Nursing and Allied Health Orientation is inspiring
On Wednesday, April 5, 2017, The Nursing and Allied Health Department invited the newly accepted students into the Associate’s Degree in Registered Nursing, Licensed Vocational Nursing and Respiratory Care Practitioner to attend an informative orientation to help prepare them for their new journey in their health career programs.
- 50 students were accepted into the Associate’s Degree in Registered Nursing Program
- 35 students were accepted into the Licensed Vocational Nursing Program
- 20 were accepted into the Respiratory Care Practitioner Program

Alternate students attended the orientation as well. The faculty, staff and counselors of the Nursing and Allied Health Department were in attendance and ready to help the new students. Dean Debra Kaczmar gave a warm welcome and offered words of wisdom and motivation to the new group. La’Quana Williams, Director of Salinas Valley Health Professions Pathways also attended and was inspired by the group of future professionals in the field. Congratulations to our newest Nursing and Allied Health students!

Board takes action – Distinguished Alumnus is Emmett Linder
The Governing Board took action at its regular meeting on Tuesday, April 4, 2017 to select Emmett Linder as the 2017 Distinguished Alumnus and commencement speaker. Linder was nominated by multiple entities. Dr. Lewallen made the recommendation to the Governing Board and the vote was unanimous in selecting Linder for the honor. Through his professional accomplishments and community contributions, Emmett is the embodiment of a Hartnell distinguished alumnus. We are honored to bestow upon him this recognition.

Emmett Linder was born and raised in Salinas. He attended Hartnell College from 1977 to 1979 and graduated with an AA in General Studies. He transferred to Cal Poly San Luis Obispo where he earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Agricultural Business Management. He has been involved with the Agricultural Business and Technology Institute (ABTI) at Hartnell since its inception in 2006, joined the
Ag Steering Committee, and joined the Hartnell College Foundation in 2010. Under his leadership, Driscoll’s became a major supporter for the Foundation and the ABTI. During its 97-year history Hartnell College has provided a foundation of excellence that has launched successful lives and careers. The Distinguished Alumni Award provides an opportunity for us to recognize the accomplishments of Hartnell alumni who have distinguished themselves as leaders and contributors following their education experience at Hartnell. Emmett will be recognized on Friday, May 26, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. during the commencement ceremony to take place at Rabobank Stadium. Emmett will also be the commencement speaker.

This Board meeting was held at our campus in King City. Mayor Mike LeBarre was so kind to attend and welcomed us. In addition, LeBarre thanked Hartnell College for the impact we are making in South County.

**Professional Development Day for Classified staff**

On Friday, April 7, 2017, the ad hoc Staff Development Day and Professional Development Committee hosted a fun, informative and engaging afternoon of activities for the classified staff of Hartnell. The event began with lunch and an interactive ice breaker activity, followed by a safety presentation with Lindsey Bertomen, in which he discussed planning for emergencies on campus by utilizing the “All Hazards Approach” in order to help Hartnell stay alert, safe and informed.

Machelle Kessinger (CSEA Training-U) and Brandy Brenton (Group Dynamics) facilitated two concurrent workshops. These workshops focused on group dynamics that will ultimately create a harmonious work environment by improving competency in communication, problem solving, decision making and adaptability.

The last presentation was given by Roxanne Buckner and Neddie Sarmiento, who spoke about benefits, such as EAP, Castlight and more. We had 143 classified staff in attendance plus three managers. A raffle drawing concluded the event and 10 left with goodies! A special thanks to Cristina Zavala for assuring this development day was a success.

**President’s Spring Forum is informative**

On Monday, April 3, 2017 I invited all of Hartnell’s employees to attend my 10th President’s Forum and Luncheon! During the gathering, I provided updates on information such as Measure T’s next steps; the facilities master planning of entire Measure T projects over the next ten years; the Governor’s proposed budget for the
2017-2018; improvement efforts for accreditation in the Western Region for Community Colleges; Employees for Student Success Campaign highlights; inmate education; student affair updates; transfer programs; and the recent national accreditation of the Nursing Department - Vocational Nursing and Registered Nursing! The accreditation is for the period of 2017-2022. Our LVN program is the first in California to acquire this accreditation (out of 121 programs in the state) and 25th RN program in California (out of 117). In addition, we are happy to be able to open up 10 extra spots in each of these programs for fall 2017. Congratulations! The powerpoint presentation for the Forum is located at: 
http://www.hartnell.edu/sites/default/files/u90/presidents_forum_2017-04-03.pdf

Successful Depart Smart Event – helping the foster youth

The Independent Living Program of Monterey County, in partnership with our Foster and Kinship Care Education (FKCE) Program, is proud to share that our annual event, Depart Smart on April 1, 2017 was a success!

