**9/11 Remembrance Ceremony**

On September 11, 2017, the students, staff and faculty of Hartnell gathered together in the Student Center in remembrance of the victims of 9-11. The event was sponsored by the Office of Student Life and featured a ceremony with remarks by me, followed with a welcome by Trustee Candi DePauw, and an address by Faculty Member and Veteran, Peter Calvert. The ceremony was followed by a gallery walk featuring multi-media displays, which included the names of all victims displayed on a Remembrance Banner, a timeline of the events of that day, and the new 9-11 Memorial and Museum. We will never forget!

**The Alisal Campus has new leadership**

**Dean and Assistant Dean are ready to enhance and innovate**

We are happy to announce the appointment of Dean of Career Technical Education (CTE) and Workforce Development, Clint Cowden, and Assistant Dean of CTE and Workforce Development, Sharon Albert for our East Alisal Campus in Salinas. The addition of Dean Cowden and Assistant Dean Albert strengthens Hartnell’s leadership in CTE and Workforce Development.

“We are excited to have two dynamic leaders join our management team in Academic Affairs,” said Vice President of Academic Affairs, Dr. Lori Kildal. “Their breadth and depth of knowledge in Career and Technical Education will enhance and expand opportunities for students, businesses, and the community.”

**Clint Cowden** was born and raised in Cody, Wyoming, where his family ran corporate-sized cattle ranches. His love for agriculture led him to California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo, where he received his Bachelor’s degree in Agricultural Systems Management (ASM) followed by a Master’s in Agricultural Education. After completing his undergraduate work, Clint moved to the Napa Valley designing irrigation for vineyards in the Napa and Sonoma counties.
In 2003, Clint moved to the Central Valley and started his precision agriculture and irrigation consulting company. He later worked as the lead scientist for J.M. Lord representing the Coachella Valley growers in a lawsuit between Coachella Valley Water District and Metropolitan Water District. Clint had the opportunity to go to West Hills College to develop their new Farm of the Future.

After 10 years in the classroom, Clint took the Director position at the Farm of the Future, where he was in charge of visioning the future needs of the educational facilities and working closely with regional industry partners. Clint worked on increasing agriculture technology in the Valley as a founding member of the Apps for Ag hack-a-thons and as a member of the Ag Tech Roundtable tasked with increasing broadband access to rural areas.

Sharon Albert is a local educator with over 20 years of combined experience in the areas of vocational rehabilitation, partnership academy programs, career technical education, adult education, and workforce development programs. Sharon has held positions as a teacher, academy director, program coordinator and administrator at the site, district and regional levels in various educational settings, including K-12 public schools, private postsecondary workforce training, adult education, and regional occupational programs.

Prior to joining Hartnell, Sharon worked for the Salinas Union High School District, as the Director of Mission Trails Regional Occupational Program (MTROP) and the Salinas Adult School. Her role was to lead the development of high quality Career Technical and Adult Education programs leading to postsecondary certificate and degree programs of study and employment in high demand industries.

Some of her accomplishments include acquiring the CTE Incentive Grant Program, which resulted in $8.8 million awarded to the Mission Trails ROP to expand, enhance, and grow high quality CTE programs, and leading the AB 86 planning and implementation grant team to form the Salinas Valley Adult Education Consortium, bringing $3.5 million annually to adult education programs across Monterey County.

Sharon has served on various Hartnell College grant projects, pathway and workforce development committees to strengthen CTE and Workforce Development programs, including the James Irvine Foundation Bridging the Gap Initiative, Salinas Valley Health Professions Partnership Program, and the National Resource Network Education and Workforce Development Initiative.

Cowden and Albert may be reached at ccowden@hartnell.edu and salbert@hartnell.edu.

Ag Steering Committee meets this fall
Lots of great news to be shared

On September 13, 2017 we hosted the fall meeting of the Ag Steering Committee facilitated by vice-chair Jim Bogart, President and General Counsel of Grower-Shipper Association of Central California. We were pleased to introduce the new organizational structure for the Alisal Campus and Career and Technical Education (CTE)/Workforce Development – Clint Cowden, Dean of Career Technical Education and Workforce Development and Sharon Albert, Assistant Dean of Career Technical Education and Workforce Development.
I provided a brief update on the state of the college, and attendees were impressed with the number of unduplicated students and transfers to UC and CSU. We also had the pleasure of hearing the stories of current students Tyler Armbrister, Ag Production Major and Arturo Rivera, Automotive Technology Major. Tyler Armbrister spoke about his experience while attending Hartnell College, his passion about the agriculture industry, and professional goals exploring the array of careers in the dynamic agriculture industry. He is the president of the Ag Ambassadors Club. Under the leadership of agriculture faculty, Laura Milles, Dr. Steven Triano, and Al Graham, Tyler is coordinating a group of Ag Ambassadors working on the Student Farm Project. The project started during the summer, and currently there are 10 raised-beds (8’x4’) growing vegetable crops and two smaller ones (4’x4’). The students are planning to donate the first harvest to the Monterey County Food Bank.

