Friend of Hartnell sponsors a WELI Alumna’s Educational Journey

Susan Black, chairman of Pinnacle Bank met with a WELI alumna and graduate of our nursing program, Stephanie, last week to discuss her plans to become a nurse practitioner. Stephanie was the gracious and well deserving recipient of a large scholarship awarded by Susan to cover her education. She is waiting to hear from her two favorite universities UCSF and USC, where she plans to transfer and complete her studies. Susan shared deeply encouraging words and inspiration that will undoubtedly stay with Stephanie as she progresses in her educational journey. We are grateful for Susan’s leadership as the founder of the WELI Forum and past member of the Hartnell College Foundation Board of Directors. Thank you Susan for impacting Stephanie’s life in such a powerful way.

Stephanie was thankful for her experience at Hartnell and she expressed great gratitude toward Dean Debra Kaczmar and the entire nursing faculty.

Chamber Awards Luncheon

The 97th Annual Awards Luncheon for the Salinas Valley Chamber of Commerce was held at Sherwood Hall on Thursday, February 22, 2018 with the theme “Shining bright like a diamond.” It was an honor to be present as some of Hartnell’s supporters and friends were honored in various categories. Some of these include Susie Brusa from Rancho Cielo as Businesswoman of the Year; AquaBlue Skin & Body Spa for Small Business of the Year; and Noland, Hamerly, Etienne & Hoss for Large Business of the Year. Director of Communications, Esmeralda Montenegro Owen gave the welcome and introduced the emcee for the event; also in attendance with me were Trustee Manuel Osorio, Trustee Candi DePauw, and VP of Advancement, Jackie Cruz.
Hartnell’s Adult Education Program Brings 100 Students from Salinas Adult School

On February 15, 2018, Hartnell College students and staff provided tours to approximately 100 prospective students from Salinas Adult School. For many of our visitors, it was their first time here and they were excited to hear about the various courses and services that Hartnell has to offer. Support services were highlighted and the 7 Steps to Success were explained. Students received key information at the various locations they toured including: the library, Mi CASA, the Student Services building, the TRIO program, the Panther Learning Lab, the ESL lab, the gym, and the art and science buildings. As the tour progressed, the students commented on the number of services that exist for students, but most of all, they were impressed by the welcoming environment they felt at each stop along the tour. By the end, you could see on their faces that they started to see themselves as potential Hartnell students. Thank you to everyone, including students and staff, who contributed towards this wonderful experience.

Students attend American Society of Agriculture and Biological Engineers Meeting

Students Rafael Mendoza, Melody Sanchez, Kevin Guzman and Timothy Huynh attended the American Society of Agricultural and Biological Engineers meeting in Tulare with Director Joy Cowden. They presented their summer internship posters in the student poster competition alongside engineers from Cal Poly and Fresno State and graduate students from UC Davis. The keynote speaker, Dale Brown, a Supervising Engineer with the Department of Water Resources, discussed his role as the Deputy Project Manager for the Oroville Emergency Recovery Spillways team. It was a great experience and exposure for our students.
Crossroads Gang Prevention Summit Role Play

Theater Art students participated in the Crossroads Gang Prevention Summit, sponsored by the Boys and Girls Club of Monterey County. TAC Team students Jonathan Perez, Andrew Brown, Christopher Batres, and Daisy Barajas performed four skits for all participants: gang recruitment, youth family context, peer pressure to join gangs, and the positive impact of wrap around support that comes of youth being invited to belong to a community group. They did an amazing job, creating significant and heart-felt skits and performing these important scenes before very appreciative audiences at the summit!

