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Endowed fellowship for nurse faculty
Named in honor of Dean Kaczmar

An event on Sept. 27 to recognize and thank Hartnell nursing instructor Mary Cousineau and her husband, Pierre Cousineau, for their endowment of a fellowship to develop future nursing faculty for the college included a surprise twist – the naming of the fellowship in honor of Dr. Debra Kaczmar, dean of Nursing & Health Sciences. (Pictured: Mary Cousineau, left, with Dr. Kaczmar.)

The Cousineaus’ gift, plus matching support from the Hartnell College Foundation, will help former Hartnell nursing students become nursing instructors at the college, with the goal of attracting and retaining qualified faculty for the Hartnell College Nursing Program, ideally individuals from the Salinas Valley.

The fellowship will provide $10,000 per year to two students seeking a Master’s of Science in Nursing (MSN) with a specialization in teaching, starting with a single student the first year. To be eligible, students must be graduates of Hartnell’s Associate Degree in Nursing Program. They also must commit to teaching for at least two years in the program upon completion of their MSN – one year for each year of the two-year fellowship.
During a brief ceremony outside the new Center for Nursing & Health Sciences, now in its final stages of construction on the Main Campus, Mary Cousineau highlighted the purpose of the endowment and her own collaboration with Dr. Kaczmar over the past 17 years. Participants then took a tour of the new building, scheduled to open in January.

Cousineau, who joined the Hartnell nursing faculty in 2005 and continues to teach on a part-time basis, noted the nationwide challenge of hiring nursing instructors because of the profession's high pay and the rewards of nursing practice.

She also praised Dr. Kazcmar as a “fearless leader,” adding, “She’s willing to tackle problems head-on and go against the status quo within the nursing department, the college, the community and event at a state level.”

Dr. Kazcmar in turn thanked the Cousineaus: “I am so happy because you are paying it forward in ways that we really wanted to and in ways that only you can.”

Dr. Raúl Rodríguez, interim superintendent/president, also spoke, and Hartnell Governing Board Trustee Margaret D’Arrigo was among those in attendance, along with two alums of the Hartnell Nursing Program who expressed their admiration for Cousineau and Dr. Kaczmar. (Pictured, center left, Dr. Kaczmar, 2017 nursing graduate Yoli Cervantes, 2013 nursing graduate Michael Gibson and Dr. Ted Kacmar on a tour of the nursing building.)

‘Wizard of Oz’ presents challenge of offering fresh take on beloved tale

Actors and the director for the current Western Stage production of “The Wizard of Oz” say they’re navigating the line between staying true to the beloved 1939 film and bringing their own interpretation to the musical’s characters and staging.

For example, when veteran actor Pat Horsley developed her part as Auntie Em she borrowed from her experiences visiting Midwestern farm families as a child. (Pictured: Almira Gulch (Anjoli Johnson, also Wicked Witch of the West), is challenged by Auntie Em Gale (Pat Horsley) and Uncle Henry Gale (William Wolak) as Dorothy Gale (Amanda Cardoso) looks on.)
“My aunts were farm women,” Horsley said. “So Auntie Em is real to me, in being on that farm, doing what Auntie Em is doing – trying to save the chicks, trying to make everything work, and supporting her husband so much. I saw that; I saw it with my farm family.”

Guiding the performers is director Ellen Brooks, who has extensive directing and acting experience, including 21 years performing classical Japanese comedy and drama in San Francisco. “It was a challenge to get beyond the iconic version,” she said. “But at the same time it allows you more creativity.”

The Western Stage company will conclude its three-weekend run of “The Wizard” on Oct. 8-10 in the Mainstage Theater in the Center for Performing Arts (Building K) on the Main Campus. Good seats remain. Details are available at westernstage.com.

**Mi CASA and UFW Foundation to hold free immigration legal clinic in Soledad**

The Office of Equity Programs continues to spread the word about free immigration legal services provided by Mi CASA (Center for Achievement and Student Advancement) in partnership with the UFW Foundation, including in south Monterey County.

From 4-8 p.m. on Oct. 21, Hartnell and the UFW Foundation will co-present a free Immigration Consultation Clinic at the Soledad Education Center, 1505 Metz Road. This event will be open to all Hartnell students, their families and the entire community.

