WELI Forum another inspiring success
Nearly $140,000 raised to support women in our community

The fourth Annual Women's Education & Leadership Institute Forum took place on Thursday, October 26, 2017 at Tehama Golf Club. The evening was a dazzling, intimate dinner and conversation, moderated by Adrienne Laurent, Chief Strategic Communications Officer at Salinas Valley Memorial Healthcare System featuring Joanne Taylor, Community Volunteer and Trailblazer and son Bruce Taylor, Chairman and CEO of Taylor Fresh Foods. This year, the Forum raised nearly $140,000 for WELI! The featured speaker was WELI Scholar, Alexis Munoz (right with two of her mentors). Her testimony of grit and overcoming, led to a standing ovation. As a recipient of the WELI scholarship, she found strength in knowing that there are women that have overcome similar struggles and that an entire community was working behind the scenes to ensure she had the tools and support to achieve her dreams. Alexis graduated from Hartnell College and transferred UC Santa Cruz; she is a Neuroscience and Bioinformatics major and plans to apply to a MD/PhD Neuroscience Program at Stanford University.

We are incredibly grateful to Joanne and Bruce for giving generously of their time to support this great cause. Their leadership has helped us bring resources, education, support, and mentorship to the WELI program. Taylor Farms provided seed funding to launch the WELI program in 2011. When Bruce was asked why he is interested in supporting women, he said, "I could feel it was a grassroots effort, truly coming from the women in the community and I liked the idea of mentoring the students. I have always been a big fan of mentoring."

WELI is an award-winning program that combines a financial scholarship with leadership development and life-skills training to women in our community. The WELI program entered its seventh year.
WELI has provided its scholars $350,000 in scholarships, awards 25 scholarships a year, and has admitted and graduated 175 women to date with over 80% of the first 4 cohorts completing an associate degree and/or certificate of achievement. For further information on promoting the economic prosperity of women in our community through higher education please contact Jackie Cruz at the Hartnell College Foundation at 831-755-6810 or jcruz@hartnell.edu.

**College and Careers Pathway - Soledad High School**

Alisal Campus Auto Tech Instructor, Pete Escoto and a few of his students attended and participated in a College and Career Fair on October 25, 2017 at Soledad High School. Participants learned about college and career paths from the 39 colleges and businesses that were presenting at the event. The Hartnell team presented on the automotive programs offered to our community at the Alisal Campus. Interested high school students asked many interesting questions and some may join us in the near future.

**Veterans’ Appreciation Job Fair is well attended**

The Transfer and Career Center in collaboration with the Veterans Service Center held its Fifth Annual Veterans Appreciation Job Fair on Wednesday, October 25, 2017 in the Student Center. Hartnell had the pleasure of welcoming more than 30 employers who were eager to share job opportunities with the Hartnell community. The event was a huge success with over 400 participants, many who left the event with job applications, freebies, and a better understanding of the employment opportunities in our community. A special thanks to the staff at the Transfer and Career Center and the Veterans Center for coordinating a successful and empowering event for our students and community members.

**Veterans Club at the Fifth Annual Honor our Fallen Run**

On Saturday October 21, 2017, we participated in the Fifth Annual Honor Our Fallen Run to honor those Monterey County service members who have fallen in action in the Iraq and Afghanistan conflicts. For three years, the
Hartnell College Veterans Club made their presence known! Over 20 participants including one service dog, two Club advisors, 12 student veterans, and their children represented their Panther pride at the event. The Hartnell Veterans Club offers sponsorship to events such as this one and is able to do so thanks to the wonderful contributions made through donations and fundraisers. A big ‘Thank You’ to Hartnell College, the Monterey County community, and veterans’ agency who continue to support our Hartnell student veterans; you help in keeping our Club and Program strong and motivated!

