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Veterans Day is a reminder ‘to honor all who served’

As always, Nov. 11 marks a special day of celebration and recognition for those men and women who are serving or who have served in one of the branches of our armed forces. The theme of Veterans Day 2021 is “Honoring All Who Served.”

During the pandemic, we were unable to hold the usual parades and ceremonies to honor our nation’s veterans. Even as some of those events return this year around Monterey County, I hope we can also find personal ways to honor our veterans as well. For example, if you know or happen to meet a veteran, don’t just thank them for their service, which can appear to be a trite and vacuous pronouncement. Instead please ask them about their service experience and listen to what they have to say. You just might learn something.

There are still too many veterans who are experiencing mental health issues, physical disability challenges, homelessness and food insecurity challenges, or other issues. A great way to honor our veterans is by contributing to one of the many organizations that work on a daily basis to assist our veterans, such as the Wounded Warrior...
Hartnell is one of the many community colleges that operates a Veterans Service Center. Our veteran scholars are an integral part of our college community. We need to recognize our student veterans and support them in every way possible to reach their educational goals.

**Hartnell student veterans and singers will join in Salinas Veterans Day Parade**

Both the Hartnell Chamber Singers and the Veterans Club will participate in the 11th annual Salinas Veterans Day Parade on Nov. 11 in City Center Salinas (Oldtown).

The choral group will perform a medley from the Broadway show "Aladdin" as part of a multi-ensemble Monterey County Pops! Concert that will start at 1:30 p.m. on the steps of the National Steinbeck Center.

As in years past, Hartnell student veterans and their family members will walk or ride in the parade, which begins at 2 p.m. and progresses north on Main Street from Salinas High School to the National Steinbeck Center.

The Hartnell Veterans Service Center and club invite students and employees to stop by their Student Center offices throughout the week of Nov. 8 for coffee and sweets. All are invited to join in other activities, including a Paint Event from 12 to 2 p.m. on Nov. 9 in the center’s Commons area. On Nov. 12, the student veterans will attend a Golden State Warriors game against the Chicago Bulls at the Chase Center Arena in San Francisco at a special discounted rate. For more information, contact Gemma Uribe-Cruz at guribe@hartnell.edu.

**VNA to administer no-cost COVID vaccine at Nov. 16-17 clinic for college community**

Hartnell will host a two-day on-campus COVID-19 vaccination clinic for students and employees on Nov. 16 and 17, providing a convenient opportunity to meet the college's Dec. 13 deadline for its community members to show proof of full vaccination.

Vaccines will be administered by the Central Coast Visiting Nurses Association (VNA) at no cost from 12-4 p.m. on Nov. 16 and 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Nov. 17. The clinics will be held in the
Student Center Commons (Building C). If you have not yet been vaccinated for COVID, please plan to take advantage of this opportunity.

No appointment is needed. All recipients must be at least 18 and show a driver's license or other photo ID. Both the Moderna and Johnson & Johnson vaccines will be available, and follow-up dates will be scheduled for the two-dose Moderna vaccine. The Johnson & Johnson vaccine is one dose.

For locations and times for other local vaccination clinics, visit this website, myturn.ca.gov. Similar information is available here. If you have questions about vaccine safety, please visit this “key things to know” page maintained by the federal Centers for Disease Control. (Pictured: A Hartnell nursing student administers a vaccine in October at a community clinic at Salinas Valley Memorial Hospital.)

15th annual STEM symposium presented Nov. 12 via Zoom

Hartnell will recognize the achievements of its 2020-21 STEM interns, both participants in full summer internships and micro-internships, with its virtual 15th Annual Stem Internship Symposium to be held via Zoom at 12 p.m. on Nov. 12.

The program will including students’ panel presentations about their experiences, recognition of internship partners in business, education and research, and presentation of the annual Andy Newton Partner Award to an individual who made a special contribution to the internship program’s ongoing success.

For an advance look at the program, visit the new STEM internships webpage.
Two Hartnell students and their STEM internship experiences this past summer are featured Oct. 27 on “Inside California Education,” a monthly television series produced by the Sacramento-based station PBS KVIE and shared with public broadcasting affiliates statewide.

The 30-minute episode focuses on three different community colleges, including the STEM Internship Program at Hartnell. The five-minute Hartnell segment, titled “Internships: Preparing Students for Science Careers,” showcases Hartnell’s STEM Internship Program, the largest of its kind at any U.S. community college.

