DACA student goes to Washington with Rep. Panetta

Mi CASA Counselor Yuliana Vasquez and Hartnell DREAMer Adriana Gonzalez-Sebastian were recently invited to Washington D.C. by Congressman Jimmy Panetta. Last week, they were off to the Capital!

On Tuesday, January 30, 2018, Adriana had the opportunity to attend the 2018 State of the Union address and other events; she was a guest of local Congressman Jimmy Panetta and one of the 25 DREAMers that were invited as part of the nationwide legislator initiative to make a statement on the importance of having a prompt and permanent solution for all of the young contributors of this country.

"This was a unique experience,” said Adriana. “Meeting DREAMers from other parts of the country and knowing that many lawmakers support us, reassures my courage to stand up for my beliefs and continue being unapologetic and unafraid as an undocumented student."

Hartnell Speech Team Breaks Team Record

The Hartnell Speech Team broke a team record, earning 28 different individual awards and a 2nd Place Overall team finish at the Keeling Invitational Speech Tournament, held on the Chabot College campus January 26 and 27, 2018.

Comprised of two separate one day tournaments, the Hartnell team competed against nine other two-year and four-year institutions from northern California. Day #1 awards include:

- Casie Guido, 1st Place Prose Interpretation, 2nd Place After Dinner Speaking and 2nd Place Communication Analysis
- Carmen Urciuoli, 1st Place After Dinner Speaking and 4th Place Poetry Interpretation
- Chris Rendon, 2nd Place Dramatic Interpretation and 2nd Place Poetry Interpretation
- Athena Ramirez, 2nd Place Persuasive Speaking
The team will wrap up its regular season tournament schedule at Las Positas College at the Talk Hawk Invitational, February 10 and 11.

Student-Athlete turned Judge
We are so proud to announce that former student-athlete Ralph Vazquez was sworn in on Friday, February 2, 2018 as our new Judge for Monterey County. In this photo, he is in good company including former U.S. Secretary of Defense, Leon Panetta, and Congressman Jimmy Panetta. Director of Athletics, Dan Teresa was there to witness this moment and captured the photo. Governor Jerry Brown appointed him to serve as judge in the Monterey County Superior Court. He will be filling the post left by Judge Albert Maldonado, who retired in June 2017. He has been practicing law for 13 years and for him, this is a huge honor.
Vasquez graduated from King City High School in 1993 and started his higher education at Hartnell College. He transferred to San Jose State University and earned a bachelor’s degree in criminal justice in 2000 and a masters in 2001. He completed his juris doctor degree from the University of San Francisco School of Law in 2004.
For more on Vasquez, read the following story:
http://www.santacruzsentinel.com/article/NE/20171222/NEWS/171229904
At Hartnell College, we are growing leaders, with opportunity, engagement, and achievement!
MILE – Male mentorship at its best

On Saturday, January 27, 2018, community leaders from throughout Monterey County came to Hartnell College to share stories and professional wisdom with the 2017-18 cohort of the Men's Institute for Leadership and Education (MILE) Program. MILE students enjoyed lunch with their mentors and had the opportunity to engage in meaningful dialogue with our esteemed guests around issues such as overcoming obstacles, defining manhood, and balancing home and work responsibilities. This mentorship and scholarship program is helping men in our college community become better prepared for a bright future, filled with motivation, opportunities, and self-sufficiency.

Mi CASA hosts DACA Renewal Clinic for the community

In an effort to continue supporting our local DREAMers, Mi CASA hosted a DACA Renewal Clinic Friday, February 2, 2018. After, the January 9, halt by the Northern California District Court on the federal termination of DACA, Mi CASA joined forces once again with the United Farm Workers Foundation (UFW) and local Immigration Attorney Magnolia Zarraga, and collaborated to put together an event to help many in our community. The collaboration served 45 recipients with DACA preparation services. The UFW provided Department of Justice certification, while Attorney Magnolia Zarraga provided free consultation for cases with special circumstances. The joint effort was a success and Mi CASA is proud to continue working with local partners to fulfill the Hartnell commitment to support all students regardless of residency status.

Employees for Student Success Endowment match available

This year's campaign is well underway and this year's goal is to reach $115,000 in donations and 225 donors to support our students. The new campaign already promises high success with new and continuing participants. This year the campus area with the highest participation percentage will be awarded a brick in the Plaza in front of the Library.
An additional opportunity this year is an endowment match to any employee and/or group of employees who donate $5,000! Your gift will be matched with an additional $5,000 to endow your gift at $10,000 permanently. Because an endowment gift will be invested permanently, it can serve as a permanent tribute to you and extend support for future generations of students. Please join us and the rest of the Campaign Committee in showing your commitment to our students. Your donation will provide encouragement to students by helping them push through, realizing their educational DREAMs.

Join the visionary community leaders who are making educational dreams come true! Show your commitment by creating an endowed Scholarship fund that will live and give continuously. As in prior years, we will have raffles through February 16, 2018. For more information, contact the Foundation Office, 831-755-6810. Thank you for supporting the success of our students.

