Hartnell notifies campus of Oct. 2 robbery

Hartnell sent a campus-wide message on Oct. 2 notifying students, employees and others that a female student had been robbed about 11:15 a.m. that day in the northeast corner of parking lot 3. The student was unharmed, but her assailants, whom she described as men in their 20s, threatened her and took several items of jewelry. This was the first reported incident of its kind on a Hartnell campus since 2014. We take this extremely seriously because the safety of our campus communities and visitors is always our highest priority.

The Salinas Police Department is investigating the incident, working with Kenneth Laird, Hartnell’s director of public safety and emergency management. Director Laird has asked campus patrol officers to begin patrolling in an electric cart with a flashing light, rather than on foot. Please share any additional information about this occurrence with Salinas Police at (831) 758-7090 or Hartnell Campus Safety at (831) 755-6888.

The campus message on Oct. 2 included a reminder to always report your concern to any campus safety officer if you feel unsafe or see suspicious activity. Be mindful of the location of the blue light emergency phones and use them if you feel threatened or there is an emergency. If you are the victim of a robbery, remain calm and do not resist. Assure the robber you will cooperate and take no action that may jeopardize your safety.

President Lewallen and VP Cruz present at CASE on Oct. 4

I partnered with Jackie Cruz, vice president of advancement and development, to present at the national CASE Conference for Community College Advancement in Rancho Mirage. We were invited to tell Hartnell’s story of fundraising and partnership success by the Foundation for California Community Colleges. Our presentation focused on “How to Align Fundraising Priorities with Institutional Goals for Student Success.”

The Hartnell College Foundation was well represented at the Oct. 3-5 conference by: Michele Peregrin, Ashton Clarke, Scott Faust, Priscilla Amao and Aleen Bradley.
Hartnell to join in statewide Week of Action for Dreamers

During the week of Oct. 15-19, Hartnell will join other California Community Colleges in an Undocumented Student Week of Action, with advocacy and activities to support and build awareness about undocumented students throughout the state.

ASHC and Mi CASA, in collaboration with Hartnell Dreamers and Faculty Allies, invite you to join with them to celebrate, support and advocate for and with our undocumented students and families.

The activities will begin Oct. 15 with a Dreamer/Ally Mixer from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Student Center, including a scheduled appearance by U.S. Rep. Jimmy Panetta. See dates and times below under Upcoming Events.

Please share and visit https://ccleague.org/advocacy/federal-advocacy/DACA for more information, or contact Mi CASA.

Transfer workshops continue through Nov. 30

The Transfer and Career Center partnered with Admissions & Records and Financial Aid on Oct. 1 to host a Transfer Applicant Orientation that informed students about the transfer process, including financial aid and graduation evaluation policies.

Also, on Oct. 5, the center hosted its first two of 16 planned weekly Transfer Application Workshops designed to help students prepare and submit applications for university admission. The Friday workshops, offered from 9 a.m.-12 p.m. and 2-5 p.m., are scheduled through Nov. 30, which is the submission deadline for UCs and CSUs.

Nearly 50 students who attended these first two sessions successfully applied to the CSU with help from counselors Nayeli Figueroa, Joel Torres, Norma Cuevas, Yolanda Calero and Mercedes Del Real and Transfer and Career Center Program Assistant Jessica Lopez. Each year, more than 500 of our students apply to CSUs, UCs and private/out-of-state universities. We look forward to helping all of our graduating transfer students apply for transfer this fall.

Hartnell among sponsors of fundraiser for Girls Inc.

Hartnell was proud to sponsor Brunch in the Barn, a Girls Inc. of the Central Coast® fund-raising event on Oct. 6 in King City. I attended along with Dean of South County Education Services Mostafa Ghouse, former dean Paulette Bumbalough and part-time English faculty member Rose Adams.
Girls Inc. is an affiliate of Girls Incorporated, a national organization that has been providing programs for girls in the United States and Canada since 1864. They deliver innovative, research-based programs to address the strengths and needs of girls ages 8 to 18. Girls Inc. inspires girls to pursue post-secondary education, develop leadership and decision-making skills, serve their communities and acquire the ability and wisdom to lead healthy lifestyles.

Dr. Lewallen joins board of Big Sur Land Trust

I was pleased in September to accept an invitation to join the Board of Trustees of the Big Sur Land Trust. I will begin serving an initial three-year term.

Big Sur Land Trust is a non-profit organization with a mission to inspire love of land across generations, conservation of our unique Monterey County landscapes and access to outdoor experiences for all. Since 1978, its generous donors and partners have conserved more than 40,000 acres throughout Monterey County.

The Western Stage looks ahead

to “Legacy of Light,” opening Oct. 27

On Oct. 6-8, The Western Stage celebrated the closing weekend of "American Night: The Ballad of Juan Jose," Richard Montoya’s outrageous comedy, and will be making way for Karen Zacarias’ imaginative "Legacy of Light," to be presented Oct. 27-Nov. 11.