The broadcast highlights the contributions and learning of 2021 Hartnell graduate Jesus Delgadillo Ponce, who interned at the Naval Postgraduate School (NPS) in Monterey, and current Hartnell student Norma Citlally Lopez-DeLeon, who was the first-ever Hartnell intern at the Elkhorn Slough Estuarine Research Reserve near Moss Landing.

The first Hartnell STEM intern featured is Lopez-DeLeon (pictured during filming on July 30), a 2018 graduate of Everett Alvarez High School in Salinas, whose internship at the Elkhorn Slough reserve involved both ecosystem stewardship and public education. Her work was so successful that she has continued to volunteer leading a seasonal “Art Under the Oaks” trail walk, highlighting native species through the changing seasons, next scheduled for Nov. 13.

“I got a really unique view of the stewardship side, the education side and I even got to see a glimpse of what the administrative side of wildland restoration was like,” Lopez-DeLeon said, “and I also got hands-on experience in doing one of those projects and leading the public education on what restoration is and what it entails.”

The second Hartnell intern featured is Delgadillo, who graduated in May with a degree in engineering and is now studying civil engineering at Fresno State University.
At NPS, Delgadillo (pictured at left, and at right with a PBS logo he made with a 3-D printer) was assigned to investigate how highly durable plastic parts might be produced in the field by using a 3-D printer to blend common plastics with carbon crystal and boron carbide hardening agents. He was part of a team that included a student from UC-Berkeley and was mentored by Dr. Andy Nieto, an assistant professor in NPS’ Department of Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering.

Nieto was so pleased with the results of Delgadillo’s work on the composite plastics that he has invited him back to NPS next summer to continue the research, describing the findings as highly meaningful and worthy of scholarly publication and presentation at a scientific conference.

“I think by the end of his internship he’s at a stage where he can present his work at a very high level,” Nieto said. “I think he really took advantage of it.”

**Women students meet Air Force pilot, staff Makerspace Fab Lab at Airshow**

With assistance from Nick Pasculli, Hartnell instructor, owner of TMD marketing and marketing director for the California Airshow Salinas, three Hartnell STEM students were able to meet U.S. Air Force F-35A pilot Major Kristin Wolfe at the Monterey Regional Airport on Oct. 28, after she flew in for the Oct. 29-30 airshow in Salinas.

A big supporter of STEM programs, Wolfe is the top-ranking female pilot in the Air Force and has a bachelor’s degree in chemical engineering from the University of Alabama. The Hartnell students, Yesenia Magallanes, Citlally Lopez-DeLeon and Junnin Palima, were able to meet and talk with Wolfe and see her aircraft up close (pictured).

Also, 11 Hartnell STEM students volunteered to staff an exhibit of the Chevron-sponsored Hartnell/MCOE Mobile Fab Lab on the airshow grounds. Staffing the table and exhibit on the morning of Oct. 29 were (pictured, from left) Estefania Bejar, Estefani Martinez, Mai Vang and Kassandra Lopez.
Hartnell Athletics inducts five into Hall of Fame and memorializes two with special recognition

An eighth annual luncheon ceremony on Nov. 5 in the Student Center culminated in the unveiling of plaques in the Hartnell Gymnasium to honor five inductees to the Hartnell Athletics Hall of Fame for 2021. The event returned after missing last year because of the pandemic. (Pictured: Governing Board President Erica Padilla-Chavez unveils the new plaques, as (from left) inductee Diego Soto Ochoa; Coreli Barba, partner of inductee, the late Etelevina Balcazar Cortes; and Jon Grim look on.)

The five inductees are: Diego Soto Ochoa, Men’s Soccer, 2003-05; the late Etelvina Balcazar Cortes, Women’s Soccer, 1999-2004; Jon Grim, Football, 1984-86; Ron Guzman, Football and Track & Field, 1988-91; and Pam Burkes, Cross Country and Track & Field, 1979-1981. (Pictured: The inductees and honorees are recognized during halftime of the Nov. 6 Hartnell Football game against MPC.)