Dream Act Application Workshop

On Wednesday, October 25, 2017, Mi CASA and the Financial Aid Office offered a special California Dream Act Application Workshop for Dreamer students in the new Mi CASA Student Center (D-385). Financial Aid staff Jessica Tovar and Cecilia Vazquez provided hands on assistance along with Mi CASA Counselors Rosa Vidales and Yuliana Vasquez. The California Dream Act is the name given to Assembly Bills 130 and 131, which allow some undocumented students to apply for and receive state based financial aid and institutional scholarships. According to Educators for Fair Consideration, "The California Dream Act represents a critical investment in the future of California and in the undocumented students who will become the future leaders of our society."

Hartnell College is implementing intentional strategies to ensure that Dreamer students continue to apply for BOG Fee Waivers and Cal Grants through the CA Dream Act regardless of the political climate.

Movies for Mental Health

On Tuesday, October 24, 2017, students gathered in Steinbeck Hall for a very informative event in honor of mental health awareness. Movies for Mental Health, an event facilitated by Director of DSPS, Amy Lehman and special guest, Kate Griffith of NAMI who facilitates Art with Impact, featured two workshops aimed at bringing awareness to the implications of mental health illnesses to the students.

Facilitators and students engaged in a dialogue about recognizing mental health illness in films and in individuals in their environments and defining terms associated with the stigma of mental illness. Dialogue was followed by a series of short films, a pizza lunch, and a discussion panel consisting of staff, students and community members who overcame their mental illnesses.
The TRIO Program 2017-2018

Parent meetings at the Alisal Campus and in King City

TRIO Director, Manuel Bersamin and staff held TRIO Parent meetings last week. On Wednesday, October 25, 2017, we hosted 50 parents and new TRIO students at the Alisal Campus for the TRIO Parent meeting. The parents enjoyed refreshments, while receiving valuable information about their student’s future college career and the freshmen year experience.

Photos of the TRIO offices, counselors in action, student study area and TRIO tutoring were also shown to the parents. Photos of the 60 TRIO graduates and transfers from the class of 2017 were shown to inspire the parents as to the end goal of the new partnership between the TRIO staff, TRIO students and TRIO parents. The TRIO counselors, Norma Nichols and Joel Torres used the 90-minute meeting to build a wonderful rapport with the Spanish speaking parents. The TRIO director, Manuel Bersamin, built the same rapport with the English-speaking parents.

On Thursday, October 26, TRIO held its Parent meeting at the King City Education Center for those who live in South County. The parents really enjoyed the meetings and thought it worthwhile, so much so, that several parents wanted to know when the next parent meeting would be.

Students Participate in Behavioral Health Seminar

On October 21, 2017, over 50 Hartnell and CSU Monterey Bay students participated in a behavioral health care career symposium titled Social Work: Ensuring Community Wellness at the CSUMB campus. In its third year, the program has grown in popularity and evolved into a full day conference format. Students heard a motivational testimonial from Hartnell College alumna, Melissa Trevino.

She shared her educational journey, challenges, and persistence. She spoke highly of Hartnell College's TRIO program and the support she received from counselors and staff. She transferred to CSUMB, and graduated with her B.A. last spring. She is in the Master of Social Work program at the University.

The event was supported by community partners and agencies. Students attended breakout sessions on Transfer 101, Financial Aid, Mental Health
First Aid, Suicide Prevention, Campus Tours, and panels of professional Social Workers. The program is an exciting partnership between Hartnell College and the CSU Monterey Bay Master of Social Work Program designed to expose students to Social Work as a career and to explore the needs for social workers in Monterey County. Funding for the conference, including transportation, was provided by the Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development. Planning efforts were led by CSU Faculty, Dr. Julie Altman; MSW Outreach & Admissions Coordinator, Jennifer Costelow-Colvin; Hartnell Counselors, Dr. Nancy Reyes and Gabriela Lopez.