Arturo Rivera shared his story of growing up in Salinas and attending Alisal High School, where the counselors advised him to enroll at Hartnell College. Arturo Rivera took classes in computer science and decided to change his major to automotive technology due to his interest in hands-on learning. His prior knowledge in computer science helped him to better understand the advanced technology in the automotive industry. He plans to transfer and pursue a four-year degree in business administration.

The Agricultural Business and Technology Institute (ABTI) at Hartnell College is a centerpiece for Career Technical Education and Workforce Development. “In the past 10 years, it has grown from 100 students to over 1,000 students per year,” said agriculture faculty, Dr. Steven Triano. All of this program growth is designed to meet the needs of our students, industry partners and the community, and includes new courses, facilities, personnel and regional partnerships.

Key administration positions filled

Hartnell’s Main Campus is also experiencing exciting changes in leadership at the start of this fall semester. Kenneth Laird is our new Director of Public Safety and Emergency Preparedness. Kenneth’s responsibilities include planning, organizing, staffing, leading and managing college security, parking and emergency preparedness.
activities according to HCCD standards and regulations, serve as Chair of the Emergency Management Committee, and more. Kenneth recently retired as the Director of Public Safety and Security at Grand Canyon University (GCU) in June of 2017. Prior to GCU, he served in the Phoenix Police Department in various bureaus such as patrol, property management, neighborhood enforcement, and the homicide unit. He served simultaneously with the Phoenix Police Department and GCU beginning in January of 2011 and retired from PPD in May of 2013. Kenneth says that he joined Hartnell because he was ready for a change and enjoys the Monterey Peninsula, and added “it is a beautiful area with a great environment to raise a family in.”

Kenneth is married and has 5 children and 2 dogs. In his spare time, he enjoys spending time with his family and coaching soccer. He is at klaird@hartnell.edu.

Joy Cowden is the new Director of the Science and Math Institute. She is originally from Galt, CA where her family farmed and raised horses and cattle. She is an alumna of Cal Poly San Louis Obispo with a MAEd in Agricultural Education and a B.S. in Agricultural Systems Management with a minor in Agribusiness and a concentration in Water/Irrigation. She worked for J.M. Lord, Inc. as an irrigation engineer, designing irrigation systems and performing irrigation scheduling in the Coachella Valley, as well as worked for irrigation design companies in the Glenn Colusa and Sonoma regions.

Joy came to Hartnell from West Hills College in Coalinga, California, where she was the Distance Instructional Design Specialist and Activity Director for the Title V Technology grant. Adjunct instructor was another hat she wore, having taught courses in Irrigation Evaluation and Design, Integrated Pest Management, Agricultural Accounting, California Water, and Entomology. She moved here with her husband, Clint and eleven-year-old twin daughters, Cory and Colby, who are in the 7th grade at Connections Academy, an online school, and swim for the Santa Clara Swim Club-Monterey Bay. She is at jcowden@hartnell.edu.

Welcome to the team!

New Employee Reception held at Casa de Lewallen

It is now a tradition. Every start of the year, my wife Michele and I love to host a reception for our new employees. Thus on Thursday, September 14, 2017 our house was vibrant with lots of employees eager to make their mark at Hartnell College. In addition to the new employees, I invited our trustees, the President’s Executive Cabinet, and the supervisor to whom employees report. Those in attendance included: Cynthia
Ainsworth, Sharon Albert, Rosie Armstrong, Clint Cowden, Joy Cowden, Lisa Davis, Benjamin Figueroa, Brook Foley, Alicia Gregory, Norma Hernandez-Cuevas, Miguel-Angel Manrique, Valerie Maturino, Hector Mosqueda, Ulises Palmeno, Marc Riggillo, Lesha Rodriguez, Miriam Vazquez-Gonzalez, Molly Wilson, Kenneth Laird, Dr. Romero Jalomo, Esmeralda Montenegro Owen, Terri Pyer, Dr. Lori Kildal, Trustee Manuel Osorio, Trustee Patricia Donohue, Shannon Bliss, Debra Kaczmar, Bronwyn Moreno, Dr. Celine Pinet, Dora Sanchez, Kathy Mendelsohn, and David Techaira. A big thanks to Lucy Serrano, Cristina Westfall, and Cristina Zavala for helping our guests feel welcomed.