Access to the in-person services available on Oct. 21 requires an appointment, which can be scheduled by emailing micasa@hartnell.edu or calling (831) 755-6723. For free virtual immigration consultations outside of this time frame, students, staff and faculty, and their families may visit the scheduling portal: [https://ufwflegalservicescollege.as.me/schedule.php](https://ufwflegalservicescollege.as.me/schedule.php)

These services are an outgrowth of the State of California’s $20 million investment for the Department of Social Services (CDSS) to administer and implement immigration legal services at California community colleges. CDSS is joining with the California Community Colleges Chancellor’s Office and the Foundation for California Community Colleges to ensure students, staff and faculty at these colleges are able to access free immigration legal services.
Transfer & Career Center announces Virtual opportunities for students

Even as students continue their return to campus, the Hartnell Transfer & Career Center is collaborating with nearby community colleges and partners in the University of California and California State University systems to help make sure students are ready to graduate and transfer this coming spring.

Among those efforts are three Virtual California College Fairs for students across the state, being presented via Zoom. An event featuring schools in Northern California is set for 12-2:30 p.m. on Oct. 12, one for Southern California campuses will be presented from 12-2:30 p.m. on Oct. 14, and one with participation from across the entire state will be held from 5-7 p.m. on Oct. 13. More than 50 university representatives are taking part. Students can register here at no charge.

In addition, Hartnell counselors and other trained staff are offering virtual Transfer Tuesday workshops every Tuesday in October and November to help students review and submit their Transfer Admission Applications to the CSU and UC, as well as private universities and those out of state. A morning session will be held from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and an afternoon session is from 3-6 p.m. No prior registration is required, and students can join here.

In addition, Hartnell is joining with Cabrillo and Monterey Peninsula colleges to hold a series of transfer information sessions from Oct. 25-28 at 5:30-6:30 p.m. These are virtual sessions to help students and their families learn about the transfer process, financial aid and the importance of building a support network at the university. Students can learn more and register here.

Cross Country sweeps home meet as fall sports maintain winning form

The Hartnell Men’s and Women’s Cross Country teams both won their annual combined home meet, the Toro Park Invitational, on Oct. 1 at Toro County Park south of Salinas. Freshman Sofia Camacho (pictured) led the women’s team to first place with a winning time of 19:01.5 over three miles. Panther runner Valeria Lozano-Gomez placed third (19:04.7) and Andrea Villegas was fourth (19:09.4). Despite an unfortunate fall, Isaac Gensel placed third over four miles with a time of 20:31.0, followed by Eli Ainsworth (20:34.7) and Frankie Maciel (20:36.9). The men won with an average time of 20:42, 84 seconds ahead of Chabot.
Football: The Panthers hit the road on Oct. 3 for the second time this season and came away with a 27-25 victory over De Anza. A 62-yard touchdown pass in the fourth quarter from Hartnell quarterback JP Garcia (pictured) to wide receiver Josiah Freeman was the clincher. The Panther defense held on for the win. Garcia completed 21 of 37 passes for 323 yards and added a rushing touchdown. Freeman caught catching four passes for 109 yards and two touchdowns. Hartnell (2-2) hosts Feather River (3-0) at 1 p.m. on Oct. 9 at Rabobank Stadium.

Volleyball: Hartnell (7-7) won its first conference match at home on Oct. 1, defeating San Jose 3-0 (25-13, 25-10, 25-21). Freshman setter Savannah Bulosan from Kalihi, Hawaii, was especially effective, scoring on all three of her spikes during an attack that was spread throughout the roster. Their next home match is at 6:30 p.m. on Oct. 13 versus San Mateo in the Hartnell Gymnasium.

Men’s Soccer: In polls for Sept. 28, the Panthers (8-1) were ranked No. 3 in the nation for the United Soccer Coaches’ Junior Colleges Division III and No. 1 among all teams in the California Community Colleges Athletics Association. On Sept. 28, they lost an away game against nationally and state-ranked De Anza, 1-0, before convincingly defeating Evergreen Valley, which is No. 19 in the state, at home on Oct. 1. Their next home game is at 4 p.m. Oct. 8 against Canada. (Pictured: Sophomore forward Anthony Rangel against San Jose.)

