

Focusing on the education and workforce development needs of communities in the Salinas Valley. Hartnell College strengthens communities by providing opportunities for students to reach career and/or academic goals (associate degrees, certificates of achievement, transfer to four-year institutions) in an environment committed to student learning, achievement and success.

### Share your news!

The President's Weekly Report highlights accomplishment, engagement, progress and success for and within the Hartnell College Community. Please send information and photos by each Wednesday to <u>sfaust@hartnell.edu</u>.

## **Women's Empowerment Conference honors women who inspire others**

The Associated Students of Hartnell College on March 25 presented the Eighth Annual Women's Empowerment Conference, which this year included presentation to awards a Recognition Luncheon to honor faculty and staff who inspire and support Hartnell students.

ASHC President Jane Hernandez presented the honors to (pictured, from left) Lucy Serrano, executive assistant to the superintendent/president and the Hartnell Governing Board

> ("greets every student with a smile"; Peggy Munoz-Meador, political science instructor

("empowering" teaching); and Carla Johnson, dean of student affairs for student success ("holds so much power in her wisdom").

The luncheon speaker was ASHC Vice President Laura Rivera (pictured), a second-year Spanish major, who recalled the inspiration she received from a teacher as a freshman in high school. "She was one of the first people that truly believed in me regardless of being undocumented," Rivera said. "There were

things that I saw as barriers, and she pushed me to knock down those barriers."





The conference program included three workshops, with the topics of "Self-Care and Wellness," presented by Hartnell alum Eva Arreola, who focused on natural remedies through medicinal plants; "Healing Through Art," presented by fellow alum Samantha Saldana, who invited participants to use colorful yarn to express their emotions (pictured); and "Career and Professional Development," presented Mercedes Del Real, counselor for the Transfer & Career Center, who shared the essential techniques for writing cover letters and resumes and shared interviewing tips.

### **Dr. Wilkinson provides briefing to Leadership Monterey County group**

Dr. Cathryn Wilkinson, vice president of academic affairs, on March 25 gave an overview of Hartnell to a group of 30 business and nonprofit leaders participating in the Leadership Monterey County, which builds awareness of local business and community concerns and encourages involvement and stewardship. Interim Superintendent/President Dr. Steve Crow also attended.

Speaking in Steinbeck Hall, Dr. Wilkinson provided a snapshot of Hartnell as it continues to emerge from the pandemic, including the opening of the three education centers and the Center for Nursing & Health Sciences, the

launch of Meta-Majors,

and pathway programs with Cal State Monterey Bay. She also offered a view of the college's role in contributing to a strong workforce for local industry.

"We've got traditions that are really, really solid in academia," she said, "but we're not stuck back here in the way education has always been. Particularly as a community college I think we are really on the front line of where education meets the rest of the world.

So we have this other tug, which is to be relevant and nimble. ... I think in particular the community college, with career-related fields, we will die if we're not relevant to industry. We have a lot of very strong ties with our employers: 'How are students doing when you hire them?' 'Those Hartnell grads, they're great!' But we know they're great because we work with industry partners to say this is what a student needs to learn."

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## Nursing & Health Sciences to present community-wide career fair on April 4

The Nursing & Health Sciences program at Hartnell is very excited about a career fair it is hosting for the entire community from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on April 4, with dozens of employer participants – both in and out of health care – and a free lunch for all provided by the Food Bank of Monterey County, which will also be sharing free produce.

Timed to coincide with Public Health Week, the event will also include a fire truck and ambulance display, a mobile clinic display and a live Zumba session. Employer participants include the Monterey County Office of Emergency Services, United Way, Natividad Medical Center, Montage Health, Stanford Children's Health and Community Health Trust of Pajaro Valley.

## Immersive system provides realistic scenarios for health care training

With activation this month of an immersive and interactive learning space in the new Center for Nursing & Health Sciences – the only one of its kind in all of Northern California – Hartnell students can now experience the action, sounds and even smells of real-life medical and



emergency scenarios.

Emergency Medical Technician instructor Matthew McElhenie, who demonstrated the Echo Healthcare projection system for Univision reporter <u>Adriana Frederick</u> on March 23, said it has many applications for EMT students but also for nursing students, such as depicting a hospital delivery room. Likewise, EMT students can have an accurate setting for bringing a patient into a hospital emergency room.

"There would be trauma nurses and maybe a physician, and we can have our students bring the gurney into

the room and give a report – say, 'This is what's going on with the patient," McElhenie said.

EMT student Saul Hernandez Lopez said the technology "helps us make the situation as if it were real life. There's the smells, the noise as if you were there. Everything distracts you, but you have to be focused."



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### **Opportunity to purchase a brick paver for placement in Hartnell Walk of Honor**



The Office of the President is inviting Hartnell students and employees to purchase a \$70 brick paver for the Walk of Honor in front of the Main Campus library.

This is a way to honor former students, employees and Hartnell Governing Board members, living or deceased, who have made a significant contribution to the development of Hartnell and/or made a difference in the lives of others. The Walk of Honor is designed to be a place for remembrance and reflection and provides an opportunity to honor these individuals.

