



**HARTNELL COLLEGE**

## President's Weekly Report

Feb. 7, 2020

### Mission:

Focusing on the education and workforce development needs of communities in the Salinas Valley, Hartnell College strengthens communities by providing opportunities for students to reach career and/or academic goals (associate degrees, certificates of achievement, transfer to four-year institutions) in an environment committed to student learning, achievement and success.

## Teacher Pathway Program welcomes 47 in Cohort 4

It was my honor on Jan. 31 to join Hartnell's Teacher Pathway Program (TPP) in welcoming 47 students who form Cohort 4 in the teacher education partnership with California State University, Monterey Bay that began in 2016.

I congratulated the students, who will begin their studies at Hartnell and complete their bachelor's degree at CSUMB before entering the workforce in a county that is desperately in need of additional teacher candidates. I also thanked their parents and friends who have helped them make what I believe will prove to be the best choice in their lives.

Joining me in the program were Jihan Ejan, TPP director; Mostafa Ghous, dean of academic affairs for South County Education Services; Dr. Jose Luis Alvarado, dean of the College of Education at CSUMB; Dr. Deanne Perez-Granados, chair of Liberal Studies at CSUMB; and Jesus Clemente, TPP coordinator.

The evening's keynote speaker was Hartnell alum Zandra Jo Galvan, superintendent of the Greenfield Union School District. Betsy Buchalter Adler, a trustee of the Claire Giannini Fund, a major TPP funder, gave closing remarks and helped present certificates to the students.

(Pictured: TPP student Hope Frei is congratulated by Betsy Buchalter Adler and joined by Dr. Hsieh and Dr. Alvarado.)



## Measure T forum at Hartnell on Feb. 20 to focus on Salinas

Hartnell is inviting Salinas-area elected officials, education leaders, employers and the general public to our fifth open forum on Feb. 20, seeking input on the best use of our new centers in Soledad and Castroville and our expanded center in King City (construction is pictured).

The Measure T Forum at 5 p.m. in Steinbeck Hall on our Main Campus will also serve as a kick-off event for Hartnell's Centennial Celebration throughout 2020. Previous forums



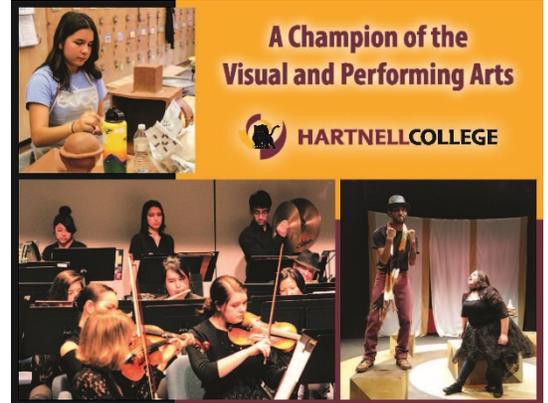
have been held in King City, Gonzales, Castroville and Greenfield.

A draft report on the community forums has been shared with the Salinas Valley Five Cities Board and is available [here](#) on the Hartnell website.

## Hartnell supports arts education at Champions of the Arts Gala

As a sponsor of the Arts Council for Monterey County's annual Champion of the Arts Gala, Hartnell was well represented at the Feb. 1 awards program, held at the Portola Plaza Hotel in Monterey.

Hartnell Board of Trustees Vice President Pat Donohue attended, as did Scott Faust, director of communications and marketing, and Dr. Cathryn Wilkinson, vice president of academic affairs, who is also a member of the Arts Council Board of Directors. Our sponsorship included in ad in the event program (pictured) that proclaimed Hartnell as its own Champion of the Arts.



Among this year's six honorees was Jacqui Hope, who received the Educator award for her work as Jacqui Hope, visual and performing arts coordinator for the Monterey Peninsula Unified School District.

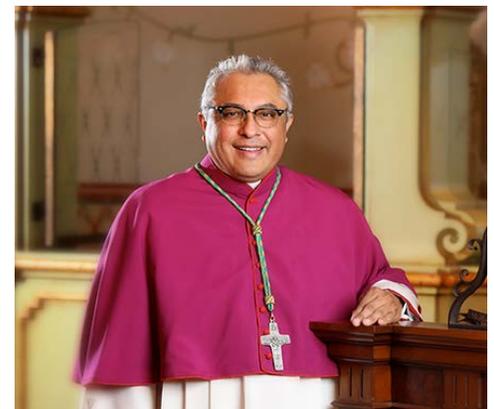
The Arts Council every year provides visual and performing arts education to 25,000 students through 35 partner schools throughout the county.