K-12 STEM Education
Children enjoy coding

When a child like Geovanny (pictured) says that he wants to be a scientist, you know you have impacted his life forever. This is what the staff in our K-12 STEM Education program experience daily. Here is a link to a video that was created using a web called magisto. You will find students of the Alisal Union School District and Salinas City Elementary School District. The participating schools are Monterey Park, University Park, Bardin, and Fremont Elementary Schools. Some of the teachers featured in the video are: Mr. Hwang (at University Park), Ms. James and Ms. Killens (at Monterey Park), and Ms. Cortez (at Fremont). See how children are enjoying coding

https://www.magisto.com/video/ME8bI1UXRWBvRUBhCzE?l=vsm&o=w&c=c

Welcome New Mathematics Instructor

Miguel-Angel Manrique has taught in the mathematics department since Fall 2017. A Los Angeles native, Miguel studied Mathematics at the University of Southern California and the University of California, Santa Cruz. Before joining Hartnell, Miguel taught at Citrus College, College of the Redwoods, East Los Angeles College, Gavilan College, Reedley College, and Victor Valley College. Some of Miguel's recent interests include chess, photography, and computer programming. He is honored to serve Hartnell's students and to help them develop reasoning skills, mathematical and otherwise. Miguel lives in Salinas with his wife Gwen and toddler Marita.
Welcome New Planetarium Coordinator

Wayne Foster is the new Planetarium Coordinator here at Hartnell College. He moved to Salinas all the way from his hometown of Chicago, where he earned his B.S. in Physics from the University of Illinois at Chicago. He spent the last 5 years working at the world famous Adler Planetarium, which helped him explore his passions for space and science education. Whenever Wayne is not looking up at the sky (or the planetarium dome), he likes to spend time outdoors as an avid cyclist, birding enthusiast, and frequent camper. Wayne is very excited to be here at Hartnell, and he looks forward to showing people all the wondrous things they can see when they just look up!

Welcome New Clinical Operations Specialist

Juan Morales fills a brand new position in our Nursing and Allied Health area. A Clinical Operations Specialist is a technical expert who coordinates, plans, develops, implements, and participates in inter-professional on-campus clinical experiences in skills and simulation learning laboratories. The specialist facilitates high-fidelity human patient simulated learning for nursing and allied health students; manages lab equipment, media, computers, and materials related to simulation learning; operates and troubleshoots simulation software; and incorporates innovative technology into on-campus clinical experiences that align with student learning and program outcomes. In the educational environment, the Specialist serves as a professional role model and mentor.

Morales was born and raised in Monterey County, graduated from King City High School in 2007, and eventually moved to Salinas. He attended Hartnell College and transferred to the University of California, Davis to complete his B.S. in Biological Sciences. He has worked as a tutor for K-12 students through UC Davis’s Bridge program and for college-aged students at Hartnell, spent a little time as a zookeeper, volunteered at UC Davis Medical Center’s Emergency Department, and most recently, worked as an analyst in a microbiology laboratory testing for foodborne pathogens.

“When I’m not busy, I enjoy travelling, hiking, photography, and spending time with family. I live in Salinas with my wife—a Hartnell College Registered Nursing program alumna—and our adopted cat, Ash,” he shared. “I’m excited to start and thrilled to be a part of a team at a school that continues to grow more each year. I am looking forward to seeing the changes that these next few years bring for the simulation laboratory, the Nursing and Allied Health departments, and the campus as a whole. Most of all, I am looking forward to giving back to the community that gives our students so many opportunities to shape their futures.”
Student-Athlete Spotlight
Davaughna Thompson

For this week’s Student-Athlete Spotlight, we would like to recognize Sophomore Davaughna Thompson, from the Hartnell Women's Basketball team. Davaughna grew up in Salinas and attended Salinas High School where she had great success; she received Principal's Honor Roll her senior year and reached two consecutive CCS final championship games in basketball. Outside of the team, Davaughna likes to cook; her favorite meal is shrimp alfredo. She also enjoys going on adventures and hikes. "Growing up Kobe Bryant was my favorite player, but then I started to realize I liked Kevin Durant’s style better; I feel like I play a lot like him and I try to imitate his moves,” expressed Davaughna. Basketball started at a young age for Davaughna; she started playing at the age six. “My parents have always been on my side no matter what,” said Davaughna, so, when she decided to come to Hartnell, it was a smooth transition. One of the reasons that drove Davaghna to come to Hartnell was Assistant Hartnell basketball coach Jim Rimando, “My freshman year in high school he thought I was a senior and was trying to recruit me! He finally convinced me to come to Hartnell, he has always been on my side, it’s been a long time now,” Davaughna explained. The 2016-2017 season was Davaughna’s first year at Hartnell but also her first time playing intercollegiate sports. At the same time, that season was also the first year at Hartnell for Head Coach Destiny Grijalva. “She loved me from the jump, she treats all her players like her kids and growing more with her made me realize I can really trust her, and I know her goal is to get me somewhere,” expressed Davaughna. This year Davaughna was named 2017-2018 team captain averaging 13.0 PPG, scoring her career high 34 points against MPC on Sophomore Night, winning Alumni MVP. Playing 22 out of 24 games this season was not easy as adversity has been taking on Davaughna since high school with multiple injuries that she had to overcome. She did not stop keeping her eye on the prize, as she is currently majoring in sociology and plans to transfer to CSUMB or San Jose State in the fall of 2018. “I can honestly still see myself playing somewhere, I love the game way too much,” she said and adds her favorite quote, “Don't start something you can't finish.” We wish Davaughna the best. Go Panthers!!