Women’s Soccer: The team (8-2-1) is ranked No. 14 in the nation by United Soccer Coaches for Junior Colleges Division III and No. 11 statewide. On Sept. 30, the Panther women held their home ground to notch a 0-0 tie against Folsom Lake, another California college with that has made current top-20 rankings for the nation and state. Hartnell will play Foothill at home at 4 p.m. on Oct. 12.

Cruz and partner welcome new daughter, Kamila Zoey

Jackie Cruz, vice president of advancement and development and executive director of the Hartnell College Foundation, and her partner, Fabian Narez, welcomed their third daughter, Kamila Zoey Narez Cruz, on Sept. 22. She was 6.1 pounds and 18.75 inches at birth.
In the News


Local muralist transforms Central Coast with his artwork and inspires young artists through his nonprofit in East Salinas: https://www.ksbw.com/article/salinas-mural-east-nonprofit-central-coast/37811777#

Salinas Valley McDonald’s franchise awards scholarships to 20 employees: https://kingcityrustler.com/salinas-valley-mcdonalds-franchise-awards-scholarships-to-20-employees/

College football previews: Hartnell-De Anza, MPC-Foothill: https://www.montereyherald.com/2021/09/30/college-football-previews-hartnell-de-anza-mpc-foothill/


Upcoming Events

The Western Stage: “The Wizard of Oz”
Through Oct. 10 (vaccination or negative COVID test required)
Mainstage Theater (Building K)
Hartnell employee discount: Cheryl Worthy at (831) 755-6816; cworthy@hartnell.edu
https://www.westernstage.com/thewizardofoz

Hartnell Governing Board – regular meeting
5 p.m.
Tuesday, Oct. 5
Soledad Education Center, 1505 Metz Road

Pop-Up Food Pantry
12 p.m.
Friday, Oct. 8
Hartnell Parking Structure

**Men’s Soccer vs. Canada**
4 p.m.
Friday, Oct. 8
Hartnell Soccer Field

**Football vs. Feather River**
1 p.m.
Saturday, Oct. 9
Rabobank Stadium

**Women’s Soccer vs. Foothill**
4 p.m.
Tuesday, Oct. 12
Hartnell Soccer Field

**Volleyball vs. San Mateo**
6:30 p.m.
Wednesday, Oct. 13
Hartnell Gymnasium

**Pop-Up Food Pantry**
12 p.m.
Friday, Oct. 15
Hartnell Parking Structure

**Women’s Soccer vs. Cabrillo**
4 p.m.
Friday, Oct. 15
Hartnell Soccer Field

**Football vs. Gavilan**
6 p.m.
Saturday, Oct. 16
Rabobank Stadium

**Hartnell Governing Board — Development Meeting**
5 p.m.
Tuesday, Oct. 19
Steinbeck Hall (Main Campus, Building C)

**Volleyball vs. MPC**
6:30 p.m.
Wednesday, Oct. 20
Hartnell Gymnasium

**Mini Fall Festival — ceramics show, theatre performances, Hartnell Jazz Band**
11:30 a.m.-2:15 p.m.
Thursday, Oct. 21
Central Plaza, Main Campus

**Free Immigration Legal Consultations**
By appointment only
4-8 p.m.
Thursday, Oct. 21
Soledad Education Center
micasa@hartnell.edu or (831) 755-6723

**The Western Stage: “Native Gardens”**
Oct. 22-Nov. 7
Recital Hall, Building K
https://www.westernstage.com/tickets

**Pop-Up Food Pantry**
12 p.m.
Friday, Oct. 22
Hartnell Parking Structure

**Men’s Soccer vs. Foothill**
4 p.m.
Friday, Oct. 22
Hartnell Soccer Field

**Soledad Education Center Grand Opening Celebration**
11 a.m.-1 p.m.
Saturday, Oct. 23
1505 Metz Road, Soledad

**Men’s Soccer vs. Ohlone**
1 p.m.
Tuesday, Oct. 26
Hartnell Soccer Field

**Women’s Soccer vs. San Francisco**
4 p.m.
Tuesday, Oct. 26
Hartnell Soccer Field

**Volleyball vs. West Valley**
6:30 p.m.
Wednesday, Oct. 27
Hartnell Gymnasium

**Men’s Soccer vs. San Francisco**
4 p.m.
Friday, Oct. 29
Hartnell Soccer Field
Volleyball vs. San Francisco
6:30 p.m.
Friday, Oct. 29
Hartnell Gymnasium