## Dr. Hsieh and trustees meet with Bishop Garcia of Monterey Diocese

On Feb. 4, I was joined by Board of Trustees President Aurelio Salazar Jr. and Trustee Erica Padilla-Chavez in a meeting with Bishop Richard Garcia of the Monterey Diocese, which includes the Hartnell Community College District.

We met with Garcia, who was installed as the bishop last January, to get acquainted and establish a connection with the diocese and its work on behalf of people in our area.

Padilla-Chavez said she the Catholic Church can play an important role in communicating about college programs and services, particularly in such communities as Soledad and Castroville, where Hartnell will soon open new education centers.



"It reminded me that of who we are," she said in her report at the close of the Feb. 4 Board of Trustees meeting. "At the end of the day regardless of what student comes to us, we are the

seed that's planting that sense of hope. ... Our data have demonstrated that we actually are doing a good job of getting students to where they need to be."

## Nursing programs once again ranked in Top 10 statewide

For the third time in the last year, a statewide ranking of nursing education programs has ranked Hartnell in the top 10 – eighth to be exact.

The online ranking and information service [registerednursing.org](http://registerednursing.org) gave Hartnell's Associate Degree of Nursing program ahead of both four-year and other two-year programs and awarded a score of 97.94 based on students' current and past performance on the NCLEX-RN licensure exam.



"Hartnell's associate degree in nursing and LVN to RN programs prepare students to care for a variety of patient populations," said [registerednursing.org](http://registerednursing.org). "With diploma in hand, Hartnell students emerge ready to demonstrate client advocacy in the health care setting."

Similarly, the website [RNCareers.org](http://RNCareers.org) last May ranked Hartnell ninth in California for associate degree registered nursing programs and among the best nursing schools in the nation with a grade of 97.06%. Another nursing career website, [nursingprocess.org](http://nursingprocess.org), in April issued its own ranking, placing Hartnell fifth in the state.

## Engeldinger joins campus as interim VP for human resources

Lyle Engeldinger joined Hartnell on Feb. 5 as interim vice president for human resources and equal opportunity. He comes to us from Barstow College, where he has served as vice president for human resources and equal opportunity officer since 2017.

Preceding a sabbatical to study adult learning theory as a doctoral candidate at Walden University in Minneapolis, Minn., Engeldinger was dean of human resources and diversity and acting vice president of human resources at Pasadena City College from 2008 to 2011, and for 10 years before that he was dean of human resources, diversity and training at Ohlone College. In addition to faculty roles in business at Pasadena City and Ohlone, he had a lengthy career as corporate vice president and general manager with the American Automobile Association.



Engeldinger holds a Master's of Business Administration and a BS in Business Administration from the University of Phoenix and a computer studies certificate from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

The search process for a new permanent vice president of human resources at Hartnell continues on schedule, with an appointment anticipated in late spring.

## **Dr. Yahdi attends Jumpstart workshop sponsored by NSF-HIS Resource Hub**

Math faculty member Dr. Mohammed Yahdi participated in the 2020 Jumpstart workshop sponsored by the National Science Foundation-Hispanic Serving Institutions (NSF-HSI) National Resource Hub for STEM Education on Jan. 24-25 at Clovis Community College.



The focus of these workshops included grantsmanship to increase NSF grant support for HSIs, fostering institutional capacity required to support STEM education and research, sharing best practices to improve student outcomes in STEM, and establishing a network among participants for sustained communication and professional development that build and strengthen collaborations among HSIs in the region.

The NSF National Resource Hub for STEM Education at Hispanic Serving Institutions, where Dr. Yahdi is a member, provides HSIs with resources for building institutional capacity that will increase STEM student retention and degree completion.

## **Students gain certification in Mental Health First Aid**



The Mental Health First Aid team kicked off the spring semester with certification training for 11 students on Jan. 31.

This interactive training, similar to CPR training but for mental health, allows participants to obtain a three-year certification that can be used for professional development credit. It covers various mental health disorders, signs and symptoms and introduces participants to the ALGEE

action plan (Assess, Listen, Give information, Encourage professional help and Encourage self-help strategies).

"Most importantly it provides education and knowledge which can save a life and help decrease stigma associated with mental health, as well as a list of community references and referrals," said training certified facilitator Gemma Uribe-Cruz, who is also a counselor-instructor in the Hartnell Veterans Program.

She said more training opportunities will be offered this spring, with information on dates, times and how to RSVP coming soon.

## Swimmers claim victories in first meet for revived program

The Panthers made their competitive return to the pool on Jan. 31 as Hartnell Swimming headed to Cabrillo for the college's first meet since 2003.