In order to have your paver prepared and installed this summer, place your order by March 31. This is not a fundraising activity. The cost is for the paver, engraving and placement at the site.

The pavers are eight inches square and can include six lines of text with 23 characters per line. Lucy Serrano, executive assistant to the superintendent/president and Governing Board, recommends viewing the pavers that have already been installed at the site before placing an order. To order a paver, visit https://hartnellfoundation.org/hartnell-college-walk-of-honor/.

## Alisal and Greenfield students tour Alisal Campus and learn about programs

On March 25, the Alisal Campus and its Career Technical Education programs hosted 125 students from Alisal and Greenfield high schools.

The students toured and were briefed on the Manufacturing/Mechatronics (pictured) and Advanced Automotive Technology labs, as well as the forklift and truck simulators (Jessica Martinez). They also received presentations on Meta-Majors from Melissa Casillas, director of career training programs, and Career Prep and Placement Services from Dina Uribe, coordinator of job and internship placement. Program Assistant Celia Anderson led and

coordinated the tours, which were guided by students.

"Students expressed excitement over CTE program offerings at the Alisal Campus, especially in the areas of auto, diesel and agriculture (food safety and plant science)," Anderson said.



## Veterans Club assists with Ciclovia Salinas on March 20



The Hartnell Veterans Club volunteered for Ciclovia Salinas on March 20, helping with traffic safety, staffing information booths and setting up tents for the event, which promotes family recreation and healthy habits to combat such conditions as diabetes and obesity.

Club members and staff participating (pictured, from left) were Fabian Aguilar (ICC representative), Eduardo Rico-Morfin (secretary), Fernando Guevara (president), Ligia Polio (Hartnell veterans certifying

official), Maria Machado-Sanchez (vice president) and Maria Machado-Sanchez, with her children. Not pictured is club treasurer Luis Amador Flores.

# Men's and women's track and field place 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> on March 25 in SLO

**Track & Field:** The Panther women won the Coast Vs. Valley Challenge meet on March 25 in San Luis Obispo, and the men's team placed second overall. Freshman Isabella Reimann (pictured) won the hammer throw with a mark of 44.54 meters, moving to second best in the state. Francisco's time of 9:55.34 in the 3-kilometer steeplechase moved him to second best in Northern California.

**Softball:** Hartnell was 1-2 over the past week, including a 15-2 trouncing of Chabot at home on March 22. The team is now 12-13 overall and 4-4 in conference. The Panthers' next home game will be at 3 p.m. March 29 against Ohlone.

**Baseball:** The team notched its third win of the season on the road against De Anza and March 26. They host San Francisco at 2:30 p.m. on March 31.



## In the News

Hartnell College program aims to ease parents' minds and address local child care **needs:** <u>https://www.thecalifornian.com/story/news/2022/03/24/hartnell-college-program-aims-provide-childcare-community/7147851001/</u>

Los programas de inmersión interactiva del nuevo centro de ciencias de la salud del colegio Hartnell: <u>https://www.facebook.com/watch/?v=366407605361995</u>

Grant-Funded Apprenticeship Program at Hartnell Will Lower Barriers to Careers in Early-Childhood Education: <u>https://mailchi.mp/mbep/childcare-infrastructure-vital-to-</u>economic-equity-health?e=a6cde44dcc

Hartnell College board selects Gutierrez to lead district: https://kingcityrustler.com/hartnell-college-board-selects-gutierrez-to-lead-district/

Hartnell to launch teacher and childcare apprenticeship program: https://www.ksbw.com/article/hartnell-to-launch-teacher-and-childcare-apprenticeshipprogram/39496923#

## **Upcoming Events**

#### Softball vs. Ohlone

3:00 p.m. Tuesday, March 29 Hartnell Softball Field

#### Cesar Chavez Day Holiday

College closed Thursday, March 31

#### **Baseball vs. San Francisco**

2:30 p.m. Thursday, March 31 Tony Teresa Diamond

#### Music Extravaganza

6-9 p.m. Friday, April 1 Mainstage (Building K)

#### **Public Health Career Fair**

10 a.m.-2 p.m. Monday, April 4 Central Plaza, Main Campus



**Track & Field vs. De Anza** TBD Tuesday, April 5 Hartnell Track

#### Baseball vs. De Anza

2:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 5 Tony Teresa Diamond

#### Hartnell Governing Board

5 p.m. Tuesday, April 5 King City Education Center

#### Baseball vs. MPC

2:30 p.m. Thursday, April 7 Tony Teresa Diamond

#### Softball vs. Cabrillo

3 p.m. Thursday, April 7 Hartnell Softball Field

#### Pop-up Pantry

12 p.m. Friday, April 8 Hartnell Parking Structure

#### Spring Break

April 11-16

#### **Baseball vs. Ohlone**

2:30 p.m. Thursday, April 14 Tony Teresa Diamond

#### **Baseball vs. Cabrillo**

1:00 p.m. Saturday, April 16 Tony Teresa Diamond

#### Hartnell Governing Board -- Development Meeting

5 p.m. Tuesday, April 19 Steinbeck Hall (Building C)

#### Pop-up Pantry

12 p.m. Friday, April 22 Hartnell Parking Structure