Get FruVed - Healthy eating is in!
On October 23, 2017, more than 75 students started their day with a free breakfast and a big surprise for the late afternoon/evening students and faculty with soup and warm fresh baked rolls. Jill Sweeney, Dining Services Manager, performed magic with our Food Bank finds and wowed our senses with a set-up popped with color and fragrances. Get FruVed It is a national USDA effort coordinated through the University of Tennessee to determine the wellness activities on college campuses. The two cornerstones are increasing fruit and vegetable intakes and increasing physical activities. This semester our two meals and pantry will count for three events and next semester, we will do 2-3 again. Students are coordinating the weekly health promotion information with Student Life. Public Heath student, Francesca Caver saw her Pop-up Pantry Spring ‘17 HES 1 project field tested with surprise help from both the Food Bank’s NOW Bags and FruVed support. Between the pop-up pantry and meals, we gave away 271 pounds produce and 91 pounds whole grains. This event’s co-chairs were students, Francesca Caver and Jonathan Sanchez with help from the Associated Students of Hartnell College. The mission for FRUVED and the nutrition and public disciplines are to eat 5-10 fruit and vegetables and to move for 60 minutes each day. Bookmarks with key portion information are available at the Office of Student Life.

Lunch with MILE students
On Friday, October 27, 2017, I had lunch with a group of scholars from the Men's Institute for Leadership and Education (MILE) Program. The men told me about their experiences at Hartnell and their hopes and dreams for the future. They are a bright group of young men committed to making a difference in our community. I responded to their questions and shared information about my journey as an educator and college administrator. MILE is a cohort program that offers 25 male students mentorship, scholarship, and workshop opportunities for an entire year. This is its second year successfully managed by Director of Special Programs, Bronwyn Moreno and community leaders as mentors.
Those in attendance were Ruben Tinajero, Steven Blanco, Antonio Avina, Adam Bustamante, Jose Diaz, Gerald MaCarey, Raul Figuero, and Noe Lona.

**Monterey County Jail Resource Fair a Success**

The Salinas Valley Adult Education Consortium (SVAEC) – of which Hartnell is a Member – participated in the *Monterey County Jail Resource Fair* on Thursday, October 19, 2017. The aim of the annual event is to connect currently incarcerated adults with external resources like housing, employment, and education/training as they prepare to be released. The County Jail has begun allocating more resources to education, training, and rehabilitation, and now requires all inmates to have an Education and/or Career Plan in place at least six weeks before release. (Photo provided by the MC Herald)

SVAEC staff Alicia Gregory and Director Kristen Arps were joined by representatives from Hartnell’s Mi CASA and three other Consortium Members: Salinas Adult School, Gonzales Adult School, and the Monterey County Office of Education Alternative Education Program. The County Jail staff and 30 organizations at the event, expressed a commitment to supporting the inmates, helping eliminate barriers, creating new opportunities, and welcoming them back into the community and workforce.

The 50 men and women inmates either have a high school diploma or are currently preparing to take their GED/HiSET exams through the instructional and testing services provided by Salinas Adult School at the jail. This means that many are ready and motivated to take the next step on their education pathway: attending Hartnell College! Hartnell already offers classes in the jail, including Counseling 1, but the inmates expressed interest in having more learning opportunities, particularly in general education, counseling/psychology, CTE, and the arts.

Links to articles:

**Seaweed Seminar held at Hartnell**

On Friday October 20, 2017, about 70 Hartnell College students and faculty packed a lecture hall in the science building to hear a seaweed seminar by Dr. Sung Min Boo, Professor Emeritus from Chungnam National University, Korea. Dr. Boo is one of the top seaweed biologists in the world and has had a distinguished career as a scientist and leader of STEM education in Korea. His talk entitled *Beautiful and familiar seaweeds in Korea: diversity and utilization*, focused on the biodiversity of red, brown, and green seaweeds of Korea, as well as the various uses of the red alga *Gelidium* in biomedical research, making high quality paper and packaging.
The next day, 30 Hartnell students, four Hartnell faculty, and a UCSC graduate student participated in a day-long genomics workshop. The workshop was led by biology instructor Dr. Jeffery Hughey, and assisted by Dr. Ga Hun Boo from UC Berkeley and Dr. Sung Min Boo noted above. Using DNA isolated from a rare horned lizard from the UCSC Fort Ord Natural Reserve, the participants learned to assemble genomic data, map DNA sequence data, annotate genes, and perform a phylogenetic analysis using mitochondrial genomes. The group is now writing a scientific manuscript that describes the results of the genetic analysis and the importance of documenting the genetic history of this species. The collaborative manuscript will be submitted for publication early next month to the journal *Mitochondrial DNA Part B: Resources*. These two events were funded by a 2017-2018 Hartnell College Innovation Grant awarded to Dr. Hughey.