“Depart Smart is a hands-on interactive fair to increase awareness and understanding for job readiness and independent living for foster and probationary youth within the ages of 14 and 21,” said Director of FKCE, Margie Wiebusch.

We had a full house of 25 attendees, 22 volunteers, and 10 staff! Calvary Church welcomed us with a hearty breakfast, leading us to a successful interactive fair. This fair included several table topics such as: nutrition, physical health and mindfulness, navigating education, budgeting, “adulting” responsibilities, communication, and social media tips. We provided plenty of professional clothing for men and women to take, held mock interviews, and set up computers for resume building. Each table had informative pamphlets and several giveaways. You can say each youth walked away with a tote bag full of essential goodies! Additionally, youth received motivational advice from two former foster youth up on stage. Thanks to our generous donors, we were also able to do many raffle drawings throughout the day, leading to youth leaving with various prizes.

We would like to thank Calvary Church of Monterey for hosting us and supporting our youth in their life endeavors. Even further, we thank the many supportive and dedicated volunteers and donors that worked with us to make this event happen. We look forward to Depart Smart 2018!

Hartnell Team Attends Accreditation Conference

Hartnell College sent a team to the first ever annual conference of the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges (ACCJC) last week. We are in the initial stages of organizing for the Institutional Self Evaluation Report (ISER) in preparation for the
next comprehensive accreditation evaluation in March 2019. The following attended the conference and will be playing key roles in the preparation of the ISER:

**Co-chairs of the overall ISER**
Dr. Lori Kildal, Vice President of Academic Affairs
Michael Hooper, English Faculty Member

**Standard I Co-chairs**
Dr. Brian Lofman, Dean of Institutional Planning, Research, and Effectiveness
David Beymer, PE Faculty Member and Head Athletic Trainer

**Standard II Co-chairs**
Dr. Romero Jalomo, Vice President of Student Affairs
Lisa Storm, Administration of Justice Faculty Member

**Standard III Co-chairs**
Ben Figueroa, Vice President of Administrative Services
Dr. Ann Wright, Biology Faculty Member

**Standard IV Co-chairs**
Dr. Willard Lewallen, Superintendent/President
Chris Moss, Math Faculty Member and Chair, Academic Senate (unable to attend)

The team attended dozens of workshops related to best practices surrounding accreditation standards, eligibility requirements, and policies. This group will provide overall leadership for the preparation of the ISER. Additional faculty, classified staff, and administrators will be involved in assessing how Hartnell meets the accreditation standards, eligibility requirements, and policies. Faculty and classified leadership have been asked to provide recommendations for appointment to the work teams.

Hartnell was also a presenter of a workshop at the conference. Faculty members Dr. Marnie Glazier and Nancy Schur-Beymer presented the following workshop:

*A Place at the Table: Applied Theatre & Nursing Tools for Broadening Student Understanding and Inspiring Engaged Citizenship*
Dr. Glazier and Schur-Beymer will address recent efforts at Hartnell, creating opportunities for student learning/development through Nursing Theatre collaboratives. A series of partnerships and classroom activities has helped foster empathy, understanding, and awareness, bridging the campus and greater community and inspiring engaged citizenship. These activities, from writing/reflection, to forum theatre, to patient simulation, show the intrinsic value of integrated learning and college-wide collaboration.

The entire program for the conference can be accessed at: [http://accjc-conference.org/program/](http://accjc-conference.org/program/)

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**Alumni news - Soria Jr. graduates basic training**

Many of you remember Alumnus Eliseo R. Soria Jr.; he graduated from Hartnell College in 2015 with an associate’s degree. He joined the U.S. Air Force and we got the good news that he just graduated from basic military training at Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland, in San Antonio, Texas. He is a U.S. Air Force Airman 1st Class. Congratulations! Soria is also a proud graduate of Everett Alvarez High School.