First Year, First Friday Program introduces new employees to Hartnell

On Friday, September 8, Hartnell’s first-year employee orientation program—First Year, First Friday—kicked off the year with a get-to-know-you reception followed by an in-depth look at the physical education and athletics programs and facilities offered for students and employees. Athletic Director, Dan Teresa toured the group around the facilities and fields, with a brief stop at the Athletics Hall of Fame Wall for a historical tour and a group photo. Teresa shared stories of the rich athletic tradition at Hartnell College, demonstrating how our top-notch facilities are providing some of the best outdoor “classrooms” in the state.

I had an opportunity to welcome the group to Hartnell and thank them for joining us in this important and fun work. I’m always so amazed that Hartnell keeps hiring such extraordinary talent to enrich our community. The First Year, First Friday program will continue on Friday, October 6th.

Employees lunch with the President

Throughout the year, I enjoy holding monthly informal lunches with our employees. On Friday, September 15, 2017, we met with a group selected at random and had a really nice discussion about all the great things happening at Hartnell plus the future projects thanks to
the passage of Measure T. Other topics included our DACA students, the dramatic increase in degrees and certificates, the budget, external funding that comes to Hartnell, employee giving, the President’s Task Force Funding Plan and the work of the Hartnell College Foundation. Attendees included Julia Silveira, Admin Assistant II; Tony Chon, Science Lab Tech; Joseph Reyes, Executive Director of Facilities; Deb Pyle, Program Assistant; Mohammed Yahdi, Math Faculty; Ismael Ramirez, Maintenance; Christian Regalado, Financial Aid Tech; Jessica Green, Program Assistant; Belen Gonzales, Program Assistant II; Dr. Celine Pinet, Dean of Academic Affairs; Mayra Almodovar, ECE Faculty.

Hartnell participates in Soledad Unified School District
Back to School Celebration

The City of Soledad and the Soledad USD hosted a wonderful back to school celebration on September 15, 2017. This was my 6th time attending the event and they always provide an opportunity for me to address the gathering. Last year, I spoke to the citizens of Soledad about Measure T (Facilities Bond Measure) that would be on the November 2016 ballot with plans for an education center in Soledad. This year it was so exciting to tell everyone that the Soledad Education Center will be one of the first projects funded through Measure T. The City of Soledad and the Soledad USD are great partners with Hartnell. There is so much pride and spirit there. It seems that every high school student is involved in some extra and/or co-curricular activity. The photos are of the Soledad HS Cheerleading Team and the Naval Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps (NJROTC).
Lady Panthers surprise at State Preview
Men place third to State Powers

Hartnell College Men’s Cross Country has been on a surge of sorts the last few years moving up at the CCCAA State Championship from 10th to 9th to 8th and finally a pair of 5th place finishes the last two years. This year's squad features a whole new line-up for the top seven runners plus new additional freshmen to round out the roster. The goal remains the same, to contend for a Hartnell College's first ever state top three team trophy. On Saturday, the Panther men of 2017 made progress toward that goal placing third overall at the Fresno Invitational over the same four mile course that will be traversed in November for the State Championship. Hartnell College placed third behind last year's state runner-up Glendale College who was second overall in this meet and last year's third place and final trophy receiving team Mt. SAC who easily defended their crown.

Leading the Panthers were two freshmen and a sophomore all with little to no experience on the championship course. Freshman Ricky Esqueda, a transfer from Northwestern University, placed eighth overall and was followed by fellow freshman Patrick Olson in ninth. Esqueda and Olson both took non-traditional paths to become members of this year's squad. Esqueda, who prepped at San Benito High School, returned to Hollister after three years away. Olson, joined the Panthers in the spring of 2017 and became a state track & field championship qualifier in the 1,500 meters despite not competing in cross country in the fall. Esqueda (21:09) and Olson (21:10) move into the top 20 all-time at Woodward Park in Fresno for the four-mile course. The pair was joined in the top 14 overall by relative newcomer Sergio Coronel. Coronel was well outside the squad's top seven as a freshman, but a breakout spring which featured personal bests of 4:01 for 1,500 meters and 15:45 over 5,000 meters has prepared him nicely to join the upper echelon of harriers at the community college level. Coronel placed thirteenth overall in 21:20 and goes to 25th overall in school history. Sophomores Christian Aldape (21:44) and Jaime Garcia (21:55) completed the team scoring. Joining the top seven were sophomore Jonathan Saldana (22:20) and freshman Jacob Niles (22:24). The Panther men placed first for Northern California teams outdistancing perennial regional power American River College.