A combined men's and women's team of 20 traveled to Aptos, where Emily Pacheco and Jeremiah Disimone became the team's first event winners. Pacheco came from behind on the final lap of the 200 freestyle, and Disimone dominated the 200 individual medley, arguably the hardest event of the meet. Robert Ehlers won the 500 freestyle, and Pacheco went on to win the 100 backstroke as well. Also impressive were the personal records set by Guadalupe Solis in two events and Thomas Villalobos in one.



Head Swim and Dive Coach Joel McKown said he is very happy with the team's progress and credits his fellow coaches, Hartnell Hall of Fame member Tom Campbell and Bob Enea, who began his coaching career in 1968 at the Salinas YMCA. "These assistant coaches have provided our student athletes with a wealth of knowledge, feedback and support," McKown said.

The Panthers head to the City College of San Francisco Invitational on Feb. 7-8, and the following weekend the Hartnell Dive Team will join up with the swimmers to make their debut at the Coast Conference Kick-Off. McKown said he expects diver Doug Lynch to be a standout off the diving board this year.

## February brings full schedule for Black History Month

The Associated Students of Hartnell College (ASHC) and Office of Student Life are once again presenting a series of events during February in recognition of Black History Month, and all are invited.

| Theme: African Americans and The Vote  |  |   |
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| <b>Pictorial display of Prominent African Americans</b><br>Poster Art Project<br>Student Center<br>February 1-28 | <b>West African Drumming</b><br>Tuesday, February 11<br>12:00 pm<br>Student Center | <b>Movie Showcase</b><br>Wednesday, February 12<br>2:00 pm<br>Student Center, C-101                         |
| <b>Movie Showcase</b><br>Wednesday, February 19<br>2:00pm<br>K Building, K-125                                   | <b>Movie Showcase</b><br>Tuesday, February 25<br>2:00pm<br>Student Center, C-101   | <b>Keynote Speaker</b><br><b>Melvin T. Mason</b><br>Wednesday, February 26<br>1:00 pm<br>Planetarium, 5-101 |

With a theme of "African Americans and the Vote," the program includes a poster art project throughout the Student Center on Main Campus, three Movie Showcase film screenings, a West African drumming performance and a keynote speech by community leader Melvin T. Mason.

The specific events, dates and locations:

Pictorial display of prominent African Americans: Through Feb. 28, Student Center (Building C).

- West African Drumming, 12 p.m. Feb. 11, Student Center
- Film "Black History: A Retrospective," 2 p.m. Feb. 12, C-101
- Film "Harriet," 1 p.m. Feb. 19, K-125
- Film "I Am Not Your Negro," 2 p.m. Feb. 25, C-101
- Keynote speech by Melvin T. Mason, 1 p.m. Feb. 16, Hartnell Planetarium, S-101

## Deadline extended to order Walk of Honor paving stones

Individuals who wish to honor former Hartnell College students, employees and board members with an engraved paving stone in our Walk of Honor have until an extended deadline of Feb. 18 to order a stone for placement before a ceremony to be held this spring.

As a place for remembrance and reflection, the Walk of Honor on the south side of the Library/Learning Resource Center (Building A) recognizes individuals who have passed through Hartnell, making a significant contributions in the evolution of the college and in the lives of others, and those who have left us too soon.

For \$70, which covers costs and is not a fundraiser; individuals can purchase eight-by-eight-inch paving stones to honor former employees, students and Governing Board members. Email page 4 Senior Executive Assistant Lucy Serrano at [lserrano@hartnell.edu](mailto:lserrano@hartnell.edu) to request an order form. The stones can include six lines of text with 23 characters per line.



## Proposition 13 seeks billions for school and college building

California Proposition 13, also called the School and College Facilities Bond, will be on the statewide ballot in the March 3, election, offering voters the opportunity to authorize \$15 billion in general obligation bonds for school and college facilities, including \$2 billion for community colleges.

This same type of ballot measure previously enabled Hartnell to obtain support from district voters in 2016 for the \$167 million in Measure T bond, which is currently funding expansion of the



King City Education Center, new centers in Soledad and Castroville, and a new Center for Nursing & Health Sciences on the Main Campus in Salinas, as well as modernization of the Main Quad and classrooms in buildings D and E.

Supporters of [Proposition 13](#) are going out of their way to distinguish it from an earlier Proposition 13, which was enacted in 1978 and amended the state Constitution regarding property tax rates.

## Harlem Globetrotters to perform in Hartnell Gymnasium on Feb. 12

The world-famous Harlem Globetrotters will bring their “Pushing the Limits” 2020 World Tour to the Main Campus of Hartnell College on Feb. 12.

