sweep of the first five finishing positions. In cross country, a low score of 15 points is the lowest attainable team score. Grover took the individual title by one second in 18:42 just ahead of teammate Hobson at 18:43. The pair ran side by side over the entire 2.95 mile course with the final outcome not decided until the final strides of the race. They were followed closely by Rachel Shimabukuro in third (18:53), Nancy Rodriguez (19:04), and Maritza Ruelas (19:29) to complete the sweep. The ladies were not done as three more earned all-conference honors with Cynthia Tovar in seventh (19:50), Maria Rodriguez (20:27) in ninth, and Lizette Garcia (20:57) in tenth. Dariani Salvador (22:20) picked up the last medal in fifteenth. This was the second consecutive conference title for the women with Grover adding a second consecutive overall title for the Lady Panthers.

Diego Leon is the top runner in the state by virtue of his early season win at the Fresno Invitational and recent victory at the Mt. SAC Invitational, but he has yet to win a Coast Conference title in either cross country or track. Last fall, he was third at the conference championship in cross country and was out-leaned in the spring for the 1500 meter title. On Friday, Diego paced teammate Justin Carrancho early, but made a move in the final mile to decisively pick up his first conference title in 21:21 over the 4.195 mile course. Carrancho followed in the runner-up spot at 21:45. The most exciting race was for third as former Watsonville HS product Rene Siqueiros battled with former CCS 800 meter champion David Aguilar of DeAnza College. Siqueiros held the lead until the final strides but was rewarded with a personal best 21:57 on the course. Only Aguilar and Juan Morales of Las Positas kept the Panther men from duplicating the women's sweep with Andrews Gutierrez (22:26) in sixth and Luis Vargas (22:27) in seventh. Frosh Diego Avila put together his best effort this season in ninth (22:33). Avila was last fall's CCS Division V champion on the same trails at Crystal Springs. Javier Garcia (22:47) and Jesus Vazquez (22:50) also picked up all-conference honors placing eleventh and twelfth. This was the fifth consecutive team title for the Panthers tying the longest streak in school history.

The Panthers will compete Saturday, November 8th at the Northern California Championship at Crystal Springs.
15. Lady Panthers win in Volleyball

Last week gave the lady panthers two more exciting wins in their conference play. The first win was against cross-town rival Monterey Peninsula College (25-14, 25-18, 25-14). Standouts for this match were Freshman setter Monique Mendoza (Alisal High School) with 21 setting assists, and 4 serving aces. Also leading the back court play was Crissy Almorade (Everett Alvarez High School) with 15 digs. The second win of the week was against San Jose City College (25-16, 25-7, 25-13). Leading for the team was Sophomore captain Alondra Haro (Alisal High School) with 10 kills. Another standout was freshmen Victoria Teraji (North Monterey County High School) with 6 kills. The team is currently ranked second in the Coast Conference North division with an overall record of 10-8 and conference record of 5-1.

16. Women’s soccer team continues to accelerate

Hartnell experienced another win against Evergreen Valley College with a 2-1 victory. The goals were scored by Karina Alvarez and Maritza Nava; assists by Saihra Zamudio and Angelique Salinas. Anissa Stanton had two key saves on goal. This improves the record to 10-4-3. Next game is on Tuesday against Cabrillo at home at 12:30 p.m.

17. Upcoming Events

Dia de los Muertos (Day of the Dead)
Monday, November 3, 2014
11:00 a.m. -1:00 p.m. at the Student Center

Honor thy children
By Al and Jane Nakatani
Thursday, November 6, 2014
9:30-10:45 a.m, Hartnell College, Building K - Room125 (Performing Arts)

Transfer Day * College Night
Thursday, November 13, 2014
9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon and 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.
**Escape Fire** (documentary about healthcare in the U.S.)
Monday, November 17, 2014
7:45 p.m. Building K (Performing Arts)
RSVP Belinda at bsaechao@hartnell.edu by November 10

**Harvey**
October 31 – November 23, 2014
www.westernstage.com or 755-6816

**The Western Stage Gala – A Christmas Story**
Saturday, November 22, 2014
For tickets call 831-755-6810

## 18. IN THE NEWS THIS WEEK

Day of the Dead lives on
http://www.thecalifornian.com/story/news/2014/10/31/day-dead-lives/18286317/

Photo gallery: Hartnell Student Center and Student Life

MOCO students enter cyberpatriot competition
http://www.montereyherald.com/education/ci_26811696/monterey-county-students-enter-cyberpatriot-competition

Hartnell Alumna Dr. Nicole Guidotti-Hernandez to direct new program

Guess who is in Chancellor’s Home page this week?
http://californiacommunitycolleges.cccco.edu/

Hartnell claims cross county crowns
http://www.thecalifornian.com/story/sports/2014/11/01/hartnell-claims-cross-country-crowns/18305555/

Hartnell hopes to avoid trap
http://www.thecalifornian.com/story/sports/2014/10/31/hartnell-hopes-avoid-trap/18229243/

Hartnell runs over MPC with 44-29 win

MPC football half time showcases 1,000 rubber chickens