In a surprise upset, the Lady Panthers took the overall team title over state-contending
powerhouses Glendale College, Mt. SAC, and Cerritos College. With a strong mix of veterans and youth, the Lady Panthers placed seven women in the top 28 overall all separated by less than 60 seconds. Sophomore Yvette Tavarez is over injuries that hampered her first fall and is finally running healthy. Tavarez placed ninth overall in 19:43 over the Woodward Park 5km course. She improved on her lifetime of 20:00 set as a high school senior while at Soledad High School. Re-entry student Arlene Diaz Leal placed tenth overall in 19:47 on her first run over the championship course. Freshman Lauryn Orozco also performed well in her first attempt at Woodward Park finishing in 20:04 and placing 16th overall. Olivia Jimenez, a transfer from Arizona Christian University and local product of Marina High School, finished right behind Orozco in 17th (20:05). Sophomore Leslie Oseguera finished in a much improved 20:12. She was followed by freshman Maria Aceves (20:29) and sophomore Jocelyn Cervantes (20:38). All told, seven new all-time top 50 performances were recorded by this year's group of women. Tavarez and Diaz Leal both move into the top 20.

This was the first time in school history the Lady Panthers finished as the overall winning team after several years placing as the top Northern CA team. Just one year removed from back-to-back regional titles, the Lady Panthers also bested last year's state runner-up team and regional champion College of the Sequoias.

For full Fresno Invitational results: https://www.directathletics.com/results/xc/11812.html

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Student-Athlete Spotlight
Angel Maldonado

The life of a student-athlete is one full of commitment, perseverance, and lots of planning. For this week's Student-Athlete Spotlight, we recognize Angel Maldonado who plays for our Hartnell Football team on defense. You can always catch Maldonado on Saturday nights wearing the #7; bringing fear into offensive linemen. Off the field, he is constantly working hard towards his career in Psychology. Angel was born and raised here, in Salinas, California. Maldonado
attended Palma high school, where he graduated in 2016 and played football all four years. Angel is kicking-off the season with a year under his belt of playing football for the Hartnell Panthers. Last season, he earned all-conference defensive MVP for the team. He hopes to not only bring his improved strength and speed to the season, but extended experience as well. With two games in the season already, the team is coming off a win at home last weekend. The record stands at (1-1), but Maldonado has its sights set for the finish line.

“I feel we're going to be good, first game a lot of mental mistakes but we should compete for the conference championship,” he said.

Setting an example with his quick start this season, already recording 7 tackles, 1.5 sacks and a fumble recovery in just two contests, not only is he killing it in the gridiron, but he hopes to transfer in the spring semester to an undesignated school on a football scholarship. With all this hard work, Maldonado looks at his dad for inspiration. Along with the coaching staff, he has learned a lot from what goes on far beyond the end zone. When asked of a quote that drives him the most, without hesitation, he referred to 1st Corinthians 16:13 “Be on your guard; stand firm in the faith; be courageous; be strong.” This quote is tattooed on his arm. The same passion and inspiration carries him onto the field, talking about the game as more than just a game. “Being on the field, it’s about focusing on your teammates,” Angel advises. It is quite an amazing story and one to look for as the season progresses. We wish Angel Maldonado and the entire Hartnell football team a successful season. Go Panthers!

A Return Home meant a return to form for our Hartnell Football Team

Sometimes there is no place like home, and for our Hartnell football team, home meant getting back on track after a tight loss away. On September 9, 2017 the team led by Freshman quarterback Devin Daich, set up the bar with their first home game. Daich recorded 323 yards in the air and produced 3 touchdowns that helped the team claim a 25-20 victory over the Shasta Knights. Right from the start, our fierce Panthers came out attacking on both sides of the ball, applying pressure to their quarterback and producing two breakaway passes for 80 yards each to receivers D’Juan Campbell and Lasalle Mensah. At halftime, Coach Collins’s team found themselves up 15-6 with a whole lot of football to be played. Shasta proved to be a tough opponent, scoring in the third quarter to bring the score to 15-13, but the Panthers football side never relinquished the lead during the entire contest. Backed behind a stellar offense and lockdown defense, and a field goal by freshman kicker Juan Herrera, brought the score to 25-13 with just under 9 minutes left in the fourth quarter. It was up to the defense to hold it down at home; with inspiration from the crowd, they did just that, coming in huge in a late goal line drive by the Shasta Knights. With a good step in the right direction, the
Hartnell football team hopes to build on this form and carry it into next week when they play Reedley College on the road September 23, 2017 at 4:00 p.m. Go Panthers!