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**Student Athlete Council wants to increase audiences**

On Friday April 7, 2017 the Student-Athlete Council (SAC) met for the 4th time this year. The group kicked off last year, led by Advisor and Baseball Head Coach, Travis Babin. The group consists of student-athletes and the aim of the group is to enhance student-athlete and student experience of games. This week the group talked about developing a system to engage students, faculty and staff at home games. The Athletics’ social media will launch a “Game of the Week” post to invite our community to join important home games and support our teams.

This week’s games:
- Softball: Tuesday, April 11th vs Gavilan and Thursday, April 13th vs Ohlone at 3:00 p.m.
- Baseball: Tuesday, April 11th vs Ohlone at 2:30 p.m. and (away) Saturday, April 15th vs MPC at 1:00 p.m.

If you are interested in joining SAC, contact Coach Babin at tbabin@hartnell.edu.
Great news! Hartnell College Men’s Volleyball Team Nationally Ranked

In only its second year of existence, the Hartnell College Men’s Volleyball Club Team has notched impressive victories over college teams from around the country, and soon will be making its second appearance at the national collegiate club volleyball championships, held from April 13-15 in Kansas City, Missouri.

The Panthers came home from the Northern California Collegiate Volleyball League (NCCVL), Division II playoffs at Sacramento State last weekend with a second place trophy and individual honors for three players: Edgar Huerta, 1st Team All-Conference (OH); Derrick Moore, 2nd Team All-Conference (L); and Felipe Hernandez, Honorable Mention (S).

With tournament victories this year over UC Berkeley, UC Davis, San Jose State, San Francisco State, Cal Poly Pomona, Humboldt State, USF, Grand Canyon University, and St. Mary’s College, the dedicated and talented Panthers are putting Salinas and Hartnell on the college volleyball map!

Going into the national tournament, the Panthers stand in 2nd place in the NCCVL South Conference with an 11-4 record. They are nationally ranked at #18 in the rankings of the National Collegiate Volleyball Federation, Division III. NCVF Men’s Rankings 2017

Roster:
1 - Alonso Meza (OP) - Seaside, CA
2 - Derrick Moore, Jr. (L) - Santa Cruz, CA
3 - Francisco Lopez III (OH) - Salinas, CA
4 - Carl Osorio (OH) - Marina, CA
5 - Jesus De La Torre, Jr. (MH) - Salinas, CA
6 - Tyler Hutchison (OH) - Salinas, CA
8 - Victor Grado (OP) - Gonzales, CA
10 - Alec Ahir (OH) - Salinas, CA
11 - Edgar Huerta (OH) - Salinas, CA
12 - Jacob Butorac (MH) - Salinas, CA
19 - Torin Pyer-Pereira (OP) - Salinas, CA
20 - Valente Espinoza (S) - Salinas, CA
21 - Alejandro Bueno (OP) - Salinas, CA
23 - Felipe Hernandez (S) - Salinas, CA

Special thanks to team Advisor and Coach, Jamie Pedroza and Assistant Advisor, Antonio Alarcon. Good job and good luck to the Panthers Men Volleyball Club!
Panthers rack up state autos and personal bests in Bay Area weekend

The Hartnell College track & field squad split in half this past weekend with distance runners taking on some of the best competition they could find at the San Francisco State Distance Carnival and the rest of the squad looking to improve in lane races and in the field at the Chabot Invitational. Friday's distance meet was highlighted by four state automatic qualifying marks and multiple season bests. On Saturday in Hayward, there was one state automatic mark earned along with several season bests.