**Women's Basketball 2017-2018 Season Preview**

With a season under Coach Destiny Grijalva’s belt, the 2017-18 Basketball season looks more promising than ever. As a Hartnell Alumna, Coach Grijalva is definitely familiar with the school and the team’s mission. During the 2016-2017 Basketball season, the team finished with 3-21 record and 1-11 in conference play. With only three players returning: Davaugha Thompson, Illyanna Hendricks, and Dallana Pantoja Perez, the Lady Panthers are looking to take advantage of that sophomore experience and mentor eight new incoming freshmen: Alexus Ortiz, Cristeta Almorad, Ryoka Takeda, Carolina Sandoval, Alexis Martinez, Alexus Andrade, Cerise Silim and Valeria Quinones Liddy. So far, Coach Grijalva likes what she sees this year, with a full offseason starting back in early July. As she heads into her second year coaching the team, Grijalva has 13 players two weeks before the season starts.

Destiny could not be more excited to start up the season, “This group of girls work really hard and I’m excited to see where they go...when I look at last year’s group, I didn’t have a lot of scorers and this year we seem to have more scorers - that is a good sign to have.”

With all new players, they are ready to play the guard position. “I think, I have better shooters this season but also more speed than last season on both ends,” comments Coach Grijalva suggesting offense might be the team’s strength this season.

A huge part of success on a team is leadership and communication and that is what this year’s team has shown. This upcoming season Coach Grijalva is holding her team to high standards, both academically and on the field. “They are required to attend the Panther Lab which is 3 hours a week, I know a 2.0 GPA is required but I prefer them to have above a 3.0 GPA because that’s what schools are looking for. Any time they ask, I really push for the education side. I want them to be students first then athletes second so that they are successful,” she expressed.

In addition, the coach enjoys watching her team grow as individuals, students, and athletes. The Lady Panthers kick off their season on Tuesday, November 7, 2017, at 6:00 p.m. facing Taft. All the best to Women’s Basketball! Go Panthers!

http://www.hartnellpanthers.com/sports/wbkb/2017-18/schedule

**Two wins and a loss for Women’s Volleyball**

Last week the Lady Panthers had three games. On Monday, October 23, 2017, the Women’s Volleyball team hosted West Valley College and won 25-22, 25-21, 25-14. Leaders for this
match were freshman outside hitter Hailee Suber (#3) with six kills and two blocks. Sophomore setter Emily Anderson (#15) dished out 23 assists and served up four aces. Emily ranks third in the Coast Conference North for aces.

On Wednesday, October 25, the Lady Panthers traveled to Monterey cross-town rivals, Monterey Peninsula College where they swept them 25-19, 25-13, 27-25. Sophomore Kawena Paez (#10) dug up 19 balls to help the defense.

Freshman outside hitter Sam Shaffer (#1) led the offense with 9 kills and 4 aces.

Friday, October 27, the Panthers traveled to Los Altos to face Foothill College. They lost 25-15, 25-7, 25-17. Leaders for this match were Sam Shaffer (#1) with 12 kills and Kawena Paez (#10) with 12 digs. Currently, the team is ranked 13th in Northern California. The overall record is 15-8 and 5-3 in conference. Next Wednesday night, they will face San Francisco City College at 6:30 p.m. Go Panthers!