The Soccer Panthers Defeat American River 2-0

On September 12, 2017, the Hartnell College Men's Soccer team visited American River College, following their Cerritos Tournament earlier this month. The Panthers had no mercy against the Beavers! Led by Anthony Hurtado and Brandon Hernandez, they both scored goals in the first half, putting Hartnell on the scoreboard. Each goal was assisted by Jefferson Escobar and Adrian Serrato. Goalkeeper Jesus Parra also had an incredible save for the Panthers, ensuring the win for Hartnell. The Soccer Team’s record now stands at 3-0-1. The team is off to a good start and is looking to improve.

Volleyball by Coach Jaime Pedroza

Last week, the Women's Volleyball Team participated in the largest pre-season tournament in Northern California. Some of the top sixteen teams played at San Joaquin Delta College. The team faced Butte College first and suffered a tough loss, 25-18, 25-12, 25-23. The second match of the day was against Reedley College. The Lady Panthers swept them 25-13, 25-18, 25-22. Some of the statistical leaders were sophomore team Co-Captain, Kawena Paez (Kaimuki HS) with 4 aces and 6 digs. Freshmen Outside Hitter, Hailee Suber (Salinas HS) also lead the offense with 7 kills.

The second day of the tournament had the Panthers facing fellow Coast Conference members, Gavilan College where they lost 25-9, 25-21, 25-17. The second match of the day was against San Mateo College and our team won 25-23, 24-26, 25-12, 25-16. Statistical leaders were Sophomore Middle Blocker, Daniela Gonzales (Everett Alvarez HS) with 12 kills and 3 blocks. Freshmen Sam Shaffer and team Co-Captain Paez, lead the offense with 16 kills and 18 digs. The current overall record is 5-3.

Mexican Independence festivities

On Friday, September 15, 2017 our student body had a festive event full of dance and music to celebrate Mexico’s Independence Day. They had Mariachi music, specialty waters, and even a singing contest. The Student Center was colorful and joyful. Congratulations also go to all Central American and South American countries celebrating their Independence Day this weekend!
Hartnell to participate in Theater Festival

Hartnell College will be participating for its third year in the esteemed Kennedy Center American College Theatre Festival (KCACTF), with the Theatre & Cinema Program's fall production of *Antigone*. The play was selected by students, faculty, and staff who participated in last spring's poll to determine the TAC Program's 2017 production, and the script will be adapted by students and faculty, to reflect current concerns over civil obedience and human liberty.

Auditions were held this weekend. Performances will be offered to our community December 1-3, 2017 in the Studio Theatre, K-116. The KCACTF is the premier college theatre festival and provides students with invaluable opportunities for academic and professional development in theatre, and the arts. This year's festival will be held in Mesa, Arizona, and our students are looking forward to attending and taking advantage of the many workshops and networking opportunities the festival offers.

For more information, please contact Dr. Marnie Glazier at mglazier@hartnell.edu

In the Heights welcomes DREAMers and has {reActions} after the show

On Sunday, September 10, 2017, the Western Stage presented a special matinee of *In the Heights*. The almost full Mainstage included students from LULAC, members of the DREAM Academy, and community at large. After the performance, the cast offered a {reActions} talkback. The audience had a chance to comment and ask questions. It was a great turnout with lots of dialogue.
UPCOMING EVENTS

THIS WEEK!
Do not miss the Majors Fair
September 22, 2017
10 a.m. – 12 noon
Building C – Student Center

Al and Jane Nakatani
A talk about resiliency
Thursday, October 12, 2017
9:30 – 10:45 a.m. – Building K-125

Family STEM and Arts Day
October 15, 2017 – 12:00 – 4:00 p.m.
STEM, health, athletics, and the arts come together!

The Western Stage presents:
The Boondawgle Estate
September 22 through October 8, 2017
Studio Theater; Details are at westernstage.com.

IN THE NEWS THIS WEEK
Hartnell College in Salinas honors victims of 9/11 attacks, speakers hope students remember, learn from history
http://www.montereyherald.com/article/NF/20170911/NEWS/170919971

VIDEO: Jose and Mr. Ramos: The Dreamer

DACA clinics will help recipients apply free of charge

Panetta, Hartnell College stand behind DREAMers

Students express hopes, concerns of DACA termination
http://www.montereyherald.com/social-affairs/20170909/students-express-hopes-concerns-over-daca-termination

Monterey County declared a ‘Dreamers County’
Small City with some big successes

Community College football: Daich paces Hartnell past Shasta

Shasta College makes it difficult for the Panthers

Gavilan Football players: From high expectations to sad ending

Community briefs, Sept. 14: Residents invited to help clean up sloughs, streets