Sophomore Jorge Sanchez solidified himself as a state championship contender in both the 5000m and 10,000m with his lifetime personal best 14:47.37 in the 5000m. His time was a heat winner by three seconds and moved the former Alvarez Eagle into the fourth best mark in school history trailing state champions Diego Leon, Daniel Tapia, and school record holder at 1500m Cristian Soratos. Oscar Mora, Jr. earned a state qualifying berth with his 15:11.85 which makes him the third best performer in Northern California. Andrew Martinez (15:14.86) and Edgar Bonilla (15:17.17) were right behind with Martinez picking up a State "B" mark. Williams Ordaz clocked a season best 15:34.02 in his heat with Sergio Coronel doubling back from his 1500-meter personal best (4:05.38) with a lifetime 5000m best of 15:45.26. Yvette Felix inched herself closer to the joining state champion Malena Grover as the only females to cover 5000-meters in under 18 minutes. Felix lowered her best to 18:10.88 to become the sixth best performer in school history. Beatriz Duarte also set a lifetime best in her heat at 19:10.50 moving her to fifteenth all-time and fourth in Northern California. Edgar Bonilla also ran 3:57.76 in the 1500-meters. Jonathan Saldana earned a state automatic mark in the 3000-meter steeplechase in just his second attempt in the event. His time was 9:52.19. His teammate Jose Ruiz earned a State "B" mark with his lifetime best 9:56.85. Both Saldana and Ruiz move into the top 20 all-time for the steeplechase event.

For full SFSU Distance Carnival results: https://www.directathletics.com/results/track/47888.html

At the Chabot Invitational, Eduardo Orozco stole the show with a solo 3:58.26 mark in the 1500-meters that saw him win by over 11 seconds and dip under the state automatic mark. His time is second only to teammate Edgar Bonilla in Northern California. Orozco was also the winner of the 5000-meters in a lifetime best 15:30.55. Chelsea Andrade earned a state "B" mark in the hammer
throw pushing her personal best to 140-5. **Tyrell Windam** enjoyed a solid 22.98 personal best in the 200-meters and also helped the 4x100 relay team of **Jordan Rodriguez, Norman Napolitano, and Joziah Garcia** set a season best 42.70. **Angel Mejia, Jr.** (4:13.79) and Louis Leon (4:25.44) were both heat winners with season bests in the 1500-meters. Mejia doubled nicely with a season best 15:51.00 and Leon dipping under 16 minutes for the first time ever (15:59.37). **Randy Dorion** lead the Panther 400-meter hurdlers with a season best 63.70. **David Thompson** cleared an important 5-8 in the high jump in just his second competition in the event. **Marissa Gonzalez** improved on her pole vault clearing 9-0 for the first time this season and inching closer to the conference leader. **Alyssa Sanchez** (20:13.19) led the Lady Panthers in the 5000-meter run with **Leslie Oseguera** (20:16.16), **Tanya Campos** (20:32.63), and **Elizabeth Hernandez** (20:53.85) all running well. **Stephanie Santoyo** improved in the 400-meter hurdles (1:15.97).

For full Chabot Invitational results: [https://www.directathletics.com/results/track/47304.html](https://www.directathletics.com/results/track/47304.html)

The Panthers will travel over spring break to the Santa Barbara Open at Santa Barbara City College on Friday, April 14th.

### The Hartnell Baseball Panthers come up short

On March 30 2017, the Hartnell College Men’s Baseball Team faced Cabrillo College. The Panther’s, who had won against Diablo Valley College in a very close game of 8-7 on March 25th, were ready to swing for another victory. Hartnell started in the lead with a score of 2-0 through the first, second, and third inning. Student-athletes Kacee Takasaki, Adam Tanoue, and Colby Hirano helped each other advance and batted their way to the home plate. Unfortunately, for the Panthers, the Seahawks stole our team’s thunder with two home runs; one in the fourth and eighth inning. The final score was 4-8 at the ninth inning. Both teams put up a great fight and played strong, but it was Cabrillo that stood on top for the win. The Hartnell Baseball team has played twenty-seven games so far and have an overall win-loss record of 11-16. The baseball season is coming closer to an end with only four home games left! Hartnell College Men’s Baseball Team will be hosting their next games on April 11 and 13, at home and away vs. Ohlone College.

### The Baseball Panthers fall to De Anza Dons

On April 6, 2017 the Hartnell College Men’s Baseball Team faced De Anza College at our Tony Teresa Diamond. The Panthers had lost against Cabrillo College in a very intense game on March 30th, with a final score of 4-8. Hartnell was ready to hit their new match out of the park with a win. Student-athletes Kacee Takasaki, Nick Enrico, and Ryan Clack batted their way to the bases, but none made it to home during the first four
innings. The game remained static for both teams until the bottom of the 8th inning when the Panthers finally fought back scoring 4 runs on 5 hits within that inning. Unfortunately for Hartnell, De Anza struck back almost immediately at the top of the 9th inning. The Panthers fell to the Doms with a final score of 4-9. The Baseball team has a record of 12-19 and is looking to improve at their next home game, on Thursday April 11th, at 2:30 pm. See you there!