Tickets are available for [purchase online](#) at ticketweb.com for the 7 p.m. show in the Hartnell Gymnasium (Building H), with doors opening at 6 p.m.

In their 94<sup>th</sup> year, the Globetrotters promise their fans bigger moments and memories than ever, including attempting a new world record live at each game and introduction of “The Fifth Quarter,” a free interactive post-game autograph session where fans will have the opportunity to meet the Globetrotters stars up close and personal.



As part of the tour, the Globetrotters will celebrate the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the four-point shot, a shot 30 feet from the basket, which they introduced to the sport in 2010.

## Panther Learning Lab for STEM relocates for rest of semester

The Panther Learning Lab for STEM students has been temporarily relocated from Building E to the second floor of the Willard Lewallen STEM Center through the end of the Spring 2020 semester.

The following are hours for the STEM Lab, which focuses on math and science courses, and hours for other labs operated by Panther Academic Support Services. If you have any questions or need any additional information please email [pll@hartnell.edu](mailto:pll@hartnell.edu).

### **Panther Learning Lab – STEM**

Second floor, Lewallen STEM Center (S)  
Monday-Thursday, 8 a.m.-7 p.m.  
Friday, 8 a.m.-2 p.m.

### **Panther Learning Lab – Writing**

Library & Learning Resource Center, room 214 (A)  
Monday-Thursday, 8 a.m.-7 p.m.

Friday, 8 a.m.-2 p.m.

### **Panther Learning Lab – Alisal Campus**

Monday-Thursday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m..

Friday, 8 a.m.-4 p.m.

### **Panther Learning Lab – King City Education Center**

Monday-Thursday, 11:30 a.m.-6 p.m.

## **Lineman DeFranco will continue football career at Florida Tech**

Hartnell offensive lineman Santos DeFranco will transfer next fall to the Florida Institute of Technology in Melbourne to study and play football. The private university, also known as Florida Tech, coincidentally also has the Panther as its mascot.

A former standout at Palma High School, DeFranco also received offers from Illinois State and Eastern Illinois, both NCAA Division I schools, to join Florida Tech's DII program. He began his studies at Briar Cliff University in Sioux City, Iowa, before switching to Hartnell last fall.



## **DePauw recognizes campus support for Farm Day program**

Governing Board member Candi DePauw used her remarks at the close of the Feb. 4 meeting to once again recognize and thank the dozens of Hartnell employees who volunteer at Farm Day events presented Monterey County Agriculture Education, for which she serves as Farm Day coordinator.

Among those who volunteered for the South County Farm Day on Jan. 30 at the Salinas Valley Fairgrounds in King City were board President Aurelio Salazar Jr. and Laurence London, director of academic affairs, ag innovation and technology (pictured).

Farm Day every year provides third-graders, parents and chaperones a firsthand look at agriculture and the ag industry in Monterey County.

"I really appreciate your help and your interest in participating," DePauw said. "Thank you very much!"



## Upcoming Events

**Note:** All event locations are on the Main Campus in Salinas unless otherwise noted.

### **STEM Internship Programs – Enroll Now!**

<https://www.hartnell.edu/academics-affairs/academics/stem/intern/>

### **Pictorial Display of Prominent African Americans – Poster Art Project**

Feb. 1-28

Student Center

### **Baseball vs. American River**

11 a.m.

Saturday, Feb. 8

Tony Teresa Diamond

### **Softball vs. Chabot**

11 a.m. and 1 p.m.

Saturday, Feb. 8

Hartnell Softball Field

### **2020 Hartnell Distinguished Alumni Award Nomination Deadline**

Monday, Feb. 10

Email [Lucy Serrano](mailto:Lucy.Serrano@hartnell.edu)

### **West African Drumming**

12 p.m.

Tuesday, Feb. 11

Student Center

### **“Black History: A Retrospective” – Movie Showcase**

2:00 p.m.

Wednesday, Feb. 12

Student Center, Building C, room 101

### **[Harlem Globetrotters](#)**

7 p.m.

Wednesday, Feb. 12

Hartnell Gymnasium

### **“Harriet” – Movie Showcase**

2:00 p.m.

Wednesday, Feb. 19

Building K, room 125

**National CTE Letter of Intent Signing Day**  
Thursday, Feb. 20

**"I Am Not Your Negro" – Movie Showcase**  
2 p.m.  
Tuesday, Feb. 25  
Student Center, C-101

**Black History Month Keynote Speaker: Melvin T. Mason**  
1 p.m.  
Wednesday, Feb. 26  
Planetarium, S-101

**Women's Empowerment Conference**  
8:30 a.m.-3 p.m.  
Saturday, March 14  
Building C, Steinbeck Hall