The two individuals receiving Special Recognition in Memorial were the late Charles "Bill" Elliott and Gary Shaw. Elliott was honored by the Governing Board on Nov. 2 with the naming of the football practice field as the Bill Elliott Memorial Football Field. Elliott, who passed away in 2019, was a proud Hartnell football alum throughout his life and an enthusiastic and generous supporter of the athletics program and its student-athlete competitors. Shaw, whom the board also honored Nov. 2 by renaming the track the Gary Shaw Memorial Track, was a legendary 37-year track & field and cross country coach who passed away in 2020. He coached from 1969 to 2006, including as an assistant football coach. (Pictured: Jackie Cruz, vice president for advancement and development, embraces Elliott’s wife, Barbara, following the award presentation, as athletics dean Dan Teresa, right, and Dr. Rodríguez look on.)

Board President Erica Padilla-Chavez attended the ceremony and spoke, and Trustee Alejandra Gonzalez also attended. In his remarks, Interim Superintendent/President Dr. Raúl Rodríguez highlighted the many lessons from participation in competitive athletics, including time management, respect, camaraderie, teamwork and persistence. "We play athletics because we want to win," he said. "That's a big part of it, but we also have the realization that there are so many other parts of athletics. It's not just winning that's important, and this is what I think embodies the Panther spirit."
Men’s and Women’s Cross Country win the NorCal, aim for state glory

Hartnell’s Women’s and Men’s Cross Country teams both won individual and team titles in the Northern California Regional Championship (pictured) on Nov. 5 at Sierra College in Rocklin and are looking ahead to the state championship on Nov. 20 at Woodward Park in Fresno. Sofia Camacho won the women’s NorCal, with a 3-mile time of 19:22.1, and Isaac Gensel won the 4-mile men’s race with a time of 21:37.2. Complete men’s and women’s results are here. The two Panther teams are both ranked No. 3 in the state, and Head Coach Chris Zepeda says they are among the best in program history.

Basketball: The men’s and women’s teams have both started their winter seasons, which continue into March. The women are 1-4, with a win over Palo Verde, 65-57, on Nov. 6 in the Mission College Tournament. The men’s team is 1-1 after their first week of 2021 action -- home games against Modesto on Nov. 4 (67-59) and Allan Hancock on Nov. 6 (71-78). They'll be back at home on Nov. 17 against Canada, tip-off 7 p.m.

Soccer: Both the men’s and women’s teams are playoff bound after their tremendously successful seasons. Eleven of the women’s 17 wins this season (17-2-2) were shutouts, including two more notched last week at home against De Anza on Nov. 2 (3-0) and away at Chabot on Nov. 5 (6-0). They wrapped up their regular season Nov. 9 with a 1-0 win at Ohlone. They are ranked No. 7 in the state. After a 2-1 win at Skyline on Nov. 9, the No. 2-ranked Hartnell Men's Soccer team (16-1-2) will wrap up its regular season at 6:30 p.m. on Nov. 12 at Monterey Peninsula College.
Football: With one more game on the 2021 schedule, at Merced on Nov. 13, Panther Football (3-5) saw its playoff hopes slip away in the final minute against Monterey Peninsula at Rabobank Stadium on Nov. 6. They fell 27-28 on a failed two-point conversion passing attempt. Hartnell’s comeback was not quite enough, despite a three-touchdown performance by running back Payton Flores, including a 94-yard kickoff return with 6:09 left in the fourth quarter (pictured).

Volleyball: The Panthers play their final regular season home match at 6:30 p.m. Nov. 10 against Ohlone. Hartnell has a 13-11 record after a 3-0 win at San Jose on Nov. 3. Of special note is freshman middle blocker Yesenia Soria Campa, who is ranked No. 18 in the state for blocks per set, at .91. “And that’s out of hundreds of players, so it’s been real special to see her grow this year,” said Head Coach Jamie Pedroza.

Meet an Adjunct Instructor
Stanford Armstead has counseled incarcerated students since 1997

Stan Armstead says the incarcerated students he works with at the Monterey County Jail, Correctional Training Facility Soledad and Salinas Valley State Prison are all excited to be part of Hartnell College.

He has taught counseling (COU) courses 1 and 23 and also a class for Department of Supportive Programs & Services (DSPS) class called Emotional Management. After overcoming the challenges of remote teaching since spring 2022, Armstead said, “I do welcome the return of the in-person classroom teaching for the Spring 2022 semesters.”

Armstead has a Master’s Degree in Counselor Education from San Jose State University and is a 2003 graduate of Cal State Monterey Bay, with a Bachelor of Arts in Liberal Studies, Cum Laude. He also studied human resources and business management at the University of California, Santa Cruz Extension.