The Hartnell Softball Team Battles San Mateo College
On Tuesday, April 4, 2017 the Hartnell College Women’s Softball Team hosted a game against San Mateo College. Last week, the Lady Panthers had a lucky roll of two wins in a row on their games against Chabot and Ventura College. With the softball season coming closer to an end, and two tournaments competed in March, the team has definitely used up a lot of energy. The physical strength and continuation of their winning streak had been tested with their game against San Mateo. During the first inning, both teams had bases on lockdown. It wasn’t till the second inning that the Bulldogs decided to play a little hard ball. San Mateo scored two runs and kept the swings to home plate going. With student-athletes Angelina Ruiz, Andrea Gutierrez, and Kaitlyn Doyle up to bat, the bases were loaded but the chance to touch home plate was out of reach for the team. Unfortunately, for the Lady Panthers, they were unable to get any runs across the plate. Despite the Lady Panthers inability to break through, they kept their heads up high and didn’t give up. The game ended at the 7th inning with a score of 0-5. We have played 26 games and hold an overall record of 19-8 in the season so far. Hartnell College Women’s Softball Team will host their next game against Gavilan College on April 11, 2017.

Student-Athlete Spotlight: Kacee Takasaki
This week’s Student-Athlete Spotlight is awarded to Kacee Takasaki, #10 for the Hartnell College Baseball team. He holds two positions in the team, outfielder and pitcher. Takasaki was born and raised in Monterey County; he has played the game of baseball since he was 6 years old. From the little league to Junior College level, Takasaki continues to grow stronger every day on the baseball field. This Panther superstar has a history of athletes in the family. He has relatives that participated in a variety of sports such as baseball, softball, and even football. Although, the athletic talent runs in the family genes, Kacee has bigger goals in life besides baseball. He graduated from Pacific Grove High School and is currently a freshman at Hartnell College. He is majoring in business and his future goals are to market and open his own chain of Holiday Inn hotels. Kacee was recruited while
in his senior year of high school by Hartnell’s head baseball coach, Travis Babin. He was not only excited to be chosen for the junior college level, but also to be in his hometown playing locally. Coach Babin saw this potential in Kacee since recruitment and continues to see him shine out on the field and during practice. “He is having a great year for us and he is a great representation of what we want our program to stand for,” said Babin. This student-athlete has defined what it takes and what it means to be a part of the Hartnell Student-Athlete Spotlight. Keep up the great work Kacee!

**Students learning hands-on**

Our Teacher Talent cohort is learning science hands-on, with Dr. Ana Garcia Garcia, who teaches Geology in South County. She took the students on a field trip to the Elkhorn Slough Reserve where they learned how to core sediments and get 500-year-old samples. From that they studied how this environment has evolved through the years and how humans have impacted its energy levels. Looking at the happy smiles on their faces, the students look like they are having a wonderful learning experience.

**In photos:**

*Speech Team delivers a great showcase and moves audience*
UPCOMING EVENTS

Salinas Valley Ag Tech Summit
Wednesday, April 12, 2017
8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
1752 E. Alisal St.
Salinas, CA 93905

The Western Stage Presents
EMMA! A pop musical by Eric Price
April 21 – 30, 2017 at Mainstage
Go to http://westernstage.com/programs/for-adults/spring-fest/

Know your immigration rights Forum
Sunday, April 23, 2017
2:00 – 4:00 p.m. in Student Center

Check out what’s happening at the Planetarium!
Visit the site for current shows:
http://www.hartnell.edu/planetarium

Party in the Library 2017
Saturday, May 13, 2017 at 5:30 p.m.
Call 831-755-6810 to reserve your tickets

The event is wheelchair accessible; please request sign language interpreter, and/or other accommodations ahead of time, & contact (831) 755-6810 for details on how to make a reservation.
IN THE NEWS THIS WEEK

Hartnell notes: Jorge Sanchez in running for state title
http://www.thecalifornian.com/story/sports/2017/04/03/hartnell-notes-jorge-sanchez-running-state-title/100005866/

Miss Electricity featured