Transforming STEM Teaching Faculty Learning Program

Instructor of Physics, Laura Fatuzzo has been accepted to participate in the ten-month program, Transforming STEM Teaching Faculty Learning Program, which brings together STEM faculty from UC Santa Cruz and STEM faculty from local community colleges to learn how to improve teaching practices and student learning outcomes in STEM across two- and four year institutions. The program kicked off with a two-day, in-person workshop on January 27 and 28, 2018 at UCSC.

In this Faculty Learning Program participants will:
• Build on one’s own STEM education expertise
• Develop teaching practices to support student learning, especially in lecture courses
• Redesign STEM lectures applying what was learned
• Gain experience in using online technologies to develop our own instructional practice and support student learning

Here is the 2018 Faculty Learning Program Cohort:
Madeline Adamczeski, Chemistry and Oceanography, San Jose City College
Stephanie Bailey, Physics, UC Santa Cruz
Rebecca Braslau, Chemistry, UC Santa Cruz
Gage Dayton, Natural Reserves & Field Studies, UC Santa Cruz
Farid Dowla, Electrical Engineering, UC Santa Cruz
Laura Fatuzzo, Physics, Hartnell College
Sarah Gerhardt, Chemistry, Cabrillo College
Giulia Gurun, Molecular, Cell & Developmental Biology, UC Santa Cruz
Leila Jewell, Physics, Monterey Peninsula College
Tracy Larrabee, Computer Engineering, UC Santa Cruz
Gabriel Muro, Astronomy, Monterey Peninsula College and Gavilan
Narges Norouzi, Computer Science, UC Santa Cruz
Peter Weiss-Penzias, Chemistry, UC Santa Cruz
Hartnell and Stanford Collaboration
Our students will help tell the story of Salinas

Stanford and Hartnell students and faculty got together on January 27, 2018 to discuss a partnership between Hartnell College, the City of Salinas, and Stanford University in efforts to create a new, narrative history of Salinas. The meeting focused on the demographic changes that took place after World War II and the effects of such changes leading up to present day. Students are researching on topics including the revitalization of Alisal, collection and analysis of census data, and evaluation of the impact of agricultural changes on the City’s economy, politics, and society. Dr. Carol McKibben, from Stanford’s Urban Studies Program, and Hartnell instructor Sam Pacheco will be uniting both groups of students in engaging meaningful discussions of topics vital to grasping a complete picture of the Salinas Valley history. Three symposiums on the subject will take place this spring at Hartnell, San Jose State, and Stanford’s campuses. Students will be presenting their findings at the “Organization of American Historians Annual Conference,” in Sacramento April 12-14.

Community engagement
Faculty, students, and staff participate in Forum

Juntos Podemos and the Arts Council for Monterey County presented the Eighth Juntos Podemos Community Dialogue with the theme The Art of Wellness: Health and Resilience on Saturday, January 27, 2018 at Alisal High School. Hartnell College was well-represented with Sociology Professor Dr. Hortencia Jimenez as a speaker and panelist on nutrition, movement, and our mental health; adjunct professor in the arts, JC Gonzalez brought students over to have guests create a mural plus held a workshop on the arts as therapy; the Hartnell Sociology Club held a table and assisted throughout the event; and Director of Communications, Esmeralda Montenegro was the emcee. Especial thanks to Hartnell’s Kinship and Foster Care Education for providing child care for the event.

This dialogue was designed to inform the Salinas community of help available to overcome mental illnesses, deal with everyday stress, and ways to self-help using different relaxation methods in addition to the arts. Juntos Podemos was founded by local Journalist, Erandi Garcia, and supported by members of the community, the Arts Council for Monterey County and Action Council.
Farm Day in King City

On February 1, 2018, faculty and staff participated in Farm Day in King City – led by Trustee Candi DePauw, the day was filled with lots of engagement and opportunities for the South County youth to learn more about agriculture. The Hartnell team worked as class guides and as demonstrators. Some of them with me that day include: Belen Gonzales, Dean Renata Funke, Dean Clint Cowden, student Virginia Tovar, Prof. Al Graham, Dir. Susan Pheasant Ph.D., and Prof. Val Rodriguez. The event was another success with hundreds of children learning about agriculture.

Hartnell and the 49rs – we are related!

Did you ever realize that Hartnell College has ties with the San Francisco 49ers? Pictured, starting on the left, are David Beymer, Anissa Stanton and Prince Williams. David (current instructor and athletic trainer at Hartnell) and Prince (Hartnell alumnus, former Hartnell adjunct athletic trainer and current athletic trainer at CSUMB) are ATC spotters at Levi stadium for the NFL. They are responsible for assisting the medical staffs for both teams by looking for concussions and other injuries during the game. Anissa, Hartnell Alumna and former soccer player, is currently working for Levi stadium and the 49ers as the Denise Debartalo York Fellow. Her yearlong assignment is to assist and learn the facility management for the stadium. Not pictured is Joe Stephani, alumnus and former football player, who is an assistant equipment attendant for the team.