The play is an intellectual joyride confronting a universal question. Two women, living centuries apart, face the myriad of possibilities that birth can bring. This contemporary comedy equates the laws of physics with matters of the heart, using magical realism and dreamlike moments to bring serendipitous stories together. “Legacy of Light” will be performed in the Studio Theater, Building K.

First-year employees tour athletics

On Oct. 5, participants in Hartnell’s First Year, First Friday employee orientation program toured the Physical Education and athletics facilities and fields, caught a few minutes of a men’s soccer game, and observed three more teams in practice sessions.

Athletics Director Dan Teresa highlighted the college's rich athletics tradition, the Panthers’ competitive success against much larger teams and his pride in how well the college emphasizes the “student” part of the “student-athlete” whom his programs help develop.

With some of the best outdoor “classrooms” in the state, it was easy to see why Hartnell has attracted the best students and coaches to carry on the tradition of Panther Pride. The First Year, First Friday program will continue on Nov. 2.
Public workshops to focus on creative expression

Beginning Oct. 9, the Salinas Arts and Innovation Hub will offer a series of fall workshops, free and open to the public, in the old planetarium, room N-7 on the Main Campus:

- Physical Theatre Workshop: 6:30-9:30 p.m., Oct. 9, 11, 16
- Documentary Theatre Workshop: 11 a.m.-1 p.m., Oct. 19
- DIY Website: 4:30-7:30 p.m., Oct. 24
- Crocheting: 7-9:30 p.m., Oct. 26
- Art & Healing: 11 a.m.-1 p.m., Dec. 7

The arts and innovation hub was founded to build bridges among local industry, artists and the community. The workshops are made possible through the hard work and contributions of Dr. Marnie J. Glazier (Theatre Arts and Cinema faculty and team Lead), Hermelinda Rocha-Tabera and Luis Xago Juarez (Ethnic Studies faculty) and John Currier Glazier, Mai Ryuno and Juan Carlos Gonzalez (Fine and Performing Arts faculty). Special thanks go to California's Center for Cultural Innovation: Investing in Tomorrow Grant Program as well as to The Arts Council for Monterey County for their support through seed grant funding.

From Hartnell Athletic Director Dan Teresa:

Volleyball continues to set the Panther pace

During the week of Oct. 1-5, Hartnell Volleyball beat conference rivals West Valley College at home on Oct. 3 and MPC in Monterey on Oct. 5. The Panthers extended their 10-game streak, improving their overall record to 16-2 and 2-0 in conference. The team is ranked sixth in the state and third in Northern California heading into road games this week against San Francisco and Cabrillo.

The Men’s and Women’s Cross Country teams visited Shasta College on Oct. 5 for the Norcal Preview Meet, where the women finished first and the men placed second. Overall, the women’s team is now ranked fourth in the state and first in Northern California. Both teams move on to the Pat Ryan Invitational on Oct. 13 in Santa Rosa.

Men’s Soccer came away with two ties, first at De Anza on Oct. 2 (2-2) and then at home against Evergreen Valley (1-1). The team has an overall record of 5-1-3 and 1-0-3 in conference and is ranked 10th in the state and 17th in the nation. They travel to Las Positas on Oct. 9 and will host Canada at 1:30 p.m. on Oct. 12.
Women’s Soccer soundly defeated Skyline in San Bruno (7-0) on Oct. 2, improving their overall record to 6-5-1 and 1-1 in the conference. The Panthers are also ranked 12th in Northern California. They travel to Chabot on Oct. 9 and will host Foothill at 4 p.m. on Oct. 12.

Last but not least, Hartnell Football will seek to continue its undefeated season, including two conference victories. After a bye, they will be back in action at San Jose City College on Oct. 13, with a 1 p.m. kickoff.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Panther Market Day - food and treats
11 a.m.-2 p.m.
Wednesday, Oct. 10
Student Center

National Coming Out Day celebration
11 a.m.-2 p.m.
Thursday, Oct. 11
Student Center

Men’s Soccer vs. Canada
1:30 p.m.
Friday, Oct. 12
Hartnell Field

Women’s Soccer vs. Foothill
4 p.m.
Friday, Oct. 12
Hartnell Field

Football @ San Jose City
1 p.m.
Saturday, Oct. 13

Dreamer/Ally Mixer
11 a.m.-1 p.m.
Monday, Oct. 15
Student Center

Dreamer Film Screening and Faculty Ally Dialogue
Film: “Don't Tell Anyone”
2-4 p.m.
Tuesday, Oct. 16
Steinbeck Hall

CA Dream Act Application Workshop
11 a.m.-2 p.m.
Wednesday, Oct. 17
Room D-383

Healing Through Art Workshop
11 a.m.-1 p.m.
Thursday, Oct. 18
Steinbeck Hall

In the News
CSUMB, local colleges team up to form new transfer program

Local sports roundup: Hartnell sweeps cross country invitational
https://www.montereyherald.com/2018/10/01/hartnell-sweeps-cross-country-invitational/

Business Digest: CSU Monterey Bay hosts ag career forum Wednesday

Carl Christensen in Alisal Concert: https://voicesofmontereybay.org/2018/10/04/it-takes-a-village/