“As always, what we do with the student must lead the charge to academic success,” Armstead said. “Thanks again for honoring me with the task of teaching this student population.”
Community gathers at Hartnell College for Traditional Dia de Los Muertos observance

Hartnell’s Central Plaza and Student Center were transformed into the magical setting for an observance of the Mexican tradition of Dia de Los Muertos on Nov. 2, attended by at least 150 people.

The Hospice Giving Foundation (HGF) joined with Hartnell’s Office of Student Life and others to present the event, a celebration of life and death in which participants were invited to share ofrendas (offerings) to deceased loved ones, as well as share in a procession and enjoy, food, drinks, music, arts and crafts. The impressive centerpiece for the occasion was an “Ofrenda Mayor” or Great Offering (pictured) created by Hartnell graduates Jose Ortiz and Jose Nalasco of Hijos del Sol Arts Productions, also a...
co-sponsor. The artists described their work as “a cosmic portal to the world of the earthly mortals, living and deceased.”

Siobahn Greene, president and CEO HGF, said at the heart of the Dia de Los Muertos tradition is honoring and remembering “the people who we loved who are no longer with us, and maybe they’re not with us in a physical sense, but they’re always with us in our hearts.” (pictured: HGF board member Esmeralda Owen, Siobahn Greene, HBF program specialist Erandi García and Augustine Nevarez, Hartnell director of student affairs for student life.)

**In the News**

**Hartnell College students highlighted for work in STEM:**

**College football: Lobos edge Hartnell to clinch a share of the conference title:**

**College cross country: Hartnell sweeps Northern California team titles:**

**Hartnell’s men’s and women’s soccer teams are dominating this season, climbing in state and national rankings:**
[https://www.montereycountyweekly.com/news/cover/hartnell-s-men-s-and-women-s-soccer-teams-are-dominating-this-season-climbing-in/article_0a11852c-3ce0-11ec-9fd7-33bf223a42a3.html](https://www.montereycountyweekly.com/news/cover/hartnell-s-men-s-and-women-s-soccer-teams-are-dominating-this-season-climbing-in/article_0a11852c-3ce0-11ec-9fd7-33bf223a42a3.html)

**Hartnell prodigy Flores finding her role at San Diego Christian:**

**Nursing in the time of COVID – ‘We can’t cry at the bedside, we have to act’:**

**Upcoming Events**

**The Western Stage: “Cry Baby”**
Through Nov. 21
Volleyball vs. Ohlone
6:30 p.m.
Wednesday, Nov. 10
Hartnell Gymnasium

Veterans Day Holiday – College Closed
Thursday, Nov. 11

Hartnell Choir Chamber Singers with Monterey County Pops!
1:30 p.m.
Thursday, Nov. 11
National Steinbeck Center, Oldtown Salinas

2021 STEM Internship Symposium
12 p.m.
Friday, Nov. 12
Zoom: https://cccconfer.zoom.us/j/92961371611

Women’s Basketball vs. Shasta
2 p.m.
Friday, Nov. 12
Hartnell Gymnasium

The Western Stage: “All Together Now!” benefit performance
7:30 p.m.
Friday, Nov. 12
King City Education Center
117 N. Second St., King City
https://www.westernstage.com/alltogethernow

The Western Stage: “All Together Now!” benefit performance
2 p.m.
Saturday, Nov. 13
Recital Hall
Center for Performing Arts (Building K, Main Campus)
(Live-streamed performance. Information coming soon)
https://www.westernstage.com/alltogethernow

The Western Stage: “All Together Now!” benefit performance
COVID-19 vaccine clinic
12-4 p.m.
Tuesday, Nov. 16
Student Center (Building C)

Hartnell Governing Board – Developmental Meeting
5 p.m.
Tuesday, Nov. 16
Steinbeck Hall (Building C)

COVID-19 vaccine clinic
10 a.m.-2 p.m.
Tuesday, Nov. 16
Student Center (Building C)

TPP/MAESTROS Teaching Informational Sessions
3 p.m. (via Zoom)
Wednesday, Nov. 17
Register: https://bit.ly/2L4rnun

Women’s Basketball vs. Los Medanos
5 p.m.
Wednesday, Nov. 17
Hartnell Gymnasium

Men’s Basketball vs. Canada
7 p.m.
Wednesday, Nov. 17
Hartnell Gymnasium

Pop-Up Food Pantry
12 p.m.
Friday, Nov. 19
Hartnell Parking Structure