**Hartnell scores season high, 7 goals against Chabot!**

On Tuesday 24, 2017, Hartnell had one of their most impressive games of the season, surpassing their previous goal per game record of 6-1 win over Napa Valley in late September. The team fiercely beat Chabot College with a final score of 7-1! Chabot came into the game with a (0-5-1) conference record and (1-13-1) overall record, but that did not discourage them to face our Panthers. In the opening minute, Chabot struck with a goal by Edgar Gonzalez. However, it did not take long for the Panthers to respond, with recent offense leaders: #18 Adrian Serrato, #5 Jorge Cerna, and #11 Jefferson Escobar who scored in the first half to send the teams with a 3-1 score at the halftime. During the second half, #20 Santiago Morales scored twice, followed by #7 Anthony Hurtado and #21 Zack Scheufele whom all contributed with goals late in the game to solidify the 7-1 victory over Chabot. #20 Santiago Morales improved his own record from 5 to 7 goals in the season overall. Hartnell’s stellar defense continued to assert dominance against Chabot. With a big lead for the majority of the game, most of the team had the opportunity to play. With an impressive 10-2-3 (.767) overall record and 5-1-2 (.750) conference record, our Men's Soccer team does not look to slow down.

**Hartnell Football breaks losing streak at home**

On October 21, 2017, Hartnell Football returned home after two tough losses on the road, to face Cabrillo College. The Panthers knew they could not relinquish a game for the third week in a row, and so, the Panthers came out and defeated Cabrillo 27-16! Thus bringing the Panthers overall record to (4-3) and (3-1) in conference. Right out the gate, Hartnell's defense would wreak
havoc as (#9) Davon Ferguson would return an interception for 38 yards which would open the score 7-0. Cabrillo scored a touchdown to tie the game 7-7 with just over 8 minutes left in the first quarter. Both teams, started out with their offense firing on all cylinders. Hartnell would be next to cap off a drive with a touchdown score after a 33-yard reception by (#1) Y'juan Campbell to boost the team up 14-7. With just under 4 minutes left in the second quarter, Cabrillo would tie the game 14-14. Going into the third quarter both teams defense would excel, (#24) Brian Grace and (#7) Angel Maldonado consistently brought pressure to Cabrillo's quarterback. Cabrillo's defense would overwhelm the Panthers offense and lead into a safety giving those 2 points and the lead 14-16. Come the fourth quarter, it was all Hartnell as they scored within the first two minutes after a 3-yard touchdown run by (#12) Keishawn Robinson to give the Panthers the lead 21-16. Without letting Cabrillo’s defense catch their breath, Hartnell would cap off a 50-yard drive that consisted of 5 plays with a 17 yard rushing touchdown by quarterback (#11) Devon Daich, bringing the score to 27-16 after a failed two-point conversion. Go Panthers!

**Tough week for Women's Soccer Team**

On October 25, 2017, the Hartnell’s Women Soccer team traveled to Los Altos to face Foothill College and fell short losing 1-2. The lone goal was scored by Chace Miguel (#16) and assisted by sophomore Diana Lopez (#13) during the 60-minute mark. Goalkeeper, Maria Isabel Pozos (#99) blocked five shots on goal and had three saves. On October 27, the Lady Panthers traveled to Aptos to play against Cabrillo College. Bringing a win home with a final score 2-1. Two goals scored by Chace Miguel (#16), assisted by Diana Lopez (#13) in one and Cassidy Schiveley (#7) on the second goal. Their overall record is 7-9-1 and in conference 2-5. They still have four more games until the season ends.

**Strategic Planning Brief**

**By Dr. Brian Lofman**

The College Planning Council approved the following six guiding principles for the institutional goal-setting process at its meeting on October 18, 2017:

1. Institutional goal-setting will be accomplished annually in the spring semester, and allow sufficient time for the development of operational planning in advance of the next fiscal year
2. A range in target levels for specific metrics will be considered, including the establishment of minimum expectations, attainable goals, and aspirational goals
3. Data trends that include the most current fall semester data if available and the data for previous years will be considered in setting goals and target levels
4. Benchmarks may be utilized in establishing targets when appropriate and practicable, such as benchmarks based on peer and aspirant college data
5. Long-term targets may be modified based on data trends and other relevant considerations that challenge the established range in target levels from minimum expectations to aspirational goals.