Panthers looking to build on second win of the season

It definitely has not been the best start for our Hartnell Baseball Team, on February 13 and February 22, 2018, they competed in 6 games from which they were only able to pull out one victory. As it stands now, they are (2-11) for the season and have yet to face a conference opponent. There are still 26 games left in the season led by Head Coach Babin. The team is looking to build on their recent 4-3 win against Fresno City on February 21. What could possibly be the blueprint the team can follow? In any case the team took the opportunity to show what they are truly capable of and
showed resilience. Falling to Fresno City just a day before 8-1, Hartnell came out with different energy and competed until the last pitch. (#15) Anthony Fashano, started off on the mound for Hartnell and pitched for 5 innings only allowing 4 hits from Fresno City and 1 run. In the 7th inning (#8) Ricardo Torres stepped in and would allow 4 hits and 2 runs with also striking out the last out to win the game for the Panthers. Hartnell's offense was definitely pushed behind (#12) Timothy Burkhardt, who had two runs for the game, one which was a homer that rocketed out of the park. There was definitely something in the air about this game that was a step in the right direction. Hartnell would face Taft the following day on February 22, 2018 and fall 6-4 in a close game that went into the 11th inning, where Hartnell just lost it in the end. With so much time left in the season, the Panthers look to build on this mentality and improve in each piece of their game. Hartnell faces Mission next on Hartnell's home field February 27, 2018 at 2:00 p.m. Go Panthers!

Pitchers Nicole Martinez and Danielle Caoili both averaging a 3.00 ERA

The Hartnell Women's Softball team continues their stretch of consecutive doubleheader games, starting back in February 17 continuing through the weekend of February 19. The team hosted and visited a pair of tough teams consisting of Santa Rosa, Butte and Porterville. During the Matchup vs Santa Rosa, Hartnell had a 3-0 lead in the fifth inning but allowed 7 runs the following inning, giving Santa Rosa the win. “Against Santa Rosa, we looked like we were in charge, but it got away from us,” Head Softball Coach Andy Watt stated. On the same day, Hartnell later took on Butte, the Roadrunners had no problem going up early, scoring 3 runs in the first two innings. Hartnell did score late to make the game interesting, however Butte got the 5-2 win. Coach Watt later stated, “We are a young team that hasn't been together long and we are going through growing pains.”

On February 19, Hartnell traveled to Porterville for a doubleheader - Nicole Martinez and Danielle Caoili each pitched 4 innings only allowing 8 hits all game and having 4 strikeouts. Offensively, Angelina Ruiz had 2 hits, 1 RBI and 1 run. Celeste Canchola added 1 hit and an RBI. Porterville did come out on top 3-4 in an extra-inning game. In the second game of the day, Porterville continued their offensive success as they won 9-1. Angelina Ruiz, Bethany Cardenas, Nicole Martinez and Jennifer Lafayette all contributed a hit for Hartnell. Hartnell now sits at 3-6 (.333) but play their first home league game against De Anza February 27, 2018. Go Panthers!