Annual Hartnell Women’s Basketball Game

It was a good day to be a Hartnell Panther student and Alumni as familiar faces gathered on January 31, 2018 for the Annual Hartnell Women’s basketball game. With many family and friends in the crowd, bragging rights for the 2018 alumni game were on the line. It was a showcase between the old-school ball and new-paced ball, but it was fun and competitive.
During the first half both teams were tied at 23 points, thanks to efforts by Hazel Gapol (#32), Brittany Lindsey (#2) (2014-2016) and Martha Grimes (#33) (2015-2017) on the alumni side. However, in the second half 2017-2018 Lady Panthers stepped up, businesslike scoring 41 points with efforts by Davaughna Thompson (#24), Alexus Andrade (#21) and Dallania Pantoja Perez (#31). Current 2017-2018 Lady Panthers came out on top, with a demanding 49-64 final score. Furthermore, after the game, Alumni Hazel Gapol (#32) and Davaughna Thompson (#24) were both awarded MVP honors to top off the night. With the season dwindling the Lady Panthers only have three more home games 2/2, 2/9 and 2,14 to complete the 2017-2018 season. Go Panthers!

**CHISPA Annual Dinner inspires**

On February 1, 2018, Michele and I attended the Annual CHISPA Celebration at the CSUMB Salinas City Center. The event was filled with celebration. Scholarships were awarded to current Hartnell students and to Hartnell alumni. CEO, Alfred Diaz-Infante, thanked his staff and attendees for the continuous support of CHISPA’s mission: to improve people’s lives and create healthy neighborhoods by developing, selling, owning and managing affordable homes. Also in attendance were President of the Board of Trustees, Manuel Osorio, Trustee Aurelio Salazar Jr., and Director of Communications, Esmeralda Montenegro Owen.

**Legislation Conference attended**

On January 28, 2018, Director of Communications, Esmeralda Montenegro Owen attended the annual Legislation Conference by the Community College League of California held in Sacramento. The sessions centered on the new budget and how it will affect the colleges, immigration reform, food insecurities, student engagement and lack thereof, plus the PROSPER Act. During her stay, Esmeralda caught up with Hartnell alumna, Leslie Figueroa (Class of 2016) who is completing her bachelor’s in Spanish at Sacramento State. She is looking for a master’s program in education and plans to return to Monterey County to give back to her beloved community.
Administrators attend SWACC Conference

Last week, VP of Administrative Services, Ben Figueroa and Associate VP of Human Resources, Terri Pyer, attended the Statewide Association of Community Colleges (SWACC) conference. Information on the event can be found at: https://www.swacc-conference.org/sessions

UPCOMING EVENTS

New Exhibition Centering on Foster Youth Opening at CSUMB-Salinas City Center
Hartnell’s Kinship and Foster Care Education invite you to this special exhibit at the former Steinbeck Center.
The exhibition features photography and objects from the Foster Youth Museum, retablos created by ‘unofficial’ foster youth of Salinas, a video created in collaboration with Hijos del Sol Arts and Cinematic Arts Students, and self-portraits created by Monterey County foster youth.
1 Main Street, Salinas, CA
Open now through the Summer

Ag Tech summit – sign up now
Coming on March 28!
Admission to the event is free and includes a sponsored lunch.
Registration for the event is on-line at: http://svagtechsummit.com/register/

Faces of DACA
DREAMers share their stories
Tuesday, February 6, 2018
Mainstage, 5:30 – 7:30 p.m.

Cash for College Day
February 24, 2018
B-110
Workshops throughout the day

Track & Field
Hartnell College vs. De Anza College
Saturday, February 10, 2018
Field Events: 11:00 a.m.
Running Events: 12:00 p.m.
IN THE NEWS THIS WEEK

Hartnell alum signs with Mexico soccer team

Salinas native humanizes DREAMers stories

Central Coast DREAMer attends State of the Union address at the Capitol
http://www.santacruzsentinel.com/article/NE/20180130/NEWS/180139954

Faces of Resilience
https://voicesofmontereybay.org/2018/01/31/faces-of-resilience/

A need for action
https://soledadbee.com/article/a-need-for-action
A dance teacher is a pipeline of culture and tradition from Mexico to Salinas
http://www.montereycountyweekly.com/entertainment/art/a-dance-teacher-is-a-pipeline-of-culture-and-tradition/article_32f6a1e2-06d0-11e8-be28-bfeecdd2c30a.html

Castroville artist brings Mexican culture to greeting cards

South County students, parents attend Gang Prevention Summit
https://kingcityrustler.com/article/south-county-students-parents-attend-gang-prevention-summit

United Fresh offers recall training
https://www.thepacker.com/article/united-fresh-offers-recall-training

Monday Q&A: Hartnell College professor explores transnational experience
http://www.montereyherald.com/article/NF/20180128/NEWS/180129852

John Devine: County Clipboard Allen finding time on the hardwood in Spain

Hartnell basketball breaking out in 2018

Local Roundup, 1/30: Watsonville’s Mosqueda takes 3rd at Lady Baler Bash

McPherson College sweeps four-game set from Huston-Tillotson to open season

COS head coach approaching 600 career victories