6. Approval of goals and targets will be accomplished through the College Planning Council and the Governing Board.

The District held its third institutional planning retreat on October 20, 2017, featuring presentations on student success, improving the planning process, and draft metrics for the four core outcomes in Strategic Plan 2019-2024 (certificate and degree completion; time and units to completion; transfer to 4-year institutions; student employment following training/completion). Relevant documents can be found at: http://www.hartnell.edu/fall-2017.

**Hartnell hosts event for League of United Latin American Citizens (LULAC)**

On October 21, 2017, LULAC Council #2055 held its 2017 Black & White Masquerade Ball: Scholarship Fundraiser, Dinner, and Dance at Hartnell's Student Center. The Student Center was transformed into a beautiful ballroom for the feast. A special part of the event featured honoring the late Jesse Sanchez with the 2017 LULAC Presidential Award. Sanchez was an outstanding leader in the community and was the first Latino in Salinas to win elective office when he was elected to the Alisal Union School District Board of Trustees in 1981. Sanchez was a proud graduate of Hartnell College and went on to earn degrees at UC Santa Cruz and the UC Davis School of Law.

Vice President of the Board of Trustees, Pat Donohue, attended the event along with Trustee David Serena, Trustee Aurelio Salazar Jr., Trustee Erica Padilla-Chavez, me with wife Michele, and Vice President Dr. Romero Jalomo and wife Rosie. As a result of the generosity of Scheid Family Wines, a group of Hartnell students were able to attend the event as well.

**Farm Day exposes thousands of 3rd graders to hands-on experiences**

Over 300 volunteers took the time and shared their energy and dedication to Ag education to welcome over 3,100 third graders to Farm Day at the Rodeo grounds in Salinas. The Farm Day experience is developed, organized, and facilitated by Monterey County Agriculture Education, Inc., led by our Trustee, Candi DePauw. It is the largest Ag literacy program in the United States. This fun and unique experience provides an opportunity for children to learn about the industry that
provides our food and clothing and it allows the children to learn why Monterey County is the leader in the Ag Industry providing a wide variety of high quality, nutritious food to feed our world. Many of the volunteers included Hartnell staff and administrators.
I enjoyed being a guide for Ms. Rochin’s 3rd grade class at Santa Rita Elementary School.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Press Conference – You cannot miss this one!
The Matsui Family give a transformational gift
Thursday, November 2, 2017
10:00 a.m. in front of Student Services

Panther Learning Lab Patio Pizza Party
Tuesday, October 31, 2017
12:00 – 2:00 p.m.
Alisal Campus Patio: Next to the A Building

The Western Stage presents:
• Steve Martin’s Picasso at the Lapine Agile
  October 28 – November 18, Studio Theater
• Young Frankenstein
  November 11 – December 9, Mainstage
For ticket information go to: westernstage.com

Tickets for Media: contact Kathy at kcusson@hartnell.edu or 831-759-6012

Fall Ceramics Sale
November 15 and 16, 2017
10:00 – 4:00 p.m.
Hartnell College Student Center
IN THE NEWS THIS WEEK

Women’s Cross Country lead

VIDEO – Coast Conference Cross Country – Women’s #1 in 5K

County Clipboard: Noble to be inducted in Encinal High Hall of Fame
http://www.montereyherald.com/article/NF/20171022/SPORTS/171029961

Wildfires prompt congressional push for better disaster prevention in California

ALBA opens gates to public this Saturday

AgTech Conference emphasizes Salinas youth involvement

COS women’s cross country wins conference title

Football preview
http://www.montereyherald.com/article/NF/20171026/SPORTS/171029842

Football report for this weekend

Alumni news in athletics