Panthers fall twice more as season comes to a close

On February 14, 2018 our Hartnell Men's Basketball team faced a tough Gavilan Rams in a crucial game for the Panthers playoff hopes. Unfortunately, the Panthers were not able to muscle up a win even with their great play as they fell 96-89. It was a game that had Hartnell trailing and fighting back as hard as they could against
a team that had already defeated the Panthers earlier in the season. There was no defense being played in this one, as Gavilan shot 50% from the field and Hartnell shot 55.4% from the field, the biggest difference was that the Rams shot an unbelievable 57% from the three off of 14 shots and held Hartnell to 25% shooting behind the arc off only 12 shots. Big time starters such as (#5) Kishon Rogers, (#23) Jesse Hurtao, and (#22) Spencer Conrad Combined for 58 points alone. Gavilan had two players score a combined 61 points for their team, and still finding ways to produce with everyone else. It was a tough loss and one that the Panthers couldn't bare as playoffs looked to be on the brink.

The match with MPC followed in a classic rivalry game on February 16, 2018. The last time sophomores would be on the floor for the Panthers and needing this win for any chance at a playoff spot, players (#23) Jesse Hurtado, (#22) Spencer Conrad, (#5) Kishon Rogers, (#21) Carsen Williams, and (#15) Dallin Mortensen came out to ball. In a game which was completely opposite then last, Hartnell found itself in a defensive showdown as neither team shot better than 37% from the field and both were just under 21% shooting from the three. Sadly, MPC pulled away, mainly due to the fact that they got to the line for 31 free throw attempts and shot for 81%. (#5) Kishon Rogers produced 15 and (#22) Spencer Conrad made 19 points of his own yet, the Panthers would fall 66-59 ending their stellar season with an overall record of (13-13). We are proud of you Panthers!!!

Camera Crew filming video capsules for Student Affairs

Some of our current students are participating in a fun activity – they are the spokespersons for Hartnell College in a series of videos to help new students navigate through the system; from financial aid, the 7 Steps to Success, to paying on time or be dropped. Film crews will be on campus for two weeks to gather all the video they need. These will be ready and posted online and shared on social media next month.

Hartnell Writer’s Guild

Hartnell faculty are working on the first edition of what is hoped to be the annual release of the Hartnell Literary Journal. The journal will collect literary and academic submissions from current Hartnell students and alumni and publish the most qualified pieces. Scholarship prizes will be awarded to the best entries from current Hartnell students, and they will be asked to present their pieces at a live reading on campus. It is the hope of the participating faculty for the Hartnell Literary Journal that it be a continuing showcase of the capability and quality of our students. Contact Professor Daniel Perez (dperez@hartnell.edu) on how to join.

Actors needed!

The Western Stage at Hartnell is casting for its Touring Outreach Show being offered to elementary schools: "Furry Tales with a Twist!" Seeking 2-4 actors of high energy, capable of physical comedy, and who enjoy performing for children. Stipend available! Contact Outreach Coordinator, Pete Russell, at jrussell@hartnell.edu!
UPCOMING EVENTS

You are Invited!
Veterans in the Classroom
Friday, March 9, 2018
12 to 2 p.m. - Building C-101
Refreshments will be served

Educator in Residence
Dr. Carol McKibben presents
A lecture on Minority-Majority Cities in California
Title: What Does It Mean to Be a Minority-Majority City in California in the New Millennium?
February 27, 2018, B-208, 1:00 PM

Fourth Annual Women’s Empowerment Conference
Saturday, March 8, 2018
Steinbeck Hall
Register for the Conference at: WEC 2018

Ag Tech summit – students welcomed!
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/

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Ain’t I a Woman!
A chamber music theater work for soloists and orchestra celebrating the lives and times of four significant African American women: Sojourner Truth, Coretta Scott King, Harriet Tubman, and Pauli Murray.

Tuesday, February 27, 12:00 pm
Mainstage, K-104

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April 10, 2018
Public Health and American Policy in Historical Context

May 2, 2018
Environmental Activism in Agricultural Communities: The Salinas Example.
IN THE NEWS THIS WEEK

The Life of an Undocumented Coder

Men’s Soccer adds scoring punch & builds depth with 2018 recruiting class
http://www.sjsuspartans.com/sports/m-soccer/spec-rel/022118aab.html

Artifacts – arts’ faculty mentioned